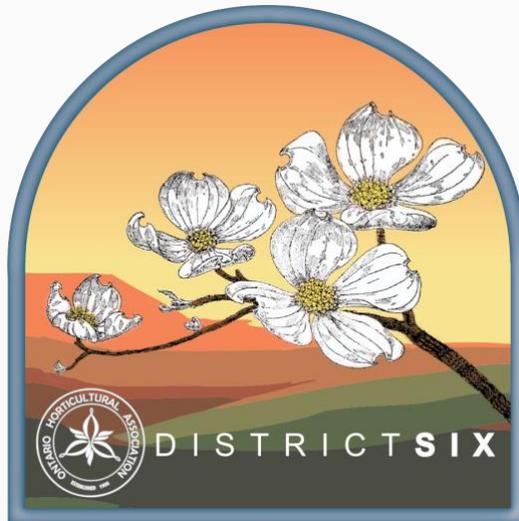


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## Getting Urgent!

Needed-1 or 2 Assistant District Directors, you are the contact for 3 societies, forward email, visit each ideally 1 x for a meeting to introduce yourself and see how they do things, 1 x for installation of executive. You should be able to go to 3 District meetings, Spring (Feb), AGM (April), Fall (Sept) as we have our short exec meetings after them.

Really hoping you are from mid or westerly part of District to keep travel down. You do get mileage costs.

Needed- Treasurer, must be able to come to all district meetings, most of the work is mapped out on the computer in excel. You would also take the payments when needed for AGM, Dinner when needed. Help the societies with budgets for District meetings. Must be comfortable with computers as there are year end reports to be sent to OMAFRA and OHA.

If we can get 2 A.D.D then the Treasurer position will stay filled by Barb but she is unable to do the 2 positions both A.D.D and Treasurer at the same time. She works FT as well!

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Position would start at the April AGM.

We must have you volunteer to keep the district running, we have 21 societies and that takes a lot of volunteers to everyone informed. There are busier times but on the whole its not alot of time for any of these positions.

Please consider volunteering, we need you!

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OHA fundraiser is Make it Sow, a seed fundraiser which your society will get a portion of the seed sales, it is requested that all societies participate if even just for a couple pkg that you can use as draw prize for different events, plant sale, seedy sat etc.

1. I have mailed to all societies the order form you will use and you can get it back to me either at the Spring meeting in Feb or mail it to me for March 1 so I can have all the seed ready for pickup at the AGM.

Please write a cheque to OHA District 6 for your societies order so we can keep easier track of who paid what.

2. These seeds are NON-GMO, Canadian seed

3. Let your customers know about the Plant A Tree (PAT) program and what it does to help the environment. Supporters like to hear they are not only supporting your organization, but also helping the environment. you can point out that for every ten packs sold we will plant a tree on the group's behalf. To date we have planted over 8,000 trees on our customers behalf at no charge. It is our way of giving back.

We hope you find these tools helpful and rewarding for your group.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please pass them on. Our goal is to "Put the Fun back in Fundraising."

**Make It Sow 6 Welsh Drive, Ayr, ON, Canada, N0B 1E0**

**Email: [info@makeitsow.com](mailto:info@makeitsow.com) Website: [www.makeitsow.com](http://www.makeitsow.com) Phone : 519-632-7247**

### District 6 Fundraiser

There will be a draw table at each meeting, we have some nice items and tickets will be available at all the meetings for 2020.

Remember to bring some spending money to the meetings, every bit will help cover costs of running the meetings.



Your annual reports for OHA and OMAFRA are due in Feb, get them in sooner than later please as I can not finish my report until I have your details. only 2 are in so far. If you need a hand let me know and I can try to help you, I do have access to make corrections if needed.

Getting talking to your Exec and members, talk to each other!  
Convention is coming and there are so many classes your members could be entering!  
You have Newsletters, Postcard info, Show agendas, Seedy sat events that you could send in the flyers! Photos! Art! members that do so many crafts!  
Get the competitions schedule printed and show at your meetings or send to folk you know!  
Many have a mid Feb deadline to be mailed in so get going!  
Did you know there is a society money prize for most points earned? Oakville won last year!  
Get your members working on it!  
Convention 2020 is in London and you do not have to attend! but it is alot of fun if you do!!!

