



### Oakville Horticultural Society Newsletter April 2017

**April Monthly Meeting** 

Date: April 10, 2017

Location: Knox Presbyterian Church, 89 Dunn Street

Set-up Volunteers: Don Dusha, Ted Bateman, Margaret Found

Hospitality Volunteers: Stuart Gough, Jana Schilder, Florenda Tingle

Flower Show Clerks: Beryle Lowther and Linda Tock

Our speaker for April is Kevin Kavanagh and the topic of his presentation is "Plants in Jeopardy". This is a light-hearted take on the popular TV game show Jeopardy! Kevin will put forward an answer and the audience will try to come up with the question. He will then follow up on each topic with associated helpful garden tips. The range of topics will include propagation and division of perennials, winter protection for broad-leaved evergreens, fall clean-up tips and much more.

Kevin Kavanagh is the owner of South Coast Gardens, a small specialty nursery and landscape design business located in the heart of Ontario's 'Carolinian zone'. Although an avid gardener for much of his life, Kevin spent most of his early career in the field of biodiversity conservation working most recently for The Nature Conservancy of Canada and prior to that for 15 years with World Wildlife Fund Canada.

He hoped one day to develop a garden in Ontario that could feature plants such as azaleas, rhododendrons, magnolias

among others that had graced both the gardens and natural landscapes he had visited.

Twenty-five years later, that dream became a reality with the launch of South Coast Gardens in 2005.

Kevin holds a B.Sc. (Hons.) from McGill University, a M.Sc. from York University and several years of post-graduate research in Botany at the University of Toronto. He is a member of the Norfolk County Master Gardeners and recently joined the Board of Directors of the Niagara

Chapter of the Rhododendron Society of Canada.



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Oh joy, it's spring! The tulips are peaking out of the ground, gingko buds are swelling and the red-winged Blackbirds are singing. As I write this, it's still too soon to do much in the garden, but my anticipation is building!



I was sorry that we had to cancel our March meeting due to snow – who knew that winter still had that in store for us? We will have our Photography exhibit at the April meeting and Cathy is standing by to deliver her talk on Small Trees for Small Spaces some time in the coming months.

No doubt many of you visited Canada Blooms and had a chance to hear some excellent speakers and see what is new for gardeners. The design displays alone were worth the price of admission. My personal favourite was the first prize winning front door urn in the "Like a Hurricane" section. The show just keeps getting better and better – hats off to our own Celia Roberts who co-chaired the event!

There are a lot of exciting activities coming up for our Society in the next few months – our Plant Sale on May 20<sup>th</sup>, another year for the Junior Gardeners and the introduction of the OHS scholarship, as well as Secret Gardens of Oakville on June 25. In addition, our community plantings continue to engage us and our plans to commemorate our 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary are moving forward, including an exciting collaboration with Oakvillegreen. I'm looking forward to

discussing these initiatives at our meeting on April 9, as well as seeing what members bring for the Horticultural (Bulbs and Branches plus others) and Design (Trees) exhibits. We will have our member survey for you to complete so we can continue to offer what most appeals to you, and our Draw Table will be loaded! Our speaker, Kevin Kavanagh, is sure to challenge us with his "Plants in Jeopardy" talk. Its going to be a busy evening – so be sure to attend. And please remember to bring your own mug for our refreshment break.

In closing, I hope you're getting outside to enjoy these first wonderful days of Spring!

Paula



Flowers always make people better, happier, and more helpful; they are sunshine, food and medicine for the soul. Luther Burbank



Rhododendron in full spring display



### WANTED

### Plant Sale Committee Head or Co-Chair immediately required.

Fun, rewarding work with lots of support from others.

Approximately 40 hours of volunteer time required

**Plant Sale Date:** 

May 20, 2017

Location:

Munn's United Church

Contact: Paula Clayton 905-825-2548

Just a friendly reminder... Have you renewed your 2017 Oakville Horticultural Society Membership? You need to do so by April 10, 2017. Please bring a cheque or cash to our meeting next week and renew!!!

### Bring your own coffee cup and help the environment

One of the mandates of the Oakville Horticultural Society is to promote environmental awareness. At each meeting, OHS members enjoy delicious baked goods along with tea and coffee. The trouble is, we are not practicing what we preach: We are still serving tea and coffee in paper cups.

