



Woodbridge Horticultural Society Newsletter



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All gardening is
landscape painting.
--Horace Walpole
On Modern
Gardening (1780)

SPEAKER TONIGHT

Peter Gill on
Container Water
Gardening.

THANK YOU ☺

I'd like to extend a
heartfelt thank you to all
who came out to the
Plaque Dedication
ceremony October 3,
honouring my late
husband, Al Stephenson,
myself and the efforts of
the Woodbridge
Horticultural Society for
our efforts in
beautifying the city.
--Gail Stephenson

Thanks Enza, for
weeding the Wallace
House garden on your
own time.
If anyone happens to be
in the Garden and the
mood to weed strikes,
there are bags and
gloves in the blue bin in
back of the House. Just
leave full bags on the
porch to be picked up by
the city.



FLEXING GARDENING MUSCLES

Divide and transplant
(and share) perennials.
It's not too late to sow
grass seed and fertilize.
Cooler evening
temperatures and
morning dew provide
perfect conditions for
seedlings to take root.
Tidy up the garden, but
leave seed heads for
birds and beneficial
insects to feed on.
Add spent plants to
compost bin.
Plant spring flowering
bulbs three (3) times the
depth of the bulb in a
rich, well drained soil.
Place daffodil bulbs
among tulips to deter
deer, squirrels and
rodents.

Plant some
Chrysanthemums for an
instant burst of fall
colour in a tired looking
garden.
They will flourish in as
little as five (5) hours of
sunlight daily. Make
sure there's enough air
circulation between the
thick stems, as this will
prevent mildew.

TRIED AND TRUE

Fallen leaves are a great
resource for your garden
and trees. Run your
lawnmower over them

(especially oak leaves,
which take a long time
to break down naturally)
and spread over lawn,
vegetable and perennial
beds. Alternatively,
poke some holes in a
black plastic garbage
bag; add some soil, a
few splashes of water
and store behind the tool
shed over the winter.
By springtime, this will
have broken down to a
'black gold' that is a
super nutritious addition
to your garden.
Just remember to
discard leaves with
black spots or other
fungal diseases. Do not
use walnut leaves as
they contain juglones, an
unfriendly bacteria.
Evergreen boughs are
also beneficial
especially on clay soil.
Used as mulch, they
help condition the soil
by adding a touch of
acidity and help with
preventing the
germination of weed
seeds.



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10% off in-store merchandise with your WHS card. Receive 5% off bird seed. Ask for the Frequent Bird Seed Card. When you've collected ten stamps you'll receive a free, small bag of bird seed.

BEST IN SHOW FOR SEPTEMBER

Vase of Mixed Flowers from Your garden:
Maria Durigon
Where Have all the Flowers Gone:
Debbie Estey

APPLE CAKE

2 cooking apples
1 cup sugar
1 tsp. cinnamon
Pinch salt
1 cup chopped pecans
1 ¼ cups all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
½ cup butter
1 egg lightly beaten
12 pecan halves to decorate



Preheat oven to 350° Peel, core and cut apples into chunks, place in bowl and mix with sugar. Set aside.

Sift flour, soda, cinnamon, allspice and salt into a large mixing bowl. Stir in chopped nuts.

Melt butter in pan, let cool slightly. Beat in egg. Add apples. Lightly mix in flour and gently fold mixture together.

Spoon into greased 8" pan. Bake for 45-50 minutes. Turn out on to a wire rack to cool. Dust lightly with icing sugar and top with nuts and serve plain or with whipped cream.

--Vogue Entertaining, 1986

NOVEMBER BASH

Tickets for the November dinner will be on sale at a low price of \$32!! But note, the date has been changed to Tuesday, November 10th. The location is still DaVinci Banquet Hall. Tickets on sale tonight. If you need more, contact Sue or John.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

If you have a newsletter submission, please call Mary no later than one week before the next meeting, at 905-856-6907 or email at mcicchi@sympatico.ca

We have an opening on the executive for the position of President. If interested, please speak to Sue.

IN MEMORIUM

Former WHS member Sandy Jones passed away October 5.

