



Profile

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Hazel Cook

Background

- Hobbyist grower
- Commercial root grower
- Hybridizer
- Cut flower grower
- Floral arranger
- Grows 6000 peonies, and 650 varieties

Strengths

- Team worker
- Focused
- attention to detail
- enjoy meeting members and learning about their gardens, etc.
- moderate computer skills
- willing to learn

Weaknesses

- Do not enjoy creative writing
- an introvert except around gardening/bee keeping
- Hesitate to phone people
- not a good decision maker (I over analyze-this comes from Joe)

Interested Committees

- Award of Landscape Merit (ALM) Committee
- Corresponding secretary
 - I am interested in continuing as the corresponding secretary. This is quite time consuming so I do not have much additional time to provide to other committees on a continual basis. I am willing to assist as a support person when needed, i.e. at conventions.

Skills and Expertise

- Grower of all types of peonies as well as grafting woody peonies, some hybridizing, sell cut flowers locally, sell peony roots, entered flower shows, give presentations with Joe to a wide range of audiences
- Have been an APS director and the corresponding secretary for several years.
- Would like to develop knowledge in the following areas:
 - I am interested in all areas of nature and horticulture. There is always more to learn. I need to learn a better system for filing correspondence emails for future use.

Connections and Networking

- Joe and I belong to many local, national and international plant societies:
 - Ontario Rock Garden and Hardy Plant Society,
 - Canadian Chrysanthemum and Dahlia Society
 - Canadian Peony Society
 - We are overseas vice-presidents for The Delphinium Society UK.

Passion and Commitment

- Interest in BOD
 - Feeling that I am able to contribute to an important organization even though I live in Canada. Connecting with friends of common interests.

- Motivation
 - Success, deadlines, challenges within my abilities and time, learning and obtainable goals