

# Trillium

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Many things are happening in your societies and in the OHA at this time of year, of course it's busy in the gardens too. In my garden I have harvested a lot of hard neck garlic, which I'm very pleased with. I have to fine tune the harvest date next year, I think I was two weeks later than the perfect time.

District 1 hosted a wonderful convention in Cornwall! A huge thank you goes to Pat Stachon and her team in District 1 for putting on a fun, smooth and memorable event. We were long overdue to visit this part of Ontario and the beautiful city of Cornwall. Start your plans now for the July 3-5 2015 convention in Ancaster hosted by District 6 and bring a car load of your friends.

At our convention in Cornwall we welcomed Suzanne Hanna to her new role as Vice President and James Graham has become our immediate past president. Thank you James for a great year of progress for the OHA. John Sellers is stepping off the board after 9 years of leadership and service, thank you John. Pat Stachon (D1), Kees Stryland (D12) and Sandy Rakestrow (D17) have retired as district directors. Thank you Pat, Kees and Sandy for your dedicated volunteer work on the board and in your districts. We warmly welcome Charles Freeman (D1), Anne Jamieson (D12), Christine Marsh (D13) and Elaine Davidson (D17).

OHA volunteers have held a flower show as part of the Successful Gardening exposition in Mississauga and now Toronto for many years. As we are unable to find enough volunteers to continue with the show in its new location, we've have had to end our involvement. I'd like to thank Heinke Thiessen and her committee for their dedicated work holding the Successful Gardening flower show on behalf of the OHA these past years.

It's also Society board renewal time. For those of you who have served as your society nominations chair person you know it can be a challenging job to find the right people to serve as society board members and executives. Although a challenging task it is very important. For all of us horticultural societies members, our work in building next year's board is now in progress.

If you have not served on the board of your society and are interested, ask your society president or other board members about the board and attend a board meeting as a guest so you can see how things work and what the dynamic is. If you have not considered this type of volunteer job before you may find it's interesting and fun. I attended my first board meeting in Ottawa as a guest, I found the group friendly and busy running the society. I hope you will find the same thing and be interested in serving on your society's board. Just let the chair or your nominations committee know your interest (usually your past president) and they can give you the next steps. Nominating yourself for an open position is one of the best ways to pitch in and help your society.

If you are already active in your society, help your nominations committee by suggesting members you know who would be good in vacant positions. Encourage your hort friends to take on a position that is a good fit for them. My society has often used plant sale potting days and community beautification work bees to talk up the idea of joining the board, with excellent results.

We are all familiar with the challenges of finding volunteers, but it's a challenge you can meet. If you are on the nominations committee I believe your best aide is the membership list and the phone.

*President's message continued on page 4--->*





### **Anne Jamieson - District 12**

My first gardening experiences were alongside my grandparents on the farm in Southern Ontario in zone 5. Quite a different experience than gardening alongside my husband in our Zone 2 yard in Kapuskasing for the past forty years. The year that we bought our house, we joined the Horticultural Society. The first thing you know, I was helping out at the plant sales, watering the civic garden and entering arrangements in the Flower Show. I was hooked on gardening and supporting the Horticultural Society, as a Board Member, Secretary, Show Chair, Speaker, Convention Delegate, and now District Director. I look forward to encouraging and supporting the joy of gardening in the north and representing District 12 at the Provincial level.

### **Christine Marsh - District 13**

Christine is the newly elected District 13 Director of the Ontario Horticultural Association, formerly served as President of the Campbell Horticultural Society. She currently serves as secretary treasurer of the Mindemoya bridge club and is a member of the Big Lake Women's Institute. Christine lives on Manitoulin Island with her dog Muggins where she enjoys spending time in her garden and entering her floral arrangements into the annual flower show.



### **Elaine Davidson - D17**

Elaine has been gardening for over 60 years. Her first plants were Nasturtiums that she grew for the flowers and were used by her mother in salads to add flavour.

Since that time she has kept a keen interest in using the herbs and flowers grown in her garden for cooking, taking many courses along the way to help improve her herbal knowledge. Elaine's garden while small, is a mixture of flowers vegetables and herbs all grown alongside one another. Elaine is a member of 5 regular garden clubs including Durham Master Gardeners and over 7 specialty garden clubs serving on the boards of several of them.

### ***Presidents message continued...***

Be ready to describe the job of each volunteer role you are looking for and start calling. Likely you will have a list of candidates, but don't just stick to that. Remember to call new members too. Make notes for next year, I found that when people said "I can't this year, call me next year." they meant it. You'll find that as you work hard to call around each year your job will get easier as more volunteers get in place.

I wish you all success in filling your board and committee volunteer roles for 2015.

I can tell you the work of my new job in the OHA has started in earnest and that the board is active in moving projects and initiatives ahead for the OHA. I'm fortunate to be working with such a thoughtful and dedicated group of people on the board and horticultural society members like you.

Best regards,  
Jeff Blackadar

## OHA Community Improvement Award

At the Ontario Horticultural Association Convention held in July 2014 in Cornwall, Anne Bossart was chosen to receive the very prestigious OHA Community Improvement Award. Anne is an extremely active member of Parry Sound and District Horticultural Society and is very deserving of this award. She was nominated by her Society to receive this award to recognize her work and leadership in the restoration effort of Parry Sound well loved (but long neglected) Tower Hill Heritage Garden.

I was first aware of Anne after Parry Sound was selected as our District 18 Horticultural Society to plant a Bur Oak tree to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. It was very fittingly planted at the Tower Hill Heritage Garden. As chair of the Civic Beautification Committee she has been actively involved with other groups planting gardens around Town: a shoreline restoration and butterfly and bird garden in partnership with the Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve, plantings for the Downtown Parry Sound Revitalization Plan and the 2014 revitalization of Mission Park. She is extremely enthusiastic about all things horticulture, especially native plants, and has instructed courses at Canadore College on Wildlife Habitat Gardening and Landscape for Life.

I am sure her energy and great willingness to improve her community and HS activities are a great encouragement to others to willingly participate. She is a very inspiring member of our OHA.

Sandra Hartill,  
OHA District 18 Director

*Left to Right:*

Garth and Marg Legris, Sandra Hartill, Iva Hodge, Anne Bossart, Ellen Shipman (Anne's sister), Gilberte Lambert, Margaret Terry and Chuck Mossey



*District #1 wishes to thank everyone who attended the 108th OHA Annual Convention in Cornwall. From the feedback that we received "a good time was had by all".*

*We appreciate the miles travelled, the smiles and good cheer you brought to the event. It would not have been such a success without you. We also hope that you will share your experience and knowledge gained with your society members who were unable to join us.*

*Looking forward to seeing you at the next event if not sooner,  
District #1 Convention Committee 2014*

## Youth Competition Awards

### Sec. A Class 1 “Green Thumbs Up”

- 6-8 yr. 1) Madilynn Cressman, Wilmot, D-19  
 9-11 yr. No entries  
 12-14 yr. 1) Lauren White, Wilmot, D-19  
 2) Alexander Wagler, Wilmot, D-19  
 15-18 yr. 1) Cassidy Wagler, Wilmot, D-19  
 2) Shelby Wagler, Wilmot, D-19

### Sec. B Class 2 “Safe Landing”

- 6-8 yr. 1) Carley Cressman, Wilmot, D-19  
 2) Luke Amidon, Guelph Township, D-7  
 3) Paige Buma, Russell, D-1  
 4) Madilynn Cressman, Wilmot, D-19  
 9-11 yr. 1) Amelia Buma, Russell, D-1  
 2) Danica Zehr, Wilmot, D-19  
 12-14 yr. 1) Sarah Cumming, Russell, D-1  
 2) Alexander Wagler, Wilmot, D-19  
 3) Lauren White, Wilmot, D-19  
 15-18 yr. 1) Krista Cumming, Russell, D-1  
 2) Nicole Brenner, Guelph Township, D-7  
 3) Shelby Wagler, Wilmot, D-19

### Sec. B Class 3 “Scottish Thistle”

- 6-8 yr. 1) Paige Buma, Russell, D-1  
 2) Flora Livingston, Wilmot, D-19  
 3) Elsa Livingston, Wilmot, D-19  
 9-11 yr. 1) Amelie Buma, Russell, D-1  
 2) Callum Livingston, Wilmot, D-19  
 12-14 yr. 1) Sarah Cumming, Russell, D-1  
 2) Lauren White, Wilmot, D-19  
 3) Alexander Wagler, Wilmot, D-19  
 15-18 yr. 1) Krista Cumming, Russell, D-1  
 2) Shelby Wagler, Wilmot, D-19

### Sec. B Class 4 “Gingerbread & Posies”

- 6-8 yr. 1) Natasha H., St. Marys, D-10  
 2) Tyler B., St. Marys, D-10  
 3) Hannah R., St. Marys, D-10  
 4) Ella G., St. Marys, D-10  
 5) Leighton L., St. Marys, D-10  
 H.M. Paige Buma, Russell, D-1  
 9-11 yr. 1) Amelia Buma, Russell, D-1  
 2) Jack S., St. Marys, D-10  
 3) Daniel Rostirolla, Richmond Hill, D-15  
 4) Madison L., St. Marys, D-10  
 5) Thalina T., St. Marys, D-10  
 H.M. Lauren G., St. Marys, D-10  
 12-14 yr. 1) Sarah Cumming, Russell, D-1

