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Trash Bash Triumph!

We would like to thank all of the participants who helped clean up our community this year. As a community, we collected 195 bags of garbage and had 45 participants. Congratulations go to the winners of the \$100 prize draws. Karen Williams won the gift certificate to College Sports; Bill Grey won the Canadian Tire draw; the Rochester family won the Quinte Mall draw; and Shannon Briscoe won the Garden Network draw. A special congratulations goes out to the Batawa Lions Club, who placed first in the Business Challenge for Quinte West. The Lions had 10 volunteers and collected 84 bags of garbage!

Easter Egg Hunt

14 years of community tradition continued at Easter with the annual Egg Hunt. Prizes were handed out for the best bonnets, and children left with painted faces from the Kids Zone. They had a chance to visit with farms animals (yes, bunnies too!) at the petting zoo, all provided free of charge. According to Ski Hill General Manager Andrew Rusnyk, "the Easter Bunny mentioned to us that he got a lot of help from Nestle in Trenton this year, who generously partnered with him to provide the treats for all the kids." Thanks, Nestle!



Factory Reconstruction

Phase 1 of the Factory redevelopment has now begun. During this phase, windows, exterior brick, balconies, interior staircases, and an elevator shaft will be installed to provide lateral stability to the building. Thank you to the community for your ongoing patience as construction continues.



Plant and Bake Sale

The Ladies of Sacred Heart will be hosting the annual Plant and Bake Sale on Saturday May 10th from 8AM -12PM. There will be baking, plants, coffee, and tea available, as well as some Mother's Day arrangements. This year, the Batawa Development Corporation will be giving each home in Batawa wildflowers that will attract butterflies. This gift can be picked up at the Ladies Plant and Bake Sale. Be sure to look for a coupon to be delivered to each home in Batawa before the event.

Welcome Philip Baldwin

The Batawa team is pleased to announce that Philip Baldwin has joined us as our new Communications Coordinator. Phil was born and raised in the Quinte region, studied history at Queen's and the University of London, and returned home recently after a year of working in Paris. You'll find him snapping photos at events and getting our great community stories out there. You can get in touch with him at philip.baldwin@batawa.ca or at the BDC office.



Ski Hill Kitchen Heats Up with New Cooking Classes

New this year, the Ski Hill is offering a series of cooking classes with Chef Nelson Bridger, who has trained in classical French cuisine in Europe. The classes are designed to be fun and friendly. "Our first class is everyday dinners with everyday ingredients," says Nelson. "And with summer coming, I've got a class to teach you how to master the grill. As a father myself, I'm also looking forward to our class on cooking with kids, which will be a nice way for dads or moms to work with their kids and learn these skills together." At the end of each class, everyone gets to eat what they've made, and you can take home the recipes with you. Contact admin@batawaskihill.com or 613-398-6568 for more details and to register. Classes run through May and June.

Mother's Day Brunch

Chef Nelson will be preparing Mother's Day Brunch at the Ski Hill on Sunday, May 11th, from 10am to 2pm. The brunch features an extended menu and costs \$15+tax for adults, and \$10+tax for seniors and kids 10 and under. Nelson will be continuing with the popular brunches every Sunday onwards from 10am to 2pm.



Children's Water Festival

The Quinte Children's Water Festival is an annual event that motivates students to become water stewards in their homes, classroom, and community. By combining interactive, hands-on activities with messages relevant to their daily lives, students 'soak up' knowledge on the properties, uses, connections and importance of water. With this knowledge, students become aware of the value of conserving and protecting water. The Batawa Development Corporation and Batawa Ski Hill are proud to take part once again in this event, which will be held at the Ski Hill on May 21st and 22nd and bring more than 1000 grades 4 & 5 students to our community.

Summer Day Camp

Batawa Ski Hill has partnered with Loyalist College again this year to offer exciting weekly outdoor adventure day camps this summer in Batawa. The popular Dino-Days, Hike & Bike, and Eco Adventure Day Camps will return for kids ages 6-12. To register, call 613-969-7900 or visit www.loyalistfocus.com



Community Yard Sale

Batawa's annual community yard sale will be held again this year in conjunction with the Plant and Bake Sale on Saturday, May 10th. The BDC will be providing newspaper advertising to publicize the event. If you participate, you hold the sale at your own home.

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