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Editor: Eanswythe Flynn

THE PRES. SAYS

WOW! The Counsellor Conference set another record for attendance - - over 800. Thank you John Latimer (who is a pro at organizing already but this is further proof) and the entire Committee. For this great day we can acknowledge Briony Cayley, Sandy Penney, Diane Harris, Dave Minnes, Peter White, Nancy Scott, Kim Lowes, Scott Labbett, Bob Slingerland and Bob's grade 8 class of students who directed, organized and put on the program. From all of us who benefit from having our staff participate - - thank you all.

The O.C.A. Office is a busy place. You are already aware of the project "SKILLS ACROSS CAMPING". This travelling event is made possible through the Experience '78 program of the Ontario Ministry of Culture and Recreation. A total of \$34,450.00 in government funding makes this project a reality. I have written the Honourable Robert Welch to express our thanks and enthusiasm for this opportunity. Brenda Gray, Coordinator and Eha Eljas are operating the project using the O.C.A. as action central.

Further, the O.C.A. received another \$2,800.00 in order to hire a student researcher, also an Experience '78 Ministry of Culture and Recreation item. The person employed is going to prepare a package of information explaining what materials are currently available on camping. The package is to refer to O.C.A. materials as well as other camping resources and should help O.C.A. to encourage new memberships in our Association.

Before everyone begins another summer, I want to acknowledge the good work being accomplished by Ivan Robinson, Membership Chairman. Ivan is working with Grant Kerr, Regional Development Chairman and Bob Christensen, Standards Chairman to improve O.C.A. relations within and outside the O.C.A.; thanks men.

Bev Green, former Aquatics Chairman has passed the torch to Beth Moon. Bev has kept us up to date on events in aquatics and we are appreciative of her efforts over these many months. Beth has discussed progress with Bev and I know Beth will continue to keep us informed. Hail and farewell Bev and welcome Beth to our O.C.A. Board of Directors.

Finally, it is a pleasure to welcome Al Goodman - Vice-President; Shirley Hall-Secretary; Fred Okada and Curtis Eastmure as Members-at-Large on the O.C.A. Board of Directors for 1978-80. These people were introduced at the Annual Meeting but I repeat the welcome here on behalf of all Members.

All for now - - talk to you in June.

JOCELYN PALM

NOTE

RE REGULATIONS FOR ENTRANCE OF FOREIGN STAFF INTO CANADA:

O.C.A. President, Jocelyn Palm has previously written to each Camp Director to explain the procedure for foreign staff entering Canada. The system as explained was that the Director would provide a letter to the staff member indicating that the staff person could be employed in a C.C.A. Member Camp. The staff person was to take this letter to the nearest Consulate or Embassy in order to obtain a form for Employment Authorization. This format as outlined, failed on the first trial - - it appeared that Ottawa authorities neglected to advise the Consulates and Embassies.

Everything should now be cleared up; however, a copy of the letter from the Deputy Minister, Duncan Campbell is now being sent to each Camp Director. Copies of this letter should be sent to each of your staff concerned in case they need this added proof of the arrangement negotiated on behalf of O.C.A. by Jack Pearse C.C.A. President.

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SKILLS ACROSS CAMPING '78

Through the Ministry of Culture and Recreation's Experience '78 Program, the Ontario Camping Association is embarking on "SKILLS ACROSS CAMPING '78". The purpose of the project is to enrich camp programs.

Five teams of four students will travel to interested camps throughout Ontario in order to offer skill instruction in activities such as acclimatization, nature interpretation, map and compass work, crafts, canoeing, and energy conservancy. The group will be prepared to involve campers and/or staff in a workshop, activity session, demonstration, etc. encompassing these areas.

There is no charge for the program; however, camps being visited are expected to provide meals for the team members during their stay; and, if the visit is longer than one day, accommodation is also expected.

Camp Directors are encouraged to return PROMPTLY their "SKILLS ACROSS CAMPING '78" information Sheet sent to them in April.