### Sec. C Class 5 “A River Runs By It”

- 6-8 yr. 1) Madilynn Cressman, Wilmot, D-19  
 2) Carley Cressman, Wilmot, D-19  
 3) Mackenzie Cressman, Wilmot, D-19  
 9-11 yr. 1) Daniel Rostirolla, Richmond Hill, D-15  
 12-14 yr. 1) Alexander Wagler, Wilmot, D-19  
 2) Cassidy Wagler, Wilmot, D-19  
 15-18 yr. 1) Shelby Wagler, Wilmot, D-19

### Sec. C Class 6 “Bountiful”

- 9-11 yr. 2) Daniel Rostirolla, Richmond Hill, D-15

### Sec. D Class 7 “Our Miniature Garden”

- St. Marys, D-10  
 Grafton, D-4  
 Richmond Hill, D-15

### Sec. D Class 8 “Friends of the Garden

- Laura Dolan, Russell, D-1  
 Hannah Burgess, Grafton, D-4  
 Sarah Cumming, Russell, D-1  
 Cassidy Wagler, Wilmot, D-19  
 Lynsey Gillespie, Grafton, D-4  
 HM Brooke Partington, Grafton, D-4

### Sec. E Class 9 “Come Ashore”

- Quentin Danner, Wilmot, D-19  
 Nicole Brenner, Guelph Township, D-7  
 Sarah L., St. Marys, D-10  
 HM Lauren G., St. Marys, D-10  
 Sarah Greer, Russell, D-1  
 Mackenzie Cressman, Wilmot, D-19

### Sec. E Class 10 “The Scarecrow” Ages 6 to 11

- Danica Zehr, Wilmot, D-19  
 Luke Amidon, Guelph Township, D-7  
 Mackenzie Cressman, Wilmot, D-19

### “The Scarecrow Song” Ages 12 – 18

- Alexander Wagler, Wilmot, D-19  
 Krista Cumming, Russell, D-1  
 Sarah Kinch, Wilmot, D-19

### Sec. E Class 11 “Les Fleurs Sauvage” Pink Lady Slipper

- St. Marys, D-10  
 Wilmot, D-19  
 Richmond Hill, D-15 Lemke

### Sec. F Class 12 “Ruby Bryan Award”

- Grafton, D-4  
 Russell, D-1

### Sec. F Class 13 “Frances Lemke Award”

- Russell, D-1

### Sec. F Class 14 “Nothers Award – no entries”

### Sec. E Class 15 “Ruby Lobban Award”

- Wilmot, D-19  
 Russell, D-1  
 St. Marys, D-10

**Total number of entries:** 133

**Number of societies participating:** 6

**Note: the Youth Competition Schedule will be available in September on the OHA website and that all Youth Leaders will be sent the 2015 documentation for their youth groups.**

<http://www.gardenontario.org/sho/you.php>



**2014 Ontario Volunteer Service Awards** were presented on May 7, 2014, in a celebration sponsored by the Honorable Michael Coteau, Minister of Citizenship and Immigration.

Six Stirling & District Horticultural Society members were honoured with beautiful pins and certificates recognizing their many years of volunteer service to their community. These members are Donna Armstrong, 50 years; Lois and Glenn Bennett, 40 years; Sylvia Edgar, 40 years; Joan and Monte Moorcroft, 30 years. That represents a total of 230 years of volunteer service on behalf of the Ontario Horticultural Association!

Their friends and colleagues are very proud of their accomplishments, dedication and stamina!

*Left to Right:*

Glenn Bennett, Lois Bennett, Sylvia Edgar, Donna Armstrong, Joan Moorcroft, Monte Moorcroft.



## CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION

33 Entries: 9 Class #1, 13 Class #2 and 11 Class #3.

**Class #1 Create a Song** to a familiar tune and must relate to the convention theme "A River Runs By It"

- 1) Debbie Foster, Oshawa, D-17
- 2) Emilie Henkleman, Nepean, D-2
- 3) Brenda Stericker, Waterloo, D-19

**Class #2 Free Verse Poem** at least 8 lines long. Describe a season in your garden.

- 1) Eileen Fisher, Englehart, D-12
- 2) Jean Gordon, Guelph Township, D-7
- 3) Sylvia Grant, Guelph Township, D-7

**Class #3 Unforgettable Character.** Write a story about an unforgettable character you have met because of your garden. Should be between 500-600 words.

- 1) Ruth Robinson, Guelph Township, D-7
- 2) Eileen Fisher, Englehart, D-12
- 3) Sylvia Grant, Guelph Township, D-7

Thanks to everyone who entered and Good Luck next year!

Sandra Hartill,  
Creative Writing Competition Chair

**Best in Show.** Eileen Fisher, Englehart, D12,  
for her Class #2 entry.

### Spring in My Garden

Tiny umber patches emerge from beneath an ivory blanket.

Each day's warmth exposes more damp, rich soil.  
Even before the last vestige of snow is gone,  
tiny green shoots appear,  
offering anticipated beauty.

Many shades of green carpet my garden...  
chartreuse, jade, moss, viridian,  
so welcome after the long months of unending white.  
My spring garden is a promise,  
A vow made last autumn  
that even as its life force sinks beneath the ground,  
as the rotation of our planet brings  
the cycle of the seasons,  
life will return.

As sap rises from buried roots,  
as fragile shoots, with unimagined strength,  
emerge from their cold, dark prison,  
as tender leaves unfurl  
and crumpled gossamer petals of violet, lemon, and peach  
spread to greet the warmth of the sun,  
that ancient promise has been kept once more.  
Spring has returned to my garden.

# OHA Awards Presented at Convention 2014

The following awards were presented at the Convention Awards Banquet:

**Ontario Horticultural Association Silver Medal**, was presented to Eileen Hewitt, Grimsby Garden Club, with its associated framed certificate, is the highest award of the Association. The award is given for outstanding work in the advancement of horticulture in accordance with the aims of the Association.

**Trillium/Silver Fir Award** was presented to Marie Hynna, Thunder Bay Horticultural Society and Peter Phillips, Orangeville & District Horticultural Society. The Trillium award is a silver brooch in the shape of a trillium. The award was initially donated by Thelma Boucher who was the OHA President in 1941. The Silver Fir award is a silver pin that was initiated by Alastair Crawford. Two awards annually may be given for outstanding service to Horticultural Societies and/or the Ontario Horticultural Association for an extended period.

**Community Improvement Award** was presented to Anne Bossart, Parry Sound & District Horticultural Society. This award is a plaque provided by the Ontario Horticultural Association. It may be given to an individual, organization or company that, in the estimation of the Awards Committee, has enhanced the beauty of the landscape and/or added to the quality of life of a community with a horticultural project.

**Award of Merit** was presented to Lillie Haworth, Grimsby Garden Club. This award is a framed certificate and is given to an individual for notable contributions to the programs of the Association or a Society. The Awards Committee may elect to present more than one Award of Merit in a given year.

**Honour Roll** certificate was presented to Anne Clark-Stewart, Cloverleaf Garden Club. The Awards Committee may select a maximum of two candidates from those nominated.

**Youth Leader Award** was presented to Dorothy Shier, Georgina-Brock Garden Club. This plaque is presented to a person who has been a Youth Club leader for a minimum of five years.

**Environmental Award** was presented to Goderich

& District Horticultural Society. This award is a plaque provided by the Ontario horticultural Association. It may be presented to an individual, organization, municipality, company, school or other educational establishment that, in the estimation of the Awards Committee, has made a significant contribution to environmental preservation including habitat, restoration, and/or improvement.

**OHA Tree Grants:** The following societies received tree grants, up to \$200, in 2014.

Bobcaygeon & District; Mount Albert Garden; Toronto Region Rhododendron; Belle River & District; Tavistock & Area; Madawaska Valley; Woodstock; Teeswater Culross; Amherstburg Fort Malden; Sarnia; Barrie Garden Club; Parry Sound & District; Assiginack; Cloverleaf Garden Club of Mississauga; Minden & District; Kingsville; Kemptville; Elmvale & District; Russell & District; St. Joseph Island; Leamington; Lake Simcoe Shore

**OHA Special Project Grants:** To assist Societies in meeting the objectives of the OHA, the board will provide a Special Project Grant to a maximum of \$500.00 for each project.

Minden & District, District 4; Wingham & District, District 8; Russell & District, District 1; Sarnia, District 11

**Community Garden Grants:** The OHA encourages its member societies to create or contribute to community gardens whether urban or rural. OHA will award a grant of \$500 to assist in the funding of a new community garden or the upgrading of an existing community garden.

St. Joseph's Island, District 13; Harriston & District, District 7; Spanish, District 13; Guelph Township, District 7; Swansea, District 15; Thornhill Garden, District 15

**OHA Membership Challenge Trophy:** This is a trophy to be awarded to a District with the highest percentage membership increase overall for the year.

