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June 2018 Newsletter

Meeting will be at 7:00 pm, Wed, June 27th in upper level of Heritage House, 100 Lorne St. Guests are always welcome. Our meetings are always the 4th Wednesday of each month.

Speaker: Rick Howie who will show slides of his trip to Madeira and Azores Portugal

The flower show was very well attended considering the coliseum was being used, so thank you to those who came and brought friends and family to support the event, those who brought their wonderful flowers, and excellent goodies. Thank you especially Art Knapp's who donated \$300 in prizes and Purity Feed who donated 3 prizes. There are 4 leftover prizes which will be on the door prize table, if you are interested in winning a large Hydrangea "Pinky Winky", donated by Purity Feed, or a basket of annuals, or 2 yellow Heuchera, or 1 red daylily donated by Art Knapp.

Carol Wozencroft, member and manager of Purity Feed, has asked all her female staff to become members of our club, 8 or so; wonderful we are so grateful for the support and look forward to all that new gardening knowledge to be shared with all of us.

Reminder that our meetings are scent free, no perfumes or colognes please as a couple members are very allergic to scents.

Don't forget Grocery Receipts from Independent Foods which we exchange for gift certificates that pay for our turkeys and rib roasts, and give them to Mary Bianco.

Goodies, Thanks to Maura Allen and John Olynick who brought last month's goodies and this month's will be leftovers from the flower show.

Picnic Lunch: Reminder to bring a bag lunch and a lawn chair or blanket, to Riverside Park July 17th at 11:30 by the tennis courts.

2 Garden Tours Thursday, June 28th - 1136 Nicola Street (adjacent to Prince Charles Park – east end of downtown residential) This is a modest home with admirable yet simple landscaping, whimsical, unique and clever. Makes imaginative use of pots and decorative elements.

AND Thursday June 28th – 1219 Dominion Street. (in the Sagebrush neighbourhood, some 2 blocks south of the first). A lovely twin gabled cottage house surrounded by exquisite floral garden. Beautiful and original features. The backyard is equally enchanting and is graced by a lovely water feature.

NOTE: Members might want to park on Nicola and walk the short distance up to 1219 Pine so they experience delightful Prince Charles Park – one of our city's finest small parks – a true family environment with welcome shade and play amenities.

Sharon Green

Garden Hints submitted by Lucille Harder

If your flowering plant won't flower take a flat backed spade, and plunge it into the ground in a circle all the way around the bush at the tips of the farthest branches. Pour a mixture of 1 cup apple juice, 2 Tbsp Epsom Salts per gallon warm water into the cuts in the soil around each bush. Your Flowering bushes will soon burst into bloom with their best and brightest colors.

Hot surprise drives Bugs Batty: Mix 1 Tbsp dry mustard in 1 Quart warm water, spray plants at first sign of trouble.

Will it keep deer away too? Worth a try,) Judy

Turn off mosquitos, by rubbing a little onion on your skin.

I tried it and it works, but you people may avoid getting near you as well.

Judy

Flower Show Winners:



Jan Dwyer won, Most Points, Best Lily, Best Planter, Best Biennial, Best Dry Arrangement.

Congratulations to Jan for winning so many categories.



Maura Allen won Best Fragrant Rose, and Best Exhibit



Joan Campbell won Best Rose Exhibit and Best Perennial



Trudy VanderVeld won Best Live Arrangement, Best Annual



Lucille Harder won Best Foliage



Ann Kermode won Best Flowering Shrub



Judy Villeneuve won Best Clematis



Jesse Ritcey won Best Collection of Blooms



This Young Lady Smoke Bush is from my friend Heather Graham's yard.

