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Northumberland Land Trust Hosts Environmental Speaker Series: Stimulating Presentation to Highlight Features of Northumberland's Trail System

Cobourg, ON – The second in a series of free presentations hosted by the Northumberland Land Trust will be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. As in previous years, the Northumberland Land Trust Speaker Series takes place at 600 William Street in Cobourg, Ontario.

This exciting presentation will feature Cori Arthur, Tourism Coordinator for Northumberland County. She will take you through the county trail systems, including opportunities for hiking, biking, and canoeing.

The doors open at 7:00 p.m. for light refreshments. Cori Arthur will begin at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

NLT President, Joan Chalovich, notes "We are grateful to the County of Northumberland for allowing our Board to use their well-equipped conference room at 600 William Street for our Speaker Series. A warm welcome waits for all who wish to join us at 7 p.m. for refreshments and the presentation."

The third installment of the Northumberland Land Trust Speaker Series will be held on Tuesday February 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at 600 William Street in Cobourg, Ontario. Ewa Bednarczuk, Ecologist and Stewardship Specialist for Lower Trent Conservation will speak on the "Seven Natural Wonders of the Trent River Valley ". The talk will highlight some of the lesser known yet unique natural features within the Lower Trent watershed region from the virgin forest of Peter's Woods to the scenic Ranney Falls gorge to the hydrological jewel at Douglas Springs.

The Northumberland Land Trust (NLT) is a non-profit, non-government organization dedicated to preserving the natural, historical and cultural heritage of Northumberland County. The NLT is committed to working with landowners to help ensure that these cherished landscapes will also be there for future generations. Since 2004, the NLT has helped protect over 400 acres of special natural lands in the Oak Ridges Moraine and other areas of Northumberland County.

Properties and conservation easements have been donated to us by individuals with a great love for nature. More can be learned about the Northumberland Land Trust at our web site: www.northumberlandlandtrust.ca. Our goal is to protect natural lands by:

- accepting donations of significant lands to manage as nature reserves
- entering into conservation easements with willing owners to legally protect natural areas from future development
- working cooperatively with other organizations to acquire or manage ecological lands
- engaging private landowners and volunteers in positive conservation actions
- increasing local knowledge and awareness about natural heritage conservation

Land trusts are not for profit, charitable organizations which have as one of their core activities the acquisition of land or interests in land (such as conservation easements) for the purpose of conservation. Most land trusts focus on conserving the biological values of land but across the continent, land trusts have also been established to protect scenic, historical, agricultural and recreation lands.

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