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# Sudbury Horticultural Society

## *“The Newsletter”*

**March 2008**



*“Blue Jay” and  
“Dusting of Snow” - by Hermina*



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## THIRD ANNUAL WEST NIPISSING GARDEN SHOW

Saturday April 26, 2008

9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Sturgeon Falls Recreation Centre  
(located behind MacDonald's Restaurant)

**Admission - \$5.00**

The event consists of a trade show combined with various workshops on a number of topics of interest.

The day will include speakers from the Master Gardeners, local horticulturists, landscaping designers and an out of town guest speaker sponsored by a local merchant.

Plants and gardening accessories will be available for sale.

A lunch will be available for a small fee.

Workshops are held all day long, the last being at 2 p.m.

The goal of the show is to provide an educational venue for gardeners in the area.

Further information about this event will be provided by Carole Anne Friedrich at the Sudbury Horticultural Society Meeting on March 30<sup>th</sup>.



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## “Gardens Through the Seasons”

A catchy title for the 2009 calendar, but remember we also have a photographic category in the Christmas Show schedule that requires winter scenes...the “Three or Four Seasons” collection from your garden or special place in the garden. Now is the time to get that “snowy” shot, in case there is no snow before December 1.

## Landscape Design for Homeowners

This introductory course is geared to the do-it-yourselfer who requires some assistance in drawing a landscape plan, choosing appropriate plants, and putting it all together.

Topics to be covered will include site and needs analysis, design principals, using colour, soil, and zones, with an emphasis on perennials. Special interest areas of the participants will be discussed as time permits.

DATE: Monday, March 17 to April 21, 2008 (6 classes)

TIME: 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.

PLACE: Cambrian College, 1400 Barrydowne Rd.

FEE: \$79.50

INSTRUCTOR: Sue Fleming

**Please call 522-8640 for further information  
Contact Cambrian to register at 560-0330**

## Household Hints

To remove Perspiration Stains soak in 1 gallon of water and 2 tbsp creme of tartar

OR 2 powdered aspirin dissolved in small amount of water.

## Centennial Committee

### Dates to Remember !

**March 15** - Advisory Council Meeting in Blind River

**March 23** - Easter Sunday

**March 30** - General meeting with Guest speaker at CNIB

**April 1** - Executive Meeting at Red Oak Villa, 7:00pm

**April 5** - African Violet Show at New Sudbury Shopping Centre

In three short years, we will be celebrating our Society's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. We have formed a committee to organize various aspects of the celebration. One of these includes a History Book highlighting events of the past fifty or so years and showcasing people that helped the Society develop and grow to its present grandeur.

Our members, at present, include Tina Hansen, Bill Newton, Aloma Johnson, Claire Liinamaa, Helen Duncan, Wayne Hugli, Lisa Robinson, Carol Skanes and Hermina Hubert. Tina has been scanning through the old yearbooks for some time now...a daunting task, condensing so much information. Our first meeting was held at the Red Oak Villa on February 27.

If you would like to join the committee, or have photos or articles from the past, please let one of the members know. Thanks.

## AFRICAN VIOLET SHOW

**Saturday, April 5**

at the New Sudbury Shopping Centre

**Check the Show Schedule on pages 38 & 39 of the yearbook.**

**Don't have any violets ? ... Consider Hobbyist Arts & Crafts, Floral Design, or Photography**

Entries must be placed between 9:30 and 11:30 am at which time judging will begin.

Pick up your prize ribbons and entries at 4:00 pm.

Contact Gilberte, show convenor, (524-5779)

for more information.



### NOTE:

All boxes, bags, etc. must be removed to your vehicle after set-up. Nothing may be visible under the tables. This is a new ruling of the shopping centre.



## Meet the Members

This month's profile is of one of our new board members, Otto Rennenkampff.

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

I was born in Estonia (of German descent). We lived on a farm and had a large garden with vegetables, flowers, and berries.

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

It is part of my family's tradition. Wherever we lived, we had a garden.

### ***What kind of gardening do you do ?***

Initially vegetables, but now mostly flowers.

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

I am not a conscientious weeder...When the weeds get too big, I spend the time to pull them out. Any plants that do not grow well get thrown out.

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

I have been growing geraniums in pots for a long time. Having them in the New Sudbury Library on behalf of the Hort Society has been a pleasant experience.

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

I had retired and my better half suggested that we join. Shortly thereafter I was asked by the society to look after the plants at the library.

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

Many years ago, my mother who lived in London, Ontario and had beautiful flowers, summed it up like this, "Otto, you are so lucky to have a great job and a terrific wife."...Amen.