This year it was awarded to District 19, Waterloo.

**Congratulations to each of these deserving recipients.**



## 2014 Arts Competition

**Class 1 “Safe Landing”** No Entries

**Class 2 “Gingerbread & Posies”** No Entries

**Class 3 “Scottish Tribute”**

- 1) Joan MacKinnon, Gananoque, D-3

**Class 4 “Come Ashore!”**

- 1) Elizabeth Carrell, Minden & District, D-4
  - 2) Carol Larocque, Alfred, D-1
  - 3) Lois O'Brien, Petawawa, D-2
- H/M Violaine Brunet, Vankleek Hill, D-1

**Class 5 “Pink Lady”**

- 1) Violaine Brunet, Vankleek Hill, D-1
- 2) Gay MacQuarrie, Napean, D-2

**Class 6 “Scarecrow”**

- 1) Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2
  - 2) Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1
  - 3) Linda Viau, Williamstown, D-1
- H/M Cathy Viau, Williamstown, D-1

**Class 7 “Bountiful”** No Entries

**Class 8 “A River Runs By It”**

- 1) Adrian Cooper, Kingston, D-3

**Class 9 “Green Thumbs Up!”**

- 1) Bill Thiffault, Kapuskasing, D-12

**Class 10 “Friends of the Garden”**

- 1) Dennis Rawe, Stratford, D-10
  - 2) Violaine Brunet, Vankleek Hill, D-1
  - 3) Adrian Cooper, Kingston, D-3
- H/M Glen Hutzul, East York, D-5

**Best of Show Ribbon**

Dennis Rawe – “Friends of the Garden”,  
Stratford, D-10



## 2014 Ted Reed Website Competition

Thank you to Malcolm Geast of District 5 for judging the websites of all of the horticultural societies in the OHA again this year. Malcolm reviews all of the websites, from good to bad, so take a look at your society website through Malcolm's eyes. Keep making improvements to tell your members and the public about your activities and soon enough you'll be one of the award winners below.

Congratulations and thank you to the volunteers who maintain the websites. Keeping up a society website requires hours of painstaking work, so please thank your society web volunteer.

### **Class 1:**

Garden Ontario web shells using standard features as outlined in the manual "Garden Webs for Societies" or "Garden Webs for Districts" (as appropriate).

1st - Bolton Horticultural Society, D-15

<http://www.gardenontario.org/site.php/bdhs>

2nd - Gloucester Horticultural Society, D-2

<http://www.gardenontario.org/site.php/glouster>

3rd - Collingwood Horticultural Society, D-16

<http://www.gardenontario.org/site.php/collingwood>

### **Class 2:**

Horticultural Society web sites created outside of [gardenontario.org](http://www.gardenontario.org). The creators of these sites have full control over the design and appearance of their sites, and can usually include a larger amount of graphics, pdf files, or other information.

### **External sites:**

1st - Bath Gardening Club and Horticultural Society, D-3

<http://www.bathgardeningclub.com/>

2nd - Omeme & District Horticultural Society, D-4

[www.omemeeblooms.ca](http://www.omemeeblooms.ca)

3rd - Seaforth & District Horticultural Society, D-8

<http://www.seaforthdhs.org/>

Honorable Mention - Richmond Hill Garden & Horticultural Society, District 15

<http://www.richmondhillgardensociety.org/>

Jeff Blackadar, Chair

[president@gardenontario.org](mailto:president@gardenontario.org)

## **Greetings from Vanco Farms Ltd.**

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***We are the only farm growing field tulips on the East Coast of North America.***

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We have also recently designed a fundraising program, in partnership with the Communities in Bloom national office.

The information on the program is available on our website's fundraising page:

**<https://www.vancofarms.com/fundraising.asp>**

The other sections of our website will give you more details on our farm, varieties and programs.

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## **RISK MANAGEMENT: Managing and Making Volunteers a Priority**

Volunteers are the key component and driving force behind any non-profit organization today. Making sure the volunteer is aligned to the correct position, is an important part of any organization's structure and planning. This way the organization can benefit from the volunteer's experiences and knowledge effectively and safely.

Some things to consider on managing volunteers and protect their efforts:

- a) Align the volunteer to jobs based on experience;
- b) Ask, learn, listen: what is the volunteer's experience, background and motivation belonging to your organization;
- c) Provide training!! Don't assume the new volunteer or existing volunteer knows the society's policies or direction when dealing with society events;
- d) Team up: Partner new members with existing and experience members. It's a great way to build teamwork and fellowship, while at the same time enable them to see how the organization works and runs;
- e) Send volunteers for CPR and first aid training;
- f) Share the society's current emergency plans, incident reports, and educate the volunteer as to what they are to do if they see a safety concern;
- g) Open forum: listen to member's idea's, thoughts and/or concerns;
- h) Constitution and bylaws: provide a copy;
- i) Remember, volunteers are the face of your organization. The more they are integrated, educated and trained on society policies and regulations, the better they serve the organization as a whole. In making volunteers a priority, it can help protect all volunteers, the organization, and also serve as a tool for future volunteer/member recruitment.

For further information and risk management tips, please feel free to contact:

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## Always

They are no longer beside us with trowels and hoes in hands

Yes gone from the garden but not forgotten from our minds

They are with us always,

As we gaze upon our gardens that hold plants and seeds they have shared

As we walk about admiring lilies rainbow bright or, ripe tomatoes round and red

They are with us always,

As we smile with each new flower that blooms in spring or with a bird's song,

As we breathe in the fragrant scent of their favourite peony or rose,

They are with us always,

As we feel the warmth of the summer sun as we work the soil and sow seeds

As we endlessly toil, digging, raking leaves, trimming trees, pulling weeds

They are with us always,

As we breathe in frosty fall air and watch golden leaves drift to the ground

As we sit inside in winter dreaming of spring, with seed catalogues dog eared

Yes they are always with us

By Penny Stewart, Director District 3

*Read as part of the in memorial at the 2014 Convention in Cornwall.*



## BEACH GARDEN SOCIETY

**September 16th, 2014**, General Meeting & Flower Show

**Tuesday, Sept 16, 7:15 - 9 pm** at Adam Beck Community Centre,  
79 Lawlor Ave. Toronto.  
Venue is wheelchair accessible.

**Presentation:** *All about herbs & how to use them!*

**Presentation by:** "Richter's Herbs"

New Members and Guests welcome – come early and enjoy informal discussions with members or check out our Library. Light refreshments served.

For more information:

email to [beachgs.ca@gmail.com](mailto:beachgs.ca@gmail.com)

or visit [www.beachgs.ca](http://www.beachgs.ca)

## Joyce Fleming

January 31, 1930 - July 24, 2014

The Grimsby Garden Club has lost our last charter member Joyce Fleming. At our May meeting, James Graham, president of the Ontario Horticultural Association, presented Joyce with a 50 year pin and a service award. Our garden club celebrated its fiftieth anniversary this year and Joyce and her late husband were instrumental in resurrecting the garden club in 1964. Joyce was a rose hybridizer and today, we proudly display her Roberta Bondar rose as our logo. Joyce took an active role in our garden club and was always an invaluable source of advice and keen insight into the history of our garden club and of course, all things to do with roses. We will miss her sunny smile and presence at our monthly meetings and other activities.



*Submitted by: Susan Lusted, District 9 Director*



## Ennismore and District Horticultural Society Brings History to Life!

### \*PRESS RELEASE\*

The Ennismore and District Horticultural Society (EDHS) will be changing the face of the landscape in Ennismore this summer. This busy group will be hosting a Dry Stone

Walling workshop the first two week-ends in July. A number of Society members and community members will be participating. The workshop will be led by one of Canada's foremost experts in this age old craft. John Shaw-Rimmington, President of Dry Stone Walling Across

Canada, will be sharing his years of experience and expertise in this time honoured art form. Participants will work from 9-5, July 5 and 6 and again on July 12 and 13<sup>th</sup>, to complete a replica of an old archway and accompanying walls. Once completed the EDHS will complement the structure with surrounding gardens.

Dry Stone Walling is an ancient process of erecting walls, bridges and other structures without the use of mortar. Large limestone rock will be used and is fitted together like a jigsaw puzzle, each stone supporting the other. The nooks and crannies are filled with heart, another name for small



gravel and stone material. Participants have been asked to be as historically authentic in all aspects of the building process. As preliminary work begins, members of the EDHS will be removing the sod in the area that the stone archway and walls will stand.

Once completed the dry stone archway will be three feet wide, five feet high and 30' long using 50 tonnes of rock, all donated by Don Young of Young's Aggregates. Lots of man and woman power will be needed to complete this ambitious project! The archway and walls will represent

the Irish Heritage of the Ennismore Community. EDHS members hope that this structure will pay tribute to the strong and brave Irish men and women who settled this area.

The Ennismore and District Horticultural Society have plans to erect similar historical looking structures in key locations around their community.



Keep your eyes on the community of Ennismore as its landscape becomes transformed! The Ennismore and District Horticultural Society invites you to stop by to see their work in progress. Be sure to watch for the creation of a beautiful garden coming this September.

