



# The Garden Post

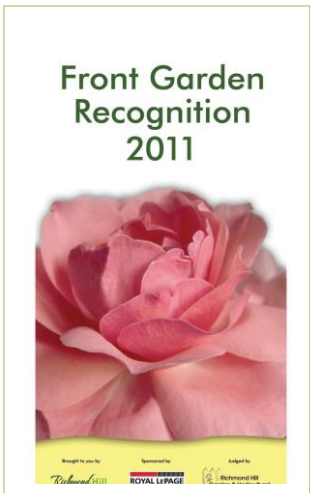


Richmond Hill  
Garden & Horticultural  
Society

Beautifying Richmond Hill since 1914

**SEPTEMBER 2011**

## FRONT GARDEN RECOGNITION 1250 Signs Awarded



The Front Garden Recognition programme just keeps getting better and better; over 1,250 signs were awarded this year!

As we get more and more nominations we have had to divide the Town into 19 areas instead of the usual 17 areas for the teams of judges to view. That requires more judges. Fortunately we had just enough volunteers to cover them all.

The volunteer judges did a great job. The pleasure on the recipients' faces makes all that driving around, on some hot days, all worthwhile. Sometimes there are gifts of an admired plant or fruit and vegetables from the back garden, which they are invited to see.

The beautiful sign, a pink rose on a white background, was designed by Judy Simon. Chris Patterson of Royal LePage donated the signs and the Town of Richmond Hill organized the printing and staking.

We had quite a few e-mails thanking our society for the signs. One letter came from a lady who is deaf and legally blind but does the garden herself with no help. She is unable to see the colours of the flowers well. She uses her bare hands because she likes to feel the texture of the earth. She talks to her plants as they are her family. She finds it very therapeutic. She said receiving the sign inspired her and was her best birthday gift.

Ruth Solilo and Doreen Bulled organized the programme again this year. More and more residents of the Town of Richmond Hill are trying hard to receive the signs and the gardens are looking wonderful. What a great place to live!

Article: Doreen Bulled/Ruth Solilo

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**October 4 General Meeting  
Autumn Urns  
Speaker: Kate Seaver**

**Annual Corn Roast  
September 11  
See Page 7 for more details**

**Marion Jarvie Open Garden  
Date: September 24 - 25  
Time: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm  
Rain or Shine  
Place: 37 Thornheights Road, Thornhill**

**Bus Trip October 1, 2011  
Johnston's Cranberry Marsh Tour  
See page 7 for more details**

**Start Getting Ready Now  
Hobby Night is Tuesday,  
November 1  
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