

Newsletter



Christmas! "Only two months away."

Christmas Tickets On Sale

Tickets for our annual Christmas dinner party, December 8th, will be on sale tonight for the first half hour of the Silent Auction. The tickets will also be available from Anna Camporese and at the November meeting. Seating is limited to 120. Tickets are \$15 for members, \$20 for a member's first guest, \$25 for all other guests. Silina Nakatsu, deal-maker extraordinaire, has booked Cheers, the same caterers as last year—I still can remember the baked salmon.

Christmas Crafts

Soon it'll be time for our Christmas craft sessions: the friendly, fun, informal get-togethers to create our Christmas Party raffle prizes. NOW is the time to collect interesting seed

heads, stalks and cones from your gardens. Dry them yourself or deliver them to Audrey's. If you have Christmassy materials that you have tired of, please drop those off as well. The kitchen door is the spot to leave things. Thanks. It is also the time to check your calendar as to when you will be dropping over for socializing and creating. The crafting will run November 22nd to December 6th. Any time between 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., weekdays and weekend. Please contact Audrey beforehand to verify a time slot, so she can ensure she will be there. If you have no idea what this is all about, you know who to ask—Audrey. The Christmas raffle proceeds recipient will be the New Westminster Family Place (www.nwfamilypbc.ca).



Tonight's Meeting

Tuesday, October 13th,
7:30 p.m.

No Speaker

Silent Auction, Contest entries accepted.

Donations Committee still looking for applications.

If you know of a suitable organization that would like to apply for a grant from the club, please let Anna Camporese know and she will forward them an application form. Deadline for applications is November 14th.

In "Your Vege Patch" author, Roy Pegler is taking a break this month. His popular column will be back in November.

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Farewell to Gladys Jacobson

Gladys Jacobson, 100 years old and 30 years a NWHS member, passed away September 14th. Until Gladys moved to an extended care facility in Coquitlam, she regularly attended our monthly meetings—elegantly dressed, sitting in the front row. She loved flowers and loved propagating. Many of us have been recipients of her generosity. Offspring of her gorgeous hardy fuchsia flourish in our gardens. She will never be forgotten. In appreciation of Gladys, the club is making a donation to the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

At the November meeting

Learn about the City's new pesticide bylaw at the November Meeting

Jennifer Lukianchuk, Environmental Coordinator for the City of New Westminster will be making a brief presentation outlining the City's new pesticide-use bylaw which comes into effect March 2010 and answer any questions you may have.

November speaker will be garden designer Ayuko Inoue talking about Small Space Gardening.

NWHS AGM

Our AGM is part of the November meeting. This is when the executive for 2010 will be voted on. I encourage all members to consider putting their name forth for any of the executive positions: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Show Chair, or Member-at-Large (5). Though many current executive members are willing to stay on, fresh perspectives would be welcome. If you have any questions about the positions please contact Anna Camporese.

Looking forward to Plant Sale 2010

For many of us, as we tidy our garden for winter, we once again come across plants that are just not right, that are too big, that somehow have produced a multitude of off-spring. These are prime candidates for our spring sale. If you have no room, it is possible that Audrey can find a spot to heel them in at her place but things are getting tight there. Mark the plant now (often, in spring, herbaceous perennials are hard to find) for ease of locating in spring—our white tags are perfect and are available tonight. One plant Audrey would just love to see now is your Canna tubers! Just drop the clump (well identified, of course) off in the carport and she will overwinter, divide and grow them for the sale.

September Bring to Share

Thank you to the 25 members who brought items in to share. The sketching group's display added a special note of colour. Congratulations to the three winners of the participation draw: Tanya Cernezel, Merrill Hall and Dawn Dutrizac-LaRose. Next Bring to Share is in April.

From the Treasurer: Carla Sharp

As of September 30, 2009, our financial position is as follows:

Chequeing Account	\$
Guaranteed Investment Certificates	\$
Petty Cash	\$ _____
Month End Total	\$ _____

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, **October 17th**
8:30 - 2:30

BC Council of Garden Clubs
General Meeting
555 Slocan St., Vancouver

Tuesday, **October 27,**
7:00 p.m.

NWHS Regular
Executive Committee Meeting
Home of TBA, RSVP

Tuesday, **November 10th**
7:30 p.m.

AGM
Speaker: **Ayuko Inoue**

Not Desperate, But Seeking

Shelagh Penty is looking for someone with a small pick-up truck to help her move some large potted plants from a house at 8th Street and Queens to Quayside Drive (less than 2 kms), around the end of October. Only one trip would be needed. She is willing to pay for your time and gas. If you can help, please contact her at shelaghpenty@yahoo.ca.

Two (free) kiwi vines, one male and one female, both five years old are looking for a home. You must dig out. The vines have been pruned back to 2' for easier removal. If you are interested contact Edie Ennis.