# WINNERS - 2014 - OHA PUBLICATIONS COMPETITION

## **Class #1 - Yearbook Cover - Primarily Hand Drawn**

- 1) Thunder Bay Horticultural Society, D-14

## **Class #2 - Yearbook Cover - Primarily Computer Generated Graphics**

- 1) Harriston & District H.S., D-7
- 2) Nobleton and King City H.S., D-15
- 3) Lake Simcoe Gardeners H.S., D-5

## **Class #3 - Yearbook Cover - Cover Illustration Primarily Photographic**

- 1) East York Garden Club, D-5
- 2) Williamstown Green Thumb H.S., D-1
- 3) Alliston & District H.S., D-16

## **Class #4 - 2013/2014 Special Event Poster**

- 1) Georgetown Horticultural Society, D-6
- 2) Oro-Medonte H.S., D-16
- 3) Aurora Garden & H.S., D-5

## **Class #5 - 2013/2014 Special Event Brochure/Pamphlet/Flyer**

- 1) Aurora Garden & H.S., D-5
- 2) Greater Toronto Water Garden, D-5
- 3) Harriston & District H.S., D-7

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

- 1) Richmond Hill H.S., D-15
- 2) Harriston & District H.S., D-7
- 3) Chinguacousy Garden Club, D-15

**NOTE: For larger newsletters, ONLY first 10 pages will be judged**

## **Class #7 - Newsletter Cover (2 Different Issues) - Illustrations Primarily Hand Drawn 10 PG or Less**

- 1) Lennox & Addington H.S., D-3
- 2) Atikokan Horticultural Society, D-14

## **Class #8 - Newsletter Cover (2 Different Issues) - Illustrations Primarily Photographic 10 PG or Less**

- 1) Ottawa Horticultural Society, D-2
- 2) Brooklin Horticultural Society, D-17
- 3) East York Garden, D-5

## **Class #9 - Newsletter Cover (2 Different Issues) - Graphics Primarily Computer Generated 10 PG OR LESS**

- 1) Lake Simcoe Gardeners, D-5
- 2) Glen Morris, D-6
- 3) Greater Toronto Water Garden and H.S., D-5

## **Class #10 - Current Youth Journals/Scrapbook**

- 1) Grafton Horticultural Society, D-4

## **Class #11 - Club/Society Bookmark**

- 1) Oro-Medonte Horticultural Society, D-16
- 2) Uxbridge Horticultural Society, D-17
- 3) Brooklin Horticultural Society, D-17

## **Class #12 - Club/Society Promotional/Partnership**

- 1) Brooklin Horticultural Society, D-17
- 2) North York Garden Club, D-5

## **Class #13 -2014 Yearbook - Full Letter 8.5" x 11" - Maximum Cover Size 9"X11.5" Including Bindings**

- 1) Georgetown Horticultural Society, D-6
- 2) Uxbridge Horticultural Society, D-17
- 3) Thunder Bay Horticultural Society, D-14

## **Class #14 -2014 Yearbook - Letter Size Folded into Booklet Style 8.5" x 5.5" Maximum Cover Size 9" x 6" Including Bindings**

- 1) Harriston & District H.S., D-7
- 2) East York Garden Club, D-5
- 3) Alliston H.S., D-16

## **Class #15 -2014 Yearbook - Letter Size Folded into Booklet Style 8.5" x 7"- Maximum Size 9" X 7.5" Including Binding**

- 1) Lakefield and District H.S., D-4
- 2) Mount Albert Garden & H.S., D-5
- 3) Brooklin Horticultural Society, D-17

## **Class #16 - 2014 Youth Yearbook No Restrictions on Dimensions. May be Scrapbook Format**

- 1) Grafton Horticultural Society, D-4
- 2) Guelph Township Horticultural Society, D-7
- 3) Mount Albert Garden & H.S., D-5

## **Class #17 - Judging Criteria**

- 1) Fergus & District H.S., D-7

## **Class #18 - Show Schedules (May Include Divisions and Sections Other Than Floral)**

- 1) Brooklin H.S., D-17
- 2) Alliston H.S., D-16
- 3) Nobleton and King City H.S., D-15

**Total number of entries received  
by May 24, 2014=149**

**Congratulations to all participants!**

## 2014 Horticulture / Design Competition Results

### Submitted by co-chairs:

**Kathy Lindsay, D-2/OHA Board Liaison**  
**Pegi Holtz, D-1**

Stats: 29 exhibitors (12 in Design; 7 in Special Exhibits; 20 in Horticulture), 218 entries (43 Designs; 14 special exhibits; 161 horticulture), \$776 in prizes awarded

**Theme: *Touring the United Counties***

### Design Division (43 entries)

#### **Class 1: Apples & Art** – home of the MacIntosh apple (5)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Celia Roberts, Oakville, D-6
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Marie D-ecker, Oakville, D-6
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Heinke Thiessen, Credit Valley, D-15
- HM Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

#### **Class 2: A Night on the Town** – small (7)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Madeline Archer, Perth, D-2
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Marie Decker, Oakville, D-6
- 3<sup>rd</sup> David Archer, Perth, D-2
- HM Cathy Faber-Rowlands, Etobicoke, D-15

#### **Class 3: The Waterfront Trail** – using Driftwood (5)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Heinke Thiessen, Credit Valley, D-15
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Kathy Lindsay, Ottawa, D-2
- HM Ann Gibbs, Williamstown, D-1

#### **Class 4: Pioneer Life** – a still life (4)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Susan Suter, Haldimand, D-6
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Madeline Archer, Perth, D-2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2

#### **Class 5: Up, Up and Away** – *Lift-off* music and hot-air balloon festival (4)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Cathy Faber-Rowlands, Etobicoke, D-15
- 2<sup>nd</sup> David Archer, Perth, D-2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1

#### **Class 6: Skirl of the Pipes, Swirl of the Tartan** – miniature (8)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Heinke Thiessen, Credit Valley, D-15
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Marie D-ecker, Oakville, D-6

#### **Class 7: Les Fleurs Sauvages** – wayside (5)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Kathy Lindsay, Ottawa, D-2
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1

#### **Class 8: The Three Nations Crossing** – synergistic (5)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Madeline Archer, Perth, D-2
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Celia Roberts, Oakville, D-6
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1

**Best In Show:** Susan Suter, Haldimand, D-6 - Class 4

**Judge's Choice:** Celia Roberts, Oakville, D-6 - Class 1

### Special Exhibits Division (14 entries)

#### **Class 9: Doors Open** – outdoor planter celebrating history and heritage (2)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Kathy Lindsay, Ottawa, D-2
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

#### **Class 10: A Day at the Fair** – pot-et-fleur for Canada's oldest annual fair in Williamstown (4)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Anne Kerr, Maxville, D-1

#### **Class 11: A World of Possibilities** – Dish garden inspired by Cornwall's city slogan (4)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bernice Barrett, Stratford, D-10
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Marie Decker, Oakville, D-6

#### **Class 12: From Farm Fields to Flower Beds** – Display (4)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Donald Galloway, Williamstown, D-1

**Best In Show:** Bernice Barrett, Stratford, D-10 - Class 11

**Judge's Choice:** Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1 - Class 10

### Horticulture Division (161 entries)

#### **Section A – Annuals or Biennials**

#### **Class 13: Aster** (0)

#### **Class 14: Bachelor Buttons** (2)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Kathleen Lang, Smith's Falls, D-2

#### **Class 15: Calendula** (3)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Margaret Laman, Kingsville, D-11
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Anne Kerr, Maxville, D-1
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

#### **Class 16: Cleome** (0)

#### **Class 17: Cosmos (C. bipinnatus)** (1)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

#### **Class 18: Cosmos (C. sulphureus)** (0)

#### **Class 19: Nasturtium** (0)

#### **Class 20: Pansy** (1)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2

#### **Class 21: Petunia, single** (3)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

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**Class 22: Petunia, semi-double or Double (0)**

**Class 23: Salvia (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Anne Kerr, Maxville, D-1

**Class 24: Snapdragon (0)**

**Class 25: Sweet Peas (0)**

**Class 26: Sweet William (0)**

**Class 27: Zinnia (3)**

1<sup>st</sup> Anne Kerr, Maxville, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Anne Kerr, Maxville, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Margaret Laman, Kingsville, D-11

**Class 28: Any other annual or biennial (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Anne Kerr, Maxville, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2

**Section B – Perennials**

**Class 29: Astilbe (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Marilyn MacMillan, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Roselea Paliwoda, Minden, D-4

HM Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

**Class 30: Coreopsis (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Margaret Laman, Kingsville, D-11

**Class 31: Delphinium (0)**

No entries

**Class 32: Echinacea (Coneflower) (6)**

1<sup>st</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1

**Class 33: Hosta, over 15 cm (10)**

1<sup>st</sup> Roselea Paliwoda, Minden, D-4

2<sup>nd</sup> Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Marilyn MacMillan, Russell & District, D-1

HM Marilyn MacMillan, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 34: Hosta, 5 cm to 15 cm (9)**

