

Peterborough Horticultural Society

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Wednesday, November 27, 2019 7pm

Please join us at 6:30pm for refreshments

Vikki Whitney



Winterscaping: Not your average decor

Victoria Whitney is the General Manager of Griffin's Greenhouses, her family business operating in Peterborough, 5 km north of Trent University.

Griffin's is currently celebrating its 43rd year of helping gardeners create beautiful landscapes with annuals and perennials.

Formally trained as a high school teacher, she enjoys leading the numerous seminars and workshops that Griffin's offers.

Her passion is Container Gardening and finding creative ways to "mix it up" each season.

When Vikki's not busy at the garden centre, she is a wife to Darryl and a mom to two teenagers, Ben and Olivia.

Hospitality:

The Christmas Season is fast-approaching and our November meeting is when members of PHS are so generous. Every year we bring in mittens, hats, scarves, mens warm socks and non-perishable food items.

It feels so good to look at the tables just overflowing with items for those less fortunate than ourselves.

As in past years Pat Lounsbury takes women's and children's items to Crossroads. Anita and Annie deliver the men's socks, hats, gloves and the leftover goodies to Brock Mission. They are so appreciative of our gifts. The next morning Annie delivers the non-perishable food items to Kawartha Food Share. Last year we topped the previous year with a total of 237 lbs.

We can beat that number again this year!

Our Hospitality table is always complimentary at this meeting, and made extra special by the yummy goodies brought in by members like you! Please remember to bring in a small amount of your favourite baking to share.

❖ Annie and Anita





Board Recognition:

November's meeting will be a busy one, with a great speaker, our Annual General Meeting (AGM) and a presentation of scholarships to four deserving post-secondary students.

At the November meeting, we also pause to thank all our BOARD MEMBERS who do so much toward the smooth running of our Society:

Jen Bird: Secretary, newsletter and yearbook editor along with the "fun table" at our meetings.

Anita Clifford: Organizes the Plant Sale and spring & fall flower shows.

Annie English: Heads Fleming Park Committee and hospitality

Issa Horani: Liaison between the PHS and both the City and the Harper Park conservation initiative.

Susan Gomez-Duran: memberships

Laura Jack: memberships

Elane Kalavrias: Heads the Grants and Media committees

Donna O'Brien: Vice-President and chair of the Scholarships committee.

Claire Sullivan: Treasurer for both the PHS and the Garden Show

Pat de Villiers: Past president, bus trips

Cauleen Viscoff: Chair of the Garden Show & the co-organizer of the "fun table".

We'll also be honouring **Issa Horani** in a special way as he is retiring from the board. Thanks for your years of service, Issa!

And last but not least, special thanks to **Annie, Anita and Donna** who always make our hospitality table so delicious and inviting, and to all those who bring their home baking to make this last meeting of the year such a festive treat!

❖ MJ Pilgrim

Membership

Membership prices

\$20 Individual
\$25 Family
\$2 Guest

Welcome to new, returning members and guests.

Please remember to wear your name tag- it helps us all get to know one another.

Need to renew?

Laura and Susan will be taking renewals for 2020 at the welcome desk this month.

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!

Scholarship Recipients 2019

The scholarship committee are thrilled to introduce you to our 2019 Scholarship winners;

Victoria Readings: Fleming College

Emily Kyle: Trent University

Kellsie Bonnyman: Fleming College

Verena Sesin: Trent University

Please join us in
honouring them and
celebrating what your
volunteer hours are giving
back to our community.



Victoria Readings is an Ecosystem Management Technician student at Fleming College. She is an avid gardener and resident of Douro-Dummer, where she is currently opening her own small business, Victoria's Eco Gardening. Here, she is sharing her horticultural experience and love for nature by practicing more ecologically sustainable, adaptable, and responsible methods of gardening. She gets especially excited about planting native species, naturalizing shorelines, identifying plants, and working in pollinator gardens. Victoria also holds a master's degree in critical sociology from Brock University, where she studied ecotourism and wildlife viewing. When she's not in the garden, her laugh can be heard in greenhouses, nurseries, and at volunteer events in the Kawartha region.

Hello, my name is **Emily Kyle** and I am very thankful to be one of the recipients of the 2019 Peterborough Horticultural Society Scholarships. I am a fourth-year student at Trent University studying Environment and Resource Science and Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems and I am currently studying abroad in Scotland in Inverness at the University of Highlands and Islands. I am involved in Junior Farmer's, 4-H, and a volunteer with Girl Guides. The past four summers I was able to garden on organic farms and grow fruits and vegetables for the farmers market and food share. In the future I would love to learn more about herbs, fruits, and vegetables, and be mostly self sufficient with food.

