



# Streetsville Blooms

Streetsville Horticultural Society

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**NEXT MEETING:** May 14, 2019

## Streetsville United Church

**274 Queen Street South**

Doors open 7:00 p.m.

Meeting starts 7:30 p.m.

### The President's Message

As I write this, the buds on my star magnolia are starting to open and scilla are blooming in my lawn; so it must be spring.

We are heading into the busiest time of year for Streetsville Horticultural Society. Our May 14 meeting is Premium night when all members in good standing present will receive a free plant.

Therefore, if you are a paid-up member of SHS you will receive a premium (a gift) at our May meeting. If you have a family membership, you will receive two premiums. Single memberships will receive one. Members **MUST** be in attendance to receive their premium.

The gardens at Rotary Park in Streetsville and at the Leslie Log House are maintained by SHS members. If you have time available please contact Jon Eldridge [jon.eldridge@ymail.com](mailto:jon.eldridge@ymail.com) to volunteer at Rotary Park, or Carol Ashford [bashfo2586@rogers.com](mailto:bashfo2586@rogers.com) to volunteer at the Leslie Log House.

if you are a new member and aren't sure what activities suit you best; talk to any of our members or one of the Board of Directors.

We also have our first flower show of the year at our May meeting. The show will take place in the hallway outside Heritage Hall.

The flower show schedule was published in the April newsletter and is posted on our website. Please remember that all flower show entries must be placed by **7:15 p.m.**, at the latest. This allows our flower show committee to listen to our announcements and the speaker. ✂

As always, happy gardening. Monica.

## Plant Sale May 2019



Our Plant Sale is on Saturday, May 25, at the Leslie Log House property as it has been for the past five years. The house will be open so that Plant Sale volunteers can have a break when needed and our members will be providing refreshments for our workers.

It is our biggest fundraiser of the year and provides the money we need for everything the Society does.

Preparing for that day, as well as the work on plant sale day, takes many hands and lots of volunteer hours. How can you help?

1. We need plants! Now that gardens are jumping to life, do the gardeners walk. It's easy put your head down and walk your garden paying close attention to what's happening at ground level. If a plant is too big, divide it and donate part of it. If it never really did what you wanted, give it a chance to thrive and donate it to the plant sale – someone else's garden could be better suited for that plant!

When you choose plants to divide for the sale, split off a healthy section that will be divided into smaller sections when potted and will do well once transplanted into pots. Over the past five years, our plant sale customers have told us how impressed they are with the quality of our plants. They are strong and healthy. They sell more quickly than ones that are too small to be successfully transplanted.

2. We need people to care for our newly potted plants until plant sale day. All the plants need is a suitable space in part sun to part shade, it could be on a patio, a drive, or unoccupied garden space, all you need to do is water them.

We need people to transport plants from Pengilley's nursery to the holding locations. If you have a van or a pickup, please help us out. Timing could be on Wednesdays, or any other day or on the weekend, during or after potting up times.

Almost all perennials you have in your gardens will be accepted with thanks.

**PLUS:** Shrubs, saplings, fruit bearing shrubs such as black currants, raspberries, strawberries

We ask that donated plants are identified by both species and colour; the species is the easy part. Is this a monarda or a geranium etc.? The colour is something we cannot know unless the plant is in bloom. Our customers want to know the flower colour for the plant they are buying.

Daylilies have almost 1000 named varieties, if you know the variety that's great, if you don't we do need to know the colour.

No invasive plants such as ribbon grass, and goutweed.

Plant donations will not be accepted after May 15. If you are unable to dig up plants in your garden, please call one of us and we will arrange for someone to come and dig them up. Monica at 905-824-7283, Carol at 905-858-0748.

### From the Membership Desk

Please remember to wear your name tag at all times while at our meeting .... It will make it much easier for us to get to know one another. Pick up your name tag when signing in at the desk and return it at the end of the meeting.

If you took your name tag home with you, remember to tuck it back in your pocket for our up-coming meeting in April.

Looking forward to seeing you at April's meeting! ✂

Vivianne Holmes, Membership Chair

### From the Raffle Table

I would like to start with saying thank you to all the members for their support every month. We love to see you all at the raffle table and enjoy the interaction with all of you. Thank you for donating and we appreciate all your kind words.



There are two exciting news items. First, spring is finally here. Second, we have the plant sale fundraiser on May 25th and Franca and I will be running the raffle table as well as a sale table with many items for the garden and home. Please come and bring your friends to the sale.

Thank you all.

Asma

### From the Refreshment Table

A big thank you to the following for their delicious contributions to the April meeting are Asma Iftikhar, Pat Salisbury, Mahasen Ibrahim, Sue Palummieri, Liz Menard, Grace McElhinney, Janice Ward, Eleonora Roberts and Andrea Vertolli. As was announced at the April meeting, I will be stepping down as the coordinator in September. Anyone interested in taking over this position, please let Monica or me know.

