

# Green Light

*Planting the seeds of change for a greener future!*

A communication  
from the  
Port Washington  
Green Committee

Welcome to our  
Winter edition of Green Light!



Celebrating  
Pall Corporation Green Committees



*"The Pall Corporation Green Committees are volunteer self-organized, grassroots groups comprised of a cross-section of Pall employees who help to inspire, educate and engage other employees in sustainability. Port Washington and our other site committees have already shown very good initiative in recycling in our offices, as well as integrating sustainability into employees' personal lives and outreaching to the community."*

Dr. Saied Tousi, Senior Vice President, Compliance and Scientific Affairs

## A Tree Grows In Port Washington

On a beautiful Autumn morning, members of the Port Washington Green Committee and our Facilities Department participated in a very special event; an exquisite Yoshino Cherry tree was planted and dedicated to Pall's Green Committees, and Pall Corporation's continued commitment to the environment and green initiatives. Port Washington Green Committee Chairperson Jeanette Geyer read a dedication and Joe Malvagna, Pall's Director of Facilities, also addressed the gathering. Thanks to all who made this possible!

### Tree Dedication, Tuesday, 10/26/10

Thank you for being here for this special planting of three Yoshino Cherry trees on the grounds of our beautiful Pall Corporation headquarters. The Port Washington Green Committee would like to thank Joe Malvagna, Richie VanWickler and Gary Janosick for helping this event to become a reality; and we are grateful to Mr. Eric Krasnoff and Dr. Saied Tousi for their continued support of the Green Committees. The Port Washington Green Committee would like to formally dedicate these trees to all of Pall's volunteer Green Committees and Pall Corporation's commitment to the environment and green initiatives. It is our hope that these trees will take good root and be an ongoing symbol of these efforts. Let's continue to strive to achieve our mission; that is, *to raise awareness and implement green initiatives that will have a positive environmental impact at Pall, in our personal lives, and in our surrounding community.* Thank you. There's a poem by Karen Shragg that I'd like to share with our group. It's entitled, "Think like a Tree".



*Soak up the sun  
Affirm life's magic  
Be graceful in the wind  
Stand tall after a storm  
Feel refreshed after it rains  
Grow strong without notice  
Be prepared for each season  
Provide shelter to strangers  
Hang tough through a cold spell  
Emerge renewed at the first signs of spring  
Stay deeply rooted while reaching for the sky  
Be still long enough to  
hear your own leaves rustling.*



The Port Washington Green Committee encourages our employees to join our group's efforts to reduce, re-use, and recycle at work, at home, and in our communities. We welcome new suggestions, ideas, and group members. Please correspond with us through our "HQ Green Team" email address.



## Please Help the Pall Benefits Department Go Green AND Help the Environment at the Same Time!

**How?** Register your e-mail address on Pall's Employee Benefits Vendor Websites to reduce their paper mailings to you as well as access important plan information.

Vendor/Benefit Plan	Path to Access Paperless Communications	While you are Logged On, Check Out These Interesting Web Pages
Fidelity/ Pall Corp 401(k) Plan	<a href="http://www.401k.com">www.401k.com</a>	Award Winning Retirement Savings Calculator  Pre-Recorded Investment Seminars and Videos  401(k) Plan Investment Fund Offerings / Performance History
Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield / Pall Medical Program	<a href="http://www.empireblue.com/pall">www.empireblue.com/pall</a>	360° Health to Access Tools to Help You Stay Healthy. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Health IQ</li> <li>• Health Record</li> <li>• 24/7 Nurse Line</li> <li>• Find a Doctor</li> </ul> Special Offers – Discounts to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fitness Clubs</li> <li>• Weight-Loss Programs</li> <li>• Alternative Medicine &amp; Wellness Products</li> </ul>

Please note that in each Newsletter, Pall will be highlighting additional benefit plan websites as well as what each site offers. For a complete listing of Pall's benefit vendor websites, please refer to Pallnet at <http://nyeh-noteshub.wh.corp.pall.com/HR/StdForms.nsf?OpenDatabase> or the 2011 Benefits Guide (on page 35 – Important Contacts) that was recently sent to each employee.

## Happ-E Holidays!

Legend has it that the first commercial holiday cards were commissioned by [Sir Henry Cole](#) in London in 1843. Two batches totaling 2,050 cards were printed and sold that year for a [shilling](#) each (shillings are obsolete now, but would have a value of about 18 cents today). Fast forward 167 years . . . The Greeting Card Association says that holiday cards now account for about 27% of the seven *billion* paper cards sold each year – a staggering 1.75 billion cards. (And if you want to get some dirty looks, try paying with shillings at your local Hallmark.) At 1.75 billion cards, the cost of holiday cards isn't just monetary, it's also environmental!

