**Ontario Horticultural Association Newsletter** 

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'Best in Show' Cover photo by Anne Johnston, Ottawa H.S.

# President's Message

Wasn't that a Convention to remember? I commend District 13 and Sudbury for a wonderful 105<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention. Thank you to Director Suzanne Hanna and to all the many volunteers who worked and planned for the Convention. You did well. You did better than 'well'. You were fantastic!

I'm very proud to be the President of the Ontario Horticultural Association in its  $106^{th}$  year as the umbrella organization for horticultural societies across the province. This year there are 278 societies in the OHA encompassing 30,158 horticultural members. Wow!

OHA and its member societies have endorsed many things over the years from planting trees along highways in the 1920s to planting Pollinator Patches in 2011. Acting together, we're stronger than acting alone.

And every society counts. Each society has at least two votes to cast for every resolution that comes to the floor at the convention and for the election of officers for the coming year. Some of those votes are brought to the convention by voting delegates and some are proxy votes sent by societies that could not send delegates. But of the 767 possible votes at this past convention, only 368 were used. Imagine - 399 unused votes! Suppose there was a really serious issue such as fee changes? Wouldn't you want to have a say? Do send delegates or proxy votes to every convention.

This is the year of **Membership Increase!** You've been formally challenged to increase your society's membership. Look for ideas in this and all Trilliums this year, post membership ideas on the OHA Facebook page, and remember Helen Scutt's suggestion that you can gain new members by becoming an inclusive organization. Look in places you haven't looked before for your new members.

As I raise the gavel to begin my term, I want to thank you for the Directors you have elected to represent you on the OHA Board. Whether agreeing or debating, the members of the present OHA Board deal with every issue with a sense of cooperation and respect for each other. What a wonderful group of committed volunteers to work with! Look for great things from this Board in the next few years.

Your OHA Board pursues better ways to conduct its business, effective ways to assist member societies, and innovative strategies to make Ontario better. We're in this together – Keeping Ontario Beautiful.

Carol Dunk, OHA President



Pictured above, from left to right, is the OHA's leadership team  $-1^{st}$  VP John Sellers, President Carol Dunk, and  $2^{nd}$  VP James Graham.

# Introducing Kelly Taylor, OHA's New Secretary

The OHA is very pleased to announce that Kelly Taylor, a member of the London Fanshawe Horticultural Society, has joined our organization's executive as the new OHA Secretary. Welcome aboard, Kelly!



Kelly studied Medical Office Administration at Fanshawe College, and is currently on staff at St. Joseph's Health Care in London. She is married with two children, Ryan and Kelsey. Kelly loves to garden, fish, cook, and renovate.

All OHA correspondence should now be directed to:

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# **OHA Insurance Policy – Important Details!**

### **Bus Tours and Non-Members**

- Participants do not need to be members of a society.
- Non-members do not have protection under the OHA insurance policy.
- Damages caused by a non-member would have to be paid for by the individual or covered under their own personal liability policy.
- Societies may make a rule that only members can take part in an event.
- ➤ OHA purchases a Commercial General Liability policy, (CGL) that protects the Society its Directors and Officers, Members and Volunteers, (while acting on behalf of the OHA or a member society), should they cause Bodily Injury or Property Damage to a Third Party and be held responsible for those damages.

### **Liability and Garden Tours**

- Any loss caused by the premises of a homeowner is insured under their home policy even if the homeowner is a member of a society. A homeowner should take all necessary steps to eliminate any possible exposure to perils that may cause a loss.
- Making the homeowner a member of the society does not provide them with premises liability insurance coverage under the OHA policy.
- ➤ If a loss is caused by a person (member) acting on behalf of a society they will have protection under the OHA policy.
- A society should refuse a homeowner should they find the home is not suitable.

### **Junior Members & Liability Insurance**

- Article 38 (1) of the *Agricultural and Horticultural Organizations Act* allows societies to accept anyone as a member with voting rights restricted to those 18 years of age or over.
- ➤ Societies wishing to have junior members must incorporate the classification in their bylaws and/or charter and charge a fee for the membership of \$1.00 or \$2.00 per year.
- ➤ The junior membership must designate the age group for this class, which should not start at less than age 6 and preferably age 8 years to age 17 years.
- Family rates may include the membership fee for individuals under age 18. The names and ages of those under the family plan should be kept in the Society records.
- ➤ Those under age 18 to be insured by the policy must be full members of their local society and not a separate entity. Example: Agincourt Horticultural

Society cannot setup a separate society called "Agincourt Youth Horticultural Society" as this society would not be insured unless it became a full member of the Ontario Horticultural Association.

### **Non-members attending Society Events**

Non-members attending events such as Canada Blooms, Walking Tours & Garden Shows: hosted by the society: The OHA insurance policy covers: "Bodily Injury or Property Damage to a Third Party, caused by an *insured person*". An insured person is "The Society, its Officers & Directors, and its Members"

# NON MEMBERS DO NOT HAVE PROTECTION UNDER THIS POLICY.

- Societies can hold functions and have non-members attend, however, should a non-member cause "Bodily Injury or Property Damage to a Third Party" they will have no protection under the society's policy. They must carry their own liability policy! This can be attached to a homeowner's policy, tenants insurance policy or purchased on its own.
- ➤ Should the society, or a member of the society, be sued by a non-member attending a society function the member/society will be protected under the society's policy.

### **Definition of Terms:**

**Bodily Injury** - Physical Injury to a person

**Personal Injury** - Claim arising out of False Arrest, Detention or Imprisonment, Liable or Slander, Defamation of Character and Wrongful Entry or Eviction

**Property Damage** -Physical damage to tangent property **Named Insured** - Directors, Officers, Members, and Volunteers of the Ontario Horticultural Association /Society - In Good Standing

**Third Party** -Any person other than the named insured of a policy

### The policy does not cover:

- 1) Damage to property owned by a society tractor, chairs etc.
- 2) Injury to members this is NOT a disability policy
- 3) Land owned by or in the control of a society
- 4) Intentional or Illegal Acts
- 5) Decisions by the Board of Directors that cause a financial loss to the society

(Note: Directors & Officers are covered under the Directors & Officers policy other than for a financial loss.)

If your society requires any of the above protection they must purchase a separate policy to cover the risk.

# Looking Back at Convention 2011 'A Growing Experience – From the Ground Up'

Just over 430 registrants including District 13 volunteers gathered at the Radisson Hotel in Sudbury, Ontario for the 105<sup>th</sup> annual OHA Convention from July 15 to 17, 2011. The weather cooperated and delivered a weekend of glorious sunny, sultry days. The city put its best foot forward with wonderful floral displays and welcoming signs which were visible at Bell Park and on the Rainbow Centre's digital Jumbotron.

This year's convention was hosted by District 13, comprised of 14 societies spanning the geographical area between Sault Ste. Marie and Sudbury, including French River and Manitoulin Island. Some 70 District 13 volunteers, sporting orange t-shirts bearing the theme *A Growing Experience* and a seedling graphic, a dedicated OHA Board and Executive, and countless Sudbury organizations and citizens worked earnestly and passionately together over the past two years to craft a truly unique program that showcased the OHA in action.

The theme, A Growing Experience-From the Ground Up, reflected District 13's desire to share with gardeners of widely varying skills and knowledge some initiatives that have originated from the ground up - from grassroots members who have led us to experience growing pains, the stretching of our imaginations, and the subsequent growth and rejuvenation in our societies. By fostering a sense of awareness and discovery and encouraging advocacy and interaction, we hoped to cultivate a sense of openness to all possibilities and allow ourselves to truly bloom where we are planted.

The Convention kicked off on Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 9 pm when some 60-70 people gathered outside the Radisson. Armed with *Get out of Jail Free* cards, trowels, and surplus plants, this merry band of gardeners marched through the downtown streets to the Market Square to do a bit of guerrilla gardening. Within a very short period of time, they weeded, planted trees along an unsightly chain link fence, and transformed a bare patch

of land into a prospective garden.

