

May ~ June 2013

East York Garden Club

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The East York Garden Club is a member of the Ontario Horticultural Association, District 5.

Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month (except August and December) in the Stan Wadlow Clubhouse, 373 Cedarvale Ave. at 7:30 p.m.

Refreshments are available at 7:00 p.m. The Clubhouse is wheelchair-accessible. Visitors are always welcome.

Yearly membership fees are \$20 for a single, and \$30 for a family. To inquire about membership, please contact Cristina Brown.

Visit us on the web at www.eygc.ca

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Rosalind Regnier
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Thursday, May 18, 2013, 7:30 p.m.

Topic: What Treasures are for Waiting to be Snapped Up? Plant Sale
Speakers: Our Master Gardeners

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, May 18, when we'll be holding our annual plant sale, and Master Gardeners from our own Club will talk about the donated plants and maybe even bring some from their own gardens.

Members are asked to bring their plants between **6:30 and 7:00 p.m.** so they can be prepared for sale. Please label the plant with name, colour, annual or perennial, height/width, blooming season, light requirements, and anything special the new gardener needs to know. We will also have a "garden treasures" table so donations of any gently used garden related tools or items are appreciated.

The sale will begin after the speakers are done.

Members with surnames beginning with "S" to "T" are asked to bring in some cookies or squares for the refreshment table.

Thursday, June 20, 2013, 7:30 p.m.

Topic: Hostas and other Shady Characters in your Garden
Speaker: Jack Kent

This month's speaker is Jack Kent, of the Potting Shed in Dunnville. His topic is "Hostas and other Shady Characters in your Garden".

Jack Kent is owner/operator of "The Potting Shed". For the past twenty-six years, since graduating from the University of Guelph, he has worked to maintain excellence in breeding programs originally related to the animal sciences and more recently related to plants, especially daylilies and hostas. His work advances the appreciation and quality of daylilies and hostas particularly as they relate to our northern climes. Through his hybridizing program he has worked to improve the winter hardiness of flower colours and forms that were previously only available to more southern gardens. The Potting Shed plants are field and container grown to maximize their size and health as they are transplanted into gardens.

You can visit his website at <http://www.pottingshedcanada.com/>

Don't forget to enter this month's flower show. The theme for the design categories is Summer Solstice.

Members with surnames beginning with "U" to "Z" are asked to bring in some cookies or squares for the refreshment table.

May Plant Sale ~ How to prepare your Plants for Sale!



The May Members' Plant Sale is always a busy event. Please try to have your plants at the meeting by 7:00 pm so they can be priced. If you have any garden tools in good condition that you'd like to donate, those are welcome too.

Some pointers:

- Decide early what plants will go in the sale.
- A healthy attractive plant will sell faster than a plant that is potted up the day before or the morning of the sale. A plant that was potted up and kept watered in a shady spot for more than a few weeks should put up some new growth.
- Clearly label your plant with its proper name. Don't guess. Identify it.
- If you have the nursery label it originally came with mark it on your tag using the botanical name and cultivar. It will give the buyer more information about the plant.
- Does it need sun or shade? That is important information.
- Does it need lots of water or is it a drought tolerant plant that can survive on the dry side?
- Make sure there are no weeds or add on's. A buyer may not appreciate getting a sprig of goutweed or lily of the valley in with the sale plant. They can be aggressive plants once established.

Results from the April Flower Show

Considering our late spring, we still had 47 entries in the cut specimen category. While some categories did not have any entries, others like "Iris, dwarf" had 8 and "Any other flowering bulb, corm or rhizome" had 11! The orchids put on a spectacular show and the 25 different preserves really tested our judge. The design creations were spot on for the "Kitchen" theme.

Judge's Choice (see photo) and Best Cut Specimen went to Betty Meyers, Best Potted Plant went to Anna Leggatt, Best Design went to Jean Quinn and Best Preserve to Diane Ronan.

Sadly, we only had one entry in our People's Choice Novice Corner and your voting pennies gave Carol Aida a landslide to a First Place ribbon! She also won the 50/50, so I guess she really lucked out!

Thanks to all our competitors both experienced and novice. Thank you to all our volunteers for setting up, cleaning up, running and placing entries, clerking and giving, collecting and counting pennies—we couldn't have done it without you.



