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Bain v. Calgary Board of Education

There's a very interesting civil case that I wish to share because I believe we can glean from it some interesting insights related to the camping industry. Now remember, I'm not a lawyer, though my best friend is and between us we have some interesting exchanges when it comes to liability and the like. The case is *Bain v. Calgary Board of Education, Alberta Queen's Bench, Virtue J. Judgement - December 3, 1993.*

There is not enough space here to do the case justice (no pun intended) but hopefully it will suffice to highlight the following excerpts from the judgement, "...however in order "to save the trip from turning sour", the defendant conceded and gave his permission for the students to make the climb, unsupervised. He thereafter drove the students in the school van to the local

store for "junk food" and then on to the starting point previously referred to. It was then sometime after 6:00 in the evening; it was clear that the top of the mountain was the students objective; time was limited; the boys had not eaten supper, they were dressed only in shorts, a T-shirt and runners; they took nothing with them in the way of extra clothing, water, maps, food, watches, or a flash light; the defendant was not familiar with the terrain into which he was sending the students other than what could be seen; and he had no idea as to whether any of the students had any experience in hiking, nor did he ask. He assumed that X would be the leader and permitted the hike to proceed on that basis although his opinion was that if anyone was going to depart from instructions it would be X (name) who as a student he

had found it necessary to discipline at school."

The fact of the matter in this case is that a youth in question was injured on this trip to the extent that he suffered a serious brain injury together with fractures of the skull and wrist and multiple lacerations and abrasions. He was in a coma for several months and remained in a hospital for almost a year.

After reading the transcript it is obvious that there was no pre-planning for the degree of risk involved, no consideration given for special needs, lack of understanding and appreciation for what the standards of care were for this type of activity, no pre-trip training, poor internal

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Nominations for Board Positions

Don't Panic!

You still have some time to consider how you can serve the OCA.

The 1997-98 Board, which takes office in March 1997, will have 6 positions that need to be filled:

President

Vice-President

3 Directors for 2 year terms

1 Director for a 1 year term.

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Dear Journal,
We had guests at our home (at Camp) for Thanksgiving. It is the first time in many years that we have not been visiting family in other cities or celebrating our anniversary with a weekend away.

This year, with the late leaves and clear weather, it was absolutely beautiful and we were glad to have decided to stay home. Because one of our guests had never been to this part of the country in the fall and despite our misgivings over holiday weekend travel, we agreed to provide a tour of the area and visit a few scenic spots. I was struck by the huge crowds of strangers at our favourite spots in our community. Afterwards, when we returned home to Camp, I was struck by the huge crowds of strangers who had escaped the huge crowds of strangers elsewhere by taking a walk - on camp property. I got over it and I was able to find my favourite patches of colour but it was a little more difficult than I expected.

The rhythm of the OCA is really quite amazing. The end of summer transition to the quieter off-season which most camps experience is contrasted by the Association's revving up of its engines. It will continue for some people right up to the last minute demands of next summer's camp preparations. I continue to be impressed by the number of people who believe so strongly in camping as a movement that they measure their successes outside their own operations as well as inside it. They have stepped forward and stepped into the OCA picture. When so many of these people are full directors in their own camps, it is little wonder that the Association can and does do so much in any given year.

All of this activity by so many busy professionals who are volunteering their time requires the regular consultation of the OCA compass by the OCA navigators. The compass is the Action Plan (now approved for the new year). The navigators are Advisory Council members (having met on October 30). In addition to the co-ordination and conversation among Council members this fall, there were a number of consultations on a variety of imminent issues. The Advisory Council discussed the current work of the Board in the following areas: professional development, standards, ethics and membership.

And, in the meantime, everyone else needs to know where the OCA is going, too. It is sometimes a little difficult to be all things to all people but the OCA ought to be able to be something for most people. And so, the office gets called, newsletters get produced, conferences get planned,

meetings get held, Camping Guides get assembled, memberships get renewed and the public gets served.

