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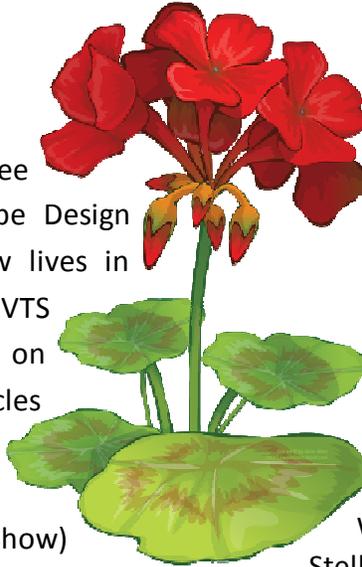
Wednesday, September 25th at 7:30 p.m.



VICKY TAYLOR-SCOTT

Perennials in Containers

Vicki is a Landscape Architect, with a degree in Ornamental Horticulture and Landscape Design from the University of Guelph. She now lives in Guelph and has her own business, VTS Landscape Design. She is a regular guest on television and radio programs, writes articles for newspapers and magazines and her speaking engagements (including Canada Blooms and The Peterborough Garden Show) take her across the province. Humour is the mandatory element of her presentations and as she insists, the key ingredient that nurtures every gardener.



STELLA BARBER

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Stella Barber on August 25th. Stella was a life time member of Peterborough Horticultural Society. In 2012 she was awarded a 25 year membership pin. Stella is said to have had an exceptional knowledge and understanding of plants. Stella and her husband George were real partners in gardening. When I visited George to give him Stella's pin, George showed me his back yard which was a huge, beautiful vegetable garden! Over the years, they always contributed to the Flower and Vegetable Shows. Both were very involved working with Cathy Dueck on the Ecology Garden from it's early years. We extend our sympathies to George and their family.

WELCOME BACK!

I hope you all had a wonderful summer and enjoyed your time working and just appreciating and relaxing in your gardens. Hopefully you also took pictures as soon we will be requesting some of your garden pictures for our next year's Yearbook, especially of red geraniums, our PHS floral emblem. As we move in to fall, it will be nice to enjoy some of the remaining blooms with the Flower Show at this September's meeting. Looking forward to the start of a new season.

Pat de Villiers, President

LUG-A-MUG

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



50-50

For our last meeting of the season, Pauline Drake won \$93.00 in the 50-50 draw. Well done, Pauline! We also had some lovely potted plants from Home Depot, including a red and white hanging basket sporting a small Canadian flag - perfect for Canada Day - two mixed baskets, and a gorgeous geranium in a big tin bucket.

I enjoy getting to talk with so many of you while we sell the tickets, and I thank everyone for participating in the draw. Special thanks also to Chris Freeburn for jumping in to help when it gets hectic. Your assistance is sincerely appreciated.

I hope you enjoyed your summer. Dawna Rhodenhizer



FLEMING PARK

Did you walk or drive past Fleming Park this summer? I hope so because throughout the spring and summer as different flowers peaked it looked wonderful! Our thanks go out to the committed team of 5 who faithfully spent their Wednesday mornings weeding, deadheading, edging, planting and watering. This year Annie English, Lorraine and Greg Barrow and Ha-Yun An, a post secondary student, joined Inge Buchardt and Kathy Hewitt.

What a difference the extra pairs of hands made! The interior beds were tackled and have been cleaned out, replanted and edged. With the development progressing at the corner of Aylmer and Hunter Streets, this park will have even more prominence in the coming years. On behalf of the PHS, we extend our congratulations to this team!

FALL FLOWER SHOW – SEPT. 25

Welcome back to our fall meetings. This past summer has had some unusual weather patterns so I hope your gardens have done well. The Flower Show, on the 25th, has classes that I hope will interest you and will fit with the flowers you have in your garden. Please remember that you will be awarded prize money for each class that you place 1st, 2nd or 3rd. Good luck and I hope to see you and your flowers at the show/meeting.

REMEMBER, this month is for flowers, designs and vegetables. Photography and preserves will be presented on October 23.

**Welcome New Members:
Roger Dray,
Annette Thomson**

GRANT COMMITTEE

Funded 13 projects this year.

We could not give everyone the amount requested and had to adjust our grants to keep within our budget.

The committee awarded \$7,247 in grants this year.

We have received thank you notes from Hutchison House Museum, Peterborough Green Up, Ennismore and District Horticultural Society, and Community Living Peterborough. The thank you notes will be posted on the bulletin board at the September meeting.

Our application form notes that the Society does not fund hardscaping but the committee found that many of the applications we received this year did include costs for hardscaping. This fact also accounted for the grants being less than requested.

Community Grants funded in 2013:

Asphodel-Norwood Beautification Committee;
Bonaccord Community Garden;
Community Living Peterborough;
Ennismore & District Horticultural Society;
Fairhaven Foundation;
Hutchison House Museum;
Lakefield Youth Unlimited;
Memorial Tree for Anne Greer-Wooten;
Millbrook Garden Club;
Peterborough Exhibition Agricultural Society;
Peterborough Green Up Association;
St. Joseph's at Fleming;
Stewart Park Community Garden.

MEMBERSHIP

If you know anyone who would like to join the Peterborough Horticultural Society, they may do so at the September or October meetings, at the reduced rate of \$5.00 for the remainder of 2013. They will still have to renew in January for the next year. The membership table is located just outside the boardroom doors. A reminder that guests should check in at the membership table before joining the meeting.

OHA DISTRICT 4 FALL SEMINAR

Saturday, October 26th, 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](tel:705-741-1101) or patdevilliers@hotmail.com.

Car pooling will be arranged for those interested.

NEW HOME NEEDED!



3 Goldfish currently living in a barrel pond need a good home before winter comes.

Looking for a nice deep pond they can live in. Are about 6" long now!

Contact their agent, Chris Freeburn at bcfree@bell.net if you have accommodations.



OHA CONVENTION 2013

Congratulations to Dianne and Gary Westlake!

At the 2013 OHA Convention in Thunder Bay, they were presented with the **SILVER MEDAL AWARD**.

This medal is the Association's highest award. (and there are many!) It is given for outstanding advancement of horticulture in accordance with the aims of the Association. This is an award that is well deserved. Congratulations Dianne and Gary, from all the members of the Peterborough Horticultural Society



First ever **PARK(ING) DAY** in Peterborough! **NEXT FRIDAY (SEPT. 20TH)**

The Shops on Sherbrooke Street in Peterborough are hosting a special event that gardeners will be interested in seeing!

They are turning a parking spot into a **PARK** for the day!! Yes-you heard right! There will be trees, shrubs, flowers, a park bench, a bird feeder and even a sandbox for the kids!! Help us bring some attention to this event and share why it's important to preserve our greenspace!

Drop by for some treats from **The Pasta Shop** and **Electric City Bread Company** and say hello to Brenda at **The Avant-Garden Shop**. She'll have some special draw prizes for visitors!

For more information visit the parking day website at www.parkingday.org or The Avant-Garden Shops Facebook page www.facebook/avantgardenshop, or call 743-0068 Thanks!