



# THE FOUNDATION CONNECTION

Voice of the Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation  
 "Conserving Our Natural Heritage!"

## Volunteering means many things.....



We are always looking for volunteers

We appreciate the many hours that our volunteers have committed to our projects. If you would like to get involved, please contact us at 519 376-3076 or e-mail us at [foundation@greysauble.on.ca](mailto:foundation@greysauble.on.ca)



### Volunteers for 2012

#### Year One

Gary Betsworth  
 Allan Bittorf  
 Hamish Boddy  
 Ian Boddy  
 Taylor Calvert  
 Ron Crowley  
 Larry Cunningham  
 Nate DeBoer  
 Heather Greenfield  
 Chris Hill  
 Kierston McCutcheon  
 Dawn Prior  
 Kathy Vaughan  
 Matt Vokes  
 Bonita Woodhouse  
 Jessie & Les Szilagyi

#### Year Two

Ed Barker  
 Joe Buchanan  
 Mark Calvert  
 Janice Collins  
 Rosemary Cutbush  
 Quentin Docherty  
 Dennis Knight  
 Paul McKenzie  
 Mike Poetker  
 Peter Reesor  
 Christine Silvester  
 Peter Silvester  
 Sarah Stephenson  
 Loreen Taylor  
 Colleen Walker

Alana Warwick  
 Allan Wilcox  
 Abigail & Gregory Woodcock

#### Year Three

John Cottrill  
 Don Knight  
 Inglis Phinney  
 St. Mary's School  
 Brian Smith

#### Year Four

Mike Pobjoy  
 Crystal Rose  
 Don Sankey  
 Lee Thurston  
 Elaine Van Den Kieboom  
 Elly Ward  
 Val Weston

#### Year Five

Ruth Calvert  
 Nancy Guest  
 Harold Maxwell  
 Bruce Shepperd  
 Emily Vandermeulen  
 Marjorie VanDyk

#### Year Six

Wendy Calvert-Morris  
 Tim Lanthier  
 Michael Martin  
 Brian Murray  
 Ashley Wilcox

#### Year Six

Beaver Valley Bruce Trail Club  
 Bruce Ski Club  
 Dave Cunningham  
 Ruth Cunningham  
 David Ellingwood  
 Friends of Eugenia Falls  
 Judy Gay  
 Georgian Bay Garden Club  
 Ross Herron  
 Cliff Keeling  
 Brian Luinstra  
 Owen Sound Ski Club  
 Peninsula Bruce Trail Club  
 Doreen Robinson  
 Sauble X Country Ski Club  
 Don Smith  
 Sydenham Bruce Trail Club  
 Sydenham Sportsmen's Assoc.

#### Year Eight

Cam Bennett  
 Gloria Dangerfield  
 Doris Greenfield  
 Bob Lennox  
 Les McKay  
 David Port

#### Year Nine

Dave Clarke  
 Harley Greenfield  
 Terry McKay  
 Bill Moses  
 Murray Peer

#### Year Ten

Allyson Hibma  
 Doug Hill  
 Cecilie Moses

#### Year Eleven

Terry Belton  
 John Bittorf  
 Nancy Brown  
 Bruce Calvert  
 Anne Cathrae  
 Bonnie Downs  
 Bryon Downs  
 Marg Gaviller  
 Merle & Sheila Gunby  
 Chris Hachey  
 Dick Hibma  
 Doug Hill  
 Marg Johnston  
 Barry Klages  
 Anne Lennox  
 Jim Manicom  
 Krista McKee  
 Carl Sadler  
 Rodney Saunders  
 Peter Smith  
 Andy Sorensen  
 Jason Traynor  
 Jack Westlake



### Chair's Message

One of the most pleasant duties of the Chair of the Foundation is to participate in the presentation of the Malcolm Kirk Environmental Scholarship. This year the Foundation awarded the scholarship to Rachel de Jong. There is a full report on the next page.

The Board and Foundation volunteers have successfully operated the Foundation along with the capable and willing support of Authority staff. Our thanks and deep appreciation to Authority staff for their many hours of assistance and encouragement.