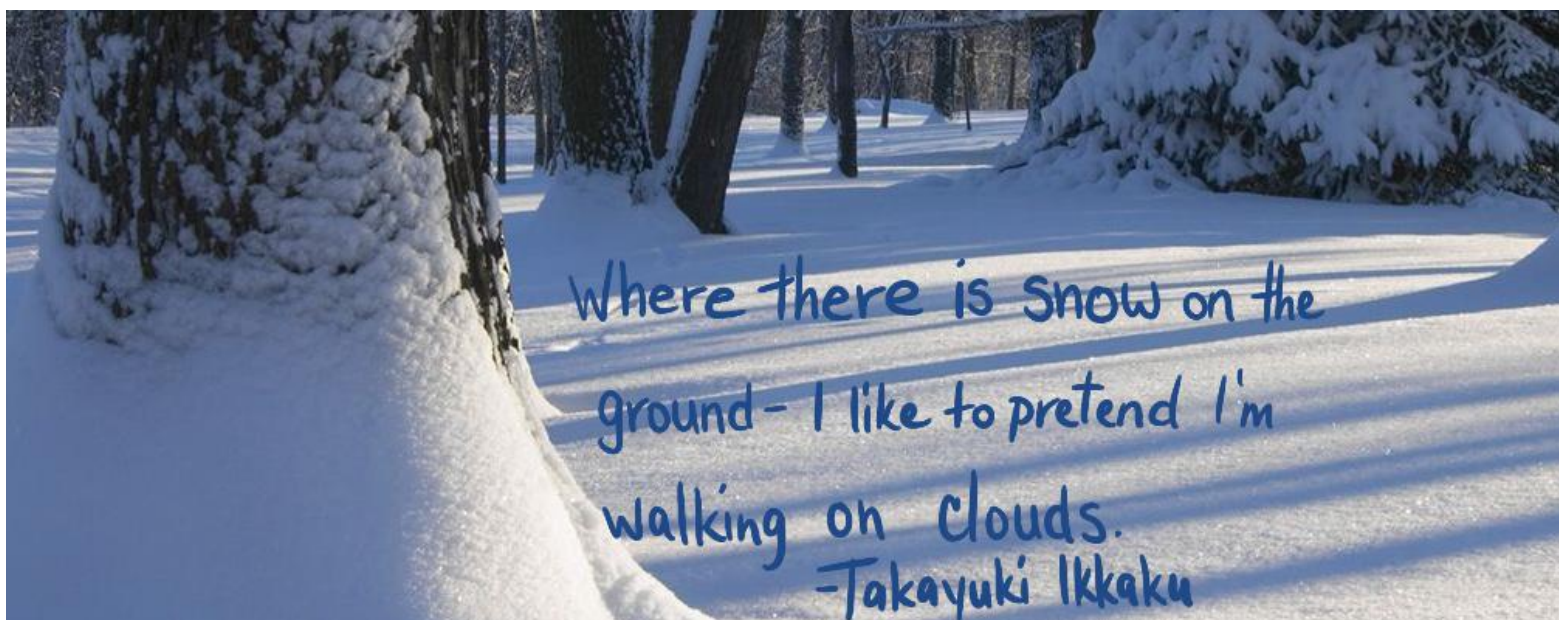
Kellsie Bonnyman is a second year student at Fleming College studying Ecosystem Management. Currently in her program, she has been selected as one of the nine students that will complete a semester abroad in South Africa, where she will both volunteer for the Pidwa Wilderness Reserve and complete her academic studies. She has experience working in a nursery at a local greenhouse and garden center, where she had the responsibility of maintaining the health of trees, shrubs, and perennial plants. Here, she gained an appreciation for landscape design and was fortunate to work alongside horticulturalists and plant technicians. Kellsie is honoured to have been selected for this award, and will continue her conservation efforts and strive to live sustainably.

My name is **Verena Sesin**, Ph.D. candidate in the Environmental and Life Sciences program at Trent University. Growing up in an area with many farms in Germany, I was always connected with horticulture, and at the age of 18, I was elected the "Asparagus Queen" of my hometown. In this community outreach role, I shared the science behind asparagus horticulture to various audiences, which sparked my interest in plant science and communication. I learned effective communication techniques in my B.A. Science Journalism, and broadened my knowledge on how environmental stressors affect plant development during my M.Sc. Ecotoxicology. Today, I develop my own research projects, currently assessing effects and persistence of glyphosate herbicide in plants and their rhizosphere. After graduation I hope to apply my hands-on expertise in plant propagation and pesticide application in a research position, contributing to ecological risk assessments as part of pesticide regulation or integrated pest management.

