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BIO-DYNAMICS GARDENING IN HARMONY WITH NATURE



Bio-dynamic agricultural methods were introduced in 1924 by Rudolf Steiner, in response to a noticed decrease in soil fertility and the quality of food organically grown in Europe at that time. Following lectures to farmers, Dr. Steiner asked that what he offered be kept from the public until there were proven results.

Well, the results were wondrous, and Bio-dynamic methods are now being shared and practiced on a world-wide basis. Yet, advocates, like our upcoming speaker, Douglas Wylie, state that even the most experienced practitioners are still novices and have much to learn about the complexities involved in gardening and farming in harmony with nature.

Douglas Wylie, an avid vegetable and flower gardener, began studying, applying and reaping the benefits of Bio-dynamic agricultural methods in 1994. In 2002, he co-founded the Carrville Community Garden in Thornhill, a 4 acre area now collectively gardened by more than 50 members using Bio-dynamic methods. Secretary to the Board of the Society for Bio-dynamics in Ontario, Douglas says he is looking forward to introducing us to the beauty of Bio-dynamics and sharing the successes he has both experienced and witnessed.

Members who would like to find out more about Bio-dynamics prior to Douglas's presentation are invited to visit the websites, www.biodynamics.on.ca and www.biodynamics.com.

As well, please visit the Carrville Community Garden online at www.carrvillecommunitygarden.com. Some print materials will be available at a special table on the evening of our April 6th General Meeting.

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Upcoming Events

Next Meeting

BIO-DYNAMICS

Gardening in Harmony with Nature

Tuesday, April 6

Speaker: Douglas Wylie

Mini-Workshop - April 6, 2010

Time: 7:30 pm

Heritage Tomatoes

Speaker: Flavia Redelmeier

Plant a Basket of Blooms

Workshop on Saturday, March 6

Time: 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

McConaghy Seniors' Centre

Canada Blooms Bus Trip

Wednesday, March 17

Tickets available at the March 2 meeting.

See Gary Burke or David Biensch for

tickets. The bus will be leaving Elgin

Barrow Arena at 9:30 am. Parking passes

will be available on that day.

Yearbooks will be distributed at the March 2 General Meeting.

Please ensure your 2010 membership is paid in order to receive your copy.