



FOUNDATION CONNECTION

The Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation was established in 1993 and is a federally registered, charitable, not-for-profit organization that raises money to assist the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (GSCA) fund programs and projects. The Foundation offers opportunities for the public to actively participate in conserving and enhancing the natural heritage that exists within the GSCA watershed.



Memorial Forest Tree Planting

2022 Accomplishments

The Earth Film Festival

After a two-year hiatus due to COVID-19, the 5th annual Earth Film Festival was held at the Roxy Theatre on May 19, 2022. Audrey Armstrong's presentation on Bruce Grey Monarchs and the SK Films production "Flight of the Butterflies" were nothing short of inspiring. The festival included two matinee presentations for schools and an evening presentation that was open to the public.

Memorial Forests

The three Memorial Forest sites are maturing and expanding with new trees that were planted by GSCA staff and Foundation volunteers in May 2022. At this time, staff also tended to the existing memorial trees and completed necessary maintenance that keeps our Memorial Forest sites beautiful places to visit and remember loved ones.

Two Commemorative Ceremonies were held in June 2022 that honoured those who had a tree planted in their honour from 2020 - 2022.

Please remember that memorial trees must be purchased by March 31, 2023 to be included in the ceremony this year.

Supporting Programs and Capital Projects

The Foundation supported the Friends of Hibou Free Family Fun Day at Hibou Conservation Area. This event was a huge success and had lots of fun, educational activities for people to enjoy like guided hikes, reptiles, nature stations, and a BBQ lunch offered by the Optimist Club of Sydenham and District. A \$3000 donation was also made to the Friends of Hibou to assist with repairs to boardwalks at Hibou Conservation Area.

Educational Sponsorship and Conservation Awards

The Foundation awarded the \$2000 Malcolm Kirk Environmental Scholarship to Darryl Blair, a student from St. Mary's High School in Owen Sound. Darryl is pursuing his post-secondary education in Environmental Engineering at the University of Guelph.

We were also pleased to present Conservation Awards at 6 secondary schools. The \$200 award is available to students who demonstrate positive environmental and conservation ethics. The 2022 recipients were: Elijah McNair (Bruce Peninsula Secondary School), Hunter Maisonneuve (Peninsula Shores Secondary School), Emma Cornelisse (Georgian Bay Community School), Taylor Neil (Grey Highlands Secondary School), Amelia Jensen (St. Mary's High School), and Amelia Patterson (Owen Sound District Secondary School).



Audrey Armstrong



Dick Hibma, Darryl Blair, & Don Sankey



Dates to Remember

April 20, 2023: Earth Film Festival at the Roxy Theatre in Owen Sound

June 11, 2023: Memorial Forest Ceremony

Grey Sauble Foundation 500 Club

The Grey Sauble Foundation 500 Club is a network of community leaders who recognize the importance of conserving nature. They support the Foundation in its efforts to raise funds for GSCA to protect natural habitats and increase environmental awareness. Grey Sauble Foundation 500 Club members make a commitment to donate \$500 per year or \$42 per month on a continuous basis to honour this support. 20% of your commitment will be directed to the Conservation Endowment Fund and 80% to Conservation projects.

Help Support Conservation Projects

Please consider making donations to the Foundation. We provide funds to help GSCA maintain our beautiful conservation areas. You can also show your support by purchasing a GSCA Membership (\$40 for residents and \$75 for non-residents) and enjoy visiting GSCA properties all year.

Doris Arnold Receives Gold Leaf on the "Tree of Giving"

Doris Arnold was presented with her gold leaf in March 2022, which commemorates \$25,000 of accumulated donations made to the Foundation. The leaf is now included on the "Tree of Giving" donor recognition wall located at the Grey Sauble Administration Building.

We would like to thank Doris for her many years of support. Her commitment to the Foundation was instrumental in establishing the three sites for the Memorial Forest Program.



Doris Arnold & Dick Hibma

Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation Members

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YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE! A donation to the Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation supports local conservation projects and increases environmental awareness in your community!

I would like to make a donation of: \$ _____ to support (please select one or more):

Conservation Endowment Fund Conservation Projects Environmental Education

Please contact me regarding a 500 Club donation

Sign me up for an annual Foundation Membership for \$25 that includes:

- An invitation to the AGM
- Notification of events
- The Foundation Connection Newsletter

Name: _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

I give permission to contact me with information on Foundation programs and activities, including the Memorial Forest program. **Yes**

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ *Please make cheque payable to Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation

Memberships can be renewed and donations can also be made online:

www.greysauble.on.ca/foundation/donations