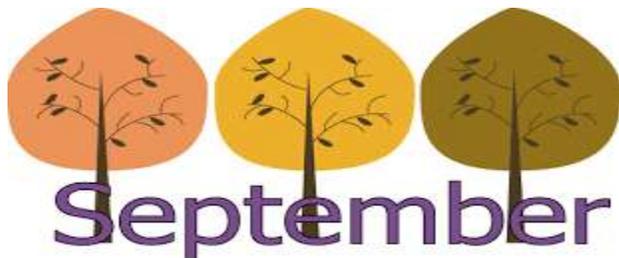




October Newsletter 2017



September General Meeting

At our September meeting, **April** from **Meadow Acres** along with her daughter **August** showed us how to create beautiful fall planters. They made 4 fabulous Thanksgiving containers which were raffled off along with lots of other fall plants and decorations. On top of all this, they brought more items such as a wasp trap, cozy slippers and mini pumpkins and gourds that were raffled off as well.

To add to the raffle, we again had some fabulous watering tools donated by **Lynne Goulet-Smith** and **Lowes** and **Dave Neale** brought a number of other gardening items for the raffle.

We had a very entertaining meeting and almost everyone went home with a prize.

The 50/50 was won by Mary Vander Munnik – Congratulations!

Many thanks go out to **Doreen McMillan** and **Audrey Anderton** for providing tea at the meeting and **Nancy Smith** for greeting people at the door.

We made decaf and regular coffee available at the tea table and it was so well received that we will continue to have it available at future meetings.

Don't forget to bring your mug!

Margarita Succulent Planter Workshop



On Monday October 23, in the pouring rain, we met at Ferguson Cottage for the Succulent Margarita Planter workshop at Ferguson Cottage.

Despite the weather, it was warm and cozy in the cottage and we all had a great time creating our planters. Thanks to **Rebecca & Liz Stacey** for the great idea and organizing the workshop. As you can see, there were many beautiful planters created. It was a fun evening enjoyed by all.

2nd Annual Children's Pumpkin Decorating Workshop

Sat. Oct 28, 2017 9:30 – 11:30



Once again we are holding a Children's Pumpkin Workshop at Ferguson Cottage. We will be providing the pumpkins and decorating materials. Space is limited and all spaces were taken last year so sign up early so you don't miss the fun! This is a free workshop for children and grandchildren of members with a \$5.00 fee for non-members.

Meeting

Galt Horticultural Society Meeting

Monday, October 30, 2017

October's meeting will be held at Chartwell Queen's Square Retirement Residence - 10 Melville St. Social time begins around 7pm with refreshments followed by a presentation from **Mike Georges on Daylilies**.

Mike is a retired professor from the University of Toronto where he taught organic chemistry. Now he grows a wide variety of Daylilies on his 10 acre property just outside Guelph. For more information you can follow this link to his website:

[Mike Georges website](#)

Ferguson Cottage Garden

Fall Clean-up

Thanks to all the volunteers who came out to help with the fall clean-up of the gardens at Ferguson Cottage.

Highland Public School Butterfly

Garden Clean-up

The first of 2 clean-up evenings was held on Thursday Oct 26. Many parents, children, teachers and Galt Horticultural Society volunteers came out to get the school's butterfly garden ready for the winter.

The 2nd clean-up evening will be Thursday Nov 2nd between 4:00 and 6:00 pm. Please come out and join us – as a reward for your hard work, pizza will be served at the school after gardening.



Save the Date! We will be holding our annual Christmas Pot-luck party on **Monday Dec 11**. Bring your favourite savoury or sweet finger food for the pot-luck and join in the festive spirit of the season. The party will be held at Chartwell Queen's Square Retirement Residence - 10 Melville St. 7pm – 9pm.



We Still Need Your Help!!

We still need volunteers to help on our committees and up-coming events, such as the Dream Garden Conference, so please contact one of the board members if you are interested. A list of committees, events and board members is available on our website [GHS Committees](#)

In particular, the board is seeking a candidate volunteer to lead the **Open Gardens Committee**. **This position is essential in the success of the 2018 Open Garden program.** Please contact Nancy Smith at nancy@galthort.com if you would like more information or are interested in the position.

Nancy Smith