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"April hath put a spirit of youth in everything" -- William Shakespeare

## COLE'S NOTE

### ENVIRONMENTALLY SPEAKING

Recently, my family and I returned from a wonderful ski holiday to the interior of British Columbia. While flying over the Rockies, both in and out of B.C., one could not help notice a panorama of green forests. Unfortunately, you could see from the air the checkerboard patterns where huge chunks of timber had been clear cut over the years. I'm not talking about small areas; certainly from the air one could see stretching for hundreds of miles this checkerboard pattern. There has been virtually no replanting until recent years; on one of my rides up the ski lift, I happened to be seated with one of the loggers. In our discussion he told me that forestry was 50 years behind in replanting. This rape of our forest without commensurate plans for reforesting goes on not just in B.C., but right across the country where every provincial government

is years behind in forestry practices. Smaller and smaller timber is being cut down as the large trees get harder and harder to find and farther away from the mills.

I am now going through a dilemma on my own camp property about tree cutting. For 15 years the local lumbering people have been after me to sell them some large hardwood maples on a portion of my camp property. These are some of the largest maples left in the province: some of them are over 250 years old. They are beautiful and majestic, but every time a storm comes we loose a few more. I had the ministry in to give me advice and they suggested cutting the very big ones, and I am not sure how I am going to handle it as yet.

If you are interested in reforestation in your own camp, or if you know people who have areas of cleared land that they would like reforested, the Ontario government has a wonderful program called "The Woodlands Agreement Act". Con-

tact your nearest Ministry of Natural Resources for information. Last time I reforested, five years ago, we planted 15,000 trees; the ministry did all the planting and it cost me 4¢ a tree. Twenty years ago when I bought the Walden property we planted 40,000 trees, and at that time they were only 1¢ a tree. It is hard to believe that after 20 years those pines are now between 20 and 25 feet in height and we have a beautiful forest surrounding the camp.

There is obviously a need for wood products in Canada and forestry is one of our biggest industries, but it has gone about in such a slipshod manner that future generations of Canadians may not have the luxury of the same forest industry that we have today. Let's do everything we can to keep our forests growing!

TED COLE  
President

LET'S  
INTEGRATE  
TOGETHER!

ALL ARE CREATED EQUAL

The philosophy that all are created equal is known throughout western civilization. To some, however, this notion is more than a philosophical ideal. To some, the fact that people are created equal, but different, represents the essence of human existence. Staff at Easter Seal Camps accept the challenge presented by campers with varying levels of ability. They recognize the right of each child to have access to all recreation opportunities, the right of each child to participate in these activities to the maximum of their ability, and the right of each child to interact with peers in social environments.

Easter Seal campers do have physical disabilities. The extent to which physical disabilities limit their ability to participate in recreation programs, however, is more a result of limitations imposed by society rather than a direct result of physical impairments. Handicaps are a social phenomenon.

At Easter Seal Camps, programs are designed to challenge the ability of children and youth. Easter Seal campers participate in all the traditional camp activities: canoeing, sailing, horseback riding, fishing, creative and expressive arts, campcraft and out-tripping to name a few. Surprising to some is the fact that few adaptations are required in order to include campers of all levels of ability.

In many ways, Easter Seal Camps are integrated. While some campers require the assistance of wheelchairs, for example, others have less severe motor impairments. Camp staff often say that one of the more rewarding experiences gained by working at Easter Seal Camps is witnessing the reciprocal relationships develop between campers of varying physical ability. More able campers often enjoy helping those less fortunate and in so doing gain an increased sense of self-worth and responsibility. Perhaps more camps can offer this kind of opportunity for social interaction with "people who are equal but different". In integrated settings, disabled and non-disabled people can develop together to gain an understanding and acceptance of each other which can serve to enhance the lives of all involved.

CAROLINE MATTHEWS  
Director,  
Northwoods Camp

CORRECTION

Due to an oversight, the names of **Tara Mills** and **Sylvia Law** of Glen Bernard Camp were inadvertently omitted from the list of winners of the O.C.A. Photo Contest. Tara and Sylvia share First Prize for camper-submitted entries. Congratulations!

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THE GREEN  
SCENE

On Thursday, February 1, 1990, for the first time in Canadian history, Parliament debated the setting aside of 12% of our land and marine base as fully protected areas. The motion called upon Canada to use this 12% figure in living up to the commitment of completing the National Parks system by the year 2000. The 12% figure is the international scientific consensus of the U.N. Commission on Environment and Development as the minimum land base necessary to avert ecological disaster worldwide. When the U.N. report was released in 1987, our federal government agreed to find ways to implement its recommendations.

