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Erik Hanson
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Dear Erik:

We expect to hear a decision from the Ontario Trillium Foundation in the very near future concerning our proposal to support a Heritage Tree Project for Peterborough. In the hopes that we may be successful, and to be prepared to launch a community-wide “Treasured Tree Hunt” this spring, we ask you to extend a request to PACAC.

Last winter, PACAC agreed to partner with Green-Up in developing a Heritage Tree program for Peterborough. One element of that program would be to launch a second Treasured Tree Hunt, to build on the great success of the first one, held in 2009. To that end, we would ask that PACAC designate one or more of its members to sit on the steering committee for the 2012 Treasured Tree Hunt. This will involve twice monthly meetings to prepare and launch the contest, beginning as soon as possible, and then monthly meetings during the summer and fall. We will be appealing to the community to contribute prizes for the contest, and coordinating and judging nominations in preparation for a Gala Awards night in November.

If any PACAC members have experience in promotion, community engagement, special event planning or natural history, we would welcome their participation on the steering committee. I look forward to working with PACAC on this project, pending a favourable announcement from the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

Sincerely,

CATHY DUECK

Cathy Dueck
Manager of Landscape Programs