



THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

CAMPING FOLK - Hear Ye, Hear Ye, Come One, Come All from the length and breadth of this Province of ours and beyond! Full Participation and Equality is the theme. Full Participation means you and you and you deciding to make the Conference an event not to be missed!

At least twenty-five Member Camps are providing session leaders - one or two, as many as four in more than two or three instances - are on the Conference Program, contributing leadership. In addition representatives of outside but related associations such as Red Cross; Business; Government Ministries and Teachers; numbering about fifteen individuals are leading sessions: - SIXTY-ONE sessions on an incredible variety of subjects; Health, Food, Staff, Program, Equipment, Behaviour, Administration, Leadership, Government, Maintenance and many more.

Planners are enjoying the stimulation of making arrangements at a new facility for our Conference; THE TORONTO HILTON HARBOUR CASTLE. Not that previous sites of Conferences have not been satisfactory, but a different location, change of menu and a new format are fresh arrangements to anticipate.

At this writing forty Commercial Exhibitors and six Non-Commercial are confirmed. All our friends of many years standing are returning and included are new Exhibitors; two firms offering food service equipment plus a food service company plus a program from a Hobby Industry and a Craft Supplier. There is to be Promotion by Books and Records and Ontario T.V. as well as Speciality Advertising.

To expedite Exhibitor-Director negotiations PLAN to begin Conference 1981 at 1:00 P.M. on Thursday. Give the booths your undivided attention. No sessions are in progress to detract from viewing this year's products and services.

If Thursday is to be the only appearance of a Delegate at the Conference and no registration badge has been prepared the interested spectator must declare his or her presence at the Registration Desk to obtain identification to gain Entrance into the Exhibit Hall.

As if all of this activity weren't enough to spark your interest - Special Events abound; Thursday night, supper with the Exhibitors followed by a Wine and Cheese evening reception. Friday morning begins with a Keynote Address by Dr. Clare MacCulloch "Suffer The Little Children". Friday evening closes with a "Fun Night", Dinner and Entertainment on board "THE JADRAN", Captain John's Flagship, right next door to the Hotel. Luncheons each day are always SPECIAL. As always Conference 1981 will fittingly finish with a Banquet. Radio and Television personality Stephen Lewis is the speaker.

SEE YOU AT THE CONFERENCE! - MARCH 5, 6 & 7.

BARBARA GILCHRIST
PRESIDENT

O.C.A. OPEN MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1981

7:30 P.M.

AUDITORIUM, ONTARIO CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S CENTRE
350 RUMSEY ROAD, TORONTO, ONT.

PANEL DISCUSSION

INSURANCE PROTECTION WITH EMPHASIS ON LIABILITY

PANEL: MR. GERALD TEARE, ROYAL INSURANCE CO.
MR. CLIFFORD LABBETT, CAMP OCONTO

(DO YOU HAVE PROPER COVERAGE? WE SUGGEST YOU READ
OVER YOUR POLICIES AND BRING ANY QUESTION OR PROBLEMS
TO THE MEETING FOR DISCUSSION).

RE: C.P.R. COURSE

This course was cancelled due to slow registration - interested persons inquire
for further information on a new date at the O.C.A. Conference, March 5,6,7,1981.

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A CALL FOR SPEAKERS

O.C.A. COUNSELLORS' CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, MAY 9, 1981

*If you would like to present a session
to this year's group of Camp Counsellors
please contact: -*

TAYLOR STATTON
Bus. (416)291-8481

HENRI AUDET
Bus. (416)486-6959
Res. (416)488-7498

OR -

PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 20, 1981

ARCHIVES DISPLAY

A REMINDER re the Archives Display at the O.C.A. Conference. If you have any interesting camp items from the past, such as slides, photos, sketches, paintings, bathing suits, your first camp T-shirt and/or sweatshirt, paddles etc., please call -

HELEN STEWART (416)622-6639 If no answer, please call JANET ADAMSON (416)481-7322

If you are in doubt about the suitability of some item, call us!

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ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY!

