PETERBOROUGH HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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Number 1

Please welcome our new President!!

"Yesterday is gone with all its problems. Tomorrow is not here yet; don't worry or even give thought to the problems that it might bring. Let today reign. Take control of today and make it yours without thought of the yesterdays or tomorrows to come, because today is a new day for you to SHINE." author unknown



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As your new president, it's my privilege to welcome each of you to the Society for another year. We all belong for different reasons -- for some it's the speakers, for some -- the library or competitions. Some people belong for camaraderie, some to just get out of the house once a month. Whatever YOUR reason is for coming, I welcome YOU and I look forward to putting names to faces in the upcoming year.

It has been said that "Whatever we accomplish, we accomplish by building on the efforts of the ones that came before us". We are very fortunate to have a long history of volunteering on our side and because of that, we have an active, robust and healthy society to ensure the continuance of! If you think of it, please take a moment to thank those society members who has given of their time in past years. It's a long list!

I've only been involved with the Society for about 3 years, but it's been 3 years of meeting great people who have accepted me wholeheartedly and have encouraged me to become involved. What a great journey it has been so far. Whether it's connecting on Facebook or Twitter, volunteering at the Garden Show or running into other members while running errands -- there's always a smiling face to encourage me and to help make me feel connected. I would encourage each of you, if possible, to consider helping our society to SHINE this upcoming year.

At the January meeting, you will receive your 2015 Yearbooks. **Tammy Gibson** is our yearbook and newsletter editor, and she has again done a fabulous job. You will find them to be an invaluable reference for dates and information all year long. Thanks so much, Tammy! With your 2015 membership, you'll also receive your name tag to wear at each meeting. We

encourage you to wear these to help each of us to get to know one another as well as to use for signing out books from our Library.

Remember, today is a new day for you to SHINE. ❖MJ Pilgrim

New Email for all areas of the Peterborough Horticultural Society

ptbohortsoc@gmail.com

Please add to your safe list!





LUG-A-MUG

Don't forget to bring your coffee mug and wear your Name Tag to our meeting.



Speaker - Cauleen Viscoff "Roses"

After many other lives as a psychiatric nurse, addiction counsellor, a not-for-profit CEO, a business woman, college instructor, and an antiques appraiser, Cauleen has finally found her calling - and a dirty one at that.

Gardening became a passion after a major life crisis threw her a curveball and it fuelled a fire that has only grown in force. Becoming a Master Gardener changed her life. She

learns and grows with every plant she digs into the soil but confesses that roses are her favourite. Using her mistakes to advantage, she has finally learned a few tricks that the masters and professionals have known for decades. Not discouraged by finding her passion this late, she continues to learn, experiment and actually spends time stopping to smell her favourite roses.



Designing, planning and planting gardens are her favourite ways to spend time and when all her gardens are put to bed, she spends the winter months researching, writing, taking courses and working out how best to coax pouty plants out of the soil.

She is the PlantWatch Co-ordinator for Ontario and the Co-chair for the Peterborough Garden Show for 2015.

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For November congratulations to Lorraine Barrow for winning the \$91.50 cash prize. Other prizes included three beautiful Christmas arrangements and donated books and bee nest. I hope everyone has had relaxing holiday.

♦ Margi Leeking & Betty O'Toole

Grants/Thank You Board

Thank you notes have been received from Fairhaven, Crossroads and a Kenner student who received the Madge Harris Horticultural Award. You may read their personal comments on the "Thank You" board at our general meeting.

♦Pat Lounsbury

Large Plastic Platters and Lids

Please bring any large plastic platters and lids you have collected as well as to keep collecting them.

❖Dayle Finlay

2015 Garden Show Volunteers

Despite the cold, the Garden Show is approaching. The dates this year are:

Thursday, April 2nd 5 - 9 pm
Friday, April 3rd 10 am - 5 pm
Saturday, April 4th 10 am - 4 pm

avoiding Sunday as this is Easter Week-end. We will be passing the sign-up sheets around at the January meeting with choices for your favourite volunteer positions, preferred days and times. If you are unable to make this meeting and would like to volunteer, please contact

Joan Harding

705.799.5378 or toursandtickets@outlook.com

We encourage you to take more than one shift if possible to meet our many volunteering needs that make our Show so popular and personal. If you are a new member this is a great way to get involved and meet other members.

Remember, this is **OUR Garden Show** and one we can be proud of and which makes our many Community contributions possible.

◆Pat deVilliers

Weather Cancellation Procedure

In light of the recent bizarre weather we have been having, I thought it would be prudent to review the cancellation procedure for our monthly meetings. By noon of the meeting day, an e-mail would be sent out to all members. Also, a notice would be sent to the local radio stations, Magic 96.7, the Wolf, the Cruz and Country 105. It is rare that we have to cancel but better to be prepared. Hopefully better days are ahead!

Membership

It's a new year and that means renewal time. Memberships are \$20 for an Individual and \$25 for a Family. Although several of you have already renewed, I expect this month's meeting will see many more of you renewing. There will be a drop box at the membership table for those of you who would like to just drop off your payment. Your 2015 yearbook and name tag will be available at the January meeting.

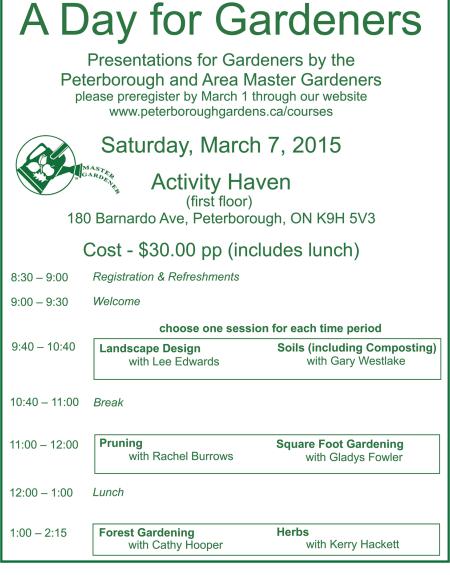
I said in the previous newsletter I would keep you updated on the number of members we have as well as having a fun little competition to see which letter of the alphabet would be the first to completely renew, based on last names. (IE: W for my last name White.) Well to date we have 50 paid members plus our 10 Life members for a total of 60 so far for 2015. As for the alphabet renewals, if your last name starts with the letter E, N or Z, Congratulations! You are the first ones to be completely renewed for this year. You are followed by R - 55% T, V - 50 % S, W - 44% renewed. All other letters of the alphabet are at 33% renewal or less. Don't let the letter of your last name be the last to renew. I'll see you at the membership table where Cash and Cheques are cheerfully accepted! If you are not able to attend the meeting, please feel free to print off and fill in the attached membership form and mail it with your payment.

If you wish to have your 2015 Yearbook mailed to you, please send an additional \$5 for postage to:

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Otherwise, you can pick up your yearbook at one of the general meetings at the library. Remember do not send cash in the mail.

❖Monica White



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Membership 2015

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Regular Committee:	Board of Directors	Archives	Bus Trips	District and OHA	Scholarships	Grants
	Fleming Park	Flower Shows	Hospitality	50/50	Library	Membership
	Newsletter	Nominating	Program	Public Relations	Website	Yearbook
	Twitter	Facebook	Computer Skills	Other:		
Plant Sale: Friday Night: Set-Up, Pricing and Organizing Plants. Saturday Morning: Overseeing the Sale of Plants. Clean up.						
Garden Show:	Set up (April 1/2)	Tear down (April 4)	Muscle	Trucks	Greeters	
	Children's Garden	Admission Ticket Sales	Committee	Cash Room		