My Amaryllis

Anyone who has seen an amaryllis flower emerge has got to marvel at this wonder of nature.

I received one for Christmas.

In the box was a flower pot, a compact cube of potting soil and the amaryllis bulb. All you had to do to start this miracle was put the potting soil in the pot, pour water over it to make it expand and place the bulb halfway down in this mixture

It requires a warm temperature, the stalk to be turned regularly as it gravitates to the light, regular watering and like magic the blooms will appear.

And what blossoms they are.

The stalk grows very rapidly to about 2 feet tall. Simultaneously the bud swells, opens up and usually four large but delicate flowers emerge to gratify our visual requisite. This particular one is a gorgeous blush colour that would make any young maiden envious

After a few days the petals shrank and drooped like an old lady's face so I cut the stalk and removed the faded blooms. But I got double the pleasure as a second stalk went through the same procedure as the first one.

So here I am, sitting here enjoying my amaryllis all over again and attempting to pass my pleasure on to you.

- Alice Miller

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laugh, her land takeover with those beautiful gardens and "the tale of the two trees." She could have just "worked" at the Milford Post Office, but instead she jumped in to be a citizen when she was here. It was quite a while before I realized that she drove every day from Belleville. I wondered out loud to her why she didn't go for something closer to home - but I sensed she really liked us - and the dominion she had over "her corner of Milford." She will be missed ...

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Fire Services - Glendon Walker Police Services - Bernie Gaw Recreation Services The Hot Ones - your choice!!!

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Russell and four children. Shane, Teegan, Brean and Logan, and her two grandchildren Brayden and Ethan will miss her. As will many other family and friends.

Sherry made herself a welcome part of the Milford community, and will be missed by us as well. We will remember her. In fact, a number of people have already come forward and suggested that we honour her memory in a tangible way. Accordingly, at its annual general meeting on Sunday night, South Bay United Church offered to put itself forward as a central point for anyone who wishes to donate to a Sherry McPeak fund. The fund, and the names of all who wish to be known, will be forwarded to Russell with sincere condolences as an expression of our community's support.

If you wish to donate, please send a cheque payable to "South Bay United Church – Sherry fund" to Charles Vincent, South Bay United Church Treasurer, at PO Box 102, Milford ON K0K 2P0.

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If you're unable to attend the audition, call Bruce at 476-8891. We'd still love to hear about your talent!

The show date is scheduled for Sunday, February 25 at 2:00pm. Let's beat the February Blahs together!