

Grass Roots Press

Bolton & District Horticultural Society

January 2013

Message from the Chair:

Winter is a great time to assess your garden's "bones".

The form of shrubs, trees, rocks, statues & structures such as fences and trellises become more prominent.

When the colour from leaves & flowers is gone, evergreens, bark and berries become the reduced palette.

Crab apple trees, Euonymous and holly shrubs loaded with small fruits provide food for hungry birds.

Proper pruning can enhance the form of woody plants, improving the bones of your garden and increasing fruit & berry production as well.

The speakers lined up for 2013 will provide lots of food for thought for us knowledge-hungry gardeners.

Our first speaker of the season, Sean James, will demo how to become "Proud of My Pruning".

For up-to-date info about upcoming meetings, please

visit the BDHS website. It also lists local nurseries offering discounts to BDHS members.

Due to a room booking conflict with the Bolton Fall Fair, the September 17th meeting will be held in the Caledon East Community Complex.

Please invite your friends to join us at a meeting this year. Free guest passes will be distributed to renewing members at the March meeting. See you soon!

Brenda Heenan

Our next General Meeting

Date: Tuesday, March 19th, 2013

Time: 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm

Speaker: Sean James
Fern Ridge Landscaping

Topic: Proud of My Pruning
with Q&A after the talk

Location: Albion-Bolton Community Center,
150 Queen Street, South, Bolton
2nd Floor in the Auditorium

• Free admission to members - \$5.00 guests, \$2.00 for members of other horticultural societies, with proof of membership

• Everyone welcome. Please join us!

2013 BDHS meeting schedule

Meetings will be held the 3rd Tuesday starting at 7:30 pm at the ABCC (*unless otherwise noted*)

April 16 – Grooming Perennial Beds
Sheilagh Crandall, Ms Plants

April 27 (Saturday) OHA District 15 AGM & Flower Show,
Nissan Corporation Headquarters 9 am – 3:30 pm

May 21 – Growing Common & Exotic Herbs
Koidu Sulev, Richters Herbs

June 18 – Flower Arranging Demo
Gera Koster & Spring Flower Show

Aug 20– Plant Your Spectacular Garden Now

Sept 17- Assessing Your Landscape
Brenda Heenan & Fall Flower Show
Caledon East Community Complex

Sept 20 - 22 (Fri-Sun) Bolton Fall Fair Flower Show

Oct 15 – Gardening for the Birds, TBA, TRCA

Nov 19 –Creating Indoor Garden Areas, Sheila Doris
AGM, Pot Luck, Photo Show



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www.gardenontario.org

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More about our March 19th Speaker Sean James



BDHS welcomes Sean James to open the 2013 educational speakers program with a talk and demo about ***Proud of My Pruning***. Sean has been gardening professionally for 30 years. He is a graduate of the prestigious **Niagara Parks School of Horticulture**. In 2009 Sean was described as the **'horticultural guru' of HGTV's 'Green Force'** which featured Fern Ridge Landscaping in four episodes.

He designed the Milton Millennium Garden, instructs for Mohawk College and Landscape Ontario and is a professional photographer. He's spoken on CBC Radio on Green Roofing, on AM740 on Charlie Dobbin's Garden and Home Show about Emerald Ash Borer. Sean is proud to write a monthly an eco-column for professional landscapers in the national Landscape Trades Magazine and an eco-column for home owners in Niagara Escarpment Views Magazine, some of which can be read on the Fern Ridge website www.fernridgelandscaping.com.

Additional details about the March 19th General Meeting:



Come early and ...

- **renew your membership** (see membership form page 6)
- **Selected titles from the BDHS Library** collections are being liquidated by **silent auction**, bidding closes at 8:45 pm.

Flower Show 2012 results

Congratulations to the following members who participated in the Spring & Fall Flower Shows.

Most Points Cultural (61pts) and Most Points Overall (78 pts) - Emma Ivancic

Most Points Open Design (18 pts) - Pauline Menezes

Most Point Novice Design (15 pts) – Pat Oliver

2013 Photo Show Advance Notice of Schedule

There will be **4 Classes** in the **2013 Photo Show**, with **3 sections in each Class**:

Class 1 Spring	Section A Close-up, Section B Landscape and Section C Garden Visitor
Class 2 Summer	Section A Close-up, Section B Landscape and Section C Garden Visitor
Class 3 Autumn	Section A Close-up, Section B Landscape and Section C Garden Visitor
Class 4 Winter	Section A Close-up, Section B Landscape and Section C Garden Visitor

This makes a total of 12 photo images to enter. Once again, members will vote for their favourite images at the AGM in November.