To ease inflationary woes for once, O.C.A. Camp Directors are being presented with a very reasonable price range in camp advertising. Canadian Churchman is preparing a page or one-half page display of ads, to include O.C.A.'s usual short message to parents, each ad the same size, at the low price of \$50.00 each. For the March issue, appearing at the end of February, the deadline is February 9th, so decisions must be made immediately. There will be another page or half-page in the March issue if some Directors miss the February deadline. This insures 120,000 circulation in Ontario alone; 269,000 across Canada which means over 487,000 readers in a newspaper rated among the best in Canada. Sample page and general information are on the way. Saskia Walther...she's a gorgeous blonde...will be on the phone this week to arrange for copy, logos, etc.

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TO BROADEN OUR INTERESTS

We are a rather insular lot in the Camping Association, as, naturally, our thoughts and conversation centre on things campy, monetarily, physically and structurally. We thought it might be an idea, through recent friendly encouragement, to mention one or two publications that could broaden the minds of campers and staff here or in the Camp Library. We shall try for space to review certain articles from time to time, but for the moment there are one or two addresses you might like for your subscription list:-

THE CANADIAN GEOGRAPHIC MAGAZINE- is published by the Royal Canadian Geographic Society, 488 Wilbrod Street, Ottawa, K1N 6M8. Each issue contains outstanding articles on every aspect of our country...history, conservation, wildlife, flora in rare forms, biographies. Published bi-monthly, the subscription is \$15.50 per year.

THE BEAVER - a quarterly, offered by the Hudson's Bay Company, examines and develops in writing and fine illustrations a wide view of Canadian life, as it has done since 1920. A very colourful 60th Anniversary issue is available now, and can be bought individually at the Hudson's Bay stores. The Spring 1981 issue, incidentally, lists six challenging canoe routes for the experienced canoeist and those interested in Yellowknife, Baker Lake, Ile a la Crosse, or Fort Providence-to-Inuvik, of two to six weeks' duration. Just a thought for the summer! Subscription: \$6.00 per year. Write to The Beaver, 77 Main Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3C 2R1.

ASCENT/ASPECTS MAGAZINE - A very new publication, one that takes us almost to the mind-shattering point, far into the future, coming as it does from The Atomic Energy of Canada, Ltd. Through it comes the realization of unbelievable fantastic changes...things atomic and often weird to the amateur mind. Students will grasp and appreciate this kind of material as they view and prepare for their own futures. Subscription: \$10.00 published quarterly. Write to: - Ascent-Aspects Magazine, Circulation Dept., 99 Doncaster Ave., Thornhill, Ont. L3T 1L6.

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FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

In response to the Environmental Concerns Committee's request for information from O.C.A. Camps regarding their resource recycling programs, the following letter was written by Sara Londerville of Blue Mountain Camp -

"A pilot project on recycling was set up this summer at Blue Mountain Camp, (O.S.C.C.), primarily as a means of re-using kitchen wastes. Both campers and staff were asked to sort their leftover table scraps into wet or dry, and into organic or inorganic. This forced environmental awareness on the part of each individual.

Intermediate and senior campers were involved in the design and construction of a wooden, aerated composting unit. Recyclable material was ground daily by volunteer workshop group members, using a variety of manual food grinders. This process involved a gross motor skill manageable by most of the campers, although the necessary strength was not always existent. In addition to enhancing the decomposing process, the grinding of the wastes forced the campers and staff to deal intimately with the composting materials.

As the summer progressed, campers began to focus on the compost heap: food wastes from the overnight camp-outs were added to the heap; the ashes from the nightly campfire made their way to the wooden box; nature study groups crowded around the heap to examine the spore life. An evening programme was eventually devised which examined the various creatures of the compost heap, and their numerous levels of interaction.

The potential success of last year's efforts will be determined when the compost is spread this spring. But it was a beginning, and it was unquestionably long over-due"

Congratulations Blue Mountain Camp!

If your camp is involved in resource recycling, the Environmental Concerns Committee would like to hear about your program!