Our next show is June 20th and if the weather works with us, we should see some iris, peonies and roses and our first fruits and veg of the year. Summer Solstice is our design theme celebrating the longest day of the year. Anyone who would like to enter for the first time or volunteer for the first time, feel free to call me for any help you may need or time you can give.

Barb Piercey
Flower Show Coordinator
416-755-0278

WaterGarden Tour - Scarborough
July 14th followed by BBQ,
Contact Jim Grass for Tickets [416-750-1890](tel:416-750-1890)

Prez Patch *By: Susan Bartlett*

While spring has been slow, there have been hints of it. Garden centres are opening, we had our first Flower Show at the April meeting, and most excitingly, East York won two trophies in the flower show at the District 5 AGM! Thanks to all who entered and coordinated our entries! The Rockery season is starting, we had one clean-up and regular upkeep of the Rockery will be starting on May 25.

Upcoming events include our May plant sale (just in time for Victoria Day), and we'll have a table at Janet Davis' Environment Day on Saturday, June 1, our bus tour to the Niagara on June 23, and the Canada Day parade and table at Stan Wadlow Park on July 1st.

We still need someone to host the July 18 Potluck. Email me susanhirst@gmail.com or call [416-467-4945](tel:416-467-4945) if you think you would like to consider hosting. Otherwise we will hold it at the Rockery.

Did you know that EYGC has a membership at the Toronto Botanical Gardens? This entitles all EYGC members to the use of the TBG library if you show your EYGC card. TBG has one of the largest botanical libraries in North America.

Places to buy veggie seedlings

Fiesta Farms.

Tree and twig.

T&T supermarket

Urban Harvest seeds

Evergreen Brickworks

Carrot Common.



OHA Judging and Exhibiting Standards Books

We only have 5 copies of the \$6 books available for sale. It is especially useful if you compete or are thinking of competing in the 2013 flower shows. Valuable information on how to select, groom and present your flowers, plants, fruit & vegetables for show. There are definitions of various forms of design and tips as to what the judges are looking for in both horticultural and design entries.

If you would like me to reserve a copy for you let me know.

Barb Piercey
Flower Show Coordinator

Join Us on our Bus Tour ~ June 23rd, 2013

Our bus tour will be on Sunday June 23rd, 2013, 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Featuring a Private garden, the Royal Botanical Gardens, a Winery and to top off the day a plant nursery.

The cost is \$75.00 including all tips, entrance fees,

& lunch. Non-members will pay \$ 75.00 plus \$20.00 for a full year membership so they will be covered by Ontario Horticultural association insurance. In this case it would be two cheques...one for \$75 & one for \$20. Tickets will be available at the May meeting. Unsold tickets will be made

available to other societies after the may meeting.

September's bus tour— itinerary will be finalized by May's meeting.

Please see Rosalind for more information.

~ Rosalind
[416-759-6247](tel:416-759-6247)



<http://www.rbg.ca/>

Anna's Finds

Gardening is a growing business. Companies keep researching new products to sell to us, making it fun and easy to perform various tasks. Also there are innumerable products to enhance our outdoor spaces. One of my favourites is the Loblaw's white solar powered planter. These have a solar panel that powers lights in the base of the planter. Mine glow all night, from dusk to dawn. There are flowers in the summer and fall. Then I plug the drainage hole and leave the planters to glow all winter. I now have three. Loblaw's also makes Magic-Grow single dose fertilizer, 15-30-15 with micronutrients. This is so easy to use – just drop a small packet into a 8L -2 gallon – watering can and stir till it dissolves – then water.

Don't wait till summer to put out wasp traps. Tanglefoot makes a non-toxic, pesticide free trap with allure that will catch queen yellow jackets in the spring before they make their nests, and foraging workers all summer. It doesn't attract honeybees. Hang it up at least 3m away from where you usually sit or work in your garden.

Fiskers manufactures a range of pruners and other garden tools. New this year is a pruning saw on a sturdy extension (3'-8') pole. You can remove small branches without climbing a ladder! They also have a large trowel with a big grip handle. You can move more soil with this comfortable handle. It is aluminum so won't rust. It has a lifetime warranty.

I hate wearing gloves. However, some are vital for working in ponds, others for rose pruning and yet others for working with cold wet soil. My favourites are for the latter are lightweight bamboo gloves from Midwest Gloves and Gear. They are 67% bamboo with cotton and spandex. The palms and most of the fingers are waterproof.

