

# TreeMail

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Dear Trees Ontario Supporter, Welcome to the spring 2010 edition of TreeMail.

## Help us Save our Environment. One Tree at a Time.

Trees Ontario, working with its partners, is the largest, not-for-profit tree planting partnership in North America. We are committed to the re-greening of Ontario through a range of tree planting activities.

When you donate to Trees Ontario you are also supporting work that helps to rebuild the entire infrastructure of tree planting across the province – from seed forecasting and collection, training and mentoring new technical staff, to providing tree planting subsidy programs to Ontario landowners.

This year, with its partners, Trees Ontario will plant over 2 million trees. Its goal is to support the planting of 10 million trees per year by 2015. We can only accomplish this through your generous donations.

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## Donate

### Wedding and Special Event Donations



Recognize your wedding or special event by giving native tree seedlings to attendees. Native tree seedlings come wrapped in burlap, include a Trees Ontario card and planting instructions, and cost \$5 each with a minimum order of 100. Half of your purchase is tax receiptable and these monies support Trees Ontario's regular planting programs. [Click here](#) to download the seedling order form.

Donate in lieu of favours for your guests, which will contribute the funds needed to help save the environment, one tree at a time. We will provide you with a message that can be shared with your guests that indicates your gift in honour of them. [Click here](#) for more donation details.

Request your wedding guests to donate to Trees Ontario in place of traditional gifts (either the full gift or a percentage of what they intend to give). [Copy this link](#) to your own wedding website or include it in an email to tell your guests about donation options.

Donate part of proceeds for events such as proms or formals, organizers can donate part of the proceeds raised through ticket sales to Trees Ontario. This is an easy and effective way for a student body to make an impactful statement about its support of the environment and the importance of re-establishing Ontario's forests. [Contact us](#) for more information.

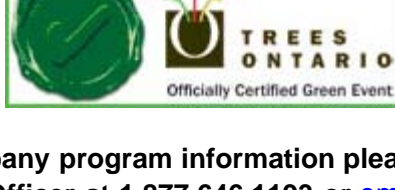
### Business Partnerships

#### Thanks to our Recent Supporters

Trees Ontario wants to recognize its recent business supporters and new partners, including: Airmiles, C.H Robinson, Cleaner Solutions, Ontario Power Generation, LEAF, the G8 Summit, and the A.D. Latonnell Conference. Visit the Trees Ontario [sponsors page](#) for our list of current corporate supporters.

#### Let Trees Ontario Help You Green Your Meeting

Trees Ontario can work with your organization to 'green' your meetings, conventions, trade shows and other events worldwide. We just need to know the mode of transportation, number of attendees and kilometres travelled each way. [Learn more about Trees Ontario's Green Meetings.](#)



For donations and company program information please contact Emily Moore, Senior Development Officer at 1.877.646.1193 or [emoore@treesontario.ca](mailto:emoore@treesontario.ca).

## Take Part

### Help us Grow x 2 Contest: Win a Trip for two to the Andes & Amazon!



Help Trees Ontario grow and you could be eligible to win a trip for two to the Andes & Amazon, courtesy of Intrepid Travel. There is a fall foliage train trip for two with Ontario Northlands and a Zipcar one-year membership and \$100 driving credit also up for grabs as part of Trees Ontario's Helps us Grow x 2 Contest.

**How to Enter:** Visit the Trees Ontario's booth (#909 across from the urban forest) at the [Green Living Show](#), April 23-25, 2010 at the Direct Energy Centre in Toronto, and enter to win.

[Click here](#) to read the full contest rules and regulations.

**Free Entry into Show:** Recycle an electronic piece of equipment at the show entrance and receive FREE admission. [Find out](#) more.



### Upcoming Events and Workshops

Trees Ontario and Forest Gene Conservation Association are partnering to conduct two Certified Seed Collector workshops this spring/summer [Take Part.](#)

Trees Ontario will be attending numerous planting activities and events across Ontario this spring, including the [G8 Summit](#) taking place on June 25-26 in Huntsville, Ontario.