I think that it is a little bit like the fall colours. Everyone can get what they need from the OCA but it may take a little different form than they expect. It is always the best effort of a great group of people.

Things To Do

- Write more letters of welcome to some of the newest members of the OCA.
- Thank Polly Marston and the Human Resources Committee for hosting a new member supper at the end of October.
- Thank the Standards Committee for their annual work in reviewing the Visitor forms and files for our Accreditation Program.
- Figure out why camps delay, misplace or lose the material which is sent to them as part of the renewal package. Figure out how to communicate that we are not desperate for the cheque at the end of the summer (by mid October, please) but we can't get the Camping Guide done without the all important camp information which so many people seem to hold back.....
- Find out how Marj and Bobsie are doing with the new accounting software on the computer.
- Visit the OCA website at www.ontcamp.on.ca
- Chat with Ryan Adamson, an Algonquin College student, who is willing to do some fundraising and targeted survey work on our behalf.
- Follow up on the outcomes from the Advisory Council and present them to the membership through the OCA's News
- Congratulate Carolyn on her latest efforts as production supervisor for the OCA's News
- Encourage Carolyn and Catherine Bogle in their efforts to wrestle the Camping Guide to deadlines and final format.
- Move ahead with the plans and outcomes from the Skills Weekend Meeting held last week
- Welcome Ellen's cheery voice back to the OCA Reception Desk (and the rest of her back to the Office, in general)
- Learn to speak Russian before September, 1996 in St Petersburg
- Get the canoes put away into the Dining Hall at Camp
- Get a birthday card for Dad

FROM THE DESK OF OCA PRESIDENT

JOHN JORGENSEN

In Review: Boom, Bust, and Echo

Children's camps across Canada in the 1970's experienced a drastic decline; while in the 1980's Camp Directors witnessed a surge of new campers entering the camping market place. Why the decline in tennis players and the popularity of golf? Parents today are more demanding consumers than ever. These are not "by chance" happenings as described in David Foot's new book, Boom, Bust and Echo (1996). Foot takes us through the social science of demographics and how we can predict trends in Canadian society if we develop our understanding of the impacts of changing demographics.

As a camp owner/operator, Foot's theories can shed some very important light on the past, present, and the future of camping and the Canadian market place. Although demographics cannot predict the future as clear as other crystal balls, the use of population projections can assist us in making more informed and calculated decisions. Foot takes the reader through well founded rationale for what has occurred in Canadian society; and surprisingly as "boomers" we discover we are not as "unlike our parents" as we imagined. Our individual behaviour is

not unlike other humans, it's predictable!

All camp directors can make use of Foot's book in developing the future strategic course of their camp. Foot does caution us however that our interpreting of the demographic data can only give us a sense of the next 3 to 15 years. Demographics cannot predict political election outcomes, stock market fluctuations, nor short term camper return rates.

A thought provoking book and one I highly recommend to anyone who is interested in what may lie ahead. Copies can be obtained at your favourite bookstore or library. David Foot is currently a professor at the University of Toronto, and a sought after speaker and consultant in the area of demographics.

KEITH PUBLICOVER,
OCA DIRECTOR

Written on behalf of the Public Awareness Committee. If you are interested in work with the PA Committee, please call Jen Palacios at Camp Oconto 905-470-2030.

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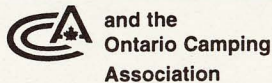
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communication, a disregard for organisation policy and a failure to listen to an experienced advisor.

In particular, I thought that several of the phrases and terms used in the judgement had ominous tones and the distinctive smell of campfire smoke; "...apart from the relationship of teacher and student, a general duty of care arises when there is a close enough relationship between parties, that reasonable people would expect that the one would take care not to expose the other to an unreasonable risk of harm."

