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THE PRES. SAYS . . . .

*"If I had the power to make this will  
I would bequeath to you  
A child-like sense of wonder  
To last your whole life through"*

This is an excerpt from a poem entitled, "Wonder" by Mary S. Edgar. I am thinking about this a great deal as we begin to prepare for a new summer at Glen Bernard. Of course everything old is new again for me and for our staff - - it is a very exciting and busy time. While we begin our preparations for the first time, many of you are going through the same mechanics for perhaps the fifth, or tenth, or twentieth time. Perhaps you can share my enthusiasm for this first adventure as the new owner of Glen Bernard.

The Campers at your camp may be veterans or they may be first time campers. I remind us of the child-like sense of wonder that Miss Edgar saw and shared with her campers. I hope we can draw new strength and enthusiasm by recalling, "the legacy of wonder; could you but guess its worth, no other precious dower could so transform the earth." This is the way I intend to begin our pre-camp, with an invitation to reflect on the joys campers may experience because they delight in the wonder of new things. Our staff are going to be invited to begin this new summer with this feeling of excitement, of challenge and of wonder. I hope you share this thrill.

Good wishes to each of you for a happy and rewarding Summer '78.

Sincerely,

Jocelyn Palm

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FALL AND WINTER

Here We Come!

Planning ahead is the order of the season now, as far as the Executive and Board are concerned:

Grant Kerr wrote of Regional Development: that a Day Workshop is being designed now at Conestoga College, Kitchener, for October 1978, with Regional Development Standards and Membership personnel involved; also that the Sault Ste. Marie Camperference most likely will be scheduled for March, 1979. Grant will be involving several committees who will share in the leadership.

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A H O Y !

DAY CAMP DIRECTORS!

As you know, there have been a number of meetings and hours upon hours of work spent in the desired establishment of a Day Camp Standing Committee for O.C.A. and for working out decided advantages and benefits for such directors. Minutes of the May 30th meeting at Scarborough Civic Centre have been mailed, accompanied by a proposal and questionnaire. Larry Bell, Chairman, has asked that Day Camp Directors give this immediate attention, read and learn about the proposal, complete and return the Questionnaire as soon as possible, before the Summer Season busy-ies up. Get with it, people, and give a hand towards the Committee's next step.

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FALL CAMP DIRECTORS' WEEK-END, NOVEMBER 3, 4, 5 1978

The Education Committee was asked at the end of last year's successful Conference, to continue stressing Leadership Development and Training through further special meetings. "Developing a Staff" is the chosen topic; Bolton Outdoor Education Centre the place. Two Directors and two Senior Staff members per camp will be able to apply. . . BUT applications will be limited to seventy persons total. Applicants are asked to register now, and information about payment of fees (due October 15th) will be mailed to those who apply, and are accepted, by September 30th. Fee will be \$55.00 each.

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NEW CAMP ASSOCIATES

Mr. Ivan Robinson, Membership Chairman, submitted the following new Members who have met the requirements for Camp Associates:

- THE HORSE PEOPLE, INC.    Wendover    Ontario    Director - Mr. Wolfgang Schinke
- L'AUBERGE DES PIONNIERS    Matawa    Ontario    Director - Mr. Jerome Tremblay
- HURON CHURCH CAMP    Bayfield    Ontario    Director - Rev. Blair Dixon
- CANADIAN ADVENTURE CAMP    Temagami    Ontario    Director - Mr. Brian Comment

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PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

DON'T FORGET to post the NOTICE of the Photography Contest and make an announcement in the Dining Hall at the start of each period. If you require another announcement poster (as enclosed) to be posted at Camp please phone the O.C.A. Office at: -

(416)486-8630

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Y CANOE SCHOOL '78

Canoe '78 was a huge success and the Directors would like to thank those O.C.A. Member Camps who participated for the high calibre staff they sent to the weekend. The extremely rigorous schedule, which went to 5:00 p.m. Sunday did not discourage the participants who joined in enthusiastically. They were fun to work with and this resulted in an enjoyable weekend for all - participants, directors and volunteer instructors.

Special thanks are extended to Bob Ramsey and Peter Jarvis who as guest speakers and instructors really "made" the weekend for all concerned.