Without the cost of having a full-time staff person of our own, we know that we will be able to increase our financial commitment to the Authority.

We have been planning our fund-raising, **Celebration for Conservation** dinner for months. We look forward to you joining us on Friday, September 27th for a delicious dinner and a fun-filled evening.



Judy Gay

## COMING EVENTS FOR 2013

Memorial Forest Commemorative Ceremony

Sunday, June 9 at 2:00 pm will be the Fifteenth Annual Commemorative Tree Planting Ceremony. This ceremony symbolizes all the trees purchased in memory of a loved one in the year 2012. Staff are expecting 500 guests.

Fundraising Dinner—has returned Friday, September 27, 2013 Join us at the Harry Lumley Bayshore Community Centre at 6:00 pm for a fun filled evening.

**Celebration for Conservation** dinner guests, Peter Rissi Jazz Trio and local comedian Johnny Gardhouse will tickle your funny bone! Browse around and take part in the many unique and interesting silent and live auction items, raffles and games. Buffet Dinner catered by the Green Door Café. Tickets are \$50.00 per person.

Volunteer Appreciation Night - Each year in December, this special evening is hosted in honour of all the volunteers that support Grey Sauble Conservation and the Foundation.



Keep in touch by visiting our webpage <http://foundation.greysauble.on.ca/>

### GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

**VISION :** To support a healthy environment in balance with society.

**MISSION:** To raise funds and provide resources in support of Grey Sauble Conservation, its policies and activities that protect natural habitats, and its efforts to enhance biodiversity and environmental awareness.

### FOUNDATION DIRECTORS

Judy Gay, Chair (*GSC Appointment*)  
 Ed Barker, Treasurer  
 Don Knight, Past Chair  
 Janice Collins  
 Marg Gaviller  
 Christine Silvester  
 Harley Greenfield, (*GSC Appointment*)  
 Merle Gunby  
 Don Sankey  
 Colleen Walker  
 Chris Hachey, (*GSC Appointment*)  
 Jan Chamberlain, (*GSC Appointment*)  
 Dave Clarke, (*GSC Appointment*)

### Celebration for Conservation Friday, September 27, 2013

Harry Lumley Bayshore Community Centre Owen Sound  
 Social Hour 6:00 pm Dinner 7:15 pm  
 Tickets \$50.00  
 Catering by **The Green Door**

**Entertainment**  
 Peter Rissi Jazz Trio  
 Comedian Johnny Gardhouse  
 Live & Silent Auctions  
 Sponsor **Heritage PLACE** shopping centre  
 Grey Sauble Conservation **FOUNDATION**  
 Tickets available by calling - 519 376-3076

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## Wildwater "SPRING ICE WATER SAFETY PROGRAM"

The Wildwater Safety Program is delivered each year in the late winter and early spring to children in Grades 4 and 5 about the dangers of spring ice water and hypothermia. This spring, Judy Gay and Krista McKee visited 11 schools and facilitated a home school group at the Administration Centre. Over five hundred students in the watershed benefitted from the program. This year, the Ontario Power Generation and the Kiwanis Club of Owen Sound were community partners in providing assistance with the program and "Stay Clear, Stay Safe" printed material supplied by OPG was distributed to the students and teachers.

## 2013 Environmental Scholarship

Each year the Foundation offers a \$1,000 Environmental Scholarship to a student pursuing a post-secondary school education in an environmentally related program. In 2012 the Foundation renamed the scholarship in memory of Malcolm Kirk, the first General Manager (1957) of North Grey Region and Sauble Valley Conservation Authority—now called Grey Sauble Conservation. Mac Kirk was instrumental in acquiring over 80% of Grey Sauble's landholdings. He was a true conservationist and his forward thinking in securing public lands is enjoyed by everyone today. On June 3rd, 2013, Mrs. Malcolm Kirk, presented the Foundation cheque to the 2013 winner, Rachel de Jong, of West Hill Secondary School, Owen Sound. (Left to right) Judy Gay Chair of the Foundation, Rachel de Jong and Joan Kirk.



