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May 9, 2011.

To whom it may concern:

Edith George, 39 Verobeach Blvd., Weston, Ontario, M9M 1 P7 has been a member of the Weston Historical Society for some time and has served as a Director of the Executive. She has also been an active and knowledgeable member of the community.

During her time as a member of the Executive, Edith showed great initiative and organizing ability with regard to the programs of the Weston Historical Society.

Since her time on the Executive, Edith has gained wide recognition for her work in the field of promoting the preservation of our environmental heritage.

Any project Edith has undertaken, has been completed efficiently and thoroughly and as a result has been a success.

Yours truly,

Mary Louise Ashbourne
President, Weston Historical Society



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July 19, 2010

RE: Edith George

To whom it may concern:

Recently, Edith George participated as one of a number of speakers in a series of lectures on forests and forestry issues for the Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre. Edith spoke on the research of and benefits of historic trees, particularly in the Toronto area, but also touching on designated historic trees in other parts of Ontario. You can find the information on our website at <http://www.brucemuseum.ca/calendar/forestry-series-2010/>.

Edith was well prepared and organized, and spoke well on her topic. Especially of interest were the questions that came from the audience during the Q&A part of the presentation. I can always tell if the audience found the presentation interesting by the number of and type of questions asked. Edith's presentation was of great interest to the audience.

I would definitely recommend Edith's presentation to your group for an entertaining and interesting talk.

Sincerely,

Nancy White
Program Coordinator

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CALEDON HERITAGE FOUNDATION

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November 18, 2012

To whom it may concern:

Re: Edith George.

This letter is to record our delight in having asked Edith George to be the keynote speaker at the Caledon Heritage Foundation's Annual General Meeting held on November 15th, 2012.

Heritage Caledon, our town municipal heritage committee, had conducted a tree hunt for significant trees in the town during the summer and Edith's presentation, supported by her colleagues from the Ontario Urban Forest Council, put everything into context and invigorated those that attended to continue to strive towards incorporating trees into the heritage preservation work that we do.

Edith's is an engaging presentation which takes the audience in some unexpected directions but which communicates the main message in a very effective manner. The story even turned out to have a link to Caledon!

We would recommend her presentation to any group with an interest in trees and tree preservation.

Yours Sincerely,

Errill O'Hara

Co-President, Caledon Heritage Foundation.



East York Historical Society

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January 29, 2013

Hi Edith,

On behalf of the East York Historical Society I do hereby send you this letter of reference To Whom It May Concern that:

Your presentation this past January 29, 2013 at the East York Historical Society was outstanding, informative and interesting on "Heritage Tree—Preserving Our Natural Roots".

I learned that you arrived three hours early in preparation to set up for your presentation at 7:30 pm which also included members from the Ontario Urban Forest Council (Q & A Period).

Our large audience of members and visitors that evening were captivated by your knowledge, expertise, love and style of presenting the subject and how well you included and connected trees and prominent families of East York into your presentation; this was a powerful thing to do!

Edith, thanks again for helping us to be aware of how important our trees are to us and to life.

We wish you all the very best in your future endeavours on this subject.

Yours truly,

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November 22, 2011

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Huron County Historical Society is committed to preserving the history of our county for future generations. We are also focused on celebrating the heritage and culture of Huron County. To these ends we are committed to working with individuals and other groups interested in similar goals. For these reasons, I am pleased to offer this letter of reference for Edith George.

On November 16, 2011, Edith presented to a general meeting of our Society. Her topic was: *What is a Heritage Tree? Why is it important to protect them?* Her presentation was well-paced, informative and most interesting. Edith used a highly effective PowerPoint with audio and an excellent array of graphics including photographs, graphs, maps and charts. She was well prepared and organized and spoke knowledgeably on her topic. I especially appreciated her thorough knowledge of the history of the red oak tree in question and the means by which she integrated all aspects of the presentation. Edith took a variety of questions following her presentation and handled these very well indeed.

Due to the devastating tornado that hit Goderich and area on August 21, 2011, our loss of trees has been most significant. Edith's address was timed to meet a local need for discussion about rebuilding our urban and rural forests. She handled the situation with caring and sensitivity and has helped to create a positive momentum for our extended community.

I have no hesitation in recommending Edith George as a presenter for any group interested in the history and preservation of heritage trees. I'm sure you will find, as we have, that her passion for trees is huge!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David Armstrong". The signature is fluid and cursive.

David Armstrong
President

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Edith George “Heritage Tree....Preserving Our Natural Roots”

Edith recently gave a spell binding talk to a large group on the heritage connection of an old Oak tree and how to designate it at the March 2011 meeting of the King Township Historical Society...

Edith is a passionate speaker about Trees and Heritage. She combines these loves into a lively talk on our history as seen through the long lives of trees and why we should respect them. This particular talk takes you on a path through the lives of prominent Toronto families. For those interested in finding out how to go about getting a tree designated, she guides you through that process.

I would recommend Edith’s unique look at preserving heritage trees presentation to all age groups. She graciously donated her fee to benefit the Community History Project for their ongoing work on the Tollkeeper’s Cottage, a sign of true commitment.

King Township Historical Society
Lynda Rogers Program Convenor



North Toronto Town Hall

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June 20, 2013

To whom it may concern:

On behalf of the North Toronto Historical Society it is my great pleasure to recommend Edith George as a speaker.

On Wednesday May 29 2013 Edith gave her presentation "What is a Heritage Tree? Why is it important to protect them?" at the Northern District Branch of the Toronto Public Library. The program was featured as one of the monthly local history evenings cosponsored by the library and the North Toronto Historical Society.

As the co-ordinator of this program series for many years, I was very impressed by the excellent preparation and organization that Edith George showed as well as her research skills and commitment to preserving our natural heritage. Her presentation was well received and generated a number of very relevant comments and questions from those who attended.

I would definitely recommend her talk to any interested group.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynda Moon', written in a cursive style.

Lynda Moon
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THE RICHMOND HILL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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March 21, 2012

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Richmond Hill Historical Society, it is with our great pleasure to recommend Edith George, who came to speak to our Society.

I came to know Edith, through her contacting me as representative of the RHHS in 2011. She proceeded to send her references and information regarding the program that she had developed and wished to present to our Society. It was apparent that her straight forward and enthusiastic approach, immediately made me want to listen and learn more.

Edith's program " Heritage Tree, Preserving Our Natural Roots " was very professionally developed and presented. Her demeanour and tone during the presentation kept everyone listening and the research within the program was excellent. It was evident that what she was talking about the subject with such passion and that was a very appealing factor for our members.

I believe that Edith is in the forefront of what is needed in the struggle to maintain our natural resources. Citing an example in her own neighbourhood made the entire program a true journey of one person fulfilling a personal quest.

Edith is indeed a remarkable researcher, professional speaker and a keen environmentalist. She is a wonderful addition to any organization seeking someone to speak within the sphere of her interests and knowledge.

If there is any question regarding this reference, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Yours sincerely,

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