BDHS Open Garden fundraising program

The **BDHS Board is seeking gardens** to be part of the 2013 Open Garden program. Gardens are open to the public on Saturdays from 9 am to noon, with 'advanced' viewing for BDHS members only starting at 9 am. Publicity and signage will be managed by BDHS volunteers.



OPEN GARDEN tours are important fundraising events for the society with a suggested gate fee of **\$2 per visitor**. It is hoped that members opening their gardens will have some divisions of **plants to sell** to visitors so buyers could see the mature, mother plants in a landscape setting and learn tips from the hosts on planting & caring for the divisions.

To volunteer as an **OPEN GARDEN host or volunteer**, please contact the society at bolton@gardenontario.org or phone Brenda (905) 857-4741.

Environmental Projects Report

Submitted by Richard Hunt, Environmental Committee Chair

Bolton Tree Plantings

In November 2012, TRCA staff machine planted 23 large calliper ball & burlapped native deciduous trees in Mill Park.

This was the **9th phase** of our 12 year Bolton Mill Park Environmental Rehabilitation Project during which we have partnered with other community groups to initiate and complete the following projects with **approximate total value of \$179,000**: Fish Way Project, McFall Lookout, Highway 50 Underpass, Wetlands and expansions, 56 large calliper ball & burlapped native deciduous and coniferous trees, 300 bare root native trees and shrubs, 1,500 mixed wildflowers.



BDHS is in the planning stage of the **10th phase** of this project in 2013; raising funds to plant additional large calliper native trees and to install benches.

The Mill Park project was BDHS's fourth 2012 planting in Bolton. A total of 46 large calliper machine planted ball & burlapped native trees and 300 hand planted potted trees and shrubs were added to the Humber River watershed.

These plantings were generously supported through donations by the TRCA, Town of Caledon, James Dick Construction, Rotary Club of Bolton, CIBC, Patti & Len Foley, Bolton Kinsmen, Green T and BDHS. In addition, the potted plants were hand planted by local citizen volunteers including the Bolton Girl Guides and their family members.

These annual plantings are very important to our environment in the Humber River watershed by reducing erosion which improves the quality of our water and provides improved air quality and habitat for wildlife.

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Peace Park Project 2013

This park will be situated in Bolton Dicks Dam Park and is a joint project funded by the Town of Caledon, TRCA, Rotary Club of Bolton & BDHS. BDHS has donated 8 large calliper ball & burlapped Serviceberry trees, valued at \$2,200 and an additional \$1,000 towards the opening of this park during 2013.

Mark your calendars – OHA events for BDHS members



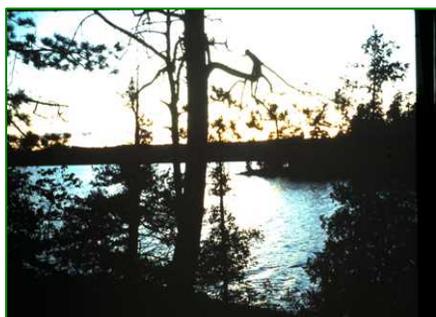
District 15 Annual General Meeting

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2013

Time: 9 am – 3:30 pm

Location: Nissan Corporation Headquarters, 5290 Orbitor Drive, Mississauga

Details TBA. There is a fee for this event which includes a renowned speaker, flower show, vendors and a light lunch. Hosted by Cloverleaf Garden Club.



OHA 107th Convention & AGM - hosted by District 14

Theme: "Up North and Down to Earth"

Date: July 19-21, 2013

Location: Thunder Bay, Ontario

The OHA Board & Thunder Bay Horticultural Society welcome delegates from across Ontario to the OHA's annual convention, featuring speakers, workshops and bus trips to points of local interest. Visit www.gardenontario.org for details.

Successful Gardening 2013



Date: February 21st – 24th, 2013

Location: International Centre, 6900 Airport Road in Mississauga.

Website: www.successfulgardeningshow.ca

Think "**Lucky 13**" and show off your green thumbs and creativity at the Ontario Horticultural Association's annual Floral Design and Plant Competition at the Successful Gardening Show. New, this year, are novice classes in the design and the cactus & succulent sections. Check out the schedule today - that winning entry and prize money could be yours!. Pre-registration is required for all design classes as space is limited.

For more information about the Flower show, please contact Heinke Thiessen-Zemancik, SG Show Committee Chair, Ph: 905-820-4751, email: heinkesg@gmail.com.

