# Peterborough Horticultural Society

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# Kathryn McHolm: "Working with nature: Is it a garden, or a habitat?"

"For more than twenty years now on my property in the Village of Welcome, I've been listening as the garden speaks to me. It had been previously owned by a couple who lived here, and gardened, for almost sixty years. The backbone retains plantings typical of the mid 1800s coinciding with the age of my house. There are peonies, rhubarb, lemon lily, mock orange, a nameless shrub rose, Japanese quince and fragrant currant. There are plantings from the early 1900s - cherries and apple trees, grapevines, annual poppies that seed themselves, a robust rosa rugosa and narcissus. My aim is to keep the garden as consistent as possible to its history.

The ambience of "my space" lends itself to creating - my watercolours show the influence of gardening in general and my garden in particular. As a teenager, the experience of nurturing seedlings in what was known as my Grandmother's garden, along with observing my father's diametrically opposite (to me) gardening practices, have inspired a series "From my Garden". Work continues on other series as well - natural and built heritage harmonize in watercolour renditions of the local countryside.

My surroundings also provide me with materials for papermaking, basket weaving and all sorts of floral creations. The garden is a reflection of my personality and my need to conserve and provide a habitat for "critters"."



### President's Message:

As I type this, its amazingly sunny and warm, FINALLY. I don't know about you, but a lot of housework, computer work, work-work, etc., gets skipped for my favourite: "garden work". There's something so rewarding about growing amazing plants!

June 27 is our last general meeting before we break for the summer. The next evening, Thursday June 28, we're hosting a Volunteer Appreciation for all PHS volunteers.

If I don't see you all at these events, I wish you and yours a relaxing and enjoyable summer break. If you have any suggestions for making the PHS better, please don't hesitate to send them along.

ptbohortsoc@gmail.com

Make it a great summer!

MJ (Mary-Jane) Pilgrim



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

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#### **Volunteer Social:**



Our Annual Volunteer Social will again be held at Hutchison House on June 28<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm. Please remember to bring along your lawn chair, for sitting outside on their patio. We have put in our order for sunshine and warm weather!! They will have a very informative volunteer for guided tours in this wonderful home.

Please RSVP by June 20<sup>th</sup> to anniemargaret43@hotmail.com or anitaclifford@bell.net So all you hard-working volunteers, come out and enjoy a wonderful evening.

Parking will be available in "The Bridge Youth Centre" lot on Bethune st. near Brock st. as well as on street as bylaws permit.

Annie and Anita

### Fleming Park:

We are a very creative team at the Park, and all of us are going to miss Greg and Lorraine Barrow as they venture to their new home near Ottawa. Thank you so much to this wonderful couple. The team will get together for a send off at the Silver Bean and enjoy their company and delicious food.

Pat Lounsbury has joined our team, and she "fits like a (garden) glove"! We always welcome new members to join us.



Annie English, Susan Leask, MJ Pilgrim and Pat Lounsbury

# PHS Buying Power:

Did you know that being a member has extra benefits? (other than great people and fantastic speakers that is)...

Some of our Board of Directors have worked out discounts with local garden centres.

All you need to do is ask and present your 2018 membership card to get in on these great deals!

**Discounts for PHS Members:** You must show your 2018 membership card to qualify.



10%

excluding big ticket items



15%



10%



10%

All plants under \$13



25% Barnyard Gold

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10% otherwise

# **Community Grants:**

My favourite time of year is when we get to give away money in the form of Community Grants to groups that work hard to beautify, build pollinator gardens, to education our youth, or to revitalize just to name a few of the uses our money goes towards.

These funds are a direct result of the hard work of the PHS members that goes into our mighty garden show each and every year. So a heartfelt thank you to all of our members that work tirelessly on the garden show to make it such a success. The money that we are giving away this year is money from the 2017 garden show. As you all know we cannot control the weather, and the freak April ice storm significantly impacted our

ability to give the same amount in grants for next year. We will have

more to announce on this later this fall, stay tuned please!

For this year we have \$5500 to give back to our Community, it's with great pleasure I announce our 2018 Grant Recipients.

