



Galt Horticultural Society

March Newsletter 2014

Established 1895

Previous General Meeting

Monday, February 27, 2014

Marion Hesse, a Horticulturalist from the Elmira area, was our guest speaker. She spoke about “**Garden Containers**”. (During the cooler months, Marion is involved in speaking engagements while during the warmer months she assists others with their gardens.) The following is but a small outline of the points she mentioned during her presentation. She mentioned using a similar colour of pots for groupings. This allows the eye to notice the plantings. This also helps to reduce heat. In addition, the bigger the pot, the less often it requires water. She believes in changing the soil each year. She uses an odd number of plants in each pot and uses three colours or less in each. She uses annuals, perennials, herbs, veggies, and even house plants. She used a variety of photos to demonstrate her ideas. 40 individuals attended this informative meeting.

Congratulations February Winners!

Josephine Fraser – Canada Blooms ticket

Ed Trussler \$44 in 50/50 draw

Thank you February Volunteers!

Greeter: **Stuart Cameron**

Refreshments: **Helen Vousolkema**

Chair Set-up: **Teresa Zurawski**

For your information, every time someone volunteers, his/her name will be placed in a jar. Next December, at our December party, names will be drawn to win a



free ticket to The Dream Garden Conference 2015. This includes members who help with: chair set-up, baking, refreshments, greeting members at the door or at the Open Gardens, or gardening at the Cottage. We greatly appreciate your assistance and this is a small token to show our appreciation. (Executive members are not included in this draw.) This includes volunteers from our January to November General Meeting 2014. The more you help, the more chances you have to win!

See you at the April activities outlined on the back of this newsletter!



Up-Coming Events

April 24 Cottage Clean Up 2PM

April 25 Plant Drop- Off 5-7PM

April 26 Plant Sale/ Exchange

9-12noon (all at Ferguson Cottage)

Time to give Ferguson Cottage a spring cleaning! Come and join us April 24!

Also with Spring's arrival (we hope!), it is time to dig up some plants from your garden and bring them on April 25. If possible, please include plant names on each item. In return you will receive tickets to use on April 26 to exchange for other plants donated from other local gardeners. New plants from local nurseries will also be available for purchase. Memberships and Open Garden Tour booklets available for purchase, too!

**April 28 April General Meeting
Chartwell Select Queen's Square
Terrace 7 to 8:30 PM**

Come and hear our own member, **Renate Wells**, as she presents her trip to the **Montreal Botanical Gardens**. She will specifically share the "Mosaicultures Internationales Montreal 2013". Come on out!



May 14 Living Wreath Workshop

If you are interested in making a living wreath at Ferguson Cottage on this evening, please contact Liz at lmsliz@rogers.com. Cost small \$20 and large \$25. Everything will be supplied!



Saturday, June 21 Bus Trip

Nancy has been busy organizing a trip to Whistling Gardens and two other gardens. The bus holds 56 individuals. Details out soon! Contact Nancy at nancy@nsmith.ca. Fun time!

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