



June
2023

GEORGETOWN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

President's Message

Hello June,

There is a common misconception that if you're going to grow a vegetable garden, you have to plant in the spring. For many vegetables it is suggested that to sow seeds or plant seedlings shortly after the last frost is best. But this spring, the weather was a challenge to conventional timelines. I was relieved to know that we still have plenty of time, and depending on which part of the country you live in, (where I live is about two weeks behind Georgetown!), there is a variety of crops that you can choose to plant in June. So with this in mind, I planted beets, radishes and tomatoes. Time will tell.

June in many areas is still considered National Rose Month. The rose has long been considered a favourite amongst a few of the gardeners in our Society. The June Flower Show Schedule in your 2023 yearbook had the first section on roses. I enjoyed seeing all the entries. I hope you were able to join us.

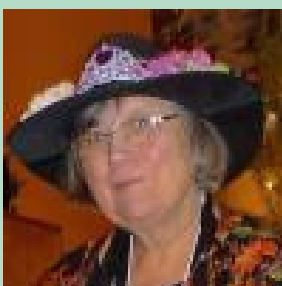
We take a bit of a break during July and August. It is a time for enjoying our gardens and a few new gardens along the way. If you hear of any interesting events around gardening, please let us know...happy to share the information.

Let's keep in touch.

-Carol Mathison

Meeting- June 21, 7:30 PM
Norval United Church - 14015 Danby Rd.
"Gardening in Climate Change"

-Anna Leggett



Anna has a BSc. in Botany, a Diploma in Nature Interpretation and a Diploma in Horticulture. She is a Master Gardener, past Chair of the Ontario Rock Garden Society and written many gardening articles for magazines and newspapers. She has travelled widely and considers herself a mad gardener, gardening in a large garden in Toronto.

Ontario Hosta Society **Bus Trip**



Saturday July 8, 2023

Leaving Milton @8am and Royal Botanical Gardens @8:45

\$70 Per Person—Limited Seating so book early!

Etransfer to Keith Skanes @ keithskanes@hotmail.com

Visiting:

LotsaHostas—Vineland Nursery—St. Joseph Bakery in St Catherines

AND

2 AMAZING Private Gardens that will blow your mind!

Price Includes Coach Bus and fees for 2 Private Gardens

Bring your lunch and eat while we travel

Email lkrane@freshstart.pro or Call Lianne at 905-875-8722





You're invited to The Secret Gardens of Milton 2023!

Come join our annual tour event where we have seven exclusive residential gardens lined up in the show this summer. Meet up gardeners in your plant zone and discover unique ideas on garden design and plant selection.

Jul 9, 2023 Sunday 10am - 5pm

\$20 per person, free coffee & muffin at Springridge Farm

Buy Ticket online: <https://thesecretgardensofmilton2023.eventbrite.ca>

In person: La Rose Bakery, [327 Bronte St S, Milton](#) ticket sales starting from mid June.

For more information visit our website

www.miltonhortsociety.com or www.facebook.com/MiltonDistrictHorticulturalSociety

Save the date, share this invitation with your family and friends and purchase the tickets now.

See you in the Gardens!

Yours sincerely,

Genana Kulla, Chair, MDHS Garden Tour Committee 2023

Contact us: promotion.miltonhortsociety@gmail.com

2023 Trees for Life Project for District 6

Background on Trees for Life

Trees for Life plans to plant millions of the right trees in the right place over the next 10 years to have the biggest impact on the climate and to support Canada's 2 billion Tree Program. They are planting native trees and shrubs to support the local biodiversity and ecosystems. Our birds and pollinators depend on native species for their food and shelter. Populations decrease in these species when native species aren't available. That's why we only plant native trees and shrubs.

<https://www.treesforlife.ca/>

Your opportunity to buy trees this year.

OHA Districts 6 is encouraging their societies to order trees this year to support tree planting for this worthy project.

1. Trees are being offered to Societies in District 6 right now.
2. The trees are ordered directly from Trees for Life using the Trees for Life portal (provided below). You will be asked for your Society name and your district number.
3. We were initially targeting a \$25/tree price point in some of our earlier conversations, but once additional consideration was put toward shipping costs and the staff costs for building and maintaining the online store, we had to increase the price point to \$30 to cover all costs.
4. There are a limited number of trees available (first come, first served).
5. The deadline for ordering trees is August 31, 2023.
6. Trees can be purchased for individuals to plant on their own properties, or with permission, in public areas.
7. Trees will be delivered in September at a location yet to be determined.
8. Delivery for all District 6 trees will be at one location. When this happens on the day they are delivered, please ask a friend to pick up if you are not available. Lianne is willing to pick up any trees and bring them to our Sept 9 FALL District Breakfast hosted by Simcoe. The fall is a good time to plant.
9. Some tree heights are 4 ft. – to help with choosing the vehicle you bring.
10. Trees are delivered without pots, so you may need to bring some pots at pick up.
11. Trees will be labelled by tree name.
12. We will ask you to bring a copy of your receipt from Trees for Life as proof of purchase and to make sure your order is filled properly.
13. The Trees for Life portal is officially live for your orders at <https://www.treesforlife.ca/estore>

Just click on the tree you want to order to start your cart. Once you do this, there is a small shopping cart at the bottom of the page that you click on to open your cart to review
Note this portal is not publicly available from the Trees for Life website.

HORT HAPPENINGS

Hostas For Sale

There will be some GHS
2020 "Centennial Spirit"
hostas available for sale at
our June 21 meeting.



Share The Wealth

Each meeting there is a Share
The Wealth draw. Tickets are 3
for \$2. Make sure you bring lots
of cash. You may be sharing
some of the wealth!

Volunteers are needed for the following gardens
that the GHS maintains:

Cemetery Garden- contact Sandra Williamson

Civic Garden- contact Lorraine Wilson

Hospital Garden- contact Pat Kennedy

Mary Street Garden- contact Karri Robichaud

Garden maintenance begins in June.

Refreshments

At each meeting, refreshments are served afterwards. There is a sign-up
sheet on the table asking for volunteers to bring goodies to future
meetings. Please consider signing up for a meeting.