How about "Orchard Sox"? These are a stocking-like sock that you put over young apples in June and it stops apple



LOCAL FARMERS MARKETS

East York Civic Centre
Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Starts May 14

East Lynn Park
(Danforth Ave w of Woodbine)
Thursdays 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 pm
Starts June 6

Withrow Park
(south of Danforth Ave.
between Logan & Carlaw)
Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Starts May 18th

Evergreen Brick Works
(550 Bayview Ave)
Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Year round

maggots, codling moth, etc! It is promotion by a Toronto company, Orchard People. They specialize in urban orchard consulting. www.orchardpeople.com

Soil Sponge helps keep your potting soil moist for up to an additional 7 days! It conserves water and keep your plants healthy at the same time. This soil conditioner is coir-based, which is a fiber found in the hulls of coconuts. It is eco-friendly and non-toxic. Soak a brick of the sponge – it will expand. Put a 5cm layer at the bottom of your planters and mix some in the planting soil as well.

Sheridan Nurseries is 100 years old this year! Look for their inspiration series of summer annuals plus other special plants. I love the colour of their 100th anniversary plant introduction Tropical Burst coral-bells. It has lovely coppery-red leaves. I am waiting for cream flowers next month. Sheridan Anniversary Blush Rose is a beautiful pearly pink and is supposedly easy to grow with fewer rose problems.

Look out for some of these – at Sheridan, home Depot, Loblaw's and other garden centres – let me know how you like them.

EYGC sweeps District 5 AGM Flower Show!!!

On Saturday April 27th, a small but strong group of competitors swept the horticultural categories at the District 5 AGM Flower Show. We had a total of 28 entries and we walked away with 9 firsts, 5 seconds, 6 thirds, 1 honourable mention.

Anna Leggatt got Best in Show with her lovely potted herb, Betty Meyers got Judge's Choice for her beautiful Hellebore, Vera Stoyanoff got Judge's Choice for her pretty Narcissus, and Diane Ronan got Judge's Choice for her vigorous seedlings.

Not only that, but because of the numerous awards, EYGC received the OHA District 5 Horticultural trophy for the highest points in horticulture and also the OHA District 5 Dave & Bev Money Trophy for the highest points in horticulture and design!



Roz Regnier's
Flowering Plant

The Dave & Bev Money Trophy is presented to the District 5 Society that has the highest number of points in horticultural and design categories combined. Dave & Bev are long-time members (nearly 50 years) of the Scarborough Garden & Horticultural Society, and are still quite active in the Society. They are also the founders of the Beach Garden Society and Leaside Garden Society. Dave was a District 5 Director in the 80s, OHA President in 1992, and still runs the CNE Flower & Vegetable Show and the OHA-Loblaws program.

The Design Trophy at the show was won by Aurora Garden & Horticultural Society, and the Youth Trophy was, unsurprisingly, won by Scarborough.



Betty Meyers
Hellebore

Congratulations go out to a great team: Carol Bouley, Cristina Brown, Anna Leggatt, Betty Meyers, Jean Quinn, Roz Regnier, Diane Ronan and Vera Stoyanoff.

Next year's AGM will be Hosted by the North York Horticultural Society on April 26, 2014 at the Toronto Botanical Garden. Put that in your calendar. Registration is usually in January, so put that in your calendar, too. We hope to see you there!



D5 Trophy being awarded to Susan on behalf of East York Garden Club.



Anna Leggatt



Diane Ronan's
Seedling



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We want YOUR email address!! Yes, it is important that you forward your current email address to the editor as postage costs are going up and it is so much better and green to get your newsletter via email.

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Rewind A Look back at the March Meeting by: Veronica Callinan

Urban Forestry - City Tree Management and Forest Healthcare Program ~ Mark Ventresca

Canopy cover: 26.6% to 28% - Canopy cover target: 40%

Number of trees on public lands: approximately 4.1 million (40%) - Number of trees on private lands approximately 6.1 million (60%)

Although numerically East York looks great with 30-37% of canopy, most of those trees are in the ravines. When you take those out, not so many are in on private lots. East York has smaller lots that are consumed mostly by the house.