### ***What do/did you do in real life ?***

In 1952, I came to Canada as a farm labourer. I worked on a farm near New Hamburg as well as doing other jobs. After going back to school, I worked 35 years in the oil industry in marketing.

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

I used to paint milk cans and make my own greeting cards. I enjoy downhill and cross-country skiing. I was involved with Toast Masters and the Alzheimer's Society and am still with "The Mended Hearts".

### ***Favourite Garden tip ?***

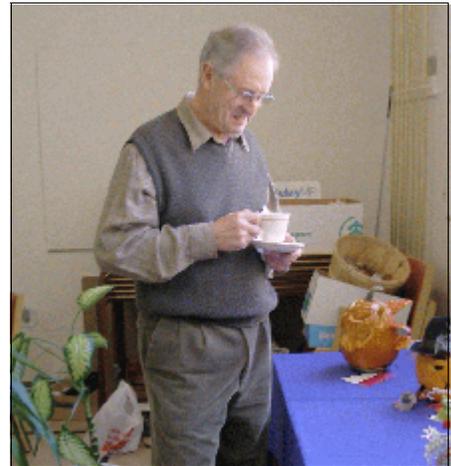
Don't put horse manure directly in the garden...it might result in lots of weeds. Buy the bags !

### ***Garden pet peeve ?***

People who do not compost. Everyone should be encouraged to make compost, including the city, to reduce landfill and gain some revenue.

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

I don't like flower garden that are too organized and I prefer a multitude of colour.



# General Meeting

## Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>

CNIB York Street

**Guest Speaker: Carol Anne Friedrich**  
**“Daylilies”**

Enjoy coffee and desserts from 1:15 pm  
Browse through the many **Magazines** and  
**White Elephant Table Items**  
Door Prizes - 50/50 Draw



## Introducing the Guest Speaker

**Carole Anne Friedrich** began growing daylilies in her garden in Sudbury in 1991 and today grows more than 400 varieties on her property on North Shore Road in Field, a small rural village located between North Bay and Sudbury. She is a member of the **Ontario Daylily Society** and the **American Hemerocallis Society** and enjoys sharing her knowledge about successfully growing daylilies. Carole Anne and her husband welcome visitors in late July and early August each year to tour their gardens and purchase daylilies from their extensive collection at **DIG Daylily Gardens**. They suggest that you call first to make an appointment. You can reach **DIG Daylily Gardens** by phone at (705) 758-6214 or by e-mail at [2.digdaylilies@ontera.net](mailto:2.digdaylilies@ontera.net)

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.... Carole Anne Friedrich

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## ***OHA Fundraising Opportunity***

### **How Do You Turn Gardening Glory into Cash?**

*Ed Lawrence Has the Answer!*

Ed Lawrence, retired chief horticultural specialist at Rideau Hall for 30 years and CBC's popular radio phone-in gardening expert, has joined with the Ontario Horticultural Association to raise money in support of OHA society and club programs and activities. The vehicle is Ed's newly-released book, "Gardening Grief and Glory – Ed Lawrence Answers Your Gardening Questions", a compendium of the many stories of horticultural peril and redemption that he has encountered over more than two decades as the "gardening guru" on CBC radio noon's Monday gardening phone-in. The book is an anecdotal, voyeuristic journey of green-thumbed discovery, sure to be of interest to both the nervous novice and trowel-worn expert alike.

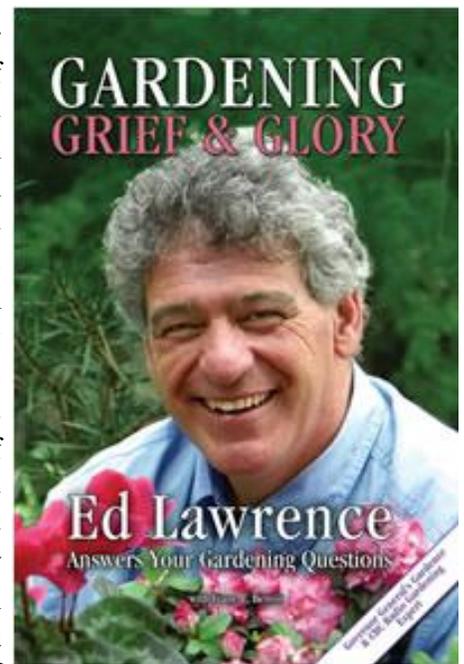
Ed, along with co-author and former Government House Attaché, Liane Benoit, has opted to self-publish the book in an effort to retain greater control over its distribution and allow for its use as a vehicle to raise money for a select number of charities and organizations. The Ontario Horticultural Association was Ed's first choice for support. As a longstanding society member and recipient of the OHA's prestigious "Award of Merit", he saw this as an opportunity to give something tangible back to an organization he feels has done so much to promote horticultural interests in the province. "The OHA was an obvious choice for me" said Ed, "it's been a privilege to have the wonderful career I have had at both Rideau Hall and with the CBC and now that I am retired from Government House, I'd like to do what I can to help the OHA support and encourage other gardeners."