OHA President Vickie Wiemer blessed the garden while her husband Rupert banged in a painted wooden sign bearing the message *OHA Gardeners---Please Water Me* into the ground. It was quite a proud moment to see and hear such an intergenerational group working and laughing together as they 'vandalized with nature'. MCTV reporters were on hand to

videotape the entire event and it was aired on television on Sunday for all to see.

Opening Ceremonies held on Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> were announced by Mary Rossiter of Sault Ste. Marie who served as Town Crier. Piper David Kennedy led the parade of flag bearers, special guests, Past Presidents, Directors, Youth Camp delegates, and Officers of the OHA into the session. Dr. Roger Nash, Sudbury's Poet Laureate, read two stirring poems including one specially penned for this year's Convention. Dr. Stephen Monet spoke about *Sudbury's Regreening Story*, followed by Helen Scutt of OMAFRA who presented *Growing Your Membership, Cultivating Diversity*.

A total of eleven interesting Powerpoint presentations on a variety of topics were held at the Rainbow Cinemas to offer good acoustics and comfortable seating. Four different bus tours left the hotel on both Friday and Saturday afternoons. For those who craved hands-on learning opportunities, the Convention provided two workshops - one on community greening projects and the other on seed saving, courtesy of the Evergreen Foundation and Seeds of Diversity Canada. Floral design enthusiasts had four judging updates to choose from. Two computer seminars were held for those who sought information or solutions to particular problems.

Competitions in the various categories for both adults and youth were set up and on display in the hotel's Notre Dame and Grand Paris rooms. A meeting for OHA Judges was held on late Friday afternoon; the Youth Leaders' Meeting late Saturday afternoon.

Friday evening's dinner was full of fun and frolic! We were treated to a short visit from the Sud-berry Bear who brought greetings on behalf of the Sudbury Blueberry Festival and posed for photos. Markus Schwabe, host of CBC's Morning North program, acted as Master of Ceremonies. He introduced the three entertainment acts and announced the winners of the Silent Auction. We

were treated to lively swing music from the Hilltoppers Band that got people up and including dancing President Vickie and Rupert Wiemer. This was followed by some nifty footwork by the Manitoulin Saturday Night dancers and wonderful tunes sung by M.C. Crooner. By the end of the evening, District 13 had realized a profit of just over \$3900!



At the conclusion of the Silent Auction, a vanload of OHA representatives, Youth Leaders, and District volunteers left for Camp Falcona, site of the Youth Camp. We had a short visit with the fifteen campers and their three Youth Leaders to welcome them and hear about their activities. Travelling along that bumpy camp road late at night was hair-raising but a lot of fun and a perfect way to complete Day One.

Saturday's plenary session dealt briefly with OHA business and reports. Carol Dunk spoke enthusiastically about the Pollinator Patches initiated last year by the Conservation and Environment Committee and their progress to date. I spoke briefly about the trend of Guerrilla Gardening as well as the Paint the Picket Fence Project.

District 13 issued a challenge to the OHA at last year's Convention held in Barrie. We distributed pickets to the 19 Districts, the OHA Board, Past Presidents, and this year's Youth Camp participants and challenged them to work together. We wanted to produce a decorative fence that could be donated to a community organization such as a hospital or hospice in Sudbury as a thank you gift to show our appreciation for Sudbury being such a generous and accommodating host. It would also serve as a permanent reminder to all citizens that the OHA exists to *Keep Ontario Beautiful*.

Bob Wildfong, Executive Director of Seeds of Diversity Canada concluded the session with a presentation *Seeds of Diversity Canada's Latest Initiatives* and encouraging all to get involved by saving seeds, adopting seed varieties, and participating in Seedy Saturday events.

Saturday's Banquet was very moving, to say the least. Host John Sellers introduced our banquet speaker,

Franco Mariotti. Sponsored by the Richmond Hill Garden and Horticultural Society in memory of Gladys McLatchey, Franco moved us to laughter and then to tears as he presented his talk *Hope in a Changing World* in which he recounted the history of the Sudbury region and its decision to involve its citizenry to regreen its community. There wasn't a dry tablecloth in the room!

Metje Mabee presented the OHA awards with her usual flair.

Sudbury's Dr. Stephen Monet and Linda Hugli, our Trillium Editor, were among the recipients who were recognized.

Trevor Fielder's awesome floral installation, which was sponsored in part by Loblaw, was created during two Saturday floral judging updates and was on view during the Banquet. He graciously offered to allow the arrangements to be sold in a Live Auction which we spontaneously held at the end of the evening. To everyone's delight, the OHA raised \$600 and members attending voted unanimously in favour of donating the funds to Sudbury's Maison Vale Inco Hospice.



The completed decorative fence (being assembled in above photo), featuring some 120+ pickets, was on view during the Sunday Plenary that dealt with more OHA business, elections, and various presentations to retiring Directors and the retiring President. Vickie was presented with a copy of the book *Healing Landscape* from Suzanne Hanna on behalf of District 13. Sue Lusted, Director of District 9, invited everyone to attend the 2012 Convention in Niagara.

Gerry Lougheed Jr. accepted the Picket Fence on behalf of Maison Vale Inco Hospice and commended the OHA for its generosity and contributions to communities across the province. His presentation *Harvesting in a Field of Dreams or a Hellish Wilderness* resulted in

> more laughter and a few tears and reminded us to be grateful for all we receive.

> Pictured at left, Youth delegates and leaders from District 13's Youth Camp held at Camp Falcona returned to the hotel and shared their memories of their visit. They presented painted rocks to Vickie Wiemer, Suzanne Hanna, and Theresa Cullum who helped organize the camp.



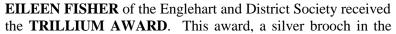
District 13 volunteers paraded in to the front of the room for the final wave of the OHA flag and to be thanked for all their hard work. Suzanne Hanna transferred the flag to Sue Lusted and declared the conclusion of the 2011 Convention.

Suzanne Hanna, District 13 Director

### **Ontario Horticultural Association Award Winners 2011**

On Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup> awards were presented to individuals at the Ontario Horticultural Association Annual Convention held in Sudbury, Ontario. These annual awards recognize outstanding contributions of members who provide the leadership and active participation which result in promoting the aims of the horticultural societies, districts, or provincial organization.

The **SILVER FIR AWARD**, a silver lapel pin initiated by Alastair Crawford, was presented to **MICHAEL LEVISON** of the Kingston Horticultural Society. This award is given to a gentleman who has contributed outstanding service to horticultural societies for an extended period of time in the areas of beautification, conservation, ecology, and administration. In the photo at left Metje Mabee congratulates Dr. Michael Levison.





shape of a Trillium, is presented to a female member for outstanding service to horticultural societies and/or the Ontario Horticultural Association for an extended period. The criteria include leadership in the promotion of Horticultural Societies including their programs, membership, and related activities at the society, district, and/or provincial level.

The **YOUTH LEADER AWARD** was presented to **LINDA TOCK** of the Oakville Horticultural Society. This plaque is presented to a person who has provided leadership and encouragement to youth and has been a Youth Club Leader for a minimum of 5 years.

This year, the **COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT AWARD** was presented to the **DEEP RIVER HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY** for the Riverbank Project. This award is a plaque provided by the Ontario Horticultural Association presented to an individual, organization, or company who has enhanced the beauty of the landscape and/or added to the quality of life of a community with a horticultural project.

The **ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD** was presented to **DR. STEPHEN MONET** of the Sudbury Horticultural Society for contributions to environmental preservation including habitat, restoration, and/or improvement. Consideration is given to nominations that include information about the amount of research involved, before and after descriptions, photographs of the project, its impact on the community, the duration of the project, and community and municipality involvement.

**LINDA HUGLI** of the Sudbury Horticultural Society was presented with the **AWARD OF MERIT** for notable contributions to the programs of the Association and/or Society. These contributions can include special beautification projects, outstanding work in the science or art of horticulture, supporting individuals, or organizations in the area of communications, as well as other worthy efforts.

