



MAY GENERAL MEETING
will be held Wednesday, May 18th 2011
at Pioneer Hall, Anglican Church (5th Ave)
beginning at 7:30 p.m.



"HYPERTUFA"

Lynn Coutts and Joyce Marie Smith

Hypertufa is a material used widely in garden planters and decorative items. It is light and porous, and looks like a kind of weathered concrete, without the weight. Come and see how your too can make it and get ideas for items you can make.
Hostess Bruce Wilson Gift: Bonnie Warner



MEMBERS FOR 2011. All memberships are for the calendar year.
PRESENT MEMBERSHIP 79. We need over 100 members. Perhaps you would like to buy one as a gift for a friend or relative. (Newsletter can be mailed anywhere). If you know someone who has not yet renewed, please talk to that person and encourage him or her to join for 2011. To join contact Ginny Montminy, Membership Chair [544 7596] and arrange to pay by cheque or at the next meeting.

PLANT & BAKE SALE: Saturday, May 14; Doors open at 10:00 am and stay open as long s there is material to sell.

Members: (1) Please go over your garden to see what you can share for the Plant Sale—perennials, bedding plants, shrubs, potted plants. Please "neaten up" the plants and label them as to kind (and variety, if you know it). Tidy looking plants sell better and for a better price.

You may also donate spring flowers such as tulips, daffodils, pussy willows, branches and greenery. Bonnie Warner will be making up bouquets for sale.

Set up will be Friday the 13th starting at 1:00 p.m.

(2) Any Baking that comes in is snapped up right away, so please set aside some time to bake up one of your favourite recipes.



(3) Pop flats and plastic bags to transport purchases would be much appreciated.

(4) Convenor Les Peever is asking for help setting up on Friday afternoon, setting up and pricing and for Saturday morning at the Sale. Please contact him at 705 544 2651.

With sadness, we mark the recent death of Stella Holeksa, one of our best workers and supporters. Stella was always on hand when she was needed; she contributed generously to the bake sale table; she showed in the Flower Show and was an all round valued member.

Note: We will miss Stella's contribution to the bake table. Can we make up for it?

CIVIC PLANTING: Planting Convenor Carrie Ann Field is making plans for this year's civic plantings. One item in the planning is the condition of the beds lining the sidewalk to the Rotary fountain. **Planting June 4th at 9:00 a.m.** at the Cenotaph.

GARDEN TOUR: Scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, August 6th and 7th, 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. There has been a great response to this. So mark your calendars and don't be on holiday then.

HORTICULTURE WEEK: June 11th to 18th. Members are encouraged to do something horticultural during that Week. Also check out the displays in windows at the Englehart Public Library and Northern Variety. Jean Bott (2972) is the Convenor

JUNE MEETING PROGRAM: Panel discussion "Preparation for the Festival of Flowers"

FLOWER SHOW "Festival of Flowers": Thursday and Friday, August 18th and 19th. Convenor Lyn Coutts is looking for ideas for special exhibits (but we need to remember that space at Holy Family School is limited). Have you an idea for displaying the photo entries? Please share it with Lynn (1-303-9360).

CONGRATULATIONS! Provincial Volunteer Awards will be presented to Joe Muething and Joyce Marie Smith in Timmins on May 11th, 2011.

ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION CONVENTION 2011

will be in Sudbury July 15th to 17th at the Radisson Hotel. Theme: "A Growing Experience—from the Ground Up" Plan to attend, Mark your calendar for that Friday, Saturday, and Sunday until around noon

