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On A Wicked Windy Wednesday Eve

One of Many

It was another beautiful hot August Wednesday afternoon and not much was moving in the extreme heat of Muskoka. So dinner on the deck at Severn River Inn was where Dean and Hillary headed after shopping hours had ended at the gift shop. Dinner had been ordered and a pleasant cool drink was being enjoyed when a sudden wind came up and all moved indoors. It wasn't long before the usual dilemma happened, and the power went off. When the wind had died down, hungry and drained from the days heat, the couple arrived home to assess the damages of the storm. Three trees had blown over in the wind damaging Deans truck to beyond repair and another huge trunk was lying across the back yard barely missing the lake front home. While checking out the damage, Hillary's phone rang and a concerned neighbor inquired if she had seen

the two trees down at her place. Answering that she was looking at the damage as they spoke the neighbor asked where she was and that the trees being spoken of were at her shop, not her home! Hopping back into the car and arriving at the four corners of Washago, they found that the wind had stormed along Hamilton Street leaving a trail of huge trees uprooted from the Community Center, across Muskoka Street and unfortunately on top of her 10 month old, newly renovated garage. Large branches were scattered everywhere and hydro wires were severed, causing power to be out in different areas of town. Power lines to Hillary's Shop were pulled out of action for almost two weeks, which made things rather difficult to operate her business. Acts of kindness from various neighbors came to help as best they could including the speedy clean up by Glen Cooper and the long extension cord running from next door, Dave and Pat's Washago Inn. I now know why on the Saturday of the long weekend after Wickedly Windy Wednesday, when I bumped into Hillary before she had opened the shop in the morning there was a look of distress on her face. I know I would be more than stressed in the same situation. With the long weekend being the busiest of the year



and no hydro!!! However after all was said and done things were not as bad as could have been and the beautiful Gift Shop that has evolved over the past 10 months, is still in tact and functioning quite well. Insurance people say the garage will be coming down and a financial settlement will be agreed on. Hillary says it won't be enough to do the addition planned for the sun-class room but maybe we can say there just may have been a bit of a silver lining in those storm clouds.

More storm pics on page 9



Announcing Ward 5's Newest Candidate for Severn Township Council
See the "unofficial" candidates running in Ramara and Severn Townships, on page 4

Community Centre Update

Have we just been stringing you along this whole time? Has our optimism been for naught? Are they going to fix our community Centre or not? Get the latest on page 5



A great time was had by all at the 7th annual WashagoFest. Great weather, good food, the entertainment, the vendors and the amazing classic cars made for a memorable day to be remembered. See photos and complete review on page 3

Washago Gazette now incorporated in The Soulvine

That's right, the Washago Gazette will be a part of The Soulvine - starting.....now!
See for yourself! Middle insert.

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A Not Too Distant BLAST From The Past

Washago Fest 2006 was another great event put on by your local Community Center Corporation and Mr. LO EH, Bob Goodwin. The weather again cooperated and was

beautiful for a great crowd to be able to take in all the fantastic, shiny, chrome, at the baseball diamond end of the park, then wander through vender's alley picking any number of great deals being offered. Being a vendor there myself, I had a great vantage point to watch all the refurbished machines come rolling in and out, and they were something! My camera got lot's of use that day. Then from the alley, kid's and parent's both, were under the shelter to be entertained by the Petting Zoo Show and then again by the Mad Scientist who did an amazing job with 2 shows lasting for a couple of hours. The beach was busy with swimmers and sun bathers, so to say the park got a good bit of use back on Aug. 5th would have to be the word of the days event. Everyone had a great time from one end to the other, and from start (8am) to finish (4pm). Then it was over to the Lion's Hall for some cool refreshments and a live rocking band to finish off the perfect day. This being our 7th annual Washago Fest event, and considering there was no Community Center to enhance the days activities, the committee that put this event together, again did a marvelous job. At the follow up meeting, the group seemed very satisfied that the day had gone well for everyone. A number of changes were discussed to possibly improve next years event and we are definitely counting on having a Center to work with next time. So until then, I'd like to thank all who made the day great, including the members of St. Paul's Anglican Church who started the day off right, with the delicious back bacon breakfast, then to Kay and Marion of Sweet Retreat, for the cold drinks and pizza all day long, then to the Washago Community Center Board and Events Committee, then last but surely not least, Bob and his 200 plus buddies and their magnificent Classic Cars. Congrats!!!! Till Next Year!!!!