Peterborough Green UP - Revitalization of Ecology Park's Children's Garden

Bonacord Community Garden - Fruits of Labour Orchard Garden Project

Calvary Pentecostal Church - Development and Expansion of Perennial flower beds and add fruit trees

St Joseph's @ Fleming LTC Facility - Beautification to the grounds Camp Kawartha - Pollination Garden

PTBO Ex Agricultural Society - Educate Urban Community Youth Mapleridge Recreation Centre - Beautification

St Alphonsus Catholic School - Beautification of the front of the school

We will have a short award presentation at our June meeting.

Thank you to my committee Chris Freeburn, Pat Lonsbury, and Debbie Whalen for you support.



Elane Kalavrias



	MAY 23, 2018 FLOWER SHOW RESULTS			
	Section A : Specimen/Cut Flower	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
	Just Bring One: 1st time			
1	exhibitors	no entries		
2	Ferns- 3 stems, any cultivar	Shaun Pyper	Cauleen Viscoff	Anita Clifford
3	Heuchera- 3 leaves, 2 or 3 cultivar	Cauleen Viscoff	Anita Clifford	Calvin Stillman
4	Pansies- 3 blooms	Calvin Stillman	Jen Bird	Cauleen Viscoff
5	Iris- 1 spike	Calvin Stillman	Shaun Pyper	Jen Bird
6	Tulip, Single- one bloom	Anita Clifford	Ruth Hillman	Shaun Pyper
7	Tulip, Double- 1 bloom	Anita Clifford	Cauleen Viscoff	Ruth Hillman
8	Bulb Collection- 3 stems, 2 or 3 cultivars	Anita Clifford - Best in show	Shaun Pyper	Ruth Hillman
9	Spring Flower Collection. 3 perenn, 2 bulbs	Anita Clifford	Ruth Hillman	Shaun Pyper
0	Hosta- 3 small, same cultivar	Ruth Hillman	Pat McAllister	Anita Clifford
11	Hosta- Medium, same cultivar	Ruth Hillman	Anita Clifford	Shaun Pyper
12	Hosta- Large, same cultivar	Pat McAllistar	Anita Clifford	Ruth Hillman
3	Allium- 1 stem	Shaun Pyper	Jen Bird	Anita Clifford
4	Columbine- 1 stem	Shaun Pyper		
5	Bleeding Heart- 1 stem	Anita Clifford	Jen Bird	Pat McAllistar
6	Solomons Seal- 1 stem	Anita Clifford	Jen Bird	Calvin Stillman
7	Spring Flowering Branch	Cauleen Viscoff	Ruth Hillman	Jen Bird
8	Any other Spring Bulb	Pat McAllistar	Calvin Stillman	Shaun Pyper
	Section B: Design	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
9	"Spring is Here" 7x7 arrangement	Anita Clifford	Shaun Pyper	
20	Try your Luck - 1st time exhibitor, any size	no entries		
21	"Shades of Green" pop of colour	Anita Clifford JUDGE'S CHOICE	Shaun Pyper	



#### June Flower Show:

If you have 1 or 2 beautiful flowers blooming in time for our June meeting, please bring them with you. Be sure to put them in a transparent vase and have a (home made) tag to identify what they are.

No more than two blooms per person. Have them in place by 6:45.

No judge, just admiration from your fellow gardeners!

#### Flower Show Committee



#### **Fun Table**

This is a "just for fun" draw, ALL money collected goes to great new prizes for next month.

Is there something you'd like to see on our table? please let us know, we LOVE suggestions.

Tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5

Share what tricks you use for reducing your plastic use for a free ticket!

Cauleen and Jen

# Memberships:

Welcome new and returning members and guests!
2018 name tags and yearbooks are available for paid members.
Membership Prices are \$20 Individual

\$25 Family \$2 Guest

Need to renew? See Laura and Susan at the welcome desk. No need to fill out a form if your contact information is unchanged.

For those paying cash, it is helpful to bring the funds in an unsealed envelope with your name on it....save trees and reuse an old envelope.

We look forward to seeing you at the June meeting. Please remember to wear your name tag, it helps new and returning members get to know each other better!

Laura Jack and Susan Gomez-Duran



# **Master Gardener Bus Trip:**

There are approximately 6 seats still available for this popular trip: July 18 and 19.

