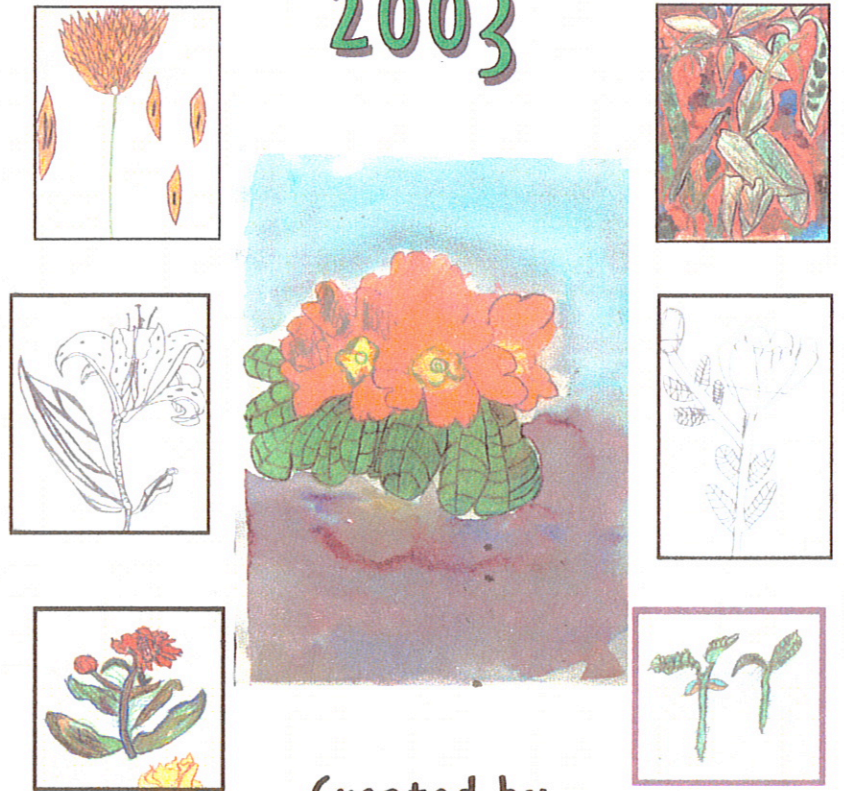




# Flower City Almanac 2003



Created by  
Genesee Community Charter School  
Third Grade

## Journeys: From Seed to Flower City

From the 1840's until the early 20th century, Rochester was known as the Flower City. How did Rochester become the Flower City? How did the nursery industry flourish in Rochester's climate? Do we still regard ourselves as a flower city?

During this twelve-week expedition, students explored these questions by researching the historic figures who helped create the flower city image, discovered how plants grow by cultivating seeds and bulbs, investigated how Rochester's parks and gardens came into existence, and learned how climate has influenced the nursery industry. Students captured this knowledge in their own Flower City Almanac, a compilation of their findings modeled after the almanacs used by gardeners in the Flower City.

Students were each required to include their following into their own almanac: introduction and Flower City web; creative plant story, scientific drawing, Highland Park research web, weather-related poem, botanical drawing, timeline, biography report of nurserymen, and odds and ends! Reflecting on their work, students then chose one piece of their best work, represented in the following class almanac.

The cover is a mosaic of the students' botanical drawings. The Garden Show and sale was produced with student-driven committees, organizing everything from invitations to refreshments. The proceeds from all sales will be donated to the GCCS Playground fund.

Enjoy!

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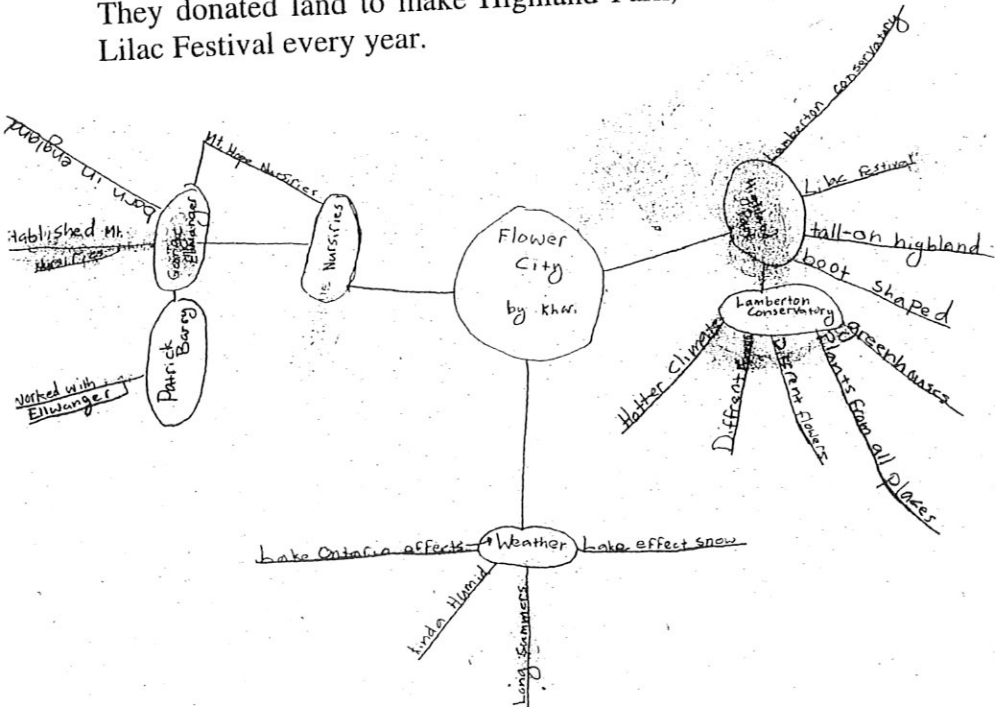
Genesee Community Charter School  
at the Rochester Museum and Science Center  
**River Room**

# Flower City

By Khari

Our whole expedition circles around this guiding question: "How did Rochester become a Flower City?" This web and everything in my almanac answers one of these questions: "How do living things grow and change? Why is climate important? Who helped Rochester grow?" My web and almanac shows what I've learned. This also answers all of these questions, and at the end it will answer the biggest question of all, "How did Rochester become a Flower City?" When we answer these questions it will give us a look at back then. That is one of the main perspectives of our expedition. We are trying to look at how the Flower City, Rochester, became a Flower City.

George Ellwanger and Patrick Barry established Mt. Hope nurseries. They did this by making Mt. Hope nurseries the biggest in the world. They donated land to make Highland Park, which now hosts the Lilac Festival every year.



# Snow Flakes

Ajamu

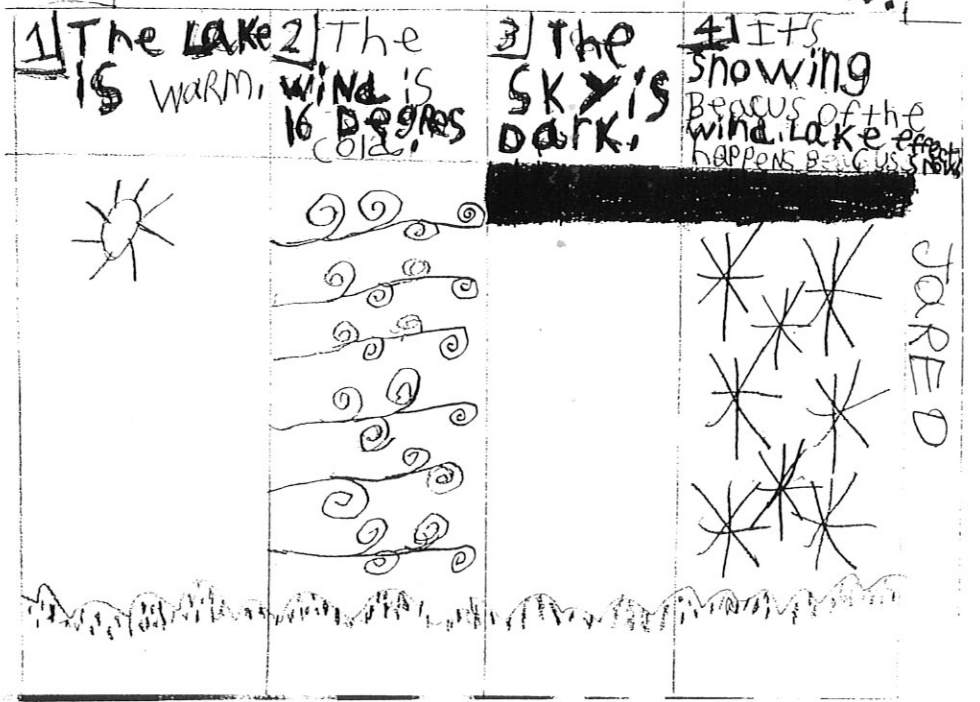
Snow flakes come in many shapes and sizes  
 And they are very little.  
 They disappear as soon as they hit the ground,  
 It's like magic.  
 They taste very good,  
 But not as good as salt and vinegar chips!

