Midland Garden Club



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Oct. 28th: Whistling Gardens – What's New- Darren Heimbecker Various plants and gardening styles are represented in the 56 acre Botanical Garden just south of Brantford. The peony collection boasts over 100 varieties. Whistling Gardens has been called "Canada's newest Horticultural Playground".

Nov. 25 – Christmas Centrepiece Workshop- Diane Bald (\$30 members, \$40 non-members)

Christmas Flower Show: Please have your entries in place by 6:45 pm. Please see the yearbook for more info.



Structure in the Garden

Wooden obelisks, cement bird baths, concrete sculpture, evergreen trees and shrubs all add interest in the winter garden. Try leaving seed heads for an unusual touch of colour and texture.





Shady Characters

Dealing with a lack of sun can be difficult for any gardener, and a disaster for the vegetable gardener. But there is hope for the gardener who has lots of trees, but still wants a garden. There are several plants that not only survive in shade or part shade, but flourish.

This is a list for those who are blessed with lots of shade in their little Garden of Eden.

- 1. Hosta
- 2. Solomon's Seal
- 3. Vinca (Ground cover- can become invasive)
- 4. Ferns
- 5. Bugelweed
- 6. Hellebores
- 7. Hydrangea
- 8. Summer Sweet
- 9. Oxalis

For Colour:

- 1. Begonias wax and fibrous
- 2. Impatients
- 3. Blackeyed Susan Vine
- 4. Woodbine Honeysuckle
- 5. Caladiums
- 6. Bleeding Heart
- 7. Coleus
- 8. Astilbe
- 9. Lobelia
- 10. Goat's Beard
- 11. Siberian Iris
- 12. Turtlehead
- 13. Meadow Rue
- 14. Moonflower
- 15. Columbine
- 16. Forget me not
- 17. Clematis (Polis Spirt; Henryi; Nelly Moser; Jackmanni;
- 18. Monarda
- 19. Hardy Geranium
- 20. Heuchera, Coral Bells
- 21. Lungwort
- 22. Foamflower

*Weather Alert: If a meeting is cancelled, it will be on our Face Book page and the membership will be emailed.



*We still need members to come forward to help with refreshments. Please sign the sheet.

****November ushers in the new board, but we currently have two positions vacant. In order to continue, we need people to step up. Meetings last at most 2 hrs. but often less and are only once a month. We do not meet in July, Aug. or Dec. Meetings are very congenial and the work gets done in a friendly, supportive environment. Your help would be greatly appreciated!

- **Reminder: * Memberships: Starting in Sept. for the year. Single \$15.00,
- Couple \$20:00. Youth \$2:00. Guests \$5. We rely on you so that we can continue to serve the community and bring in knowledgeable, entertaining speakers.