Chair’s Message

It has been a very busy fall for the Board members. We are now recuperating from a very successful ‘Dinner for Conservation’, raising over twelve thousand dollars for our programs. Thank you to everyone from making it such an engaging evening: The music (the Peter Rissi Trio), the dining experience (The Green Door, Wiarton), the entertainment (Johnny Gardhouse), the wonderful gifts for the live and silent auctions (the community-at-large), and the beautiful and delightful room and table decorations supervised by Betty Adair. The whole operation would not have happened without the leadership and great ideas of Chris Hachey. Our next dinner will be in 2015. We look forward to seeing you.

We are now planning and sending out invitations for our Volunteer Appreciation Evening to be held on Tuesday, December 3rd at 7 pm at the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Administration building. Norah Toth will be our guest speaker. As always, there will be delicious finger food.

Thank you for your continued support.

Judy Gay

COMING EVENTS FOR 2013 and 2014

Volunteer Appreciation Night - December 3, 2013 Each year in December, this special evening is hosted in honour of all the volunteers that support Grey Sauble Conservation and the Foundation.

Annual General Meeting—March 2014, date to be announced.

Tree Seedling Sale—The April 26, 2014 8:00 am til Noon. The Foundation will be hosting the annual BBQ for those HUNGRY Tree Shoppers. If you are interested in volunteering at the BBQ or the tree sale, please let us know.

Thank you Merle

Merle Gunby has been a member of the Foundation Board of Directors for 11 years. He is passionate about conservation programs and projects and is always ready to lend a helping hand or embark upon a research project.

Members will miss Merle at the Foundation meetings.

Merle will continue to volunteer with the Grey Sauble Conservation Arboretum Alliance. As well, you will find him tending trees in the “Arboretum Trees of Grey and Bruce”.

http://foundation.greysauble.on.ca/
A Dinner For Conservation

The Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation “Celebration for Conservation” dinner and entertainment fund-raising event was a great success. The event was held on Friday September 27 at the Bayshore Community Centre in Owen Sound with over 180 people in attendance. The evening highlights included a fabulous silent and live auction event, raffles, live jazz music with the Peter Rissi Trio, dinner and plenty of laughs with comedian Johnny Gardhouse. The evening event raised just over $12,000.00 to benefit our local conservation work. The Foundation would like to thank the many volunteers, community sponsors and dinner attendees for helping make this event a true “Celebration for Conservation”. The biennial “Celebration for Conservation” event will take place next in 2015; we hope to see you there.

Memorial Forest update

The Memorial Forest Committee is working with staff to complete the final two Memorial Plaque Signs, Pottawatomi and Big Mud Lake. The signs will be installed in the spring, 2014.

A Living Memorial

The Foundation has three plantations where our Memorial Forests are situated; Big Mud Lake (Wiarton), Pottawatomi (Owen Sound), and Griersville (Beaver Valley). A tree may be purchased in memory of a loved one, for fifty dollars. An official tax receipt will be issued. A Commemorative Ceremony is held each year for the families and donors of the trees, June 8, 2014.

The name of the loved one is placed on the plaque at the selected planting site. You can fill out a form on our website to purchase a tree.

Thank you to our Key Sponsors
Heritage Place Shopping Centre
Middlebro’ and Stevens
BDO Owen Sound

Don Sankey, Vice Chair ready for the game

The new plaque sign at Griersville
This year the Foundation teamed up with the local “Mid-western Ontario Geocachers” at Hibou Conservation Area to raise awareness of Geocaching and the program “Cache-in Trash-out”. The two caches were hidden and found. A truck load of trash was picked up. The Hike-a-thon was lead by Bob Knapp. Bob Knapp, author of Hibou’s History, also a strong advocate, in the 70’s, of purchasing Hibou continues today as Chairman of The Friends of Hibou.

The Best Western, Inn on the Bay, sponsored a Barbeque lunch. Thank you to everyone that participated, sponsored and geocached! It was an eventful and enjoyable day!

Hibou is located on the east shore of Owen Sound. A great place to explore, and watch migrating shore birds in the spring and fall.

A Reminder to Renew your Membership

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

| Name:__________________________ | Address:__________________________________________________________ |
| City: ________________________ | Province:______________ |
| Postal Code:__________ | Telephone:__________ |
| E-mail:____________________ | Phone:__________________________ |

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.

Our Mailing Address is:
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Visit www.FriendsofHibou.com
To see what improvements they are doing at Hibou. They are always looking for volunteers.
Volunteering means many things......

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

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DID YOU KNOW ........

...the Foundation was established in 1993 and is a Federally registered, charitable, not-for-profit organization that raises money to assist Grey Sauble Conservation fund programs and projects. Past Projects throughout the years: Bognor Marsh Management Area boardwalk; Inglis Falls Conservation Area - Arboretum pavilion, trails and interpretive signs; trail clean-up at Eugenia Falls Conservation Area. On-going Program Assistance: Wildwater (spring ice-water safety for Grades 4 and 5) and BioMap Water Quality Monitoring.

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2000 Wheelchair accessible viewing platform at Inglis Falls Conservation Area.

Quilt Donated by Mae Kuhl in 2001. Raffle Tickets were sold to raise funds for Foundation Projects.

2001 Awards Ceremony From left to right Foundation Directors: Kelly Tost, Jock Robinson, and Marg Gaviller presenting the bronze Award to Bonnie and Bryan Downs.