

# Peterborough Horticultural Society

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**Wednesday, September 26, 2018 7pm**

Doors open at 6:10 for flower show participants

6:30 for refreshments

**September Speaker:** Andrew McIlymoyle, Waymac Farms

## Mushrooms: All the Dirt?



Five generations have scratched at this dirt. My father settled on mushrooms, after a variety of crops and careers, he found his niche. We have sold them, grown them, loved them and cursed them. I grew up in mushroom, playing in the compost pile. I watch my children grow up here and play in this dirt, as I did. I see the eagerness in my son to carry this on. This gives me strength, it is my motivation, I am a custodian of this place.

I am passionate about farming, land, and dirt. Watching growth is a great wonder, and mushrooms are no exception. It happens very quickly at times and to wrangle them into cultivation is an exciting and tumultuous experience.

## President's Message

Welcome back from your summer pursuits. We've got a great lineup of speakers for the fall, and interesting topics that we think will suit everyone. I'm intrigued by this month's speaker and the "different" nature of the information that he is sure to share with us. I'm also looking forward to a meeting filled with flowers from the Flower Show - read below for information on how you can become involved. Come early if you wish to have a good look at them.

Fleming Park is looking amazing! Our committed team of volunteers has been working wonders all summer. If you haven't already, be sure to drive past or better yet, walk through and enjoy the gardens.

Congratulations to Annie English, Susan Leask and Pat Lounsbury for a continued job well done. I enjoy meeting those three every Wednesday morning! Hope to see you all again in a few weeks.

❖ MJ Pilgrim



**LUGAMUG:** Don't forget to bring your coffee mug and wear your **Name Tag** to our meeting. **Web:** [peterboroughhort.com](http://peterboroughhort.com)

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## September Flower Show

Please check page 17 of your yearbook to see what flowers are being judged.

**\*\*Ignore items 23, 24 and 25 as they are repeats.\*\***

### NEW START TIME.

To allow our judge to do her job more effectively, we will have a set up time from **6:30-6:50**. **All entries and cards must be in place by then.**

Please allow people entering the show to set up without interruption. Flowers may be enjoyed by all during our break.

Thank you

❖ **The Flower Show Committee**

If you have flower show entry cards please **USE THEM**. This saves time and resources. Looking forward to many entries in September!



"SUMMER IS OVER, RICHARD, SO DEAL WITH IT AND START RAKING!"

## 2019 Speakers for General Meetings

Work has already begun to book speakers for 2019. If you have any suggestions for speakers or topics please contact us ASAP.

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## Community Grants

One of the most joyous tasks I have as a PHS Board member is to work with a team of PHS members to award monies to deserving community organizations, this money we give back is earned from all of our hard work at each year's garden show. In the last 2 years we have awarded \$11 000! As we won't soon forget, the weather for our garden show this past April was something to behold, and as a result, our total earnings were not in line with years past.

As a Board we had a lively discussion at our September meeting and with regret we came to the resolution that for the 2018-19 season, we would not be able to support the Community Grants. Do not worry, we will be back, better than ever for our 2019-2020 season!



I would like to share with you all a recent email I received with an update on the Lakefield Community Grant. This grant had students from Lakefield PS plant potatoes, 4 different varieties back in May. Earlier this week, the potatoes were harvested, and it was a great return for all of the varieties. The students will do related activities, like math problems, and will take the potatoes to the Lakefield Food Bank on Tuesday to celebrate National Hunger Week. This is how our all of your hard work goes and benefits our communities.

Keep an eye out at our 2019 Garden Show for updates and new information on our Community Grant program. My sincere thanks to all of the dedicated and hardworking volunteers at the Garden Show that allow us to give back so generously!

❖ **Elane Kalavrias & committee**

## 2019 Garden Show

GREAT NEWS: The Peterborough Garden Show is partnering with Fleming College and will be hosting the 2019 show at the Fleming Trades and Technology Centre in Peterborough!

Fleming boasts a bright and attractive space, more than ample parking and a fresh look for the show.

We have some fabulous speakers, workshops and demos already lined up so check them out soon at

[www.PeterboroughGardenShow.com](http://www.PeterboroughGardenShow.com)

Save the dates for our award-winning show!

Friday Evening April 26 - 5pm to 9pm  
Saturday April 27 - 10am to 5pm  
Sunday April 28 - 10am to 4pm



❖ **Cauleen Viscoff, 2019 Chair**

*—For The Love Of Gardening—*



**Our 2019 venue!**



**Do you offer garden services?**

Please bring your business cards to our September Meeting— there may be other members who are looking for help this fall.