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## The Batawa Bulletin

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### Thank You and Good Luck, Heather Candler!

This month, the Batawa family wished good luck to BDC General Manager Heather Candler, who accepted a new advisory position with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs for Northumberland County. Heather helped to build the BDC from the ground up when she took on the job of GM 10 years ago. Her passion and dedication for this community were apparent in all the work that she did, and although we wish her well in all of her future endeavours, she is, and will be, dearly missed. Batawa Ski Hill GM Andrew Rusnyk has stepped in on an interim basis to manage day-to-day operations for the BDC.



### Successful Food Drive

On Wednesday October 8, 2014, the Batawa Lions Club ran a food drive in Batawa. Over 725lbs of food for the Frankford Food Bank were donated by the Batawa community, besting the 500lbs of food that were donated earlier in the year. The Batawa Lions would like to thank the Batawa residents for their generosity!

*Pictured are, L to R: Lions David Muskiluke, Bob Dyche, Jeffrey Moorhouse, Martin Rivard, and Don Montrose. Not pictured are Rene LeFort, Diane Wuster and Truus DeVries.*

### ECO Award for Sacred Heart School

Congratulations to Sacred Heart School in Batawa, which earned a Gold Level certification for being an outstanding ECO school. Their goal is to reduce their carbon footprint and to teach students how to make ecologically sound decisions. Sacred Heart is an active, healthy school, supporting healthy choices.

### Belated Thanks

We would like to extend our thanks to Batawa's own Aloise Muskiluke for sending along some delicious Slovakian cookies for last month's Alzheimer's Coffee Break fundraiser. They were a huge hit with everyone who stopped in!

## BDC Launches New Website

[www.batawa.ca](http://www.batawa.ca)

We have launched a new website this month. The new design includes community news, a community events calendar, information about our development projects, and much more. For website inquiries, or to post your community news or event, contact Communications Coordinator Phil Baldwin at [philip.baldwin@batawa.ca](mailto:philip.baldwin@batawa.ca) or 613-398-6111



## Harvest at the Hill



Congratulations to the Batawa Firefighters, who won the 7th Annual Chili Contest. Jae Cheyne (centre right) received the award from Batawa Ski Hill GM Andrew Rusnyk, with judges (from left) Father Charles of Batawa's Sacred Heart Church; Kate Shoniker, retired principal of Sacred Heart School; Mayor John Williams; and local Batawa resident Chuck Naphan. Event goers enjoyed wagon rides, a climbing wall, pumpkin carving, and delicious chili from Frankford Subway, Batawa Grill, Ladies of Sacred Heart, and the Batawa Lions.



## Household Garbage on Parry Drive

The BDC property team works tirelessly to keep the grounds of Batawa clean for all residents to enjoy. Recently, an increased amount of household garbage has been found dumped illegally on Parry Drive. Residents are kindly asked to be vigilant, and to report any illegal dumping to authorities.

## Hunting on BDC Property

Please be advised that during hunting season a small number of pre-authorized individuals will be hunting on BDC property. It is recommended to wear brightly coloured clothing if you choose to enjoy the trails at this time.

## New Playground for Batawa's Children

In October 2014, the City of Quinte West will be removing the old playground in Batawa. The playground has long outlived its designed lifespan of 10 years. The Batawa Lions, along with a community playground committee consisting of several local residents, have been working with the city to design a new, natural playground to replace the existing playground. This new playground will not have the standard metal and plastic structures that are normally associated with modern playgrounds. Instead, this playground will be the first of its kind in the region.



With the exception of a few parts, it will be built with all natural materials and products. It will utilize landscaping to create natural hill slides, gardens, play areas and even an outdoor classroom for Sacred Heart to use for Environmental Studies. This playground will not only be environmentally friendly, the maintenance costs will be lower and instead of a life expectancy of 10-12 years, it is 20-25 years, offering substantial savings to the city.

The City of Quinte West is providing a substantial portion of funding through its playground replacement program, but additional funds are being raised by the Batawa Lions and the playground committee to further enhance this playground.

Construction will begin in November 2014 of the new natural playground and finish in the spring 2015. In March 2015 the playground committee will be having a sponsorship drive where people will be able to sponsor trees and park benches.

It is our hope that this new playground will become the pride of Batawa and the envy of other communities. For more information, to donate or become involved in this project please contact Jeffrey Moorhouse (Batawa Lions Club President) at [jt\\_moorhouse@hotmail.com](mailto:jt_moorhouse@hotmail.com)

## Dickens Comes to Batawa

**An Evening with Dickens** returns to Sacred Heart Church on December 5<sup>th</sup>, with a Wine & Cheese, dramatic reading, dessert, and coffee. Everyone is welcome to attend, so bring your friends! \$25.00 per ticket. Contact Anne Marie Aquino-Coward for more info at 613 398-0223 or [amaquino@reach.net](mailto:amaquino@reach.net)



## Factory Update

The exterior stairs have been removed from the north and south of the factory now, since the interior stairs can now be used. The brick work has been moving quickly, with the south wall of the factory now being readied for the centre to be fully bricked. As always, we are grateful for your patience as this exciting project continues in our community.



***Batawa ... beautiful by nature & design!***



# Senior's Expo

Friday, November 7th

Batawa Community Centre (81 Plant St, Batawa)

9am - 3pm

**FLU AND SHINGLES  
SHOTS AVAILABLE!**

**FREE lunch, FREE admission and lots of  
DOOR PRIZES and giveaways!**

Guest Speakers on government programs during lunch. Over 40 exhibitors: Service Clubs, Recreation, Education, Travel & Tourism, Health, Entertainment, Fitness, Finance, Retirement, Long Term Care, Hospice, Home Care, Safety, and more! ALL AGES WELCOME!

Contact Judi Clark, Batawa Development Corporation for more information at 613-398-6111 or [cdc@batawa.ca](mailto:cdc@batawa.ca) or [www.batawa.ca](http://www.batawa.ca)



**LADIES OF SACRED  
HEART, CHRISTMAS  
BAKE SALE AND TEA.  
BATAWA. SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 16, 2014  
12-2:30 P.M.  
"FROM OUR OVENS TO  
YOUR TABLES."  
CANADIAN/EUROPEAN  
BAKING. ADMISSION  
\$2.00 (ADULT)**



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AND TRAYS  
AVAILABLE.  
MAKE YOUR  
OWN TRAYS.  
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HEART PARISH HALL  
BATAWA. COME AND  
SUPPORT US. THANK  
YOU.!