Duty Owed: "...his duty was to supervise and control the activity so as to reduce risk to a reasonable level". "...That the right to control carries with it a corresponding duty to take care for the safety of, and to properly supervise the student whether he/she is a child, adolescent or an adult."

Standard of Care: "reference to manuals, guidelines and other pieces of literature..."

Reasonably Foreseeable: "...the risk of harm should have been reasonably foreseeable."

Special Relationship: "One of the special relationships that is referred to is that of a school to a student" and may be taken to recognize as creating a duty of care."

Personally, in studying this transcript, I couldn't help substituting school for camp and student for camper, regardless of the western mountain setting. In the final analysis, the **where** becomes secondary to the **why**. You ask, "Is this remotely close to a camping scenario or have shades of anything applicable to our programs? You be the judge of that. All I know is that, those words and several others are pretty important and you can bet your 16' cedar strip canoe on that.

Is there a topic that you would like me to research? Just write your request and I'll see what I can do.

WENDELL WHITE,
NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE, LEGISLATION

Director of Quin-Mo-Lac Camp and Outdoor Education Centre and author of Prickly Pickles.

You On The OCA Photo Master File

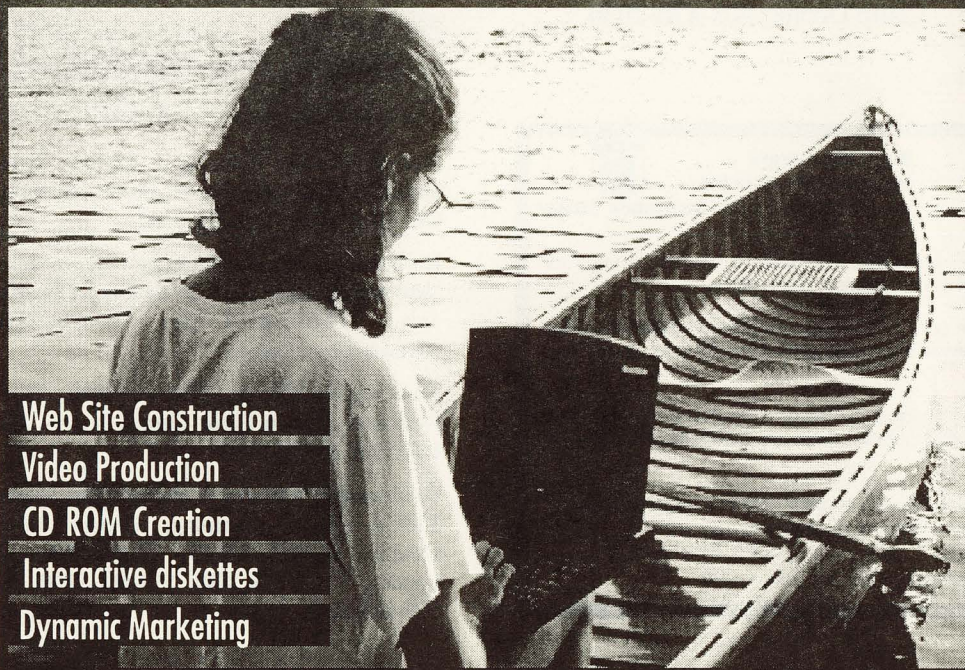
The Public Awareness Committee is compiling photographs of member camps' children and activities for the purpose of media coverage of the OCA. The photographs will be stored on compact disc and enclosed in media press kits for circulation to over 100 provincial newspapers and magazines.

Please send in five of your best "print" photographs for the Master File. The print will be scanned on to disc for future circulation and reference. Slides or negatives cannot be accepted - sorry!

Send your "unreturnable" photo(s) to the OCA Office - c/o Public Awareness.

