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grandchildren**
our legacy, their future

March, 2013 Newsletter

Dear {FIRST_NAME|For Our Grandchildren Supporter},

For Our Grandchildren blog entries last month continue the theme of shaming the Canadian government's words, policies, and actions on Climate Change. Check out this recent [Pembina Institute article](#) that contrasts the words of the government against the reality.



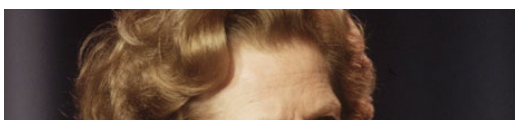
4RG is finalizing plans for a [public meeting](#) in Peterborough on May 25. Mark the date and check back on the [web site](#) for event details. Please forward this email to your friends who live in the Peterborough area. Ask them to [sign up](#) to receive future emails.

What actions can you take to make a difference? **Speak out** for climate change Action and against climate change Denial wherever and whenever you can, to friends and colleagues, in letters to the editor, in the comments section of online versions of newspapers. **Follow through** with a letter mentioned in [this article on the subject of Oil Spills](#) from the tar sands.

We owe it to our Grandchildren to convince others that this issue is worth fighting for. Our government will only consider changing its position on Climate Change if we continue to tell them that change is important to us.

Recent Blog Articles

Margaret Thatcher - Climate Activist



In recognizing the death of Margaret Thatcher we acknowledge her record as an early supporter of political action to



combat Global Warming. In 1988 she backed the establishment of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and in 1990 she was instrumental in founding Britain's renowned climate research center, the [Met Office Hadley Centre for Climate Change](#).

We provide excerpts from speeches from 1988 to 1990 in which she warned of the effects on generations to come and in a speech to the Conservative Party Conference spoke of the position that her Conservative party would take as "guardians and trustees for generations to come".

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[Climate Science History](#)

This article points out that Climate Change as a scientific issue did not start with Al Gore in 2003, as some of Climate Change denialists would have us believe.

It points out that in 1896 Swedish scientist Svante Arrhenius published an early calculation of global warming resulting from human emissions of CO₂. [This article](#) goes back to scientific evidence presented by Fournier in 1824. By 1963 the scientific community understood the relationship very well. In the 50 years since then, scientific evidence has continued to confirm the early statements with greater and greater accuracy and certainty.



Unfortunately public opinion has remained largely indifferent to the future projected impacts but we at 4RG believe that this is changing and that it is still not too late for action.

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[Canada's environmental watchdog closed](#)



This article discusses the closing of the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy (NTREE) effective March 31, 2013.

This organization, instituted by the Conservatives in 1988, brought together business leaders, scientists, economists, and political observers and earned the title in Canadian media of "environmental watchdog."

The article speculates that the driving reason behind the closing of NTREE is because the government

disagrees with their recommendations that a carbon tax is the best legislative option for a reduction of Canada's greenhouse gas emissions. The closing of this organization is consistent with the government's campaign to stifle Canadian scientists and prevent them from presenting their findings.

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We hope you agree that we must act to ensure that the most significant menace to confront our civilization is brought under control.

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