

# Woodbridge Horticultural Society Newsletter



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All gardeners know better than other gardeners. Anonymous

# **SPEAKER TONIGHT**Sid Baller on PruningWhy, How, Tools.

#### **FYI**

Attend the 111th convention of the Ontario Horticultural Association from Friday to Sunday (July 21 to 23, 2017) hosted by OHA District 5, at the Sheraton Parkway North, located in York Region, at Highway 7 and Leslie Street. For more information visit www.gardenontario.org

# BEST IN SHOW FOR MAY

Helen Peacock for her African violet houseplant. Maria Durigon for her Happy Mothers' Day in a tea cup.

### FLEXING GARDENING MUSCLES

Celebrate Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday by planting a Canadian Shield Rose bush. Selected by Canada Blooms as flower of the year for 2017, they are a

repeat bloomer all summer long and bred especially for our difficult climate from coast to coast. Start a Pollinator Garden. Plant cosmos, tall zinnias, larkspur, coreopsis, lupins, or be surprised by sowing a pack of mixed wild flower seeds. Sunflowers grow quickly and attract bees, butterflies and hummingbirds. Remove weeds when they are small; much easier to deal with before they send long taproots deep into the earth. It's finally time to transplant tomatoes, cucumbers and peppers outside. Stake tall growing crops and don't forget to mulch. Take lots of pictures of clematis so you can enter two (2) in our contest at our November Bash. Any variety will

#### THANKS!

Gail, Sally, Nancy, Liz and Mace, and Grant Smith for helping to put up flower pots on the bridge on Woodbridge Avenue.

do; they don't have to be

from your own garden.

### NEAT THINGS ABOUT CHERRIES

It may take up to four to five years to yield a good crop of cherries from a newly planted tree, but the wait is worth it. After enjoying the beautiful blossoms that regale us every spring, this delicious fruit offers wonderful properties that relieve pain and reduce inflammation without harmful side effects of drugs. They also contain melatonin, an antioxidant that helps promote better sleep patterns and reduce pain of fibromyalgia, gout and arthritis. One cup of Bing or other sweet cherries has 74 calories and 15 grams of sugar. Sour cherries contain 52 calories and 8 grams of sugar per cup.





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### HAPPY BIRTHDAY CANADA!

To celebrate Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday, we will be having a tea party on Monday, July 17, at 7:30 p.m. Join in the fun by entering the Design class competition, featuring red and white flowers.

Please bring your own favourite tea cup.



### JULY 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

Please come out and help to tidy up the garden at the Historic Wallace House as we prepare it for the Garden Tour. You will be notified of the date, or come out on your own schedule.

#### WOODBRIDGE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY ANNUAL GARDEN TOUR

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2017

Rain or Shine!

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$10.00 each and are available at every garden. Start at the Victorian garden that surrounds the The Historic Wallace House, 137 Woodbridge Avenue and enter the draw for your chance to win a floral arrangement made by our members, to be held at 3:00 p.m. sharp. If selected, you will be required to pick up your arrangement.

For more information on our Woodbridge Horticultural Society, as well as the tour, please visit our web-site at: www.woodbridgehorticultural.weebly.com



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