

Wednesday, November 26th at 7:30 p.m.



Rachel Burrows

"Indoor Decorating Ideas for Christmas"



Rachel Burrows trained as a floral designer with the Constance Spry School of Floristry in London England. She worked for them for 2 years before moving to Canada. After a varied career and carrying on with floristry as a sideline, Rachel returned to Canada and worked part time for Rambling Rose in Peterborough and Lakefield Flowers in Lakefield. Rachel still does some work for Lakefield Flowers and enjoys keeping up to date with all the changes in the flower world.

Rachel has been a member of the Peterborough Horticultural Society for 24 years and served as a director for many years. She has been a Master Gardener for 20 years and was coordinator for 5 years. Rachel served as chair of the Peterborough Garden Show for 3 years having previously been on the show committee for several years. She now gardens in Douro Dummer and enjoys flower arranging for fun.

Annual General Meeting

For the purpose of keeping our AGM as brief as possible, we are printing in the Newsletter a couple of items that have to be approved by the membership at the AGM. We ask that you read these to be informed ahead of time as they will NOT be read at the meeting.

- 1) Minutes of previous AGM
- 2) Treasurer's Annual Report - a copy of the Auditors' Report for 2013 will be available at the Library desk for anyone interested. The 2014 Auditors' Report is with the firm now and is in the process of being completed. Can be accessed at the Library once complete.

Christmas Hospitality Table / Mitten Tree / Food donations 'Tis the Season...

If any members have started their Christmas baking and would like to bring some home-made goodies along to share at the Nov 26th meeting, our last meeting before Christmas, it would be most welcome!

As with last year, we will also have a Mitten Tree and will be collecting unwrapped new hats, mitts and scarves for the Crossroads Women's Shelter.

In the spirit of giving, we also encourage all members to bring some non-perishable food items which will be donated to Kawartha Food Share. Please bring items in plastic bags to make carrying them out to the car easier at the end of the meeting. Lets see if we can surpass last years total of 130 lbs...see you on the 26th...

❖Annie and Gail



LUG-A-MUG

Don't forget to bring your coffee mug and wear your **Name Tag** to our meeting. Please remember a small donation to the Hospitality Fund is always very welcomed.



President's Report

After 4 years, this will be my last report to you as your President. Next month is the AGM with the installation of the new Board of Directors for 2015. Anyone who wishes to stand for a position on the board should contact myself or any of the other Board members. I am pleased that **MJ Pilgrim** has offered to stand for President. MJ is a member of both PHS and a Master Gardener. She works in IT at Trent U and will bring not only her efficiency and expertise with computers and technology, but a fun, outgoing personality. Meetings should be very interesting. I will continue to be on the Board as Past President and also the Board of the Garden Show, so you will be hearing from me again. I would like to thank all the many PHS members for their support over the years, always responding to my many calls for volunteers. This Society could not undertake the commitments we do without your ongoing support!

The face of our Board will be changing with long-time Board member **Anne Milne** stepping down. Anne was the previous President and has been very helpful to me in my transition years. She was also on the Program Committee and has been on the Board for 10 years. Thanks Anne, for all your insights, contributions and years of service!

Also leaving the Board is **Toni LaPointe** who has been head of Programs this year. Toni has only been on the Board a year, but with a 45 minute drive to Peterborough, especially in winter, has decided it's not only too much but so are our winters, so she will be escaping south for the winter (lucky her)!

Another recent arrival to our Board has been **Pat Freistatter**, as Secretary. Pat has done a tremendous job and we will be sorry to lose her, but she has a conflict with Wednesday evenings. We thank these 3 Board Members for their contributions throughout the year(s) and will miss them!

As your President, I wish to give a huge thank you to the remaining Board Members who have and continue to do so much towards the smooth running of our Society:

Claire Sullivan, our hard working, efficient Treasurer. You have no idea the countless hours Claire puts in to keep our finances organized, a challenging undertaking with the scope of the Garden Show!

Pat Lounsbury, another long -time Board Member, Vice-President and my "right-hand woman" and support! Pat is also head of the Beautification Grants.

Tammy Gibson, a very busy lady, who still manages to put out our monthly Newsletters, produce our attractive Yearbook and do rack cards and countless other printing projects, especially for the Garden Show. Tammy is very much behind the scenes, but makes a vital contribution! If it's in print, thank Tammy.

Pauline Drake is one of our long-serving Board Members giving us perspective and sound advice on the Board. She is in charge of both publicity and the Library.

Monica White - we see her smiling face at Membership sign up, but she is busy behind the scenes throughout the year keeping track of membership and contact information.

