


Ever wonder what goes on within a greenhouse? Ontario grows a wide variety of fruits and vegetables! Many of which are found in one of the

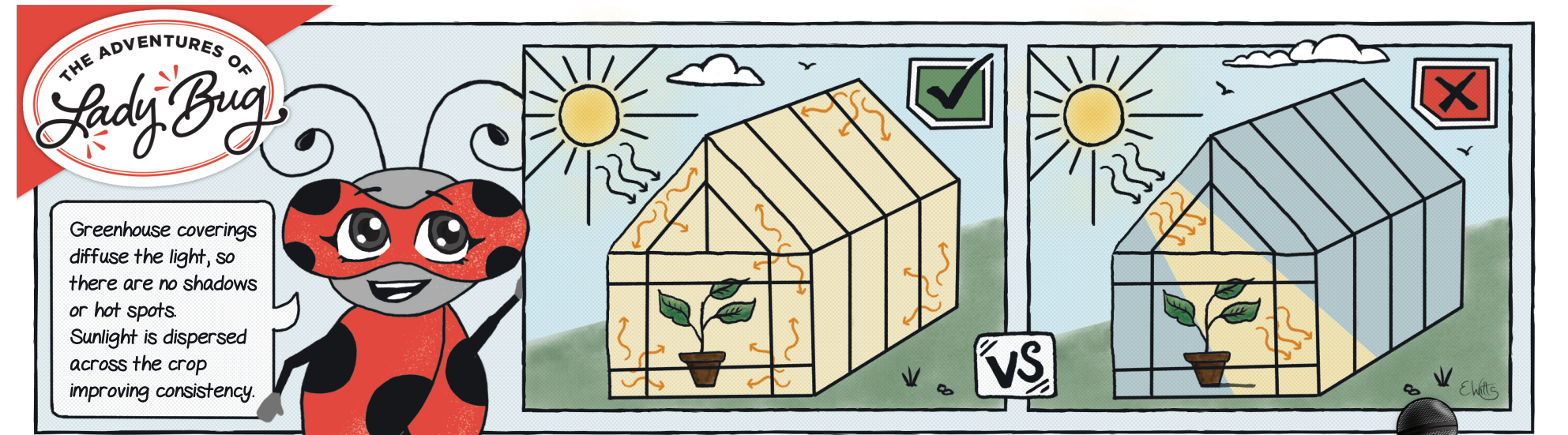
highest concentration of greenhouse farms in North America, Essex county. For the bio protection of our plants, and for the safety of our workers, tours are currently prohibited. But what if we could tell you how to tour a greenhouse from the comforts of your own home.

Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable growers presents our Virtual Reality 360 experience! Fly over our greenhouses, cruise down rows of tomato plants, and watch how Ontario's fresh flavourful greenhouse produce makes it from our farms to your plate! We

invite you to try out the experience by scanning the QR code on this page. Scanning is easy! Just open the camera app on your phone and a link should pop up. Click on the link, and get your phone ready, as it is now your eyes and ears inside one of Ontario's greenhouse farms. Point your phone in different directions and make sure to look around! You can also use your desktop computer by visiting: www.ogvg.com/ogvg-vr-360. High-tech greenhouses are at the forefront of innovation and we hope you will enjoy this experience and take our virtual tour.



Take a Tour!




Giving back

The Salvation Army Leamington has been serving our community and area since 1886.

Here in Leamington, we are thankful to receive financial donations and non-perishable food and fresh produce donations from our community, which we then give out to those in need Monday - Thursday mornings each week. If anyone needs our help, please call 519-326-0319.

During these COVID months we have been blessed to continue to serve our community. This could not happen without the hard, dedicated, and consistent work of our volunteers and staff.



Giving Hope Today

We plan to expand our volunteer base once it is COVID safe to do so. If you are looking for a place to help others and would like to be part of our team, please contact us at 519-326-0319. Or, if you are looking to donate product, we presently have a shortage of fresh vegetables and fruit, canned fruit, peanut butter, jam, and instant coffee.

These items can be dropped off at our 88 Settrington Street location Monday to Thursday mornings, 9-noon. For more information and to see more great community programs we support visit: <https://salvationarmy.ca>



OGVG FARMER PROFILES Erievue Acres

Erievue Acres was originally opened as a cut flower farm by Rob Hansen in 1986. Rob grew cut flowers at Erievue for twenty years until in 2006. At the time, Rob had a young son and was buying organic produce for the family when his wife asked why he was buying organic produce and not just growing it on their farm. At this point in time, organic greenhouse growing was rudimentary and said to be "not yet ready for commercialization." This served as great inspiration and proved to be little challenge for Erievue, as they had already invested plenty of time and money learning about bio-controls and the biological pest management techniques



that benefited their cut flower crops. This knowledge transferred well to organic greenhouse vegetable growing practices and shortly after the switch to growing organics, Rob's brother Norm Hansen came on board as head of research and development - adding in house research to pest management and organic nutrition. Today, Erievue Acres is one of the premier growers of certified organic greenhouse vegetables in the Leamington area. They grow in 12.5 acres of greenhouses at two locations. Learn more by visiting: <https://www.ogvgconnect.com/grower-profiles/erieview-acres>

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