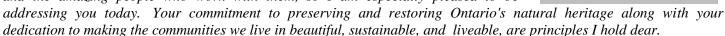
THE ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION'S HONOUR ROLL AWARDS were presented to JEAN WALLACE of the Englehart and District Horticultural Society and EDNA CALDWELL of the Oro-Medonte Horticultural Society. These members were presented with a framed certificate to commemorate the occasion.

The recipients' names, biographies, and photographs are added to the Honour Roll which is kept and maintained by the Association. Nominations are based on the following criteria: the individual should be a member of a Horticultural Society with at least fifteen years of service to one or more Societies, should have made a contribution of horticultural service to the community, District or Association or in the development of the horticultural practices, and should have given outstanding service at the society and district level.

# A Message from Jane Goodall

Dr. Jane Goodall was currently in Africa when our annual Convention was held this year. She emailed Suzanne Hanna, District 13 Director, her thoughts and greetings that she wanted to express to those attending. Due to poor internet connections, her message was not received in time to be read and shared with everyone at the opening ceremonies on Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup>. Here is Jane's message:

While I can't bring you an official chimpanzee hello in person, I am delighted to send you warm greetings from Tanzania! I've been working on my latest book about plants and the amazing people who work with them, so I am especially pleased to be



It's particularly appropriate that you are holding your meeting in Sudbury, a city that should be congratulated on its phenomenal efforts to regreen itself. I've had the pleasure of visiting the city many times over the years and have seen first-hand that a landscape utterly devastated by years of destructive human activity can—with time, money, and determination—recover and become beautiful once again.

I wish you all the best for your meetings over the next few days and for your ongoing efforts to make the world a better place and I hope to meet many of you during my future visits to Canada!

Jane Goodall

### The President's Tree



Pictured above, OHA President Vickie Wiemer, with the Convention 2011 organizing team cheering her on, plants a red oak at the entrance to Sudbury's Jane Goodall Trail to commemorate the 105<sup>th</sup> OHA Convention.

# **Inviting Ontario to Niagara**

When one thinks of Niagara, visions of Niagara Falls, the wine route, picturesque Niagara on the Lake, the Floral Clock, the Butterfly Conservatory, the Casino, and historic Fort George always come to mind. You can see all of these sites when you come to Convention 2012, but you will need to come early and/or stay late. Niagara is a great tourist destination! The venue for the upcoming convention is the campus of Niagara College in Niagara on the Lake.

Convention participants will be able to stay in the college residence. The campus is gorgeous during August. Where else can you go to experience culinary, horticultural, winemaking, and beer making expertise all at one site?

Convention 2012 celebrates 200 years of peace between the United States and Canada. The theme is *Gardening Then and Now*, 1812 to 2012. The 1812 Rose is the official rose of the convention and the Bicentennial Celebration. Be sure to order yours - it is gorgeous. Our plenary speakers are impressive. Will Healy from Ball Seeds, Trish Symone from Hockley Hills, and Beckie Fox from Gardenmaking magazine are some of our plenary speakers. Seminars, workshops, floral and culinary demonstrations, and tours have been planned to reflect our theme. The competition schedules which all reflect our theme are posted on the OHA website, gardenontario.org.

It is our hope that when Convention 2012 is over, you will come away with a greater sense of the Niagara area, our involvement in horticulture, and its history, especially the links to the War of 1812. Niagara's biggest industries are tourism, vineyards, and horticulture. District 9 looks forward to sharing all this with you at Convention 2012 on August 16-19, 2012 here in Niagara.

Susan Lusted, District 9 Director



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# **Growing Membership Tip #1**

Make sure your programming fills a unique need and evolves with the needs of the members. Make sure speakers are not recycling material members may have seen elsewhere - it needs to be fresh. Provide opportunities for members to bring guests.

And don't forget to ask your members how you are doing!

# **An Invitation from MGOI**



Hello, fellow gardening enthusiast!

As a member of your Horticultural Society, you're to be congratulated for your devotion to making your own garden and your community more beautiful and more environmentally responsible and for your continuous learning through the meetings, publications, workshops, and seminars of your local Society and of the OHA.

But, like Peggy Lee, did you ever wonder, "Is that all there is?" In fact, part of the OHA's mission is to support the Master Gardener program, and you may have invited a local Master Gardener or two to speak to your group, or to act as a docent on your garden tour...

### but did you ever think you might become one?

Becoming a Master Gardener is a natural step in your horticultural advancement and the Master Gardeners of Ontario will welcome you with open arms! To learn more about how to join the more than 700 Ontario Master Gardeners who use their ongoing horticultural training to inform, educate, and inspire others, visit our web site: <a href="www.mgoi.ca">www.mgoi.ca</a>. You may also contact Charlotte Vorstermans, our Provincial Administrator, at 705-466-2458 or <a href="info@mgoi.ca">info@mgoi.ca</a>.

Hoping to see you soon, **Master Gardeners of Ontario Inc.** 

# The Bean Row Teachings

Along the runner-bean row in my garden, fine tendrils reach out adventurously and curl around each other. Like synapses in a swaying green brain over four metres long. It thinks its crowning thoughts only in green – but flowering first-thoughts in scarlet make this possible: surge upwards, but upwards, with irrepressible life.

Spiders cast their nets among the stems, hauling in small chartreuse fingerlings almost as transparent as high-tide or love. Newly hatched, they begin their yearly migration down bending rivers of sunlight. Larger beans curl up at their ends like slippers from the Arabian Nights: ready to dance to the moon's curved lute.

Those wrinkled pods - I should've picked days ago. Beans clench inside their sheathes with fists of knobby white knuckles. They hold sky, row, sun, and me together, easily and inseparably. Unpicked, they'll grow as long as school rulers or detentions. A snail climbs a stem and fits the weight of the sky on its shell. Perfectly.

At the top of the farthest pole, a raised jade-jointed finger points at me. It's held still, in the teaching position. Remember this, and write it down later: *Plants garden with people as much as people garden with plants*. A chipmunk loses one short attention-span and scurries to another. Can I do better?

Fibrous thumbs prod about cautiously in the breeze. Testing new software programmes for the weather. Will it snow in August? And are people, like badly-planted onions, living absurdly upside-down? One pod, curving sideways, breaks into a grin. We must know each other from somewhere else. I grin back.

### Dr. Roger Nash, Sudbury's Poet Laureate

This poem was written to celebrate the 105<sup>th</sup> OHA Convention and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Sudbury Horticultural Society.

Dr. Nash's collection of poems and short stories is available from <a href="https://www.scrivenerpress.com">www.scrivenerpress.com</a> .

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OHA Secretary (secretary@garden	deceased person's name acknowledged at the Convention, please nontario.org). Funds from donations to the OHA Memorial Book nts. An electronic version of this form is available on the OHA v	special fund

# Oops!

Correction: "Half Year" or other partial year membership fees are not permitted for incorporated horticultural societies.

In the Summer 2010 Trillium, in the article <u>Ideas for Growing Society Membership</u>, one idea listed was a "Have a half year membership". According to the legislation that governs horticultural societies, this is not permitted. In the **Agricultural and Horticultural Organizations Act**, **PART IV**, **HORTICULTURAL SOCIETIES**, you can reference:

Eligibility for membership:

38. (1) Any person may join a horticultural society by **paying the annual fee** set out in a by-law of the society but no person under the age of eighteen years is eligible to vote at meetings of the society. R.S.O. 1990, c. A.9, s. 38 (1).

Since an annual fee is specified, fees covering less than a year are not allowed. I'm sorry for this error in the article. I hope the other ideas prove useful. Please keep your membership ideas coming and growing your society's membership!