If you have any further questions or contributions, please contact: -

Brenda Gray - Project Coordinator
"Skills Across Camping '78"
Ontario Camping Association
Suite 203, 102 Eglinton Ave., E.
Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E1

Phone: (416) 486-8063

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A Q U A T I C S

1. Beth Moon is getting her feet wet as the new Chairman of the Aquatics Committee. Beth joins committee members Andrea Dillon (canoeing) and Stan Talesnick (sailing). The group reminds readers that requests for aquatic information or assistance should be directed to them, c/o -

O.C.A. Office
Ste. 203, 102 Eglinton Ave., E.
Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E1

2. Mary McMulkin, Waterfront Director at Tanamakoon, was the winner of the Royal Life Saving Society T-Shirt at the Waterfront session of the O.C.A. Conference. Congratulations, Mary!

3. N.B. SWIM STAFF & DIRECTORS:

- a) Red Cross Junior Award - the skill item shallow water artificial respiration is to be taught, but not evaluated.
- b) Red Cross Pre-Beginner Age Recommendation - an age of five or six years is recommended for all Pre-Beginner candidates.
- c) Red Cross Fees - effective January 1, 1978
 - i) Pre-Beginner to Survival - no charge.
 - ii) Novice to Level 2 (Adapted Aquatics) - no charge
 - iii) Junior, Intermediate and Senior - 50 cents assessed per candidate evaluated at each level.
 - iv) Levels 3, 4, 5, and 6 (Adapted Aquatics) - 50 cents assessed per candidate evaluated at each level.

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CANOE SCHOOLS '78

These courses fill rapidly. Applicants are advised to complete the necessary forms, with the pre-requisite letter from employer saying that you are capable and will be involved this summer with the programme of that camp.

FIRST COURSE

June 11 - June 20 - at
Camp White Pine

Please send applications to:
Jack MacGregor - Camp Kandalore
R.R. #2, Minden, Ont. K0M 2K0
Tel. (705)489-2419

FEE: \$100.00 per person

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SECOND COURSE

Aug. 19 - 28 at -
Camp Kandalore

Please send applications to:
Ont. Recreational Canoeing Association
559 Jarvis Street
Toronto, Ont. M4Y 2J1, Tel. 964-8655

FEE: \$100.00 per person

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ANNUAL CAMP DIRECTORS' WORKSHOP - BARK LAKE

June 1, 2, 3, & 4, 1978

For Agency, Church, Organizational, Social Welfare
Camp Directors, Senior Staff and Board Members

Always a most valuable week-end programme especially designed for these areas of camping, places are soon taken. Prospective delegates should plan now, select representatives and gather all information and necessary forms. Fee is \$25.00 for the four days. Write to:

Camp Directors' Workshop
Ministry of Culture & Recreation
77 Bloor Street West, 8th Floor
Toronto, Ont. M7A 2R9

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NATIONAL WOODSMANSHIP LEADERS' SCHOOL

MAY 28th to JUNE 10th, 1978

at

KANDALORE CAMP

Under the auspices of the Canadian Camping Association with the assistance of the Fitness and Amateur Branch of the Department of National Health and Welfare, the school is an opportunity for potential leaders from many backgrounds in the out-of-doors to come together, to share and to learn so that they can return to camp, school or outdoor organization with new ideas and ideals. Responsibility for the future of our wilderness heritage and for sharing of wilderness experiences rests with all of us as outdoor leaders. This course will cover a wide variety of outdoor skills with emphasis on leadership in the areas of wildlife, campcraft, star and weather wisdom, map and compass, wilderness first aid and evacuation, survival, backpacking and trail cooking. Folders and information with application forms and regulations may be obtained from:

THE REGISTRAR
c/o PROFESSOR KIRK WIPPER
ROOM 7, SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL AND HEALTH EDUCATION
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
121 ST. JOSEPH STREET
TORONTO, ONTARIO, M5S 1A1

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AUTHORIZATION FOR DOCKS & RAFTS

The Ministry of Natural Resources for Ontario is attempting to inspect and chart for Authorization, dock and wharf facilities for all commercial establishments, i.e. Camps, Hotels, Marinas etc.

If these facilities do not substantially interfere with navigation, approval is then granted by Transport Canada, and an annual fee is charged for this authorization.

Under some circumstances an exemption may be granted by Canada Department of Transportation.