New Youth Help Grant has been approved! if you work with youth, have a youth section for seedy sat, plant sales, schools, clubs....new money available to help a bit and its first come first serve so check out the [gardenontario.org](http://gardenontario.org) website, look under resources and youth.

Spring Breakfast Meeting  
Hosted by Bronte Horticultural Society  
Feb 22

Doors open at 8.00

Meeting starts 9-12.

Speaker Dan Wener-Topics are Native Seed, Ontario's 50 Million Tree program and Phragmites removal, Dan is from Kayanase Greenhouse in Oshweken.

\*Reminder to bring some spending money

\*Everyone Welcome-Free

\*Check out the latest info from OHA and the District

\*Sharing ideas for growing your societies

Sir John Colborne Rec Centre, 1565 Old Lakeshore Rd, Oakville

# DID YOU KNOW?

When you hang eucalyptus in the shower.



The steam from the hot shower will activate the  
Eucalyptus to help with decongestion, headache  
inflammation, stress, and muscle tightness.

## PARIS NEWS

Paris Horticultural Society Annual Plant Sale Saturday, May 9 th, 8 am  
– 11 am at Syl Apps Community Centre-Arena, 51 William Street,  
Paris, Ont. N3L 1L2. Large selection of perennial favourites from  
members' gardens, vegetables, herbs annuals etc. Special children's

**craft corner free of charge. Master Gardener on site. Plant Auction to follow. Coffee with muffin \$1.00. Call Carol 519-442-3918 or email [rboos3918@rogers.com](mailto:rboos3918@rogers.com) for details**

**Paris Horticultural Society Annual Garden Tour Saturday & Sunday, June 6 & 7th from 10 AM - 4 PM in conjunction with Springtime in Paris. Six gorgeous gardens in & around Paris. Tickets \$10.00 per person. Tickets may be purchased in advance at Sobey's Floral Department in Paris, Mary Maxim's, Antler's, Green Heron Books, Walter's Greenhouse or at the Gardens on the day of the event. Please call Anne or Rick Vernon 905-536-2037 for more information.**

Awards Committee?

Remember I talked about this last year.

Get a couple of members/exec working on going over the awards available.

Nominate for as many as you can!

Do you have a flower show person? A judge? Great exhibitor?

Members that have been with your society for long time?

**Have you recognized them?**

My tree challenge, Native trees preferred, get a tree grant!.

Awards book available online.

Many are due in Feb!!!!!! Get going!

Constitutions and Bylaws

I am picking on the ones 5 years or older, you may have updated since then but I do not have a copy, please send me your latest one!

Waterford 1993

Port Dover 2006

Mt Hamilton 2014

Lynden-no date, when was your last update?

Glen Morris 2015

Flamborough 2007

Burlington 2014

Brantford 2014

Ancaster 2015

Acton 2012

\*When you update please add the indemnification clause!

\*\*Please put a date on your title page so easy for all to know which is the latest.

Catherine

AGM

Hosted by Georgetown

April 18

Speaker is Denis Flanagan

\*Reminder all societies bring a door prize

\* Bring your society banner

\* Extra Money for spending



### Tree Challenge

Our District Director, Catherine McGill, challenged all clubs in District 6 to plant a native tree each year. The Glen Morris Horticultural Society not only met but exceeded this challenge by planting FIVE trees in Rising Park, Glen Morris.

Three Tulip trees, a Sugar Maple, and a Red Oak were purchased from the Cambridge Garden Centre and planted on June 14, 2019. Our members added mulch and ensured the trees were well watered all summer. They all seem to be doing very well.

The members who spearheaded this initiative are pictured from left: Diane

Woodham, Margaret Fleury, Joan Sims, Ellen Horak, Michele Schraa, Jane Burnside,  
and Cathy Thompson.

# Did you know?



If you're coughing  
uncontrollably, raise your hand  
above your head and it will stop.



## **DEADLINES for Newsletter**

**(Notice I have changed the distribution time to an open time after the deadline so it can go out as soon as completed and not wait for a set date. This makes it easier on the editor)**

Dec 28 deadline for Jan distribution

Mar 30 deadline for April distribution

July 15 deadline for July distribution

Oct 19 deadline for Oct distribution

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