



South Burnaby Garden Club

December 2015/January 2016

NEWSLETTER



Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 1, 2015
Doors Open at 6 PM - Dinner at 6:30 PM

Tickets in Advance: Members \$22 Children \$11
Non Members \$25

Contact Katherine Raadsheer for tickets.



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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR STEERING COMMITTEE

It's that HO... HO... HO time of year,
We hope you'll join us at the Christmas Party for lots of fun & Good Cheer.

We'll have good food, great conversations and some nice surprises for you,
So put on your festive wear & come and join in the party too.

Santa's elves will be up to mischief again no doubt,
so watch for Sassy Syl, Jaunty Judy, Dazling Dan, wandering about.

With Elegant Elizabeth, Lively Leanna and Brilliant Betty,
Oops, almost forgot- Lighthearted Lucette with her stocking full of spaghetti!

Katherine & her cronies (oops, carolers) will bring a chuckle or two,
Have fun with old friends or chat with some members that are new.

We wish you all Peace, Joy & Good Health to enjoy the season,
And thank goodness our gardening is done as the weather it is .. a freezin.
It has been our pleasure again...to do the steering for you...so

MERRY CHRISTMAS To All & A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR too!

Warmest wishes from,

Betty, Dan, Elizabeth, Judy, Leanna, Lucette & Syl.





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ELECTIONS NIGHT

Thanks so much to Len Gross and Rose Jorgenson-Mills who officiated at our Elections Night. They make a "super team" and produced great results overall. Thanks also to all who volunteered for a new position and a very big thanks to those who are continuing on in their roles for the upcoming year. Give yourselves a big, warm HUG.

2016 ELECTION RESULTS

PRESIDENT: Vacant
VICE PRESIDENT: Vacant
SECRETARY: Betty Girard
TREASURER: Elizabeth Beer
BULLETIN EDITOR: Leanna Hawkins
SPEAKER CONVENER: Lucette Wesley/ Helper Lorna Herchenson
FALL FAIR CO-CHAIRS: Daphne Sinclair & Dan Oldroyd
BONSOR LIAISON: Syl Davis
DIRECTOR AT LARGE: Judy Vander

APPOINTED VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

(Do Not Attend Steering Committee Meetings)

Christmas Dinner Party: Katherine Raadsheer / Helpers Syl Davis, Judy Vander
Elections: Len Gross & Rose Jorgenson-Mills
Garden Tours: Lucette Wesley / Helper Louise Meville
Membership: Syl Davis
Monthly Draw Coordinators: Ed Kinsley & Carole Graves
Photographer: Lily AuYeung
Potluck coordinator: Lily AuYeung
Refreshment Captains: Margaret Machtovix & Shirley Bailey
Silent Auction: Leanna Hawkins & Elizabeth Beer
Show Bench Judge: Jeanne Noel / Helper Jean Murray
Show Bench Recorder: Lorna Herchenson
Show Bench Set Up: Dan Oldroyd / Helper Betty Girard
Spring Plant Sale Coordinators: Eugene & Joanne Kozier
Summer Picnic: Martine & Charly Arnold
Volunteer Coordinator: Lorne Iverson





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Thank You

November was our Volunteer Appreciation meeting and we enjoyed a delicious cake to celebrate all of the wonderful volunteers we are so lucky to have as members. Thanks for picking up the cake Judy!

Thanks to Betty Girard for arranging to have the Fall Fair trophies engraved as well as for storing them and transporting them to and from Bonsor. Congrats to the winners.

We would also like to express our thanks and gratitude to Lucette Wesley for once again compiling pictures of our member's lovely garden's for the video tour she put together so flawlessly with soothing, accompanying music as well. Although she insists it's "a labour of love", we do know it takes up a lot of her valuable time and we very much appreciate it as well as the chips she provided to keep us occupied during the video.

CONGRATULATIONS to the three lucky members who won our "Volunteer Appreciation Prizes".

Ed Kingsley –won a set of 4 lovely, bone china Gardening mugs.

Elizabeth Beer was the lucky recipient of a \$25 Mandeville gift card.

Leanna Hawkins won a handy \$25 Lee Valley gift card.

