



Special Places, Special People

October 27 - 29, 2010
Geneva Park, Orillia

Conservation Areas Workshop

Day One Tours and Demos

Option 1: The Ganaraska Forest includes a patchwork of pine plantation and regenerating hardwood forest. It speaks of history, multiple uses and conservation. But the new Ganaraska Forest Centre is even more impressive. This modern building includes both education and conference facilities, and encompass a learning gallery, a great hall, dormitories that sleep up to 80 and administration offices. Find out why this new Ganaraska Forest Centre is an operational success.

Option 2: Mountsberg Conservation Area offers a wide range of outdoor education opportunities and activities. With its extensive wetlands, forest and lake, it is a nature-lovers paradise. It offers great hiking and cross-country ski trails outfitted with boardwalks, birdfeeders and interpretive lookouts. It even hosts special events, including the Mountsberg Maple Syrup Festival and Christmas Town. But it's biggest draw is quite possibly the Raptor Centre where kids and adults alike can get 'nose to beak' with over 14 species of birds of prey. Find out how Mountsberg Conservation Area makes their experience a success with tourists.

Streams and Seminars

Conservation Areas are multi-faceted and complex. To run a Conservation Area successfully it takes a team of people and a range of expertise. Seminars for 2010 will fall into several streams: Operations, Human Resources, Tourism and Fleet/Asset Management. The following are a sample of what will be offered:

- ◆ Creating the WOW Customer Experience
- ◆ Conflict Resolution Certification Training (extra fee)
- ◆ Tourism Success Stories
- ◆ Holding the 'Right' Event: Right Time, Right Place
- ◆ Green Approach to Fleet Management
- ◆ Inter-generational Conflicts and Communications
- ◆ Putting Master Plans into Reality

Early Bird Registration

Before September 30, 2010, pay only \$300 for a full registration with double room occupancy or \$350 for a single room. One- and two-day registrations are available at the early bird rate of: (prices do not include HST)

- ◆ Day 1 Only: \$35
- ◆ Day 1 & 2 or Day 2 & 3: \$200 single/\$175 double
- ◆ Program Only (3 days): \$175

New: The Innovation Award

The "Conservation Areas Innovation Award" is open to all Conservation Authorities from across the province. Has your Authority implemented a unique idea to save money, created a program to improve customer service or developed a new project? The "Conservation Areas Innovation Award" will be gathering your innovations and selecting the top 10 ten to be showcased at this years conference. Finalists will be awarded on Day 3 and a winner announced. Stay tuned for more information and how to participate.