1<sup>st</sup> Gloria Broks, North York, D-5

2<sup>nd</sup> Roselea Paliwoda, Minden, D-4

3<sup>rd</sup> Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1

HM Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 35: Hosta, under 5 cm (5)**

1<sup>st</sup> Gloria Broks, North York, D-5

2<sup>nd</sup> Marilyn MacMillan, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Gloria Broks, North York, D-5

**Class 36: Heuchera/Heucherella (13)**

1<sup>st</sup> Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Gloria Broks, North York, D-5

3<sup>rd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

HM Margaret Laman, Kingsville, D-11

**Class 37: Monarda (1)**

3<sup>rd</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1

**Class 38: Rudbeckia (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Bernice Barrett, Stratford, D-10

2<sup>nd</sup> Margaret Laman, Kingsville, D-11

**Class 39: Any other perennial (12)**

1<sup>st</sup> Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Sheila D-ow Cadieux, Williamstown, D-1

HM Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

HM Margaret Laman, Kingsville, D-11

**Section C – Flowering Bulbs, Corms, Rhizomes and Tubers**

**Class 40: Begonia, tuberous (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

**Class 41: Crocosmia (Montbretia) (0)**

**Class 42: Dahlia, small flowered, under 15cm (6") (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 43: Dahlia, large flowered, 15 cm (6") and over (0)**

**Class 44: Gladiolus (0)**

**Class 45: Lily (Lilium) (9)**

1<sup>st</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Anne Kerr, Maxville, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1

**Class 46: Lily (Calla) (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 47: Any other flowering bulb, corm, rhizome, or tuber (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

2<sup>nd</sup> Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2

3<sup>rd</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

**Section D – Roses**

**Class 48: Hybrid Tea (1)**

3<sup>rd</sup> Roselea Paliwoda, Minden, D-4

**Class 49: Floribunda (1)**

No placement

**Class 50: Grandiflora (1)**

3<sup>rd</sup> Kathleen Lang, Smiths Falls, D-2

**Class 51: Hardy Canadian Rose (Explorer, Morden/Parkland) (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Roselea Paliwoda, Minden, D-4

**Class 52: Any other Modern Shrub Rose (Rugosa, Austin, etc) (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Roselea Paliwoda, Minden, D-4

2<sup>nd</sup> Gloria Broks, North York, D-5

3<sup>rd</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 53: Miniature (5)**

1<sup>st</sup> Roselea Paliwoda, Minden, D-4

2<sup>nd</sup> Gloria Broks, North York, D-5

**Class 54: Rose, floating in a bowl (3)**

2<sup>nd</sup> Roselea Paliwoda, Minden, D-4

**Section E – Potted Plants**

**Class 55: African Violet, single crown, in bloom (0)**

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**Class 56: Cactus (not grafted) (0)**

**Class 57: Fern (0)**

**Class 58: Geranium, in bloom (0)**

**Class 59: Orchid, in bloom (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Anne Kerr, Maxville, D-1

**Class 60: Any other plant grown principally for Decorative foliage (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Donald Galloway, Williamstown, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

**Class 61: Any other plant grown principally for bloom (0)**

**Class 62: Any other Succulent (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Jeff Blackadar, Ottawa, D-2

2<sup>nd</sup> Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1

**Section F – Flowering Branches and Vines**

**Class 63: Clematis (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

2<sup>nd</sup> Bernice Barrett, Stratford, D-10

**Class 64: Hydrangea (3)**

1<sup>st</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

**Class 65: Any other (5)**

1<sup>st</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Bernice Barrett, Stratford, D-10

3<sup>rd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

**Horticulture (Sections other than Edibles or Collections)**

**Best in Show (Roses):** Roselea Paliwoda, Minden, D-4,

Class 51 Hardy Canadian Rose

**Best in Show (other than roses):** Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1, Class 45 Lily (Lilium)

**Judge's Choice:** Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1, Class 36 Heuchera/Heucherella

**Section G –Edibles**

**Class 66: Rhubarb (3)**

1<sup>st</sup> Marilyn MacMillan, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

**Class 67: Raspberries (2)**

1<sup>st</sup> Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2

2<sup>nd</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 68: Strawberries (0)**

**Class 69: Green onions (0)**

**Class 70: Peas, garden variety (0)**

**Class 71: Peas, edible pod type (1)**

2<sup>nd</sup> Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 72: Radishes (0)**

**Class 73: Salad greens (2)**

2<sup>nd</sup> Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Lani Holland, Pakenham, D-2

**Class 74: An edible from heritage seed stock (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 75: Any other edible (3)**

1<sup>st</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1

**Horticulture: Section G - Edibles**

**Best in Show:** Marilyn MacMillan, Russell & District, D-1, Class 66

Rhubarb

**Judge's Choice:** Mary Regan, Williamstown, D-1, Class 75 Any other edible

**Section H – Collections**

**Class 76: Roses (0)**

**Class 77: Dahlias (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 78: Any other cut garden flowers (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

2<sup>nd</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2

HM Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 79: Hosta (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Marilyn MacMillan, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 80: Heuchera/Heucherella (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1

**Class 81: Cut herbs (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1

3<sup>rd</sup> Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2

**Class 82: Any other garden foliage (4)**

1<sup>st</sup> Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1

2<sup>nd</sup> Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2

3<sup>rd</sup> Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1

HM Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2

**Class 83: Edibles (1)**

1<sup>st</sup> Louise Houle, Russell & District, D-1

**Horticulture: Section H – Collections**

**Best in Show:** Lindley McPhail, Russell & District, D-1, Class 79 Hosta

**Judge's Choice:** Pegi Holtz, Russell & District, D-1, Class 77 Dahlias

## CUBA GARDEN/CULTURE TOUR - 2015

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Silver Medal - Eileen Hewitt (Grimsby Garden Club), Susan Lusted (District 9 Director)



Silver Medal - Jeff Blackadar, Susan Lusted, Eileen Hewitt, Sharon Hill, James Graham



Environmental Award - Vicky Culbert (President, Goderich & District Horticultural Society), Sharon Nivins (District 8 Director)  
Note that this award was won by the Society.  
Vicky accepted on the Society's behalf.



Environmental Award - Jeff Blackadar, Sharon Nivins, Vicky Culbert, James Graham



# Wonderful International Win by Ontario Floral Designers

The 11<sup>th</sup> World Flower Show ‘A Floral Odyssey’ was held in the historic city of Dublin, Ireland from June 18-22, 2014. Many floral designers from Canada attended this wonderful show that is organized every three years by one of the member countries of the World Association of Flower Arrangers. This year, there were four designers from Ontario who won awards with their class entries. Each designer is a member of the Garden Clubs of Ontario (GCO), an affiliate organization with the OHA. The following gives a brief outline of each of their designs, with some insight into their experience at WAFA.

**Susan Suter** entered Class 17 titled “Illusion” and won the Gold Award (1<sup>st</sup> place) for this magical piece which was viewed from all sides, with the front, back and sides of the design revealing very different optical illusions. There were 17 people in the class with the other winners coming from the UK and South Africa. This was Susan’s first entry at WAFA and her first win. In addition to the Gold Rosette, Susan was given a beautiful Irish linen tablecloth.

All work had to be completed on site with the exception of a minimal amount of prepared material allowed that could not be completed within the time constraints permitted. In Susan’s case, this was the very time consuming process of hand painting ground reindeer lichen onto her design as well as hand tooling a spiral pattern onto balls on a lathe.

Susan’s use of the black and white op-art segments in her design really made this design “sing”. Her placement of the green lichen in some of the op-art circles provided more plant material and picked up the colour of other plant material.

Upon arrival at the show, she opened her box of pre-ordered eight dozen peonies to discover that they were completely destroyed by black mold. With only three hours to create her design

and no where to turn for fresh flowers, she quickly improvised with the Allium and Ric Rac, which were all astonishing in their size, quality and freshness. Many months of planning, trial and error went into the final product. Her children were thrilled when all was packed up because they were finally able to eat at the dining room table again.

Susan found out about her win at the Gala evening preview. She was so shaken by the surprise of seeing the gold ribbon on the floor beside her design. When she realized that she had won the Gold Award, she was completely overwhelmed by the experience. Susan is a member of the Haldimand and District Horticultural Society and a student in the GCO 7<sup>th</sup> School of Floral Design. She attended WAFA with her mother, Dawn Suter, who did the demonstration for Canada at WAFA Japan.



**Celia Roberts** was one of the 20 designers who entered the “imposed” Class 12 titled “Conundrum” and won a Silver Award (2<sup>nd</sup> place) for her delightful design. Other winners were from New Zealand, South Africa and the UK. In an imposed class, entrants do not know what material will be available until they arrive in the floral hall. Everyone is provided the same material and supplies that may be used in whole or part. The only tools that can be brought in by the designer are a stapler, wire cutters, flower cutters and a knife. With only four hours from first viewing the materials until the completion of the design, there is a quite bit of pressure undertaking this type of class.



Celia had a look at her materials and then decided to go to the café for a cup of tea and spend a short period of time reflecting on how she would use the plant material. After returning to the flower hall, she decided to use four calla lilies, two pieces of corkscrew hazel, all 15 pieces of flex grass plus two limes and some of the accessories.