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PUBLIC AWARENESS COMMITTEE

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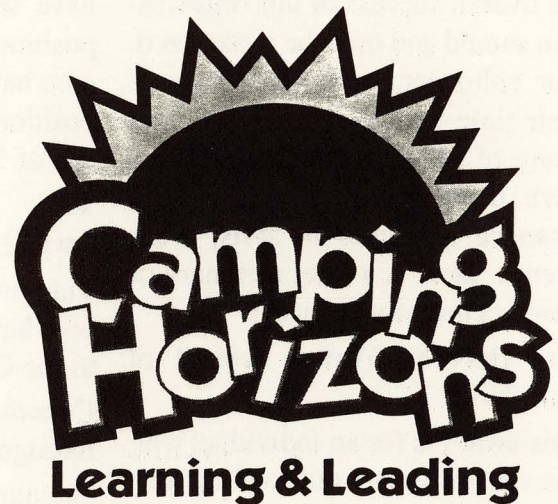
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The Dorothy Walter Award of Excellence

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In the 1960's the first request to the Ontario government for a grant (of \$1,000.00) to the OCA was over John Latimer's signature. That letter reached the desk of Dorothy Walter, the Camping and Outdoor Education Consultant, Ministry of Education (eventually Ministry of Tourism and Recreation). Thus started a long history of support through government grants, cajoling and consulting between the OCA Boards over the years and Dorothy. Her skills of observation,

knowledge of appropriate resource people for board projects, leadership development and conference sessions contributed significantly to the OCA as an organization. Dorothy lost count of the number of Board meetings attended in her official role yet always said that the benefits were hers because the challenges increased her leadership skills.

The award process is the responsibility of the Past President. Areas of consideration are 1) service in the following areas: Board or Committee member, publication of articles, resource person for conferences, volunteer for the association or work (employment) for the association and 2) advancement of camping in the OCA, a direct result

of service which would in turn advance the OCA with its mandate.

The Dorothy Walter Award of Excellence was one of the first to be established by the OCA and all recipients have more than met the criteria established. They are Dorothy Walter (1989), Larry Bell (1990), Dave Sands* (1991), Jane McCutcheon (1992), Barb Gilbert (1993), Patti Thom (1994), John Jorgenson (1995), Jane McCutcheon and Marjorie Booth (1996).

*deceased

*WRITTEN BY DAVID NEAL
NEWLETTER COMMITTEE,
SPIRIT OF CAMPING*

OCA Awards

The OCA is a volunteer-driven association - as such, the many ways our members contribute to the overall success of this organization should and must be recognized. Our volunteers give generously of their time and their expertise, and many of our commercial members have donated goods, services or financial resources to assist OCA events. Here is a brief summary of awards currently in place:

The Dorothy Walter Award of Excellence

This award is for an individual who has demonstrated outstanding service to the OCA and/or has contributed greatly to the advancement of camping in Ontario.

The OCA Honourary Life

Membership

Honourary Life Memberships are bestowed upon individuals who have served the OCA in a senior position for ten years or more, and who have retired from an executive position in camping or reached the age of 55.

The Volunteer Recognition Award

This award is given to individuals who have given meritorious service to the OCA.

Commercial Member Recognition Awards

Outstanding Contribution Certificates are granted to those companies who contribute to the OCA beyond membership fees. Membership Recognition Awards

recognize commercial members' consecutive years of membership within the OCA.

The Human Resources Committee, in conjunction with the OCA Board, is investigating the criteria for the proposed Ron Johnstone Award. This exciting award will focus on young people who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, innovation or creativity in an organized camp setting.

For more information on any of these awards, please contact the OCA office.

FIORA HAWRYLUK
HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE



Hurry, you can't miss it!! The new and improved Exhibit Hall at this year's OCA Annual Conference.

Yes, the Exhibit Hall is making some great changes...

- ☺ it's back to a one day event
- ☺ it's back in one Hall
- ☺ delegates are being given 3 hours of free time to browse
- ☺ buyers will have a sticker on their name tag to identify them
- ☺ there will be more draws and prizes than ever before
- ☺ once again, lunch will be served in the Exhibit Hall (so you don't have to leave and miss any of the action)



If you are a commercial member and would like more information on how to get in on this incredible event, please contact Carolyn at the OCA office.