## 2013 Earth Day Hike

Bruce Calvert and Cindy Dudley, volunteer from the Bank of Montreal, were busy organizing another successful Earth Day Hike with Meaford Community, St. Vincent Euphrasia Public School and Georgian Bay Secondary School. Students hiked the Georgian Trail and raised approximately \$3,500. Half of the proceeds will be distributed to the participating schools as part of their fundraising initiatives.

## Memorial Forest

The Memorial Forest Committee has been working with staff preparing new interpretive plaques for the three Memorial Forest Sites—Pottawatomi, Big Mud Lake and Griersville. The three signs will explain what the Memorial Forest is about, how you can purchase a tree in memory of a loved one and participate in the annual ceremony. As well as the interpretive signs, there will be a new plaque sign placed at Griersville Memorial Forest. The new memorial plaque sign will have all the names for whom trees have been planted. The sign is constructed of aluminum and the backboard is baked enamel. These materials will better endure the weather elements than the wooden sign that is currently on this site. The cost for the four signs is \$6,500.00 installed.



## 2013 Annual General Meeting



The Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday, April 10th at the Grey Sauble Conservation Administration Centre located on Inglis Falls Road. John Cottrill, CAO of Grey Sauble Conservation conducted the annual elections for the Foundation Board Members. Judy Gay was elected Chair. Annual Reports were reviewed including the 2011 Audit Statements prepared by BDO.

An important part of the Annual meeting is the recognition given to those who donate to the Foundation Donor Recognition Program. This year Bruce Calvert reached the Foundation Patron level and received a personal glass plaque with a bronze leaf. A leaf will also be added on the Donor Tree located at the front entrance of the Administration Building. Photo left to right—Bruce Calvert, Marg Gaviller and Don Knight

## DID YOU KNOW.....

.....On October 15, 1954, low-lying areas were hit hard by Hurricane Hazel. Mill Creek (located on the east side of the Beaver Valley) swelled and washed out the road in the valley. The road remained closed for 48 years. In 2002 the county undertook rebuilding the road and placing a culvert in the road to handle storm flows. This culvert measures—50.2 metres (165 feet) long x 12.1 metres (40 feet wide) and 7.7 metres (25 feet) tall. What we call the largest culvert in Grey County.

The devastating impact of Hurricane Hazel was felt by everyone in southwestern Ontario and was the driving force in bringing a regional approach to flood control and water management in Ontario. Conservation Authorities, local municipalities and the province took form after Hazel. Today, these organizations play a significant role in the protection of life and property from natural hazards, such as flooding. After Hurricane Hazel, the provincial government amended the Conservation Authorities Act to enable an authority to acquire lands for recreation, conservation purposes and to regulate that land for the safety of the community.

As well, flood control mechanisms were put into place—stream gauges /stations became operational and rainfall networks were organized, providing the ability to forecast and warn against potential flooding. Operational practices were also designed to respond immediately to changing conditions.

In 1957 and 1958 North Grey Region and Sauble Valley Conservation Authorities were created (renamed in 1985 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority).

.....Elwood Moore, a founding member of the North Grey Region Conservation Authority - drops in every year for the December Full Authority Meeting (Photos—left, Elwood Moore 1958, and 1999)



## A Reminder to Renew your Membership



YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!  
Purchase a **membership** of the Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation today!

A membership of the Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation provides you with a season's pass for Hibou and Inglis Falls Conservation Areas, one or more newsletters a year and one vote at the Annual General Meeting. A tax receipt will be issued for any donation over the \$25.00 membership fee.

Yes, please sign me up for an annual membership    Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ New \_\_\_\_\_  
Membership    \$25.00    (check one)  
Donation    \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make cheque payable to Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation

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E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help with events: hike-a-thon, lunch counter, stuffing envelopes, memorial forest ceremony, tree planting, volunteer appreciation or data entry. (Please circle your interests)