# Snow

Tatiana

Cold, wet  
 Falls, melts, flies  
 I don't like snow  
 Flakes

# HOW Lake effect works!



*Flower*

*City*

*Biography*

*Booklet*



*by shanell J. Glover*



“ Who Helped Rochester Grow? “

**George Ellwanger:** Germany 1816 was the birth place of George Ellwanger. Immigrated to the United States in 1835. Shortly afterward, he traveled down the Erie Canal to visit relatives in Ohio. During the trip he had stopped in Rochester New York to study horticulture. 1839 George purchased land near the Mt. Hope cemetery, starting a nursery.



His biggest contribution to the Rochester area, was the sharing of a German Tradition of the Christmas tree. 1871, having the worlds largest nurseries. Finally, donating the land for high-land park.

**Patrick Barry:** Patrick Barry was born in 1816. He left Ireland in 1836 with a teachers background. Patrick learned the nursery business as he worked at the Princes Nursery, in Long Island. He made Rochester New York his home in 1840, where the Mt. Hope nursery was established with George Ellwanger.

Patrick greatest contribution was the publishing of gardening books on flowers and fruits. He held a positions as President of the Western New York Horticulture Society for 30 years before he died in 1890.

**James Vick:** was born in England in 1818. He immigrated to New York in 1833. Then moving to Rochester four years later. Around 1853, he started to publish **The Horticulturist** magazine. Vick also enjoyed gardening. James Vick began a seed flower catalog. His Offices were located in Rochester New York.



His most important contribution to the Flower City was the gift of his botanical drawing to his customers. He knew this was good for his business and it is better to give than receive.

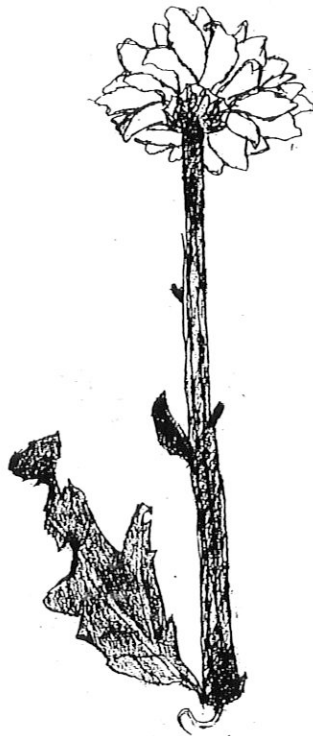
**Joseph Harris:** came from England where he settled in Genesee Valley in the 1850's. In 1856, he purchased the **Genesee Farmer** from James Vick. He publicized the results from his seed farm. Joseph bought 141 - acres farm named **Moreton Farm**. This purchase paved the way for the opening of the **Harris Seed Co.** in 1879.

Joseph Harris greatest contribution before he died in 1892, was to give good information on growing flowers. Also, he worked with local schools to educate them on the horticultural business.

# Rochester

By Paul

Really cold  
Outside in winter  
Charming city  
Home of Harris,  
Eastman Kodak.  
Scenic river gorge  
Trees in spring  
Enjoy  
Rochester!



Hot Summer Day,  
By Alexis Rutland

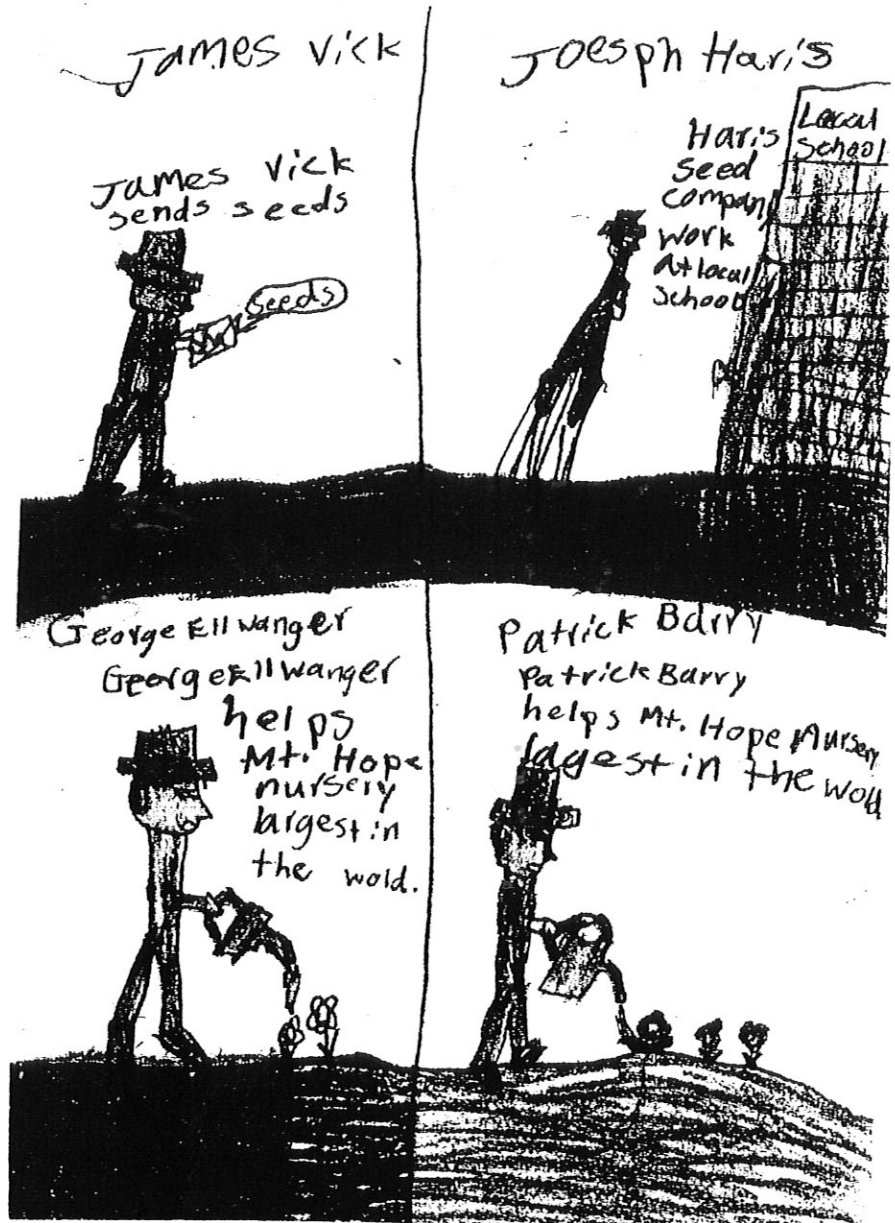
Hot,  
Sunny, Heat,  
Fire, Burning, Water,  
Swim, Seabreeze, YMCA,  
Red, Very Hot.

