

Wanton tree cutting by county contributing to climate change

The Editor:

My heart is heavy.

I drove past a violent massacre on County Road 43 just east of County Road 31 – a very long hedgerow of once healthy trees lying dead beside their stumps.

Don't even attempt to try to convince me the murders were necessary to clean out a ditch. (I was told this, and that it was at the expense of the taxpayers.)

One-hundred years ago in Southern Ontario, Edmund Zavitz noted that cutting down the trees resulted in the land drying up and blowing away – he planted trees to solve the problem. For his efforts, he is called the “father of re-forestation.”

Forty years ago in Africa, a woman, Wangari Maathai, noted that cutting

down the trees resulted in the land drying up and blowing away – she planted trees to solve the problem. For her efforts, she won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2004.

Today in Dundas County, I note that cutting down the trees will result in the land drying up and blowing away – I plant trees to help solve the problem.

Recently, I marched on Parliament Hill to beg world leaders to do something to stop climate change – like not cutting down trees.

In Dundas County, our leaders decided to do something about climate change – they allowed the cutting down of trees.

I can't think of a humorous thing to say about it.

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