Larry Bagnell - Algonquin Experience

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"THE CANOE AND WHITEWATER"

by  
C.E.S. FRANKS

University of Toronto Press - 1977, Toronto  
(230 pages - \$7.95)

"The Canoe and Whitewater" by C.E.S. Franks provides the reader with an in depth discussion on the history and evolution of whitewater as a sport in Canada; answering some of the questions concerning the slow growth and lack of support whitewater has achieved up to now. The book also has a look at river strategies, the skills needed to read the water, whitewater techniques, what the canoeist must consider before the decision to run a set of rapids is made, trip techniques, canoeing, the canoeist and the law. Nothing replaces hands on experience but Frank's book complements the canoeing experience giving the reader some techniques, tips and opinions. The book will appeal to canoeing and whitewater enthusiasts whether you are a beginner or expert. A good book to have as reference material in the camp's library.

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SUMMER REPRESENTATIVES

Enclosed in this Newsletter is a list of the Summer Representatives of the Royal Life Saving Society and the Canadian Red Cross Society. Directors are encouraged to pass this information on to their Waterfront Staff. See the last page of this edition and use as a tear-off sheet.

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"WATERFRONT PROGRAMING"

A limited number of booklets entitled, "Waterfront Programing" are available from the Canadian Red Cross Society, Ontario Division, Water Safety Service, 460 Jarvis Street Toronto, Ont. M4Y 2H5. This booklet would be of interest to Waterfront Staff.

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A NEW COMMERCIAL MEMBER

Madawaska Kanu Camp  
Hermann and Christa Kerkhoff  
2 Tuna Court  
Don Mills, Ontario - M3A 3L1 - Tel. 447-8845  
Whitewater Kayaks & Accessories Sales

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A Q U A T I C S

ATTENTION DIRECTORS & WATERFRONT DIRECTORS

In an effort to fully comprehend and effectively deal with the problems facing camps in all aquatic areas, I would like to ask for your help on behalf of the Aquatics Committee. We would ask that each member camp submit a comprehensive written evaluation of the summer of 1978 with regard to all areas of aquatic services. The more we know about how your programs worked and what problems arose, the better equipped we can be to work effectively as a committee.

The Summer Supervisors of both the Red Cross and the Royal Life Saving Society have been made aware of the specific problems and restrictions facing us in the execution of camp swim programs. It is now up to us as Waterfront Directors and Camp Directors to utilize the tremendous talent and experience they offer. The key to successful camp swim examinations is the certification of OUR people to carry them out. The organization and planning of clinics in specific areas can only be accomplished through cooperation between Area Supervisors and Waterfront Directors. These clinics have been, in the past, highly successful and well attended. Please make an effort this summer to encourage certification at the examiner level and thereby assist in the solution of some of the problems which have arisen in camp swim programs.

Your cooperation in submitting an Aquatics Evaluation by September 30, 1978 to the following address would be greatly appreciated.

THE AQUATICS CHAIRMAN  
c/o The Ontario Camping Association  
102 Eglinton Ave., E. Ste. 203  
M4P 1E1

*BEST WISHES TO ALL FOR A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER!*

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SKILLS ACROSS CAMPING '78

Brenda Gray, Project Co-ordinator, brought the members of the teams together (June 12-16) for the first of two weeks training. Twelve young men and women, average age 21 1/2, have been getting to know each other as well as becoming thoroughly familiar with information necessary to their task. The Boy Scouts of Canada Headquarters, host Bill Henderson, has been their meeting place. The following are sessions completed

- The Ministry of Culture and Recreation's role in the Province and specifically its sponsorship of this Project: . . . . . Dorothy Walter
- Department of visiting teams expected by Camp Directors: . . . . . Barbara Gilchrist
- Explanation of printed material pertaining to O.C.A. and its benefits: . . . . . Rob Roy  
(Student Researcher)

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- Canoeing Theory: . . . . . Omer Stringer  
(Canoeing Instructor)  
*(To be followed by an all day practical session at Camp Glen Bernard)*
- Orienteering in High Park: . . . . . Ted de St. Croix
- "Filler" games ideas in High Park . . . . . Stan Talesnick
- Acclimatization: . . . . . Ian Campbell (Kilcoo)  
. . . . . Linda Wiggins (Team Member)

Throughout the training, team -members are sharing with each other, their expertise in a skill

President Jocelyn Palm's Camp Glen Bernard is the site of the groups practical training - June 16 - 21.

C A R D I C

*(Conservation and Resource Development in Camping)*

Enroute to Glen Bernard the teams plan a half day stop at Camp Wa-Sa-Ah-Bun, Director Curtis Eastmure, where the CARDIC experiment is in progress. Energy Conservancy will be viewed under the direction of Bill Sharpe.

Sixty-four camps have requested a visit. The availability of three cars decided the number of teams of four each planning to serve the South, the near North and the far North for periods of one half day to three days in length.