Jeff Blackadar, Director, District 2

# **Convention 2011 Horticulture and Design Competition**

### Section A – Roses Section B - Hardy Perennials, Biennials Class 1 Hybrid Tea Class 13 Aquilegia 1<sup>st</sup> Corona Skakoon Eva Norman-Vestergaard $2^{nd}$ Arian Skakoon Class 14 Astilbe $3^{rd}$ Mario Skakoon 1<sup>st</sup> Linda Pentney $2^{nd}$ Class 2 Floribunda Melanie Marjoram 3<sup>rd</sup> Camilla Yahnke R. Paliwoda $2^{nd}$ Colombe Charest HMSheila King $3^{rd}$ Corona Skakoon Class 15 Campanula Class 4 Climber or Rambler R. Paliwoda $2^{nd}$ 1<sup>st</sup> R. Paliwoda Eva Norman-Vestergaard 3<sup>rd</sup> $2^{nd}$ Corona Skakoon Uta Decker 3<sup>rd</sup> Tina Hansen Corona Skakoon HMHM Colombe Charest Class 16 Clematis Class 5a Miniature Mary Irene Cameron $1^{st}$ Melanie Marjoram Elizabeth Schleicher $2^{nd}$ 3<sup>rd</sup> Elizabeth Schleicher Uta Decker $3^{rd}$ Elizabeth Schleicher HMEva Norman-Vestergaard HM Melanie Marjoram Class 5b Miniature 1<sup>st</sup> Class 17 Delphinium Corona Skakoon $2^{nd}$ 1<sup>st</sup> Colombe Charest (Best in Show) Maria Skakoon $2^{nd}$ $3^{rd}$ Elizabeth Schleicher Camilla Yahnke 3<sup>rd</sup> Melanie Marjoram Class 6 English Austin HMLinda Pentney $1^{st}$ Corona Skakoon $2^{nd}$ Colombe Charest Class 18 Digitalis $3^{rd}$ Melanie Marjoram Uta Decker Class 8 Rose grown for fragrance Class 19a Heuchera Elizabeth Schleicher Tina Hansen $2^{nd}$ Colombe Charest Class 9 Rugosa 3rd Lorraine Love $1^{st}$ Linda Pentney Elizabeth Schleicher HM $2^{nd}$ Marion Thompson $3^{rd}$ Tina Hansen Class 19b Heuchera 1<sup>st</sup> Camilla Yahnke $2^{nd}$ Class 10 Explorer/Parkland/Morden Rose Uta Decker 1<sup>st</sup> Mary Irene Cameron 3<sup>rd</sup> Sheila King Mary Irene Cameron HM Class 11a Any other Rose variety 1<sup>st</sup> Linda Pentney Class 20a Hosta $2^{nd}$ Corona Skakoon 1 st Sheila Shearing 3<sup>rd</sup> $2^{nd}$ R. Paliwoda Eva Norman-Vestergaard 3<sup>rd</sup> Colombe Charest Class 11b Any other Rose variety Pat Graham, Lorraine Love, Colombe Charest HMElizabeth Schleicher $2^{\text{nd}}$ Mary Irene Cameron Class 20b Hosta 3<sup>rd</sup> Mary Irene Cameron $1^{st}$ Camilla Yahnke

Camilla Yahnke

Class 12 Rose in a clear bowl or snifter

 $3^{\text{rd}}$ 

Elizabeth Schleicher

Colombe Charest

1<sup>st</sup>

 $2^{\text{nd}}$ 

 $2^{nd}$ 

 $3^{\text{rd}}$ 

HM

Kees Stryland

Uta Decker

Bev Webster

Class 20c Hosta Class 30 African Violet Melanie Marjoram Colombe Charest  $2^{nd}$  $2^{nd}$ Lorraine Love Colombe Charest 3<sup>rd</sup>  $3^{rd}$ Lorraine Love Sheila King Linda Pentney HMClass 32 Cactus 1 st Class 21 Hosta, miniature Sheila King  $1^{st}$ Elizabeth Schleicher  $2^{\text{nd}}$ Class 33 Any other houseplant in bloom Lorraine Love  $3^{rd}$ Irene Van Dam 1<sup>st</sup> Elizabeth Schleicher  $2^{nd}$ Uta Decker HM Elizabeth Schleicher 3<sup>rd</sup> Colombe Charest Class 22 Papaver Uta Decker Section F – Special Collections Class 23 Salvia 1<sup>st</sup> Uta Decker  $2^{nd}$ Melanie Marjoram Class 35 Collection of Roses 1<sup>st</sup> Corona Skakoon Class 24a Any other perennial or biennial  $2^{nd}$ Linda Pentney 1<sup>st</sup> Melanie Marjoram  $2^{nd}$ Uta Decker Class 36 Collection of mixed cut garden flowers 3<sup>rd</sup> Tina Hansen Melanie Marjoram  $2^{nd}$ HM Sheila King Hermina Hubert 3<sup>rd</sup> Colombe Charest Class 24b Any other perennial or biennnial 1<sup>st</sup> Melanie Marjoram Class 38 Collection of Hosta leaves  $2^{nd}$ Sheila King Colombe Charest  $3^{\text{rd}}$  $2^{nd}$ Sheila King Linda Pentney Class 24c Any other perennial or biennial Class 39 Collection of cut herbs  $1^{st}$ Sheila King (Judge's Choice) Jean Gordon  $2^{nd}$ Uta Decker  $3^{\text{rd}}$ Eva Norman-Vestergaard Melanie Marjoram HM **Design Division** HMMelanie Marjoram Class 40 'A Growing Experience...From the Ground Up' Section C - Flowering Bulbs, Corms, Melanie Marjoram Rhizomes, and Tubers  $2^{nd}$ Letty Barolet Class 26 Lilium Class 41 'Regreening' 1<sup>st</sup> Marion Thompson Melanie Marjoram  $2^{nd}$ Linda Pentney  $2^{nd}$ Lorraine Love  $3^{rd}$ Colombe Charest 3<sup>rd</sup> Tina Hansen Class 27 Any other bulb not listed above Class 42 'Timber'  $1^{st}$ Melanie Marjoram 1<sup>st</sup> Letty Barolet (Judge's Choice\*)  $2^{nd}$ Eva Norman-Vestergaard  $2^{nd}$ Tina Hansen  $3^{rd}$ Eva Norman-Vestergaard 3rd Lisa Robinson Uta Decker HMMelanie Marjoram HM Ginny Soderman HMSection D - House Plants Class 43a 'Blueberry Thrill' (fresh material) Class 28 Foliage Plant, grown primarily for leaves 1<sup>st</sup> Elizabeth Schleicher  $1^{st}$ Uta Decker  $2^{nd}$ Eva Norman-Vestergaard  $2^{nd}$ Irene Van Dam 3<sup>rd</sup> Bev Webster 3<sup>rd</sup> Tina Hansen HM Margaret Vivyurka Colombe Charest HM

Class 43b 'Blueberry Thrill' (dried material)

1<sup>st</sup> Eva Norman-Vestergaard

2<sup>nd</sup> Camilla Yahnke 3<sup>rd</sup> Theresa Cullum

Class 44 'Northern Lights' 1<sup>st</sup> Melanie Marjoram

2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Barnes

Class 45 'Rocky Camp Retreat'

1<sup>st</sup> Melanie Marjoram (**Best in Show**)

2<sup>nd</sup> Letty Barolet 3<sup>rd</sup> Tina Hansen

Class 46 'A Penny for your Thoughts'

1<sup>st</sup> Margaret Vivyurka

2<sup>nd</sup> Letty Barolet 3<sup>rd</sup> Tina Hansen

Class 47 'Dynamic Earth'

1<sup>st</sup> Letty Barolet

2<sup>nd</sup> Lisa Robinson

3<sup>rd</sup> Camilla Yahnke HM Tina Hansen

\*Letty Barolet's 'Timber', pictured below, was the recipient of the Judge's Choice award.



The flower show committee members would like to add their thanks to all of you who took the time to enter your wonderful specimens and designs in the show.

We would also like to thank the many volunteers, who, as usual, make everything happen. Hopefully we will see many of you back next year in Niagara.

