

# Sudbury Horticultural Society

## “The Newsletter”

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*Dedicated to  
the beautification  
of the Sudbury region  
and the preservation  
of our environment*



“Installation of the OBOS” & “Hugli Pond” by Linda Hugli



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## In Memoriam



After a seven year battle with cancer (Multiple Myeloma), Hermine (Smatlanek) Calyn passed away in her home on June 12. She had been active in many community organizations...the Sudbury Basin Potters, Weavers' Guild, Water's Women's Institute, and of course the Horticultural Society, of which she was a life member.

Many of you will remember her smiling face in the kitchen, making coffee and serving her famous "Finn Bunn"...even though she was Czechoslovakian. Hermine worked very hard in her garden to produce wonderful vegetables and flowers and exhibited them at our various shows.

Other talents included creating porcelain dolls, weaving blankets and wall hangings, and cooking & baking. Her only regret in being confined to a bed for seven years was the fact that she could no longer create or garden. She will be sadly missed by her daughters Barbara and Hermina, her granddaughter Erika, and husband Bill.



## PHOTOGRAPHS

We are still looking for photographs for our fund-raising calendar.

- horizontal shots
- flowers, gardens, parks, backyard wildlife, barns, anything with horticultural content
- high definition, so the image is crisp when enlarged
- send your photos to Wayne Hugli by snail mail or [whugli@hotmail.com](mailto:whugli@hotmail.com)

## SUN HATS FOR KIDS

The Society generously donated \$100.00 toward the purchase of a shade tree last month. The school that donated the most hats for the Sudbury and District Health Unit's SUNHATS FOR KIDS campaign will be the recipient of a deciduous tree, with lots of foliage to protect the children from the sun's rays while playing outdoors.



### More...How To Live a Happy and Rewarding Life !

3. Buy a bird feeder and hang it so that you can see it from your kitchen window.
4. Patronize local merchants, even if it costs a bit more.
5. Instead of using the word *problem*, try substituting the word *opportunity*.

# “SUDBURY in BLOOM”



The August Exhibition of Flowers, Vegetables  
Floral Designs, Photography, & Displays

**Sunday, August 19**  
at the **CNIB** on York Street  
12:00 noon - 4:00 pm

All exhibits must be placed in position on Saturday, Aug. 18,  
between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm at which time judging will begin.

Check the Yearbook for Show Schedule.

Contact show convenor, Hermina Hubert (692-1442), if you intend  
to enter the “Creative Design” class.

***Theme: “A Garden For All Seasons”***



***Refreshments - Desserts - Door prizes - Craft Tables***  
***Admission: \$2.00***

## ***MEET THE MEMBERS***

**This month we profile one of our life members, William “Bill”Newton.**

***What is your earliest garden related memory ?***

Watching a seed become a living plant...it seemed to be magic !

***How did you become interested in gardening ?***

It was always part of our family life.

***What type of gardening do you do ?***

Mostly houseplants, a garden outdoors on our property, and containers

***What is your garden philosophy ?***

Enjoy your plants. Even with its frustrations, it is relaxing and rewarding.

***What is your most remarkable garden success/failure ?***

Winning the Sudbury City trophy as a junior gardener in the nineteen thirties

***What prompted you to join the SHS ?***

The chance to learn more encouraged me to join.

***Of what life accomplishment are you most proud ?***

Business success and a long life !

***What do you, or did you do in real life ?*** I was a Jeweller.

***Other than gardening, what hobbies do you have ?***

Reading, crossword puzzles, and exercising is what I best like to do.

***Favourite garden tip ?***

Be patient ! Learn all you can about your plants. Share your knowledge and your plants.

***Pet garden peeves ?***

Dandelions, bugs, and people's indifference to nature

***Anything you would like to share that describes the real you ?***

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## OPEN GARDEN WEEKEND !

### **Dates to Remember !**

- July 14 & 15** - Open Garden Weekend
- August 6** - Civic Holiday
- August 7** - Executive Meeting,  
7:00, Red Oak Villa
- August 10, 11, & 12**
  - OHA Convention,  
Owen Sound
- August 19** - "*Sudbury in Bloom*" our  
August Flower & Garden  
Show at CNIB

### **Things to remember:**

- Get your passport to this year's fabulous gardens. It's not too late.
- Rain or shine, choose to visit some or all of the gardens offered this summer.
- Car pool to save gas and reduce your CARBON FOOTPRINT !
- Wear a hat and sun screen.
- Don't forget your garden etiquette !
- and Thank Linda for organizing again this year.

## GARDENS OF NORTH BAY

On Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, a busload of Sudbury gardeners enjoyed an excursion to North bay, during which we visited seven private gardens. We also made a "shopping stop" at Laporte's Garden Centre, and enjoyed a picnic lunch at the waterfront. The host gardeners were gracious, the properties were varied and

inspiring, and our driver, Sharon, was a gem. We welcome suggestions for next year's excursion.