[View our online events calendar for more information.](#)



### Trees Ontario Grows its Partnerships with OPG and LEAF at 2010 Green Living Show

Trees Ontario is budding into the spring 2010 planting season with some new partners and the opportunity for individuals to share their own tree stories. This year at the [Green Living Show](#), Trees Ontario will be joining forces with [Ontario Power Generation](#) and [LEAF](#) (Local Enhancement and Appreciation of Forests) in a joint space, to recognize the importance of trees, biodiversity, and urban & rural tree planting programs. The booth will be located adjacent to the show's urban forest at booth #909.

Show attendees will have the opportunity to share their tree story at our video booth, learn about the organizations, discuss backyard tree planting tips and techniques, assess eligibility for tree planting subsidy programs, and hear about OPG's leading edge Biodiversity Program. [Take Part.](#)



## Learn More

### Operational Updates - Spring 2010 Planting Season



This spring, Trees Ontario, in partnership with its 50+ [planting partners](#), will plant over 2 million trees across the province through the [Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources' 50 Million Tree Program](#) and Trees Ontario's [Full Service Program](#). View the [2010 tree planting map](#) to see where trees are being planted this spring. Interested in participating in a tree planting subsidy program? Contact your local [planting delivery agent](#) or Trees Ontario to determine eligibility.

### Communications Updates



The price to plant 13,000 trees can be less than planting 300 – if you do it the right way. Read Trees Ontario's latest Green Leader story on a local Alexandria couple who took part in the 50 Million Tree Program [Learn More.](#)

Trees Ontario has recently launched its Facebook page where we post upcoming events, news releases, tree planting information. If you are a Facebook subscriber - [become a fan of Trees Ontario](#) and ask your friends too!

Looking for resources on seed zones, species and stock collection and Trees Ontario's Update Report? Visit Trees Ontario's [Learn More](#) section on the website.

### Ontario Forestry Association Updates

#### Envirothon and OFA Conference

The Envirothon season is quickly coming upon us! The Envirothon is the only outdoor environmental competition that puts high school students head to head in a battle to become the champion of natural resources. They participate in outdoor workshops and competitions, learning all the basics of forestry, aquatics, soils, wildlife, and this year: Protecting Groundwater. Twenty regions across the province will be holding their own competitions in April, with winners representing their regions at the provincial competition in May. Keep an eye out for students that are smarter than the average bear, wandering around in a forest near you!



Interested in volunteering at an event? Visit [www.ontarioenvirothon.ca](http://www.ontarioenvirothon.ca) for more information, or contact Jessica Kaknevičius at [jkaknevičius@oforest.ca](mailto:jkaknevičius@oforest.ca).

The Ontario Forestry Association would like to thank everyone who joined in, and supported our 61st Annual Conference on February 5, 2010, at the Nottawasaga Inn. It was a very successful event and we look forward to seeing you again next year!

#### Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program (MFTIP)

The 2010 MFTIP deadlines are quickly approaching. If you need to renew your plan or are a new applicant contact your managed forest plan approver soon to ensure you get your plan done in time. **Contact us at tel: 1-800-387-0790.**

New Managed Forest Plans **Due June 30th, 2010.**

Managed Forest Plan 10 Year Renewals **Due July 31th, 2010.**

### The Tree of Knowledge – Did You Know?

#### Helpful Tree Planting Tips



It's about that time again – tree planting time! Trees Ontario and its partners plant 2-3 million trees per year on rural, private lands. In addition to these programs, Ontarians are planting trees in public spaces, their backyards and on cottage properties for shade, aesthetic purposes, recreation, and wildlife habitat.

Do you need some tree planting recommendations? Learn more about: the best time to plant, how to handle and store seedlings, how to prepare your site, and proper planting techniques. [Click here](#) to read tree planting tips and techniques from Trees Ontario's Field Advisor, Tim Gray.

Find out who the field advisor is in your area. [Learn More.](#)

