1

Heritage of Our Community – Lion's Gateway, Grand Road

The history of Campbellford is uniquely linked to the Trent River, European settlement and agriculture. The community has evolved as a valuable transportation route and service centre. Campbellford continues to grow and develop while maintaining a strong connection to its history.

2

Railway Heritage – Rotary Trail, Grand Road

In the early beginnings of Campbellford the community hosted three rail lines that provide transportation service for goods and passengers. The Grand Junction Railway, Midland/Grand Trunk Railway, and CNR Railway played a critical role in the economic boom of Campbellford. In 1969, the rail lines and station were closed. The remaining symbols of this valuable transportation route are the foundation pillars in the Trent-Severn Waterway that mark the location of the railway bridge.

3

Bridges – Old Mill Park, Corner of Grand Road and Bridge Street West

As the community of Campbellford/Seymour developed around the ford across the Trent River, the need for a bridge became apparent. Throughout the history of the community a number of bridges have served as a vital transportation link.

4

Campbellford - Seymour Agricultural Society Fair – Red Barn Entrance, Campbellford - Seymour Fairgrounds, Front Street North

Formed in 1854, the Agricultural Society annually celebrates the vibrant agricultural industry that is the foundation of our community. The Agricultural Fair has become a summer attraction for families throughout Ontario, hosting a variety of demonstrations and activities.

5

Power Right On Their Doorstep – Campbellford/Seymour Heritage Society Centre,

113 Front Street North
Due to the rapid fall of the Trent River from Healey Falls, Campbellford/Seymour has been able to generate hydro electricity for residents and businesses since the mid 1800's. The municipally owned Public Utility Commission built its own power plants to harness the power from the river. In 1998, the generating stations were sold and the profits from that sale were turned over to the Campbellford/Seymour Community Foundation to provide ongoing investment into community projects. A number of hydro electric generating stations still operate around the community and provide green power to the Ontario grid.

6

Schools of Campbellford-Seymour, Corner of Ranney Street and Bridge Street

The former Bridge Street Schools occupied a site of prominence in the community. The importance of education in Campbellford/Seymour continues to be evident today due to the existence of 5 vibrant schools.

7

The Age Old Art of Cheesemaking – Empire Cheese & Butter Co-operative,

1120 County Road 8
Over the course of time, Campbellford/Seymour has been home to 18 cheese factories. Currently, Empire Cheese & Butter Co-operative is the only cheese factory in not only Campbellford/Seymour, but also the County of Northumberland.

8

Trent-Severn Waterway – Old Mill Park, Grand Road

The completion of the construction of the canal in 1920 was intended to provide a critical route for transportation of goods. Currently the Trent-Severn Waterway, a National Historic Site of Canada, is known throughout the world as a picturesque boating route. The waterway offers a link for travelers from Lake Ontario to Georgian Bay.

