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Town Gardener-Trees should be planted for our children's children

By TOM CAVAN Herald Special

we must plant trees: Trees are functional, they filter out polluted air and provide oxygen. Trees can conserve energy by cooling our environment in summer and sheltering us in . winter. Trees flower with spring inspiration and bear fruits for our table. Trees provide shelter for wildlife. Furnish your yard with trees and add character to your

garden. We must all plant trees for our children's children.

1. Patmore Ash: Strong, moderate growth to 12 metres. Extremely hardy and tolerant of poor conditions. This is an excellent salt-tolerant, street tree.

2. Rivers Purple Beech: Compact pyramidal form to 10 metres. Cherry-red foliage in spring turning deep purple, sun or shade. Superb contrasting foliage makes this a special tree.

3. Paper Birch: Fast-growing

open form to 20 metres. Maturing chalk-white bark provides contrasting charm. Available in single stem and clump arrangements.

4. Cutleaf Weeping Birch: Vigorous upright growth with weeping branches bearing dark green leaves. Mature bark turns white fringed with black edges.

5. Shademaster Honeylocust: Rapid growth to 12 metres. Poised ascending branches with dark green leaves. Superb street tree,

can we do to accept the

challenges and assure green, pro-

ductive forests for tomorrow? It

is worth our thought and action

Fight Waste...

during National Forest Week.

tolerant of poor soil conditions.

6. Sunburst Honeylocust: Bright golden foliage on last 26 cm of growth provides distinguished contrast. Fertilizing and soils will determine colour intensity.

7. Linden sp.: Robust growth up to 15 metres. This family of trees have straight trunks with uniform head development. A very high tolerance to salt makes this an excellent street tree.

8. Crimson King Maple: Renowned for its purple leaves all season, this tree contrasts favorably in any garden. Well rounded 'head growing to 12 metres.

9. Harlequin Maple: Whiteedged leaves make this a unique selection for contrasting colour. A good slow growing tree to 10 metres.

10. Norway Maple: Strong, straight growth to 20 metres. Large glossy leaves beset a hardy well-rounded head. This is the most popular maple for street or garden.

11. Sugar Maple: Look no further for superb fall colour. New varieties resistant to acid rain are now available. Robust, hardy growth to 20 metres. Oval shaped head.

Pyramidal growth habit to 12 metres. White flowers in late spring bear clusters of orange berries in fall. Fern-like compound leaves add grace to the landscape.

13. Pyramidal English Oak: Upright narrow growth to 20 metres. Excellent for small spaced gardens and foundation plantings. Dark green leaves turning yellow in fall then retained in winter.

14. Red Oak: Slow growing sturdy tree to 30 metres. Dark green, sharply pointed leaves on a broad head. Give this tree lots of room to mature. Good fall col-

15. Golden Weeping Willow: Exceptionally fast growth. Give this tree lots of room with its loose open form. Weeping, windswept golden foliage contrasts well.

DID YOU KNOW ... 1. All of the oxygen we breathe comes from plants, one acre of

trees releases up to 4 tons of oxygen per year! 2. Trees remove carbon dioxide

at the rate of 10 tons per acre per year.

For more information, call the

3. Trees are the major combatant against global warming.

Blue Boxer

12. Russian Mountain Ash:

Town Gardener at 519-833-2117.

National Forest Week planned

Forest resources feed, clothe, shelter and entertain us. They are great to visit. Provide habitat for wildlife. Help control water runoff and soil erosion. Their shade and beauty of the 'cool, green kind' are treasured. Their contributions to air cleaning and sound reduction are welcomed. And there is their wood.

Over half the wood used in the world is burned for cooking and warmth. We have learned to use wood for a host of products from paper to board to chemicals. As our numbers multiplied we increased our demands upon the forest base and either ignored its future or hoped it would last forever. A few called for 'management' to assure forests and wood supplies for the future. Many advances in forest management were made but commitment by the landowners and society at large has been lacking.

