

The Watering Can



West Carleton Garden Club

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Newsletter - Phil Reilly - 832-2965

Program - Anne Gadbois - 256-7161

Plant Sale - Mary Reynolds - 832-0408

Hospitality - Mary and Roy Reynolds

Flower Show - Nancy Argue - 622-1122

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- Anne Crosley

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Members at Large

- Laurie Lord

- Sharry Featherstone

- Pat Moxham

- Pam Leeks

Past President - Website & Facebook

- Anne Gadbois

October 9th 2012

The Conservatory Garden in Central Park, NYC and Chanticleer, in Wayne Pennsylvania



with Ailsa Francis

These two gardens have very dramatic displays using colour and tender plants - both spectacular!

Ailsa trained in the Visual Arts as a young adult and pursued a graduate degree in Art History at the University of Toronto in her late twenties. During this time she was searching for her place in the world (like many of us) but knew it would be in the arts. Around the pivotal age of 30, she fell in love with gardens after a spontaneous and inspirational trip to British Columbia. Shortly after this she sought out a

program where she could train as a horticulturist and registered in the Horticulture and Landscape Technician two year diploma program at Algonquin College. She worked for about three years as a gardener after graduating, drawing on her experience in the visual arts to create gardens and her more recent studies understanding and working with plants. It was from this base that she came to retail.

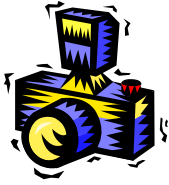
She opened her garden store in 1997 and ten years later in 2007, closed it. During this time, she hosted workshops, gave lectures, led demonstrations for newspaper 'how-to' articles and for a few years wrote a gardening column for the neighbourhood paper. She wrote a number of freelance articles for the Ottawa Citizen newspaper (on gardening, travel and various subjects) and then in 2009 was asked to become their gardening columnist. Since closing the store in 2007, she has gone back to her roots of designing and rejuvenating gardens, as well as garden consultation and planter design, and continues to write a bi-weekly gardening column for the Ottawa Citizen as well as her fledgling garden blog

**Goodies and door-prizes for the October meeting are kindly requested from members with surnames starting
D - F**

**Greeter is Apryle Patterson
Thanker is Anne Gadbois**

October Plant Swap!

Bring your extra produce, seeds, bulbs, perennials or any other garden related items. If you bring something, you can take something home.



West Carleton Garden Club Photo Contest

Get your cameras out! We will be holding a photo contest at the June meeting. Categories are as follows:

- Fall: 1. Fall Foliage
 2. Bountiful Harvest
- Winter: 3. Berries, Pinecones or Nuts
 4. Friends at your Feeder
 5. Ice Storm
 6. Outdoor Activity
- Spring: 7. House Plant – named
 8. First Signs of Spring
 9. A Flowering Branch
 10. Tulip
 11. Daffodil
 12. Iris

The photos should be 4" X 6" and can be mounted with up to a 1 inch border.

You may also consider entering these photos in the annual OHA photo contest

Coming Events

November 13, 2012

Holiday Wreath-making Demonstration

with
Tim Dyer

December 11, 2012

Holiday Potluck and Slide Show of Garden Tour

January 8, 2013

House Plants

To be confirmed

February 11, 2013

Rideau Woodland Ramble

With Rob Caron

March 12, 2013

The Wonderful World of Roses

With
Mark Dallas



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Now available on GardenOntario.org:

~2013 Youth Competition Schedule

~2013 Youth Entry Form

~2013 Youth Club

Activity Report

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~Camassia & Crocosmia

bulb order forms

(full issue see www.gardenontario.org)