

Our History - Open House

February 22, 2026

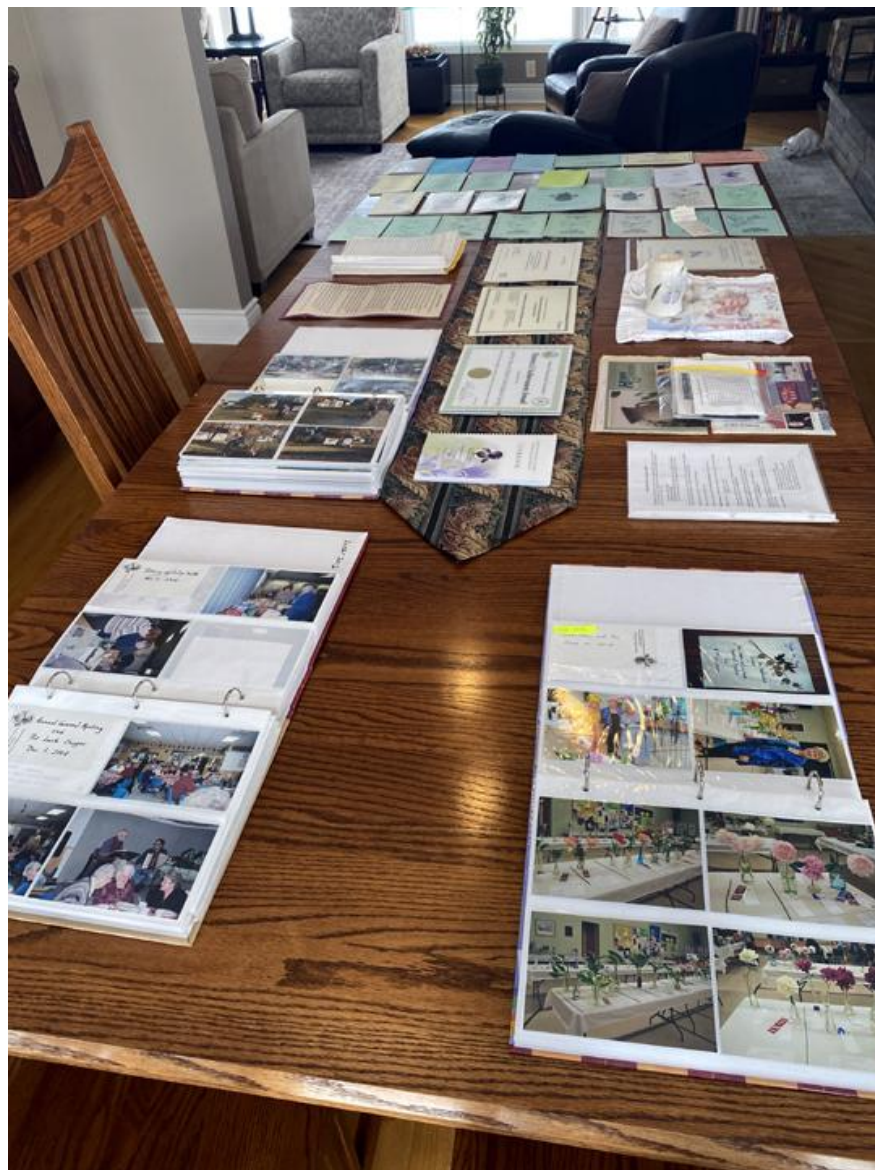
A project began in late 2025 to accumulate the documentary and photographic records of the Carleton Place and District Horticultural Society into one place. That was accomplished by mid February 2026. The collection is a treasure trove of memories -- a few going back over 100 years.

With the known records now assembled into a single collection we have two primary goals. The first is to find a secure local archive to house the original records where they will be safe and accessible for everyone today and into the future. The second goal is to digitally scan photographs and other materials including but not limited to newsletters, yearbooks, awards etc and add them to the [Society's OUR HISTORY webpage](#) so they are organized chronologically and publicly accessible to view or print.

Open House – Our History

On February 22nd 2026 members, past members and those with an interest were invited to an open house where the materials could be seen and acquaintances renewed. It was a fun day with some of the founding members of the modern Carleton Place & District Horticultural Society also attending -- they had some stories...

Here are pictures of some of the collection taken a few minutes before the open house began:



AN EXCELLENT SHOW

The First made by the Local Horticultural Society.