After consulting with the Board of Directors, the decision was unanimous to accept Ed's offer and put the fundraising opportunity out to all societies and clubs. There is no obligation to participate, but interested groups will have the opportunity to sell the book for the retail price of \$26.00 (plus GST) and receive a donation of \$4.00 for every book sold. In addition, all the books purchased through this fund raiser will be signed by Ed and will come with a handy bookmark inscribed with Ed's famous "40 to 1" water

and soap solutions for eliminating common garden pests. The three clubs or societies that sell the most books per capita based on paid membership will have the opportunity to have Ed make a presentation or participate, all expenses paid, at an event of their choice over the next year.

The total amount raised through this fund raiser will go directly back to the local society or club that makes the sale. Given the size of many groups and the number of gardeners familiar with Ed's work - to say nothing of the birthday, Christmas and hostess gift requirements this book could satisfy - proceeds could quickly add up to several hundred dollars and support a range of society activities, resources and programs. The fund raiser will run from the beginning of March until June 30th, with the three winners of the "event with Ed" to be announced at the OHA Convention in Owen Sound in August.

To find out more about the book, peruse the Table of Contents or view some sample pages, please go to Ed's web site at [www.gardeningwithed.com](http://www.gardeningwithed.com) District Directors will be contacting each society president shortly to determine if their group wishes to participate so please let your director know if you are interested. An information package will be mailed out shortly to all participating societies and clubs; it includes a sample copy of the book (to be donated to the library afterwards), an order form and a simple list of instructions and FAQs.



So how do you turn your gardening glory into cash? Request an information package and find out!

## An Evening With Ed Lawrence

The Callander Horticultural Society is pleased and proud to be hosting "An Evening With Ed Lawrence".

We cordially invite all your members and the general public, to come, meet, and hear Mr. Lawrence speak on Thursday, June 12th, 2008 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. at the Callander Community Centre on Swale Street, Callander. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served after his presentation. There will be draws for door prizes. He will have his book for sale and will autograph any you purchase. Bring along your camera. I am sure there will be photo-ops as well. Tickets are \$10.00 per person. We encourage you to get a group together and come to hear Ed Lawrence.

Mr. Lawrence was the Head Gardener to a 30 year succession of Canadian Governors General and Prime Ministers for more than two decades. Ed has shared his encyclopaedic knowledge of the horticultural world with callers to CBC Radio's weekly noon-hour phone-in gardening show, one of the longest running and most popular segments in Canadian broadcast history. Now retired from Rideau Hall, this "Gardening Guru" has written a book entitled "Gardening Grief & Glory". This book takes both the trowel worn expert and the nervous novice through a journey of green-thumbed discovery.

Proceeds from this event will go towards the construction of a gazebo in Memory Tree Park on Main St. Callander. Tickets are already selling. If you wish tickets, please call me at 705-752-2565; or email [me.....tedreed@ontera.net](mailto:me.....tedreed@ontera.net). There will only be 375 tickets sold. You can pre-order your tickets; we will hold them until May 23rd, at which time they must be paid for in full.

We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,  
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Fax: 705-752-5619  
[tedreed@ontera.net](mailto:tedreed@ontera.net)

### ANNOUNCEMENT !

The Parkside Older Adult Centre is putting on an African Violet workshop - seminar on **April 3** for Violet Basics & Beginners.

A second presentation on **April 10** is geared to the more Advanced & for Judges.

If interested, call the centre at  
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Tickets - \$60.00

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Former OHA president Madeline Hobson will host a lunch for us in her garden and we will enjoy dinner at Yesterday's Resort on the French River.  
(All meals are included in the ticket price.)

Tickets for this bus trip will be available at all Sudbury Horticultural Society meetings and events in March, April and May.

*For further information please contact*

**Linda or Wayne Hugli**  
**693-2476**

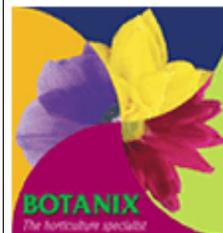
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