

**KITCHENER HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOR THE YEAR 2005  
Held at Kitchener Public Library, Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2006**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ken Meinzinger, Trish Malleck, Maryanne Weiler, John Arndt, Joyce Arndt, Theresa Billo, Kim Ball, Bruce MacNeil, Gerry Reed.

Meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Maryanne Weiler. Maryanne welcomed all members and guests to the meeting, and introduced guests in the audience from the City of Kitchener and District 19.

**Minutes:**

-*Motion* to approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting for 2004, held January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005, by Theresa Billo, seconded by John Arndt. Carried.

Geoff Lorentz, councillor for the City of Kitchener, thanked all members of KHS for their hard work, and especially thanked the Rockway Gardens staff for the excellent job that they do.

Mary Young, district director for District 19, addressed the audience and invited all to attend the OHA convention in Ottawa, to be held on the second weekend in August.

John read a letter that was received from Mayor Carl Zehr, which thanked the members for their ongoing excellent work.

Maryanne reported that several board members received Ontario volunteer awards this year, and three members received certificates signed by MPP John Milloy, representing Kitchener Centre.

**President's Message:**

-Maryanne thanked the members for the good job that they do, and also thanked Rockway staff for the excellent care that they give the gardens. She also thanked the three retiring board members, John Arndt, Joyce Arndt, and Pauline Merling, for the time and effort that they gave to the board and KHS.

**Treasurer's Report:**

-Ken noted that the report had been prepared by a CA and audited by two volunteers (non-directors). He explained the notice to reader, and then further explained the statement of financial position, and statement of operations and changes in fund balance.

-*Motion* to adopt the treasurer's report as submitted by Ken Meinzinger, seconded by Kim Ball. Carried.

**Committee Reports:**

-*Motion* by Maryanne Weiler to adopt the committee reports in total, as submitted. Seconded by Gerry Reed. Carried.

**Nominating Report:**

-Mary Young conducted the nominations for director and read the list of names appearing on the agenda, with the inclusion of Rhonda Grein. Mary asked if there were any more nominations from the floor, of which there were no further nominations. The names that were read were then declared KHS directors for the year 2006.

The awarding of door prizes was conducted by Maryanne Weiler and Mary Young.

-*Motion* to adjourn the business portion of the meeting at 7:35 p.m. by Kim Ball, seconded by Bruce MacNeil. Carried.

John introduced our speaker for the evening, Sabina Kennema, co-owner of Greenway Blooming Centre. Sabina has led an interesting life and spoke on a number of topics, including plants to attract butterflies and hummingbirds. Sabina was thanked by Maryanne.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.