



# News Release

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## **Councillor Gerry Emm Re-elected to Third Term as Chair of Central Lake Ontario Conservation**

At the Central Lake Ontario Conservation (CLOCA) board meeting on January 20, 2009, Councillor Gerry Emm, of the Town of Whitby, was re-elected to his third term as Chair of the Conservation Authority. Councillor Rick Johnson, representing the City of Pickering, was elected Vice-Chair of the CLOCA.

Before the election of officers, Chair Emm welcomed all to the meeting and highlighted a number of the accomplishments of Central Lake Ontario Conservation, from the past year:

*“It has been a great pleasure for me to serve as Chair of CLOCA in 2008. As we look forward to 2009, it seems appropriate today to reflect on some of the highlights from the past year and the accomplishments of our organization in partnership with local and regional municipalities, partners and community stakeholders.*

- 2008 marked the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Central Lake Ontario Conservation involving a number of events, including a one day watershed tour and, with special thanks to Councillor Rick Johnson, a golf tournament.*
- Renovations of the former conference centre were completed and now provide office space for engineering and operations staff as well as improved garage and storage facilities.*
- The land acquisition program added 193 acres to Lynde Shores, 123 acres to Long Sault, 53 acres to Enniskillen and a 67 acre donation by the Cane family in the Soper Creek headwaters.*
- The CLOCA watershed gauging systems proved their worth in recording major rainfall storm events of the past summer.*
- New flood plain mapping was completed for the Darlington Creek watershed in Clarington.*
- The Lynde Creek Watershed Existing Conditions Report was completed and distributed.*
- As part of the Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network a new sampling well was constructed at Purple Woods to a depth of 510 feet (bedrock).*
- The Purple Woods Maple Syrup Festival attracted 13,000 visitors.*
- 4,000 Grade 4 students attended the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Durham Children’s Groundwater Festival at Camp Samac in Oshawa.*

- The Oak Ridges Trail was connected to the Crow's Pass property in Scugog Township, bringing to 45 kilometres the trails on CLOCA lands.

- A team of CLOCA staff, family and friends participated in The Moraine For Life Adventure Relay held in June. The team completed the 160 km marathon in just under 12 hours and the event raised more than \$10,000 for the Oak Ridges Trail Association.

*I want to thank the members and staff for their hard work and support in what was a most successful year."*

After the election, Chair Emm thanked the Directors for their continued support and confidence. Chair Emm was also appointed to represent the Authority on the Conservation Ontario Council.

### 2009 Central Lake Ontario Conservation Board of Directors

**Chair**  
**Councillor Gerry Emm**  
(Town of Whitby)



**Vice-Chair**  
**Councillor Rick Johnson**  
(City of Pickering)



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