Glen Bernard seems to be one of very few camps who have gone through this exercise and was issued a DECLARATION OF EXEMPTION.

JOHN GILCHRIST will give you detailed information if you will telephone him at: 656-3403

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RENTING FILMS THIS SUMMER?

Our new Commercial members, Bellevue Film Distributors, Limited, is offering special rental rates for all kinds and varieties of films whether you want a Walt Disney, Charlie Chaplin, MGM or whatever. If you are interested contact : -

Mr. Frank Grisbrook, Sales Director

Tel. 444-8473

who will assist you with your needs

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WE WELCOME A NEW COMMERCIAL MEMBER

OLIVER ENTERPRISES

Welland Road P.O. Box 236

Fenwick, Ontario L0S 1C0

Tel. (416)892-3979 or (416)682-5537

FOOD STORAGE PROBLEMS?

"DEHYDRATE" that's the newest in food conservation, and our New Member Oliver Enterprises has the home - or camp - size dehydrator to do the work for you. Get in touch with them at the above address.

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AN ASSET TO THE CAMP LIBRARY

Essential to the entire operation of the camp is a new booklet, "The Nurse and The Health Program at Camp", by Mary I. Casey, B.Sc.N. invaluable to the nurse, it covers organization of the health programme, health teaching and information for counsellors, recording and reporting techniques, and much more. Send \$2.00 to the:

Canadian Camping Association Publication Services

Ste. 203 - 102 Eglinton Avenue East

Toronto, Ont. M4P 1E1

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ATTACHED HEREIN

A COPY OF THE 1978 BUDGET AND 1977 FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THOSE WHO WERE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE APRIL 11 ANNUAL MEETING.

WE MISSED YOU!

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REVISED CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 1978

28-June 10 National Woodsmanship Leaders'
School - Kandalore Camp

JUNE 1978

9, 10, 11 Canoe '78 - Camp Pine Crest
Project of YMCA of Metro Toronto

11 - 20 Canoe School (Central)
Camp White Pine
Project of Canadian Recreational
Canoeing Association

AUGUST 1978

19 - 28 Canoe School (Ontario) - Camp Kandalore
Project of Canadian Recreational
Canoeing Association

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Mr. Jack Pearce,
President,
Canadian Camping Association,
102 Eglinton Avenue East,
Suite 203,
Toronto, Ontario.
M4P 1E1

Dear Mr. Pearce:

This is further to your meeting of February 20, 1978, with Mr. Bryan Springgay of my staff, to discuss the 1978 movement of non-immigrant camp counsellors destined for work with members of the Canadian Camping Association (CCA).

While it was agreed that job offers made to foreign camp counsellors were not to be exempt from Manpower validation in 1978, our further review of the situation indicates that a change now, to take place for this summer, would pose difficulties. As you are aware, the revised Immigration Act and Regulations are to be implemented April 10, 1978. In order to minimize the administrative difficulties on CCA members and the foreign camp counsellors they wish to recruit, it has been decided that the present exemption from Manpower Certification will be retained for the 1978 summer season, with the change likely coming this fall.

In the meantime, your cooperation in notifying CCA members of the administrative changes resulting from the implementation of the revised legislation would be appreciated. Under the provisions of the new legislation, non-immigrants wishing to work in Canada must obtain employment authorization prior to their arrival at a port of entry. Camp operators wishing to recruit foreign camp counsellors should forward these persons a detailed offer of employment as soon as possible. The letters should clearly establish that the employer is a member in good standing of the Canadian Camping Association. The prospective employee should then contact the responsible Canadian post abroad in order to initiate processing of his/her application for employment authorization. Once the necessary documentation has been issued the person may then proceed to the Canadian port of entry.

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I trust that this information will be of assistance to you and the other members of the CCA in organizing your manpower requirements for this summer's programs. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Duncan R. Campbell,
Executive Director,
Labour Market Policy.



