



**Canada's First Forestry Station
St. Williams Interpretive Centre
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May 25th, 2008

The St. Williams Forestry Station, in partnership with ForestCare Corp, is pleased to invite you and as many friends and family members as you can bring along, to our giant 100th Anniversary Celebration Picnic at the Forestry Station on **Saturday, July 12th, 2008.**

Norfolk County has been named the Forest Capital of Canada for 2008 because the Forestry Station at St. Williams is 100 years old this year. To mark the anniversary, we are holding a picnic to highlight the achievements of the many people who have worked on or been associated with "the farm" over the years. Please bring your own food and non-alcoholic drinks, although some food and refreshments will be available on site.

Attached is the day-long program that will celebrate this 100-year milestone of the Forestry Station. As you can see, there are events planned for the entire family with emphasis on having time to reminisce about work, the camaraderie, the ball games and the picnics at the "Forestry Farm" in years gone by. We will also be joined by several local elected leaders, and we are particularly fortunate that the Hon. Donna Cansfield, Ontario's Minister of Natural Resources, will be joining us that day.

In addition to the festivities, there will be an opportunity to purchase a copy of Harry Barrett's new book -- They Had a Dream, A History of the St. Williams Forestry Station. This will be the first day the book is available; an order form is included if you want to reserve a copy!

Please plan to join us as we mark this important event in the life of our community. For more information, please call Jan Kichler at ForestCare Corp (519) 586-9116 x 4000, or email us: stwilliams100thanniversarycelebrationpicnic@hotmail.com.

Yours very truly,

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