While they are recyclable, they are a single-use item. It takes an awful lot of energy to manufacture and distribute disposable cups. And they are certainly not priced to reflect the full cost of manufacture, plus full cost of disposal, plus the cost of C02 emissions to the environment.

We have a suggestion for all OHS members: **Do the environment a small act of kindness by bringing your own cup.** Let's face it, many of us have dozens of coffee cups in the cupboard. The Guelph Horticultural Society has gone as far as charging members 50 cents per each disposable cup - an added incentive.



These super cute, retro-style English garden,

enamel-on-steel cups are available from the Dollar Store for \$3 each. You can keep it in your car, not worry about breaking it, and bring it to each OHS meeting. BONUS: enamel-on-steel actually cools your beverage

much more quickly so you can have a second cup! Jana Schilder

"Only when the last tree has been cut down, the last fish been caught, and the last stream poisoned, will we realize we cannot eat money."

Cree Indian Prophesy

"What's in a name," said Shakespeare "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet". Perhaps so, but without accurate, universal, and unique names, we may not always get the plant we expected. The classification and naming of plants has a long history. The first known attempts were by the Greek philosopher Aristotle around 350 BC, who used visible physical characteristics such as leaf shape, as a basis.

Many other attempts followed, some requiring as many as twelve descriptors, but it was the Swedish botanist Carl Linnaeus who was responsible for our modern classification when he formulated the binomial system in the mid 1700's. This consisted of two words, the first word represented the genus and the second word represented the specific epithet, the two words together representing the species. Once the plant breeders got to work, it became necessary to add a third level indicating a sub species or cultivar (cultivated variety) e.g. Cornus seracea 'Kelsaye'. Incidentally Linnaeus tried to classify all living things, Including fifty seven dried fishes!

A plant can have several common names in one language, without considering its other names in other



languages, but the Latin binomial name is universal, means the same in any language, and can represent only one plant. Linnaeus classified plants based on observed similarities and differences. But science is not static. We now have tools such as genetics which call into question many of the old classifications and so changes in genus are sometimes necessary. Of course, since the rules are a bit arbitrary and loose, not all botanists agree to the changes and the International Committee on Spermatophyte is the final adjudicator, but there is also another player in the game. The lowly gardener faces the challenge of calling familiar old faces by new names and often does not do so without a fight. For instance, one

such challenge was the garden chrysanthemum. A few years ago, based on the work of a Russian botanist. Nicolas Tevelov, the garden chrysanthemum was moved to the genus Dendranthemum. In any genus a particular species is designated the "type species", and all members of the genus must relate to it. In this case, the type species was the relatively unknown crown daisy, Chrysanthemum Coronarium. Tevelov decided that our beloved garden mum had little in common with the crown daisy, so it had to go, including several other members of the genus which were relegated to genera such as Nipponanthemum and Tanecetum. Americans largely ignored the switch and were thus spared the heartache. There was such an uproar in other countries, even by the usually compliant Dutch, that the Committee on Spermatophyte came up with the radical solution of changing the type species to Chrysanthemum indicum. Thus our garden mum was restored to its rightful place and the crown daisy became Glebious coronaria and was banished to the Asteracea family. If the committee had been around at the time, perhaps we would have been spared the confusion surrounding the word geranium, which is commonly applied to the over five hundred species of geranium and pelargonium. It seems inevitable that there will always be conflict between botanists, who want to get it right, and gardeners, who also want to get it right so long as everything stays the same! All is not lost though. The Royal Horticultural Society in Britain has set up an Advisory Panel on Nomenclature and Taxonomy, whose mandate is to speak particularly for horticulturalists, restricting name changes to, in the words of one panel member, "those that are incontrovertibly proven and helpful to gardeners" Amen to that.

On a personal note, My granddaughter is going to China next March break with **Craig Keilberger's Me To We foundation** (she went to Tanzania last year, helping to build a school). To raise funds for her endeavor, I am having a plant sale the **first two weekends in May**. Location: my driveway at 2039 Rebecca St. Y'all come now!

Happy Gardening, David Marshall





Bring your own mug and get one free draw ticket at the door!!!!