Celia Roberts, Horticulture and Design Competition Chair

# **Art Competition**

### **Class 1 - From the Ground Up**

$1^{st}$	Sheila King	Kemptville
$2^{nd}$	Virginia Dupuis	Gloucester
H.M.	Ed Decker	Sudbury

### **Class 2 - A Growing Experience**

$1^{st}$	Suzanne Stryland	Porcupine
H.M.	Kees Stryland	Timmins

### Class 3 – Rock Hard

1 <sup>st</sup>	Sheila King	Kemptville

### **Class 4 - Quilted**

$1^{st}$	Lenna Broatch	Cramahe
$2^{\text{nd}}$	Verna Smith	Fergus

### Class 5 - Winter

$1^{st}$	Virginia Dupuis	Gloucester
H.M.	Kathryn Bury	Gilford

### **Class 6 - Summer's Bounty**

$1^{st}$	Eileen Fisher	Englehart
$2^{nd}$	Lois O'Brien	Petawawa
$3^{\rm rd}$	Virginia Dupuis	Gloucester
H.M.	Sheila King	Kemptville

### **Class 7 - Northern Wilderness**

$1^{st}$	Daryl Bessell	North York
$2^{nd}$	Virginia Dupuis	Gloucester
$3^{rd}$	Sheila King	Kemptville

### **Class 8 – Treasures of the Earth**

No entries

### **Class 9 - Refracted Light**

H.M. Lois O'Brien Petawawa

### Class 10 - Colour in my Garden

$1^{st}$	Helen Lacroix	Fergus
$2^{\text{nd}}$	Theresa Cullum	Sudbury
$3^{\rm rd}$	Sheila King	Kemptville



Rose Odell, Art Competition Chair

# **Youth Competition**

	- "My Favourite Vegetable"	Class	3 - "Mark My Spot"
Age 6 t	o 8 yrs.	Ages	6 to 8 yrs.
1 <sup>st</sup>	Zinger, Guelph Township	$1^{st}$	Carley Cressman, Wilmot
$2^{nd}$	Johnny Zinger, Guelph Township	$2^{nd}$	Tucker Heinrich, St. Marys
$3^{\text{rd}}$	Caleb Byers, Rainbow/Campbell	$\frac{1}{3}$ rd	Lizzy Zinger, Guelph Township
4 <sup>th</sup>	Alix Picard, Rainbow/Campbell	$4^{th}$	Johnny Zinger, Guelph Township
7	Anx I leard, Rambow/Campoen	5 <sup>th</sup>	
A ges Q	to 11 yrs.	3	Carmeron Madill, Guelph Township
1 <sup>st</sup>	Brianna Davis, Rainbow/Campbell	Ages	9 to 11 yrs.
$2^{\text{nd}}$	Alexander Wagler, Wilmot	1 <sup>st</sup>	Leanne Weber, Wilmot
3 <sup>rd</sup>		$2^{\text{nd}}$	•
	Maggie MacDonald, Rainbow/Campbell		Luka Heinrich, St. Marys
4 <sup>th</sup>	Gabriel Picard, Rainbow/Campbell	$3^{\text{rd}}$	Alexander Wagler, Wilmot
5 <sup>th</sup>	Belle Mueller, Wilmot	4 <sup>th</sup>	Maggie McDonald, Rainbow/Campbell
HM	Alex Dawson, Rainbow/Campbell	5 <sup>th</sup>	Belle Mueller, Wilmot
Λ σος 1'	2 to 14 yrs.	Λαρς	12 to 14 yrs.
1 <sup>st</sup>		1 <sup>st</sup>	
	Nicole Brenner, Guelph Township		Krystal Roth, Wilmot
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Libby Marlatt, Scarborough	$2^{\text{nd}}$	Rebecca Dawson, Rainbow/Campbell
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Cole Picard, Rainbow/Campbell	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rachel Weber, Wilmot
4 <sup>th</sup>	Chantal Mueller, Wilmot	4 <sup>th</sup>	Danny McDonald, Rainbow/Campbell
5 <sup>th</sup>	Rebecca Dawson, Rainbow/Campbell	5 <sup>th</sup>	Jordan Moore, Rainbow/Campbell
HM	Danny MacDonald, Rainbow/Campbell	HM	Nicole Brenner, Guelph Township
A 1	<b>5</b> 4 - 10	<b>A</b>	15 4- 10
	5 to 18 yrs.		15 to 18 yrs.
1 <sup>st</sup>	Shelly Wagler, Wilmot	1 <sup>st</sup>	Shelby Wagler, Wilmot
$2^{nd}$	Dana Marlatt, Scarborough	$2^{\text{nd}}$	Beckie Roth, Wilmot
		$3^{\rm rd}$	Dana Marlatt, Scarborough
Class 2	- "Walk in the Woods"		
			4 – "Break Time"
	to 8 yrs.		6 to 8 yrs.
$1^{st}$	Devin Johnston, St. Marys	$1^{st}$	Marley McKenzie, Grafton
$2^{nd}$	Marley McKenzie, Grafton	$2^{nd}$	Kailyn Letcher, Scarborough
$3^{\text{rd}}$	Carley Cressman, Wilmot	$\frac{1}{3}$ rd	Ben Musiaia, Scarborough
4 <sup>th</sup>	Meghan Melvanin, Grafton	$4^{th}$	Rowyn McKenzie, Grafton
5 <sup>th</sup>		5 <sup>th</sup>	
	Rowyn McKenzie, Grafton	3	Grace Wilson, Grafton
HM	Jordanne Butler, St. Marys	A ~~ 0	to 11 vm
	. 11		to 11 yrs.
	to 11 yrs.	1 <sup>st</sup>	Ashley Lansley, Grafton
1 <sup>st</sup>	Trent Ainsworth, Grafton	$2^{\text{nd}}$	Emerson Kelly, Grafton
$2^{\text{nd}}$	Ashley Lansley, Grafton	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lindsey Partington, Grafton
$3^{\rm rd}$	Hailey Lansley, Grafton	$4^{th}$	Alexander Wagler, Wilmot
$4^{th}$	Emerson Kelly, Grafton	5 <sup>th</sup>	Maggie MacDonald, Rainbow/Campbell
5 <sup>th</sup>	Sydney Stewart, Grafton		1
HM	Gracie Matser, Grafton	Age 1	2 to 14 yrs.
		1 <sup>st</sup>	Alycia Walker, Guelph Township
Δ σes 1	2 to 14 yrs.	$2^{\text{nd}}$	Nicole Brenner, Guelph Township
1 <sup>st</sup>		$3^{\text{rd}}$	· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
	Nicole Brenner, Guelph Township		Libby Marlatt, Scarborough
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cassidy Wagler, Wilmot	4 <sup>th</sup>	Rebecca Dawson, Rainbow/ Campbell
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Liam Johnston-Newel, Grafton	5 <sup>th</sup>	Nicole Volar, Guelph Township
4 <sup>th</sup>	Libby Marlatt, Scarborough		5 . 10
A	<b>5</b> 40 10		5 to 18 yrs.
Ages 1:	5 t0 18 yrs.	1 <sup>st</sup>	Dana Marlatt, Scarborough
1 <sup>st</sup>	Shelby Wagler, Wilmot	$2^{\text{nd}}$	Shelby Wagler, Wilmot
$2^{nd}$	Dana Marlatt, Scarborough	$3^{\rm rd}$	Natasha Walch, Wilmot

### Class 5 - "Great Thing from Used Things"

Ages 6 to 8 yrs.