## Sun Flakes

By BreShawna

Sun flakes, sun flakes, sun flakes  
Floating down in the air.  
The sun is making it hotter.  
We can have a sun ball fight  
At 1:00 am on every Sunday.  
Sun flakes, sun flakes, sun flakes  
Floating down in the air  
Blowing into the trees  
Blowing out of the trees into  
the south.

Did you know...  
George Ellwanger came  
to Rochester on the Erie  
Canal?



Paul

## 'Who Are You?'

By Emma

'Don't be dull 'I heard him say,  
' Who are you?'  
I said that very same day.  
' I'm the breeze'  
I heard him say '  
And I can flow in every which way.'  
Then he flew on by,  
He didn't even say 'Goodbye!'  
Then I heard it yet again,  
Talking to me like some men!  
Yet this time it was calmer,  
Coming somewhere from around the pond.  
"Who are you?" I said aloud,  
"I'm up here I'm a cloud"  
"But where, but how, but who?"  
"Look up here, look up hear you"  
"Oh there you are!"  
I said with a call.  
At first I didn't see you at all.  
Then he darkened oh no I cry!  
Darkening, Darkening as I ran by.  
Crash, Boom Bam!  
Rain and thunder were here.  
Then I scattered like some deer.  
Then it dried I cam on out.  
Then I started to shout.  
"Oh sun, Oh sun, here you are  
I felt like you were so afar!"  
Then the sun bid me goodbye,  
Then I wept and began to cry.  
Then I traveled into the wood,  
It tried to think because I knew I could!  
Then I heard someone say,  
"Come on and try!"  
I know just then it was the sky!  
"What do you want to talk about?"  
Because then I felt like I had to shout!  
Then I came home,  
Sad and depressed and got my pajamas and dressed.  
I went to bed, turned off the light,  
And said," good night weather good Night."

## Rochester

By Mark

Rivers, we have the Genesee River.  
Oh, Rochester what would I do without you.  
Come on Rochester grow, grow.  
Here is a place of history.  
Ellwanger and Barry had a nursery.  
Some other people helped Rochester grow, like James Vick and Joseph Harris.  
Try, try, all of us can make this city grow.  
Everybody helps Rochester grow.  
Railroads helped transfer things.

## Spring Time

Kennethea

The springtime is like summer time,  
The bumblebee buzzes.  
Around the whole neighborhood,  
It stings everyone, but not me!



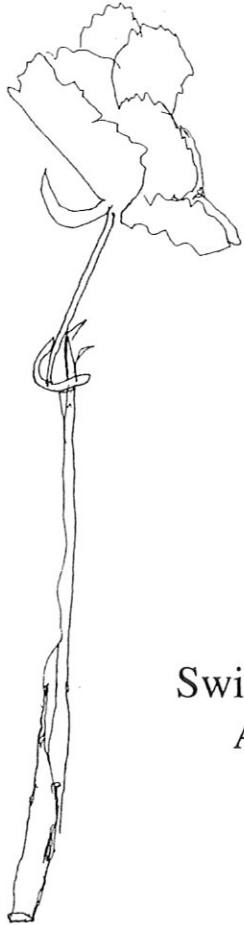
# Rain

By Shane

Rain is dropping from the sky,  
splashing on the ground.

While I'm in bed,  
It's stuck in my head  
It keeps me up till morning.

In the morning,  
I get a fright  
But it's just thunder.  
When it's gone,  
I fall asleep.



# Tornado

By Brennan

Big suck up a lot of things  
Huge cold and hot  
Makes a tornado lightning is bad  
Lightning causes burns  
More people die in floods than tornadoes  
Hurricanes  
Bigger than a Tornado

# The Seasons

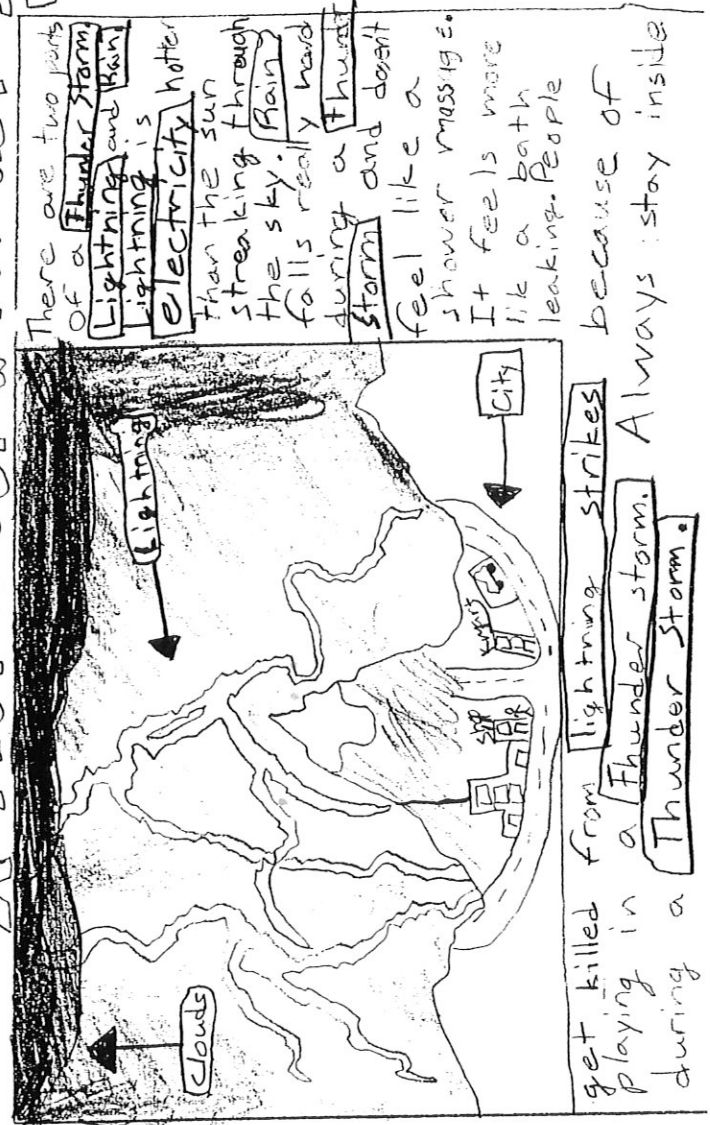
Nick

Summer  
Sweet, hot  
Swimming, riding rides, staying up  
Awesome, cool, cold, snowy  
Fight, building, play  
Freezing, white  
Winter

# Thunder Storms

Ryan

# A Picture of a Thunder Storm



# ***The Man Eating Tree***

By Bolan

Hello. I'm Jack Quanal. I go to Hallmark University founded by Bruce Hallmark and I'm in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade middle school. Science class is my favorite period because the teacher is funny and he usually (accidentally) blows things up. I'm also very fond of nature class. I'm very lucky because we're learning about plants and we have a semester on them in science. I also like neurology and doctoring.

So, today when I arrived in science class, the teacher told us to put on our gas masks and stay at our desks. Then he lugged this big, cardboard box into the room. He put on these heavy duty gloves. Then he took out this monstrous looking plant with five, were they? No, MOUTHS! Sam Creek took one sniff at these bubble-like fungus cells on the tree trunk and passed out (he neglected his gas mask).

Then the teacher introduced the plant as "The Equadock Plant." He took a few samples of the plant's "blood," which was a mix of black and blue. Then the class made some research on tooth sharpness, fungus smell, and....RINNNNG! Oh darn, out of time. "Lunch time!" the teacher announced.