One year earlier, Canada's Federal Task Force on Park Establishment projected that if our National Parks system was not completed by the year 2000, the country would have lost the opportunity to do so. Today, only 6.3% of Canada has been protected. Within this, only 21 of the 39 natural bioregions of Canada have any kind of representation, and only 2 of the 29 natural marine bioregions have any form of protection at all. If we do not protect 12% of our nation's natural area over the coming decade, then we will be contributing to the situation that, as David Suzuki describes, in the year 2020 there will be no significant wilderness area left on the face of the Earth!

In 1987, a Gallup poll found that 97% of Canadians support strong government

action to protect wilderness. Yet, the February 5, 1990 vote showed only 77 M.P.'s in favour and 122 opposed to the motion that we set aside 12% of our nation as fully protected. To quote Federal Environment minister Lucien Bouchard, "Why the rush". He agreed that the parks system must complete the creation of 18 new parks by the year 2000 in order for all of Canada's bioregions to be represented but added that he was not sure about the percentage of protected land that this might result in, saying, "We will find out as we go along. But I don't think it would be wise to set a figure like 12% - that would lack the required flexibility". Therefore, will these 18 new parks really be the "significant" wilderness most desperately needed? The 1990s will be the time to take decisive action to protect our wilderness before it's too late. Are you, as an Ontario camp director, concerned about our government's wilderness protection policies? If so, write your local M.P. and voice your concerns. For more information, contact Dave Newnham, (705) 457-2132.

#### Coming Attractions:

The Environmental Choice Newsletter lists environmentally friendly products such as recycled paper, re-refined lubricating oil, products made from recycled plastic, and much more. To be placed on the mailing list, write to:  
Environmental Choice,  
107 Sparks St., 2nd Fl.,  
Ottawa, Ont. K1A 0H3.

Earth Day 1990 - April 22:  
Is there anything you can do at camp to mark this important event? Examples: plant a tree, wood chip some pathways, write your M.P.!

Thanks to Jim Hopkins for last month's **Green Scene** on the Canadian Green Consumer's Guide. If you would like to contribute an article, please contact me at (705) 457-2132.

DAVE NEWNHAM  
Chair, Environmental  
Concerns Committee

#### 10TH WORKSHOP FOR CAMP HEALTH CARE STAFF

Once again the OCA Committee of Camp Nurses presents a workshop for Health Care Staff. This is a special year since it is the 10th consecutive workshop! It is being held at Bolton Conference Centre on May 26 & 27, 1990. The program is varied and pertinent. There will be speakers on sports medicine, abuse issues and other current topics.

Directors: Many health care personnel would pay all or part of the registration fee. Please let them know about the workshop. Additional registration forms are available at the OCA Office.

MARY CASEY  
Chairperson,  
Nurses' Workshop Committee

#### FOR SALE

Free to good home: working Gestetner. Call Jean or Fiora, OCA, (416) 781-0525.

#### THIS 'N' THAT

##### AWARDS

At the 81st Annual Meeting of the Royal Life Saving Society Canada, two OCA camps earned trophies for their 1989 lifesaving program.

Camp Tawingo was awarded the McCutcheon Bowl. This bowl is presented to the Affiliate with the most resuscitation awards.

Glen Bernard Camp was the recipient of the Chapman Cup. This cup is presented to the affiliated Camp with the largest lifesaving program.

Congratulations to Tawingo and Glen Bernard!

##### GUIDELINES FOR ACCREDITATION

Additional sets of the Guidelines for Accreditation (Residential Camps) may be purchased from the OCA office for \$15.00 each. Call (416) 781-0525.

##### HELP WANTED

**Assistant Director of Services** required for Camp Trillium. Must have a degree in Recreation or equivalent with camping experience. Applicant must be bilingual and have experience with special populations. Send resume with references as soon as possible to:  
Trillium Childhood Cancer Support Centre, P.O. Box 359, Bloomfield, Ont. K0K 1G0, (613) 393-2384.

##### FOR RENT

**Affiliated Member Camp** for rent. Contact Gary Faulkner, 128 Woodycrest Ave., Toronto, Ont. M4J 3B4, (416) 466-6972.

**WELCOME  
NEW MEMBERS**

**New Affiliated Members:**

CLUB WHITESANDS

CITY OF MISSISSAUGA

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MORGAN A. WOOD  
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519 N. Rivermede Rd., #2  
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(416) 669-2815;  
1-800-268-1268  
Sport equipment, educa-  
tional & art materials and  
furniture

GLENFORD PAPER  
335 Passmore Ave.,  
Scarborough, Ont. M1V 4B5  
(416) 754-2120;  
1-800-268-3566  
Paper disposables and  
maintenance/sanitation  
supplies

**FOR SALE**

Tanglewood Day Camp for  
sale. Private site (25  
acres) in Kettleby, Ont.,  
east of Hwy. 400 off the  
Aurora Side Road. Formerly  
the Richildaca day camp  
site. Contact (416) 483-  
4337.

