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Plant native maples this fall

**Applications are open for our 25% Thank You Rebate
on eligible purchases of 10 - 50 native Canadian maples
for fall planting.**

Application Deadline is November 6th.

Apply Now

**Fall Update from our Executive Director,
Deb Pella Keen**

Canada is a nation of forests -
approximately a third of Canada is



Deb Pella Keen



Happy 90th to our Founder,
Ken Jewett!

Week (NFW) which is celebrated this week from September 20-26, 2020 and National Tree Day which is on Wednesday, September 23, 2020.

I think it's a wonderful coincidence that our founder, Ken Jewett is celebrating his 90th birthday on National Tree Day this year!

One of the best birthday gifts for Ken would be to plant Native Canadian Maples through our [Thank you Rebate program](#) this fall! [Fall planting applications](#) will be accepted until **November 6, 2020.**

Thank you for contributing to Canada's rural landscape by choosing to purchase Native Canadian Maple Trees!

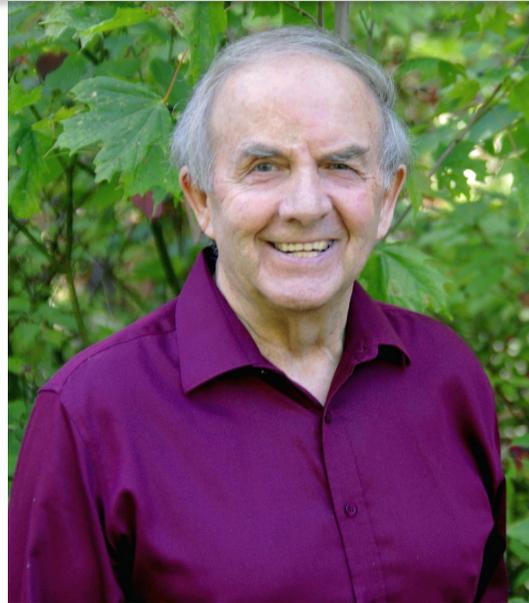
MLF's resident "Tree Guy" Carl Mansfield retires

We will miss Carl Mansfield, who is retiring after serving as Maple Leaves Forever's Arboreal Consultant for the past 5 and half years. Carl has provided the organization with his immeasurable expertise in his tree care and planting notes, and

has kept our relationships with partner nurseries strong and healthy.

Carl's careful attention to detail and gentle manner has been a great asset to our team.

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Native Maples - the Monarchs of Colour!

Are you a 'leaf peeper' (vs. royal watcher?) If you drive many kilometres to witness the magnificent fall foliage displays in Southern Ontario, you can be proud to be a leaf peeper!

Driving tours are a great way to spend a fall day appreciating the landscape of Southern Ontario when it is ablaze in magnificent colour.

Different types of native maples display varying colours of yellow, red, orange and burgundy colours in the fall. The colour of an individual tree can sometimes vary from year to year. Factors such as location, weather, and genetics also play a role in

While it is difficult to predict when colours will peak, Ontario Parks has a nifty fall colour report that might help you plan your trip to various parts of the province:

www.ontarioparks.com/fallcolour

For suggestions on driving tours, check out the following links! Please be sure to post your photos on social media and tag #canadianmaples or #mapleleavesforever so we can share them!

www.wheels.ca/top-ten/10-best-fall-drives-in-ontario/

www.ontariotravel.net/en/play/tours/fall-colour-and-harvest-tours

www.discovermuskoka.ca/things-to-do/driving-tours/

MLF Supports Special HOH planting in Trenton

St. George's Anglican Church in Trenton is celebrating its 175th anniversary, and they wanted to commemorate the event with a tree planting celebrating our Canadian heroes. The Highway of Heroes Tree Campaign will plant 175 native maple trees at Bain Park, home to Trenton's Afghanistan Memorial.



Bain Park, Trenton, Ontario

As one of the Highway of Heroes Tree Campaign's founding sponsors, Maple Leaves Forever is excited to be able to support the planting project as well.



(Please note, plans for a public planting event have been canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions.)

MAPLE PLANTING AND TREE CARE CALENDAR

- continue to [water](#) trees as needed during dry weather conditions
- fall is the second best time to [plant trees](#); plant early enough that trees can establish before winter sets in
- If applicable, apply for our 25% [Thank You Rebate](#) **before** purchasing and planting your native maples. Once you have planted the trees, send your proof of purchase to Maple Leaves Forever to receive your Thank You Rebate. Check out our [application page](#) for detailed rebate guidelines and restrictions.
- [water newly planted trees](#) slowly & deeply, before [adding mulch](#) & [staking](#) (if necessary)
- [collect mature seed](#) from sugar maple trees, if present & plans include its collection
- monitor for the presence of voles, rabbits & deer
- enjoy the fall colours!

Late October/ November

- Rake & dispose of fallen leaves if foliar disease was a problem during the growing season. This reduces the potential for re-infestation next year.
- [Prune](#) to remove dead, cracked or broken branches. Minor pruning that was overlooked during the summer pruning can be corrected at this time. Late October through early November is the recommended timing, as the pruning wounds need time to heal before the cold winter conditions set in.
- [replenish the mulch](#) ring around the base of the trees
- inspect trees for presence of insect damage, disease or vandalism
- initiate [plans for spring planting](#) if considering planting native maples next year
- contact [nurseries](#) to confirm availability of native maples for spring planting
- begin monitoring for animal damage when alternate food sources become scarce
- [install rodent & deer protection](#) as needed
- wrap the trunk of trees to prevent frost cracks, if recommended for your geographic area
- Application Deadline for 25% Thank You Rebate on native maples is **November 6th**. Maples should be planted before November 15th. Check out our [application page](#) for detailed rebate guidelines and restrictions.

[View our online MAPLE CARE CALENDAR](#)

for more details, year-round maple care & planting advice



HOW CAN YOU HELP? TELL A FRIEND!

If you recently received our Thank You Rebate, or you find our tree care information helpful – please share this email with your contacts!

SHARE YOUR MAPLE PHOTOS – We love seeing photos and stories about your maple plantings – please email them to

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