



# Greely Gardeners Group

## *Newsletter*

June 2010

### GREELY GARDENERS EVENTS

**Saturday, June 19 – Neighbourhood Gardens Walk** (formerly called the Members' Gardens Tour)

This year the GGG will be changing the format of our Members' Gardens Tour. Instead of driving to a number of different locations, we have organized a **Neighbourhood Gardens Walk** through **members' gardens in the Greely West area**.

Four member's gardens are open on Saturday June 19<sup>th</sup> and are located at **6515; 6485; 6474; and 6461 Waddion Drive**. There will be a few balloons at the end of the four driveways to let you know which gardens are open to visitors. They will be open any time from 11:00 am to 2:00pm.

For those who do not know where Waddion Drive is located – the easiest way is to follow directions from the Greely Community Centre, which you all know:

Leaving the Greely Community Centre turn left on **Meadow Drive** toward **Parkway Road**, turn left; Follow **Parkway Road**, through the traffic lights at Old Prescott Road to **Stagecoach Road**.

At the stop sign, turn right onto **Stagecoach Road**; then take the 1st left onto **Greely West Drive**.

Follow **Greely West Drive** and take the 3rd right onto **Waddion Drive**; park anywhere on the street and walk from garden to garden. If you get lost, please phone 613-821-7445 and we will help you out!

**July or August -- event to be determined**

**Group Field Trip to Local Public Garden**

As the plans for this trip progress, the information will be provided in the July Newsletter and posted on the GGG web site... stay tuned!

### OTHER GARDENING EVENTS

- **Manotick Horticultural Society:** Throughout the summer, garden tours are scheduled for June 14, July 12 and August 9. Times to be announced. These tours are for MHS members only.
- **Russell and District Horticultural Society:** June 2010 - Workshop on preparing for a flower show with horticultural judge, Sheila King. 1-4pm at the Legion, 24 Legion Lane in Russell. The date had to be changed so please check website (<http://www.russellgardeners.ca/events.html>) to see rescheduled date. Also: Monday, June 21, 7pm at the Legion, Lion's Den Plant Auction (outside if weather is good), Spring Flower and Photography Show. (See details on the website above.)
- **Osgoode Garden Club:** Meetings held on the third Wednesday of the month, 7:00 p.m. at the Osgoode Library on Osgoode Main Street. For information call Louise Boudreau 613-826-0385.

## MAY 29 ANNUAL SPRING PLANT SALE

The **2010 Annual Spring Plant Sale** that took place on Saturday, May 29 at Andrew Shields Park was another great success raising funds that we will use for speakers and events in the coming year. The weather was very cooperative this year and there was a good turnout. We sold everything by 10:30am.

We thank all members who brought plants to the sale, and thank all those who purchased plants. We hope that your plants will thrive in their new homes.



## JUNE 3 GGG MEETING - PHILIP FRY ON "WILDFLOWERS" ...



Philip Fry gave an extremely informative session; first using a series of slides to provide details about the conditions necessary for a wildflower garden (including climate, topography, soil types, drainage, and the natural processes of plant succession). He then provided specific information on plants suitable for shade and sunny gardens for this part of Ontario. He also had brought a whole range of plants with him that he enthusiastically discussed, noting their merits and growing conditions.

For further details on Phillip Fry and his landscape garden restoration project; "The Old-Field Garden Project", go to [www.oldfieldgarden.on.ca](http://www.oldfieldgarden.on.ca)

## NOTE FROM ANDREW AITKINS (see January Newsletter)

Six Brugmansia/Angel's Trumpet cuttings survived the winter and are now potted up, fertilized and actively growing! If any GGG members are interested in trying these gorgeous (but somewhat demanding) plants, they are available for sale \$20. Proceeds go to the Bronson Centre gardening project.

Andrew also has a good supply of *Eisenia foetida* (red wiggler worms) for vermicomposting at \$20 for a bag of starter worms, complete with detailed instructions. Andrew's phone number is **613-230-4078**.

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### Greely Gardeners Group – 2009-10 Executive Committee

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**Treasurer** - Melissa MacDonald 821-9680; **Past-President** - Shelagh Heatlie 821-0816; **Secretary** – Sue Young 821-9108;

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