Judging took place right after the closing of entry time on the Wednesday. Several of the Canadian designers met for dinner that evening across the street from the Royal Dublin Society, where the WAFA show was held. One of the Canadian judges who came to the same restaurant for dinner pointed to Celia through the restaurant window, sig-



nalling to her that she had won a ‘Silver’. Her friends applauded her achievement, as did others in the restaurant. As Celia told me, “It was all rather exciting.”

This is the second time Celia has entered the World Show and her first win. Celia is Co-Chair of the Cloverleaf Garden Club Flower Shows, a Director of the Oakville Horticultural Society, a Past Director of OHA District 6, an accredited GCO Floral Design Judge, an accredited RBG Horticultural Judge and a member of the Toronto Garden Club where she is Chair, Canada Blooms Staging Committee and a member of the Canada Blooms design Committee. She is also the chair of the Garden Clubs of Ontario Education Committee as well as being co-Principal of the GCO 7<sup>th</sup> School for Floral Design Judges, Instructors and Exhibitors.

The next winner was **Audrey Van Holst** in Class 22 titled “Defining Line” where she won the Silver Award (2<sup>nd</sup> prize) for her most creative design. There were also 20 people in this class, with the other winners coming from Pakistan, the UK, New Zealand, Kenya, the USA and Ireland.



Audrey’s all fuschia-coloured design integrated wood in the shape of a flat circle, a cone and a thin cylinder, delicately balanced to support two rounds of fresh fuchsia dianthus, with another ball of dianthus leaning against the bottom of the cylinder. This simple but dynamic design put me in mind of a delicate performance by the famous Cirque du Soleil.

Audrey is a member of the Garden Clubs of London and is a student in the GCO 7<sup>th</sup> School of Floral Design. This was her first win on the International flower show circuit.

Our final winner was **Rosemary Passafiume-McLean** who entered Class 6 titled “Spontaneous Approach” and received a Commended award (Honourable Mention). This was also an imposed class like the one entered by Celia Roberts, so the same rules applied here. There were 20 people who entered this class, with other winners from Kenya, New Zealand and three from South Africa. This was Rosemary’s first international win.

The style of design was completely open with the design staged on a table 70cm from the floor and a background colour of dark grey. Each designer received a surprise

package of material that included fresh roses, mums, fresh foliage, foam, containers, wire, and a few decorative items like pins and coloured wire, so everyone started with a level playing field.

Rosemary travelled to Ireland by herself but met many floral friends once she arrived. She found out about her win through a friend who had a very early view of the show. Rosemary is a member of the Garden Club of Toronto and a student in the GCO 7<sup>th</sup> School of Floral Design.

Her whole experience at WAFA was delightful, from meeting so many interesting and enjoyable people, to viewing the outstanding design work by experts from around the globe. Rosemary felt it was an honour to participate and represent Canada. In addition, she remarked that the Irish WAFA Committee had done a brilliant job on organizing every detail of the show and the programme to make it a perfect experience for all participants.

Should you meet any of these ladies in your floral travels around the province, please let them know how pleased we all are about their accomplishments on the world stage of floral design. When the 12<sup>th</sup> WAFA Flower Show is held in Barbados in 2017, we will be wishing all of our Canadian floral designers the best of luck at that event.

Anne Clark-Stewart, Member, GCO Judges’ Council

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4. *Rosemary Passafiume-McLean’s “Spontaneous Approach” – Photo by Ursula Eley*



## 2014 Photo Competition Results

### **Class 1 "Stormy Weather"**

- 1) Nadene Henderson, Cloverleaf, D-15
- 2) Shirley Love, Caesarea, D-17
- 3) Cindy Rowe, Cornwall, D-1
- HM Debra Foster, Oshawa, D-17

### **Class 2 "Bridging The Gap"**

- 1) Judy McGrath, Pakenham, D-2
- 2) Barbara Rycquart, Straffordville, D-10
- 3) Mary Regan, Green Thumb, D-1

### **Class 3 "Tiptoe Through The..."**

- 1) Jane Moody Sault Ste. Marie, D-13
- 2) Debra Foster, Oshawa, D-17
- 3) Shirley Love, Caesarea, D-17
- HM Patricia Blonde, Blenheim/Harwich, D-11

### **Class 4 "On Close Inspection"**

- 1) Fleurette Huneault Gloucester, D-2
- 2) Cindy Rowe Cornwall, D-1
- 3) Marianne Kalich, Cloverleaf, D-15
- HM Anne Clark-Stewart, Cloverleaf, D-15

### **Class 5 "A River Runs By It"**

- 1) Gloria Broks, North York, D-5
- 2) Marjorie Dow, Fergus, D-7
- 3) Fleurette Huneault, Gloucester, D-2
- HM Abigail Obenchain, Sault Ste. Marie, D-13

### **Class 6 "Pink Passion"**

- 1) Cindy Rowe, Cornwall, D-1
- 2) Barbara Rycquart, Straffordville, D-10
- 3) Jane Moody, Sault Ste. Marie, D-13
- HM Uldis Broks, North York, D-5

### **Class 7 "I Met A Dandy Lion"**

- 1) James Tibbles, Sault Ste. Marie, D-13
- 2) Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2
- 3) Cecile McCaig, Sault Ste. Marie, D-13

### **Class 8 "Silhouette"**

- 1) Marianne Kalich, Cloverleaf, D-15
- 2) Nadene Henderson, Cloverleaf, D-15
- 3) Marjorie Dow, Fergus, D-7
- HM, Linda Earl, Athens, D-3

### **Class 9 "Along The Way"**

- 1) Debra Foster, Oshawa, D-17
- 2) Gay MacQuarrie, Nepean, D-2
- 3) Carol Dobrindt, Thorold, D-9
- HM Carmaine Hanchar, Sault Ste. Marie, D-13

### **Class 10 "Here We Go Marching 3 by 3"**

- 1) Carolyn Ratcliff, Stouffville, D-5
- 2) Jane Moody, Sault Ste. Marie, D-13
- 3) Cindy Rowe, Cornwall, D-1

### **Class 11 "Out Of The Ordinary"**

- 1) Abigail Obenchain, Sault Ste. Marie, D-13
- 2) Fleurette Huneault, Gloucester, D-2
- 3) Cindy Rowe, Cornwall, D-1

### **Class 12a "In The Garden"**

- 1) Bianca Fenning, Sudbury, D-13

### **Best of Show Ribbon**

Cindy Rowe, Pink Passion Class #6,  
Cornwall, D-1

**From the Editor:** Wow what a jam-packed issue... Lots of valuable info, results from the 2014 Convention in Cornwall, and great pictures. I hope I didn't miss anyone or valuable article. Thank you for all your submissions and thanks goes out to those of you that allowed me to push your submissions to the next issue because this issue was so full already.

Next deadline for your submissions is November 21st. Please send your submissions to:

[editor@gardenontario.org](mailto:editor@gardenontario.org)

Thanks, Bernice



## Dryden and District Horticultural Society

One of the design categories at our August 16th Flower Show and Tea was entitled: “Small but mighty.” This could well describe the Dryden and District Horticultural Society.

And we’ve been mighty busy here this summer in the far reaches of north western Ontario.

- ⇒ Our annual picnic was again held at the home of Karl and Millie Lang on the outskirts of Wabigoon. Everyone in the world is invited to come with a lawn chair and salad or dessert. We enjoyed good food and fellowship in most lush and beautiful surroundings. Wow! ou should plan to come next year!
- ⇒ Our venue for monthly meetings was changed to the spacious Agriculture building on the community fair grounds. We have more room, good kitchen facilities, and great parking!
- ⇒ Four gardens were on our Garden Tour at the end of July, and a good time—no, make that a great time, was had by all, by all accounts!
- ⇒ Eighteen gardens were entered in the Showcase of Gardens. Len and Joyce Blagdon, our husband and wife team of judges, used a point system in order to ascertain the winners in the two categories—whole yard and featured area.
- ⇒ Our Flower Show and Tea lived up to its theme: “A bloomin’ good time.” The Flower Show entries were spectacular, all amazingly creative; all judged by the very competent Marie Hynna of Thunder Bay, accompanied by our District 14 Director, Shirley Robson. A new design class, Floral Interpretations, was based on artworks by Shirley Franklin and Marilyn Ragosa. Sharon McGillivray placed first and won Best In Show. Tea and coffee, sandwiches and dainties were served to nearly 90. All who came and mingled at the brightly decorated tables left feeling pretty much fed up—but in a good way!
- ⇒ Full agendas, such as the above, need volunteers. As my own sweet mother used to say “Many hands make light work!” and so it is with our “Hort.” The volunteers are many—willing to participate, energetic and happy to help where needed. We, indeed, may be small in number, but mighty in enthusiasm! Our sincerest thanks to all!



**Sharon McGillivray - 1st Place and Best in Show for the Floral Interpretation of- Sun Rise by Artist Shirley Franklin -**

Oh, and did I mention that our membership hit 110 this weekend!!!

