



June
2025

GEORGETOWN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

Editor's Message

June is such a busy time for us all as we work away in our gardens. This year I have been creating a native pollinator garden in a large corner of my backyard. So far I have either moved from other parts of my garden or purchased the following plants; Bee Balm, Butterfly Milkweed, Swamp Milkweed, Wild Bergamot, Smooth and New England Aster, Black-eyed Susan, Prairie Smoke, and Wild Columbine. I left lots of room for more. If you are looking for a great selection of natives, I highly recommend the Toronto Plant Market and Native Plant Supply in Etobicoke. Speaking of plant nurseries, I was at Sheridan Nurseries in Glen Williams the other day. As you know, all the plants are outdoors. While I did not purchase anything, I did spend a good deal of time just standing there and watching several butterflies landing on Parsley plants. When I arrived home, I did a bit of research and discovered that Black Swallowtail butterflies lay their eggs on various plants including parsley. I am tempted to go back and buy some. Not to eat but for the butterflies. Several years ago, I met the requirements for my gardens to be certified as a Wildlife-friendly Habitat with the Canadian Wildlife Federation. While the goal for my new garden is to attract more pollinators, the rabbits have read the special sign (photo above) and have included themselves in my "wildlife-friendly habitat". And so they should except rabbits love most of my new plants...

-Dianne Kayess

*The President's Message will return in September.

Next Meeting-Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 7:30 P.M.

St. John's Church, 11 Guelph St. Georgetown

"Ideas from Great Gardens of England"

-Jeff Mason

Jeff is the owner of Mason House Gardens, a specialty plant nursery growing uncommon perennials, specialty annuals, and tropical plants. Currently he is hosting live gardening series on Facebook and Youtube. He also hosts garden tours to UK and European gardens.



Please note that the deadline for registrations is July 2, 2025.

Register online at gardenontario.org



The poster features a green background with the 'Garden Ontario' logo at the top, where 'Garden' is in multi-colored letters and 'Ontario' is in grey. Below the logo, '2025' is written in large yellow numbers, followed by 'ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING' in large white capital letters. To the right is the circular seal of the Ontario Horticultural Association, established in 1906. On the left, a yellow calendar icon is next to the text 'Date: Saturday, July 19, 2025'. Below this, a white banner reads 'VIA WEBEX' with a dotted arrow icon. Underneath the banner, it says '9:00 am start time, WebEx line opens at 8:30 am'. On the right side, there is a 2x2 grid of four video call windows showing participants waving. At the bottom right of the poster is a large green arrow pointing to the right.

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 ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION
ESTABLISHED 1906

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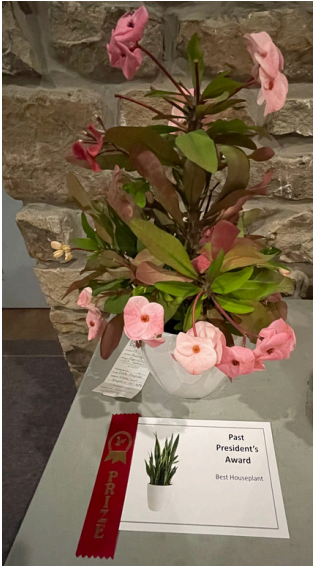
In Memoriam

In memory of Barbara Millar who passed away on May 15, 2025. Barbara was a Life Member of the GHS, having been a member for 35 years.



May Flower Show

Some of the many entries in the Flower Show that was held at the May meeting.



Civic Garden Maintenance

The maintenance of the Civic Garden takes very little time- just one hour (start between 9 am and 10 am) every three weeks until mid-september. The garden is being tended by Debbie Lang, Wendy Hageman, Ingrid Nordmeyer and Dorinne Wagner. The cleaning and mulching have been completed. Come out and join us for gardening, conversation and laughter. There is a bench alongside the garden so if you are unable to work in the garden, come out and enjoy conversation in the fresh air. If you have any questions, please call Dorinne at 905 877-4131 or wdorinne@gmail.com

Schedule:

Tues, June 10

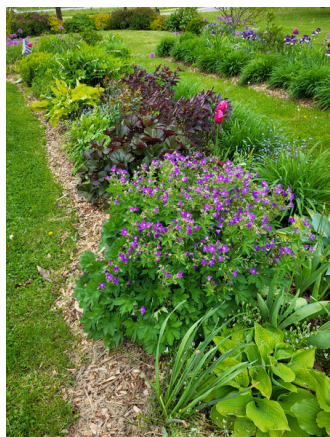
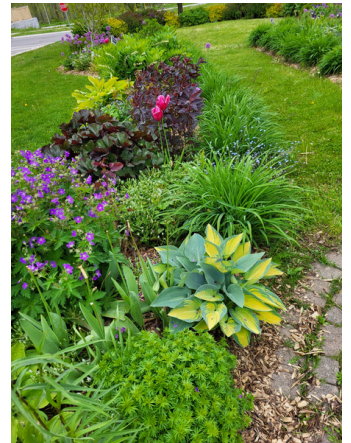
Wed, July 2

Tues, July 22

Tues, Aug 12

Tues, Sept 2

Tues, Sept 16



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Submissions accepted by the first Friday of the month