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Sudbury Horticultural Society

“The Newsletter”

February 2009



Manitoulin Island offers many interesting photo opportunities like this leaning barn and rusty Ford that is older than some of us. (Hermina)

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Life Membership - by Claire Liinamaa

Traditionally, over the past thirty years or more, the Sudbury Horticultural Society, has honoured a number of members with a Life Membership Certificate. The criteria by which the members may earn this award are:

1. A long time membership in a society, preferably a minimum of 15 years.
2. Continued interest in horticulture.
3. Continued participation in the society and service in its programs.

A minimum age limit of 65 years used to apply but we have recently reduced that to 60 years in certain circumstances. Names of potential members are considered by the Awards Committee (made up of three current life members), then presented to the Board of Directors for approval. Life Members no longer are required to pay annual membership dues. All fees connected with that membership are covered by the Society. They retain all the rights and privileges including a vote.

This year, we have two recipient of the "Life Membership", one single and one family membership.



Don and Sharon Cornett

Occasionally, the Board chooses a couple instead of a single member. Such is the case with Sharon and Don ...one rarely sees one without the other. The Cornetts are long time members, actively participating in the society's programs and attending meetings and the flower shows. Their avid interest in horticulture is shown in their beautiful country garden in Onaping. Depending on the season, it is overflowing with Trilliums, Roses and Begonias. In fact it is a rare flower indeed that hasn't found a place in their garden. They often play host and hostess, representing the Horticultural Society, to bus tours and garden tours. Don and Sharon have won several trophies, including the coveted INCO Garden Trophy. Congratulations!



Colombe Charest

A long time member, Colombe served 10 years as a Director in the Society. An ardent grower and hybridizer of African Violets, she has dozens of perfect specimens in her home. She always has lots of new little ones to offer to others. Her main claim to fame is her creativity and hard work in the development of our beautiful John St. Park. It has evolved, over the years, into a perfect gem, where even weddings are held. Colombe also looks after the CNIB Gardens. She also has time to help out at our plant sales. Colombe attends every meeting and is now known as our 50/50 Girl. Congratulations!



Dates to Remember !

- February 22** - General Meeting at CNIB
- February 25** - Ash Wednesday
- February 28** - Seedy Saturday (Sault Ste. Marie) Take a day trip !
- March 3** - Executive Meeting
7:00 pm at Red Oak Villa
- March 8** - Daylight Savings Time Begins
- March 19** - Canada Blooms Bus Trip
- March 21** - Advisory Council Meeting
at Blind River Marina 9:30am

SEEDY SATURDAY

Date: Saturday, February 28 - 10 am to 3 pm.

Location: Native Centre - G Wing,
Sault College, Sault Ste. Marie

Register open-pollinated seeds to trade from 10 am to 12 noon. Community Seed Swap starts at 12:30 pm and ends at 3 pm.

Educational Speakers, Workshops, Handouts, Vendors, Refreshments and Door Prizes too!

Admission by donation. Fully accessible location.

For more info, contact Laura Wyper at 253-1951 or Suzanne Hanna at 759-2893

Sponsored by Clean North, Seeds of Diversity Canada & Sault College



Community Garden Seminar

On Friday, Jan.23, despite the bitter cold, approximately fifty people packed the “rug room” to hear Suzanne Hanna. Suzanne, pictured above with Wayne Hugli (the AV man for the evening), related her experience with the Allard Street Community Garden in Sault Ste. Marie. We were amazed at what the co-operation of like-minded folks could accomplish. Of course, Suzanne invested much time and effort to garner the support of several businesses and organizations to ensure the success of the venture. On Saturday, many of the group met with the members of the Foodshed Project c/o Social Planning Council of Sudbury to discuss how to go about starting a community garden here in the Sudbury area. The seminar was



Whitewater Greenhouses & Yard Art Centre

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Sat. - Sun. 9am - 5pm

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General Meeting

Sunday, February 22th

CNIB York Street

Enjoy coffee and desserts from 1:15 pm

Guest Speaker: Laurie Tucar
“Landscape Design”

Browse through the many
Magazines and White Elephant Items

Door Prizes 50/50 Draw



Introducing Our Guest Speaker

Laurie Tucar has over twenty-five years of experience working on horticultural and environmental projects. Her ventures have included:

- quality control and grafting on forest tree crops for the Ministry of Natural Resources
- developing and teaching a college level horticultural program
- operating a horticultural service business for eight years
- conducting research and monitoring for the City of Sudbury’s Land Reclamation program
- conducting a City wide inventory of the state of local schoolyard landscapes

Currently, Laurie works with MIRARCO, a mining research and rehabilitation research organization located

at Laurentian University, developing a climate change network. She continues to operate her small business “EcoLogic” as a part-time venture, offering horticultural design and maintenance consulting services. Laurie’s hobbies include vegetable, perennial, and water gardens.