*Submitted by: Alison Robinson*

## Belle River & District Horticultural Society

The spring of 2013 was an exciting time for the Belle River & District Horticultural Society as they received approval from the Town of Lakeshore to build a Healing Garden (see picture below) in the local Optimist Park beside one of the walking trails. This location was chosen as the trail is heavily used by walkers, joggers and seniors from a nearby seniors residence and it was thought that the garden would provide a quiet location for people to stop, rest and enjoy the garden and the park.

After approximately 500 volunteer hours the garden was structurally complete with an arbor built, benches installed and the initial planting done.

There will be several additions to the garden, when a dedication stone and sculpture will be added to complete the project. We are happy to report that in addition to people enjoying our garden, Monarch butterflies have also stopped by to enjoy the Butterfly Bushes and the Butterfly Weeds and we have seen Monarch caterpillars on both.

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The Barrie's Garden Club recently celebrated their 140th Anniversary with a Flower Show and luncheon. After a proclamation by the Town Crier, representatives from City Council, OHA Past President Carol Dunk and District 16 Director Russ Talbot, brought greetings and congratulations on this notable achievement. Pictured are members of the Barrie's Garden Club executive receiving a certificate commemorating this anniversary.

Left to Right

Judy Johnson  
Marie Sawick  
Joan Nieman-Agapas  
Russ Talbot  
Holly Wells

Photo by:  
Tanya Paddison



At our recent AGM, On April 5th, 2014, for District 4 we held a morning workshop for our members. I had way too many vases I had collected so I brought them along and asked members to bring a dish, bowl or plate. We took about an hour and made mushrooms, fountains and bird feeders by using a waterproof silicone to stick them together. They are being displayed in the photo by the very proud creators. Everyone had a great social time as they waited for the tube of silicone and made some new friends. A total of 87 members attended the AGM.

Having lots of fun together. Rose Odell, District 4 Director  
Photo by Carol Mitchell, Assistant Director, District 4





## Sarnia



Picture is from the Sarnia Journal. The caption under the photo reads:

“City of Sarnia gardeners and forestry workers planted new perennial trees, shrubs and will add annual flowers to the south side of the Sarnia Public Library. The refurbished garden was made possible by a donation by the Sarnia Horticultural Society. Here Peter DeVries, rakes near a Siberian crabapple tree.”

Further to the “Green Space,” photo and caption in the issue of May 22. Please note the refurbishment of the south side flower bed at the Public Library is the Sarnia & District Horticultural Society’s Centennial Project. The Society wished to do a new public garden to celebrate Sarnia’s centenary and consulted with the City Parks & Recreation Department for an available community location.

We picked the library flower bed and the department horticulturalists drew up three designs for our approval. The S&DHS donated \$500 towards the cost of the plants and we applied for and received a matching Special Projects Grant from the Ontario Horticultural Association.

The City of Sarnia will mount a plaque on the exterior of the library indicating this is the S&DHS Centennial Garden.

The Society thanks the staff of the City Parks & Recreation Department for their creativity, cooperation, time and physical labour. We also thank photojournalist Glenn Ogilvie for covering the event. The Sarnia Journal with its local coverage is a most welcome addition to our mailboxes each week. Thank you.

Barb Toye, President, Sarnia & District Horticultural Society

## Garden Walk Buffalo

If you have ever spent time helping your club organize a Garden Tour, you know how difficult it can be, visiting prospective gardens, convincing the owner that, not only is their garden wonderful, but it is very worthy of being on the tour and it will be a source of inspiration to all that come to visit. Repeat the process till you have enough gardens for your tour, maybe 5 to 10 gardens in total.

Having helped with the Oakville Hort. Society over the past 10 years, organizing our garden tour does not seem to get any easier.

What would it be like if homeowners actually volunteered to be on a garden tour? What if everyone on the street wanted to be on this tour? How about almost everyone in the neighbourhood, make that several neighbourhoods across town said they would like to open their gardens for a grand tour and be in their gardens to greet all visitors. 100 gardens, 200 gardens or maybe 300 gardens want to be on this tour. Possibly organize some buses to ferry folks from neighbourhood to neighbourhood, making it truly a walking tour. Call it a Garden Walk.

In upstate New York, such a garden tour really does exist. Garden Walk Buffalo began twenty years ago with 20 gardens. In a magnificent statement of civic pride, it has grown over the years. It is the largest garden tour in America, held annually on the last weekend of July. This summer, the two-day tour featured over 380 gardens.

I had heard about Garden Walk Buffalo from a few of our members, telling tales of a tour with more gardens than one could possibly visit. This past March we brought in guest speaker and garden writer Rob Howard to tell us all about the Garden Walk Buffalo event. He told us of how, by becoming gar-

deners, homeowners rejuvenate streets, re-energize neighborhoods, increase property values, and take the chill out of Buffalo's image. Also attending this meeting was Manuela Neto, past president of Cloverleaf Garden Club. She has visited Buffalo each year since 2008 and had an idea to share her passion for this tour.

This July, as part of Cloverleaf's 70th Anniversary, Manuela organized a one-day bus tour to Garden Walk Buffalo and extended the invitation to other

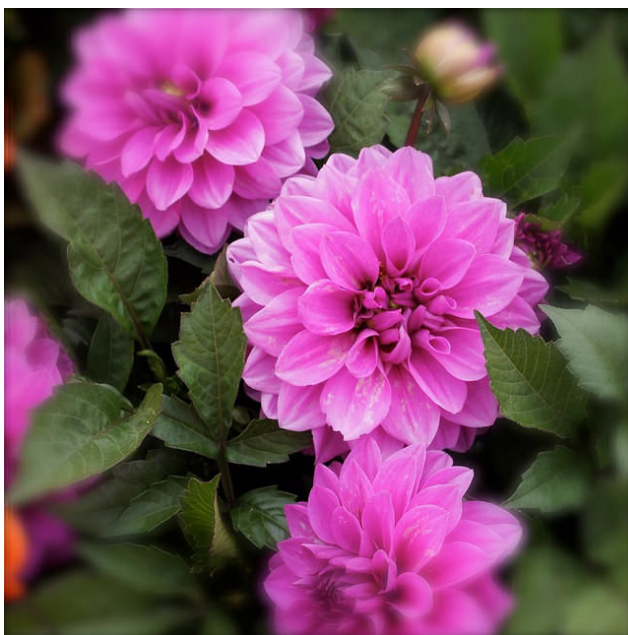
societies of the OHA, and to the general public. Filling the bus were members from Ameliasburg Garden Club, Burlington H.S., Cloverleaf, Credit Valley H.S., Etobicoke H.S., Georgetown H.S., Oakville H.S., Streetsville H.S., Swansea H.S., The Hort Societies of Parkdale and Toronto and Westway H.S. Being one of the 52 on the tour, I have to thank Manuela and Cloverleaf for guiding us on our first visit to Garden Walk Buffalo.

A word about Buffalo gardens: these are small urban gardens that pack a big punch

— including cheerfully brash colorful perennials and unique annuals, minimal or no lawns, and creative uses of found objects and artifacts as sculpture. A Buffalo-style garden will have the patina of a well-used, customized space, often with complete disregard for garden design conventions. Buffalo gardeners take advantage of the sides of houses and fences by hanging artwork, sculptures, mirrors, plants and incorporating the impressive and diverse architecture found throughout every neighborhood.

So come next summer, plan to shuffle off to Buffalo and be amazed.

*By Stuart Gough,  
Oakville Horticultural Society*



## **In My Garden**

by Cindy Saucier,

Russell & District Horticultural Society (District 1)

I walk up the garden path and what do I see,  
Flowers swaying on the breeze,  
Oh gentle breeze, pass by me and whisper in my ear for  
you carry secrets on the wind.  
I smell the sweet scents of fragrant blooms,  
The wind chimes are tingling sweet songs,  
Oh gentle breeze pass by me,  
Cool my body and dry the sweat from my brow for I  
was digging in the wet soil.  
Tender plants cared by me growing tall for all to see,  
Oh gentle breeze pass through the trees making shush-  
ing sounds,  
Gentle breeze pass by me,  
Cool the earth and carry me, for on the wind, I'll be  
free!