**WHAT'S  
HAPPENING**

**THUNDER BAY CAMPFERENCE**

April 27 & 28, 1990  
Workshops on Crafts, Eco-  
logy and Canoeing; general  
sessions (featuring OCA  
leaders) on staff orien-  
tation and how to deal with  
camper problems.  
At the Central Evangelical  
Free Church, Thunder Bay.  
Cost: \$20.00 (includes  
lunch and beverage breaks).  
Contact Marion Stewart,  
(807) 475-7514.  
\*This event is supported by  
OCA\*

**CALENDAR OF  
EVENTS**

\*\*Workshop for OCA Camps to  
be visited...April 26, 1990  
C.I.T. Full-Day Workshop...  
.....April 28, 1990  
Counsellor Conference.....  
.....May 26, 1990  
Nurses' Workshop.....  
.....May 26 & 27, 1990  
Camp Directors' Workshop...  
.....May 31-June 3, 1990  
Skills Weekend.....  
.....June 8-11, 1990

**OCA Skills Week-end  
June 8-11, 1990  
OCLC Bark Lake**

There are five different camp  
skill areas (streams) from which  
to choose. Each stream  
addresses both the skill and the  
leadership of that skill in camp.  
In addition, it is a great way to  
warm up key staff for the spirit  
of the summer ahead.

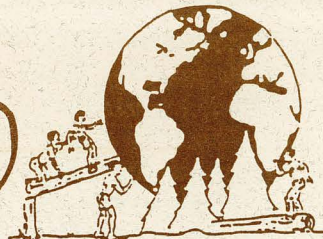
**CANOEING  
CRAFTS  
ECO-SKILLS/NATURE  
CREATIVE PLAY/GAMES  
DRAMA/THEATRE ARTS**

Contact the OCA Office

Courses in...Basic Naviga-  
tion and Orienteering will  
be offered in April by:  
Chrismar Mapping Services;  
call (416) 665-5817 for  
more details.

**CHECK YOUR BLUEPRINT FOR ACTION!**  
- Saturday, May 26, 1990. -  
- Lawrence Park Collegiate -

**MAKE A  
BETTER  
WORLD**



**COUNSELLORS OF TODAY BUILDING FOR TOMORROW  
O.C.A. Counsellors Conference 1990**

Arm Your Staff With the Knowledge They'll Need to Construct:  
\* successful counselling techniques \*  
\* plans for dynamic programs \*  
\* skills for leadership \*  
\* a solid summer foundation upon which to build \*

Group and Individual  
Registration Forms Available April 1/90  
From the O.C.A. Office, (416) 781-0525.

Architectural Blueprints and Schematic Drawings  
(program sessions and travel tips)  
available to Foremen and Sub-Contractors  
(for Camp Directors and Staff)  
prior to construction date  
(Coming soon)

# **Great Canadian Camping Clothing Sale\***

Where: Lawrence Park Collegiate

When: May 26th, 1990  
4:10 - 5:00 (just stick around after the Conference)

What: Wool and Cotton Sweaters, Shoes etc

How much: all items \$10.00

What for: all proceeds to go to the Canadian Camping Association  
and the Ontario Camping Association

\* Thanks to Eddie Bauer Expedition Outfitters for donating this salvage stock



# ATTENTION

## C.I.T. DIRECTORS!

Come and join the OCA for a full-day training workshop designed for C.I.T. Directors. Whether this is your first year in the job or your 21st come and learn some new ideas.

During the day topics such as scheduling, components of a good program, supervision, evaluation, and many more will be covered.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1990