3 Tree bylaws in Toronto

Public Spaces http://www.toronto.ca/trees/city_trees.htm

Private Property http://www.toronto.ca/trees/private_trees.htm

Designated Ravines <http://www.toronto.ca/trees/ravines.htm>

Private Trees

30cm or larger, at 1.4 m above grade are covered by the bylaw A Permit from Urban Forestry for work on or around private trees.

Appropriate management is not covered, so you can prune your trees. Exemptions are in place for dead or hazardous trees and trees on rooftop gardens.

Procedure to remove (private and Public)

Fill out an Application form, obtain an Arborist report, pay the \$300 per tree for removal only. Next step is a In consultation with City Councillor. Then the payment of loss (tree value) and the payment - tree planting replacement. Private \$100 for non-construction.

For more information, see www.toronto.ca/trees or call 311.

For a copy of Sustaining & Expanding the Urban Forest: Toronto's Strategic Forest Management Plan: <http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2013/pe/bgrd/backgroundfile-55258.pdf>

Kristjan Vitols ~ Forest Healthcare Program

He talked about 3 main pests issues; Emeralds Ash Borer, European Gypsy Moth. Asian Longhorn Beetle.

Emeralds Ash Beetle:

In 2010 150 trees removed, up to 9000 in 2013 2007 trees started dying in Toronto. Spreads quickly. Insect can complete its lifecycle all in the wood. There are no native predators in Canadian. All native Ash trees are susceptible. Blue Ash and White Ash is less so.

In 2012, TreeAzin Treatment Program began. In coming years, 50,000 park Ash Trees and 32,000 street Ash Trees need to be dealt with (treated or removed.) TreeAzin treatment is treated by drilling a whole in the trunk, the chemical is carried throughout the tree naturally. It kills the larvae. Expanded injection program - 16-17,000 trees, Every 2 years.

2017-2018 most of the untreated Ash trees in Toronto will be dead. For more info on TreeAzin on private properties, see: <http://www.toronto.ca/trees/eab.htm#TreeAzin>

Gypsy Moth:

In area with multiple Oak trees, Etobicoke, could mean a complete defoliation. Introduced in late 1800s to start a silk industry.

Some natural controls, fungus and bacteria. BTK can impact other butterflies but May/June spraying reduces that impact. Mild winters increase Gypsy Moth populations. BTK is a bacterial spray, is aerial sprayed (end of May/June), which disrupts the feeding. Timing is important, the larvae has to eat/digest the chemical when young. Spraying takes 9 months to organize, so must be planned, not quickly done. Vacuuming works.

Diane Ronan's First Place Winner & Judges Choice for her Dilly Green Beans & Carrots

Turn these vegetable favorites into special spicy cocktail snacks.

Makes about 8 pints

2 pounds	Green beans
2 pounds	fresh or packaged carrots
4 1/2 cups	water
4 cups	white vinegar
1/2 cup	Kosher salt
Few drops	liquid red-pepper for seasoning
8 cloves	garlic
8 tsp	dill weed

1. Wash green beans and carrots well: drain on paper towel. Tip green beans and cut into 4-inch lengths. Pare carrots and cut into 4-inch sticks. Pack green beans and carrots, separately, into hot pint jars.
2. Combine water, vinegar, salt and red pepper seasoning in a large saucepan; bring to boiling: lower heat: simmer 5 minutes..
3. Ladle into jars, leaving 1/4-inch headroom; add 1 clove garlic and 1 teaspoon dill weed to each jar. Seal and process 10 minutes in water-bath.
4. Place jars in canner, ensuring they are completely covered with water. Bring to boil and process for 10 minutes. Remove canner lid. Wait 5 minutes, then remove jars, cool and store.

TIP: Store at least 2 weeks to develop flavors.



Rockery Clean Up Day

by: Veronica Callinan

Many, many thanks to the hearty souls who came out and braved ice pellets and blistering wind, to clean up the Stan Wadlow Rockery on April 20, 2013. Many hands made light(er) work, not only did we get all the garbage but we also cleaned up most of the overwinter craft.

In the picture:

Carol Bouley, John Howes, Bonnie Howes, Krista Foley Ray, Barb Piercey, Claudette Levesque, Winni Stoddart, Roz Regnier, Susan Bartlett, Stacey Shannon and Rebecca Hirst out front. (I'm taking the picture).

Thanks to you all for not only your hard work, but for the many laughs we shared.