The first exhibition of the Carleton Place Horticultural Society was held in the town hall on Friday last, and was a decided success. The officers were new to the work and hardly knew where to begin, and yet there was a large exhibit of both plants and cut flowers, and many really fine specimens; in fact the expert judge, Mr. White of Ottawa, expressed surprise and delight at the magnificence of the first show.

The gladiolas were especially good, the display of Mr. W. McNeely being exceptionally fine. The asters, poppies, pansies, salvia and sweet peas were also good, whilst the potted plants and miscellaneous added to the attractiveness of the whole.

On the side the Sunshine Y served refreshments during the afternoon and evening, the proceeds from their effort being devoted to the volunteers from our own town at Valcartier, and the handsome sum of \$60 was raised for this laudable purpose.

An incident of the evening was the opening of five blossoms on a night blooming cactus – Queen of the Night. The aroma from the beautiful white flowers filled the entire hall. The society was fortunate in having the plant bloom at the opportune time.

The Gordon orchestra furnished music during the evening.

-Carleton Place Herald, August 4, 1914

EXECUTIVE MINUTES 2010

**CARLETON PLACE & DIST. HORT. SOCIETY
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES FOR 2005/06/07**

**CARLETON PLACE & DIST. HORT. SOCIETY
EXECUTIVE MINUTES FOR 2005/06/07**

Carleton Place & Dist. Hort. Soc.
EXECUTIVE MINUTES - 2007



Chesapeake Horticultural Association
District 2 Achievement Award
Presented to the
Garden Place & District Horticultural Society
Awarding the highest number of Garden Place members in 2015
Kathy [unclear]
April 2015



4 P. Home, 1st Floor, 1st Unit
11/15/15
Kathy [unclear]
Garden Place & District Horticultural Society
11/15/15

Volunteer Service

Certificate of Merit



TOWN OF CARLETON PLACE PROUDLY SALUTES

CARLETON PLACE AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

in grateful recognition of your contribution to your Community

Director of
Leisure and Community
Services

Mayor
Town of Carleton Place

May 15, 1993

Dated





CARLETON PLACE
HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY

YEARBOOK
1989



YEARBOOK 1991

Entry
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CARLETON PLACE
HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Name: *Martha Macdonald*
Address: *1000 St. Lawrence St.*
City: *Carleton Place, Ont.*
Phone: *416-882-1111*

CARLETON PLACE
HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY



YEARBOOK 1992

Carleton Place
and District
Horticultural
Society

M. Macdonald
Carleton Place
District
Horticultural

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Carleton Place Horticultural Society

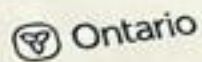
has been designated by the Ontario Ministry of
Agriculture and Food as an incorporated organization
within the meaning of the
Agricultural and Horticultural Organizations Act.

Jack Hagarty

Director, Rural Organizations and Services Branch

Dated this 28 day of June, 1989





This is to certify that / Certificat attestant que
Carleton Place Horticultural Society
has changed its name to

Carleton Place & District Horticultural Society

has been designated by the Ontario Ministry
of Agriculture and Food as an
incorporated organization within the
meaning of the Agricultural and
Horticultural Organizations Act.

a été reconnue(e) par le ministère de
l'Agriculture et de l'Alimentation
comme entité constituée en personne morale
au sens de la Loi sur les organisations agricoles et
horticoles.


(Acting) Director, Client Services
Directeur intérimaire, Services à la clientèle

this 15th day of July 2002
Ce quinzième jour de juillet 2002



Carleton Place and District Horticultural Society
2009 and 2010
Archives

Carleton Place and District Horticultural Society
2015 to 2018
Archives





2006-2012

Picking up tulip bulbs
Nov. 5, 2008

Annual General Meeting
and
Pot Luck Supper
Dec. 3, 2008

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YEARBOOK
1989

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HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

CLASS 2

SECTION _____

ARTICLE Yearbook,
without advertising

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Until After Judging
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EXHIBITOR'S NO. _____ 19 91

NAME Wendy J. LeBlanc

ADDRESS 108 Bell St.,
Carleton Place, Ont.
K7C 1V4

fold as per above
Wendy J. LeBlanc
EXHIBITOR MUST SIGN IN ABOVE SPACE

*Neither's Awards & Identifications Ltd.
321 Huron St. - London, Ontario*

YEARBOOK 199

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