



SEPTEMBER 2015

GREELY GARDENERS EVENTS

UPCOMING

MONTHLY MEETING – Wednesday September 2

Topic: “Hydrangeas and Flowering Shrubs”

Guest speaker: Suzanne Patry, Whitehouse Perennials Garden Centre.
Returning by popular request!

Greely Community Centre, 7:00 p.m.

Want to try something new? Suzanne's talk will cover all her favourite hydrangeas and shrubs, and also explain the conditions in which they will thrive. She'll also bring perennial plants that you can purchase for fall planting.

Note that no pre-sales will be done. All sales are to take place after the presentation.

PAST MONTH EVENT

JULY 25 - Field Trip to Perth Area Gardens

Quote from Lee Nickerson, GGG President:

"The ground work laid by Elaine (*Routledge, our Speaker Coordinator*) and Jane (*Reitze, our Treasurer*) was flawless. A measure of the success could well be the number of new plants everyone managed to stuff into the rear area of the bus. I don't believe there was anyone who avoided the temptation of purchasing something! We even managed to get a 3' x 4' glass window pane back to Greely in one piece." - Lee Nickerson, GGG President.

Trip Summary:

The tour launched at Stoneridge Gardens & Nursery in Clinton where Laurie was able to answer everyone's questions with the proper and common names for all the plants. She also was very informative when describing the special conditions for each of the plants.



We had a nice lunch (The Royal Tea) at The Crossroads Tea Room in Perth. Lunch included small sandwiches, scones, jams and sweets. We enjoyed much togetherness as we were able to have the whole restaurant all to ourselves.

Still in Perth, we visited Kiwi Gardens where we treated ourselves to a self-guided tour, and all realized how not even a bit of rain could dampen our gardeners' plant-buying frenzy.



Our last destination was Rockwall Gardens and its wonderful succulent show gardens. By then the bus' plant storage area was getting pretty full, and it was time to come home!



OTHER GARDENING EVENTS IN THE AREA

September 14 - Manotick Horticultural Society : "**Let's Get Artistic**", Mary-Anne Schmitz, Gardening by Design, 7:30 p.m., Main Hall, RCMP Campground, Long Island Locks, Manotick. A guest fee applies.

September 17 - Nepean Horticultural Society : "**Designing for Sun and Shade with Hostas and Companion Plants**", Suzanne Patry, Whitehouse Perennials, 7:30 p.m., 6 Epworth Avenue, Nepean. Guest Fee: \$4.

September 17 AND September 27 - Fletcher Wildlife Gardens, "**Nature Walks**", 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m., Prince of Wales Drive (just south of the Dominion Arboretum). Meet at the Resource Centre (Bldg 138).

September 20 - Friends of the Central Experimental Farm, "**Maples: Trees Close to our Hearts**" Tour, Robert Glendenning and Michael Rosen, Time and

location: TBA. Free. Please register in advance at info@friendsofthefarm.ca or call 613-230-3276.

October 3 - Master Gardeners of Ottawa-Carleton and Lanark County Master Gardeners Technical Update, "**Insects in Your Garden**", 9 a.m. - 4 p.m, Carleton Place. Seminar and Lunch: \$30. Get more information and register at: <http://www.mgottawa.ca/>

October 17-18, "Organic Master Gardener Course", hosted by Canadian Organic Growers (COG). (Note: The course runs for three weekends, both Saturday and Sunday October 17-18, November 7-8, and November 28-29 from 10am-4pm, COG's National Office at The Royal Ottawa Hospital, 1145 Carling Ave., Ottawa. Cost: Early Bird price: \$670 + HST ; after Sept. 25: \$720 + HST. Registration info: <http://www.cog.ca/our-services/OMG/>

GGG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NEWS

September 2: Marks the beginning of a new fiscal year for the GGG.

October 7: GGG Annual General Meeting/Election of Officers

Our GGG Executive Committee will be experiencing a substantial changeover this year. We need new people, with new ideas!

Open Positions:

Past- President: 1 nominee
President: 1 nominee
Secretary: 0 nominee
Treasurer: 0 nominee
e-Newsletter Editor: 0 volunteer

Please let any of the present executive members know of your interest in serving on the 2015-2016 Executive, and ensure the Greely Gardeners Group continues to be one of the best gardening clubs in Ottawa!

GGG 2015 PHOTO GALLERY

If you have garden photos to share on our website (<http://greelygardeners.ca/>), please send them to us at greelygardenersgroup@gmail.com

MEMBERS' CORNER

GARDENING NEWS, TIPS and THOUGHTS FROM OUR MEMBERS

Websites of interest:

Proven Winners <https://www.provenwinners.com/>

Dave's Garden <http://davesgarden.com/>

12 Natural Bee Sting Remedies

http://www.vegetablegardener.com/item/5452/12-natural-bee-sting-remedies?utm_source=email&utm_medium=eletter&utm_content=vg_eletter&utm_campaign=vegetable-gardener-eletter

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