Increased mobility and leisure time has given the public greater opportunity to visit the forest. The appearance of the harvested. forest (notwithstanding the importance of the products, jobs

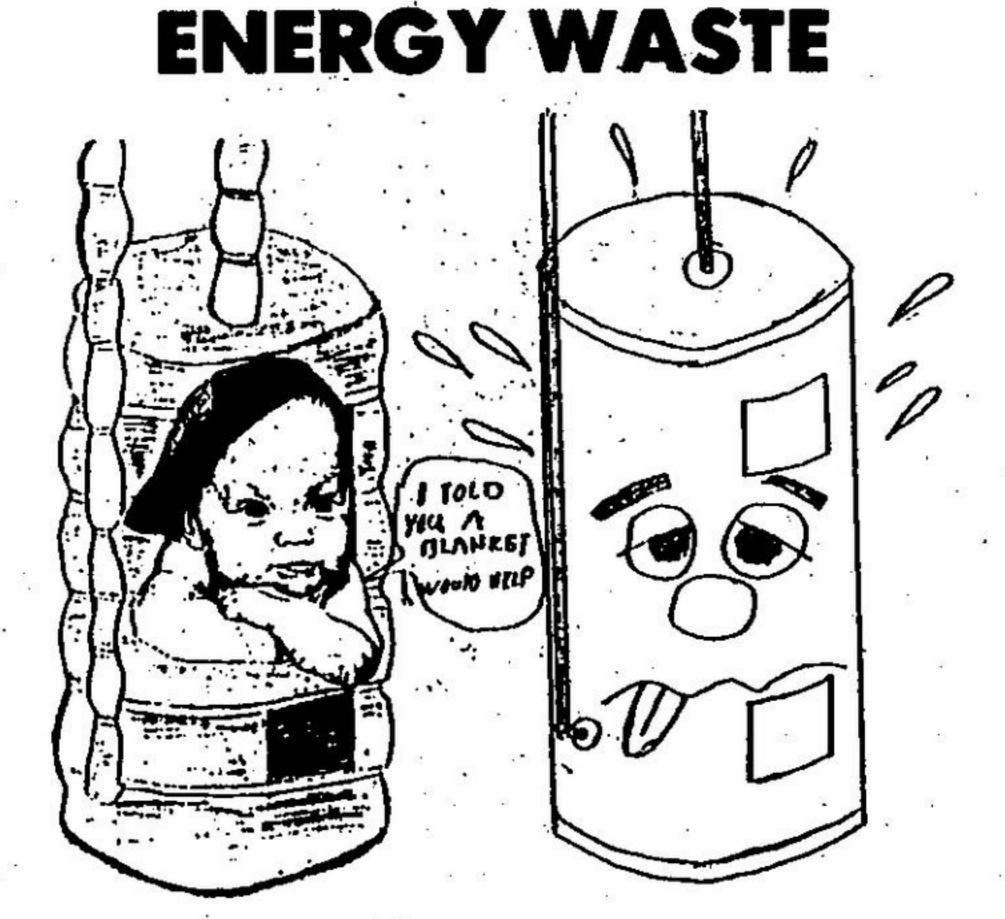
and revenues it provides) has not been pleasing. Society wants other things as well as wood production. Parks and wilderness, for example.

It takes a long time to grow forests. Protecting them from fire, insects and disease is not easy. Balancing the cut with growth, utilizing material before it is lost to fire, insects and disease, building roads, securing manpower and finding the financial capital are part of the complexity of the forest enterprise. Fitting all these in with tourism, recreation, and wildlife protection complicates the picture further. It takes large areas to meet the need of today and tomorrow. Somehow there has to be a balance.

Tomorrow's forests... Today's Challenge. That's the theme of National Forest Week... May 5-11. Sponsored by the Ontario Forestry Association forest week is a time to think about our forests and what needs to be done to meet our multiple needs. Our numbers and needs are increasing. Our forests are limited. What



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