



GREEN-THUM'N

by Eli Dryden

Seeing red

As was discussed in the first column, we'll start with a light esoteric explanation about the color red.

Do you ever wonder why certain colors are chosen, why colors turn you on or off, how you feel surrounded by a shade or hue, or even why holidays are represented by a predominant color and their meanings?

The explanation following will be fact and theory, so no arguments of right and wrong.

The simplest definition for the colors "black and white", which are not really true colors, is that white is the absorption of all wavelengths of the spectrum, while black is devoid of all the above.

A spectrum is a band of color seen when a beam of white light is passed through a prism of diffraction grating that separates each component of light according to wavelengths comprising from the longest wavelength, red, through orange, yellow, green, blue and indigo to the shortest wavelength, violet.

I'll bet you thought all there is to plants is water every week, change soil occasionally, feed monthly and enjoy the rest of the time. Not entirely wrong, but color does play an important part in plants and especially flowers, and really in one's life, since you're surrounded by mood setters.

Now that we have this all down pat, we'll begin with RED, which of course is a bright primary color at the opposite end of the spectrum from violet. I know someone will say, "What's primary mean in relation to color?" To which I shall reply, "The dictionary is the second greatest book."

Then another will say, "What has all this to do with 'Greenthumb'?" and I will reply, "Beats me, but I'm bored with watering, potting, feeding, changing and throw all caution to the wind." By the way, that's how I plant my seeds.

Esoterically speaking, red is a charger for vitality and stimulation.

It is to supply energy. Being the element of fire, it symbolizes life, power, purification, strength, enthusiasm. Strong words but for a strong color. Think about it.

The next time you look at, purchase of plan for gifts and garden, perhaps this column will add a special meaning to that special gift.

Visualize deep red roses, bright red carnations, fire red outdoor flowers, trees and shrubs. How do you feel? Now think about red velvet, the part red plays at Christmas time and what it represents or why it does not seem to fit certain occasions.

If you dislike red, why and how is your mood at this moment of thinking about it? Interesting, isn't it? Please remember to respect red, "a little goes a long way."

Hmmm! Very intriguing, the only place I have red in my house is the bedroom.

The third column will be on orange, so till then, hope you aren't seeing red, but looking through rose hues to see my green column.

Remember, fun.

Wolf photo wins

The brief but trying ordeal of Georgetown's Leo Wolf, who had to be pulled from the flood-swollen Credit River during last March's ice break-up in Glen Williams, provided dramatic subject matter for Hamilton Spectator photographer John Gast, whose shot of the 72-year old resident clinging for life to an ice floe has been named Spot News Picture of the Year by the Canadian Press news service. Captured in the foreground of the startling telephoto shot was Spectator reporter Mike Pettapiece, seen struggling up an embankment after falling in the river while attempting to rescue Mr. Wolf.

Goebelle attends convention

Hugh Goebelle of Georgetown will be among Brampton-Georgetown delegates attending the Feb. 25-27 general meeting of the Progressive Conservative Youth Federation in Ottawa. Young PCs from across Canada will plot strategies, advise the party, attend workshops and seminars, sit in on a House of Commons Question Period and enjoy receptions hosted by Joe Clark, MP John McDermid and the caucus Youth Advisor. Mr. Goebelle, son of Georgetown party worker Graeme Goebelle, was chosen as a delegate last October to the Federation meeting and as an alternate to the PC Party general meeting.

COMING EVENTS

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At Anon Family Group meetings at St. John's United Church, Guelph St. Daytime Group will meet Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. and Tuesday evenings at 8:30 p.m. At Anon tactfully offers help to anyone who needs to learn how to live with all the many difficulties which alcoholism can create or aggravate. For further information call 877-3013 or 877-3255.

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In memory of our Godson, Liam Sean Stevens, who died February 10, 1980. If roses grow in heaven, Lord, please pick a bunch with care, And place them in dear Liam's arms and tell him we'll always care. - Raymond, Lesley and Kelly. 10278m

CARDS OF THANKS

The family of the late Ivan Reynolds would like to express their thanks to Rev. P. Barrow, McClure-Jones Funeral Home, all the relatives, friends and neighbours for the floral arrangements, donations, food and cards of sympathy. A special thanks to the Canadian Legion Branch and the Auxiliary, Dr. A. Macintosh and the Georgetown nursing staff. Your help and kindness will always be remembered. - The Reynolds family. 10286colt

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