



NEWSLETTER PINE RIDGE GARDEN CLUB

"Where Gardeners Come To Bloom"



NESTLETON, ONTARIO
MEMBER OF DISTRICT 17 ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION
September—October, 2020

President: Norma Haney

Membership: Carolyn Humphrey

Tuesday, Sept. 1st **Meeting** **CANCELLED**

**At this time due to restrictions
regarding COVID 19 we cannot
officially confirm our meeting
scheduled for
Tuesday, October 6TH**

We will keep you posted.

In Memory

*It is with great sadness
that we announce the
passing of*



*Pat Kingstone on August 1st, 2020,
in her 92nd year.*

*Pat along with husband John be-
came members of the Pine Ridge
Garden Club in 1979, Pat was
president 1994-95 and 2003-04
and served on the board for many
years.*

Pat will be truly missed.

President's Message

*This summer has flown by and I am still try-
ing to complete jobs which should have
been done by now. The weather hasn't co-
operated on days when I feel up to the task.
I have enjoyed gardening for many years,
however, as birthdays come and go, I find
gardening is now demanding more work
then I am physically able to provide. Having
large borders/gardens overflowing with per-
ennials and annuals is beautiful, however, I
realize it is time to start thinking of downsiz-
ing. This isn't going to be easy. as many of
the plants in my gardens are entrenched
with memories from earlier days. I have
been blessed knowing many generous gar-
deners who kindly shared a slip of this or
that from their gardens. Also, there are
those great, couldn't pass up bargains pur-
chased at nurseries all over Ontario. How
will I ever proceed with this difficult task?
I hope you find solace in your garden as I do.
Once I begin to garden the worries of the
day are long forgotten.*

Keep on gardening.

Norma

Out and About this Fall

*If your vegetable garden is limited to just a few varieties - not to worry, there are many local **farmer markets** to visit at this time of the year. They offer an abundance of fruits and vegetables to enhance your fall menus. You will also find a wide selection of mums, pumpkins, gourds and corn stalks for fall decorating*

You might consider freezing some of the vegetables that are abundant at this time of the year. You will be rewarded with many readily-available additions to enhance soups and stews at your table during the winter months.

Tips

- i) Raw onions freeze well. Chop or slice. Place on tray in a single layer. Once frozen transfer to a freezer bag. Remove only the amount that is required. Reseal the bag and return to the freezer.
- ii) Roast halved cherry tomatoes on baking sheet with oil, garlic and spices of your choice at 325 degrees for approx. 1 hour until caramelized.

*There are times when we stop,
we sit still, we listen and breezes
from a whole other world begin to
whisper.*

James Carroll

KEEP TAKING PHOTOS



At this time it is difficult to know when our meetings will resume. However, the Photo Competition rules state: photos must have been taken within the last 24 months. So keep taking photos. We will have a photo competition—just when we cannot confirm at this time.

The Old Gal's Gardening Tips

******As leaves begin to turn signaling the onset of fall, we can begin to celebrate the glorious days of autumn. The richly coloured bounty of autumn's harvest provides an abundance of offerings to create wreaths and embellishments for indoor/outdoor displays. Pumpkins, those quintessential perfect symbols of summer's end, add a perfect burst of brilliance to any space.

Arrange a selection of gourds and small pumpkins as a centre piece for your fall dinner table. Don't forget cornstalks or ornamental grasses from your garden as they add height to your outdoor displays. You will find a huge selection of fall mums for all your arrangements.

******Begin Planting daffodils bulbs in September. Tulips can be planted during October. Garlic should be planted at the same time as tulips. Be sure to enrich the soil before planting.