**When: Saturday, April 28**

**Where: Mooredale House**

**Time: 9:30 am - 4:00pm**

**What To Bring: Bag lunch (beverage & snack provided)**

**Cost: \$15.00 (Non-Members \$18.00)**

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C.I.T. DIRECTORS WORKSHOP

NAME : \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

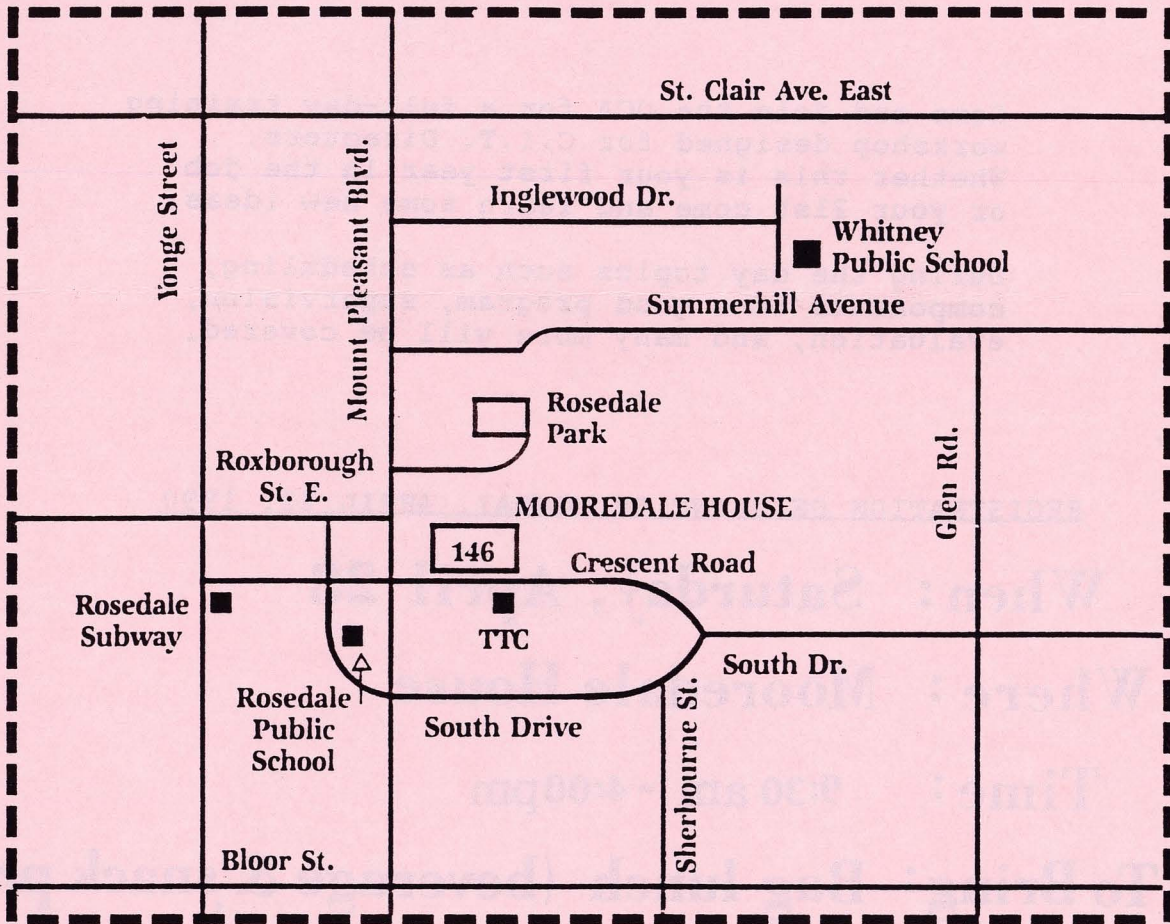
TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CAMP AFFILIATION: \_\_\_\_\_

# OF YEARS AS A C.I.T. DIRECTOR:

1st year       2nd year       more

Make cheque payable to the Ontario Camping Association



**Mooredale House**  
**146 Crescent Road**  
**Toronto, Ontario M4W 1V2**  
**Telephone: (416) 922-3714**

O.C.A. DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS - MARCH 1, 1990 TO FEBRUARY 28, 1990

DIRECTOR	KINDRED GROUP AFFILIATION	COMMITTEE AFFILIATION	COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS
<b>Jim Blake</b> (519) 667-3300	Regional Representatives (see below)	COUNSELLOR CONF.	<b>Jim Janzen</b> - (519) 667-3300
		ENVIRONMENTAL	<b>Dave Newnham</b> - (705) 457-2132
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<b>Michael Greenbloom</b> (416) 736-4443	Private Camps	STANDARDS	<b>Barb Gilbert</b> - (416) 921-7384
		DAY CAMPING	<b>John Harder</b> - (416) 640-2127
<b>Liz Greenway</b> (416) 961-8100	Agency Camps, Special Needs, Affiliated Members	ARCHIVES	<b>John Jorgenson</b> - (705) 789-5612
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		EDUCATION	<b>Pauline Marston</b> - (416) 488-2077
<b>Catherine Ross</b> (416) 491-3894	PRFO	CONFERENCE '91	<b>Catherine Ross</b> - (416) 491-3894 & <b>Marjorie Booth</b> - (416) 922-3714
<b>Patti Thom</b> (416) 338-9464	Commercial Members, PRFO	PUBLIC RELATIONS	<b>Mike Moore</b> - (416) 975-0111
		NEWSLETTER	<b>Janet Adamson</b> - (416) 485-7322

**REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES**

WESTERN ONTARIO (LONDON)	<b>Rick Romman</b> (519) 471-3799	SAULT STE. MARIE	<b>Howard McLeod</b> (705) 356-7961	SUDBURY	<b>Rick Wise</b> (705) 674-8315
EASTERN ONTARIO (OTTAWA)	<b>Brian Edey</b> (613) 225-2770	THUNDER BAY	<b>Elaine Kalnbach</b> (807) 622-3797		