

Peterborough Horticultural Society

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Wednesday November 27, 2024 @ 7pm, at the Lions' Centre Victoria Whitney from Griffin's Greenhouse "Winter Floral Design"

(A Zoom link will be available for those who can't attend in person)

Join us in welcoming Vikki Whitney of Griffin's Greenhouse to our stage on November 27th. Vikki will be speaking to us about winter floral design.

Vikki is an owner of Griffin's Greenhouses, her family business operating in Peterborough, 5 km north of Trent University. Griffin's is currently celebrating its 48th 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 not busy at the garden centre or in her own garden, she is a wife to Darryl and a mom to two grown-up kids, Ben and Olivia.



President's Message – November 2024

As we step into November, the final stages of autumn bring both reflection on our past growing season and preparations for the months ahead. The garden's quieter beauty this time of year reminds us of nature's cycles, and I hope you're finding joy in your autumn harvests and seasonal blooms. Take this time to replenish our own reserves so we are rejuvenated and ready for the next gardening season.

As our gardens settle into dormancy, it's the perfect time to plan for the upcoming year. Consider taking notes on what worked well this season and what you might want to change. Let's also take a moment to appreciate the beauty of this season, the silhouettes of bare branches, the contrast of the evergreens, the last hardy blooms and the serene landscapes.

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We hope you will join us for Vikki Whitney's talk and our Annual General Meeting on November 27th. We will be revisiting and hopefully approving our work for the past year. If you are interested in receiving our financial statement ahead of time, please let me know.

On behalf of the Board, I want to thank you for your ongoing support and enthusiasm. Let's celebrate this season's accomplishments and look forward to the opportunities and rewards that the next year will bring.

Have a relaxing month!

❖ **Anne Trudel-Inglis**
PHS President



**Announcement
Peterborough
Horticultural Society
Board
is looking for members!**

If you are interested in joining a fun group of people who are passionate about our Garden Club, we welcome you to join our Board.

We meet on the first Wednesday of each month with the exception of (July, August and December).

If interested, please contact us via email: ptbohortsoc@gmail.com or chat with Anne or MJ at our meetings.

PHS Annual General Meeting

Please join us for the PHS Annual General Meeting

Wednesday November 27th at 7pm at the Peterborough Lions Centre



Peterborough Horticultural Society Annual General Meeting Minutes, November 22, 2023

1. Call to Order: 8:06pm.

2. Approvals:

Motion (1): To approve the Minutes of the PHS AGM of November 23, 2022
Approved by Mary Rose Daigle and Gladys Fowlser. Majority Agree.

Motion (2): To approve the Treasurer's Report .
Approved by Sandra Caswell and Pauline Drake. Majority Agree.

Motion (3): That Claire Sullivan and Calvin Stillman be appointed to perform a financial review audit as of August 31, 2023.
Approved by Anita Clifford and Sally Rye. Majority Agree.

Motion (4): To approve the actions and decisions of the Executive for the past year.
Approved by Diane Wolf and Jim Falls. Majority Agree.

Motion (5): To approve the actions and decisions of the Board of Directors for the past year. Approved by Steve Riddell and Tony Vandenburg. Majority Agree.

Motion (6): To accept the President's Report as written by MJ Pilgrim.
Approved by Su Musclow and Vivian Falls. Majority Agree.

3. Recognition of Outgoing Board Members and Incoming Board Nominations:

Pat deVilliers, President for 3 yrs, Past President for 8 yrs!
Carlotta James, VP for 1 year
Elane Kalavrias, Director for 7 years!
Shaun Pyper, Director for 3 years

Welcome to Jennifer Shaw and Marjorie Vendrig, new Associate Directors.

4. Presentation of Officers of the Peterborough Horticultural Society 2023/24 Board:

PRESIDENT – Anne Trudel-Inglis
VICE-PRESIDENT – Vacant
SECRETARY* – Maura Holec
TREASURER* – Mary-Rose Daigle
PAST PRESIDENT – MJ Pilgrim

DIRECTORS Sandra Caswell
Anita Clifford
Annie English
Laura Jack
ASSOCIATES Jennifer Shaw
Marjorie Vendrig

**The Secretary and Treasurer positions are appointed positions.

Motion (7): To accept the list of 2023/2024 board members as listed above. Approved by Diane Raper and Jill Staples. Majority Agree.

Motion (8): To increase the PHS membership rate by \$5 to \$25 individual/\$30 family effective for 2025 memberships. Approved by Fred Doris and Daniel Nadeau. Majority Agree.

