



Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable Growers (OGVG) is a not-for-profit organization, formed in 1967, representing approximately 220 members who grow greenhouse tomatoes, cucumbers, and peppers on over 3000 acres in Ontario, Canada. Our growers span from Windsor to Niagara and as far north as Ottawa. Over a hundred of these farms are right here in our backyard, making our communities the epi-center of greenhouse growing in North America. Our little corner of the world leads in greenhouse growing innovation and helps to put fresh food on tables near and far.

OGVG works hard to promote and connect its growers with government agencies, consumers, retailers, and foodservice operators across North America through research, marketing initiatives, trade shows, and community activities. As a whole,

OGVG strives to support the Ontario greenhouse vegetable sector and its growers, however possible, to ensure success for today, sustainability for tomorrow, and fresh, nutritious, quality produce for all!

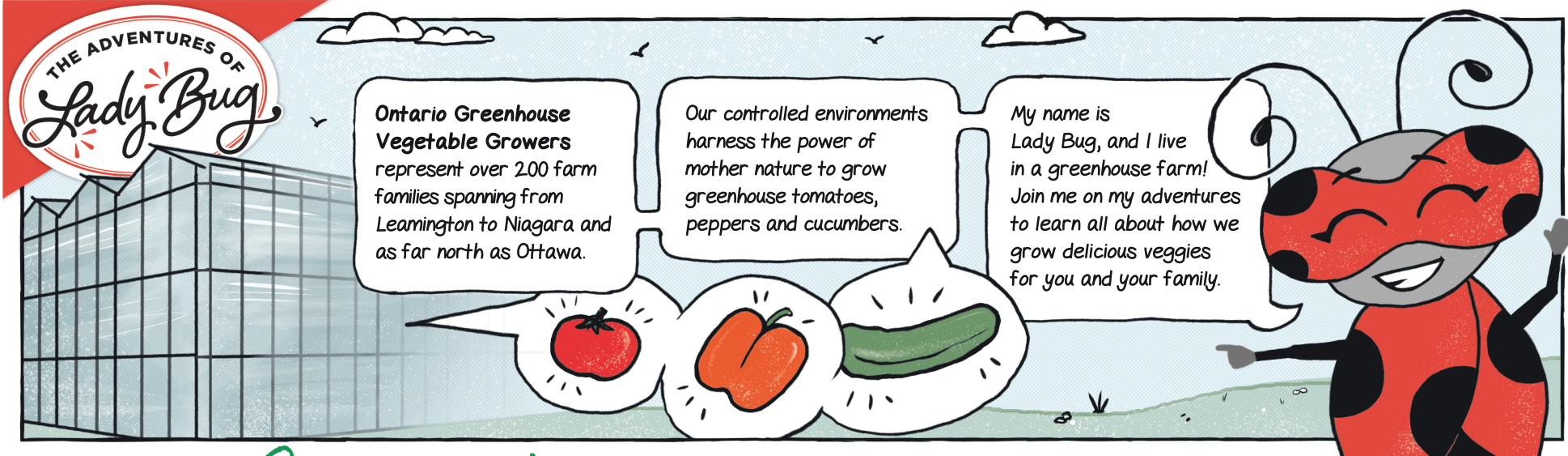
Our greenhouse growers produce tomatoes, cucumbers, and peppers; the majority of these farms are family-owned and have been in existence for several generations. Overall, our farmers produce over 476 000 tonnes of produce every year. People from all over North America may not realize that when they pick up a pint of grape tomatoes or an English cucumber that they got their start right here. Our growers and those who work for our farms do incredible work every day to produce the highest quality vegetables. We're excited to partner with the Southpoint Sun to bring you a new feature that will

invite you behind the glass to learn all about what we grow, and how we grow it as well as showcasing some of the amazing work done by our members, local businesses and charities that help make our communities strong.

We strive to be a resource to the community for all your greenhouse inquiries. We invite any questions or comments to **www.greenhousegoodness.com** or connect with us on social media!



Ernie and Mike DelCancio



Giving back

UHC's Plentiful Harvest Food Rescue program helps to reduce hunger in the local community by rescuing large quantities of food—fresh and prepared—and packaging and redistributing it to hungry children and adults in Windsor-Essex and beyond. We use a large portion of the fresh produce donations in our Community Kitchen and food bank and share the remaining portions with more than 50 community agencies. Since its inception in 2012, Plentiful Harvest has rescued over 21 million pounds of food.

We cannot thank the Essex County greenhouse growers, farmers and food distributors enough for their partnership and support of Plentiful Harvest. We are proud to work with you! We look forward to continuing to partner on exciting upcoming projects in the heart of Leamington.

For more information, or to inquire about how to get involved with the Plentiful Harvest Food Rescue program, please contact us at **519.944.4900** or visit **www.uhc.ca**.



Stay tuned for our feature

FARMER PROFILES:

A behind-the-scenes look at OGVG's Members!

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The launch of
'Our House to Yours'
BINGO
Grand prize - **\$5,000**



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