### junior gardening program our outdoor classroom

2017 Registration opens March 1.

Our garden is an outdoor classroom — a live exhibit of so much that nature provides. An appreciation, an awareness and respect for the natural world, is an integral part of this hands on program. Gardens teach meaningful work — so much to do and observe each season. Children cooperate on real tasks with tangible and tasty outcomes.

Location: 1100 Cornwall Road, just behind the Municipal Greenhouse.

**When:** The program is held on Tuesdays from 4:15 to 5:15 during May, June and July. May and June are key planting months. Special nature presentations are also scheduled for all three months.

Cost: Participation per family, per plot is \$35 for the season.

Age: Children must be between 6 to 9 years old. There is a limit of one adult with two appropriately aged children per family per plot. Children must be accompanied by an adult for the duration of the program. Each family is responsible for the care of their garden, including weekly watering and weeding. Find out more about how you and your child/grandchild can participate in this unique program by contacting Helen Stephenson at: <a href="mailto:juniors.ohs@oakvillehort.org">juniors.ohs@oakvillehort.org</a>
See you in the Junior Garden!"







### Garden

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Halton Food Council Job Posting



WHISTLING GARDENS Botanical Gardens Designated a 'Canada 150 Garden Experience' "First Day of Spring Introduces Special Recognition, Launching First of Many 2017 Sesquicentennial Celebrations".

(Wilsonville, Norfolk County Ontario Canada – March 20, 2017) Whistling Gardens located in Norfolk County "Ontario's Garden" is the proud recipient of a 'Canada 150 Garden Experience' designation, awarded by the Canadian Garden Council in collaboration with the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association.

In celebration of Canada's sesquicentennial, 150 gardens and garden experiences across the country were jury-selected to receive the 'Canada 150 Garden Experience' designation – highlighting Whistling Gardens as one of 150 garden ways to celebrate Canada's birthday year.

### **JOB POSTING / CONTRACT**

**Organization:** Halton Food Council

**Position:** Community Garden Program Leads (2) **Location:** Burlington & Oakville, GTA, Ontario

Number of positions available: 2

Location: 6 community garden sites in Oakville and Burlington

Contract position: 12-14 hours/week

Contract period: May 1-September 15, 2017 (depending on funding)

Responsibilities:

- Work as a team to prepare and deliver weekly curriculum to children and adults in 6 gardens.
- Direct and supervise student interns.
- Track garden related program statistics by recording program participation, distributing surveys, and maintaining an issues log.
- Engage in outreach activities with students to encourage participation by community members.
- Maintain effective communication between volunteers, community members, partners, and students.
- Prepare bi-weekly update reports for the HFC.
- Occasionally act as a representative of the HFC at community garden outreach events.

For more information, please refer to: www.haltonfoodcouncil.ca



What is a weed? A plant whose virtues have not been discovered.

Ralph Waldo Emerson



### May 8, 2017 Meeting

Ask a Master Gardener



When it comes to buying and caring for our gardens and indoor plants, there are often things we puzzle over. At our May 8<sup>th</sup> General Meeting, we are going to have Master Gardeners/gardening experts

available to answer your questions. This is a wonderful opportunity to solve some of your most pressing concerns and hear what other members are wondering about too!

In advance of this, please bring your questions in writing: Attention: Margaret J. to our next meeting - April 10<sup>th</sup> or email them to info.ohs@oakvillehort.org P.S. Lancelot sends his regrets, wishes he could attend, all the best!

### Garden Experts to Answer Your Gardening Questions

The OHS has received several requests for recommendations of gardens around the Oakville area that would be suitable for wedding photos.

The Town of Oakville generally charges a fee for the more well-known gardens such as:

The Erchless Estate, 8 Navy St- has both indoor and outdoor facilities;

Gairloch Gardens (1288 Lakeshore Blvd), may have both indoor and outdoor facilities:

Coronation Park;

Town of Oakville Greenhouse and Conservatory - Cornwall Rd. Town gardens where you can likely go with no charge:

Park located at Nottinghill Gate and Pilgrim's Way - a garden with a modern piece of artwork;

Shell Park:

Lancelot "Capability" Brown(1715 – 1783)

Kingsford Park - 8480 Sherwood Heights;

Coronation Park - Lakeshore;

He was an English landscape architect.