Louise Barbe has joined the Project - responsible for clerical duties - the voice on the Project's phone - 486-8063.

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FROM NEWFOUNDLAND - LOGAN BREAD

If your camp cook has a few minutes to spare, ask him (or her) to give this recipe a try. We have made it for many years, and found it nourishing and sustaining at any season, and campers love it. Though it is a bread developed for numerous Canadian ascents on Mount Logan, it's a natural for out-trips of all kinds. Regular salt can replace Sea Salt. A 2 X 2 inch square will sustain a man for a day, according to Malcolm Taylor, Holderness, N. H.

- 1 quart of water
- 4 pounds whole wheat flour
- 1 1/2 pounds raw or brown sugar
- 12 ounces non-fat dry milk solids
- 2 tablespoons of baking powder
- 2 tablespoons of seasalt
- 2 cups of honey
- 1 cup of blackstrap molasses
- 1 1/4 cups of oil
- 1 cup of sesame seeds
- 1 1/2 cups of wheatgerm

Preheat oven to 300 degrees. Mix all the ingredients together very well and turn into a greased roasting pan, 9 X 13. Bake one hour. Cut into squares and then allow to air dry until squares are semi-dry. Can be frozen.

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THE FOLLOWING LETTER WAS RECEIVED IN MAY 10, 1978

*As members of the Conservation Council of Ontario, we are in a position to support this request.*

*Please read the letter and if you agree, write to the Premier.*

*(for letter see page 6)*

THE CONSERVATION COUNCIL OF ONTARIO

6th Floor, 45 Charles Street East, Toronto M4Y 1S2 - Telephone, 967-6830

May 3rd, 1978

Dear Members & Delegates of  
The Conservation Council of Ontario:

It has been brought to the attention of the Council that a Private Members Bill is about to be introduced into the Provincial Legislature which, if enacted, would drastically reduce the area to be protected by the Niagara Escarpment Commission's Plan.

Unfortunately very few people seem to be aware of this development and even those with a very active interest may have been victims of a false sense of security. It has been widely stated that public hearings would be held so that we could all express our views before Cabinet made any decision, and most of us have been patiently waiting our turn. As things stand at the moment there is a very real danger that there may be very little left to express opinions on if the anti-protection lobbyists win the day.

I am therefore writing to urge you to contact your membership immediately, asking them to write to the Premier expressing their opposition to any such new legislation which would reduce the boundaries of the Niagara Escarpment Commission's Planning Area or modify its mandate in any way before public hearings are completed.

The letters should stress that under no circumstances should any action be taken with respect to these issues until all the public hearings have been completed and the Hearing Officers' Report has been submitted to the Lieutenant Governor as presently prescribed by The Niagara Escarpment Planning and Development Act.

I trust that you will agree with me that this is a most vital issue and that you will be able to give my request the active support which I feel it deserves.

Yours sincerely

M.J. Bacon  
President

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Vera Kameda	North-West
Debbie Commuzzi	Thunder Bay
* <u>Simon Gregson</u>	<u>North East</u>
* <u>Bruce McDougall</u>	<u>Camp &amp; Central Cottage</u>
* <u>Ian Sommers</u>	<u>East (Ottawa)</u>
Rosemary Wynott	South East
* <u>Anne Hockley</u>	<u>Southwest Centre (Orillia)</u>
Sue Glover	South West

The majority of camps are located in the asterisked areas. Your representative will be contacting you soon. If, for some reason, you are NOT visited by a Royal Life Field Representative, or if you encounter trouble and are unable to contact your field representative, please call: -

MR. DOUG FERGUSON  
Executive Director  
RLSSC - Ontario Branch  
(416)368-1800

Mr. Ferguson's personal secretary is Wendy Mahoney

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<u>SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>AREA</u>
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Helen Cranston	South Halton & District
Debbie Commuzzi	North Central
Heather Reid	Sault Ste. Marie, Sudbury
Diane Tozer	Peterborough & District
Irene Hammerich	York, Durham
* <u>Grant Gold</u>	<u>West Camp</u>
Bill Hoch	South Central
Judie Johnson	Caledon Hills, Etobicoke
* <u>Vera Kameda</u>	<u>North West Camp</u>
Susan Miller	Grey County
Paul McPherson	South West
Leslie Mundy	Ottawa & Ottawa Valley
Kathy Keeley	St. Lawrence Valley
* <u>Jim Zeigler</u>	<u>North Camp</u>

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MR. DOUG FRANKLIN  
Director, Safety Services  
Ontario Division  
(416)923-6692

Mr. Franklin's personal secretary is Roxanne Iwaskiw.

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