Heather Walker ([phil.walker@bell.net](mailto:phil.walker@bell.net)) or 905-822-7752

Heather Walker, Refreshment Coordinator





### Litter pick up at Leslie Log House

The troops arrived promptly at 9:30 a.m. on a nice warm Wednesday morning. Garbage bags were handed out and they were off and running. What an amazing group. Only took one and a half hours to pick up all the trash – not nearly as much as in years past.

Thanks to: **Grace Nelham, Monica Ross, Janet Shaw, Steve Fenech, Nury Garzon, Marg Rowan and Debbie Lemire** for their tireless efforts to keep the property free from trash!

Should you be visiting the property and see trash lying around, please pick it up and march it to the garbage can. We are very fortunate to have the use of this property and need to treat it with respect. ☺

Carol Ashford, Leslie Log House Chair



### Rotary park

We had the annual clean-up of Rotary park on April 13. Eight of us took part and we filled 20 bags with yard waste.... which always amazes me how much we collect. We made a huge difference in a couple of hours, so many thanks to those that helped. Back Row, L to R: Nick Lafratta, Asoke Bera, Steve Fenech, Alex King. Front Row, Enza Lafratta, Debbie Lemire, and Anita King.

Regular maintenance of Rotary park will start in early May and is carried out on alternate

Thursday mornings. Please feel free to join us, Jon Eldridge, Rotary Park Chair

### Speakers of the Month

Marion and Rick Robertson. They have been beekeeping for over 30 years and growing native and Carolinian trees, shrubs and pollinator plants for 16 years. Their presentation will be about honey bees, native bees and the ways to support the native bees.



## FLOWER SHOW RULES

### ENTRIES

- Competition is open to all members in good standing of Streetsville Horticultural Society.
- Exhibitors must fill out their own entry forms for each exhibit. Entry forms are available on the website or at the show. Completed Entry Forms must be placed with the exhibit.
- Competitors are assigned a *Competitor Number* which must be entered on the Entry Form.
- One entry per exhibitor is permitted in each CULTURAL and DESIGN class unless otherwise stated.
- Each exhibitor may enter up to 3 entries per HORTICULTURE class, provided each entry is of a different Cultivar.
- If two or more exhibitors share the same garden and wish to compete in the same CULTURAL class they must enter different Cultivars. The Cultivars must be named.
- Exhibitors are responsible for placing entries in the proper classes. Flower Committee and Show Chair may assist.
- In 'Any Other' categories, Exhibitors are not allowed to enter a flower for which a specific category already exists. For example, in the May Show you would not be able to enter a Primula in an 'any other perennial' class if classes for Primulas were contained in the Schedule.
- **AOV** – means "Any other Variety".
- **A Bud** showing colour is considered a bloom.
- **Bloom** - an individual flower, one to a stem, no sign of a bud.
- **Cultivar** –Forms of plants originated and maintained only in cultivation, which when reproduced retain their distinguishing features. eg Petunia, "Sugar Daddy"; Geranium, "Cardinal"; Rose, "Peace".
- **Spray** - portion of a plant, or a plant's side shoots with a number of flowers on one stem.
- **Stalk/stem** - a main plant structure which supports flowers, buds, leaves or fruit.
- **Truss** - a compact cluster of flowers or fruits growing from one stem
- **Variety** - Named variations of plant species. e.g. *Colchicum autumnale* is a fall flowering bulb, typically having a pink bloom, *Colchicum autumnale* var. *album* is a naturally occurring white flowered variation.
- All entries are to be as stated in the SHS Show Schedule, and in accordance to size in keeping with OHA Ontario Judging and Exhibiting Standards for Horticulture and Floral Design, Publication #34.
- Entries will be disqualified if not in accordance with the description of the Class.
- Where a definite number is called for, NO MORE or NO LESS shall be entered.
- The use of protected or endangered native plants will disqualify the exhibit.
- Exhibitors must supply their own appropriate containers.
- Fruit, berries and vegetables must be displayed on a plain white paper plate or doily supplied by the Exhibitor. Single entries of large vegetables may be displayed directly on the exhibit table.
- Entries must be on the table by the stated time – **7:15 p.m.** deadline. This will be strictly enforced.
- Entries must be left on the Exhibit Tables until **9:15 p.m.** or until the show Convener releases the Exhibits. Disregard of this requirement will result in disqualification of entries.
- Only Exhibitors, and Flower Committee members and are allowed in the Exhibit area during placement of entries.
- Only Judges and Flower Committee members are allowed in the Exhibit area during judging.

- “*Best in Show*” and “*Judges Choice*” are at the discretion of the Judge.
- Decisions of Judge(s) will be final.
- **Failure to comply with the above rules will result in disqualification.**

#### **HORTICULTURAL DIVISION**

- ONLY Exhibitors or Show Committee members may move entries in the Cultural Section for staging purposes.
- All cultural exhibits are to be grown by the entrant and must have been in their possession for 90 days minimum.
- A house plant may be shown in different monthly shows until it wins a First Prize and may not be shown again for one year from that win.
- Classes with a large number of Entries may be subdivided by the Show Chair on the day of the show. Each class should have a minimum of 3 entries.