1<sup>st</sup> Lucas Norman, Scarborough
 2<sup>nd</sup> Kailyn Letcher, Scarborough
 3<sup>rd</sup> Brayden Letcher, Scarborough
 4<sup>th</sup> Ben Musiata, Scarborough
 5<sup>th</sup> Alex Dawson, Scarborough

### Ages 9 to 11 yrs.

1<sup>st</sup> Daniela Druzgala, Scarborough
 2<sup>nd</sup> Emilia Druzgala, Scarborough
 3<sup>rd</sup> Hailey Lansley, Grafton

4<sup>th</sup> Maggie Donald, Rainbow/Campbell

5<sup>th</sup> Alexander Wagler, Wilmot

### Ages 12 to 14 yes.

1<sup>st</sup> Libby Marlatt, Scarborough

2<sup>nd</sup> Danny MacDonald, Rainbow/Campbell
 3<sup>rd</sup> Rebecca Dawson, Rainbow/Campbell

4<sup>th</sup> Cassidy Wagler, Wilmot

### Ages 15 to 18 yrs.

1<sup>st</sup> Dana Marlatt, Scarborough
 2<sup>nd</sup> Shelby Wagler, Wilmot
 3<sup>rd</sup> Elizabeth Laepple, Wilmot
 4<sup>th</sup> Natasha Walch, Wilmot

### **Sponsored Classes**

### Class 6 - "Our Miniature Garden"

1<sup>st</sup> Rainbow/Campbell

2<sup>nd</sup> St. Marys 3<sup>rd</sup> Scarborough

### Class 7 - "My Favourite House Plant"

Ages 6 to 8 yrs.

1<sup>st</sup> Meg L., St. Marys

2<sup>nd</sup> Johnny Zinger, Guelph Township

3<sup>rd</sup> Caleb P., St. Marys

4<sup>th</sup> Lizzy Zinger, Guelph Township 5<sup>th</sup> Scott McClelland, St. Marys

HM Eve G., St. Marys

### Ages 9 to 11 yrs.

1<sup>st</sup> Josie P., St. Marys

2<sup>nd</sup> Trevor Brooks, St. Marys

3<sup>rd</sup> Jarod M., St. Marys 4<sup>th</sup> Victoria B., St. Marys

Ages 12 to 14 yrs.

1<sup>st</sup> Libby Marlatt, Scarborough

2<sup>nd</sup> Nicole Brenner, Guelph Township

3<sup>rd</sup> Cassidy Wagler, Wilmot

Classes 6 and 7 are sponsored by Anna Peterson, St. Marys, District 10 Director, 2005 – 2010

### Class 8 "Harry Wyma Fine Arts Award"

1<sup>st</sup> Daniela Druzgala, Scarborough
 2<sup>nd</sup> Dana Marlatt, Scarborough
 3<sup>rd</sup> Ben Musiata, Scarborough

### Class 9 "Don Matthews' Award"

1<sup>st</sup> Kendra Danner, Wilmot
 2<sup>nd</sup> Shelby Wagler, Wilmot
 3<sup>rd</sup> Cassidy Wagler, Wilmot
 HM Libby Marlatt, Scarborough

### Class 10 – "Maisie Bray Award"

1<sup>st</sup> St. Marys

2<sup>nd</sup> Rainbow/Campbell

3<sup>rd</sup> Grafton

### Class 11 - "Ruby Bryan Award"

1<sup>st</sup> Grafton 2<sup>nd</sup> Coldwater

3<sup>rd</sup> Rainbow/Campbell

### Class 12 - "Frances Lemke Award"

North Bay

### Class 13 - "Nothers Award"

1<sup>st</sup> Rainbow/Campbell

2<sup>nd</sup> Coldwater

### Class 14 -"Ruby Lobban Award"

1<sup>st</sup> Scarborough 2<sup>nd</sup> Wilmot

3<sup>rd</sup> Rainbow/Campbell

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### **Best in Show Ribbon**

Devin Johnston, St. Marys

### **Judges Choice Ribbon**

Marley McKenzie, Grafton



**Anna Peterson, Youth Competition Chair** 



# 2011 Photography Competition

### Class 1 – First Up

Carol Dobrindt, St Catharine's  $2^{nd}$ John Tibbles, Sault Ste. Marie

 $3^{rd}$ Anne Johnston, Ottawa

### Class 2 – A Place for my Tools

1<sup>st</sup> Lisa Robinson, Sudbury  $2^{nd}$ Marie Decker, Oakville 3<sup>rd</sup> Virginia Dupius, Gloucester

### Class 3 – Let the Sun Shine In

1st Carolyn Ratcliff, Stouffville  $2^{nd}$ Mary Ann Van Berlo, Gloucester  $3^{rd}$ Jennifer Walton, Mount Albert

### Class 4 – That is Odd

Mary Ann Van Berlo, Gloucester

 $2^{nd}$ Marie Decker, Oakville  $3^{rd}$ David Blythin, Niagara Falls

### Class 5 - Yellow Fellow

Ernie Dupuis, Gloucester  $2^{\text{nd}}$ Virginia Dupius, Gloucester  $3^{rd}$ Lise Beausoleil, Kapuskasing

### **Class 6 – Anyone Recognize This?**

 $1^{st}$ Marie Decker, Oakville

 $2^{nd}$ Melanie Marjoram, Orangeville  $3^{rd}$ Lisa Robinson, Sudbury

### **Class 7 – Up Close and Personal**

 $1^{st}$ Jennifer Walton, Mount Albert  $2^{nd}$ Allyson MacDonald, Tillsonburg

3<sup>rd</sup> Marie Decker, Oakville

### **Class 8 - Room to Grow**

1<sup>st</sup> Mary Ann Van Berlo, Gloucester

 $2^{nd}$ Lisa Robinson, Sudbury 3<sup>rd</sup> Maryanne Weiller, Kitchener

### Class 9 – Mary had a Little Lamb

1<sup>st</sup>None

 $2^{nd}$ Linda Earl. Athen

 $3^{rd}$ Mary Ann Van Berlo, Gloucester

### **Class 10 – Uninvited Guest**

1<sup>st</sup> David Blythin, Niagara Falls  $2^{nd}$ Marie Decker, Oakville  $3^{rd}$ Linda Boyko, East York

Class 11 – Old and New – working together in the garden

 $1^{st}$ David Blythin, Niagara Falls

 $2^{\text{nd}}$ Ilona Drumm, Nipigon - Red Rock

3<sup>rd</sup> Lisa Robinson, Sudbury

### Class 12 – All by Myself

1<sup>st</sup> James Tibbles, Sault Ste. Marie  $2^{nd}$ Barbara Rycquart, Tillsonburg 3<sup>rd</sup> Carolyn Ratcliff, Stouffville

### Class 13 – Just Hanging Around

Ernie Dupuis, Gloucester  $2^{nd}$ Elaine Reffle, Sault Ste Marie  $3^{\text{rd}}$ Barbara Rycquart, Tillsonburg

### **Class 14 - Friends in my Garden**

Anne Johnston, Ottawa  $2^{nd}$ Elaine Reffle, Sault Ste Marie 3<sup>rd</sup> Lorraine Beausoleil, Kapuskasing

**Best in Show:** (pictured on cover)

Anne Johnston, Ottawa H.S. Class 14



Class 1 – First Up – Carol Dobrindt

# **Publications Competition**

### Class 1 - Yearbook Cover, primarily hand drawn

1<sup>st</sup> Lake Simcoe South Shore

2<sup>nd</sup> Thunder Bay 3<sup>rd</sup> Scarborough

# Class 2 - Yearbook Cover, primarily computer generated graphics

1<sup>st</sup> Harrington and District

2<sup>nd</sup> Niagara Falls

3<sup>rd</sup> Grafton

### Class 3 - Yearbook Cover, primarily photographic

1<sup>st</sup> Russell and District

2<sup>nd</sup> Belleville 3<sup>rd</sup> North York

### **Class 4 - Special Event Poster**

1<sup>st</sup> Nobleton and King City

2<sup>nd</sup> Bolton and District

3<sup>rd</sup> Cloverleaf (Mississauga)