Mad Scientist Dazzles the Crowd



Kid's Petting Zoo



LO EH Heads up a Great Show



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Motors make the Machine

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IN THE COMMUNITY

2006 Municipal Election

Ramara's Unofficial Candidates

Township of Ramara Council has chosen to conduct the 2006 Municipal Election as a vote by mail similar to the system used in 2003. There will be no traditional ballot box voting, advanced votes or proxy votes.

A vote by mail kit will be mailed to everyone who is on or who has been added to the voters' list by October 6, 2006. Persons added to the voters' list after this date will be provided a vote by mail kit by the Township.

UNOFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES

As of August 24, 2006

NAME	POSITION
Bill Duffy	Mayor
Neal Snutch	Mayor
William (Bill) Clark	Deputy Mayor
Basil Clarke	Deputy Mayor
John O'Donnell	Councillor Ward 2
Erika Neher	Councillor Ward 3
Jamie Mask	Councillor Ward 3
Don J. Clark	Councillor Ward 4
Frank Fisher	Councillor Ward 5
Ken Heltcher	Councillor Ward 5
Bill Kahler	Councillor Ward 5

Is She Or Isn't She????

In the Ramara Township Candidates list provided, you will note that Ward 1 has no representation as yet. On further investigation we have discussed the future plans of present Councilor Marilyn Brooks with her, and she has assured us that she will again be hoping to represent this area of Ward 1 in the upcoming elections. Go Marilyn!!!

Severn's Unofficial Candidates

TOWNSHIP OF SEVERN 2006 MUNICIPAL ELECTION REGISTRATION OF CANDIDATES

MAYOR - Phil Sled
DEPUTY MAYOR - Judith Cox
COUNCILLOR - WARD 1
COUNCILLOR - WARD 2
COUNCILLOR - WARD 3 Shirley McDougall
COUNCILLOR - WARD 4 Brian Humphrey
Karen Marriott
COUNCILLOR - WARD 5 Frank J. Coyle

2006 Municipal Election Advance Polling Dates

- November 4, 2006 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- November 8, 2006 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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Community Centre Update

The Centre IS Coming!!! HONEST!!!

Please don't shoot the messenger folks. I hope you aren't thinking that all you have been reading in this rag over the past 6 or 8 months, is just a figment of my imagination, concerning the New and Improved Community Center. We do try to pass on the most accurate information we can get, but sometimes that is not as easy as one might think. Especially when you are as unfamiliar with the political process as I am. It has not taken long however, for me to figure out that best laid plans for the good of the people can take much longer than one

might hope. The number of committees, meetings, proposals, tenders, delays, etc... is far beyond anything a simple person, like myself, has ever had the necessity of dealing with in my past. However, one has to believe that the good of the system is being fulfilled when all is complete. This Community Center repair has been very strenuous on our small village in lot's of ways, but one must assume that in the end when all the T's are crossed and the I's are dotted we are going to have the best possible improvement that could be done in today's economy. As things stand, as I write, there have been 4 or 5 companies in to look at the building repairs necessary, and will be offering tenders by the end of August. Severn Council will

be awarding the Contract to the best bid on Sept 7th and the demolition ball will strike shortly afterward. That is of course, assuming that there are no delays, etc... as mentioned above. The time frame of the repair procedure is not one that has been reported as yet but let's keep thinking early next year is still a possibility. There are some very exciting plans in the works for the New And Improved Washago Community Center so don't loss faith folks. The Center is Coming!!! HONEST!!! At least that's what I believed until today. Because I was not able to buy newsprint for this issue of our rag, we have had to delay printing, which has given me more time to hear things. Tenders have been opened and unexpectedly, they are a little higher than first projected. Mayor Phil Sled has expressed his continued concerns for the project and hopefully his support. There are still some decisions to be made, so maybe a good showing of our support at the Thursday Sept. 7th meeting at 7:30 pm would help. At the office of Severn Township kiddy corner to Orillia Square Mall. C U there!