## **RUDBECKIA**

By Rosie Grigatis,

Russell & District Horticultural Society (District 1)

**R**omping through the garden  
**U**p and down the paths  
**D**igging out the dandelions  
**B**ehind the bubbling baths  
**E**merging are the green bean shoots  
**C**limbing up the fence  
**K**nocking down the old bean pods  
**I**n sync with nature's sense  
**A**t the onset of spring

## **My Vegetable Garden**

By Rosie Grigatis,

Russell & District Horticultural Society (District 1)

Red potatoes, yellow potatoes, blue potatoes, white,  
over here  
Orange peppers, yellow peppers, green peppers, red,  
over there  
Yellow tomatoes, green tomatoes, red tomatoes, brown,  
behind you

Green beans, yellow beans, black beans, white, in front  
of you

A rainbow of vegetables

All in rows

Waiting to be hoed, weeded and watered  
By anyone willing to reap the bounty  
And appreciate the true meaning of  
The word "fresh"

## **RUDBECKIA**

By Lindley McPhail, Russell & District Horticultural  
Society (District 1)

**R**est & relaxation – two words that are not in my near  
future

**U**ntil I get my garden whipped into shape.

**D**idn't do a great fall clean up

**B**ecause the weather was so nice and surely it would  
last forever.

**E**ven the nicest falls will and do come to an end;

**C**an't say I didn't know;

**K**icking myself now, I know how busy spring always  
is.

**I** promise it will be different this year, beds will be tidy,  
garden thoroughly weeded ----

**A**h, who am I kidding, check in later this year and re-  
mind me, but I bet I won't change.

## **RUDBECKIA**

By Alice Proper,

Russell & District Horticultural Society (District 1)

**R**efreshing,

**U**ndulating,

**D**aisy-like

**B**eauty

**E**verywhere!

**C**ountless yellow

**K**isses

**I**n summertime

**A**rray.



## My Garden is for the Birds

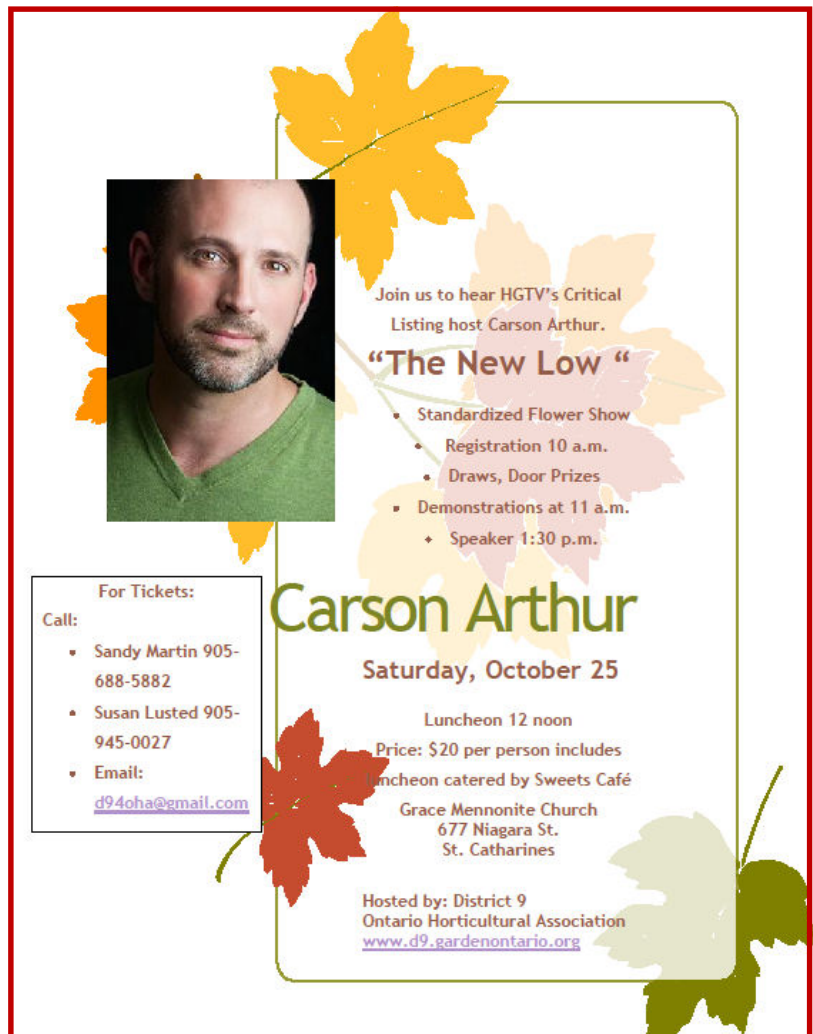
By Lori Maracle, President Dunnville

As surely as seeing the first Robin or hearing the first Red-Winged Blackbird signals the spring, the arrival of flocks of Blue Jays and little Juncos is a foreboding of the winter soon to follow. It always amazes me how you can follow the movement of birds to determine the time of year. Our Treasurer, Kim Christoff is a volunteer bird-bander at Rockpoint Provincial Park providing an important service that helps to track the migration of different bird species as well as other important information on our feathered friends. Her stories of her experiences are always interesting and I admire her dedication to the job.

I have always liked to attract birds to my garden not only for their song and the hours of entertainment they provide, but also as a form of insect control. Birds eat an amazing amount of bugs and different species eat different bugs so it is wise to not be too selective about the ones you want to attract. It is frustrating to think that those darn grackles and blackbirds seem to take over the feeders but they also like to eat the grubs in your lawn. It is even a good idea to attract bats to your yard to keep the mosquito populations down by installing a bat house.

Providing feeding stations with a variety of foods and a steady supply of water and keeping those stations stocked all year round will ensure that you have lots of feathered visitors. I keep two feeding stations, one in the front yard that I can see from the dining room window and one in the backyard that I like to watch from my lawn chair. Throughout the summer, I supply mixed seeds with a low corn content (you're just wasting your money on corn, they don't really like it) and thistle or black Niger seed for the finches and such. I like to add sunflower seeds to attract the cardinals, grosbeaks and nuthatches and half an orange nailed to a tree will attract the Baltimore Orioles. In the winter, I add a suet cake for energy; the birds must shiver to keep warm during the cold months and that takes lots of energy that the protein in the suet can provide. There are such a variety now with added seeds, fruits and even peanut butter that you can provide a veritable smorgasbord.

I collect bird houses mostly from yard sales or ones that we make ourselves out of wooden CD cabinets or wine bottle holders adapted for the purpose during the long winter months. Some are made from gourds, dried, cored and drilled with a front door and small perch. They adorn the tops of fence posts, our vine-festooned pergola and hang from the branches of our trees. Different birds like different homes and some will not use bird houses at all but rather would prefer to nest in my pine trees. As you work in your garden, take note of all the different birds you see and hear; they are so worth your attention and will provide such entertainment to lighten your heart and put a smile on your face.



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Left: Community Improvement Award - Sandra Hartill (District 18 Director), Anne Bossart (Parry Sound Horticultural Society)



Right: Youth Leader Award Sandy Rakestrow (District 17 Director), Dorothy Shier (Georgina-Brock Horticultural Society & Garden Club), Jeff Blackadar

Below Left: OHA Membership Trophy - Jeff Blackadar, Kathryn Lindsay (District 2 Director), Gary Brenner (District 19 Director), James Graham - Note that this award is presented to the District with the highest percentage membership increase overall for the year, and was donated by Fines Flowers of Ottawa. District 19 was the winner this year, with a 6.59% increase.



Above Right: Silver Fir Award - Jane McDonald (District 7 Director), Mrs. Phillips, widow of Peter Phillips (Orangeville & District Horticultural Society)



## Thank you for the 2014 Honour Roll Award

I wish to express my sincere appreciation and thanks to the OHA Awards Committee for honouring me with the 2014 Honour Roll Award.

My lifelong interest in all things horticultural started when I was a young girl, foraging in the woods with my father for mushrooms, all kinds of berries and fruit from trees gone wild on abandoned farms. It doesn't seem that long ago that I rode side-saddle on the top bar of his bike through the countryside around Ottawa. My mother taught me how to plant flower seeds and vegetables in the family garden plot. She also taught me about companion planting to minimize predatory insects and animals in the garden. My father and I used to pick the fruit and berries and my mother would preserve them for our winter meals.

When I was living on 10 acres of land in the countryside outside of Carp, Ontario, I learned more gardening techniques from my farming neighbours and started entering the local Carp Fair with horticultural specimens and baking goods. It was so much fun winning prizes for my tomatoes and pie pumpkins, as well as my lattice-topped blueberry pies. Later on, I kept bees and entered the honey into the fair, and consistently won first prize, always receiving comments from the judge about the clarity of the honey.

During my working career, I always maintained a garden, but didn't even know that there were such things as garden clubs and horticultural societies. I am forever indebted to the late Betty Coxworth, a lovely lady with Cloverleaf Garden Club, who encouraged me to join the club when she saw me working in my garden in Port Credit. Since that time in early 1995, I rapidly progressed from a "seat-warmer" listening to the speakers, to an entrant in the flower shows. I read up on floral design and decided that I would also enter the design section. I was very fortunate to have wonderful design judges such as Geo Mentis, Olga Alexander, Lotte Brun-

ner and Bette Hall who noticed my interest and nurtured me with advice, guidance and floral design classes. I am also indebted to Diane Reid who encouraged me to take the Floral Design and Horticultural Judging Programmes.

My horticultural endeavours have been many and varied over nearly 20 years with Cloverleaf and I have thoroughly enjoyed all of them. I am now at the stage of teaching others about floral design and how to grow wonderful flowers and vegetables. Your recognition of my efforts in horticultural endeavours is truly heart-warming and much appreciated.

Anne Clark-Stewart



L-Carole Spraggett (District 15 Director)  
R-Anne-Clark Stewart  
(Cloverleaf Garden Club)



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Anne-Clark Stewart, James Graham





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## Photo Competition at the 2014 Convention in Cornwall



Left: OHA President for 2014-2015, Jeff Blackadar

Above: Past President James Graham presenting Jeff Blackadar with a pair of boots.

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