"Some science class," I said to my best friend Rodrigo Garcia (he was from Spain) as we stampeded like wild buffalos out the door to the cafeteria. After school, I raced Rodrigo back home (we lived on the same street). Rodrigo won because we got to his house before mine. When I got home I threw my back pack off onto the conch. It flew under the couch like always.

I called, "I'm home!"

"Honey!" my mom called, "I got a call from your teacher about the invention contest."

"OK!" I called.

I ran up to my room to (sneak) watch TV. Next morning I woke up and realized that I didn't do my homework (I realized this because my mom was standing in the doorway in her slippers and bathrobe and holding a blank piece of paper and a pink face). After I missed the bus because of my long homework before school, my dad gave me a lecture on homework with four words: try...harder...next...time. Then he drove me. When we got to school I snuck into the science room and sat at my desk.

Everyone seemed to be wearing their gas masks and seemed to be waiting for something. When Rodrigo leaned over and whispered, "Gas mask!" (which really sounded like 'gaaah maah' because he was wearing his) it suddenly dawned on me; we were having another visit from the Equadock Plant. I quickly put mine on. Then the science teacher lugged the monstrous plant into the room. We all completed science class sweating and almost petrified because the plant had bitten Sam Kiat and he had to go to the hospital to get stitches.

After school I went home and DID my homework this time. After that I watched TV, ate dinner, and brushed my teeth and went to bed. Then it struck me: I ran out of time yesterday to do my last minute touches on the invention I made for school. So I got out of bed and got dressed. Then I raced downstairs to get my dad's tools and ran outside.

I ran down the block, turned the corner, skidded past a street, around an alley, dodging all the trash sack. Then I turned to a back street with graffiti splashed al over it to a dead end. After I climbed over a wooden fence, I came to the back door of hallmark University. I climbed through a window because the door was guarded by A.L.E.R.T. alarm systems. After my eyes adjusted to the dark I realized I was in the cafeteria.

I knew that the gym room was where the teachers kept our inventions and that was right down the hall. But it passed the science class where the Equadock Plant was slumbering. So I crept out of the lunch room to the gym room. But the Equadock Plant seemed to give a small twitch when I passed by. When I got to work with my nuts, screws, and bolts I felt a small chill go down my spine, as if something was behind me; it could not be a teacher, probably not a security guard, maybe another late-working students, no something smelled funny even though the obstacle had to be 15-30 feet away from me. I turned around and sure enough there was the Equadock Plant.

I screamed and no security guards came. "They must be off duty," I muttered quickly. The Equadock Plant seemed to be walking on its roots. I took a step forward, the plant took a step forward. I took a step backward, the plant took two steps forward! I broke into a run, the plant took a few more steps forward and then broke into a run!



I ran down a hall and the plant ran down, too! I turned a corner, but the plant ran down the hall in hot pursuit of nothing. I ran into the art room and saw an electric dummy. I quickly stationed it in the hall so it would run around the school. Soon I saw the plant run down the hall chasing my special decoy. I ran quietly after the plant to enjoy the show but then the plant made some rustling squeaky noises and collapsed.

Then I saw something peculiar. The plant seemed to be made of metal. When I looked closer I saw it was made of metal! The plant had made a decoy!

"This plant needed great technology," I said to myself. But then it wasn't funny anymore. I found out that I had followed the decoy and since the plant had great technology...I turned around and there was the you know what.

I ran to the science room and grabbed my gas mask.

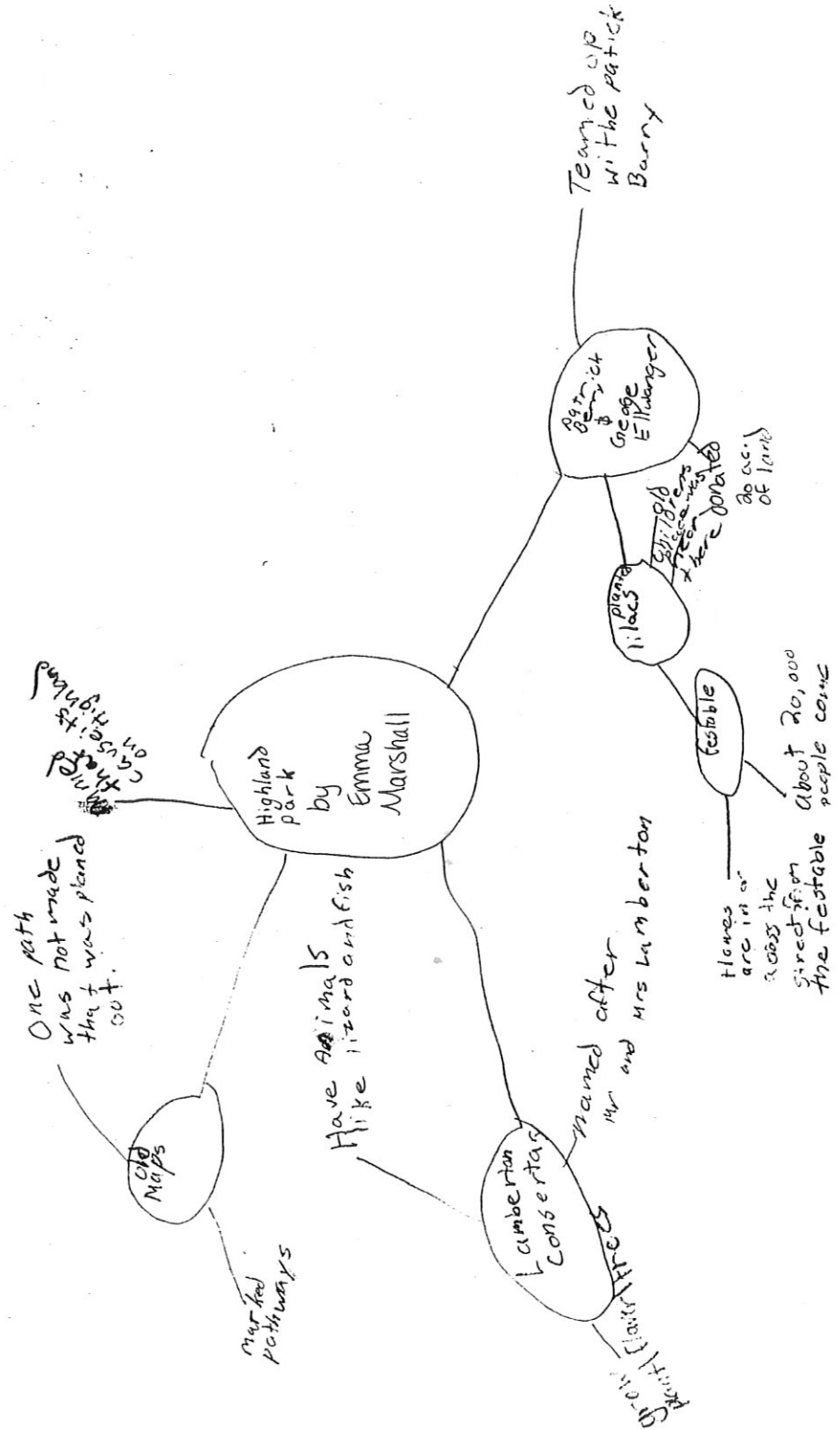
"I should bring those heavy duty gloves the science teacher usually wears," I said. I grabbed them and went scrammo out of there. I ran to the gym but guess what? The plant grabbed me and ran out of the school into the woods!!!

I tried to escape but I couldn't. After a series of turns, leaf-filled short cuts and terrain, the plant seemed to be satisfied in a clearing.

"This is a pretty good destination," I said.

Suddenly, the plant made a sound like this...clack, clack, clack, gaaaack! Then approximately fifty more of these plants came leaping out of the bushes and trees! After the plant "talked" to the others, they all fell asleep. Now was my chance to escape. I leaped up and ran about two feet before I was tripped by a plant that was awake, then I realized that this was...

