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### THE PRES. SAYS

CONGRATULATIONS to the Professional Leadership Development Task Force for the informative weekend session at Bolton, September 23 - 25. We look forward to hearing the plans for Phase II of this program.

Your EXECUTIVE are having a special meeting October 25 in order to consider O.C.A. promotion and public relations. If you have any suggestions, comments or otherwise remarks to make concerning O.C.A. promotion, please let me know your views.

I am asking for your immediate co-operation by responding to the notice about the C.C.A. Geneva Park Conference. This information was mailed to you under separate cover.

Thanks, Eanswythe Flynn, for your continued efforts with this Newsletter. I hope our membership have recognized that between Eanswythe and our office stars Nodja Read and Nora Robinson the newsletter has been mailed on a regular basis since last May.

The response to my open letter re the Day Camp Committee wasn't overwhelming. Day Camp members please consider that letter (which went out with the last newsletter) and let me have your thoughts.

Cheers.

Jocelyn Palm

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#### REMEMBER

Turn your 1978 calendar well into April . . . the 11th to be exact . . . to mark O.C.A.'s Annual Meeting:

PLACE: Ontario Society For Crippled Children 350 Rumsey Road, Toronto, Ontario (North of Eglinton)

Details later. This will be another important meeting for those who are members in good standing in our Association. Changes have come about during the past year. New developments are afoot, as usual. Decisions have to be made . . . and all of us should be there to help make them come out right side up.

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### NEWS OF THE WOODSMANSHIP LEADERS' SCHOOL

Plans are now underway for the 5th Edition of the Woodsmanship Leadership School. Concurrently steps are being taken to develop regional schools in the Eastern and Western parts of Canada. Responses from the candidates as well as from the programmes they represent continue to be very encouraging. A number of important innovations were made in the format of the school this year.

To accommodate the special needs of the Winter Season, a pilot school will be held February 25th and March 3rd, 1978. There will be ten candidates from Ontario and Quebec, and ten from the rest of Canada. The purpose will be to provide an experience parallel to the regular school, but to take into account, of course, the unique opportunity of the Canadian winter as well as its problems. This encounter will be attractive especially to camp leaders, but to all persons providing outdoor leadership in snow time.

A proposal has been put forward to develop a guide for Woodsmanship Leaders in particular. Announcements on the time of its availability will be announced at a later date. PLEASE DIRECT ALL ENQUIRIES TO KIRK WIPPER, c/o Canadian Camping Office, Toronto, 102 Eglinton Ave., East, Ste. 203, Telephone - (416) 488-7345.

## ARCHIVES

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I trust you followed my suggestion, made in the May Newsletter, to label a box "Archives" and through the summer months put in it a copy of all the data used for the running of your Camp. Please take the time now to contact the O.C.A. Office and I will be in touch with you.

If you are in doubt about what to send, send it anyhow! Mr. Ken Johnson, the Trent Archivist, will decide if it is important. We are in search of the following; a copy of all brochures from first to present, photos of personnel, facilities, program activities, equipment and special events; staff manuals, canoe trip records and logs; menus; camp newspapers; old song books; financial and registration records; purchasing orders; films; slides; tapes; camp report forms, closing banquet programs and lists of awards; art or literary productions . . . to name a few. Material of the present is important because remember that the record of today becomes the archive of tomorrow.

I would appreciate assistance in collecting the treasures of the past and present. If you would like to give a few hours of your time when some project is to be accomplished would you please call me at 622-6639. In advance, Many Thanks!

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Helen Stewart

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BACK NUMBERS OF THE O.C.A. CONFERENCE REPORTS?

We have a few in the Ontario Camping Association Office which any member of our Association may have  $\underline{free}$  if you are willing to pick them up. SORRY WE CANNOT MAIL.

### AQUATICS COMMITTEE

- Stan Talesnick, Aquatics Committee Sailing specialist, forwards the following summary from the sailing questionnaire circulated earlier this year. Of fiftysix camp surveyed, thirty replied, and a hearty thank you is extended to these individuals who responded.
  - the average number of boats per camp is 9.
  - the thirty camps claim participation of 8,350 campers in 1976, an average of 219 campers per camp.
  - nineteen of the thirty camps are familiar with C.Y.A. Standards.
  - eleven (of the thirty) camps have instructors qualified through C.Y.A.
  - the three major objectives in camp sailing are skill development, enjoyment, and meeting Standards.
- 2. The Standards of Achievement program of the Canadian Recreational Canoeing Association, as adopted and promoted by the Ontario Camping Association, was well received in camping circles this past summer. Forty-four camps participated in the program officially and award cards issued totalled over 6,000! A thank you to all those individuals who assisted in implementing the program.
- 3. The Aquatic Committee have scheduled an evening program for Monday, November 7th, entitled "Canoeing for the Handicapped". The program includes both a classroom and POOL session and covers such topics as equipment adaptations, program, facility use, transport, special events. Both physical and perceptual handicaps will be discussed. The session begins at 7:00 p.m. and will be held at the

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350 Rumsey Road, Toronto
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Bev. Greene Chairperson Aquatics Committee

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# REVISED CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| NOVEMBER 1977      |  | FEBRUARY 1978    |   |
|--------------------|--|------------------|---|
| 3 - 5              | C.C.A Moncton  | 15               | O.C.A. News deadline                                      |
| 4 - 6              | Camp Directors' Weekend<br>Bolton                                | 16 - 18          | O.C.A. Conference<br>Royal York Hotel                     |
| 7                  | Aquatics Evening Programme O.S.C.C. 7:00 P.M.                    | 25 - Mar. 3      | Toronto, Ontario Winter Woodsmanship                      |
| 10                 | Standards Workshop O.S.C.C. 5:30 P.M.                            | 28 - Mar. 3      | Pilot School A.C.A. Conference                            |
| 15                 | O.C.A. News deadline   |                  | Anaheim Disneyland, California                            |
| -                  | Regional Development<br>Coordinators Meeting                     | MARCH 1978       |   |
|                    | Professional Development evening sessions commence Phase II      | 15<br>APRIL 1978 | O.C.A. News deadline                                      |
| 24                 | Society of Camp Directors Fall Dinner Meeting Rosedale Golf Club |                  | Profession Leadership<br>Development Weekend<br>Phase III |
| DECEMBER 1977      |  | 11               | O.C.A. Annual Meeting at OSCC                             |
| 15<br>JANUARY 1978 | O.C.A. News Deadline   | 15               | O.C.A. News deadline                                      |
| 15                 | O.C.A. News deadline   | MAY 1978         |   |
| 19 - 22            | C.C.A. Conference Geneva Park                                    | 13               | Counsellor Conference<br>Centennial College               |
| _                  | O.C.A. Open Meeting  | 15               | O.C.A. News Deadline                                      |
| 27 - 29            | Regional Campference<br>Sault Ste. Marie                         |                  |   |