Gardener. He designed over 170 parks

nicknamed as "Capability" because he

Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/

would tell his clients that their property had

many of which still endure. He was

capability for improvement.

He is remembered as England's Greatest

George's Square -179 Trafalgar, downtown;

Post Park - 512 MacDonald;

Beechnut Forest Park - Ford Dr.:

Busby Park - Water St;

Clearwoods Park - Kingswood Dr.;

Arkendo Park- Lakeshore and Winston Churchill;

Bronte Harbour;

Bronte Heritage Waterfront Park;

Shipyard Park and Tannery Park at the Oakville Harbour.

Joshua Creek Heritage Art Centre on Burnhamthorpe Rd.

This venue has both indoor and outdoor facilities.

Royal Botanical Gardens - they can host wedding pictures using their indoor and outdoor facilities.

For more specific information check "serviceoakville" on line or the site entitled "Parks, Gardens and Recreational Trails". Compiled and submitted by Marie Decker



### **ALL HANDS ARE NEEDED**

PLANT SALE: May 20 - 8:30-11:30am

**LOCATION: 5 Dundas St. E. (Munn's United Church)** 

Our plant sale is our main fundraising event. Moneys raised from this event and our upcoming Garden Tour will help us to cover the costs of running our society and allow us to continue our good work in the community. With your help our plant sale can make a big difference. But it is a big job, so all hands are needed.

### What can YOU do?

**Help us advertise.** Tell your friends and neighbours. Give out bookmarks. Put up posters. Put up a sign in your yard or neighbourhood. We will tell you where and when you can get these at our April meeting or contact Cathy – c.kavassalis@gmail.com. If you can print the last page of this newsletter and post the posters in high traffic areas such as offices, grocery stores, churches to increase our visibility.

**Donate Plants**. If you have a garden, spring is a good time to dig and divide plants. This can help your perennials to flourish. For instructions, visit Better Homes and Gardens Dividing Perennials, or come to the April meeting for a demonstration. Your finished potted plant should be attractive.

Ideally, potting should be done by May 8<sup>th</sup> to give plants a chance to recover and look their best for our sale on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Use a wooden stick, a permanent marker (no paper please) jot down the plant's name, it's colour or if it grows in sun or shade. Deliver your **labelled** potted plants to the Plant Depots by May 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Depot Locations

KVILLA

North	Marie & Bob Decker		
	1285 Gloaming Court 905-844-1837		
South East	Sonja Tessari & Stuart Gough		
	1311 Avon Cres. 905-845-9474		
South West	David Marshall		
	2039 Rebecca St. 905-827-2564		

**Help others dig and divide.** Several members and some non-members need assistance to lift and split large plants.

**Give us your time on plant sale day**. Ideally, we need twenty people to set up in the morning (6am); at least ten people to sell plants; six people to tally plant purchases; four people to serve as cashiers; two people to direct traffic; one person to manage the holding area; two people to help carry plants to cars; three people to drive the truck moving plants from depots to church for plant sale day; four people to prepare and or serve refreshments to the volunteers ... You get the idea.

**We need YOU!** If you know any students who would like to get volunteer hours, let me know.

**Join the Plant Sale Team**. We could use your ideas and talents. Everyone is ≥ welcome.

Let's all work together to have FUN and make this plant sale a BIG success!



PLANTS MOST DESIRED: Aquatic Plants, Artemisia, Astilbe, Asters, Bellflowers (non-invasive), Black Eyed Susan, Bleeding Heart, Border Pinks, Catmint, Columbine, Coral Bells, Corydalis, Cranesbill, Day Lilies, Delphinium, Ferns (all kinds), Geranium, Groundcovers, Hens & Chicks, Herbs, Hosta (any kind), Jack-in-the-Pulpit, Japanese Anemone, Japanese Spurge (Pachysandra), Iris, Lady's Mantle, Lamb's Ear, Lavender, Monkshood, May Apple and Native plants of all kinds, Mums, Ornamental Grasses, Phlox, Primula, Purple Coneflower, Sedum Autumn Joy, Shasta Daisy, Siberian Iris, Solomon's Seal, Sweet Woodruff, Trilliums, Meadow Rue, Rhubarb, Strawberries, Yarrow, Yucca ... to name a few. Shrubs and Trees are also welcomed if they can be reasonably transported. Make sure that late leafing plants like Rose of Sharon show some signs of life, otherwise they are hard to sell.

