

Town of Pelham Council presentation August 22,2022.

Friends of Maple Acre

Action: financial support for Fenwick Beautification. “Year of the Garden 2022”

- Friends of Maple Acre, 30 years raising funds to benefit the Pelham Public Library
- Working in collaboration with Pelham Public Library, Town of Pelham and the community.
- Worked with developer of Cherry Ridge subdivision to save aging Maple Acre Branch library. Outside drainage and painting
- Restored hardwood floor, painting, carpeting, shelving, display case, librarian desk, tv and cabinet. Promoted adult and children programs
- Buy-a-Byte, furnishings, Children’s supplies, programs

. . . After the past 2 years of limited activity the Friends of Maple Acre met in March 2022 and planned several new activities

- Earth Day, Town of Pelham Clean up April 23
- Garden Project with Pelham garden club. Garden prep began
- Willowbrook contacted to help design gardens, suggest plants and offered expertise.
- First personal \$ donation and in-kind donation to projects
- Tree Carving – will tell the story of our people in the community
- Volunteerism - Library and Firefighters
- Demonstrate our pride in our community and history
- Importance of shared public lands.
- Caretakers of our land
- Past to present people
- Plants & animals

Fund raising activities

- Annual BBQ's
- Christmas in the Country craft sales
- Bake sales
- Raffles
- Donor boxes/jars
- 1920 Library Stain Glass window replicas for sale
- Popcorn & Lemonade sale @ Canada Day
- Pop Up Lemonade stand
- Online donations
- Waffle breakfast and silent auction (planned)

April 22,, 2022



May 18 Beautification Day thanks to Willowbrook nursery (John&Chad) Pelham garden club & MA Friends



Gardens

- 18 day lilies
- 10 dwarf lilacs
- 21 yews
- 9 dwarf hydrangeas
- 18 cat mint
- Row of dwarf white daisies
- Row of rose glow barberry

Maple Acre Gardens. . . . before and after



Maple Acre Gardens



Garden and bench. Plants Willowbrook Nursery. Mulch Safe Tree



Tree carving



July 1, 2022 - Canada Day Harold Black Park



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J,P. Gauthier
carved a "Bear in
Box" from 1pm-
4pm
Donated for
Silent Auction

Planned fund raisers

- Waffle Breakfast
- Silent Auction items:
 - Bear in a box wood carving
 - Marilyn Casson painting
 - ESD Japan hand painted tea/coffee cup& saucer
 - Edelstein Fine China made in Germany, set for 6 includes Coffee/Tea Pot, 6 tea/coffee cups & saucers, creamer, covered sugar bowl, 6 dessert plates
- Stain glass donation

Financial

- Project Donations:
 - \$1,688 as of 2022-06-29
 - In-kind donations, garden plants, mulch, soil
- Costs:
 - Garden soil & mulch
 - Plant design and plants
 - Patio stones for between buildings
 - Cement garden bench
 - Tree carving

Our ask and Our commitment

- For funds that have previously been raised by our community be used for recent beautification in Fenwick.
- We understand that these dollars were to be used in Fenwick
- We are requesting that these funds be utilized in 2022 for the Beautification in Fenwick - Garden project and Tree Carving.
- Maple Acre Friends are committed to our community and to maintaining the gardens and tree carving
- All our donors and volunteers in our community are committed to our beautification
- We will submit a letter to council requesting these funds