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The Newsletter of the Beaverton Horticultural Society (est. 1922)

March 2019



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March 28, 2019 Meeting 7:30 pm

Speakers: Gini Sage and Karen Durnin

Topic: Hydrangeas

This presentation provides an understanding of the different types of hydrangeas, their care and pruning requirements. It covers how to create pink or blue flowers for hydrangea macrophylla, as well as information on potential pests, how to dry blooms for indoor use and information on new varieties on the market.



Beaverton Horticulture Society Members have been busy during the Winter months....

February 23, 2019 Seedy Saturday, a joint venture with Beaverton Horticultural Society, Cannington Horticultural Society and Georgina Brock Garden Club was held in Beaverton at the Beacon Presbyterian Church. Once again this venture was well attended by enthusiasts interested in the seed exchange, speakers and vendors. Several members of the BHS participated.



Beaverton Horticulture Society Board have planned for a busy year featuring stimulating guest speakers and other activities

Beaverton Horticultural Society 2019 Program

St. Paul's Anglican Church,
383 Osborne St., Beaverton

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| Mar 28 | Hydrangeas, Gini Sage and Karen Durnin Durham Master Gardeners |
| Apr 25 | Dahlias: History to Storage Marian Jean Oakridge Dahlias |
| May 18 | 10 am Plant Auction |
| May 23 | Weed Identification and Management, Richard Dickinson Author of "Weeds of North America" Flower and Vegetable Show |
| June 27 | Ben's Arizona Garden Ben Smith Owner Ben's Pharmacy Flower and Vegetable Show |
| July 16 | President's BBQ |
| July 25 | Summer Design Workshop |
| Aug 22 | Flower, Vegetable and Design Show at Lakeview Manor 1:30 to 4:00 pm |
| Sept 26 | Perennial Colour in the Garden Throughout the Growing Season Carole Ditomaso Flower, Vegetable and Design Show |
| Oct 24 | Tracing the Roots of Native Plants: Paul LaPorte Ephemeral Ark Nursery Flower Design and Photography Show |
| Nov 28 | AGM/Dinner Installation of Officers, Awards Night Holiday Design Auction |



Wyn's Desert Sunrise Dahlia
Special Competition
August and September Shows



Full details of all meetings and shows included in the 2019 Yearbook available at the March 28 meeting. Hope to see you there!!

Mark your calendar for the following Horticulture Society and Gardening activities:

The Peterborough Garden Show

peterboroughgardenshow.com



"Coming Up Roses"

Show Dates: April 26-27-28, 2019

Proudly presented by the [Peterborough Horticultural Society](http://peterboroughhorticulturalsociety.com).



ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION
District 17 Annual General Meeting
Saturday, April 27, 2019
Save this date!



Theme: MUDDY BOOTS!



Hosted by: Georgina-Brock Garden Club
Help us celebrate our 60th anniversary!

Location: Udora Community Hall,
24 Victoria Road, Udora, Ontario L0C 1L0

Join us for an engaging day of hospitality & horticultural education within our light-hearted "Muddy Boots!" theme

Your Garden Wakes Up For Spring: **Martin Galloway**, (biologist, teacher, lecturer, author, nursery grower, TV host and horticultural expert) will present a colourful slide show and talk about nature's emergence from winter dormancy. We will learn how wonderfully our flora and fauna come alive in Spring, in our gardens and in wild country spaces.

Sacred Plants – Spiritual and Medicinal Uses: We will examine and experience how the Anishinaabe people use their sacred plants in ceremony and medicine. **Penny Beaudrow** (Herbal Educator and Registered Herbalist) will present the medicinal uses of these amazing plants. **Lauri Hoeg** (Anishinaabe qwe and member of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation) will share the ceremony and traditional teachings of these sacred plants.

Entries to photo competition must be received no later than April 5, 2019
Mail to: Kathie Braid, 30461 Highway 48, Pefferlaw, ON, L0E 1N0
Members wishing to attend contact Judy Mitchell-Wilson

Cannington Horticulture Society Activities

All general meetings are held at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 186
72 Peace St. Cannington, 7:30 pm

March 25, 2019

Speaker: Carol Ditomaso

Topic: Picture Perfect – Designing a Perennial Garden

April 27, 2019

Speaker: Deborah Pearson

Topic: Connecting Polar Bears and Carrots, What Climate Change Really Means

May 11, 2019 Plant Auction and Sale 9:30 to noon
Cannington Legion

May 27, 2019

Speaker: Prof. Richard Dickinson

Topic: Going Native – Incorporating Wildflowers and Native Plants into Your Garden



Georgina-Brock Garden Club

Meetings at Wilfrid Community Hall
C20915 Brock Road, Wilfrid

April 8, 2019

Open House and Dessert Party 7pm

Speaker: Aku Dunyo-Richter

Topic: Herbs and Community

May 13, 2019 Plant Auction 6:30 pm



2019 Member Survey
"Come Grow with Us"

The Beaverton Horticultural Society Board has developed a member survey designed to help understand how best to provide programming and activities of interest to members.

The survey is available on line and has been sent via email to members. Surveys will also be available at the March 28 meeting.

Please take time to provide your feedback.

If you have any questions please contact

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