Anita Clifford is our Spring Plant Sale organizer and also involved with the Spring and Fall Flower Shows.

Annie English we see and appreciate at the monthly meetings on the Hospitality table, but she is also head of the Fleming Park Committee and with her loyal team is at Fleming Park every Wednesday morning throughout the growing season.

Gail Trotter is one of our newer Board Members. She is Annie's "right hand woman" on the Hospitality table, on the sunshine committee and a willing volunteer.

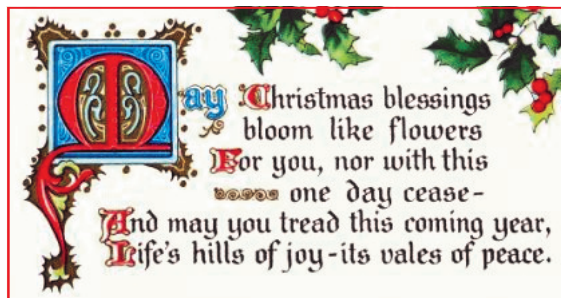
This has been a great Board to work with!!!!

As our last meeting of the year, I would like to thank not only **Annie English** and **Gail Trotter** who always make our hospitality table so delicious and inviting, but all our members who bring samples of their home baking to make this a festive treat!

Thanks too to those who contribute food bank donations and items for the mitten tree.

Wishing you all a Happy Holiday Season!

♦Pat deVilliers



50-50

Congratulations to **Ann English** for winning \$86.50 in the 50/50 draw. Other prizes included a set of place mats, note paper, coffee mugs, bird seed wreath, bird feeders, suet, seed. Also, house plants were donated by **Snow Manning-Jones** and **Kathy Hewitt** donated two greenhouses. Thank you to everyone for participating in the 50/50 draw.

♦Betty O'Toole & Marg Leeking

Library

What's New in the Library?

"Peterborough Master Gardeners Newspaper Articles 2006-2013" - for those of you who read the Peterborough Examiner you may be familiar with a series of weekly articles, written by local Master Gardeners, that appeared over the last few years.

Thanks to Cauleen Viscoff, we now have a compilation of all these articles bound in a coil book for your reading pleasure. It's an amazing amount of knowledge and certainly a testament to our local MGs and PHS. Well done!

"Sedums, The Plant Lover's Guide to Sedums" - offers a rich source of information on these hardy plants that thrive in almost any climate and almost no attention. Who could not love a plant like that? This book has growing tips & design advice for using these versatile plants in every part of your garden.

✦Pauline Drake

2014 Scholarship Winners

Scholarships & Awards

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to present this year's recipients of the Peterborough Horticultural Society Scholarships for post-secondary education. The following four students have been selected to receive these \$1000.00 awards:

ADAM WOOD is an environmentalist who is currently studying Sustainable Agriculture at Fleming College after completing a bachelor's degree in Education focusing on Environmental Science, Outdoor Education and Experiential Education. He worked for two summers for a non-profit youth development organization running an urban vegetable market garden with local teenagers. Adam is currently interning at a homestead near Cameron, ON looking after vegetables, pastures and livestock. He is interested in pollinators and is hoping to bring his agricultural knowledge into the classroom at some point in the future.

MONICA FROMBERGER is currently in her 2nd year at Trent's Environmental Science and Studies Program, having completed year 1 on the Dean's List. She is involved with the Environmental Sustainability Living Learning Community at Trent; discovering various healthy environment topics together with other members. She has volunteered with the Community Garden in Oshawa and the Feathered Friends Festival, also in Oshawa. She has been a committee youth member on the Durham Environmental Advisory Committee and has competed in the Durham Envirothon. She hopes to use her degree to help protect our natural environment for future generations.

JONATHAN DUFFY is enrolled in the second year of Trent's Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems Program. He lives on an organic farm just outside Peterborough where he is learning first-hand the different techniques of organic farming. He volunteers at the Trent Vegetable Gardens at the university. He has also volunteered as a tree-planter and is a full participant in the Trent Sustainable Agriculture and Food Safety Society Club. He hopes to use his horticulture knowledge after graduation by operating an urban farm or working with small not-for-profit organizations to help to integrate mini-farms and gardens into urban environments.

MICHAEL MARCUCCI grew up in downtown Toronto and has always been fascinated by trees. He is currently enrolled in an Urban Forestry Certificate Program at Fleming College – having already completed a bachelor's degree at the University of Toronto in Forest Conservation/Urban Forestry where he was on the Dean's List and received multiple academic awards. Michael has been an Urban Forestry Intern in Toronto, and the chair of a tree-planting volunteer organization. His future plans involve urban forestry and becoming a consulting arborist.

