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and reliable are industrial wind turbines? Are they really green? Can the claims developers make be substantiated? Recently, APPEC was invited to make a presentation to local realtors (some of whom reported problems with sales when potential buyers were told about turbine projects). The presentation was well received and we would now also like to share this information with the community at large. We will all see the impacts on the County, on its people and the landscape.

Since the announcement of APPEC's formation in the January 2008 *Mirror*, there has been a lot of activity by different wind developers in the County, some reported in the media, but most activities out of the public eye. APPEC has been following these activities and also developments at Council. Join us on 1 April at the Milford Town Hall for an up-to-date report on these activities and developments. We expect that by the time the *Mirror* goes to press there may be an announcement of another huge project in our Ward. Stay informed and see you on 1 April!

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Paul Hawken tells us that every 24 hours the world economy burns an amount of stored solar energy (aka fossil fuels) the planet required 27 years to create. We are currently reliant on resources declining in supply and increasing in expense while reaping havoc on human , animal & planetary health.

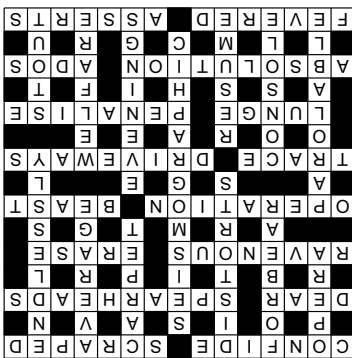
The OMA (Ont. Medical Assoc.) states that every year just in Ontario , air pollution kills 5900 people and costs \$7.8 billion in health related costs and lost work time. Nanticoke coal-fired station alone is responsible for as much air pollution as 3.3 million cars. It is reasonable to expect that these emissions also harm birds in addition to their contribution to climate change. A 2004 study in the journal *Nature*, estimates that up to 1/4 of all bird species could become extinct by 2054 due to global climate change. Wind energy is a far greater solution to bird depletion than it is a problem.

Nevertheless, we're at the cusp of an exciting change, full of opportunity, hope & promise. Renewable energy (solar, wind, water, tidal, & geo-thermal) together with co-generation (turning waste heat & materials into electricity) and intensive conservation are the viable & sustainable options we need to embrace. These alternatives are not unproven or unreliable, as shown consistently all around the world for many years now. One need look no further than our own backyard to find vast arrays of free & untapped power sources waiting to be harnessed by current and emerging technologies. We should consider our region lucky to be blessed with such great wind resources, attracting developers with the expertise, patience & capital to convert our wind into clean electricity. There are many benefits to those who embrace change, and wind power initiatives profit not only local landowners & taxpayers but our entire society.

We need to support & encourage these efforts, not isolate our island to keep change out. If we alter the fossilized thinking that brought us to this critical point, our environmental future can be hopeful and promising. Numerous reliable resources are available to counter all the cynical and skeptical viewpoints against wind, solar & other renewables, such as www.canwea.ca and www.cansia.ca . This is all available for you to learn for yourself, and I strongly encourage you to do so.

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