9

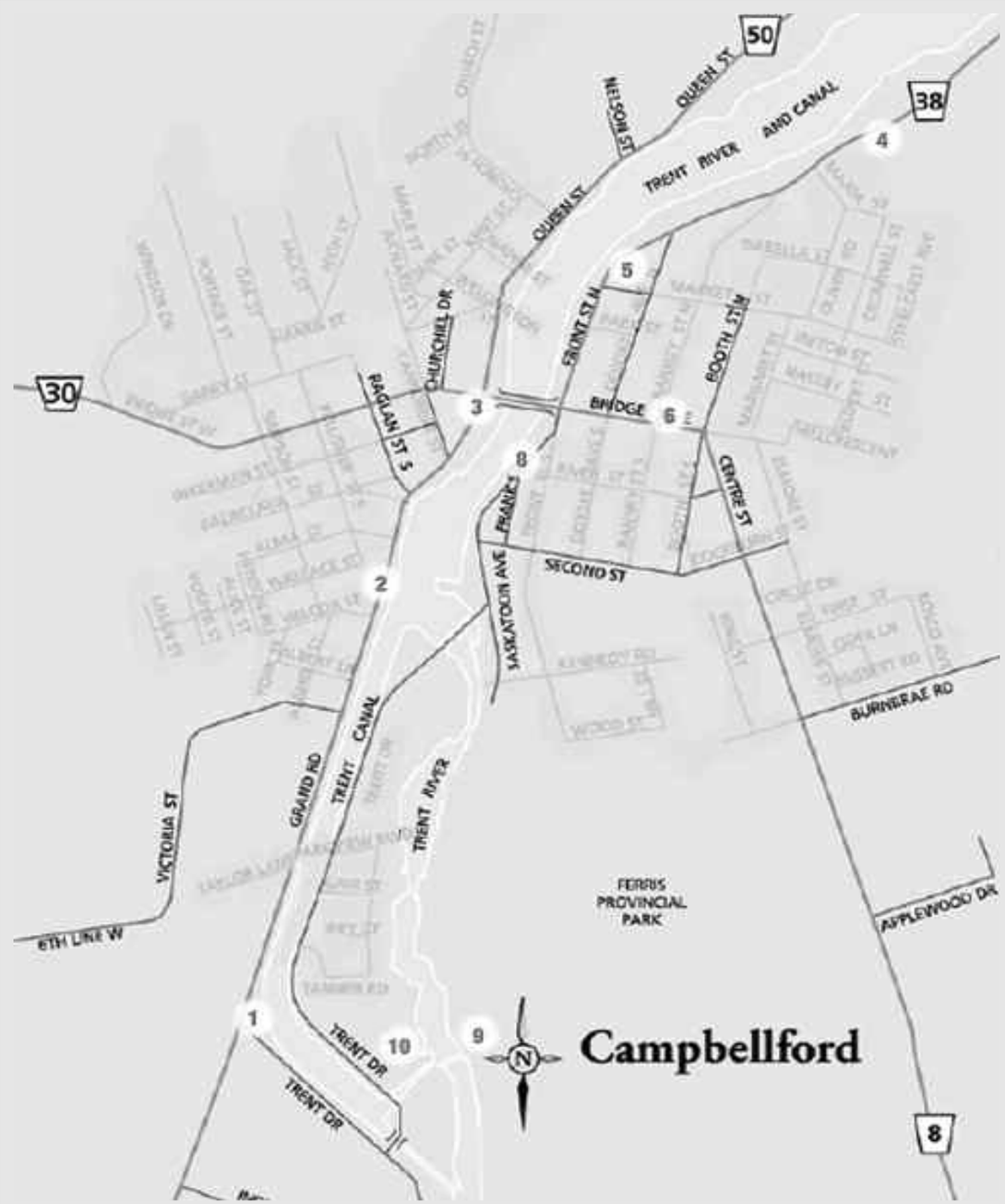
Ferris Provincial Park – Ferris Provincial Park Entrance to Ranney Gorge Suspension Bridge

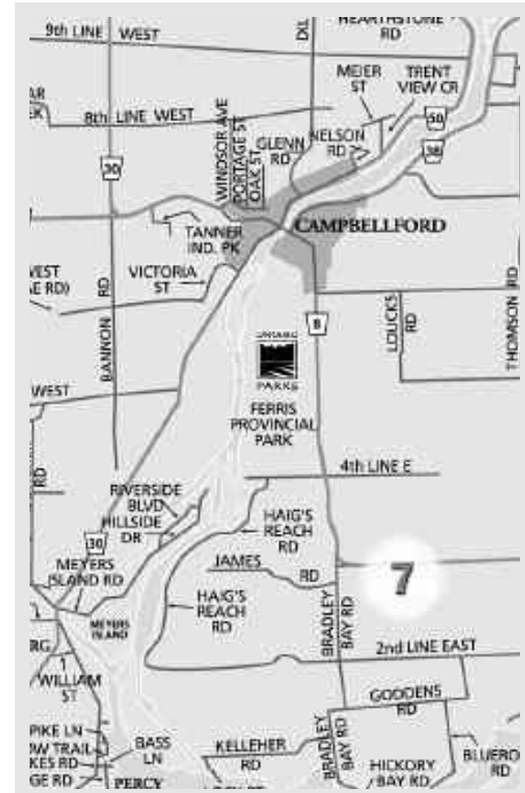
This 500 acre parkland that provides endless recreational opportunities for visitors and residents of Campbellford/Seymour became a provincial park in 1975. The land is a unique and valuable legacy for our community. Ferris Park now hosts over 160 camp sites, 10kms of trails, the Ranney Gorge Suspension Bridge, interpretive centre, and year round events. The Park is also operated by the Municipality of Trent Hills and is supported by the effort of the Friends of Ferris.

10

Ranney Falls, Making Green Power Since 1922 – Trent Drive, Ontario Power Generation, Entrance to Ranney Gorge Suspension Bridge

Ranney Falls Generating Station represents the process for producing green power. The generating station, located at the south side of the Ranney Falls and the town of Campbellford, harnesses enough hydro electricity from the Trent River flow to provide electricity annually for an average of 4,400 homes. The generating station is operated and maintained by Ontario Power Generation.





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