❖ **Donna O'Brien and the scholarship committee**

October Photo and Preserves Show Results

Section A: Preserves	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
1. Chili Sauce/Chutney	Heather Grassie	Mody Jayeshree	n/a
2. RaspberryJam/ Strawberry Jam	Heather Grassie	n/a	n/a
3. Fruit Jelly	Pat McAllistar	Heather Grassie	n/a
4. Relish - any variety	n/a	Pat McAllistar	n/a
5. Freezer Jam	Pat McAllistar	n/a	n/a
Section B: Garden Themed Photography			
6. "Spring has Sprung"	Jen Bird	Cauleen Viscoff	AnitaClifford
7. A Showy Iris	Anita Clifford	Jen Bird	Shaun Pyper
8. To Bee or not to Bee	Fred Doris	Jennifer Guertin	Joan Brown
9. Nature's Best Friend	Elaine Goselin	Fred Doris	Jen Bird
10. It's About the Hosta	Anita Clifford	Shaun Pyper	n/a
11. Everything is Coming up Roses	Jen Bird	n/a	n/a
12. Solitary Beauty	Anita Clifford	Jennifer Guertin	Elaine Goselin
13. Dazzling Dahlias	Anita Clifford	Fred Doris	Cauleen Viscoff
14. Heraldng Autumn	Fred Doris	Eileen Sibbit	Elaine Goselin



****Please have a look at the minutes from the 2018 annual general meeting attached at the end of this newsletter. We will be making a motion to approve them at the AGM.**



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Omeme Blooms Garden Club

Announcements
Nov 2019



Secretary: Joan Harding
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Hi All: Hopefully you have had a good autumn with lots of time to work in your gardens. We have had some rainy days but hopefully that rain will help renew our poor perennials and trees! It was a very dry summer and I know that while working in my garden in October, I dug a long way and the soil continued to be as dry as a bone. But, we also had some beautiful days that made working in my gardens a real pleasure!

We have had two board meetings since I last sent out a news letter, so I will try to play catch up.

Here are the announcements arising from those meetings.

Gardens and the Green Team: Hasn't Kelly done a wonderful job of keeping everything moving smoothly this year! Yeah Green Team! A great leader and so many wonderful helpers. Although Kelly managed to recruit several new workers this year, I know she can use some more. So, if you would like to help out next year, it would be much appreciated! Please let Kelly know that you can help!

Speakers for 2020

Your speakers team of Joan Harding, Heather Grassie, Carol Mitchell and Barb Morrison have come up with the following line up for 2020. Unfortunately we don't think that the rack card will be ready for distribution at our Nov. meeting so I am posting the list of speakers here. Hopefully the cards will be ready for distribution at the Christmas party and of course at our Pot Luck on Feb. 20th.



Congratulations
to our very own
Cauleen Viscoff
&
Claire Sullivan

For the successful completion of the
Rain Garden Master Class.



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Email Jen at
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November is our AGM and holiday get-together.

Bring your canned goods, hats, socks, gloves and cold weather gear to donate.
...and of course your yummy baked goods to share!

Check greenup.on.ca frequently for great events and workshops near you

LUGAMUG: Don't forget to bring your coffee mug and wear your name tag to our meeting.
Newsletter Submissions: ptbohortsoc@gmail.com - P.O. Box 1372 Peterborough, ON K9J 7H6

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FaceBook: Peterborough Horticultural Society & The Peterborough Garden Show

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Instagram: @PtboHortSoc & @PtboGardenShow

AGM Minutes 2018

Peterborough Horticultural Society Annual General Meeting Minutes, 2018 November 28

1. **Call to Order:** The Annual General Meeting was called to order at 8:16 p.m. following Kerry Hackett's presentation: Favourite Herbs and Homemade Remedies, President's award presented to Pat Lounsbury, Annie English and Susan Leask (Fleming Park) Mini presentation by Sue Musclow about Kairos (community grant recipient) and what they did with the grant money.
2. **Approvals:**
 - Motion to approve (1): **Minutes of the 2017 AGM**
moved by Pauline Drake, seconded by Eileen Sibbet, motion Carried.
 - Motion to approve (2): **Treasurer's Report** for the Peterborough Horticultural Society (PHS) and the Peterborough Garden Show (PGS)
moved by MJ Parker seconded by Cauleen Viscoff. Motion carried.
 - Motion to approve (3): **Actions and Decisions of PHS 2017 Board of Directors**
moved by Marie Doyle, seconded by Doreen Jones. Motion carried.
 - Motion to approve (4): **Actions and decisions of executive PHS Board of Directors**
moved by Sharleen Pratt, seconded by Ruth Hillman. Motion carried.
3. **President's Report** was read by M.J. Pilgrim.
4. **Recognition of Outgoing Board Members/nominations:**
 - No new nominations for directors**
moved by: Donna Manley, seconded by Vivian Heinmiller, motion carried
5. **Presentation of Officers nominated for the Peterborough Horticultural Society 2018 Board:** Pat Chellew, OHA District 4 Representative, inducted the following 2019 Board members.

PRESIDENT – MJ Pilgrim
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT – Donna O'Brien
SECRETARY – Jen Bird**
TREASURER – Claire Sullivan**
PAST PRESIDENT – Pat DeVilliers

DIRECTORS
Anita Clifford
Annie English
Cauleen Viscoff
Donna O'Brien
Elane Kalavrias
Issa Hourani
Laura Jack
Susanne Gomez-Duran*

As no further nominations came forward, the nominated officers were proclaimed as the officers to the 2019 Peterborough Horticultural Society Board. (* means newly nominated and inducted)

**The Secretary and Treasurer positions are appointed positions. The appointments will take place the PHS 2019 January meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.