Approximately 80% of all Americans currently have an email address (including 7% of newborn babies, if you can believe that). Instead of sending traditional paper letters or cards through the mail this year, consider creating electronic holiday cards and letters and sending them in an e-mail. Electronic greetings not only save paper and postage, but also the fuel and other resources required to deliver paper cards.



Pall Corporation took good advantage of this green initiative last year when it switched to electronic cards. As a result, our company saved thousands of dollars on printing and postage costs, not to mention paper. Best of all, you don't need to be a programmer or an artist to create a card you can be proud of; personalized e-cards are quick and easy to make with standard software. Microsoft Office, for example, features holiday theme backgrounds that you can use to create a PDF card. Other common programs feature holiday-themed stationary templates that are perfect for creating unique letters and cards.

## Jingle All The Way

Thought you read enough about paper? Didn't think so!

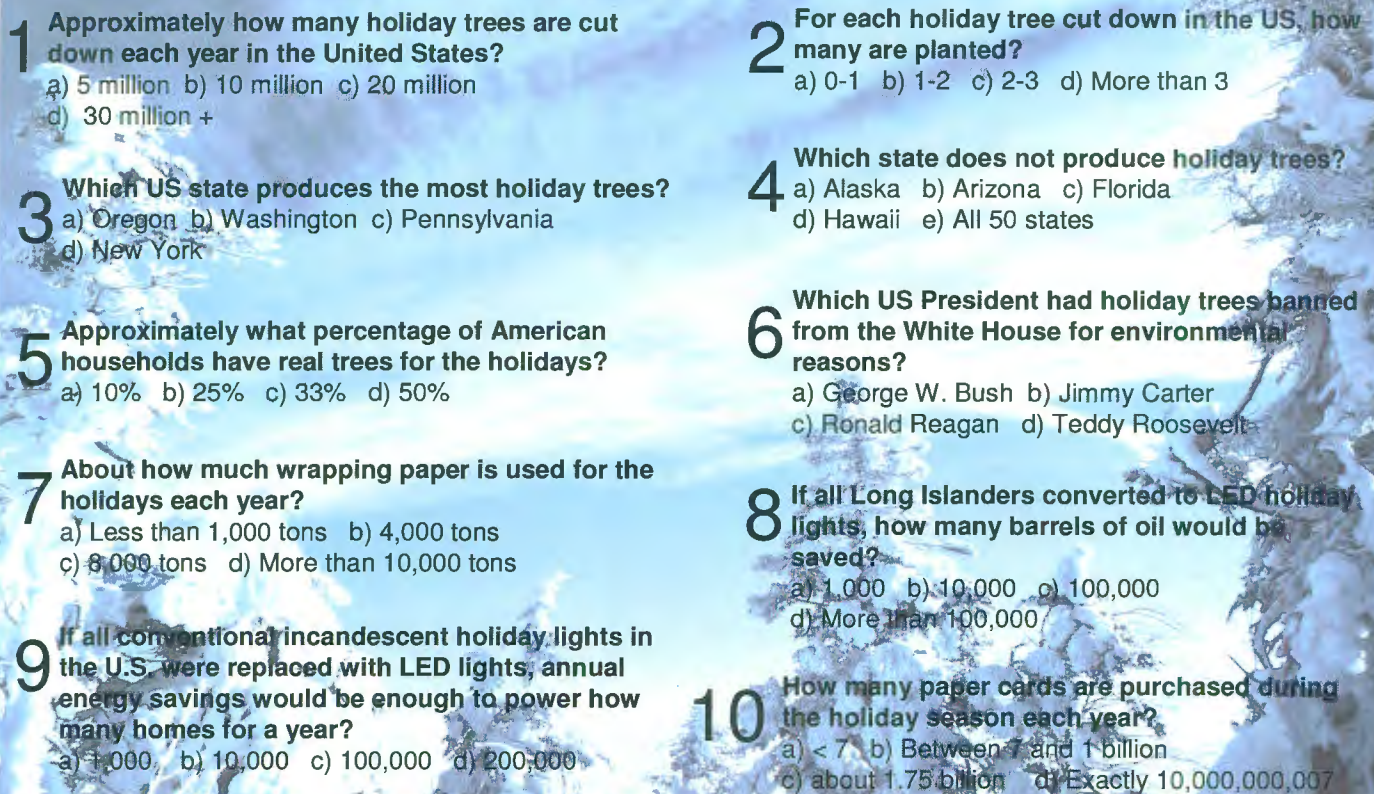
Did you know it costs on average a whopping **\$8.60** for a Pall employee to print a 100 page document in color. That same document in b&w only costs **\$1.10!** So while saving some green, save some green (\$)!

**The Planet and Pall will thank you for reading this on the screen,  
but if you must, please print in b&w. . . : )**



## Holiday Quiz

'Tis the season for giving and receiving! Think you know how much the environment gives? Here's a little quiz to test your knowledge! Send your answers to [HQ Green Team@pall.com](mailto:HQ.Green.Team@pall.com). One winner will be chosen from the correct responses. Good luck!