**The End!**



# Weather

Jonathan

I love the way the sun shines,  
 Just like beautiful crystals  
 Blinding my eyes.  
 When the snow falls  
 It reminds me of  
 Bowls of fruit and chicken and all.  
 When night falls  
 All I can think of is my family.  
 When day comes  
 All I can do is love all day!  
 I say, Hey! Hey! Hey!



# Rochester

By Corey

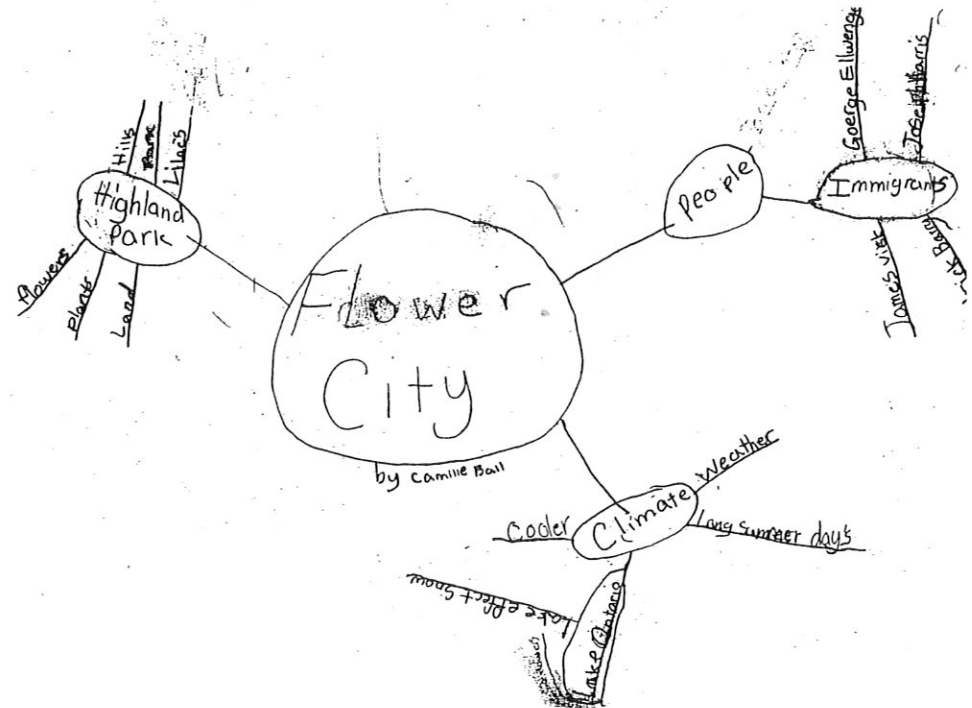
Did you know...  
 Half of the snow  
 Rochester receives each  
 year is from lake effect!

River  
 Or  
 Canal,  
 Head  
 East or  
 South,  
 To  
 Everything  
 Round

# Flower City

Camille

The Flower City has lots of flowers that is how it got its name the Flower City. Immigrants came to the Flower City. Some came and their names were James Vick, George Ellwanger, Patrick Barry and Joseph Harris. They all liked plants and flowers and they started some of the first nurseries in Rochester. Rochester is famous for the lilacs in Highland Park. The climate was important because if they did not have long summer days it would be cold and if they didn't have cold it would be too hot. Lots of people who lived in Rochester swam in Lake Ontario and if there were no Lake Ontario there would not be any lake effect snow.



James Vick was born in England in 1818. He immigrated to New York in 1833. Around 1853 he started to publish *The Horticulturist Magazine*, his most important contribution. Vick enjoyed gardening a lot. James Vick began a seed and flower catalogue. His offices were in Rochester, New York. Vick owned 75 acres of seed gardens in Rochester.

Joseph Harris settled in the Genesee Valley around 1850. He started a company that believed that "a quality product and fair price" will bring customers back. He looked for new kinds of flowers and vegetables throughout U.S. and Europe. The Harris family managed the seed company for over 100 years.

George Ellwanger was born in Germany. Mr. Ellwanger stopped in Rochester during a trip and returned later to learn about horticulture. In 1840 he became partners with Patrick Barry. Mr. Ellwanger helped create housing for workers. his most important contribution.

Patrick Barry was born in Ireland in 1816. Mr. Barry worked in Princes nursery, Long Island, New York and learned about the nursery business. Mr. Barry came to Rochester, New York in 1840 and established Mt. Hope Nurseries with Mr. Ellwanger. He published books about gardening, flowers, and fruit. He was president of western New York Horticultural Society for over 30 years.



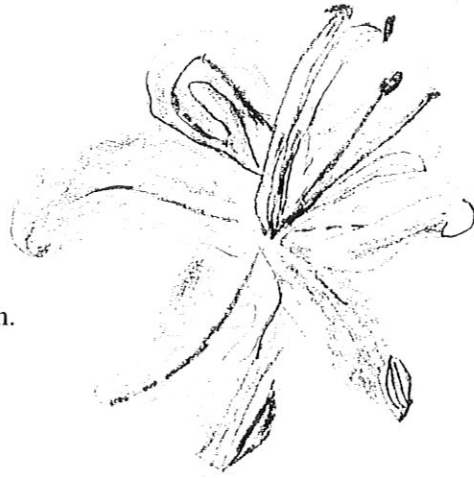
Four People Who Helped Rochester  
Grow.



# The Moon

By Jennifer

The moon is out,  
I'm going to shout,  
The sun has gone down,  
I put on a gown,  
I drew a flower,  
Within an April shower.  
The day has come,  
I'll have some fun,  
The night is back,  
I just went whack  
Because the night is back so soon.  
I think I should go,  
Before I throw,  
A glass or two,  
At your tiny shoe,  
Goodbye my friend,  
This is the end,  
Try a lime,  
For the next time.

