

Annual Report - Victorian School Museum
Garden project -
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Volunteers began work on the Museum Gardens in the fall of 1988. Majorie Landreeping brought their heavy equipment and rototilled the side yard of the school grounds, and spread the loads of top soil given by the Don McRae farm.

During the winter of 1989 the research into Victorian garden design and appropriate plant material was done by Agnes Clveson. The garden plans for the whole area were drawn up by Agnes Clveson, Pat Clveson and Margaret Clegg. These plans were presented to the Executive members of both the Carleton Place Horticultural Society and the Historical Society and were accepted.

In May, 1989, volunteers of both societies erected a temporary snow fence to protect the garden area. Local farms were contacted by Kerin Finkler to see if they could give materials. The response was very generous and they provided free of cost most of the top soil, gravel for paths, trellis materials, cocoa mulch, window boxes and sod.

The Horticulture Society held a very successful plant sale, the proceeds of which amounted to \$1,000. This money was used

to rent a back hoe for excavation of pathways,
for wooden curbing and for plant materials.

The gardens were officially opened by
Mayor Barker on July 8th at a tea party
held in conjunction with the Society's
Garden Tour.

I wish to thank the Executive and
members of the Carleton Place Horticultural
Society for their help and co-operation
during the past year in getting Phase I
of the gardens successfully accomplished.

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of the Victorian School Museum
Gardens.