The meeting adjourned at 8:29pm on November 22, 2023.

SPECIAL RAFFLE

There is a special raffle being held at this month's meeting.



These beautiful Watercolour Paintings were generously donated by our member and Artist, Robert Moreton.

Tickets are 2 for \$5 or 5 for \$10

Christmas is coming, with that in mind our gift set would make a lovely present for that special someone!



Our Christmas Giving Tables

The November 27th meeting will have a special table for members to donate non-perishable foods, cash, warm socks, hats, mittens and other items.

The hustle and bustle of Christmas Shopping is upon us, and as in other years the generous members of Peterborough Horticultural Society remember those less fortunate.

In past years we have brought warm socks, hats and mittens to this very special meeting. These items are distributed to the Brock Mission, Cameron House for Women and Children, Y.E.S. and last year we had so much we added One Roof.

Non-perishable foods are always needed and last year we tried something new; monetary donations enable KAWARTHA FOOD SHARE to buy approximately 4 dollars of food for every dollar we donate. This was a huge success last year and I delivered 41 pounds of food and a grand total of \$361.00 to them....let's see if we can beat that total this year!

Also on this night, our Hospitality Table is complimentary when members bring in a small sampling of their favorite Christmas baking. Leftover goodies are taken to Brock Mission, and all these items are so appreciated.

Wishing you all a Wonderful Christmas and thanking you all for your continued generosity.

❖ **Annie English**

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2025 Membership

***The membership year is the calendar year
(starts January 1st and ends December 31st)***

**Membership payments for 2025 will be accepted starting in October
Please make sure your membership is paid before the end of December!**

Our membership fees are still a great deal

\$25 for single and \$30 for a family (*Guests for the monthly members meetings are welcome for \$5.00 a visit*)

Membership will give you access to our fun and informative newsletter and in-person meetings with guest speakers. If in-person meetings are not possible, we 'Zoom' the meeting to you in the comfort of your own home! (Many of which are recorded for future viewing). We also post information about other gardening sales, member discounts, webinars and related events, plus there is always the annual Plant Sale and the Bus Trip! Don't miss out!

There are multiple ways to renew your membership:

- ***Pay at the door*** (we accept cash or cheque in an envelope with your name on it – don't forget to include any changes to your contact information). If Square is available, we will take debit or credit card payment
- ***BEST WAY TO RENEW – pay by e-transfer*** to: ptbohortsoc@gmail.com (pretty easy too!)
- ***Download and mail in a new membership form*** (with a cheque) from our website at: www.peterboroughhort.com/about-the-society to:

Mary Rose Daigle
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Peterborough, ON K9H 3K1

Upcoming Events and Activities.....

Events

April 5th, 2025 – OHA Annual General Meeting (co-hosted by Brighton & Grafton)

May 10th, 2025 – PHS Annual Plant Sale (Westdale United Church)

Based on feedback from members, participants and the Board, a decision has been made to move the annual plant sale to an earlier date May at the Westdale Church. PUT THIS IN YOUR CALENDAR!

October 18th, 2025 - OHA Fall Seminar (Peterborough)

Free Gardening Webinars

Blooming Boulevards (Mississauga, ON)

All webinars are held on Saturdays at 10:00am – 11:00am

Click the link below to register, space is still available!

<https://www.bloomingboulevards.org/book-online>



November 21st, 2024 – Blooming Boulevards AGM

Event Description

I am delighted to invite you to our 6th Annual General Meeting. Discover what we've accomplished this year and hear about our exciting plans for 2025! Meet and greet our current Board of Directors, vote to approve our previous AGM Minutes and fiscal year Audit, elect our new Board members, and congratulate this year's Annual Garden and Volunteer Award recipients. We will showcase slides featuring members' wonderful gardens, our busy volunteers and this eventful year's garden and outreach activities. There will be a short informal discussion period after the meeting adjourns.

Gardening Resources

OHA Garden Ontario website <https://gardenontario.org> lots of downloadable resources and the new Autumn 2024 Trillium

Peterborough Master Gardeners website is <https://peterboroughmastergardeners.com/> read the blog, ask questions, find events in Peterborough area.

There are a lot of websites, books and groups that provide resources – if you have a favourite one, please let us know and we will share in the newsletter

Happy Winter!

As 2024 comes to a close with holidays, changeable weather and lots of shopping, visiting and get-togethers remember to stay safe, have a great time and come back in January!

We will be waiting for you 😊