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Sparkling Waters Run Under Peace Bridge

Had you asked me, before this week, where the Peace Bridge could be found, I, as many, would have answered, somewhere around Fort Erie Ontario I believe. WRONG? Nor would I have thought that we here in Washago have had at one time, our own version of the Hatfield's and McCoys feud. (for those of us old enough to remember). Seems back around the year 1905, two men A.W. Grigg and John Agnew lived beside each other here in Washago but refused to speak because of a quarrel over some trivial school matter that grew into a full blown feud. Not once for a period of 25 years did they break the silence, even if a go-between was needed. It was decided by then unofficial Mayor Carl Harvey, that when the bridge crossing the river at hwy 169 in front of the Old Mill was being constructed between the two combatants properties, the time was right for a truce and a ceremony to shake hands and open the finished Peace

Bridge. The GALA event was announced and the whole town showed up to witness the two men dressed in their Sunday Best, start toward the meeting spot at the centre of the newly constructed bridge, after dark in the light of some strategically parked cars head lights, to again shake hands in a gesture of friendship, and Cristen the bridge opening with a smashing of the traditional bottle of wine.(rumours say tea). It is said that from that day until their passing that the two men were best Friends from that day on. The plaque on the bridge today is a



replacement of the original that was stolen a couple of years ago, which we should thank John Agnew's great granddaughter Elizabeth Agnew Ritchey for having it replaced and helping to restore some of our Local Heritage to Washago. Let's live in peace after John Agnew and A.W. Grigg's example set for us.

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Away She Blew

Have you seen the big ash tree out front has come down?

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All she could say was "That was too close. Somebody must been watching my back."

Nora was at the doctor's office and had just walked around that big ash and came up the ramps, when just as she closed the door behide her, my big ash tree fell over, blocking the street up, till about 11:30 pm.

I called in the 911 emg. crew on the cell. We lost a tree and our phones. They came out checked it for wires and the saftey of the tree before cutting. They cut what it took to get one lane opened then they took the backhoe and pushed it up on the sidewalk for the night. Returning at 7:45 am the saws began. 5 men were at it for the first day, just clearing away the brush. Then we took over for the next two days, cutting and splitting the wood to be taken away. The tree has had local poeple by, taking many pictures. Not many can get over the big tree coming down. Some are calling it a landmark. It was old. The rings were counted = 88 in total.

So she stood for 88 years then away she blew. One huge gust of wind, blowing up Hamilton Street like a big grayball and WWWHHOOOSSSHHH SHE WAS GONE!!!!!!

Submitted By Nic Golyzniak at 3368 Muskoka Street



Away she blew!



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Subsequently, Bob Bowles spearheaded a group called KIDS FOR TURTLES.

Turtle populations have declined due to loss of habitat, predation of nesting areas, but mostly, turtles are killed trying to cross our roads.

Turtles cross our roadways to navigate between wetlands.

Female turtles access our roadways during spring to lay their eggs on the gravel shoulders of our roadways.

Kids For Turtles is a group to promote public awareness about turtles.

ONE OF THEIR PROJECTS IS RAISE MONEY FOR THE PURCHASE OF "TURTLE CROSSING SIGNS" These signs will be erected on our roadways in areas where turtles are frequently seen.

COME OUT AND SEE SOME LIVE TURTLES AND "KIDS FOR TURTLES" DISPLAY AT THE ORILLIA FALL FAIR, Sunday Sept 10th and the RAMONA FALL FAIR, Saturday Sept. 16th. GET INVOLVED!

For more information contact: Cathie Patterson design@encode.com or Bob Bowles rbowles@rogers.com



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By Joanne Barton

Blaines Automotive Auto Faxx

Winter tune up????
September comes quick without fail. This time of year sparks concern over the well being of our automobiles. We ponder rustproofing, tires, coolant condition and winter tuneups. The ladder of which is really not required!.... Huh????
You see, if you've followed your maintenance schedule intervals and kept your vehicle serviced, it really requires nothing in the way of a winter tune up. Service providers everywhere will hate me for saying this as many use this season as a sales pitch to garner work that really isn't required. Tune ups should be performed by a kilometer based maintenance schedule, not by seasons.
My advice for winter preparations is such;
1) Inspect tire tread condition, consider snow tires
2) Rustproofing
3) Test your coolants specific gravity, colour etc,
4) Inspect wiper blade condition
5) Test block heater operations
6) Inspect belts and hoses
10 These simple items can be inspected by your service provider and should offer you a winter of hassle free driving.

