



# Bulletin

## PINE RIDGE GARDEN CLUB

"Where Gardeners Come To Bloom"



NESTLETON, ONTARIO  
MEMBER OF DISTRICT 17 ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

February 2021

President: Norma Haney

Membership: Carolyn Humphrey

### NEWS!!

The Garden Club of  
Toronto

Presents Re-connections



The Garden Club of Toronto is holding an International Virtual Floral Art Show—Celebrating Friendship through Flowers. This show is in place of their Annual Flower Show held yearly at Canada Blooms.

Entrance to this competition is open to all members of Ontario Garden Clubs/Horticultural Societies.

If you choose to compete this year your designs once created in accordance with a class listed in the schedule are then photographed.

Your photographs are then submitted to the Toronto Garden Club Show Committee for judging.

Entries are to be received by March 1, 2021

If you are interested in competing and submitting entries please contact myself or Brenda to have the information emailed. Our Tel #'s are listed in the 2020 Yearbook.

### President's Message

As COVID-19 restrictions continue to prevent us from enjoying many of our normal everyday routines we were accustomed to, we have been hard-pressed to develop new ways of managing our time. Some members have taken up walking, cooking or various outdoor activities to help cope during these difficult times. However, you can now begin to think of 2021 gardening projects. There are several jobs you can start now. Take inventory of any seeds from last year and plan to order new seeds soon, as some varieties sell out early. Interest in backyard vegetable gardening has certainly taken off these past few years. Growing vegetables from seed not only saves money, but is also so rewarding.

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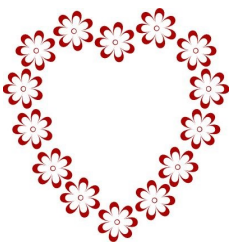
However, before placing orders you might want to consider which plants you will actually eat. Lettuce, beans and cucumbers are some of the easy ones. If you don't have grow lights, tomatoes can be difficult—but not impossible if you can provide a window with good southern exposure. Also, you might consider growing a few herbs from seed. Herbs are at their best when freshly cut. Basil, parsley and dill are very popular but choose herbs you will use in your cooking. Finally, remember to begin with a good quality seed starting mix to ensure good results. Also, you should begin by cleaning all containers and tools with a 10% bleach solution before using.

### **Proposed Plant, Bake & Yard Sale 2021**

During our recent virtual board meeting, we discussed several ways we could possibly hold our Annual Plant, Bake & Yard Sale this year while respecting health guidelines. In past years tomato plants, herbs and perennials have been so popular, and as such, we are looking at ways to keep this tradition alive in 2021! Contributing members must begin growing vegetables and herb seeds in late March/early April so plants will be ready for the day of the sale.

We are looking for your suggestions and support this year. Please think of ways you can contribute to this successful fundraiser.

If you could grow vegetables/herbs, pot up houseplants, take tip cuttings or divide and pot up perennials **please contact me or any board member by February 12th** to confirm your support. Phone numbers for myself and the board members are listed in the 2020 Yearbook.



**HAPPY  
VALENTINE'S  
DAY**

### **WEBSITE**

**www: [pineridgegardenclub.com](http://pineridgegardenclub.com)**

**Rita has posted a link to the  
OHA Winter Trillium Publication  
on our website.**

**Please be sure to check this edition for  
the article Rita submitted on  
Linda Brunton's open garden tour.**