NATHAN LEW of Kenner Collegiate is the winner of the **Madge Harris Award**

VICTORIA COLLINS of Thomas A. Stewart is the winner of the **Olive Isaac Award**

Cheques and certificates were presented to the high school students at their convocation ceremonies held on November 7th, and the cheques for the post-secondary students will be presented at the November 26th PHS meeting. Please join us in Congratulating these Scholarship and Award winners and wishing them all the best in their future endeavours.

PETERBOROUGH AND AREA MASTER GARDENERS

<http://www.peterboroughgardens.ca/MGhome.html>

http://www.peterboroughgardens.ca/mg_factsheets/Task%20Facts%202008.pdf

November

- ◆ Fertilize lawn.
- ◆ Make sure evergreens, shrubs and young trees are well watered for winter.
- ◆ Protect young trees from rodents.
- ◆ Plant some spring bulbs in pots for forcing.
- ◆ Store tools hoses and other garden equipment and ornaments for the winter



Membership

I'm happy to report that we did reach 200 members for 2014, although it was close. This makes a big difference in our receiving a grant from OMAFRA.

Now on to 2015: it's time to renew. Memberships are Individual: \$20.00 and Family: \$25.00. I will keep you updated each month on the progress of renewals and numbers of members. Just for the fun of it, I'm going to keep track of which letter of the alphabet is the first to completely renew by members' last names. Since some letters have a higher number of members, I'll report this part on a percentage basis. Which letter will be the first to completely renew first? Renew now and check in next month for the progress! Hopefully it won't be too confusing. We have 19 members who renewed last month and the alphabet breakdown so far is as follows: those whose last names begin with G & O are leading the renewals with 33%, followed by the letter W with 25%, and letters B, H & T are tied with a 16% renewal rate. Letters L, P, D, F, M & S all have less than a 14% renewal rate.

Please keep in mind that we have a great society, but like any other organization, without growth we will not continue to succeed. Memberships also make a great gift - think Christmas or Birthday for that special friend, teacher or neighbour. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me either by email at monicawhite_962@hotmail.com or by phone 705.749.3034.

❖ **Monica White**

Welcome New Members

Susan Hill

Guests - January **1** - February **1** - April **1** - May **7** - September **2** - October **1**

Beautification Grants

See how part of our profits from the Garden Show benefit our surrounding community!!

Take a look at our **"Thank you Bulletin Board"** to see the great pictures of the various projects that we as a Society have funded.

ENNISMORE received money for their beautiful stone wall garden; **CAMPBELLFORD** for their accessible pathway in their healing garden and **LAKEFIELD YOUTH UNLIMITED** for their canoe lettuce program.

BRIDGENORTH who received \$ in 2012 have also sent a thank you for us assisting them in the funding for 2 trees.

One good turn leads to another! ❖ **Pat Lounsbury**

Suggestion Box

While you are over at the bulletin board, don't forget there is a box for any suggestions you may have regarding our meetings. All ideas are considered and someone will provide you with feedback on your suggestion. Don't be shy!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please submit events in the following format.

Date - Host, Theme, Description, Time, Cost, Location, Contact

If you have a jpg image of a poster or flyer you are using for promotion please send it as well and I will post it to our Facebook page. Thank you! :-)

It is that time of year again to start thinking about the PHS 2015 Yearbook. Please send your submissions to tammy.gibson.phs@gmail.com Subject: Yearbook by December 15th 2014. Please and thank you!

PETERBOROUGH HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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Membership 2015

New Membership Renewal Date: _____ Rec'd by: _____

Single @ \$20.00 = _____ Family @ \$25.00 = _____

Please indicate if you wish your yearbook (and nametag) to be mailed to you.
If so, please include \$5.00 to cover cost of postage.

In accordance with the anti-spam law, please check your consent for the receipt of emails for PHS related information to the email listed or on file. Please add **tammy.gibson.phs@gmail.com** to your safe list.

Please print.

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email: _____

Please list the names of members who are included in the Family Membership.

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_____	_____
_____	_____

Please make cheques payable to: **Peterborough Horticultural Society**. Do not send cash in the mail.

Tell us a little bit about yourself! There are many ways you can participate within the PHS.

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	

Final Draft
Minutes for the Peterborough Horticultural Society
Annual General Meeting November 27, 2013
Peterborough Public Library

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Pat Lounsbury, First Vice President.

2. Recognition of Outgoing Board Members:

Appreciation was expressed for the contributions made by outgoing Board members Cathy Fraser and Kathy Hewitt for their significant contributions to the PHS Board's work.