#### **DESIGN DIVISION**

- Designs can be moved **ONLY** by the Exhibitor.
- Only Exhibitors and show Chairs and Clerks are allowed in the show area prior to judging.
- No artificial plant material may be used.
- Plant material can be from any source. No soil is permitted in floral design.
- Accessories may be used but should be subordinate to design.
- Designs are exhibited on a neutral coloured table; space allotted is 24” wide x 30” deep. Height is unlimited.
- A “MINIATURE” is a small-scale design which does not exceed 5” in any direction including the container, base and accessories.
- A “SMALL DESIGN” is from 5.5” and must not exceed 10” in any direction including container, base and accessories.
- NOVICE - a member is considered a novice until they have won 5 firsts in the Novice Design category

#### **POINTS AWARDED FOR CULTURAL AND DESIGN:**

1 <sup>st</sup>	5 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	4 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	3 points
Honourable Mention	2 points
Entry	1 point
Best in Show	20 points
Judge’s Choice	20 points

### **FLOWER SHOW AWARDS**

Each year during our Annual General Meeting in November, recognition is given to members involved in Flower Shows or Horticultural pursuits.

#### ***Elizabeth Colley Award for Designer of the Year***

Design entrant who receives the most points in design.

#### ***Best Over All – Horticulture and Design Award***

Design entrant who receives the most combined points in total for Horticulture and Design.

#### ***Joseph Boles Horticulture Award***

Horticulture entrant who receives the most total points for the year

<b>Class</b>	<b>May 14, 2019</b>
	<b>HORTICULTURE</b>
1	Bleeding Heart (Dicentra), any colour - 1 stem
2	Branch, flowering –36” or less
3	Clematis – 1 vine, not over 18 inches
4	Collection of small spring flowers, 5 different cultivars, attached foliage only. 1 entry per exhibitor.
5	Columbine (Aquilegia) – 1 spray
6	Hellebore – any colour, 1 stem
7	Iris, Tall bearded, over 27 inches -1 stalk
8	Iris, any other variety - 1 stalk
9	Lilac (Syringa) – 1 truss (compact cluster on one stem)
10	Muscari – 3 stems, same variety, no foliage
11	Narcissus, large cup, - 1 scape
12	Narcissus, small cup, - 1 scape
13	Narcissus, any other, - 1 scape
14	Paeonia (Peony) Tree – 1 bloom, disbudded
15	Polygonatum (Solomon’s Seal) – 1 stem
16	Rhododendron – 1 truss ( compact cluster on 1 stem)
17	Rhubarb, 3 stalks, pulled not cut, leaves trimmed to 2” fan shape
18	Tulipa (Tulip) – single, 1 bloom
19	Tulipa (Tulip) – any other variety, 1 bloom
20	Any other Bulb, corm, rhizome or tuber not listed – 1 stem
21	Any other Perennial not listed – 1 stem or bloom
22	African Violet – 1 dish
	<b>DESIGN      Theme: Spring Equinox</b>
23	<i>Spring Fling</i> – a basket design
24	<i>Walking on Sunshine</i> - a design using Spring Flowers – NOVICE

Class	June 11, 2019
	<b>HORTICULTURE</b>
1	Allium – small under 4”, same cultivar, 3 stems
2	Allium, - large, 1 stem
3	Clematis – 1 large bloom
4	Collection of perennial flowers in container, 5 different cultivars, no cut foliage – 1 entry per Exhibitor
5	Day Lily (Hemerocallis) – 1 scape
6	Dianthus – 1 cultivar – 2 stems
7	Fern, Japanese Painted – 3 fronds
8	Heuchera (Coral Bells) – 3 stems in bloom, same cultivar
9	Heuchera (Coral Bells) – 3 leaves, same cultivar
10	Hosta, – 3 leaves, different cultivars
11	Hosta, – 3 leaves, same cultivar
12	Iris miniature – under 8”, any colour, 1 stalk
13	Iris, any variety – 1 stalk
14	Lavender - 3 stems in bloom
15	Peony (Paeonia) – double/semi-double, 1 bloom
16	Peony (Paeonia) - single, Japanese or Anemone, 1 bloom
17	Rosa (Rose) – grandiflora, floribunda, polyantha – 1 spray
18	Rosa (Rose) – modern shrub, 1 bloom or spray
19	Rosa (Rose) –Judged for fragrance, any variety – 1 bloom
20	Any other perennial not listed – 1 bloom or stem
21	Any annual not listed – 3 blooms or stems (must have been in possession for 90 days)
22	A collection of herbs, grown in the garden, in vase, must be named
	<b>DESIGN</b> Theme: Not a Cloud in the Sky
23	Fully open Bloom – a bloom, without foliage, floating in a clear bowl of water
24	Soak up the Sun – CASCADE design
25	Surf and Turf – PAVE design