### **Dig and Divide Method**

Prepared by Sonja Tessari and Stuart Gough























### **MILKWEED AND MONARCHS**

A SIMPLE FACT: If there is no milkweed there are no Monarchs!

Since the 1990's the eastern Monarch population has dropped by about 90 percent.

The main reason for the decline is loss of habitat – milkweed. Monarch habitat has been reduced by at least 140 million acres in the last 10 years – about a fifth of the total breeding area available to monarchs. Preeminent Monarch advocate Chip Taylor believes that one billion plants need to be planted across North America - half of this in Canada alone.

Milkweed is the **ONLY** plant that Monarch caterpillars eat. Although there are approx. 140 different types, Ontario's main ones are: Ascelpias Syriaca (common MW), A. Incarnata (Swamp MW), A. Tuberosa (Butterfly Weed) and A. Curassavica (Tropical MW). It is also an important nectar plant for many other pollinators (although the flowers are an excellent cut flower and smell very much like lilacs). A. Syriaca (Common MW) can be assertive in your garden but it is easily removed. Many people prefer A. Curassavica (Tropical MW) since it will die off every year in Ontario's climate.



We can become more Monarch friendly by planting common milkweed around the town, since there are thousands of little sunny wastelands in ditches and along fences – just look where weeds are already standing.

Ex-President Obama has been trying to establish a MW corridor along the Interstate 35 from Laredo, Texas to Duluth, Minnesota. Let's make sure the corridor continues well into Canada!

Let's plant some milkweed! Margaret Larsen

Please remember that the photography exhibit Is being held at the April 10, 2017 meeting.







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Royal Botanical Gardens - (RBG)

680 Plains Road West, Hamilton/Burlington • 905-527-1158

Plant Paradise Country Gardens (PPCP)

16258 Humber Station Rd, Caledon East, ON 905-880-9090

The Riverwood Conservancy (TRC)

4300 Riverwood Park Ln, Mississauga, ON (905) 279-5878







### **National Flower of Canada?**

We have an official tree- the maple, but we do NOT have an official flower! Master Gardeners of Ontario thinks Canada's 150th birthday is the perfect time to launch a campaign to get one!

Toronto Master Gardeners with help from Todd Boland, Research Horticulturist at Memorial University of Newfoundland, came up with the following three choices for a pan-Canadian flower-one that appears in every province and territory but is not already a provincial or territorial emblem:

### **Hooded Ladies Tresses** (Spiranthes romanzoffiana)

- Unique spiraling flower spike marks this genus
- Found in open wet areas meadows, bogs, marshes
- Fragrant flowers from July to Sept on 10 to 50 cm stems
- Food source for native bumblebees all through summer

- Delicate but tough! "borealis" of the north
- Found in forests, wetlands all over Canada
- Reproduces mainly by spreading stolons
- Fragrant flowers on 15 cm stems for one week in June, attract native bees

- Changes with the seasons just like Canada!
- White flowers in spring, red berries in summer, great red-purple fall colour
- Very common in forests and wetlands all over Canada
- Creeping form, 10 to 20 cm tall, great as a native groundcover
- Pollinators include native bumblebees and solitary bees
- Berries are food source for small and large mammals, migratory birds
- Winter forage source for caribou, moose, elk, deer







### Voting will close at midnight on June 30th, 2017 Vote now!

Read about the three 'nominees' and then vote using the Survey Monkey link:

### https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8Z9WDW9

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### OHA DISTRICT SIX

Let's Celebrate! Canada turns 150 & District 6 celebrates 90 years



**Reminder**: each society brings a door prize \$20.00-\$25.00 value

- Pre-registration Only Deadline to Pre-register: April 10, 2017
- To order tickets, please email Barb Bell at <u>bbello335@gmail.com</u> or phone evenings (519) 647-9886.
- Tickets will be reserved at the door for pick up. \$15.00 per person - No Refunds!
- Please make cheques payable to "OHA District 6"
- Mail to Barb Bell, P.O. Box 149, Lynden, ON LoR 2To.