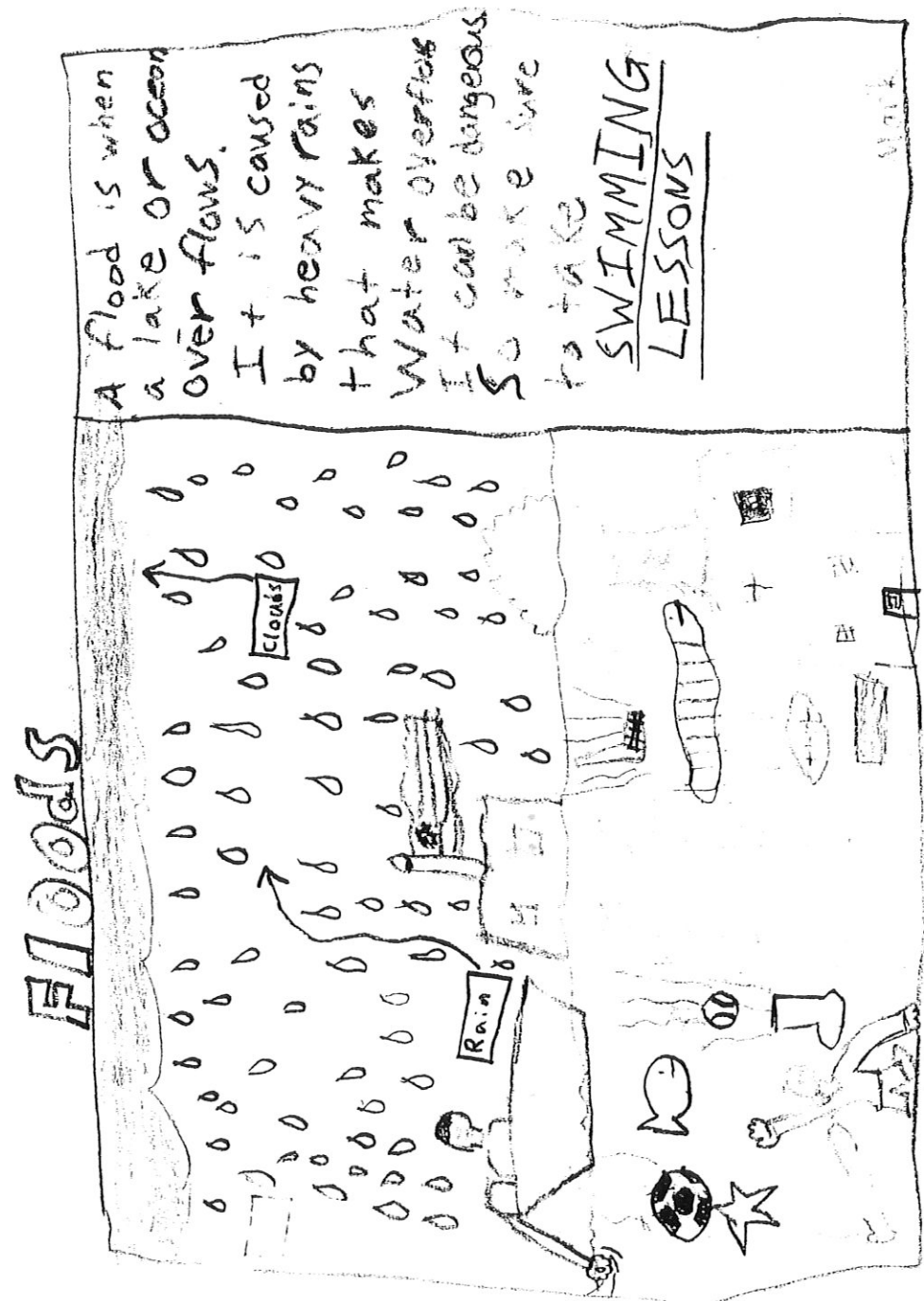


Did you know...  
That a coconut is a  
seed?

# Pegasus in The Sun

Cameron

Pegasus is a Stegasus  
Pegasus lives in the sun like a fly in the bun.  
He makes a tornado out of stornado.  
He swoops to sky to make a butterfly.



# The Big Kid Trap

by Jamie

One day, Jak was getting up from bed. He always woke up when his alarm went off. Jak was a white, blonde-haired, skinny boy. He also had a blonde-furred seven-year-old dog named Tunlaw. Jak had three chores around the house: taking out the trash, feeding the fish, and pulling weeds from his mom's garden. Jak ate all of his dinner, and always did his homework. Jak lived in Chicken Neighborhood. He had a small bedroom with a computer. His room had ten lamps, five beds, and a big, big, big, big TV. When Jak heard his alarm, he said, "Mutant Chicken! Red Alert! Red Alert!" Jak said this strange thing because he was having a dream about evil chickens attacking the world.

Running down the stairs, Jak said, "Run, Mom! Chickens are attacking the world!"

"Oh, you must have been having a bad dream," said his mom. His mom was a thirty-six years old, had red hair, and loved, loved, loved plants and science.

Jak said, "Oh, silly me," and whacked himself in the head. Jak went to get dressed and watch TV.

Then his mom shouted, "Breakfast!"

Jak ran down like a speeding bullet; pancakes were his favorite. But just as he finished, the bus came and sounded its horn, "Beep, Beep." Jak grabbed his bb-gun and bag, ran outside, and got on the bus. His mom waved to him as he drove off.

When he got to school, he went straight to the blocks (after he took off his stuff). He played with them all day, until the bell rang, "Ring, Ring."

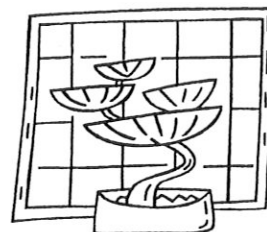
The teacher said, "Clean-up," and Jak through the blocks in the bucket. After clean-up, Jak sat at his desk.

The teacher said (to Jak's hearing), "Class, we will be learning about Evil Chickens...Bawk!"

She really said, "We will learn about World War I." Jak grabbed his bb-gun and aimed....

His teacher said, "Don't shoot; I'm innocent!"

"Oh," said Jak. "I thought you were an Evil Chicken." He pulled a hand grenade from his desk just to be safe.



His least best friend was Gul; he was much older than Jak. He was seven; Jak was six. Gul always wore fat, dark clothes. Gul was always testing and making fun of Jak. Gul had a secret lab at home. Jak thought Gul was dull. He had a huge pet that was a man-eating plant! One day at school, they were having a "Bring Your Plant to School" day. Th...th...that meant Gul, too, but no one worried; they just sang, "On top of Spaghetti / all covered with cheese / I lost my poor meatball / when somebody sneezed. / It rolled off the table / and...."

"QUIET!" said the teacher. "Time to go home."

The class said, "YEA!!!" They ran to their cubbies and got their ride home.

Jak's friend, Samos, was six, like Jak. He was riding home with Jak

to do his homework. When they got home, Jak got out pencils, brought chairs, and sat down. After they did their homework, they went to Jak's room to play.

The Jak and Samos heard, "Knock, knock, knock." Jak grabbed the door handle and opened the door. It was Gul.

"Hi," said Gul, trying to be nice.

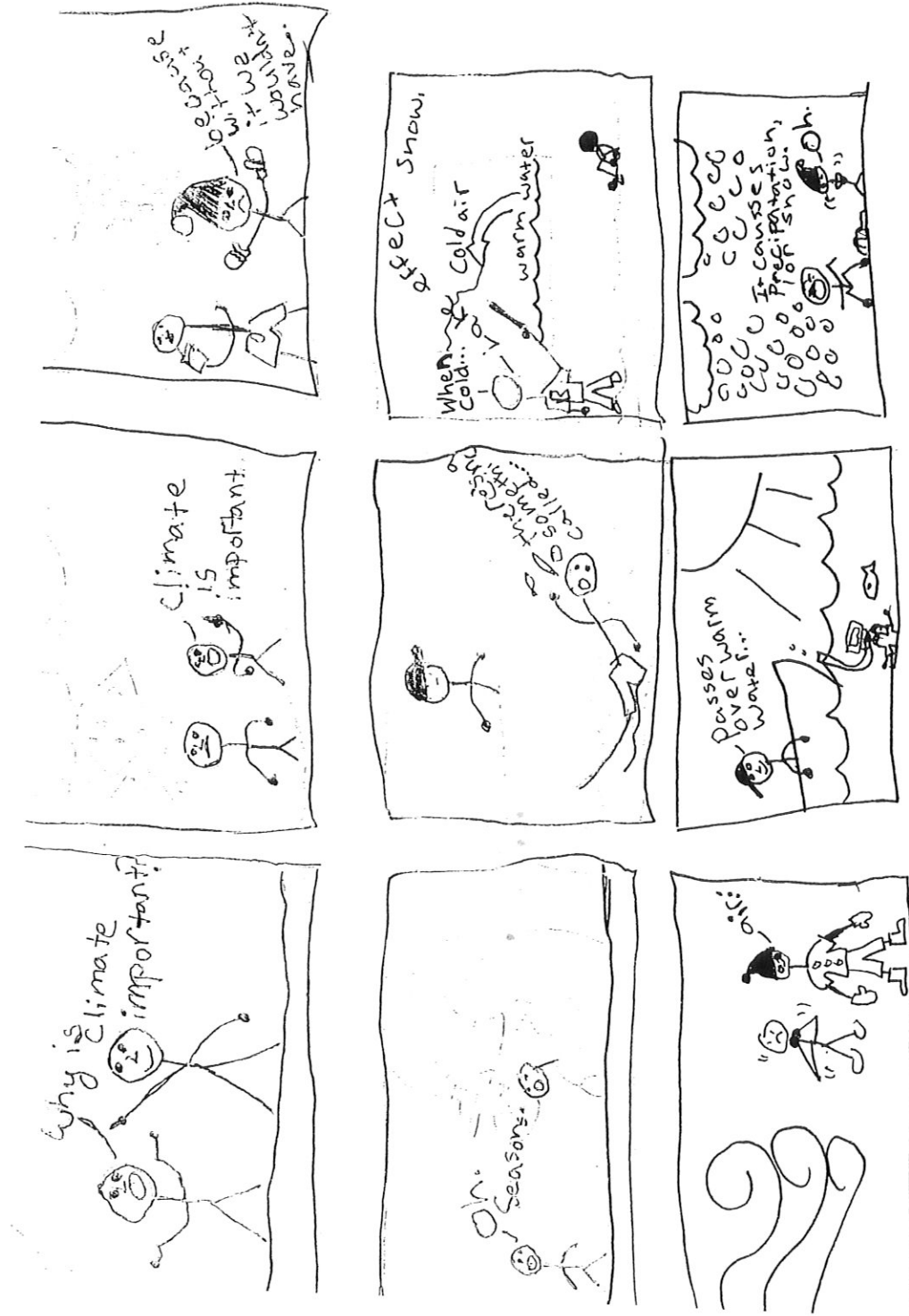
"What do you want?" asked Jak.