Wayne & Linda



## **Slugs & Oven Cleaning**

Here's a recipe for getting rid of slugs. It was passed along to us by Veronica Callinan of East York Garden Club, who got it from Jack Kent of The Potting Shed in Cayuga:

Mix 1 litre of water, 1 cup of ammonia, and a squirt of dish soap. Spray the mixture on the leaves, on the slugs, and on the ground around the plant. You can buy straight ammonia at most hardware stores.

A modification of this recipes also quite useful for cleaning oven racks. Do this outside, wearing rubber gloves:

- Pour equal amounts of ammonia and water and a splash of dish soap into a spray bottle.
- put the racks in a big garbage bag.
- Spray the racks inside the bag, thoroughly soaking everything on both sides.
- Close the bag and leave it for at least an hour, or even better overnight.
- Wearing rubber gloves, hose down the racks on a concrete area or in your laundry sink. For the stubborn spots, use steel wool. The effort should be minimal.

WEB SITE  
of the  
MONTH



## Herbs & other useful plants

- Hermina Hubert



### Dave's Garden

This month's web site encompasses even more topics than last month: bug files, plant files, articles and books to share, trading seeds (including heirloom and rare seeds) and plants (some exotic) just to name a few. If you click on [www.davesgarden.com](http://www.davesgarden.com), you will get direct links to all of the above, plus a great deal more.

The words Thistle and useful don't seem to belong in the same sentence. However, the leaves that are densely covered with felt-like hairs were once harvested for pillow stuffing (ouch). Also the flower heads were cooked as an alternative to artichokes, and seeds were pressed to produce thistle oil used in lamps.

Fortunately, we have found other, more efficient sources for stuffing and light. But the thistle is still a beautiful, albeit invasive, combination of texture and colour that does attract bees. It is ideal for a cottage setting, but not in a small garden where one must don sturdy leather gloves to pull the dickens out! Two of the many varieties are the Scotch Thistle, *Onopordum nervosum*, above and Canada Thistle *Cirsium*, found mostly in the USA, hmm.

## "I Was Here"

*Rocks abound everywhere and have been used since time immemorial to mark the way and to establish a sense of presence and destination.*

*An "Obos" is a destination, a sanctuary, a shrine and a focal point that reminds us that we work with our hands. We are builders and what we build is sacred.*

*For artists and other sensitive people, they can serve as gentle reminders of the private and noble act of creation.*

*The exact location of this obos is:  
46° 28' 59" N / 80° 59' 21" W*

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## A Memorial to Arthur Liinamaa

The artwork (above) called an "Obos", was installed at John Street in memory of Arthur Liinamaa. This is a copy of the plaque and its inscription.

We invite members to visit the park to see it, and to enjoy the results of the hard work that has been done by volunteers to make the park the beautiful spot that it is.

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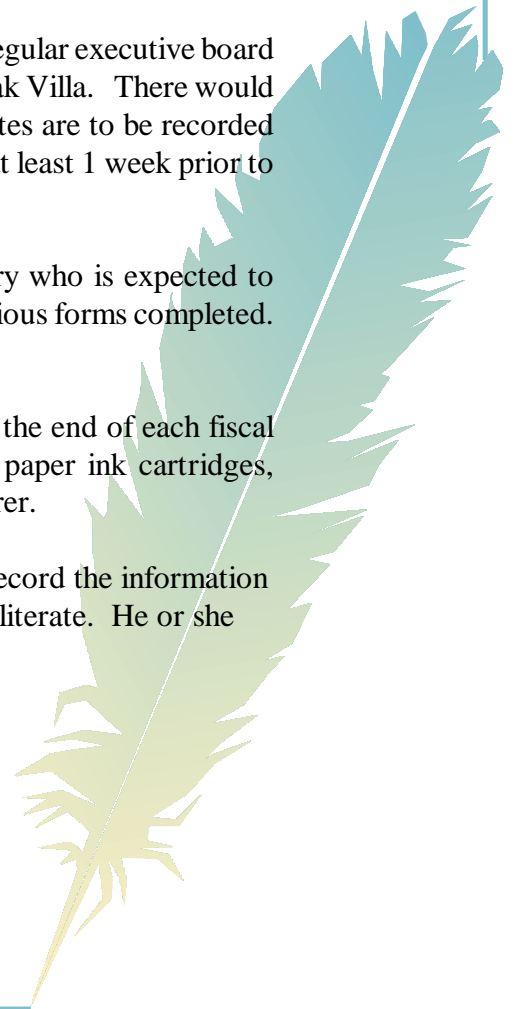
# We Need a New Secretary

