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Lower Thames Valley Conservation Foundation

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About the Foundation

The Foundation works in partnership with the Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority, to raise funds for the wise management of our renewable natural resources. Created in 1995, it cultivates and enhances all aspects of conservation, to provide a safe and healthy environment, including natural and cultural heritage resources. The Foundation has raised over \$385,000. One of our primary concerns is ensuring the Longwoods Education Programs, including the Ska-Nah-Doht Native Studies and Conservation Education Programs, continue to provide unique outdoor learning opportunities for children and residents of the lower Thames river watershed and surrounding region.

Register On-line for the 2006 Annual Charity Golf Scramble

Supporting a wide variety of the Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority's environmental and cultural heritage projects, \$4,842 was raised at the third annual Golf event, held last September 17. Thirty one-hole sponsors, and 43 golfers enjoyed the day! This year's golf scramble is being held at the Caradoc Sands Golf Club in Strathroy on Sunday, September 17, 2006. Registration forms are available on-line at this web site: www.lowerthames-conservation.on.ca/FoundationGolf.htm

Thanks To Our 'One Hole' Sponsors in 2005!

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Ontario Volunteer Service Awards - Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration

In recognition of their volunteer service on the Foundation, the following members received five year pins in 2005 - Dawn Sullivan, John Beharrell, Peter Snow, Al McGregor, and Glenn Stott. Congratulations!

Check us out at www.lowerthames-conservation.on.ca
Click on Foundation then 'Publications' to view our 2005 Annual Report.

Our Foundation and Its Donors Supported the following projects of the Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority in 2005

- Longwoods Road Conservation Area Resource Centre for education and community relations programs
- Conservation Authority web site
- fund-raising resource data base license
- 411 trees planted in five memorial forests and assisted with three memorial forest dedication services
- audiovisual and computer equipment for education and water management programs
- birdfeeder supplies at Longwoods Road Conservation Area
- summer student employment grant for Longwoods Road and C.M. Wilson Conservation Areas
- Sharon Creek Trust Fund
- Museum Displays and the Reconstruction Projects of Ska-Nah-Doht Iroquoian Village
- Owl Hike and Taste of Fall events at Longwoods Road Conservation Area
- maintenance of Longwoods Road Conservation Area nature trails through the Interpretive Trail Signage Sponsorship Program
- Conservation Authority's Education Programs - River and Creek Safety
- organizing and hosting the Annual Charity Golf Scramble

Ways You Can Help Conservation!

MEMORIAL FOREST PROGRAM

memories live on



There are six Foundation memorial forests located in the Lower Thames watershed. By planting a tree, we preserve precious memories and encourage the preservation of nature for future generations. We are grateful to the McKinlay Funeral Home of Chatham, the John C. Badder Funeral Home in Thamesville and the Badder & Robinson Funeral Home in Bothwell for their continued support of our memorial forest program. With the assistance of the Tilbury & District Horticultural Society, a new memorial forest grows at the Tilbury Northside Memorial Forest. Friends and family dedicate trees by contacting the Conservation Foundation, requesting a memorial forest donation card and making a \$30.00 donation for each tree. Next of kin receive a memorial certificate, and an invitation to an annual memorial forest service. Individual trees are not identified, however records are kept of all donations.

'Partners in Conservation'

Education programs offered by the Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority out of Longwoods Road Conservation Area, require ongoing support from private funding sources. The Foundation invites service clubs, local businesses, other charitable foundations and private citizens to become 'Partners in Conservation' by donating towards the education programs. Donations received help to maintain trails, supply educational equipment and materials, and support the hiring of summer staff for the Conservation Authority.

Trail Sponsorship Program

Our Foundation invites groups such as churches, youth organizations, schools, local businesses and corporations to support the nature trails at Longwoods Road Conservation Area. There are 6.5 km of trails, two of which are wheelchair accessible. The park is visited by 30,000 visitors annually and is also home to Ska-Nah-Doht, a recreated Iroquoian village of one thousand years ago.

Donations provide stone chips for wheelchair accessible trails, maintenance of boardwalks and stairs, trail pruning, signs and information.

Ska-Nah-Doht Restoration

In 2005, the Walter J. Blackburn Foundation of London donated \$5,000 towards the Ska-Nah-Doht Iroquoian Village restoration project. In addition, the George Lunan Foundation and the S.M. Blair Family Foundation of Toronto donated \$1,000 each towards the same project.

Applying for Trillium

Directors intend to submit an application to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for the July 1st deadline. The funding will be used to restore the three heritage log cabins at Longwoods Road Conservation Area.

Cobban Donation

In December, Mrs. Audrey Cobban, donated \$4,500 to the Foundation to be split between Longwoods Road and Sharon Creek Conservation Areas for use on capital development or summer student help. Her generosity is greatly appreciated!

Memorial Forests of the Lower Thames Valley Conservation Foundation

McKinlay Woodlands...
A Living Memorial

C. M. Wilson Conservation Area,
Chatham-Kent, On
(supported by McKinlay Funeral Home)

Sharon Creek Memorial Forest

Sharon Creek Conservation Area,
Delaware, On

Rowson's Tilbury West
Conservation Area

Tilbury, On

Tilbury Northside Memorial Forest

Tilbury & District
Horticultural Society
Tilbury, On

Badder & Robinson Memorial Forest

Bothwell, On
(supported by John C. Badder and Badder & Robinson Funeral Homes)

Comber District Historical Museum
Memorial Forest
Comber, On



Donation Cards for Memorial Trees Can
Be Down loaded

<http://www.lowerthames-conservation.on.ca/Publications/TreeDonorCard2004.pdf>

or call (519) 354-7310

Donations to Our Foundation

Consider a donation to the Lower Thames Valley Conservation Foundation in support of the conservation!

Ways to reach us are listed on the reverse of this page. Your donation will be greatly appreciated, generously recognized and wisely used for environmental projects in the local area. Tax receipts available.