The trip is heading to the London area this year. The cost is \$225 for double occupancy, \$285 single. This includes hotel, 2 dinners, 1 lunch, 1 breakfast and all entrances to the gardens. Any drinks in the restaurants and purchases at the gardens will be your own responsibility and we would encourage you to bring cash, as it would speed up the process. You will be asked to bring your own 'brown bag' lunch for the first day.

It is a fun, 2-day event and we are excited about some of the gardens we are visiting!

Details: Leave Northcrest arena Wednesday July 18 at 8am.

Vineland Research and Innovation Centre is a world-class research centre dedicated to horticultural science and innovation.

St. Thomas Elevated Bridge, part of the St. Thomas Elevated Park Project. Orchard Hill (organic) Farms, education + horse drawn wagon ride through this farm.

New Sarum Diner in Sparta.

Best Western London Airport Inn and Suites.

Thursday: Heeman's Garden Centre in Thorndale.

Clock Tower Inn-Bistro-Pub in Strathroy for a delicious 3-course lunch.

Cuddy Gardens - a learning facility and botanical garden.

Dinner at Mondello in Mississauga.

We expect to arrive home Thursday July 19 at approximately 9:00 p.m.

If you're interested, contact Sharleen Pratt 705 243-1265 <a href="mailto:gardenwithshar@gmail.com">gardenwithshar@gmail.com</a>.



# **Lakefield Horticultural Society Bus Trip:**

The Lakefield Horticultural Society still has a few tickets left for their bus trip on July 5th. We will be travelling south-east of Lakefield to visit Quinte Botanical Garden in Frankford, stopping for lunch at the Whistling Duck in Brighton and then on to Lorne Park Nursery in Colborne.

The cost of the trip is \$60 and includes the bus, entrance to the gardens, and lunch. An insurance waiver must be signed before the trip.

Tickets can be purchased from:

Janice Legresley 705-652-8205 Susan Lloyd 705-652-0971

Thank you,

Sue Lloyd & Janice Legresley, LHS Bus Trip Co-ordinators

# Save the Date Monday July 9 PHS Bus Trip

Cost: \$40 Estimate

Includes bus\* & lunch: 8am: Leave Northcrest Arena

Noon: Lunch @ Haugen's Chicken & Ribs in Port Perry

5pm: Arrive Northcrest Arena



#### Morning:

Anna's Perennials, Omemee

Grills Water Gardens, Cannington

#### Afternoon:

Mason House Gardens, Uxbridge

Richters Herbs, Goodwood

- \* Bus insurance waiver must be signed
- \* 35-seat bus has A/C but no washroom

# **Peterborough Master Gardeners Blog:**

Did you know that our local MG group publishes a blog entry weekly each Monday? The website address is:

peterboroughmastergardeners.com

Articles are short and timely based on the season. Recent titles have been:

Growing Perennials in Containers
Trench or Hole Composting
Is it Dead?
Perennials: When should they be divided?
Frost Dates and Pushing the Limits
Preparing your garden beds for planting vegetables and annuals
Why a Rain Garden?

If you would like to be notified whenever a new entry is made to the blog, choose 'follow us by email' on the left menu.

Any comments or suggestions are most welcome!

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# 2018 Spring Plant Sale Results:

The weather just does not want to co-operate with us! It was a cold Spring, with it resulting in donations of only 470 plants! Despite that we made a profit totalling \$1274.00 this year! A big thank you to the following volunteers that always make the sale fun and a success! Thank you also goes to everyone who donated their plants and garden décor.

Annie English, Cauleen Viscoff, Daina Zvaigne, Dawna Rhondinhizer, Donna Manley, Donna O'Brien, Doreen Jones, Etela Vojnic, Elane Kalavrias, Gladys Fowler, Inge Bouchardt, Issa Horani, Jen Bird, Kathy Hewitt, Lois Scott, Laura Jack, Marie Doyle, Marion Philp, Mary Charlton, Maya De Maria, MJ Pilgrim, Monica White, Noriko Merret, Pat de Villiers, Pat McAllistar, Pauline Drake, Susan Gomez-Duran, Shaun Pyper, Sue Lajeonesse, Susan Leask.

YOU CAN BUY
BUT YOU CAN BUY
And That's Pretty much
THE SAME THING

Anita Clifford