To everyone else, please come out and join us this summer. You won't be bored, we promise! :D

Gooseberry "fool": from Steve Biggs

Ingredients:

- 1 quantity of gooseberry compote
- 10 1/2 oz/300g custard sauce or ready made custard
- 1 cup/ 220ml whipping cream, whipped to soft peaks

Preparation:

Put the gooseberry compote into a large bowl. Add the custard and stir gently. Do not over stir. Fold the whipped cream into the gooseberry and custard mix. Again do not over stir, there should be pockets of each ingredient, not a smooth blend. Divide between 4 glasses and serve.



Rewind A Look back at the April Meeting by: Veronica Callinan

EYGC - Crops that Wow! ~ Steven Biggs

Wow = fun. His front yard is an edible garden. His North York neighbours were not happy with "seeing" vegetables growing in a community garden. So he did it in his own front yard. Steve told us Foolish Garden Exploits stories about an electric fence. He showed us pictures of his kids. He told us about his garage green roof. He's a "fig pig."

What makes a Crop that Wows?

1. Attention Grabbers;

Beans:

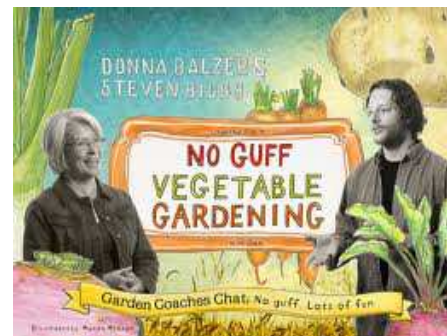
Purple climbing Pole beans.

Wider than wax beans. Use with dip, eat raw (if you cook them they lose their colour). Mouse melons are cucumber relative (Mexican Gerkins). They grow on a vine. Rattlesnake pole bean - has red splatches. Keeps reddish colour when cooked.

Carrots: Lots of colours: some of his favourite were Purple Haze, Deep Purple Carrots planted in too rich soil sprout lots of hairy roots off the main root.

Dahlia: (edible) Gourmet restaurants use the roots the same way as water chestnuts. Tastes like hint of ginger and celery root. Use in a zucchini bread recipe instead of zucchini.

Okra: Red Okra has a lovely flower, short lived but beautiful. Stalks and leaves have red, attractive.



Cape Gooseberry: Delicious and the papery husk is fun. Ground Cherry, not as tasty but ripens earlier. Make ground cherry liqueur or pie.

Tomatoes: Come in lots of colours. The "winter tomato" pick in October, winter in a cool dry place and it will last all winter. Great in bruschetta.

Speckled/striped Roma - red and yellow. Red flesh.

White currant - small, yellow and sweet.

Green Zebra - prolific, bland but very attractive when mixed with other colours.

Helpful hint: Staking tomatoes: to save time, use 4X8 wire racks and make cages.

2. High Reward (Easy to Grow Plus Good Yield.)

Sorrel - Perennial. Stays in a clump. It's a lemon substitute. (May be invasive, plant where it won't get loose)

Swiss Chard: A workhorse. Doesn't bolt in the heat. Puts out leaves all summer. It flowers in the second year, biennial. Rainbow or Bright Lights. Pickle older stalks. Or saute, steam.

Currants: Do fine in partial shade and crummy soil. Makes juice and jelly.

Garlic: Last a long time. Cut the scapes off early, use them in pesto or sauce. But don't let them grow.

Summer Squash: This is NOT a zucchini. A great substitute. Trombetti variety is really big with beautiful dark leaves. The fruit will curl if grown on the ground or will grow straight if grown hung down. Patty Pan types come in lots of colours. Grow on a hedge or through a tree.

3. Showy Plants

Cardoon: cousin to artichoke. Has more really large silver/blue leaves. Grows waste high. To minimize the bitterness, add salt to the water and change the water half way through. Or deep fry. Holds on into the fall.

Malabar Spinach: (Basella alba or rubra) Steam with butter, add to stir fry. Dark Big heart shaped leaves on a red vine.

Scarlet Runner Beans: Painted Lady, has lighter flowers and colourful beans.