Camping Makes The World Go Round

(This article was written on September 18th, in Greece, at an ICF Gathering).

It is 12 noon on September 18, 1996, and I am sitting in a large room on the 10th floor of the Titania Hotel, in Athens, Greece. We are in the middle of the Annual General Meeting of The International Camping Fellowship, where camp directors from the following countries are in attendance: Greece, Russia, the United States, Canada, Japan, Kazakhstan and Australia. If I look over my right shoulder and gaze out the window, I can see The Acropolis, the focal point of the city of Athens. Right now, the President of The Russian Camping Association is giving a brief history of camping in Russia. He is speaking in Russian, and then Valery Kostin from Russia is translating it into English, and then Mantha Cristou of Greece is translating Valery's English into Greek.

Can you imagine tripling the length of every OCA Annual General Meeting in order to allow for 3 languages!!! I am learning to be patient.

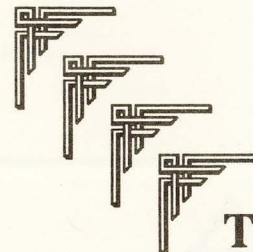
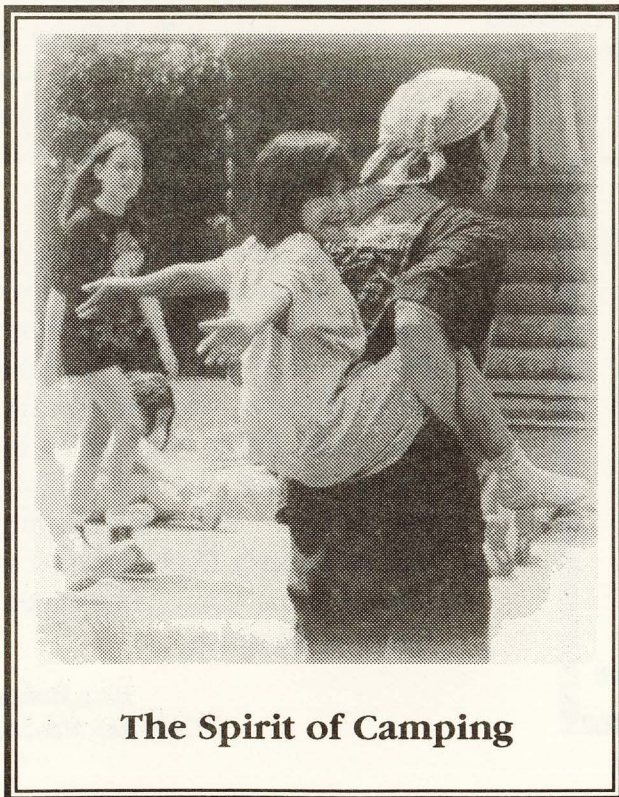
Tomorrow, we are touring camps within a 100 kilometre radius of Athens, and visiting the Temple of Poseidon (God of the Sea). The day culminates with a dinner hosted by members of the Greek Independent Camping Association.

Our friends from Russia are about to report on their progress of "Nevsky Forum 1997", The Fourth International Camping Congress. I remember the excitement (terror...fear...) among many members of the OCA when we were only 363 days away from KUMBAYAH, The Third International Camping Congress. It is nice to know that Committees around the world share the same anxieties at pre-Congress time.

Today, at this AGM, there are representatives from many Greek camps...camps that are owned and operated by The Bank of Greece, The National Bank of Greece, The Agricultural Bank of Greece, The Commercial Bank of Greece, The Public Power Corporation, Scouts, YMCA and independent owners. The State provides dollars for more than 20,000 children to attend camp - even the private camps receive government subsidization...fascinating!!

Well, I better sign off...my Treasurer's report is coming up very soon. Watch for Congress registration details coming soon...I guarantee you want to be in Russia in 1997.