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- 1 Approximately how many holiday trees are cut down each year in the United States?  
a) 5 million b) 10 million c) 20 million  
d) 30 million +
  - 2 For each holiday tree cut down in the US, how many are planted?  
a) 0-1 b) 1-2 c) 2-3 d) More than 3
  - 3 Which US state produces the most holiday trees?  
a) Oregon b) Washington c) Pennsylvania  
d) New York
  - 4 Which state does not produce holiday trees?  
a) Alaska b) Arizona c) Florida  
d) Hawaii e) All 50 states
  - 5 Approximately what percentage of American households have real trees for the holidays?  
a) 10% b) 25% c) 33% d) 50%
  - 6 Which US President had holiday trees banned from the White House for environmental reasons?  
a) George W. Bush b) Jimmy Carter  
c) Ronald Reagan d) Teddy Roosevelt
  - 7 About how much wrapping paper is used for the holidays each year?  
a) Less than 1,000 tons b) 4,000 tons  
c) 8,000 tons d) More than 10,000 tons
  - 8 If all Long Islanders converted to LED holiday lights, how many barrels of oil would be saved?  
a) 1,000 b) 10,000 c) 100,000  
d) More than 100,000
  - 9 If all conventional incandescent holiday lights in the U.S. were replaced with LED lights, annual energy savings would be enough to power how many homes for a year?  
a) 1,000 b) 10,000 c) 100,000 d) 200,000
  - 10 How many paper cards are purchased during the holiday season each year?  
a) < 7 b) Between 7 and 1 billion  
c) about 1.75 billion d) Exactly 10,000,000,007

## Congratulations to our Puzzle Contest Winner . . .

**Caryn Fiorinelli!!!**

Our new contest winner, Caryn Fiorinelli, has been an administrative assistant in Pall's SLS Department since 2007. While at work, Caryn diligently uses her recycle bin and makes every effort to not waste paper. When at home with her husband and two children (21 and 17), she recycles all bottles and plastic containers and often returns them to the store. When the family goes to the supermarket to shop, they reuse the plastic bags from previous visits and when buying an electronic gift for the holidays, Caryn always includes a battery charger.

Caryn looks forward to reading our PW Green Newsletter to learn and get more ideas for green use at work and at home. Adopting a greener lifestyle has made her more aware of the unnecessary wastefulness in the world. It is her hope that more people will become aware of why being green is so important and make adjustments to their lifestyle.

Caryn wanted to share that, as a breast cancer survivor, she is passionate about breast cancer prevention and its environmental causes. As such, she stays away from chemical use and uses "green" and natural cleaning products like baking soda and vinegar in her home.

**Congratulations Caryn and thank you for sharing. You are an inspiration to us all!!**



## Pall Recycles Canon Copier Toner Cartridges

The PW Green Committee has set up receptacles in the copier rooms for recycling the Canon Copier Toner Cartridges. Staples delivery drivers pick up the used cartridges and they are either reused or recycled. The processes is explained by the graphic taken from the Staples website. Way to go Pall and Staples!



## Making Connections

The Port Washington Green Committee thought it would be great to connect with other volunteer Pall sites' Green Committees in an attempt to exchange ideas. We were pleasantly surprised at the enthusiastic emails we received from some of the other sites' Green Committee chairpersons!

These are some of the connections we made:

- ✦ Ann Arbor is very interested in collaborating and we've been placed on the distribution list of their Green Committee's newsletter.
- ✦ New Port Richey also expressed their encouragement of our initiatives and a desire to share ideas.
- ✦ Cortland is interested in spreading the word about our "standard" Lotus Notes "Enabling A Greener Future" service mark signature, and has also given us some "food for thought" regarding cutting down on printer cartridges by printing in "grey".



### A Green Thumbs Up goes to the Cortland Green Team!

Our friends up north released the first edition of their green newsletter in November.

**Congrats!** Check it out . . . <http://ptmfrx/green>

We're looking forward to collaborating with some of the other Green Teams in the future!

**KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK, PALL GREEN COMMITTEES!**

In honor of Cortland's inaugural newsletter, the font color in this newsletter has been grey!

Barely tell, could ya?

**The Port Washington Green Committee would like wish you a very special winter holiday and to thank you for your efforts in helping us "Build A Greener Future", for Pall and our home, Planet Earth.**

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**The Port Washington Green Committee was formed in May 2009.**

**It is comprised of volunteers representing a cross-section of Pall Corporation. All are welcome to participate.**



The Port Washington Green Committee is a local extension of Pall Corporation's overall commitment to sustainability practices in all aspects of our business, from the environmentally responsible use of resources to health and safety programs for Pall employees. To learn more about Pall's commitment to corporate social responsibility, visit the Pall website: [http://www.pall.com/corp\\_misc\\_46922.asp](http://www.pall.com/corp_misc_46922.asp)