## Job Description

- In the Sudbury Horticultural Society, the position of Secretary is an appointed one, without voting privileges..
- We need a volunteer person who would be capable of keeping the society's records of the various executive and board meetings throughout the year. The Society minutes are a very important part of the administration of this organization.
- It is expected that the qualifying person will attend all regular executive board meetings that are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month, at the Red Oak Villa. There would also be three or four committee meetings throughout the year. Minutes are to be recorded at the meetings then transcribed and e-mailed to each board member at least 1 week prior to the next board meeting.
- All correspondence will be forwarded to the Secretary who is expected to respond. Letters and reports would be required to be written and various forms completed.
- An honorarium of \$300.00 per annum will be paid at the end of each fiscal year. You will be reimbursed for any out-of-pocket expenses, i.e. paper ink cartridges, photocopying, stamps etc. Receipts must be presented to the Treasurer.
- The only training required is the ability to accurately record the information and legibly transcribe it. The successful candidate must be computer literate. He or she must have a personal computer with e-mail capabilities.

**Note:** All inquiries and applications will remain confidential.

Contact person: Hermina Hubert 692-1442  
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## 2007 FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE - DISTRICT 13

DATE AND TIME	SOCIETY	DETAILS
July 19 (Thursday) 2:00 - 4:00 pm	St. Joseph Island	Adcock Gardens Tea & Tour - Admission by donation Contact Sheila Campbell 705-246-3078
July 21 (Saturday) 2:00 - 4:00 pm. Entries Sat. 9:00 - 11:00 am	Elliot Lake	"Along the Garden Path" Flower Show - W.H. Collins Hall, 120 Hillside Drive North. Admission \$4.00 (includes beverage) door prizes, plants, baking and deli shop. Contact Mary Barnes 705-848-4678 or Margaret Vivyurka 705-848-7070
July 28 (Saturday) 1:00 - 5:00 pm	Spanish	Spanish Flower Show - Theme "Garden Scarecrow" Spanish Four Seasons Marina Complex - Admission \$2.00 Singles section open to OHA members. Contact John Bois 705-844-1510
August 1 (Wednesday) 1:30 - 4:00 pm	Campbell	"Music of the Flowers" Come & Go Tea and Flower Show Mindemoya Community Hall - Admission \$7.00 (children 10 and under \$2.00) door prizes. Contact Mary White 377-4878
August 4 (Saturday) 12:00 - 4:00 pm Entries Fri. 8:30 - 9:30 pm	Sault Ste. Marie	Flower & Vegetable Show "Around the Blooming World" Station Mall, (Dennis St. Court and Food Court). No charge ! Contact Veronica Bahun 705-254-3116 or Lynda Cottingham 705-779-2396
August 9 (Thursday) 6:00 - 9:00 pm Set up Wednesday	Massey-Walford	Flower Show - Massey Legion Hall. 320 Imperial St., South Admission \$3.50 includes tea, coffee, and dessert Contact Anita Tricco 705-865-2689 or Klara Kluge 865-2657
August 9 (Thursday) 6:30 - 8:30 pm Entries Wed. 6:00 -9:00 pm	Blind River	Flower Show & Tea - Blind River Community Centre Hall Admission \$5.00 (children under 12, \$2.00) All classes open but ribbons only to non-members. Contact Wolf Kirchmeir 705-356-7397
August 11 (Saturday) 12:00 noon - 3:00 pm	Assiginack	"Canadian Literature" Flower Show & Luncheon - \$5.00 Knox United Church Hall, Manitowaning. An open class is available to other society members. Contact Susanne Smith 859-3732 or Marilyn Moggy 859-3416
August 15 (Wednesday) 12:00 noon - 3:00 pm	Espanola	Flower & Vegetable Show - Elks Hall, 539 Second Street Admission \$5.00 (children 5 and under \$1.00) includes luncheon, bake table, penny table.
August 19 (Sunday) 12:00 noon - 4:00 pm Entries Sat. 11:00 - 2:00 pm	Sudbury	"Sudbury in Bloom" Flower & Vegetable Show - CNIB Hall, York at Regent Street. All classes open, but for ribbons only. Admission \$2.00 includes beverages and dessert, door prizes, craft tables, and plants for sale. Contact Hermina Hubert 705-692-1442
August 23 (Thursday) 12:00 noon - 1:30 pm Entries Thurs. 8:00-9:45 am	Lake George	Flower Show & Luncheon - Echo Bay Community Hall Contact Cal Laming 705-248-1128
August 25 (Saturday) 2:30 - 4:30 pm	St. Joseph Island	Flower & Vegetable Show - United Church Fellowship Hall, Richard's Landing. Admission by donation. Contact Sheila Campbell 705-246-3078