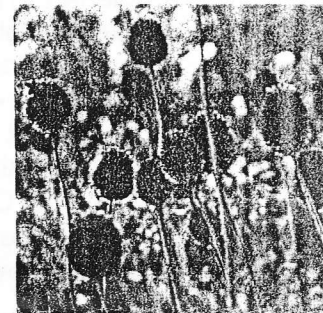
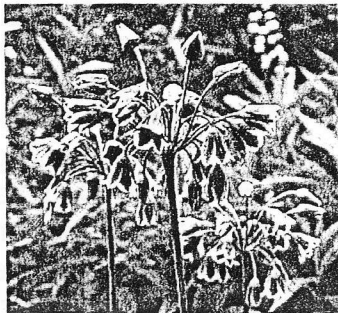
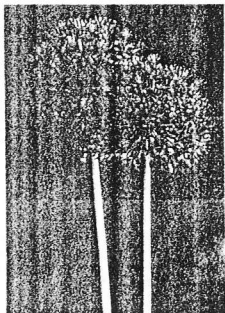
FUNDRAISER BY Ontario Horticultural Association: We are participating in a sale of Allium bulbs for delivery this Fall. The Society receives \$.50 for each order. See next page for all the details.





Membership Order Form

ALLIUM BULB FUNDRAISER



ITEM # 1
PURPLE SENSATION
 Flowering: Late May
 Colour: Dark Purple
 Height: 70-90 Sun: Full
 10 PER PACKAGE

ITEM # 2
BULGARICUM
 Flowering: June
 Colour: Pastel Hues
 Height: 70-90 Sun: Full
 10 PER PACKAGE

ITEM # 3
HIS EXCELLENCE
 Flowering: June
 Colour: Bluish Lilac
 Height: 90 Sun: Full
 1 PER PACKAGE

ITEM # 4
SPHAEROCEPHALON
 Flowering: Mid Summer
 Colour: Magenta
 Height: 60 Sun: Full
 50 PER PACKAGE

QTY: ____ x \$5.00 = ____ QTY: ____ x \$5.00 = ____ QTY: ____ x \$5.00 = ____ QTY: ____ x \$5.00 = ____

Product and Order Information:

- Your Society and Ontario Horticultural Association Fundraiser
- These are premium bulbs
- Orders can be placed from February to May 30, 2011
- Bulbs will be distributed to you in early September
- Fall 2011 planting through to heavy frost in your area

PAYMENT OPTION – Cash or cheque is payable to your Society with order.

Name: _____	Phone: _____
Address: _____	Email: _____
Society Name: _____	District: _____
Total Amount: \$ _____	

Please tear off and give to member as receipt for pick-up in early September

Date Payment received: _____ Cheque #: _____ Amount: \$ _____

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DISTRICT #12 ANNUAL MEETING

2011 was held Sat., April 30th at Englehart. The District Executive was elected as follows:

Director – Bonnie Warner, Englehart
1st Assistant – Suzanne Bull, K. Lake
2nd Assistant – Sandy Fey, K. Lake
Bursary Chair – Lynn Coutts, Englehart
Nominating Chair – Jean Wallace, Englehart

Financial Reviewers – Joyce Marie Smith and Dorothy Robertson, Englehart
The Annual Meeting was held at Holy Trinity Church Hall in Englehart on Saturday April 30th.

Thank you from Mary Schippers to all members who donated food for the coffee breaks and Thank You from Twyla Wilson to all members who brought in donations for the door prizes.

It was a successful and enjoyable day.

PRUNING KNOW-HOW Doing the right kind of pruning when a tree is young can make the difference between a healthy beautiful specimen in maturity and a misfit, Lee Reich, author of The Pruning Book recommends the following prudent approach to pruning:

*For the quickest healing, prune just as growth is beginning;

* Prune anything that's dead, diseased, broken or misplaced;

* Prune to develop a good structure. Keep your eye out for well-placed branches because those are the ones to preserve;

* Prune when a branch is small so the cut is small. Then leave the cut along. If the cut is made correctly, it will heal best if left untreated;

* Ignore the old advice for pruning a just-planted tree by making a lot of little cuts. You may distort the tree's shape.

The Green Thumb yard and Garden

We extend our condolences to President Bonnie Warner on the recent death of her Father, Ran Howard

SLUGS AND HOSTA

This is the time to drench your Hosta bed(s) with 1 part household ammonia to 10 parts water. You must do it now before the Hosta leaves poke up, as the ammonia may damage the leaves. I have found that this treatment is very effective in keeping slugs off Hostas.



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