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<http://www.gardencoacheschat.com>

<http://www.noguffpress.com>

<http://www.gardencoacheschat.com>

<http://www.noguffpress.com>

@NoGuffSteve (Twitter)

Getting to Know EYGC Members ~ Marie Sharp

An On-going Series into the gardening of EYGC Members

By Barb Piercey



Marie Sharp has been a member of the East York Garden Club for about 10 years. She came to the club at the suggestion of Cathy, her next door neighbour and a member. Once you have met Marie and taken some time to chat, you will never forget her. She is as colourful as her floral print dresses with a great sense of humour and a definite twinkle in her eye. Her garden is not your run-of-the-mill style—it has whimsy, whirlygigs and a whole lot of heart. Walking along her street you see a lot of green lawns and then WOW! There is Marie's garden.

Marie was born almost 90 years ago in Friesland, a northern region of the Netherlands. She started gardening at 6 years of age, when at the end of the growing season, she would ask her neighbours for flower seeds that she could sow the following year. No one else in her family was interested doing any work in the garden, though they appreciated the results. She worked from age 13 to 23 in a big store doing everything from cashier to window dressing to being a buyer. In that time she went to night school and learned how to speak Dutch, German and English. During the war her family was given a large garden plot to grow vegetables for the family and her neighbours. She learned she loved anything to do with gardening—vegetables, flowers, trees, birds and bees. As long as she could garden and go dancing with her friends on Saturday night, she was happy.

Marie came to Canada in 1946 at the invitation of a Canadian soldier and 10 days later she was married. They had two daughters and for their first 6 years together they lived with her in-laws in the Beach. Her mother-in-law taught her how to bake absolutely everything and Marie taught her mother-in-law all she knew about vegetable gardening. She worked during the day and in the evenings she would go to work with another war bride sewing and mending for local businesses. In 1952 Marie and her husband bought the bungalow in East York where she still lives. Together they planned and put in the stone work, but once that was done, Marie was on her own, planting seeds, perennials and vegetables. While her children were growing, she made clothes for the girl's dolls and then for their friend's dolls and then started a home-based business making dolls clothes, then dolls and furniture. It became quite a thriving business and was featured in Centennial (1967) papers.

When Marie's marriage dissolved, she immediately gave away her sewing machine, bought a bicycle and took up dancing again—all things she used to do back in Friesland. She met her second husband at a dance and, luckily, he loved gardening as much as she did. About 40 years ago they removed the front lawn and put in stone paths and plants, much to the chagrin of her rather conservative neighbours. Marie and her husband had a garden both at home and at the cottage. They had a wonderful group of friends that would meet at "The Club" for dinners and dancing and celebrations of any kind.

Over the years, Marie's garden has truly become a community garden. There are lots of tables and chairs set up around the garden. She had a lovely playhouse built at the top of her driveway and furnished and decorated it. The local daycare kids come and play when they are out for a walk. On the side of the playhouse are blackboards so the kids can leave her greetings. A local business that hired new immigrants contacted Marie to see if she would open up her back garden for their staff to eat their lunch. She quickly agreed. She has also hosted 3 memorial services for close neighbours who were looking for a happy place to hold their remembrances. Marie asked her neighbour if she could grow vegetables on their strip of land beside her driveway and, not surprisingly, the neighbour said "yes!" A few years ago Marie was asked by a local shop owner (St Clair Flowers on St. Clair Ave E & Rexleigh Dr) starting up his flower shop to give him some advice as to the types of cut flowers, plants and shrubs to carry for the best sales. While Marie is only now slowing down a bit, it is these same neighbours, lunch people and daycare kids that years later have continued to visit and have helped her this spring tidy her garden and prepare the vegetable garden. That is a community garden.

Since being a member of EYGC, Marie has baked loads and loads of cookies, given books for sales and opened her garden to tours. She loves roses and pansies, but really there is nothing she dislikes. Her garden is her life—she couldn't live without it—she loves every moment she spends working or entertaining in it. Her advice to someone just beginning to garden? Start with good soil and add what you have to. Don't go crazy buying everything at the nursery at once. Get some perennials for a good solid start. Take your time and do a bit of studying and planning. When asked why it is important to be part of a garden club, Marie replied, "Well, there is always something to learn whether it is from a lecturer or a more knowledgeable member. Garden people are the nicest kind of people you can meet and you will find them at the Garden Club". How true.



