

# Galt Horticultural Society

# **April Newsletter 2014**

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## **Previous General Meeting**

## Monday, March 31, 2014

Linda Crago, from Tree and Twig Heirloom Vegetable Farm in Niagara, was our guest speaker. She spoke easily and freely as she shared photos. She can be reached by email www.treeandtwig.ca. Her farm features hundreds of varieties of amazing and delectable heirloom tomatoes, healthy organically grown plants. A great selection of "stupid hot" peppers, sweet peppers, eggplants, cucumbers, zucchini, herbs, ground cherries, kales, and so much more. Linda sells to markets, restaurants, and tours. Seeds of Diversity is Canada's Heritage Seed program. You can join this organization. 53 participants enjoyed Linda's interesting presentation. Audrey Bailey introduced and thanked Linda.

# **Congratulations March Winners!**

The names of both March and April 50/50 winners will be in our next newsletter!



# **Thank you February Volunteers!**

Greeter: Sonia Fowler

Refreshments: Audrey Anderton

Chair Set-up: **Sue Willemsen** 

#### For Your Information

#### **District #19 Events**

There are many garden clubs throughout Ontario. All of these clubs also belong to a larger group known as a "District". In Ontario there are various districts covering this vast province. The executive of the Galt Horticultural Society have been taking part in our District known as District 19. Recently, Verity Stott-Camm, Nancy Smith, Audrey Bailey, Liz Stacey, and Jeanette Berenz, attended the Annual General Meeting on Saturday, April 12. It is a wonderful way to learn from others who also share an interest in gardening. This meeting was hosted by Preston/Hespeler Executive.

Our own member, Hedi Phillipi, from Garden LivingScapes,

(Hedi@gardenlivingscapes.com) was one presenter! Hedi talked about "12 Garden Trends for 2014". It is amazing how the world of fashion, home decor, and gardening converge! She enticed our desire for spring with a selection of hellebores for sale. Hedi indeed has a passion for her craft! Do check out her place at 1770 Gore Road, Puslinch!

See you at the following activities!



# **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!

# May 14 Living Wreath Workshop

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



**Do you have a gardening question?** You are in luck! A panel of Master Gardeners will be presenting at our meeting. Have your questions ready to ask the panel. Get ready to learn even more!

Plant Sale June 7 and 8 (9am to noon) and June 9 (Open Gardens). Sue will have various plants for sale, especially hostas, at her home 145 Grand Avenue South Cambridge. Contact hostahoehaven@gmail.com

### **Ferguson Cottage**

**Volunteer Gardeners** This volunteer group will start May 13. This group will meet every Tuesday morning from 8:30 to 11:00AM to keep the gardens in "tip top shape". If it is raining, plan to come on Thursday at the same time. Contact Liz at <a href="mailto:lmsliz@rogers.com">lmsliz@rogers.com</a>. Come on out and lend a helping hand!

## Saturday, June 21 Bus Trip

Nancy has been busy organizing a trip to Whistling Gardens and two other gardens. The bus holds 56 individuals. Tickets going fast! Contact Nancy at <a href="mailto:nancy.smith@silomail.com">nancy.smith@silomail.com</a> Fun time!

## **Open Garden Volunteers**

You can help out and yet view the open gardens for that evening! Lots of help is needed with a full roster of 10 evenings and 27 homes.

Please contact Jeanette at <a href="https://www.new.ca">https://www.new.ca</a>
or call 519-624-8998 to get your date booked.
Get a group of friends to join you for that evening! Thanks for helping!