



Galt Horticultural Society

Circa 1891

January Newsletter 2016

Happy New Year!!!



Previous General Meeting

Monday, November 30, 2015

Barb and Bob Gillies, owners of The Lavender Farm near Ayr, presented to a packed audience. They shared their farming trends over time and information about lavender. Various products were also shared and available for purchase.



Thanks to **Jeanette Berenz** who greeted people at the door. We thank **Doreen McMillan** and **Audrey Anderton** for serving tea and sweet treats in the kitchen.



Christmas Party

Monday, December 14, 2015

We celebrated our Christmas Party at Chartwell Queen's Square Retirement Residence this year. This new location allowed more room for our growing number of members. We thank Audrey Bailey for offering her home over the years. Everyone brought delicious treats and snacks to enjoy. A mingling game prepared by Renate Wells and a game of Jeopardy presented by Liz Stacey, along with a lot of eating and conversation, made for a wonderful evening.



Congratulations to:

Isobelle Gray and Janice Windsor for winning the two free tickets to our 25th Annual Dream Garden Conference.

25th Dream Garden Conference

Our conference was a great success with almost 200 participants! Many thanks to all of the vendors, speakers, volunteers, David Hobson, Waterloo Regional Police Association staff, participants and the executive of our Society for making the day a fabulous one for all! Make sure you book **Sunday, January 15, 2017** for our 26th Dream Garden Conference.



Up-Coming Events

1. Galt Horticultural Society Meeting **Monday, January 25, 2016**

Plan to attend this meeting at Chartwell Queen's Square Retirement Residence. Social time begins around 7PM with refreshments followed by a brief Annual General Meeting ceremony with our District 19 President Gary Brenner and the Past President of the Ontario Horticultural Association James Graham. We plan to keep the details for this required business short! Our presenter will be Robert Pavlis discussing the topic **Orchids: Easier Than You Think!**

2. Drumbo Agricultural Conference "Come Bloom With Us" February 7

3. Seedy Saturday – Kitchener Horticultural Society – February 20

4. RARE Activities

5. Ontario Horticultural Association

2016 Convention Please note location and date change!!!

Our new location is at the newly refreshed Crowne Plaza located at 105 King Street East in Kitchener. (As you know the Waterloo Inn, our previous location, was sold recently!) Due to this location change the date is now July 29, 30, and 31.

Continue to collect items for the Silent Auction. Please contact Jeanette hun@megawire.ca or 519-624-8998 regarding your items. **Thanks!**



Help!!! Volunteers Needed

If you would like to lend a helping hand, we are looking for volunteers. We need greeters at monthly meetings and garden tours and help with the Auction at our Convention. **We welcome Lori Bennett-Davies who has volunteered to join the executive and to do the newsletter.**
Welcome, Lori!

Please contact Jeanette at hun@megawire.ca or 519-624-8998 for any or all of these positions! See you at our meeting on Monday, January 25th!

Jeanette Berenz