

# Horticultural Society bids goodbye to 1990

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Herald Special

The Georgetown Horticultural Society said good bye to 1990 on Dec. 5 when friends and members gathered at Knox Presbyterian Church for a social evening of a pot luck dinner, penny sale table, Christmas floral arrangement competition, carol singing and door prizes.

President, Verna Jespersen directed the penny sale table; Madge Whitfield directed the floral arrangement competition.

First prize winner, Sienna Van Hoekelin won the silver candlestick holders with her table centre piece designed out of red and white mums, a red candle, birds, Christmas ball decorations and her own garden greenery of pine and euonymus. Second prize went to Julie Varrickio for her mantle piece design made with red and white carnations and pine surrounding a hurricane lamp and candle. Third prize winner Jennifer Barnett entered a topiary design in the shape of a Christmas bell using carnations and evergreens. Good creative ability was evident in all arrangements entered. Well done everyone.

Elaine Vanderburg led the carol singing accompanied by Mrs. Barber. We extend to our pianist our special thanks and our very best wishes for 1991.

Christmas Poinsettias decorated the tables throughout the evening and were given out as door prizes at the end of the evening.

The society opened its 1991 year with its annual meeting held on Jan. 16. The Board of Directors include:

- President - Verna Jespersen
- Secretary - Mildred Dolson
- Treasurer - Jennifer Burnett
- Publicity - Elaine Vanderburg
- Membership - Julie Varrickio
- Auditor - Madge Whitfield
- Archives Yearbook - Queta Percy

Flower Show Convenor - Linda Baynes  
Social Convenor - Seinna Van Hoekelin  
Telephone Committee Convenor - Dorothy Hunsdale  
Program Convenor - Madge Whitfield  
Assistants - Marion Boyle and Jackie Murdoch.

Our special thanks goes to Jean Ruddell for officiating for the slate of officers.

Reports were given from the individual committees and the treasurer reported that a donation had been made to the Good Neighbours Association at Christmas on behalf of the Society and some members.

**Calendar of Events**  
Feb. 20 - "Transplanting" - David Schmidt from the Royal Botanical Gardens, Hamilton; a plant propagator, instructor and production supervisor is the guest speaker.

March 20 - "Basic Flower Arranging"

April 17 - Perennials  
May 15 - Spring Flower Show; Growing Herbs and Selected Uses

May 18 - Annual Plant and Shrub Sale

June 15 - Flower Show and Strawberry Social

Sept. 18 - Herbs, Flowers, Weeds - Drying, Preserving and Uses

Oct. 16 - Spring Flowering Bulbs, Pumpkin Pie Contest, Pumpkin Carving

Nov. 20 - Christmas Designs - Indoors and Outdoors

Dec. 11 - Christmas Pot Luck Dinner

**Other Areas of Interest**  
Courses - The University of Guelph now offers a home study program in Agriculture and Horticulture called - "There is no place like home study."

**Happenings**  
The Ontario Garden Festival is scheduled for Feb. 21 to 24, 1991 at

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The Annual Garden Show (used

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