### **Directions:**

- From QEW/ON-403 W, follow ON-403 W and ON-6 S to Nanticoke Creek Pkwy/Haldimand County Rd 69 in Haldimand (55 min, 80.4 km.).
- Continue on Nanticoke Creek Pkwy/ Haldimand County Rd 69. Take Concession 13 Townsend to Concession 14 Townsend in Norfolk County (10 min, 11.9 km).
- · Destination is on the right.

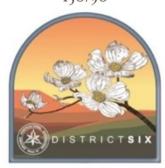


### **OHA DISTRICT SIX**

Spring Workshop (AGM)



LET'S CELEBRATE!



Saturday April 22, 2017

The Greens at Renton Clubhouse 969 Concession 14, Simcoe, ON, N3Y 4K3 Admission \$15 Information: district6@gardenontario.org



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Start Date: April 22, 2017 End Date: April 22, 2017

Time: 08:00am to 01:00pm

Location: THE GREENS AT RENTON CLUBHOUSE 969 Concession 14, Simcoe, ON, N3Y 4K3 Renton, ON

Contact: Donna Hussey Contact Phone: 519-582-4523 Contact Email: district6@gardenontario.org

The OHA is looking for a Marketing & Communications Coordinator as well as a Webmaster.

For a copy of the job description, please contact Paula Clayton by email <a href="mailto:president.ohs@oakvillehort.org">president.ohs@oakvillehort.org</a>.

If you are up to the challenge, these positions are exciting, fun and extremely rewarding and they would be an excellent way to accrue some valuable job experience and/or give back to the Ontario Horticultural Association.

The OHA invites letters of interest, including resume, from qualified individuals until May 1, 2017.

\*\*VILLE\*\*Please forward your letter of interest and resume to Kelly Taylor, OHA Secretary at

ohasecretary@gmail.com.

We look forward to hearing from you!!

Kelly Taylor Ontario Horticultural Association Secretary

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	Monthly meeting will be held once again at Knox Presbyterian Church 89 Dunn Street
April 7 - 9	Peterborough Garden Show 2017
	Evinrude Centre, 911 Monaghan Rd, Peterborough, Ont.  More info: www.PeterboroughGardenShow.com
April 22	District Six Spring Workshop (AGM)
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April 23	Ontario Hosta Society's 2017 Hosta Forum
	7th Annual Hosta Forum - Early Bird: After March 1rst, OHS Members \$60.00 and Non OHS Members \$65.00 afterwards - no tickets sales at door. Order your tickets now for a special draw. Day long meeting featuring three great speakers: Ran Lydell, New York Hosta Society; Sean James, Fern Ridge Landscaping & Jeff Mason, Mason House Garden. Registration begins at 8:30 am with meeting starting at 9 am to 4 pm. Delicious Continental Breakfast & Delicious Lunch; door prizes, silent auction and more! Location: Glencairn Golf Club 9807 Regional Rd., 25, Halton Hills, ON L9T 2X7 Contact: Donna Hussey Phone: 519-582-4523 or email <a href="mailto:husseyde@sympatico.ca">husseyde@sympatico.ca</a>
April 29	RBG Plant Faire
	<b>10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Rock Garden Parking Lot &amp; Rock Garden Visitor Centre</b> RBG is proud to present its first annual Plant Faire, a great way to get a head start on the gardening season, find unique plants for your home garden, and speak to passionate gardening professionals.
April 29	RBG Education 70th Anniversary Open House
	<b>10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; RBG Centre.</b> In 1947, our education programming started with a few hundred participants taking part in lectures, films, a tree ID workshop, and a children's gardening program. Fast forward to this past year, and 120,000 people who participated in the vast array of programming we offer for people of all ages. Come and sample our program offering, and celebrate 70 years of bringing people, plants and nature together!
May 20	Oakville Horticultural Plant Sale
	Plant Sale: May 20, 2017 8:30 am - 11:30 am Location: 5 Dundas Street (Munn's United Church) Come join us for a wonderful day!

### Oakville Horticultural Society 60 years this year!

### What can you do?



Volunteer to honour our 60th anniversary. If you are interested, please contact Jana Schilder at Mobile 416.831.9154 Or Email jana@janaschilder.com
Lets make this a memorable anniversary!

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# CASH ONLY

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Munn's United Church 5 Dundas St. East, **Oakville** (Sixth Line & Dundas)