JANE McCUTCHEON
INTERNATIONAL CAMPING FELLOWSHIP
TREASURER AND CANADIAN REPRESENTATIVE



The Camping Cradle

(yes, four of them!!!)

The newest arrivals for

Bev and Jeff Unger

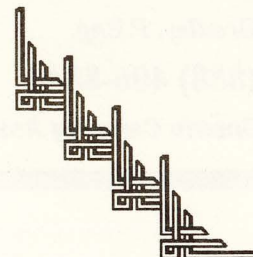
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Kaitlyn Marie 4 lbs. 1 oz

Brianna Elizabeth 2 lbs. 4 oz

Rebecca Anne 3 lbs. 5 oz

Zachary Thomas 4 lbs. 7 oz



Course charted for OCA's News

At its past meeting of the OCA Board of Directors, members approved a number of general policy directives pertaining to the publication of the association's newsletter.

The policies were drafted by the Editorial Committee and received subsequent Board approval in October. The following areas may be of interest to readers and advertisers:

- the editor reserves the right to reject submissions such as articles, letters or advertisements on the basis that the writing breaks the laws of the land, conflicts with the mission and goals of the OCA, is slanderous or discriminatory;
- letters will be printed at the discretion of the editor;
- the editor reserves the right to edit letters and articles for length and clarity. Any content changes will be approved by the author;
- the editor will respond to newsletter correspondence in consultation with the Chair (not necessarily the same person as the editor) and the Board liaison;
- authors of articles or advertisers with deadlines which are close to newsletter distribution dates will be

asked to extend their deadlines to allow readers time to respond;

- paid advertising content will not exceed editorial space;
- coverage of all non-OCA events must be paid for (considered an advertisement). An exception will be made for Camp Reunions, which can be covered in short (100 word) articles before and /or following the event.

The Board also recognized the editorial committee as a Standing Committee of the OCA. The group has chosen to work co-operatively with a rotational chair. Former OCA staff member Mary Lynn Trotter has accepted the role as editor for a two year term.

On behalf of the committee, Kate Moore is warmly thanked for her terrific job as editor over the past two years. Kate helped pull the inaugural editorial committee together (no mean feat), and her superb leadership skills have guided our team toward great things. She continues to stay involved with the newsletter as our Board liaison.

M. L. TROTTER
OCA'S NEWS EDITOR

Our Code of Ethics and OCA's Response to Complaints

All OCA members agree to follow our "Code of Professional and Business Ethics" when signing a membership form. Over the years, a number of members have raised questions concerning the current Code of Ethics and expressed interest in reviewing it in order to meet our current needs. During the year, the OCA receives written complaints, primarily from parents and camp staff, regarding practices at some of our member camps. These letters range from questions about refund procedures and accurate program descriptions to concerns regarding safety and camper care.

These issues raise questions about our accountability to each other and to the public, possible revisions to our current Code of Ethics, our Accreditation Program and a mechanism for handling complaints. The OCA Board has decided to strike a Task Force to examine our current Code of Ethics and the issue of complaints and to make recommendations to the Board for changes.

If you are interested in participating as a member of this Task Force on Ethics, please call Barb Gilbert, 416-921-7384 or the OCA office by November 15th. The Task Force will meet by phone, by fax, by mail and/or face-to-face. The first meeting will be in early December and at least an initial report will go to the Board in the spring.

KATE MOORE
OCA BOARD MEMBER



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News From The Board

On October 9, your trusty OCA Board of Directors met once again for our monthly feast of bagels and cream cheese (thanks Larry and Marj) to discuss OCA business.