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CHECK YOUR CAMP - ARE YOU:-

Swimming in Acid Rain? Drinking dioxins? Fishing for mercury?
Sleeping over a chemical dump?

COULD YOUR CAMPERS HELP THE ENVIRONMENT BY:

Planting trees? Regenerating a campsite? Saving a stream? Recycling?

ARE THERE OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS AFFECTING YOU OR YOUR CAMP?

JOIN US. BE INVOLVED!

Join the O.C.A. Environmental Concerns Committee and have fun working for a healthy environment!!

SEE US AT THE O.C.A. CONFERENCE IN MARCH.

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ONTARIO PROVINCIAL PARKS - ISSUES IN THE '80s

" a conference focusing on planning and management issues facing Provincial Parks in the 1980s"

MAY 11-14, 1981 - WATERLOO ONTARIO

Co-hosted by:- Ontario Prov.Parks Council; Faculty of Environmental Studies, University of Waterloo.

For Registration Information:- Issues In the '80s, Provincial Parks Council, Environmental Studies Bldg., University Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario N2L 3G1

COME OUT AND SUPPORT OUR PARKS!

WE WELCOME TO THE O.C.A. THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

JUDY LYNN BROWN	CRAIG HANNAFORD	CIE ANN SEYMOUR
JAMIE CULLINGHAM	IAN IRELAND	PHIL SHERWOOD
ANNE GOODINGS	BRUCE LINDSAY	JOHN SWAIN
SANDRA ELAINE GORDON	WAYNE PERKINS	KAREN WILKE

AND TWO NEW PROVISIONAL CAMP MEMBERS

TORONTO BRIGANTINE INC.,	Mr. Don Mockford - Director
PINE RIVER CAMP,	Mr. Gunther Federau - Director

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SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

UNICAMP OF ONTARIO

COOK - with ability and experience; ability to supervise, plan menus, assist camp director; flexible, creative.

ASSISTANT COOK - experience; to work with cook; set duty schedule for kitchen staff etc.

KITCHEN WORKERS - for food preparation, cleaning, etc.

MAINTENANCE PERSON - General maintenance; camp driver; general "fix-it" skills; plumbing, carpentry, etc.

For detailed information please call: BARBARA KILCHER - Camp Director, Unicamp of Ontario Inc., 268 Aberdeen Ave., Hamilton, Ont. L8P 2R3 Tel. (416)527-8441

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EDUCO ADVENTURE SCHOOL (EAST)

- looks for waterfront (lake or river property to rent or lease with the following features.

- 1) semi-remote;
- 2) a rustic cabin or two to be used for cooking and accommodation;
- 3) available from June 15-September 15 with possibility of year round use;
- 4) able to add to or develop existing facility (with a minimal environmental impact) to be compatible with an adventure program, i.e. set up ropes courses, sauna, etc;
- 5) preference for area between Algonquin Park and Killarney Park.

CONTACT: JOHN SWAIN, Educo School East, P.O. Box 72, Wardsville, Ont. N0L 2N0
TEL. (519)785-0400

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SPORTS CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

CAMP DIRECTOR - required for Huronia Hockey Camp, established eleven years located 80 miles northwest of Toronto. Responsible position for individual or couple to oversee operation of program of 120 campers.

Other positions available - FAMILY CAMPING COORDINATOR, PROGRAM DIRECTOR, and ACTIVITIES CO-ORDINATORS (Waterfront, tennis/golf, intramurals).

MR. JOHN THOMPSON, Business Manager, Huronia Hockey Camp. Box #103, Waterloo, Ont., N2J 3Z6

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MANITOU-WABING

HEAD STAFF OPENINGS: BUDGET DIRECTOR/BUSINESS MANAGER WANTED - April 15 to Sept. 10, FEMALE UNIT HEADS - Experienced mature College Seniors or Grads preferred. June 15 - August 27.

PHONE OR WRITE: MR. BEN WISE, Manitou-Wabing Sports & Arts Ctre., 821 Eglinton Ave., West, Toronto, M5N 1E6 TEL. (416)783-6168