

Please join us at our Annual General Meeting

on Mon Feb 24, 2020.

New Location: Knox Central Presbyterian Church, 2 Grand Ave S, Cambridge

Refreshments & Socializing @ 7:00 pm followed by our Annual General Meeting and a presentation from David Gascoigne on "The Life of Hummingbirds".

As part of the AGM, there will be an address from the President, the presenting of the 2019 Financials and Minutes from the 2019 AGM.

As well, you may wish to arrive a few minutes early in order to purchase your 2020 Membership.

February Garden Challenge



This month's Garden Challenge is "Photos from Your Garden"

Bring in any photo you like from your garden. It can include plants, animals, birds, a scenic view, whatever photo you

like! The photo can be printed on regular paper or photo paper.

The photos will be displayed anonymously and **everyone is reminded to please vote for the entry they like best**. **The "People's Choice" will receive a prize!** The owners of the arrangements will be unveiled after the voting.

Anyone wishing to participate in the challenge is asked to bring their entry in at 6:45 so that all entries will be on display when people arrive for the meeting.

Don't forget to wear your membership badge.



In order to further recognize our member s, we would like to know when you first joined the Galt Horticultural Society. For those who wish, please send the year you became a member of our society to <u>lynne@galthort.com</u> or let her now at our next meeting.

Recent Events

November Garden Challenge

The winner of our "Festive Florals for the Holidays" garden challenge was Winnie Gonsalves! Congratulations Winnie. Don't forget to participate in this month's garden challenge!

GHS Christmas Potluck Party

There was a nice turnout for our holiday potluck celebration. Everyone enjoyed the tasty food, the festive atmosphere, the penny sale and 'Holiday Bingo'!

29th Annual Dream Garden Conference

This year's conference was a huge success! We had a sold-out event! Our speakers were engaging and informative...especially the one and only Paul Zammit! A great day was had by all who attended!

Next year will be our 30th Annual Dream Garden Conference. We are looking to make this one our biggest and best yet! It will be held in Jan 2021.

Remember, get your tickets early, when they go on sale in October...don't be disappointed!

Upcoming Events

Brantford Master Gardener

Movie Night

Silence of the Bees

The Brantford Master Gardeners Group hopes you can join them to watch this very interesting movie!

Silence of the Bees is the first in-depth look at the search to uncover what is killing the honeybee. The filmmakers of *Bees* take viewers around the world to the sites of fallen hives, to high-tech labs, where scientists race to uncover clues, and even deep inside honeybee colonies. *Silence of the Bees* is the story of a riveting, ongoing investigation to save honeybees from dying out. The film goes beyond the unsolved mystery to tell the story of the honeybee itself, its invaluable impact on our diets and takes a look at what's at stake if honeybees disappear. *Silence of the Bees* explores the complex world of the honeybee in crisis and instills in viewers a sense of urgency to learn ways to help these extraordinary animals.

Refreshments and popcorn will be served!

Doug Snooks Eagle Place Community Centre, 333 Erie Ave., Brantford

Date: Wednesday March 25, 2020

Time: 7:00 pm

Come out...join us....enjoy an evening out with fellow gardeners!

Please RSVP Nancy @ 519-753-9931 or email brantfordmg@gmail.com

Orchid Society of the RBG 39th Annual Spring Show & Sale February 29 & March 1, 2020

For more information visit:

https://canadianorchidcongress.ca/event/orchidsociety-of-the-royal-botanicalgardens-39th-annualshow-sale/

Canada Blooms March 13 - 22, 2020

Enercare Centre, Toronto

For more information visit: https://canadablooms.com

Kokedama Workshop

Sun Mar 29, 2020 - 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Learn the Japanese are of 'poor man's bonsai'. Join us in creating your own hanging moss ball using tropicals, moss and a special soil mix.



Class size is limited. Cost is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members.

There will be a sign-up sheet at the monthly meeting on Mon Feb 24, 2020.

Membership Has It's Benefits!!

The Galt Horticultural Society's membership is continuing to grow!

Encourage fellow gardeners, family and friends to become a part of a historical society.

Membership gives everyone the opportunity to make new friends, learn about horticulture and gardening, participate in workshops, venture off on exciting bus tours,

visit open gardens in the community, volunteer in ongoing projects such as the Ferguson Cottage Gardens and so much more!

Here are just some of the benefits of being a member of the Galt Horticultural Society...

Free entry to:

- GHS Summer Open Garden Tours - Monthly meetings; tea, desserts, socializing, educational presentations and draws

- Historical Ferguson Cottage Gardens

Plus we also hold:

- Gardening Workshops
- Cement Plant Pot Cover Workshop
- Kids Workshop
- Succulent Workshop
- Christmas Workshop
- Spring Plant Sale
- Summer Bus Tours
- Summer End of Season Celebration
- Annual Christmas Party
- Annual Dream Garden Conference
- Volunteering on Committees & Society Activities

- Receive a 10% discount at local garden centers upon presenting membership card

Our Society keeps growing ... volunteers needed!!!



Do you enjoy taking photos? A Photography Committee has been formed. If you like to take pictures, we would love you to join! We need volunteers to take pictures at our events as the Board Members are usually busy with other tasks! Contact Pat Handorf <u>pat@galthort.com</u> or telephone 529-623-4475. Any level of skill welcome!



Are you interested in planning trips or events? A Bus Trip Committee has been formed and we need a volunteer to be the Bus Trip Coordinator for 2020.

Contact Nancy Smith <u>nancy@galthort.com</u> or telephone 529-623-7085.

If any of our members have any suggestions or ideas for our 2020 Bus Trips please let us know at <u>ghsboard@galthort.com</u>.

Wear your Galt Horticultural Society Logo Wear with Pride! GHS Logo Wear

Get your own Galt Horticultural Society T-Shirt and/or Hoodie.

T-shirts: \$20.50 + tax. Unisex Hoodies: \$36.00 + tax.

For more information or to place an order, follow this link:

GHS Logo Wear

Lug-A-Mug! Don't forget to bring a cup for your tea or coffee!

See you on Monday Feb 24th!