The main agenda item was reviewing the draft budget. As with most organizations and companies in this economy, the OCA is looking hard at how each dollar is spent. Discussion revolved around some fundamental questions regarding Capital Reserves, The Legacy Fund and deficit budgets. The end result was that we chose what we believe is the fiscally responsible route. We are aiming for a balanced budget and now more than ever, the expectation will be that committees stick to their revenue and expense esti-

mates. We will only call upon the Capital Reserves when urgently required. The Legacy Fund (a fund created by donations and channelling of surplus funds in bygone days) will only be for us and for special projects. OCA's Past Presidents' Council will be asked to make recommendations for guidelines for this Fund's use (for Board Approval). Following these decisions, each Board Member proposed recommended budget changes for their committees. Marj Booth, our Treasurer, will go work magic (or at least her calculator) on the numbers and present a budget for Board approval at the next meeting.

OCA is constantly evolving. An example of this was the motion to have

the Newsletter Editorial Committee attain status as a standing Committee of the OCA with a seat on the Advisory Council. In its previous incarnation, the Newsletter had had only an Editor but no committee. The Editorial and Advertising Policies of this same committee were also approved. (See story page 8.)

Stay tuned for more OCA news following the Advisory Council Meeting on October 30th.

S. KATE MOORE
OCA BOARD MEMBER

Eastern Ontario Report

Fall is here and the Ottawa Area Camps have seen more than simply the leaves changing. Our committee is restructuring and growing. Some familiar faces have left us and several new ones have joined the ranks. Long time camp professionals, Jeanne Jenner, Brian Edey and Mike McGovern are all going in new directions and the OACC bids them a sad farewell. We hope that from time to time they will drop in and join us for a meeting or two at our new location, The Nepean Y.

Our end of spring activities were quite successful. The radio-thon raised more campership money per camp than ever before. The staff training events were well received and attended.

This summer was fantastic for the campers in our region. With a late spring and poor early summer weather, achieving healthy enrolments was a challenge for all. We had several stories of great times and great obstacles to share around the table. It is heartening to know that we are able to receive lots of support and sometimes a little guidance from one another.

OACC is undergoing the process of restructuring to deal with the increase in our membership and to allow for more time for professional development during our meetings. We have redefined our committees, reviewed our fees, we will be reworking our publicity, refocusing our fund raising opportunities and relocating as well! Our

minutes are now distributed through email and fax. We are looking forward to another year of Pam Richardson as our trusty chair person. It is an exciting and rewarding time to be involved with this region.

As I stack the winter's firewood and look out over the colourful lake, I have some time to reflect on this past summer and the changes which I want to take place for the summer of 1997. Change is everywhere and it is good to be a part of it.

That is it from the east.

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THANK YOU!

A special thank you to Dorothy Walter, our unfailing office volunteer who was there for us to help get the October newsletter out to you!!

Thanks Dorothy!!!

OCA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THIS MONTH:

NOV. 6 CRISIS RESPONSE TASK FORCE 12:00-5:00, 5:00-8:00 PM

NOV. 12 OCA EXECUTIVE MEETING 9:30 AM AT OCA

NOV. 13 CONFERENCE MEETING AT 14 BIRCH AVE, TORONTO

NOV. 21 HEALTH CARE COMMITTEE 7:00 PM AT OCA

NEXT MONTH:

DEC. 1 SCHEDULED DATE FOR CIRCULATION OF THE 1997 CAMPING GUIDE

DEC. 3 EXECUTIVE MEETING 9:30 AM AT OCA

DEC. 11 CONFERENCE MEETING 6PM

NEXT YEAR:

JAN. 26, 1997 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, SHERATON PARKWAY

Ocasional News offers you a variety of ways to promote products and services within organized camping. The Ontario Camping Association welcomes articles and photo submissions. Next deadline is November 15th for December publication.

- Display ads are sold on a single or multiple insertion rate, with a 10% discount for members. Please contact the OCA office for rates. Camera-ready art required.
- We also offer professional and business directory ads of business card size (2"x1.5"). Camera-ready art required. OCA member fee: \$35 per insert (up to 3 months) or \$28 per insert (4 to 10 issues).
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