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**Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m.**



## Speaker

Unfortunately the speaker that was booked for this month has had to cancel because of illness. We're working on a replacement speaker... it will be a surprise!

## GENTLE REMINDER

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We all want to get home quickly at the end of a long day. But for just a few more seconds we ask that you remain seated until after the card of appreciation/thanks has been given to our guest speaker/s at the end of their presentation. With thanks your Program Committee.

## 50-50

September's 50-50 draw was won by Margaret Higgins, a sum of \$112.40. I don't know how we arrived at that odd figure, but I choose to believe we are over, not short!

The prizes this month included donations from several members: Marie Doyle (a garden apron), Ron and Lois Morse (a sedum) and Griffin's (a \$40.00 gift card). My sincere thanks to all of you, I thought they made a great gift grouping!

I also bought a number of things at our local Canadian Tire store: some great potted arrangements - mums and kale and celosia (I think it was celosia...) - plus leaf bags, bulbs, bulb fertilizer and a big red rake. I hope everyone is happy with their prizes. I am also open to suggestions - just send your ideas to the newsletter editor.

Dawna Rhodenhizer



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## OHA DISTRICT 4 FALL SEMINAR

Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Colborne, ON 9 am to 3:30 pm.

Cost is \$20 and includes lunch, but as PHS pays half the cost it will only be \$10 for members. The speaker is Malcolm Geast, "OHA Roots/ Routes".

If you are interested in attending, please contact Pat de Villiers at: 705-741-1101 or patdevilliers@hotmail.com.

Car pooling will be arranged for those interested.

## New Board Members - New Secretary

It's that time of year again when we are organizing our new Board for the coming year. We welcome anyone interested in joining the Board and becoming more involved in either the PHS Board or Garden Show Committee. In particular this year we are looking for a new secretary for our monthly Board meetings. It would entail making notes and writing them up on computer to e-mail to other Board members. Our meetings are at 7 pm on the first Wednesday of each month, except July and August. This position also includes a small annual honorarium of \$400. If this is something that interests you, please contact Pat de Villiers at: patdevilliers@hotmail.com or 705-741-1101.

## LUG-A-MUG

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



October 23<sup>rd</sup> is the **Preserve and Photography Show** at our General Meeting.

Please check your yearbook for the classes and have your entries in place by 7:15 p.m.

**The Halloween Special** is the carved pumpkin. It is only a week prior to the ghostly event so your entry will still be suitable for the hallowed night. Please have your entry in place by 7:00 p.m. as time is needed for the membership to vote on the first place pumpkin as this is the peoples' choice award.

A Dedication of a plaque/sculpture for

**Ann Greer-Wooten**

Kenner Intermediate School  
Monaghan Road,

10:00a.m. October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Everyone is welcome to attend.

## ATTENTION: ALL SNOW-BIRDS

(and those who don't always come out to play during the winter)!

On your to-do list before leaving/winter, why not renew your PHS membership for 2014 at the October or November meeting? It's quick and easy, simply stop by the membership table before the meeting and renew. The price is still only \$15.00 for Individual and \$20.00 for Family. Your new nametag and yearbook will be ready for pickup in January, but I can hold on to those until your return in the spring.

Thank you. Monica, Membership

## Welcome New Members:

Eleanor Cavanagh, Jane Chambers, Patricia Day,  
Jean Elliott, Sandie Harman, Rose Howlett, Lynne Kemp,  
Elaine Sturgeon, Debra Wease, Marla Williams

## WELCOME TO THE TWITTERVERSE



What is Twitter?

Twitter is quick, on-line communication. A tweet is brief – just 140 characters and that includes addresses, spaces, and punctuation. Short-forms are common e.g. B4 instead of before. A tweet includes a 'call to action' which may be a link to a website for further info, or contact info. For PHS tweets I usually send a link to our website [www.peterboroughgardens.ca](http://www.peterboroughgardens.ca)

As a twitterer – or is it a tweeter? – you will gather followers – people who choose to read your tweets by following your Twitter account. You attract followers by having an engaging, interesting, profile and by tweeting reliable, relevant information.

PHS profile says: "We meet the fourth Wed. each month except July, Aug & Dec at 7 PM at Ptbo Library for speakers and all things horticultural." Our profile has a link to our website.

We have gathered 102 followers; PHS follows 63 people; we have tweeted 146 times; our Klout is 30 (more about Klout in another newsletter).

The best way to get the PHS news out into the 'Twitterverse' is to follow us on Twitter @PtboHortSoc; to retweet our tweets; and to send us tweets relevant to our mandate of horticulture which we can then retweet.

This may seem confusing. Not everyone needs to tweet, but some active, interested followers would be most welcome.

## HAZEL COOK'S PEONY WON CANADIAN GRAND CHAMPION 2013



Hazel and Joe Cook attended the Canadian Peony Society (CPS) Convention in Rosemere, Quebec this past June. Hazel had cut, stored and entered approximately 75 peony stems in the competition. There were 785 entries from many members from Quebec, Ontario, New Brunswick, Manitoba and even British Columbia. Hazel had 6 out of 12 winning entries on the Court of Honour and also won the Best in Show ribbon which was selected as the Canadian Grand Champion. It was an entry of the Intersectional yellow peony 'Garden Treasure' that was declared the winner. This is the second time Hazel has won this honour. Her entry of Bartzella was selected as the Grand Champion in Montreal in 2009.

Hazel also had a Court of Honour ribbon for Black Swan at the Oshawa Peony Festival amongst many other ribbons. When the Cooks travel to the APS Conventions, Hazel has been competing and winning ribbons in the flower shows including at Longwood Gardens, Philadelphia in May 2013.

