

TREE CARVING NAME

IT HAS BEEN ALMOST 1½ YEARS SINCE HERMANN SZIELASKO FIRST PROPOSED THE IDEA OF CARVING THE OLD POPLAR TREE ON THE MAIN LAWN RATHER THAN JUST BRING IT DOWN. THANK YOU TO ALL THE MEMBERS WHO MADE SUBMISSIONS FOR THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE TREE. AFTER MUCH DELIBERATION, THE OFFICIAL NAME OF THE TREE CARVING IS: THE GOODWILL TREE OF LIFE

ONE MEMBER, JOHN ANDERSON PUT PEN TO PAPER AND COMPOSED THIS POEM AS PART OF HIS SUBMISSION FOR THE TREE NAME. IT REALLY SHOULD BE SHARED WITH THE REST OF THE MEMBERS.

The Goodwill Tree

I know of a Goodwill Tree
Down by the pond for all to see.
Conceived by Herman, carved with pride,
Howard helping at his side.
Every day they could they worked
From their task they never shirked.
Through wind and rain and sun and snow.
For near two years to work they'd go.

They'd carve and whittle most every day
The people would drop by and say
How much they liked to watch the show
And bring them Timmies, don't you know.
They carved out things that swam and flew
Yes so creative were those two
That people came from miles around
To watch them play in their playground.

Soon there were no spaces left
All carved by chisels oh so deft
And then this work of art was done
To be enjoyed by everyone.
So there it stands the Goodwill Tree
A symbol of the club you see.
Where fellowship is much admired
And conservation is desired.

A fitting tribute to the past
The monument will surely last.
We thank you and the powers that be
For giving us the Goodwill tree.