"To say the teacher doesn't want you to bring your bb-gun to school anymore," said Gul in a dark, mean voice.

Jak didn't say anything; he just closed the door: "BAM!" Then Gul went to his secret lab with a "ZAP." He got his man-eating plant out.

"I will get that Jak!" said Gul with a huff. Then he accidentally spilled grow potion on his plant – either that, or he spilled grow-small potion on himself. Gul watched in horror as the plant walked out of his pot and out the door! The plant walked to Jak's house, but luckily Jak carried hand grenades in his pocket. The plant carried Jak and Samos in his stomach! Jak and Samos were trapped. When Jak and Samos were in the plant stomach, the plant was walking now back to Gul's lab. When they were back in Gul's lab, Jak thought of his grenades. He threw one, and "BAM!!!" Gul's house was destroyed. Jak and Samos were free, but Jak was grounded for three months, but he still had a bb-gun.

The End



# In The Seasons

By Eden

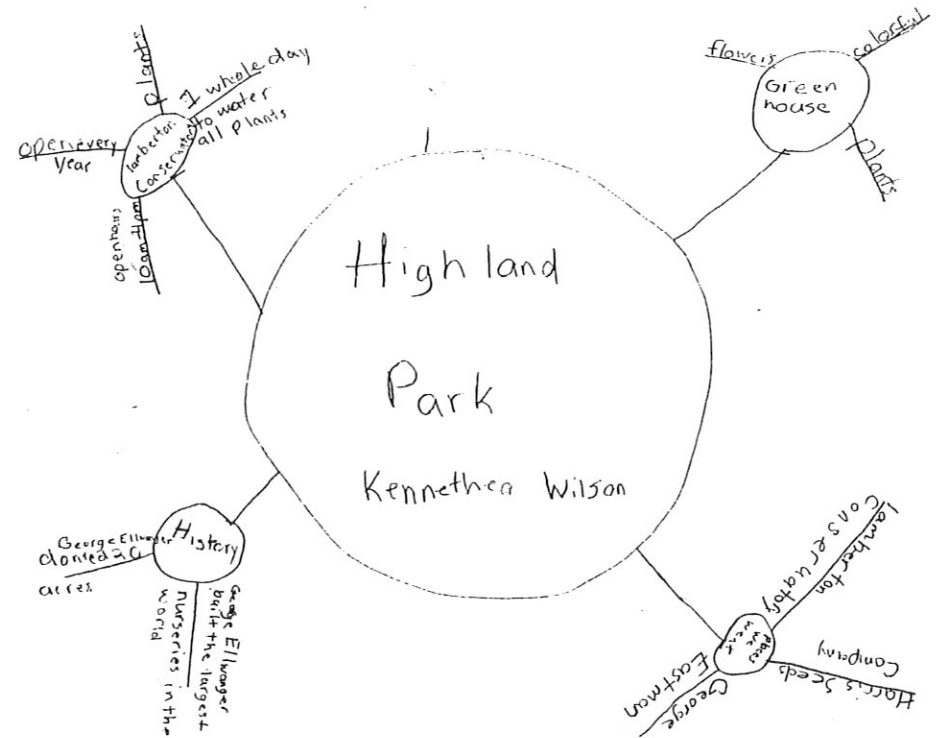
The bees go buzz buzz in the Summer.  
 The trees leaves fall in the Fall.  
 some birds go some where hot in the Winter.  
 The buds grow back on trees and bushes.  
 And flowers grow back in the Spring.

Did you know...  
 Rochester gets around  
 93 inches of snow every  
 year.

## Snow

Ben Herring

Cold, white.  
 Falls from the sky.  
 Have snowball fights.  
 Ski on it.  
 Snowflake



by Eric

## Introduction

\*After the flour city, Rochester turned into the "Flower City." Rochester had about twenty or thirty nurseries. Alexander Gordon, an immigrant from England, started the first nursery on East Avenue in 1833. Many other nurseries were located around where the Genesee Community Charter School is now.

Rochester became a leader with seeds, plants, and flowers. Three main things helped Rochester blossom into the Flower City. First, the climate helped by producing sunlight, rain, and cold winters, the perfect recipe for growing plants. Second, many nurserymen sent to Europe for new ideas, seeds, and plants. This helped Rochester's nurseries have a huge variety of different choices of plants. Third, color catalogs had the power to extend people's minds so that they would know what the flowers they were choosing would look like in the end. Rochester had color catalogs because immigrants from Germany, who knew how to do color printing, teamed up with Rochester's nurseries to produce color catalogs.

There are still many reminders of the people that owned nurseries in early Rochester. Many of the streets in Rochester were named after the nurseries' owners, such as Browncroft, Corwin, and Crosman.

The following report is about four people that made a huge difference in developing the Flower City. They are George Ellwanger, Patrick Barry, Joseph Harris, and James Vick.

## George Ellwanger

George Ellwanger was born in Germany in December, 1818. His father was a vineyardist, but because of the Napoleonic wars and bad weather, he didn't make any money. George took the responsibility of apprenticing himself for four years to the leading nurseryman and florist in Stuttgart. He wanted to learn good job skills for use in America.

When he was older, he immigrated from Germany to the United States of America. When he arrived in the USA, he visited his relatives in Ohio. He did this because he wanted to learn the language of his new home. He journeyed to Ohio on the Erie Canal.

During one of his many trips, he visited Rochester. Later he returned to learn about horticulture. In 1840 he became partners with Patrick Barry. In 1871 the Mount Hope Nurseries became the largest in the world.

I think the most important contribution that George Ellwanger made to the Flower City was when he donated 20 acres from Mount Hope Nurseries to create Highland Park. I think this because visitors would forever enjoy the opportunity to experience the beauty and responsibility of nature.





## Patrick Barry

\* Patrick Barry was born in Ireland in 1816. He started his career in teaching. He left Ireland in 1836 to seek his fortune in America. When he got to America, he started working for William Prince and Sons in Flushing. This nursery was the oldest nursery in the United States, and had one of the biggest variety of plants. While he worked at the nursery, he learned about American horticulture.

Patrick Barry arrived in Rochester in 1840 and established Mt. Hope Nursery with George Ellwanger. They became successful selling plants to places west of Rochester. Their plants would arrive eight days faster than if customers ordered them from Albany or New York City.

I think Patrick Barry's greatest accomplishment was when he was president of the Western New York Horticulture Society for over 30 years. I think this because with his great experience in American horticulture he would be able to coach others through difficult plant-growing obstacles.



## Joseph Harris

Joseph Harris came from England where he had been taught how to experiment with farming. Joseph settled in the Genesee Valley around the 1850's. He bought the Genesee Farmer magazine from James Vick in 1856.

