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December Meeting

Just a reminder that this month's meeting is our Annual Potluck and Awards Presentation. <u>This</u> month we start at 6:30.

Bring your partner/spouse/friend and one of your favorite dishes for us all to enjoy! Please note you need to also bring your place serving – plates (main course and dessert), cutlery, cup/glass and napkin. Coffee and tea will be available.

We hope that you will all join us as we enjoy wonderful dishes together with excellent company!

Dear Fellow Gardeners:

December is here already and in a few weeks, it will be Christmas. It is really true that time does not stop for anyone or anything.

First of all, thanks to all of you, our Silent Auction at the November meeting was a great success and we raised \$1,496.00 for our Club. *Angie* kindly took a lot of pictures which follow on pages 3 and 4. Thank you *Angie*!

We would like to sincerely thank *Joyce Brown, Gill Powers and Pauline Slade* (who have resigned from the Executive) for their contributions over the years. *Joyce* has also been instrumental in many of our community activities and garden maintenance, and we thank you so much for your time and hard work, *Joyce*!

And we would like to welcome the new members to our Executive who will be introduced at the December meeting. We thank you very much for stepping up and look forward to your suggestions and participation.

To all of you who contributed in your own way this past year, thank you very much! Like all community-based organizations, our Garden Club depends on volunteers for its success.

Finally, on behalf of the Executive, I would like to wish you and your loved ones a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy 2023.

Sandee

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, December 14th: Christmas Potluck; Installation of Officers; Award Presentations

Wednesday, April 12th, 2023: First Meeting of 2023 Wednesday, May 10th, 2023: May Meeting

Executive Planning for 2023

At our last Executive Meeting, in addition to ensuring we are ready for the December Potluck, we continued our 2023 planning. The new bookmarks for 2023 will be available at our December meeting, and you will notice that once again, *Yvonne de Ruiter* has done a fantastic job of creating our bookmarks, and we can look forward to her creative talents in putting together our Yearbook for 2023.

Pam and Rose have scheduled some really great speakers and topics. Thank you, ladies, for all your hard work.

We are also starting to gather sponsors for our <u>Yearbook</u>. Sponsorship costs \$40.00 for publication of the business card and we like to support and promote our sponsors throughout the year. If you have a business or you know of one which would like to advertise in our Yearbook, please speak with them and let *Pam, Mirela or myself* know. Payment can be by cash or by cheque made out to:

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We are also looking at running some courses for our members, such as centrepiece design for various occasions throughout the year -- spring, Thanksgiving and Christmas; and perhaps some planting courses. If you have any suggestions, we would love to consider them.

Thank you and Best Wishes, Mike Slade

Best wishes to *Mike and Pauline Slade* on their move to Campbellford. We will miss you both!

To *Mike*, thank you very much for your photography expertise in judging our photo contests all these years. Your feedback on the photos has been very valuable to us amateur photographers and we really appreciate it. And we appreciate the advice and tips in your photography presentation which you were kind enough to give during the Pandemic.

The following are some of Mike's beautiful (and unbelievably "crisp") photos that he has left with us.













November Meeting Photos

Following are photos from the November Silent Auction. So many beautiful things by so many talented people. Thank you to everyone that contributed and all those successful bidders of the items on auction.













"As we look to the new year, hold on to what is good. Let go of what is bad. It really is that simple."

Something for everyone!

























MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE! HAVE A SAFE, HEALTHY WINTER AND WE'LL SEE YOU IN APRIL!