### Class 5 - Special Event Brochure/Pamphlet/Flyer

1<sup>st</sup> Russell and District

2<sup>nd</sup> Sudbury 3<sup>rd</sup> Oakville

### Class 6 - Society Brochure/Pamphlet/Flyer

1<sup>st</sup> Niagara Falls

2<sup>nd</sup> Bolton and District

3<sup>rd</sup> Mount Albert

### Class 7 - Newsletter Cover, primarily hand drawn

1<sup>st</sup> Lennox and Addington

2<sup>nd</sup> Lake Simcoe South Shore

3<sup>rd</sup> Atikokan

### Class 8 - Newsletter Cover, primarily photographic

1<sup>st</sup> Newmarket

2<sup>nd</sup> Mount Albert

3<sup>rd</sup> Sudbury

3<sup>rd</sup> Scarborough

# Class 9 - Newsletter Cover, primarily computer generated graphics

1<sup>st</sup> Bolton and District

2<sup>nd</sup> Brooklin

3<sup>rd</sup> North York

### Class 10 - Youth Journal/Scrapbook

1<sup>st</sup> Grafton

### Class 11 - Society Bookmark

1<sup>st</sup> Russell and District

2<sup>nd</sup> Leaside 3<sup>rd</sup> Brooklin

Class 12 - no entries

### Class 13 - Society Promotional/Partnership

1<sup>st</sup> Russell and District

2<sup>nd</sup> North York 3<sup>rd</sup> Oakville

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### Class 14 - 2011 Yearbook, 8.5" x 11"

1<sup>st</sup> Gloucester

2<sup>nd</sup> Georgetown

3<sup>rd</sup> Sudbury

### Class 15 - 2011 Yearbook, 8.5" x 5'5"

1<sup>st</sup> Guelph Township

2<sup>nd</sup> Harriston and District

3<sup>rd</sup> Belleville

### Class 16 - 2011 Yearbook, 8.5" x 7"

1<sup>st</sup> Newmarket

2<sup>nd</sup> Cobourg

3<sup>rd</sup> Mount Albert

### Class 17 - 2011 Youth Yearbook

1<sup>st</sup> Mount Albert

2<sup>nd</sup> Grafton

### **Class 18 - Current Show Schedule**

1<sup>st</sup> Thunder Bay

2<sup>nd</sup> Leaside

3<sup>rd</sup> Gloucester

3<sup>rd</sup> Lake Simcoe South Shore



Shirley Robson, Publications Competition Chair

# **Ted Reed Website Competition**

Malcolm Geast, Past District 5 Director, was the judge of the web competition again this year. Thank you to Malcolm for his dedication judging the web pages of all of the horticultural societies. Again I am thankful to all of the volunteers who maintain their societies' web sites. I encourage you to review the web sites of the winners.

Class 1: GardenOntario web shells using standard features as outlined in the manual *Garden Webs for Societies* or *Garden Webs for Districts* (as appropriate).

$1^{st}$	Bolton and District Horticultural Society
	www.gardenontario.org/site.php/bdhs

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Mount Albert Garden and Horticultural Society www.gardenontario.org/site.php/mountalbert
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Port Burwell-Bayham Horticultural Society www.gardenontario.org/site.php/burwell

**Class 2:** Horticultural Society web sites outside of GardenOntario.org Web Shells (including web sites hosted on GardenOntario.org subdomains.)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Oakville Horticultural Society www.oakvillehort.org
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Oshawa Garden Club www.oshawagardenclub.ca
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Cobourg Horticultural Society www.cobourggardenclub.org

Jeff Blackadar, Chair webmaster@gardenontario.org



**Class 1: Narrative Poem** 

$1^{st}$	Melanie Marjoram, Orangeville
$2^{nd}$	Eileen Fisher, Englehart
$3^{\text{rd}}$	Constance Suite, Assiginack

### **Class 2: A Poem That Rhymes**

$1^{st}$	Eileen Fisher, Englehart
$2^{nd}$	Brenda Stericker, Waterloo
$3^{\text{rd}}$	Constance Suite, Assiginack
$3^{rd}$	Richard Toivonen, Sudbury

### Class 3: Story:

$1^{st}$	Brenda Stericker, Waterloo
$2^{\text{nd}}$	Doreen Bailey, Campbell
$2^{\text{nd}}$	Shirley Temple, Stoney Creek
$3^{\rm rd}$	Eileen Fisher, Englehart

### **Grand Prize Winner:**

Melanie Marjoram, Orangeville

Melanie's winning poem, 'A Gardener's Lament', is on page 19.

Dorelene Anderson, Creative Writing Competition Chair



# A Peterborough Delight!

Congratulations to the Peterborough Horticultural Society's Dianne and Gary Westlake! Their glorious one acre property on Green Hill overlooking their city was the cover article, 'A Peterborough Delight', in the July/August 2011 issue of Gardens Central.

As well as sitting on the Board of Directors of PHS, these two Master Gardeners are the editors of the MGOI newsletter, 'What's Growing On?' To see photos of their gardens and much more, visit their terrific website, <a href="https://www.dianneandgarywestlake.com">www.dianneandgarywestlake.com</a>.

### A Gardener's Lament

I see her standing in the garden. She bends from the hip without a buckle at the knee. Scantily clad and barefoot,

Her muddy fingers tug at a strap before more is revealed.

Her earnings are found in the garden. There's knowledge to be gained here. She shuffles her charges around her plot And wrongly regrets her misjudgement.

There is joy in each day she is found here. Rewards of fresh blossoms and fruits abound. Countless creatures find their way to her. Such unexpected miracles they are.

She sees more to be done than her time will allow. There are rockeries and water features, pergolas and paths. She tends vegetables and fruits to share with pride. And still she contemplates relentlessly to plant yet more.

Today, long over-stretched shorts and a once coloured Tee Hide her imperfections she can't seem to control. Her garden, too, mature and swollen, Calls for her care from each window and door.

Each rock that she placed and every spade full of soil Has taken its toll and left her tormented. She sees only weeds and shrubs needing pruning. What once was her dream is now called her prison.

Each year is more difficult than the one before, But still she persists for as long as she can. She will shed a tear from time to time, Knowing some day she will have to leave here.

For now, she struggles to find her way. It's time to rethink her place in this life; To make use of all that she has learned, And rejoice in the pleasure of passing it on.



Melanie Marjoram, Orangeville HS

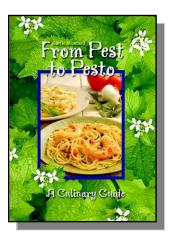
**OHA Convention 2011 Creative Writing Competition Grand Prize winner** 

### **Garlic Mustard Pesto**

- ✓ 3 cups garlic mustard greens with stems
- ✓ 2/3 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1 teaspoon chopped garlic mustard root
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh chives
- 1/4 cup pine nuts
- salt to taste

Put everything into a food processor and blend until smooth. Cook your favourite pasta and toss with pesto mixture while the pasta is hot. Garnish lightly with Parmesan cheese if desired. Add salt to taste.

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### **Helen Scutt**

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# **Guelph Honours the Bibbys**

June 26<sup>th</sup> was a beautiful a day for a tree planting. **Guelph Horticultural Society** members, along with family and friends of Monica and Les Bibby, gathered in Guelph's Markle Park to dedicate a tree to the couple in commemoration of their years of outstanding service to the society.

Over these years Monica has worked diligently on behalf of the GHS, serving as a board member, youth group chairperson, and president. She initiated our annual garden tour, now a summer highlight in the city. She is an enthusiastic participant in our garden shows and serves on the flower show committee. She organizes the annual tour to Canada Blooms and other notable garden shows within the area. Utilizing her knowledge of floral design and the plant industry, she plans and coordinates the annual GHS plant sale. These fundraising efforts have supported scholarships for horticulture students, various beautification projects throughout the city, and valuable education via expert speakers.

Les, meanwhile, has given staunch background support to all Monica's endeavours and is always available, with wit and humour, to provide a helping hand, whatever the occasion. Together, they have been and are exemplary members of the society, truly expressing its mission and vision, and very worthy of this tribute.

Mr. Herbert Markle, after whom the park is named, was an Ontario Agricultural College graduate and served the society for over 40 years. He was a District Director, Treasurer, and President of the OHA, fondly known as Guelph's 'Mr.



Horticulture'. It was he who first introduced Monica to the society over 30 years ago. What better tribute could there be than to have the tree planted in honour of Monica and Les close to the sign that indicates the park which is his namesake. May this tree ever be healthy and strong, an honour to the park and city, and an everlasting symbol of what we can all accomplish through our united endeavours and individual efforts.