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submitted by John Macinnes

"LIFE IS TOO SHORT AND FRIENDS ARE TOO FEW"

One day, the father of a very wealthy family took his son on a trip to the country with the express purpose of showing him how poor people live. They spent a couple of days on the farm of what would be considered a very poor family. On their return from the trip, the father asked his son, "How was the trip?" "It was great, Dad." "Did you see how the poor people live?" the father asked. "Oh yes" said the son. "So tell me, what did you learn from the trip?" asked the father. The son answered: "I saw that we have one dog, and they had four. We have a pool that reaches the middle of our garden, and they have a creek that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden, and they have the stars at night. Our patio reaches to the front yard, and they have the whole horizon. We have a small piece of land to live on, and they have fields that go beyond our sight. We have servants that serve us, but they serve each other. We buy our food, but they grow theirs. We have walls around our property to protect us, they have friends to protect them." The boy's father was speechless. Then his son added "Thanks Dad, for showing me how poor we are."

Isn't perspective a wonderful thing? Makes you wonder what would happen if we all gave thanks for everything we have, instead of worrying about what we don't have. Appreciate every single thing you have, especially your friends!!!

Contributed by Doreen Barton



to decline in health. Vets felt that the loss of her litter had caused the tigress to fall into depression. After checking with other zoos, they could not find any other cubs to introduce to the mourning mother. Instead, some orphan piglets were found - dressed appropriately and the tiger had her cubs and the piglets had a mum. Lo and behold it worked.....too cute!!!

TIGPIGS

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THE MINISTERS MESSAGE GOD'S RECORD BOOKS

By Pastor Norm Shepstone, Caleb's Place
For Soulvine Media, August 25, 2006

I often hear sports fans talking statistics of their favourite professional athletes such as batting averages, goals and assists, points scored and so on. In every athletic endeavour there are those statatitians who keep records year after year, season after season.

God also keeps record books. In fact the Bible says that He keeps at least two books. (see Revelation 20:12) He uses these books to keep statistics on each one of us during our lives. One book is called The Lamb's Book of Life and is named after Jesus Christ who we are introduced to as "The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the

world ". (see John 1:29) The other book doesn't seem to be named but is the record of our works or deeds. It is the record we accumulate in these two books that will determine our eternal destines.

Many times as a pastor I have heard people explain their hope in going to heaven based on their "good deeds". Usually it goes something like "I've tried to live a good life. I've never intentionally hurt anyone. I don't steal, or lie and I give to charity. Therefore I believe God has a place for me in heaven."

Yet God's word says even if we are successful in keeping all of God's law but err on one point then we are guilty of breaking all the law. (see James 1:10) I have described the situation like this. Suppose I was to tell you that you could get to heaven by taking an old balance beam scale and on one side you place a one ton weight and on the other side you will have to pile on feathers until you balance the scales. Oh yes, one more thing. You will have to do this in hurricane force winds. Get the picture? That's how futile it is to try and do enough good works to get into heaven. Sounds pretty hopeless, does it not?

That's what God thought too. So He designed an alternative plan. That plan involved His only Son, Jesus Christ coming to this earth and taking the death penalty in our place. Jesus told us, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, no one comes to the Father (God) but through Me." (John 14:6) The Apostle Paul also wrote " For by grace you have been saved through faith (in Jesus Christ); not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast." (see Ephesians 2: 8-9) The Philippian jailer was convinced of the gospel of Jesus that Paul and Silas taught and asked "What must I do to be saved?" Paul's answer was "Believe on the Lord Jesus and you will be saved and your household." (see Acts 16: 30) That word "believe" means far more than a mental belief but rather a change of life to line up with the teachings of Jesus. When the Apostle Peter was asked the same question he said "Repent each of you and be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."(Acts 2: 38) The Bible is very specific that good works is not the way to get to heaven. Those good works only count when you enter the kingdom of God through Jesus.

However, many religious teachers tell people and many people believe that you can get to heaven by doing good works. That usually means working for their particular organization, or giving them money, or propagating their teachings or even committing suicide for their concept of a god. Yet it is as futile as the feathers in the wind. However, God keeps two books. The second book records all the works people do, both good and bad. Then they are weighed in the balance. Do you want to know what the result is? Read Revelation 20: 11-15 for the answer. However, the first book, The Lamb's Book of Life, is a different result. You can read that for yourself as well in Revelation 21: 1-7. Which book is your name written in?

