

TREE PLANTING AT FAIRY LAKE: Threeyear-old Noel Dolliver gets a helping hand from dad Dave at the Fairy Lake Tree Planting hosted by Credit Valley **Conservation, Town of Halton Hills and POWER on Saturday morning at Rotary** Park, Acton. This community event was sponsored by Alcoa and TD Friends of the **Environment (TDFEF). "There are many** benefits of maintaining natural spaces in our communities," said Mike Puddister, **Deputy CAO and Director of Watershed** Transformation for CVC. "Native shrubs add visual appeal to the landscape while reducing pollution and improving water quality. This is why community planting events are so important for locations such as Fairy Lake." Natural vegetation acts as a filter that absorbs contaminants and residue from the lands adjacent to water bodies. Planting shrubs along the shoreline is a good alternative to trees because it offers the same natural benefits, while maintaining the visual sightlines of the lake for the community to enjoy. Photo by Jon Borgstrom



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