Joseph was very successful in raising plants. He started a company called Harris Seeds in 1879 in Rochester. Harris Seed Company stayed in business for over 100 years.

I think Joseph Harris's most important contribution to the Flower City was when the whole Harris Seed Company worked with local schools to teach horticultural education. I think this is important because children could learn about plants. This would help because kids would learn to plant their own gardens.



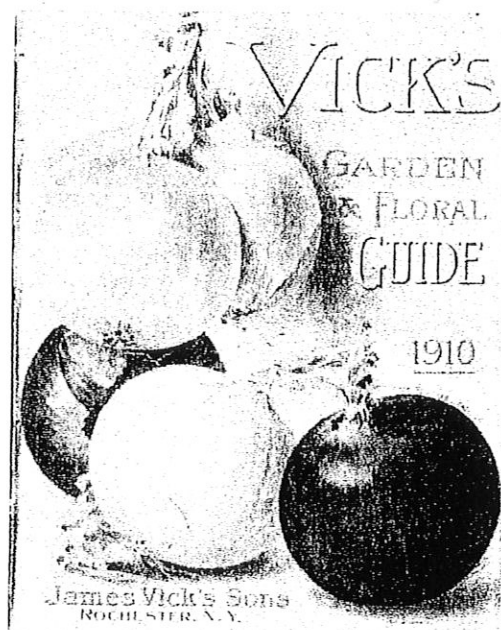
## James Vick

James Vick was born in England in 1818. He immigrated to New York in 1833. James Vick started his career in the printing trade. He owned, edited, and wrote the Genesee Farmer and The Horticulturist magazine during the 1850's.

James Vick also enjoyed his gardening. He owned a seed garden where Vick Park A and Vick Park B are now. With his seed garden, he started sending seeds out to readers of The Horticulturist magazine.

James Vick began a seed and flower catalog. His offices were in Rochester.

I think James Vick's most important contribution was when he started publishing the Genesee Farmer magazine. I think this because people could learn about plants and learn how to respect nature.



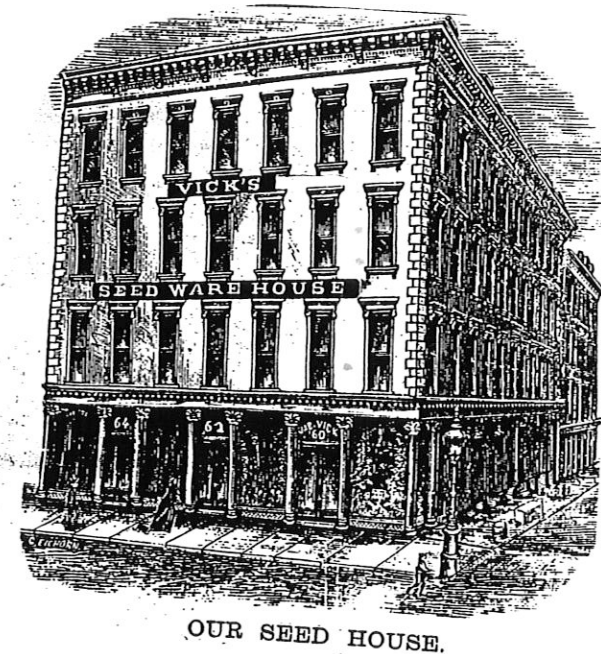
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## Rochester

By Jamie

Rivers  
Organically flowing  
Chuckling at trees  
Happily singing nature's song  
Elegant songs nature sings  
Swift and smooth  
Touching grass and plants  
Emerging from  
Rest



## Sky

Whitney

Sky, Sky  
I look up in the sky  
I feel like the sky.  
Sky, Sky  
My day  
Has risen, should I fly?  
And go bye, bye?  
Or  
Should I just stay and look  
at the sky.

## Mt. Everest Has Erupted!!!

By Corey

Mt. Everest has erupted!  
It's raining water –  
And it's raining ashes!  
People are coughing,  
And can't breathe!

Mt. Everest has erupted!  
Help! Be careful!  
Lava is flowing every where!  
Lava is flowing up!  
“Brkrkrkrkrkrkr!” Goes the Volcano.

Mt. Everest has erupted!  
North!  
South!  
East!  
West!  
Lava is every where!  
The End.

Not all plants get  
nutrients from the soil.  
Some catch insects to  
get their nutrients!

## Where Are They Now

by: Addie

Horses fly like a beautiful butterfly  
Through the air like a shooting star  
It makes me wonder where are they now?  
I saw them when I was three  
They're probably free like me  
Where are they now  
Oh... where they now?



King Hyacinth was King  
of the Flower City. He  
was a good natured king  
and ruled his people well.  
But he had a problem There  
was another King called  
King Poison Ivy who was evil.  
King poison Ivy had a huge  
army of Poison Oaks that  
were against King Hyacinth. SO  
finally they reoranged a batte at  
the Botanical Battlefield in  
Green Thumb Town. When the

by Punny

battle started. King  
Hyacinth sent out his  
strongest fly trap for  
the battle. King poison Ivy  
sent out his strongest  
Poison Oak and they battled.  
First the poison Oak tried  
using Body Slam on the fly  
trap but the fly trap  
opened his toothy mouth  
and the poison Oak was  
swallowed and the fly trap  
won! Then another Oak  
came on the battle field

And then it beat the fly trap. So King Hyacinth sent out another trap and the fly trap won and that kept happening until they were down to their last warrior. It was King Hyacinth's smallest fly trap and King Poison Ivy's biggest poison Oak. The battle started! The poison Oak tried body slam on the trap and it worked. It squished the fly trap but too bad for King Poison Ivy. The Oak hit the ground so hard the floor cracked

and the poison Oak fell thousands of feet down until he hit the center of the Earth. So it was decided it was going to be a draw on one battle! Both kings stepped onto the field. The rule was the first one to knock the other into the pit won. King Hyacinth took out his purple beam sword and King Poison Ivy took out his green poison sword. And the battle started! First, King Hyacinth sent a beam out at his sword but the evil king dodged it. Then the evil king used a poison bear

on King Hyacinth! But then  
The good King reflected, the  
move and the beam hit King  
Poison Ivy and he fell into  
the pit and King Hyacinth  
won the match! And King  
Poison Ivy's Poison sword didn't  
fall into the pit. So King  
Hyacinth kept it. And King Hyacinth  
went back to the Flower City  
and lived a very happy life. He  
also made a law that there would  
be no more wars.

**The End**

Did you know...  
In 1891, John Dunbar  
planted the first lilacs  
at Highland Park.



James Vick opened his  
nurseries on East  
Avenue in 1855 and Vick  
Park A and B are named  
after him.

Did you know...  
That cucumbers,  
pumpkins, and peppers  
are really fruit?



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Emma  
Ryan  
Danny  
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Brennan  
Alexis  
Cameron  
Mark  
Paul  
Whitney  
Kennethea  
Eden

Plant Facts

- People have been raising plants for 4,000 years.
- Plants have different colors to attract birds and insects.
- Plants grow fast in good conditions.
- Vegetable plants grow fruit after pollination.
- Plants are just like people they need T.L.C!
- Some plants live in greenhouses to protect them from the weather.
- House plants are different from outside plants.
- George Ellwanger and Patrick Barry helped bring new plants to Rochester.
- Seeds travel on wind, water, and by animals.

Plant Care

- Plants need the right temperature.
- Plants need sunlight, air, nutrients, and good soil.
- Plants should be watered twice a week.
- Be sure to remove dead leaves from your plant.
- Transplant your plants to larger pots when the roots get too crowded.
- Some flowers like daffodils grow from bulbs. Bulbs should be planted in the fall.
- Some kinds of plants, like vegetables, are better for growing in containers.
- Use deep pots with drainage holes or shallow containers without drainage holes.
- Outdoor container plants also require more water and fertilizer.

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