

# Stepping Stones



THE DUNTROON QUARRY EXPANSION NEWSLETTER

Fall 2013

## Message from Walker Aggregates' Vice-President

Work is continuing on all of the tasks that need to be completed before we can begin the Duntroon Quarry expansion. These include completing the Adaptive Management Plan (AMP), amending the site plan in accordance with the Consolidated Hearings Board directives, obtaining a development permit from the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC), completing work on nearby road upgrades, obtaining a Permit to Take Water, completing an inventory of butternut trees on the site and installing surface water monitors.

The expansion property has been surveyed for fences to be erected before site work occurs.

We've received comments on the AMP from the Ministry of Natural Resources and are now awaiting sign-off from the conservation authorities and Clearview Township, after responding to issues they had raised. We've also received a cheque for \$15,000 from the NEC to help cover our costs for the Judicial Review hearing, as directed by the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

In the meantime, Marie Millar, our neighbour across County Road 91 has moved out of her home on the expansion lands. Marie and her late husband Dalton built the homestead almost 40 years ago and raised their four children there. While now living in a retirement community down the road in Stayner, Marie will always be a part of the extended Walker family, and will continue to be a welcome guest at all of our community events.

The Millar home is almost as close to our hearts as it is to Marie, her children and grandchildren, and we would like to move our office there. This move is subject to the NEC issuing us a development permit to change the use of the building from residential to office.

Our plan is to tear down the existing office in the coming weeks, so we can remove the rock underneath. The edge of the quarry is now only a few metres away from the office.

With the biggest hurdles of the quarry expansion behind us, we're looking forward to moving a bit more quickly on the next phase of our aggregate operations in Duntroon.

With the end of summer and the fall season upon us, I hope to see many of our friends and neighbours at our holiday reception in November (see details on page 2).

I continue to welcome enquiries from our neighbours about any questions or concerns they have about our existing or expanded quarry. Please contact me at 705-445-2300, ext. 224. More information is also available on our website at <http://walkerind.com/walker-aggregates/duntroon-expansion.html>.

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**Ken Lucyshyn**



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# Holiday Reception

Walker Aggregates is hosting its annual Holiday Wine and Cheese Reception November 28, 2013, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Mylar and Loretta's Restaurant in Singhampton. Friends and neighbours of the Duntroon Quarry are welcome to attend.

## Celebrating a Decade of Environmental Care

It's been 10 years since Walker Industries launched its innovative EARTH 1<sup>st</sup> program, and celebrations were held across the company's operating divisions to commemorate its anniversary and successful growth.

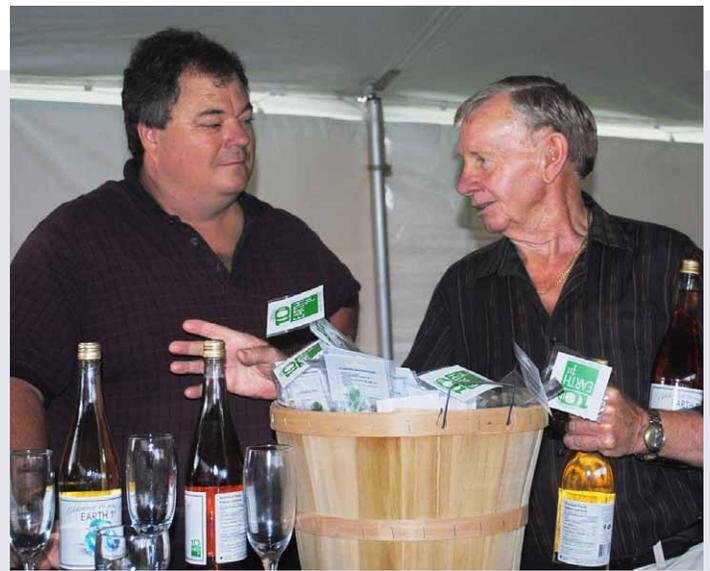
EARTH 1<sup>st</sup> was developed by Walker employees to take the company to a new level of environmental performance by empowering their colleagues to take action on behalf of the environment – to make a difference at work and at home. Through the suggestions of employees, the company has dramatically reduced its environmental impacts – including launching a carbon neutral building service, recycling concrete and asphalt, installing energy efficient lighting and developing wax emulsions from environmentally sustainable resources.

"I am thrilled with the success of EARTH 1<sup>st</sup>, which is a result of the small actions of each of our employees making a choice for the environment," says Walker's president and CEO John Fisher. "I'm proud that Walker was at the forefront of corporate environmental responsibility, and that we continue to set an example for other companies in our operating regions and associated businesses. Our Environmental Performance team – and all our company employees – are to be commended for their fantastic work."

On Thursday, September 12, 2013, several Walker Industries locations hosted employees and special guests in simultaneous receptions including one held at the Duntroon Quarry.



Duntroon Quarry employees Sarah Nicoll and Glenn Monaghan pose with the EARTH 1<sup>st</sup> celebratory cake.



Clearview Ward 2 council member Orville Brown (right) helps quarry superintendent Rick Laws serve cider to the assembled guests.

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