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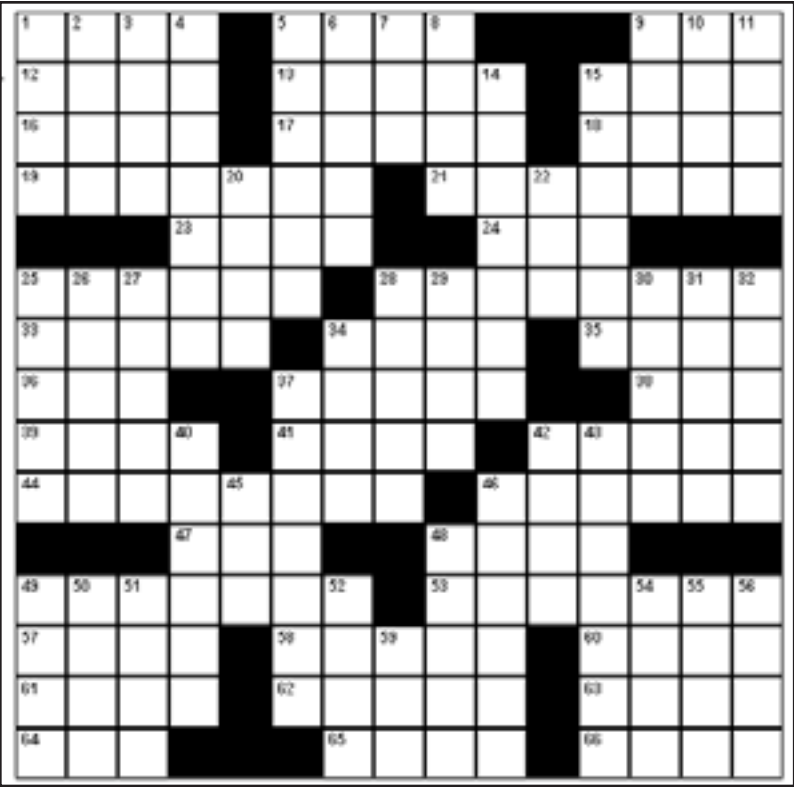
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Down
1- Swindle; 2- Tramp; 3- "So be it"; 4- Flounder; 5- Prance; 6- Render weaponless; 7- Evergreen tree; 8- Receptacle for holy water; 9- Graph prefix; 10- Single, individual unit; 11- Baht spender; 14- Beginning to exist; 15- East Indian fig tree; 20- PC expert; 22- Pot used to contain the ashes of a dead person; 25- Savory jelly; 26- African sir; 27- Flat circular plates; 28- Do something together; 29- Ascend; 30- Wave-related; 31- Get hitched quick; 32- Prevent; 34- Pine fruit; 37- Link; 40- King of the Huns; 42- Neuter; 43- Embryonic root; 45- Intangible mixture of gases used for breathing; 46- Misgivings; 48- Aegean island; 49- Actual; 50- Relaxation; 51- Journey; 52- Dash; 54- Rude person; 55- Bereft; 56- Fencing sword; 59- Wrath;

