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April 9, 2015

To Whom it May Concern:

Re: Edith George

Edith did a presentation to the Master Gardeners of Niagara on April 9, 2015 on Heritage Trees. Her presentation provided outstanding visuals and also detailed information on specific trees located in and around the Toronto area.

The value to us as Master Gardeners was the specifics that she went into regarding the care and maintenance of these trees over extended periods of time. The other point of interest was how she helped to have these trees declared as "Heritage" so they could not be cut down.

Edith's attention to detail and her support in having these trees designated was and is outstanding.

Edith's dedication to these astonishing and beautiful trees is to be commended, and as Master Gardeners, we fully support what she is doing.

Yours truly,

Wendy Fletcher

Coordinator, Master Gardeners of Niagara



Almonte & District Horticultural Society

November 25, 2014

To Whom it May Concern:

Edith George spoke to members of our Horticultural Society, members of the Mississippi Valley Field Naturalists and members of the general public on Monday, October 27th, 2014.

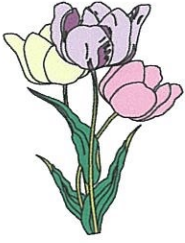
She's quick to admit that she has a passion for heritage trees. "Ancient trees have stories to tell. As more people learn about the importance of our natural roots, they'll understand the need for identifying and preserving this special part of our history that is often overlooked and even taken for granted".

Edith, an advisor to both the Ontario Urban Forest Council (OUFC) and Cabbagetown ReLeaf, has developed a PowerPoint presentation for audiences across the province. Before speaking in Almonte, she had made 90 presentations all over Ontario at museums, churches, historical society meetings, assemblies of high school students, at Royal Canadian Legion halls, and even ESL women groups.

At the conclusion of her talk, Edith presented me with a copy of *Securing the Future of Trees: A Protection Toolkit for Communities*. This copy has been donated to the Mississippi Mills Public Library for public use.

I highly recommend Edith George as a presenter to your group. Her enthusiasm for heritage trees is contagious and she'll leave your members with plenty of food for thought!

Carol Ann Kanward



BRACEBRIDGE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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April 27, 2016

To Whom It May Concern;

I would like to give my acknowledgement of Edith George's wonderful presentation to the Bracebridge Horticultural Society at our General Meeting last night to a very appreciative audience.

Edith's well researched, informative and perfectly paced talk and PowerPoint presentation kept us all enthralled for the duration. Her grasp of the urgency to keep heritage trees identified and preserved was very inspiring and we all went away with a new appreciation of their importance.

I can only hope that the people who have the wherewithal to do something about looking after the already identified trees and any more that might be discovered, will listen to Edith's pleas for action.

Sincerely,

Kathy Dyer, Co-President of the Bracebridge Horticultural Society



March 27, 2015

To whom it may concern

Re: Edith George

On Wednesday evening, March 18th, Edith George came to our meeting to speak to our membership on the topic "Heritage trees and why we should protect them".

Her presentation was very well organized and informative, with a slide show. She followed with her discussion of heritage trees mainly in the Toronto area. She gave a detailed description and chronology of one very old red oak tree which has heritage status and showed pictures of it in all seasons, including the morning after a recent, major ice storm.

Our membership enjoyed her presentation which was followed by a substantial question and answer period.

We feature a different speaker at each of our monthly meetings and always invite the public as our guests.

Kindly submitted,

Trudy Bliedung
President
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May 15/2015

To Whom it May Concern

We had the privilege of having Edith George speak at our General Meeting this month and found her to be most informative and engaging.

Her commitment to preserving our Heritage Trees is to be commended.

She spoke passionately of not only the importance of these beautiful trees to our environment but to our history as well.

Her information was quite eye opening for us all and hope her efforts continue to save more of our Heritage Trees.

We highly recommend her as a speaker and know that whatever she endeavors in the future she will do so with great success.

Thank you

Lucy Valente

President -Gilford & District Horticultural Society



Wednesday, May 6, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

The Kincardine & District Horticulture Society had Edith George as a speaker at our May monthly meeting on Monday May 4th, 2015. We had about 35 members in attendance and every one of them really enjoyed Edith's presentation. She taught us that there is such a thing as a Heritage Tree and how it is determined as that. Her presentation was a power point that was very effective in keeping everyone's attention and very informative. I, as President, learned a lot that I had not known about these great trees.

We felt ourselves very lucky to have had such a great speaker. In this day in age it is difficult for small societies to find speakers that they can afford and it is greatly appreciated that organizations such as the Ontario Urban Forest Council and Cabbagetown ReLeaf have people that can go out to different locations and inform people in that area regarding various concerns with our environment.

Thank you so much,

Shirley Thomas (President)



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10 October 2014

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Leaside Garden Society, I would like to thank Edith George, not only for her informative presentation, but for making our members aware of the Ontario Urban Forest Council. This organization's mandate to preserve our heritage trees is dramatically significant in its contribution to our historical 'roots'. The legacy of our trees, aptly documented by Edith, provides an uniquely insightful perspective of the Canadian story which deserves both our attention and our active involvement.

In that light, we are also most appreciative of the Council's gift of the toolkit, *Securing the Future of Heritage Trees*, which I am confident will be well-read and shared by many.

Sincerely,

Nora Campbell

Norland Horticultural Society



June 22, 2016

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

It is my pleasure to provide Edith George with a letter of recommendation on behalf of the Norland Horticultural Society.

On an ongoing basis the Norland Horticultural Society invites speakers to educate its members on important horticultural topics, such as Heritage Trees. Edith George, a former Director on the Board of the Weston Historical Society and presently an Advisor to the Ontario Urban Forest Council, joined us on June 15, 2016.

While teaching us about heritage trees and their protection, Edith took us through a spell-binding history lesson, simultaneously illustrating the six degrees of separation theory. Perhaps most importantly Edith challenged all to join in her fight to identify and to protect Heritage Trees, using the tool kit found at: [Books & Publications - Ontario Urban Forest Council](#).

Yours truly,

Louise Loree
Secretary & Speaker Co-ordinator
Norland Horticultural Society

PARRY SOUND & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

June 1, 2016

Edith George,
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Dear Edith:

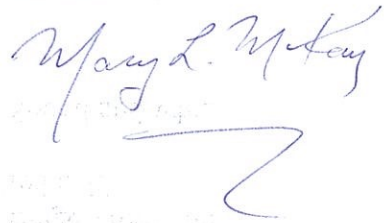
Sorry I haven't written earlier, but I have been out west enjoying the weather and the colourful gardens out there.

Our members thoroughly enjoyed your presentation on "Heritage Trees" on April 27th. It was very informative, especially the story about the "red oak".

It made our members think about all the trees here in Parry Sound and what history surrounds them.

Thank you for visiting our part of the province and good luck in all your future endeavours.

Mary McKay,
President,
Parry Sound &
District

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mary L. McKay". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned to the right of the typed name.



January 30, 2013

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To Whom It May Concern:

This is to verify that Ms. Edith George was our speaker for Roselands Horticultural Society's Annual General Meeting held on January 28, 2013.

Ms. George is a passionate speaker and gives a well-researched, interesting and varied presentation which garnered many questions after from our members. I think we will all look at trees in our area differently from now on.

This was the second time I had heard it and I was even more moved this time.

I would not hesitate to recommend her to any organization that cares about the environment and our social history.

Should you require further particulars please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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