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Everything's in bloom at Canadian Tire

Georgetown Canadian Tire garden centre cashier Gloria Kosziwka arranges the many flowers available at the store's garden centre. With the long weekend coming, many gardeners will be preparing their gardens and flower beds

to plant their flowers. Container gardening is this year's hot new trend and is perfect for those with limited space. See story page 3.

Photo by Ted Brown

Harwood's has all the dirt on proper landscaping

Todd Harwood is not the least bit afraid to get down and dirty.

As owner of the family business, Harwood's Horticultural Soil Farm and Nurseries, the Steeles Avenue business is the place to get the dirt on any landscaping job.

"I guess it could be said I have the dirt on dirt," said Harwood, "And we sell all sorts of custom blended soils and mulches to landscapers and private individuals to help them with all their needs to make their yards and gardens special."

With his wife Grace, the two have been in business from their 12144 Steeles Avenue location (just west of Trafalgar Road) for almost four years. The family, however, has been in the topsoil and mulch business since 1927, giving Todd and Grace lots of family background and experience to draw on.

The soils that are available are as diverse as they are different. They have several aggregates, blended topsoils, and many different types of mulch to meet the needs of any landscape project.

In addition, the location carries several

decorative rocks and stones to be used to fill walkways or create rock gardens and flowerbed.

"In our garden supplies, we carry both organic and non-organic supplies," says Grace, "We prefer to promote organic means of dealing with a certain problem, like weed control, but some customers demand chemical treatments, so we carry both."

Harwood added that all the soil mixtures are organic, utilizing the natural process to promote growth.

"We have eight different types of

mulch," says Todd, "They range from cedar mulch from British Columbia, to pine and hemlock varieties. The pine mulches are coloured with an organic dye that is environmentally friendly, so they hold their colours yet don't harm the environment. With coloured mulches, the customer can compliment the mulch colour to the house."

"Mulches work great if you hate pulling weeds," jokes Grace, "They not only work to control weed growth, naturally, like in the forest floor, but they also

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