Hazel, Joe and Amy Cook joined the Peterborough Horticultural Society in the early 1990s and have had a family membership ever since. Hazel learned the basics of staging for floral competitions and flower arranging at workshops through the horticultural society

primarily from Madge Harris and Rachel Burrows. The Cooks are also members of Lakefield and Omemee Horticultural Societies, The UK Delphinium Society, and the American Peony Society of which Hazel is a director.

Hazel and Joe own Blossom Hill Nursery where over 600 varieties of peonies and 1500 delphinium elatum are on display for public viewing during open hours.

### 2014 DATES – APRIL 11, 12 AND 13

Put these dates in your diary as you won't want to miss the 2014 show.

Your show committee is already working hard and planning new ideas to keep the show fresh and exciting. We have several new committee members this year – Margaret Higgins, Kathy McMahon, Karen Strano and Cauleen Viscoff and we owe a big thank you to retiring committee members – Marg Hundt and Susan Bowie. If you have any ideas or suggestions please feel free to approach myself or any committee member at the Hort. meetings.

As usual Joan Harding will have advance tickets for sale at the November meeting, they make great stocking stuffers and gifts for people like your hairdresser.

I will keep you updated on all the new developments and plans, the Evinrude is booked, speakers are in place and vendors are signing up!

Rachel Burrows





## RESULTS OF THE SEPTEMBER 25TH FLOWER SHOW

Class	1	Asters	1 <sup>st</sup> A. Clifford		
	2	Chrysanthemum	1 <sup>st</sup> S. Pyper		
	3	Cosmos	1 <sup>st</sup> S. Carothers	2 <sup>nd</sup> G. Deck	
	4	Dahlia	1 <sup>st</sup> A. Clifford	2 <sup>nd</sup> M. Doyle	
	6	Gladiolus	1 <sup>st</sup> K. Hewitt	2 <sup>nd</sup> A. Clifford	
	7	Hydrangea	1 <sup>st</sup> S. Carothers	2 <sup>nd</sup> A. Clifford	3 <sup>rd</sup> C. Freeburn
	8	Grasses	1 <sup>st</sup> A. Clifford	2 <sup>nd</sup> K. Hewitt	3 <sup>rd</sup> S. Carothers
Class	9a	Rose – large	1 <sup>st</sup> G. Deck		2 <sup>nd</sup> M. White
	9b	Rose – small	1 <sup>st</sup> A. Clifford	2 <sup>nd</sup> S. Pyper	3 <sup>rd</sup> S. Carothers
	10	Rose – spray	1 <sup>st</sup> A. Clifford	2 <sup>nd</sup> M. White	3 <sup>rd</sup> S. Carothers
	11	Rudbeckia	1 <sup>st</sup> S. Carothers	2 <sup>nd</sup> C. Freeburn	3 <sup>rd</sup> S. Pyper
	12	Anemone	1 <sup>st</sup> S. Pyper	2 <sup>nd</sup> G. Deck	3 <sup>rd</sup> K. Hewitt
	13	Fall Bulbs	1 <sup>st</sup> S. Pyper		
Class	14	Any other annual	1 <sup>st</sup> S. Carothers	2 <sup>nd</sup> S. Pyper	3 <sup>rd</sup> M. White
	15	Any other perennial	1 <sup>st</sup> A. Clifford	2 <sup>nd</sup> S. Pyper	
	16	Sedum	1 <sup>st</sup> A. Clifford	2 <sup>nd</sup> K. Hewitt	3 <sup>rd</sup> S. Pyper
	17	Stem with berries	1 <sup>st</sup> M. Doyle	2 <sup>nd</sup> K. Hewitt	3 <sup>rd</sup> S. Carothers
	18	Flowering Vine	1 <sup>st</sup> S. Carothers	2 <sup>nd</sup> M. Doyle	3 <sup>rd</sup> C. Freeburn
	19	Beans		2 <sup>nd</sup> K. Hewitt	
	20	Onions	1 <sup>st</sup> K. Hewitt		
Class	21	Peppers	1 <sup>st</sup> K. Hewitt	2 <sup>nd</sup> C. Freeburn	
	22	Tomatoes	1 <sup>st</sup> M. White	2 <sup>nd</sup> K. Hewitt	3 <sup>rd</sup> C. Freeburn
	23	'Shades of Fall'	1 <sup>st</sup> C. Freeburn	2 <sup>nd</sup> A. Clifford	3 <sup>rd</sup> S. Pyper
	24	Dried Arrangement	1 <sup>st</sup> A. Clifford		
	25	'Pretty in Pink'	1 <sup>st</sup> K. Hewitt	2 <sup>nd</sup> A. Clifford	

JUDGES CHOICE – Design – 'Pretty in Pink' - Kathy Hewitt

BEST IN SHOW – Horticultural- Bugbane - Anita Clifford

## 1ST PETERBOROUGH TIMERAISER

As a part of our Philanthropy Month festivities, the Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough is over the moon to be hosting Peterborough's first Timeraiser.

The Timeraiser is a silent art auction with a twist: guests bid volunteer time (hours), rather than money, on works of art by local emerging artists. Timeraiser artists are paid for their work, so not only are we building volunteerism but we're also supporting emerging artists in our community!

Date: Wednesday, November 20, 2013  
Location: Market Hall Performing Arts

Time: 6:30 pm  
Cost: \$20.00

Learn more about how to become a Timeraiser artist,  
purchase a ticket or get involved by visiting

[peterborough.timeraiser.ca](http://peterborough.timeraiser.ca)

And, don't forget to check out our full line-up of Philanthropy Month events at [www.cfgrp.ca](http://www.cfgrp.ca)



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