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District 5 Newsletter



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Keeping Ontario Beautiful

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Hello Everyone!

Welcome to our District newsletter, our first in quite a while. Nikola Warnock, Past District Director, provided a newsletter some years ago, and here we are in 2013 carrying on that tradition. We plan to publish three issues per year: Winter/February, Spring and Summer/May and Fall/September.



We invite each of our Societies to participate by sending us news, photos, announcements, tips, ideas, suggestions – you name it. We'll look at them all and use as much material as we are able to. Did you have a garden tour this summer? Go to some unique places on a bus tour? How about great plans for the future? Any significant birthdays? Anniversaries? Show us, tell us, share with us. Please send your material to tina.forrester@gmail.com. We'd love to hear from you!

Warmest regards,
Nancy

OHA Convention – July 19 to 21, 2013

District 14 was the host,
Thunder Bay the place,
“Up North and Down to Earth” the theme.

It was a good convention. Business was conducted, good meals were consumed (the Saturday night banquet was delicious), seminars on interesting topics and bus tours to places in and around the city were enjoyed by delegates from all over Ontario. Have you been to Kakabeka Falls? Very impressive. The Niagara of the North, they say. There were competitions to check out and vendors with lots of northern-themed items to buy.

Two resolutions concerning the structure of the OHA Board passed with the help of proxies provided by Societies who did not have members there to vote in person. One resolution eliminated the position of 2nd Vice President, effective after the 2014 convention. The other provided for the Immediate Past President to represent the Past Presidents Council. Prior to this the board and executive had also included a specific Past Presidents Council rep. Both of these resolutions were intended to streamline the organization and reduce costs.

Now, it's all over and we're looking ahead to Cornwall, the St. Lawrence, and the 2014 convention -- "A River Runs By It".



Kakabeka Falls, west of Thunder Bay

2013 OHA CONVENTION DISTRICT 5 RESULTS

Design Division

Class 5 – a miniature design using dried plant material – [Aurora Garden & Horticultural Society](#) First Place

Class 9 – Nature's Sculptor – a design incorporating decorative wood – [Aurora Garden & Horticultural Society](#) First Place

Class 10 – Glamorous Amethyst – a design – [Aurora Garden & Horticultural Society](#) Second Place

Best Design in Show – [Aurora Garden & Horticultural Society](#) Class 9

Horticultural Division

Class 39 – Any other Rose – [Beach Garden & Horticultural Society](#) First Place; [Aurora Garden & Horticultural Society](#) Second Place; [Beach Garden & Horticultural Society](#) Third Place

Photography Competition

Class 2 – I Fall to Pieces – fall shot showing fall colours – [Stouffville Horticultural Society](#) Third Place

Class 9 – Up North and Down to Earth – depict your vision of the north and/or your interpretation of this convention's theme – [Stouffville Horticultural Society](#) Second Place

Publications Competition

Class 1 – Yearbook Cover – primarily hand-drawn – [Lake Simcoe South Shore Horticultural Society](#) Second Place

Class 3 – Yearbook Cover – cover illustrations primarily photographs – [North York Garden Club](#) Second Place

Class 5 – 2012/2013 Special Event Brochure/Pamphlet/Flyer – [North York Garden Club](#) Second Place; [Greater Toronto Water Garden & Horticultural Society](#) Third Place

Class 6 – Club/Society Brochure, Pamphlet or Flyer – [Leaside Garden Society](#) First Place; [Mount Albert Garden & Horticultural Society](#) Third Place

Class 8 – Newsletter – Cover illustrations primarily photographic in origin – [Mount Albert Garden & Horticultural Society](#) First Place; [Leaside Garden Society](#) Second Place; [Greater Toronto Water Garden & Horticultural Society](#) Third Place

Class 11 – Club/Society Bookmark – [Leaside Garden Society](#) First Place; [Lake Simcoe South Shore Horticultural Society](#) Third Place

Class 12 – Club/Society Promotional/Partnership – [Leaside Garden Society](#) First Place

Class 14 – 2013 Yearbook – Letter size folded into booklet style 8.5" x 5.5" – [North York Garden Club](#) Second Place; [Leaside Garden Society](#) Third Place