JAPANESE FLORAL EXHIBITION

Celebrating 50 years of Ikenobo Ikebana in Toronto



the IKENOBO IKEBANA
SOCIETY OF TORONTO presents

*Demonstration by the
45th Headmaster Sen'ei Ikenobo
From Kyoto, Japan*

Followed by Mawari-ike

Sunday, June 9, 2013

Noon to 5:00 pm

Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre

6 Garamond Court, Don Mills
(Wynford Dr. & Don Valley Pkwy)

Ikebana Displays By
Members of the Toronto Chapter

Admission \$25.00 at the door

For further information, phone: 416-229-9950 or
416-467-4962 or email: ikenoboto@sympatico.ca



For more information please
speak with Carole Aida at the
next club meeting.

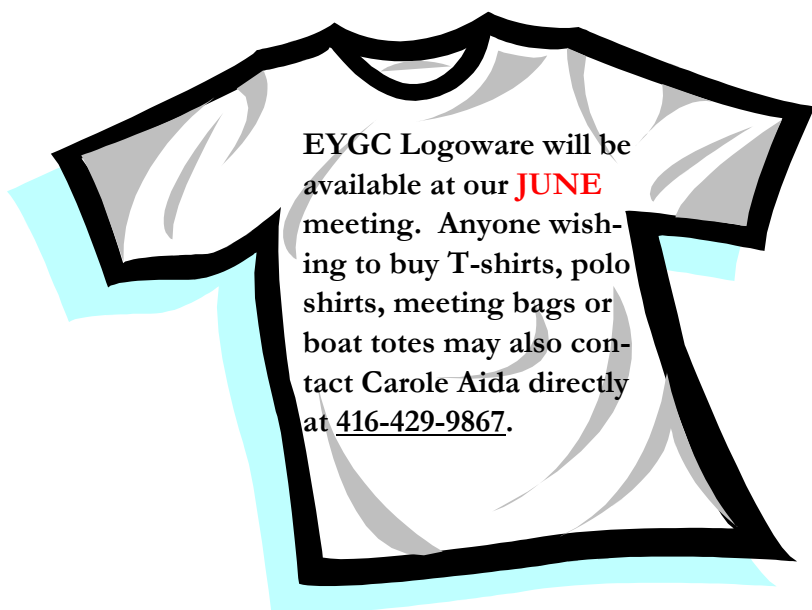
Lily Leaf Beetle



Dear Horticultural Association,

I am writing to call your attention to my new website, Lily Leaf Beetle Tracker <http://lilybeetletracker.weebly.com/>. The primary goal of this site is to map the North American distribution of the lily leaf beetle. The site has a Google map that we hope to populate with input from lily growers everywhere (there's a form for uploading both the location of beetle sightings and photos). In addition, the site will provide news about our biological control effort based in Ottawa, as well as occasional musings on biological control in general. I am writing with the hopes that you will share the link with your membership this spring, so that gardeners will be on the lookout for the beetle.

Best wishes and thank you,
Naomi Cappuccino
Department of Biology
Carleton University



Janet Davis' Environment Day

Saturday June 1, 2013

Stan Wadlow Parking Lot

373 Cedarvale Avenue

Mary Fragedakis' Environment Day

Saturday June 22, 2013

Dieppe Park Parking Lot

455 Cosburn Ave

www.toronto.ca/environment_days



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East York Garden Club

If you would like to make a submission in be included in the next issue of The East York Garden newsletter the next **deadline is June 24th!**

Please e-mail you comments regarding our Newsletter or submissions for the next issue to **jenn@majam.net**

We're on the Web!

<http://www.eygc.ca>



EAST YORK GARDEN CLUB

Mark your Calendars ~ Some Great Spring Events

- ♦ Sun. May 5, 2013 - 12 pm - 4 pm ONTARIO ROCK GARDEN & HARDY PLANT SOCIETY Super Plant Sale
- ♦ Sat. May 11, 2013 Leaside Plant Sale 9am to Noon at Trace Manes Community Centre
- ♦ Sat. May 11, 2013 Greater Toronto Water Garden Society sale ALSO at Trace Manes CC
- ♦ Sat. May 11, 2013 Scarborough Garden & Horticultural Society Plant Sale at Scarborough Village Community Centre from 10am to 1pm.
- ♦ May 12th ~ Mother's Day
- ♦ May 25 & 26 ~ Toronto Island Spring Garden Tour (<http://torontoisland.org/>)
- ♦ May 25 & 26 ~ Doors Open Toronto
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