

# Scugog Environmental Highlights



Mayor Marilyn Pearce

## Scugog Township Councillors 2006—2010

Regional - Councillor	Jim McMillen
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Ward Three	Lynn Hodgson
Ward Four	Donovan Smith
Ward Five	Georgia Brock

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CAO	Bev Hendry
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## ENVIRONMENTAL DATES OF IMPORTANCE

Mark your calendars!

### Waste Reduction Week

Oct. 19 –25, 2009

### 2nd Scugog Treasure Hunt

Saturday Oct.24<sup>th</sup>

### Christmas Tree Pick-Up

Week of January 11 & 18 2010

### Pitch-In Week

April 19-25 , 2010

### Earth Day

April 22, 2010

Visit [www.scugog.ca](http://www.scugog.ca)  
to view all  
Environmental Events



## SPECIAL WASTE REDUCTION WEEK EDITION

October 19 - 25, 2009

### THE RESULTS ARE IN DIVERSION RATE AT 53%

In April of 2009 the Region of Durham introduced its new household waste collection program which includes weekly pick-up of green bin and blue box materials and bi-weekly residual garbage collection. How are we doing:

April 2008 to July 2008 vs April 2009 to July 2009

	Curb-side Garbage	Bulky Goods	Blue Box	Green Bin	Yard Waste	Metal Goods	Total Tonnes	Diver- sion
2008	1406	29	607	172	291	6	2511	43%
2009	1024	21	598	272	305	13	2233	53%
%change	-27%	-28%	-1%	58%	5%	117%	-11%	

Next year the Region plans to increase the number of yard waste collections to 24 to bring that service into conformity with the southern municipalities. The Region's diversion goal is 70% by the end of 2010, so much more needs to be done but we are well on our way to making it happen – 60% is within range.

## Adopt-a-Park / Adopt-a-Road

The Township Parks and the Works Departments have continued with the "Adopt" programs and have had up-take from the following groups in 2009:

### Adopt-a-Park

- Greenbank Public School: Ianson Park
- Good Shephard Catholic School: PP Fairgrounds
- Immaculate Conception Catholic School: Perryview Park
- Prince Albert Public School: Georgian Woods SWMP
- Cartwright High School: Blackstock Fairgrounds & Crestview Park
- 1<sup>st</sup> Port Perry Scouts: Scout Hall Parkette

### Adopt-a-Road

- PPHS Robotics Team - Old Simcoe Road North
- Scugog Christian School - King St. in Prince Albert



## Scugog Schools Get Involved

Whether it is adopting a Scugog Park or a Road or improving their school's waste reduction, energy conservation, ecological literacy and school ground greening, Scugog's youth are engaged in making a difference.

### ECO-Schools:

- Prince Albert Public School
- R.H. Cornish Public School



### Green Ideas for Meetings & Events

- Send out invitations via email—helps to reduce paper.

### Green Bin Bags

Look for one or both of these logos when purchasing bags:



### Websites

Township of Scugog  
www.scugog.ca

Region of Durham—Waste  
www.durhamregionwaste.ca

Waste Reduction Week  
www.wrwcanda.com

## Take it Back, Scugog

Many local stores and companies provide “take it back” service or what is known as extended producer responsibility. Locally you can take back the following items to a store in our community:



Rechargeable Batteries	The Source/Canadian Tire
Plastic Bags	Sobey's Grocery Store
Ink Cartridges	The Source
Wine/beer bottles	The Beer Store

This year the Township will work with other businesses including our pharmacies at providing a comprehensive list of “Take It Back” locations and will post on the Township web-site under environmental initiatives.

### Did You Know:

- The Township of Scugog continues to collect and dispose of small household batteries as a result of the 2007 CBC “Battery Blitz” program. Residents can drop them off at the Municipal Office during regular office hours.
- Researchers estimate that 14 to 20 million computers are considered obsolete each year and of that only about 30% are re-used. That means 70 % are usually thrown away. E-Waste Day in Scugog was held on Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, this year and over 19,000 lbs of electronic waste was collected and the good news is that the Region collects \$165/tonne.
- The Region of Durham trucked approximately 143,000 tonnes of waste to Michigan in 2008.
- You can recycle your fluorescent bulbs at the Regional Waste Facility on Reach St. in Port Perry. Best to deliver bulbs/tubes either wrapped in newspaper or bundled with elastic bands. Broken lights or lights taped together are not accepted.
- Bulky or metal goods can be picked up right at your door by calling 1-800-667-5671 or 905-579-5264.
- You can purchase additional blue boxes, green bins and composters at the Township of Scugog offices during regular office hours.
- The average cost for Waste Management services collected in your Regional Tax Bill in 2008 was \$166/year (\$280,000 assessment).
- The Region of Durham will soon accept used tires at Regional Waste Management Facilities free of charge (check for limits and specifications). As an agent of Ontario Tire Stewardship, Durham will receive funds to handle the diversion of this waste. The revenue created from this new program - \$88/tonne - will assist in recovering the costs to operate the program. Tire recycling cost approx \$60,000 in 2008 and it now should contribute a profit of \$22,000 to overall programs.