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DEDICATION TO THE TREES OF SACRED HEART CHURCH



The Blessing of the trees took place at Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, May 14th, following the First Holy Communion Ceremony. The children participating in First Holy Communion played a very important role in the dedication along side Father Opara. The rain cleared just long enough for the entire parish to join together outside and participate in the finalization of the planting of these two new community icons, a very special moment for all. Once again, a warm thank you to Mrs. Bata for her generous donation.

TREES ON THE TRAIL

A range of native softwood and hardwood trees, shrubs and grasses were planted on the newly finished Batawa portion of the Lower Trent Trail. Volunteers of all ages, met on Saturday April 30th and Sunday May 1st at the Parry Drive Pump House to get ready for what would be a long, yet rewarding and fun filled weekend. Later that week students from Sacred Heart School gathered to plant more trees. Together the volunteers planted just over 3000 trees. A big thank you to all of the volunteers and Friends of the Trail for coordinating this project in our community.



BATAWA LIONS CLUB



The newly formed Batawa Lions are off to a busy start with a variety of community events ranging from leadership training in Cobourg for 4 new members, organizing their charter night in September and volunteering their time to help with the creation of the new Dino Dig Park. The Lions officially became a Charter Club on May 6th; a grace period of 90 days for new members to join with "Charter Status" was given to the Club. Looking at the calendar, this means Batawa residents have until August 4th to have the distinction of being a

charter member. Presently there are 30 Charter Members. If you are interested, please contact one of the executives for an application card, cost is \$30 per family dwelling. Executive members of Batawa Lions Club are from left to right in picture below: Rene LeFort (Secretary), Diane Wurster (Member Chair), Derek Aubin (Treasurer), Bob Dyché (President).



Did You Know.....

Czech pioneers would gather and host "Lawn Parties", where they played their accordions and violins and sang Czech songs.



TOWN HALL MEETING

Batawa residents gathered with the Mayor and 7 members of council at the Batawa Community Centre on May 17th to hear the latest Batawa news from Carleton University, Batawa Development Corporation, Friends of the Trail, Batawa Lions Club, Sinking Ship Entertainment and the Batawa Ski Hill.



Six teams of Carleton University Industrial Design students presented design concepts for various projects throughout the village, complete with detailed models, for projects including Batawa trails, Ski Hill summer attractions, the Dino Dig, Waterfront Trail, community gardens and Town Square splash pad. Professor Stephen Fai and graduate students from the Carleton School of Architecture presented their latest work on a 3D model of Batawa and building information system - innovative work which has been presented at various conferences around the world as a model architectural tool for the future.

Sinking Ship Entertainment made an exciting announcement that the first episode of their new children's television show "Giver" will be shot at the Batawa Dino Dig later in May and will star six children from Batawa. The show will air on TVO and other children's networks world-wide for the next six years.

Friends of the Trail announced that more than 3,000 native trees and various native grasses had been planted along the Batawa section of the Lower Trent Trail as part of a trail rehabilitation program following the extension of the waterline from Frankford. Further plans for trail improvements along the Batawa section of the trail were discussed. Rene Lefort announced that the newly formed Batawa Lion's Club now has over 30 members and will be celebrating their Charter Night on September 24th. And the Batawa Ski Hill recounted details of another successful ski season when more than 34,000 skier visits were realized and plans for summer programs are now in development. Day Camp will begin at the Ski Hill July 4th.

SUMMER DAY CAMPS



It's time for another fun filled summer at the Batawa Ski Hill! Offering a variety of hands-on, fun, educational activities that help youth learn about the natural world, other people and themselves. Batawa Ski Hill's trained summer staff provide a safe environment where children can confidently explore and make new friends.

Camps this year will include, Eco Adventure, Dino Dayz, Hike & Bike , and Sports Spectacular

Registration Fees are \$130 + HST (5 day program) or \$105 + HST (4 day program). Daily Rates are \$45 + HST per day. Lunch and afternoon snacks are provided. Email: activities@batawaskihill.com or go to www.batawaskihill.com for more information or to register your child today.



Batawa...beautiful by nature and design