

Please join us for the Nawautin Nature Sanctuary 's annual Tree Planting Day, which will take place at 9am on *Saturday, May 7, 2016*. We hope to plant a combination of ten coniferous and deciduous trees. For those of you who wish to help (or simply lend moral support), please meet at the Keewatin Drive sanctuary entrance. The NSA executive will be there to collect membership dues (\$5 per family) and to welcome new neighbours. NSA fees enable us to maintain the sanctuary year-round by planting trees, spraying to control noxious weeds, and acquiring benches, as well as building/maintaining bridges and pathways.

In 2015, the NSA planted 17 trees (with members' help), installed 6 birdhouses, built a bridge, sprayed for poison ivy and dog strangling vine, and trimmed back the thorn trees.

On May 5, the NSA will be hosting its first ever Conservation Day at the sanctuary for students from Grades 3 and 4 at Grafton Public School. This event will include environmental activities, a double tree planting and a garbage-free lunch.

Our Annual General Meeting (AGM) is to be held at the Grafton Community Centre at 7pm on Monday, May 16, 2016. Anyone who cannot attend the Tree Planting Day on May 7 may pay NSA fees at the AGM, as well as at the Alnwick/Haldimand township office in Grafton. An agenda for the AGM will follow.

Please note that there is to be a FLAP (Fatal Light Awareness Program) presentation at Grafton Public School at 7pm on Monday, April 11, 2016. Admission = a minimum \$2 donation at the door. If you wish more information about FLAP, please contact David Bryson at <davidkbryson@gmail.com>.



The NSA executive would like to stress that ALL dogs being walked through the sanctuary must be on a leash and that the township's poop & scoop by-law must be observed by all pet owners.

Feedback from members is always welcome! For more information, please contact:

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Happy Spring to all!