3. Presentation of Officers nominated for the Peterborough Horticultural Society 2014 Board:

Carol Mitchell, Assistant Director for the Ontario Horticultural Association, presented the Officers nominated for the PHS for 2014 and called for further nominations. The nominations were as follows:

- PRESIDENT - Pat de Villiers
- FIRST VICE PRESIDENT - Pat Lounsbury
- *SECRETARY* – Pat Freistatter*
- *TREASURER* - Claire Sullivan*

PAST PRESIDENT - Anne Milne

ONE YEAR DIRECTORS

- Anita Clifford
- Anne English
- Toni LaPointe
- Monica White

TWO YEAR DIRECTORS

- Pauline Drake
- Tammy Gibson
- MJ Pilgrim
- Gail Trotter

As no further nominations came forward, the nominated officers were proclaimed as the officers to the 2014 Peterborough Horticultural Society Board.

**The Secretary & Treasurer positions are appointed positions. The appointments will take place at the PHS Jan. 2014 meeting.*

4. Peterborough Garden Show: An Update was given by Rachel Burrows on the Peterborough Garden Show

5. Scholarships: Scholarships were awarded to four students: Emily Abu-Middin, Jen Bird, Megan Kitchen and Kyle McQuestion

6. Speaker: Brenda Ibey from Avant Garden Shop made an informative presentation on birds, bird feeders and the appropriate food sources.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Minutes Taken by: Pat Freistatter on behalf of Cathy Fraser.

Grants, Scholarships and Awards given by the P. H. S. - 2002 to 2014*

Community Grants

2002	\$ 850.00
2003	5000.00
2004	4265.00
2005	3383.00
2006	4125.00
2007	5992.00
2008	10010.00
2009	5000.00
2010	9536.00
2011	10582.00
2012	6100.00
2013	7247.20
2014	4500.00

Total \$76,590.20

Fleming Park

2002 – 08	\$9539.00
2009	925.00
2010	607.00
2011	600.00
2012	389.38
2013	581.69
2014	141.58

Total \$12,783.65

Scholarships and Awards and Bursaries

2002	\$ 4000.00
2003	3000.00
2004	1000.00
2005	4000.00
2006	2200.00
2007	1000.00
2008	6200.00
2009	15700.00+
2010	6200.00
2011	16700.00+
2012	4200.00
2013	4200.00
2014	4200.00

Total \$72,600.00

+Bursaries

Trent University	12,500.00
Fleming College	12,500.00

The two bursaries were a one-time contribution by the Peterborough Horticultural Society, matched 100% by a government program making them worth \$25,000 each. These funds, meant to last in perpetuity, pay out accumulated interest only, to qualifying students annually.

Total Community Grants, Fleming Park and Scholarships since 2002 - \$161,973.85

* P. H. S. Fiscal year is September 1st – August 31st

Peterborough Horticultural Society is a charitable organization.

Registration Number: 89205 8744 RR 0001

Peterborough Horticultural Society - Treasurer's Report

September 1st, 2013 – August 31st, 2014

General Accounts

Income:	\$18,460.50
Membership, Mystery Trip, OMAFRA Grant, Plant/Bulb Sale, Library Fines:	4,926.35
Donations:	189.05
Floats / Misc. Income	345.10
<u>Transfers from Savings</u>	<u>13,000.00</u>
Subtotal:	\$18,460.50
<u>Balance Forward August 31, 2013</u>	<u>3,808.65</u>
	\$22,269.15
Expenses:	\$19,781.06
Audit fees, Bank Charges, Library Purchases, Bus Trips, Committee Expense, Newsletter, Postage, OHA fees and insurance, Yearbook, Library rental, Volunteer appreciation, Speakers, Flower shows, and Honorariums:	10,939.48
Community Grants, Scholarships, Awards, Fleming Park:	8,841.58
<u>Reserve Fund Contribution 2013:</u>	<u>.00</u>
	\$19,781.06
Balance Forward at August 31, 2014	<u>2,488.09</u>
	22,269.15

While Garden Show profits subsidize the general expenses of operating our Society, your Board strives to spend MOST of the profits on Community Grants, Scholarships and Fleming Park as well as saving a portion of the profits for the future.

The Peterborough Horticultural Society's proceeds from the 2014 Garden Show of \$10,809.55 was deposited into our Savings Account and \$4,750.64 is being held in our Savings Account for payment of 2014 HST outstanding.

The financial Figures of the Savings Account and the Garden Show account and General Account are melded into the Annual Financial Statement prepared by our accountant which is available to members to examine at our General Meetings. It can be found in the binder on the Library carts.

Claire Sullivan

Treasurer 2014