To volunteer at the OHA information booth, contact Barb O'Malley at 905-278-1958 or tom.omalley@sympatico.ca. Volunteers get a Free Admission Pass valid for both shows.

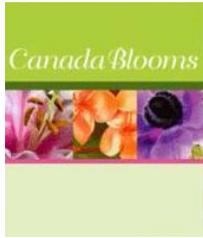
To volunteer at the "Make It and Take It" Kid's Garden booth at the Successful Gardening Show event, please contact Martha Branigan of the Brampton Horticultural Society at 905 451 6449 or by email mlbranigan@rogers.com.

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Canada Blooms 2013



Date: March 15th - 24th 2013

Location: Direct Energy Centre at Exhibition Place

Website: www.canadablooms.com

Phone: 416.447.8655

Email : info@canadablooms.com

Volunteer: Applications are on-line now.

BDHS Budget for 2013

People join BDHS to learn more about gardening, and general meetings, where much of this learning takes place, are very important to our members. And so, since its inception, BDHS has organized meetings with educational speakers, the cost of which makes up a large part of the annual operating budget.

Civic improvement projects are largely funded by directed donations and grants received for specific projects. BDHS has carried forward from its reserves \$1000 previously raised for planting projects to spend in 2013.

Please help us save on costs by providing your email address for newsletters and other communication. The emailed version of the newsletter includes colour photos and active links to websites where you can get supplementary info about upcoming events, etc.

The 2013 budget is as follows:

INCOME	2013 BUDGET
Donations	250
Fund Raising, Plant Sale & Garden Tour	855
Grants OMAFRA & CIBC	1500
Membership	1000
Programs	200
Interest	50
From Reserves	1000
TOTAL	\$4855

EXPENSES	2013 BUDGET
Administration	250
Civic Improvement Planting Projects & Donor Recognition	2150
Meetings – General, Board, AGM & OHA	250
OHA Fees	350
Program – Rent & Speakers & Shows	1550
Newsletter, Yearbook, Website	250
Other	55
TOTAL	\$4855

BDHS Contact List

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Refreshment Committee volunteers wanted

Did you enjoy the refreshment table at our meetings in 2012? Ruth & Richard Hunt made sure we were well taken care of last year – thank you both! **Would you be able to take charge of the goody table for one or more meetings in 2013?** Please contact Ruth Hunt at 905-857-3228 to learn the details of what is involved.

Membership Application Form 2013

Bolton & District Horticultural Society



Grow & Bloom With Us

2013 Application for Membership

Please fill in the information below and sign the release.

Make your cheque payable to: **"Bolton & District Horticultural Society"**

If mailing, please address to: **P. O. Box 75017, Bolton, ON L7E 1H6**

Full Name: _____
Other adult name: _____
Full Address: _____
Postal Code: _____ Phone: _____
Email: _____

To have your newsletter & other notices delivered by email, check here

To have your membership card mailed to you, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

FEES

Single \$20 – Family \$30 (up to 2 adults & all children under 18 at same address) \$ _____

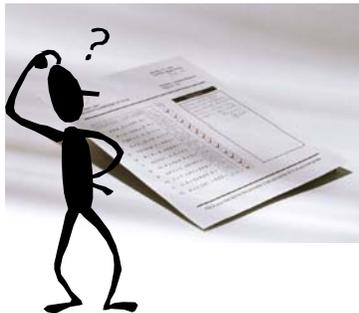
Donation (Tax receipts will be issued –Charitable #867910127 RR 0001) \$ _____

Total paid – cheque or cash \$ _____

WAIVER & INDEMNITY: In consideration of the approval of my application for membership in the Bolton & District Horticultural Society ("Society") and the granting of such membership, the undersigned hereby waives and releases each of the directors, officers, servants and members from time to time, from all liability, including vicarious liability, for any loss or injury howsoever caused resulting from the act or omission of any director, officer, servant or member of the Society. Furthermore, the undersigned hereby agrees to promptly indemnify and save harmless the Society and each of its directors, officers, servants and members from and against any damages, liabilities, claims and demands whatsoever arising out of, pursuant to or connected with any act or omission of the undersigned.

Signature _____ Date _____

Not renewing? Please tell us why...



Feedback about what the society can do to retain your membership or improve our society is important for our continued operation.

If you will not be renewing your BDHS membership for 2013, please let the Board know why. You can send an anonymous note by writing in the space below or on the back of the membership form.