Class 15 – 2013 Yearbook – Legal size folded into booklet style 8.5" x 7" – [Mount Albert Garden & Horticultural Society](#) Second Place

Class 16 – 2013 Youth Yearbook – [Mount Albert Garden & Horticultural Society](#) First Place

The love of gardening is a seed once sown that never dies.
~ Gertrude Jekyll

District 5 Society News



North York Garden Club's day trip to Parkwoods Estate in Oshawa on July 20, 2013



North York Garden Club's Annual Flower Show held at the Edithvale C.C. on Saturday September 7, 2013

Past President Gail Bebee won Best in Show and Judges Choice for her spray of roses "Raspberry Ripple."



**Lake Simcoe
Gardeners 3rd
Annual Presidents'
Dinner**

Standing: Dorothy
Hare, Joyce
Cathcart, Tony
Snider, Lynda
Balena, Nikola
Warnock, Nancy
Serrick
Seated: Corinne
Ennis, Audrey
Whitcombe, Diane
Ingersoll



Greater Toronto Rose and Garden Society held their September 8th meeting in the garden of one of the members, Marion Dorosh. The speaker was Peter Gill who spoke on Container Water Gardens. It was a lovely afternoon with refreshments following the meeting. A unique idea that more societies might consider. Everyone brought their own chair.



Greater Toronto Rose Show was held June 15th at the Shoppes on Steele Plaza. Standing: President Iris Hazen Seated: members Linda Kricorissian and Diana Hill.

Lake Simcoe Gardeners Celebrated 40 Years!



Created in February 1973, **Lake Simcoe Gardeners** celebrated their 40th Anniversary in July 2013.

Cutting the anniversary cake are, from left, President Lynda Balena, MPP Julia Munroe, MP Peter Van Loan and Past President Corinne Ennis.



North Toronto Horticultural Society
Flower Show, September 8, 2013: Mark Sivalap and his dish garden



North Toronto Horticultural Society Flower Show
Sitting: greeters Patricia and Geoffrey Cook, membership directors
Standing: Ruth Gladstone, flower show co-ordinator

District 5 Logo Contest

At the April 27 AGM, we announced our contest to create a District 5 logo.

District 5 has rural societies, suburban societies, and deeply urban societies. Lakes form our northern and southern limits. With this in mind, we're looking for a logo that makes a statement (or two) about what our District is all about. And of course, we also need to have "OHA District 5" as part of the logo. But most of all, we're also looking for your creativity.



The contest is open to all members of District 5 Societies.

Entries can be submitted on paper, or as a digital file.

Entries on paper must be no smaller than 6 inches by 6 inches (15.25 cm by 15.25 cm) and no larger than 8 1/2 inches by 11 inches (21.5 cm by 28 cm). Digital entries must have minimum dimensions of 1800 pixels by 1800 pixels, with a file type of tiff, pdf, jpeg, png, psd (Photoshop), or ai (Illustrator).

The logo can be either colour or monochrome, but our preference is for colour. And while saying that a colour logo is likely to look better than one that's limited to black, white and grey, an entry that's in colour but also looks good when printed in monochrome stands a better chance of winning our hearts.

Entries will be accepted from any member of a District 5 Society. The entrant's name, Society, and contact information should be included on a separate page, and not on the page that contains the logo (this is to enable blind judging).

Closing date: Entries must be received by November 2, 2013

Submit to:

Dawn McEachern, 10 Dustan Crescent, East York, Ontario M4J 4G5 dawn@eastyork.net

Entries can also be submitted in person at the November 2 Presidents meeting.

Determination of the winning entry will be made by the District 5 Executive members. District 5 reserves the right to ask for minor modifications to the winning entry.

The winner will be revealed at the 2014 District 5 AGM, and the creator of the winning entry will receive a gift certificate worth \$100 at the nursery or garden centre of their choice.

Please note the accompanying examples of logos used by other OHA Districts.

If you have any questions, please contact Dawn McEachern (dawn@eastyork.net / 416-429-4719).