We truly wish we could give all our volunteers a prize, but in our books, you are ALL WINNERS anyways!

Judy





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BC Council of Garden Clubs Fall Meeting - October 24, 2015

Business Meeting

The Executive reports were read by Barbara Puchala, the President.

At the AGM in March 2016 there will be elections for: 1st Vice-President; Treasurer; Scholarship Fund Trustee and the Director (Bulletin Editor). There is a Notice of Motion to change the latter title to Communications Coordinator responsible for ensuring that the same information is being distributed through the different communication options. It will also give the opportunity for volunteering for specific aspects such as Webmaster, Bulletin Editor and Face Book Monitor.

Affiliation Renewal and Liability Insurance can be accessed on the website and feedback would be appreciated.

Projects nearing completion are: Judges list updated but not yet on-line; Judges Handbook will be available in a few months; Speakers' List and Club Events are on the website and clubs can post their events.

Presentations

Small Gardens, Vertical Gardens and Pot Gardens.- Karen June Myskiw

Karen grew up on a five acre property and now lives in Co-op Housing. She studied Landscape Architecture and discussed the advantages and joy of small-space gardening. Using a vertical element in small spaces allows a greater diversity of plants, improves air circulation, reduces diseases and increases crop yields.

Butterflies - Joshua Yu, Metamorphic Farms.

This young man had a dynamic display of butterflies at his table. He gave a vivid description of the life-cycle of butterflies and the concerns about their population decline. Habitat loss and pesticides including 'biological' pest control are on-going threats to butterflies and other beneficial insects. He suggested plants to grow to attract butterflies. More information is available at: metamorphicfarms@gmail.com

Romantic and other special gardens. Steve Whysall, Vancouver Sun Columnist gave a beautiful presentation of special gardens that he has photographed during his travels..

Jean Hobbs





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The Best Chocolate Toffee Brownies

Ingredients

- 115 g semisweet or other dark chocolate, chopped
- 28 g unsweetened chocolate, chopped
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) butter, cubed
- 1 cup (250 mL) granulated sugar
- 2 tsp (10 mL) vanilla
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) all-purpose flour
- Pinch salt
- 3 bars (each 39 g) chocolate covered toffee bars, (such as Skor) chopped

Preparation

In saucepan, melt together semisweet chocolate, unsweetened chocolate and butter over medium-low heat, stirring occasionally; let cool for 10 minutes.

Whisk in sugar and vanilla. Whisk in eggs, one at a time. Stir in flour and salt; fold in chopped chocolate bars. Scrape into parchment paper-lined 8-inch (2 L) square cake pan; smooth top.

Bake in 350 F (180 C) oven until cake tester inserted into centre comes out with a few moist crumbs clinging, about 25 minutes. Let cool in pan on rack. Cut into bars.

Make-ahead: Layer between waxed paper in airtight container and refrigerate for up to 3 days or freeze for up to 3 weeks.



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Sunshine

A sympathy card was
sent to
Tina Sherwood.

Next Steering Committee Meeting

Tuesday, January 19th

At Dan's Home

Syl is chair

Members are welcome to attend Steering Committee Meetings as
observers. If you would like to attend please email the
Committee at: sbgcinfo@telus.net

Welcome new member

Bev Josling

Happy to have you onboard Bev !!



Deadline for February Newsletter is
January 21, 2016





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2015 Steering Committee

December Rotating Chair:
Elizabeth Beer

Treasurer:
Elizabeth Beer

Secretary:
Betty Girard

Newsletter Editor:
Leanna Hawkins

Speaker Convener:
Lucette Wesley

Director At Large:
Judy Vander

Bonsor Liaison:
Syl Davis

Sunshine:
Pat Humphrey

Fall Fair Co-Chairs:
Dan Oldroyd & Daphne Sinclair

2015 Calendar

December 1
Christmas Dinner

2016 Calendar

January
NO MEETING

February 2
SBGC Meeting

The most noteworthy thing about gardeners is that they are always optimistic, always enterprising, and never satisfied. They always look forward to doing something better than they have ever done before.

Vita Sackville-West