answers on back

CLUBS, GROUPS, AND OTHER EVENTS

WASHAGO & DISTRICT LIONS CLUBS CLASSIC VEHICLE POKER CRUISE SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2006

On Saturday, September 9, 2006 the Lions Clubs of Huntsville, Fenelon Falls, Washago and Gravenhurst will host a Classic Vehicle Poker Cruise Fundraiser. Participants will begin and end their journey at Deerhurst Resort in Huntsville but in between will enjoy a delightful scenic cruise through the beautiful Kawartha Lakes, Haliburton Highlands and Muskoka. All proceeds from the event will be donated to The Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy. This cruise will involve 100 classic vehicles, their drivers and passengers. Participants will depart from Deerhurst Resort and take a short drive to Dwight for a breakfast served up by the Huntsville Lions Club. Drivers and passengers will then make their way down Highway 35, through Minden to Fenelon Falls where they will enjoy a short refreshment break sponsored by the Fenelon Falls Lions Club. They will then proceed through Coboconk, Kirkfield and Lake Dalrymple to Washago where they will be treated to a "Webers" lunch at the Washago Lions Club. On the road again, they will travel through Severn Bridge onto Muskoka Road 13, through the Torrance Barrens and into Gravenhurst via Highway 69. At Gravenhurst's Muskoka Wharf they will partake in another refreshment break hosted by the Gravenhurst Lions Club. They will then take the last leg of their journey through Bracebridge, Port Sydney and back to Deerhurst Resort where they will enjoy an excellent all-you-can eat Steak/Chicken Barbecue Dinner. The evening will end with prizes, and a dance by The Martels Rock and Roll Road Show. Details and a registration form for this Classic Vehicle Poker Cruise can be found at washagolionsclub.com or you may contact washagolionsclub@hotmail.com for more information. By telephone please call (705) 689-2984 for details and registration forms. This event will be by pre-registration only before August 31, 2006. The best poker hand will win \$1000. and the second prize will be \$300. (based on 100 vehicles). Anyone wishing to participate, sponsor or donate to this worthwhile event is invited to contact the organizers at the above e-mail address.

The Rotary Club of Washago & Area Centennial is hosting a " **Meet and Greet** " Wednesday September 27th 7-9pm Cyril Alleyne Memorial Hall United Church, Muskoka Street, Washago. Refreshments served. Drop in and meet your local Rotarians, learn about Rotary and the exciting projects underway. We are always looking for new members! For more information call Mary at 689-4293 or visit www.washagorotary.ca

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Washago Lions Summer 2006

The Washago Lions would like to thank the community for their support in making this summer of 2006 a success in raising funds for the following year.

Canada Day
The kick off to Canada Day was the pancake breakfast chaired by Lion Charles Hodges, Lion Charles has done this event for many years and he says that it's getting busier every year. After the breakfast, Lions started the music celebration chaired by Lion Glenn Purdy. This was a great event for the afternoon and evening. Lion Glenn thanks all bands for donating their time to the community for this event. He would also like to add that there were many new and old faces this year. The Washago Lions would like to thank "See My Brian", "Lee, Sarah and friends", "Karaoke by Sue", "Knight Hawk D.J. Services", "Crimson Cross", "Gear Jammers", "The Doug Trucker Band", "Don't Blink the Magician", "Davenport Motors", "Shelby & Anja face painters", "KRS cranes", "Doug Shakell lighting". Thanks again for the great entertainment!!!!!!

Washagofest
Lions went to Centennial Park, where Dianne Purdy, Tracey Eno and Dorothy Hanwell wives of some of the Lions had a ticket booth for the up coming events including, Washagofest Dance, 50-50 draw for the Grey Cup Party and the quilt draw (quilt donated by the Orillia Quilter's Guild). Dianne said that there was a lot of traffic there this year and thanks to the community for their support.

Labour Day Weekend- Saturday September 2nd
Lions are having a Karaoke party chaired by Lion Harry Klatt and sounds by Karaoke Sue, she always puts on a great show at the Lions Hall and with all the great voices of the area, this event is sure to be a great way to complete the summer.

What not to Forget!!! Lions Halloween Party (Caribbean Theme) Come to the warm sounds of the south by Knight Hawk D.J Services.

4-H is back in Severn Bridge! 4-H is a youth group for kids ages 10-21. We are the Severn Bridge Landscapers! Our first was at Arlene's House. At the meeting we elected our officers. Our president is Adrienne, Vice President Karley, Secretary is shared by Kate and Ashley, and press reporter is Rebecca, that's me! Adrienne started the pledge. Then we went outside and did our special project. Then we did landscaping n paper. Then we went to the Washago Gardens. We learned that landscaping isn't just flowers, it's also trees, shrubs, rocks, stones, benches and walkways. There we thanked the Washago Gardeners for showing us their gardens. Then our next meeting we went to Linda Hepinstal's place, and she showed us her shade garden. Her beautiful gardenhas it's own unique quality. We also learned that you can landscape with sculpters and you don't just have to have rectangle gardens. We thank Linda for showing us her gardens. Out last meeting is at the McLeish's house where we will be talking about different weeds cause some people like wildflowers. Our Achievement Program is at the Severn Bridge Fall Fair which is on September 9th. Press Reporter, Rebecca Crawford.

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