Laurie’s Presentation

Beat the February blues by visualizing your spring garden projects. This month’s Landscape Design presentation will provide participants with an understanding of design elements including scale, colour, line, texture, proportion and balance. The process of completing the site, concept, and master plans will also be examined. Learn how to design your landscape like a professional while using a holistic approach, based on ecological principles and patterns. Sustainable horticultural practices of plant selection and maintenance principles will also be touched upon.



**WEB SITE
of the
MONTH**

Greenhouse Has a New Meaning

Last month, you read about “One Million Acts of Green”...well it really wasn’t news to us, because we have been doing our part to “save the environment” all along, haven’t we? We turn off lights and car pool when we can.

But you would be surprised at how many ways we can help to reduce those nasty greenhouse gasses...simple things like composting and closing the drapes to keep the heat from the sun out in summer. If you haven’t already, visit this website:

www.onemillionactsofgreen.com

and sign up...it’s easy! You will see how much we actually do, and can do, to make our “Carbon Footprint” a little smaller, without any hardship.



CANADA BLOOMS BUS TRIP

Thursday March 19, 2009

5:30 am - 11:30 pm

\$90.00 for SHS members

TRAVEL IN COMFORT ON A WASHROOM-EQUIPPED MODERN MOTORCOACH

- **Explore** acres of fantasy gardens - stretching the imagination with vibrant colours and fragrances.
- **Delight** in stunning floral creations at the standard judged flower show.
- **Shop** for exciting gardening gadgets and designer innovations from across Canada.
- **Learn** the answers to all your horticultural questions in non-stop workshops and demonstrations by your favourite gardening gurus.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT

Claire Liinamaa: 524-0670 ...or... claire_nl@sympatico.ca

Seminars For You at Canada Blooms

1:15 pm - **Gary and Diane Westlake** - Topic: **Making Your Own Garden Objects**

The Westlakes are Master Gardeners and members of the Peterborough Horticultural Society. As well as their many other gardening activities, they are also the editors of the Master Gardeners of Ontario newsletter, "What's Growing On?"

1:30 pm - **Frank Kershaw** - Topic: **Curb Appeal Gardens**

"Frank Kershaw received his Masters of Science from the University of Toronto and a diploma in horticulture from the University of Guelph . Prior to his recent retirement, he worked 30+ years in parks, horticulture and environment fields as a director with both the former Municipality of Metro Toronto and the City of Toronto . He has also worked abroad which has contributed to his knowledge of plants from different parts of the globe. Frank has led numerous garden tours throughout North American, Bermuda, Caribbean and more.

2:00 pm - **Paul Zammit** - Topic: **Dramatic Containers**

Paul is a very dynamic and enthusiastic speaker who will share his ideas on creating beautiful garden containers. He has given presentations at many garden clubs and garden shows - including the 2008 OHA convention - and has made numerous television appearances on Kathy Renwald's "Calling All Gardeners" and "Gardeners' Journal". You can learn more about Paul Zammit on his website at www.paulzammit.ca

Other speakers on that day will include:

12:30 pm - Jeff McMann - Topic: **Award Winning Landscapes**

2:15 pm - Doryne Pearce - Topic: **Balcony Gardening in Toronto**

2:30 pm - Lindsay Mennen - Topic: **Garden Rooms**

3:15 pm - Belinda Gallagher - Topic: **Designing with Grasses**

3:30 pm - Lorraine Mennen - Topic: **Living Fences - Alternatives to Privacy**

4:15 pm - Vicki Beard - Topic: **Pollinator Perks**

2010 Calendar

“Start Taking Photos Now”

Next year’s fundraising calendar will feature “Gardens Through the Seasons” so start taking photos of winter gardens now, while we still have snow.

Again this year, take the photos in horizontal format and use high resolution (at least 300 dpi) so that they are sharp when enlarged.

Email Wayne for more information:
whugli@hotmail.com

Your Membership Renewal

New and renewal Memberships will be sold at every meeting, event, and flower show. If for some reason you are unable to attend the meetings or a show, we invite you to renew your membership by mail.


Please complete the form below, make cheque payable to the Sudbury Horticultural Society and send it to:

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Membership Renewal for 2009

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Do you wish to receive your newsletter (in full colour) by email ?

Email Address: _____

(If you wish to have your yearbook mailed to you, please add \$3.50 for shipping. Thanks)

Single membership

\$ 15.00 _____

Family membership

\$ 20.00 _____