Liz Dewar, Guelph Horticultural Society



# **Remembering Sheldon Wolfe**

Sheldon Wolfe was a man with a profound sense of caring for others. This, together with his wisdom, strength, patience, and perseverance, made him an effective, yet quiet leader. He demanded nothing from life, only the privilege of serving his fellow man. He personified the mild mannered, everyday hero who showed great things can happen simply by helping people one at a time.

Sheldon was an active participant in Clifford and District Horticultural Society for many years. He offered land for a Community Garden where our Youth Gardening Partners tended a garden for the Food Bank for several years. A man who liked to be busy, he found lots to do in Clifford, including his involvement in the Historical Society, Badminton Club, Merry Makers and Seniors Council. He helped develop the Meals on Wheels program, delivered books for the United Church Resource Centre and White Gifts to Cape Croker, drove patients to appointments, and made special trips for cancer patients. Never one to seek recognition, Sheldon was reluctant to accept honours like the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award, the highest honour awarded a Lion. He was equally modest

last June when his and Ruth's deeds were celebrated at Knox in honour of the 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The United Church of Canada.

Sheldon left us on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011. In his memory we can celebrate the goodness in the world. Sheldon is dearly missed, but his legacy of love will endure for all time.

# **Cramahe Ecology Garden**



As members of OHA, our motto is Keeping Ontario Beautiful. Our Cramahe Ecology Garden challenges the community to Keep Earth Beautiful.

What is an Ecology Garden? Ecology, as defined by Webster's New World Dictionary, is the branch of biology that deals with the relationships between living organisms and their environment. In 2008, the Cramahe Horticultural Society membership agreed to create an Ecology Garden. With support from the Township of Cramahe, the Rotary Club of Colborne, Community Care Colborne, and OHA District 4, it was agreed to create the Cramahe Ecology Garden in Rotary Centennial Park, Colborne.

A request for funding from New Horizons for Seniors was approved and the funding arrived special delivery, by MP Rick Norlock, in the spring of 2009. Then the real work began. Members contributed many hours of labour to prepare the

garden for planting at our dedication on May 25, 2009. Over the summer, members met regularly to maintain and improve the garden. Members involved the children from the local Keeler Camp. The children toured the gardens, painted stones to edge the Garden Rooms, painted bird houses meant to encourage birds to nest, and later brought their parents to visit the gardens. Their latest craft project and contribution to our garden are stepping stones.

The Cramahe Ecology Garden displays a variety of plants. It is not a native plant garden but there is an area where one can be developed in the future, once repairs have been made to the eroded edge of the creek. Garden "rooms" show plants among a variety of similar plants. There is a vegetable room where the children will be invited to plant quick growing peas and sunflowers. Strawberry plants have been used to edge the vegetable room. There is a xeriscape

garden room of sun loving, drought tolerant plants and a shade garden room. As part of our purpose to educate the community, all of the plants will be labelled. A nearby composting centre shows the community how to make soil. This compost will then be used to treat and improve our soil organically.

The Cramahe Ecology Garden will become a year round destination. The birds are already settling into the new birdhouses. As natural insect eaters, they and the snakes, toads, and frogs are all welcome residents. Welcome also are the



earthworms which are already tilling and enriching the soil. Stone benches are situated for quiet contemplation. Passersby can learn about plants and simply observe their beauty or they can be inspired to grow similar species in their own personal gardens. Hopefully, residents of all ages will become interested enough to join the Cramahe Horticultural Society.

The space will continue to develop as the park is renewed. Many members of the community have visited the Cramahe Ecology Garden and positive supportive comments continue to flow. If you are interested in attending one of our events or meetings, visit <a href="http://www.cramahehort.ca/garden.htm">http://www.cramahehort.ca/garden.htm</a> for further details.

**Anne Marie Vanstone** 

# Credit Valley Horticultural Society plants a Carolinian Garden at The Riverwood Conservancy in Mississauga

The idea for the Carolinian Forest Teaching Garden at The Riverwood Conservancy germinated in the fall of 2009 when invasive plants were removed from the hillside behind the Chappell House. This hillside is designated an environmentally sensitive area by the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, part owners of Riverwood. It was decided that a plan should be prepared to restore the forest floor with native plants that would serve as a teaching resource for students, gardeners and the public.

The design was created by one of the TRC's volunteers, Sandra Spudic who, with a small group, researched and chose a list of desirable Carolinian species. Funding was acquired from Evergreen and a huge delivery of 800 plants arrived at the end of April.



Photo: Sheena McColl

The day before planting began, more work was done to remove persistent invasive plants. Following the design, the garden was divided into squares labelled with coordinates. TRC volunteer gardeners sorted the plants and placed them in the correct squares in a natural pattern. All that was then needed was a swarm of willing planters and they arrived on a sunny Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> afternoon in May from CVHS full of vim and vigour.

Who would have thought that a team of 16 could plant 800 plants in just two hours? It was a remarkable transformation that now only requires some TLC and gentle rain to flourish.

### Kathy Lytle & Janice Ekeland



Photo: Colin Gosden

# **CVHS Supports The Riverwood Conservancy**



Riverwood Director Douglas Markoff accepts a \$1000 donation cheque from Colin Gosden, President of CVHS during a planting by members on May 13<sup>th</sup>.

Both the donation and the plantings will be annual events as the Credit Valley Horticultural Society kicks off its support of The Riverwood Conservancy.

For more information on Riverwood please go to www.TheRiverwoodConservancy.org



# Regreening a City

Anyone who has been to Sudbury in the past, in particular before 1978, would remember a city that resembled a lunar landscape. Originally called *St. Anne among the Pines* and created by an ancient meteor, there are 330 lakes within the boundaries of this city. By 1872 it was a prosperous logging community where red and white pines created thick forest growth. Much of the lumber became ship masts or went to Chicago after the great fire and in the 1880s copper and nickel were discovered.

To extract the metal from the rock, roasting yards several football fields long were constructed with a two metre deep layer of local timber on the bottom and the ore on top. Ignited, the yards would burn several weeks and sometimes several months, having an impact on 81,000 hectares of land with a dense cloud of acidic smog. By 1928 this method was banned and eventually a Superstack was built. The sulphur dioxide released in the air during the mining and burns negatively affected plant and animal life, leaving a barren, acidic landscape. It is noteworthy that the children of this era accepted their surroundings for what they were as they had no idea of the lush forested landscape that once covered their play areas or that the polluted lakes had once contained many fish.

In the 1970s it was realized that the Superstack was making the environment less toxic. Sulphuric acid, a byproduct of the sulphur dioxide, was marketable and companies started to help clean up the century of negative effects to the land. A Vegetation Enhancement Committee was formed to determine how plant life could be brought back to a highly acidic rocky soil. As gardeners we know to sweeten soil in this condition with lime and that is exactly what they did. Bags of limestone were spread by hand and, in the inaccessible areas, by air. Fertilizer, grass, and legume (to help fix nitrogen) seeds were applied and finally, trees planted. To date, volunteers have planted 9.2 million red, white, and jack pine as well as white spruce and are thankful that the project was successful as they look upon the stands of mature trees.





The early days of the project focused on the entry and roadsides to Sudbury but there are still 35,000 hectares that need liming and planting. Silver Lake, which was once the most polluted lake in the world, now has clean water with fish as a result of the watershed being repaired. Native plants are reappearing and when short-lived tree species die, soil insects are slowly returning to improve the ecosystem.

Although more expensive, the program's workers and volunteers are diversifying the trees being planted and have started relocating forest floor mats. These are small sections about a metre square of forest understory ecosystems which are removed from highway construction sites and transplanted in Sudbury. Other initiatives are taking place as well such as the reestablishment of peregrine falcons, creek clean ups with a

reintroduction of brook trout, and the introduction of trumpeter swans and elk to the area.

Can we apply any of this knowledge to our cities and towns? I think so, as this project proved that an efficient watershed produces cleaner lakes and that projects which instill hope inspire residents to act. Every day we leave a legacy. Will it be a worthy one for future generations?

Judith Rogers, District 16 Director



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