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BULLETIN RE: "STATISTICS CANADA" AND CHILDREN'S CAMPS

APRIL 1978

Over a period of many months, in fact years in some cases, some member camps of O.C.A. have received forms from Statistics Canada for information about the number of employees, wages paid, etc. etc. These have been received each month and have been cause for considerable time and effort to complete them and return to Ottawa. They have been most annoying and time consuming and many camp directors have endeavoured to find out the need for them and can they be taken off the mailing list. All to no avail. Several camp directors spoke to me back at Conference time as to the possibility of some concerted action by the association on behalf of the members. This I did by contacting James Gillies, M.P. and the attached letter from the Hon. Jack Horner, M.P. sheds some light on the subject.

I would draw your attention to the last sentence in the second paragraph. This states that due to a rotation system no one should receive these forms longer than one year. If you do, you should have good cause for complaint and you should contact the office of Statistics Canada as per Mr. Horner's instructions. For your information and action.

Cliff Labbett,
Past Presidents Council
Legislation Committee

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Industry, Trade
and Commerce
Minister

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Mr. James Gillies, M.P.,
House of Commons,
Ottawa, Ontario

Dear Mr. Gillies:

The requests from members of the Ontario Camping Association mentioned in your letter of March 28, 1978, probably refer to the employment survey of small firms conducted by Statistics Canada.

The survey, which is conducted on a sample basis, is intended to measure employment and vacancies in all small firms throughout the country. Although the employment in any one of these firms is insignificant, in combination they generate almost two million jobs at the national level, and their performance is thus of critical importance to the Canadian economy. As you know, small businesses often exhibit marked seasonal changes in employment and it is for this reason that a continuing current survey is necessary. However, as mentioned, the survey is conducted on a sample basis, so that only some 8 per cent of all small businesses are contacted each month. Furthermore, since the sample is rotated regularly, no respondent is likely to be asked to complete the questionnaire for a period exceeding twelve months.

As the questionnaire for this survey is relatively easy to complete, I am sure that the difficulties encountered by some members of the Ontario Camping Association could be solved quickly if these members were to contact Statistics Canada directly. They can do so by calling any one of the eight local offices of the agency across Canada, or by writing directly to the Employment and Payrolls Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, K1A 0T6.

I hope that the above information will assist you in replying to the members of the Ontario Camping Association and that Statistics Canada may continue to count on their co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

Jack H. Horner

ONTARIO CAMPING ASSOCIATION

MEDIA CAMPAIGN

The O.C.A. Media Campaign has been virtually completed for 1978. We need your comments, to augment the statistical analysis.

Please answer the following questions as specifically as possible, and return this sheet to the O.C.A. Office, by JUNE 9.

1. What is your personal reaction to the CKEY and Canadian Magazine advertising?

Appropriate ☐ Inappropriate ☐ I don't know ☐

COMMENTS:

2. How has your registration been affected by the advertising?

Direct referrals ☐ Response not measured ☐ No response ☐

COMMENTS:

From the
ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

O.C.A. Participates in Environmental Education Colloquium

Since it first began, the camping movement has been educating young people about the environment in which they live and seeking to develop in them an awareness and a concern for that environment. In the past decade, however, the need for environmental education has become increasingly obvious and many other people organizations and institutions have become active in environmental education.

A number of branches of the Ontario Government have developed environmental education programmes of one sort or another. In order to co-ordinate efforts and eliminate duplication, several ministries have joined together in forming the Inter-Ministerial Environmental Education Committee (IMEEC). The committee has made a start at its objectives by publishing the booklet Environmental Education Resource Materials Available from the Ontario Government. The booklet lists hundreds of publications, many free and none very expensive, which are printed by the Province. (Booklet available at the Government Bookstore, 880 Bay Street, Toronto).

The second major effort of IMEEC was the organizing and hosting of a colloquium on environmental education in the late Fall of 1977. Representatives of universities, community colleges, government ministries, conservation authorities and many organizations which were connected in some way with environmental education were invited to attend. It was held at the Leslie Frost Natural Resources Centre in Dorset.

The O.C.A. participated in the colloquium and was represented by Craig Copland Chairperson of the Environmental Concerns Committee.

Walter Pitman, President of Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, gave the keynote address: "The Environment of Environmental Education". He outlined and commented on the socio-political milieu which has developed in the past two decades, the present and potential roles of environmental education, and the future directions which must be pursued if we are to preserve a quality of life in a liveable environment.

A panel of selected people commented on problems in environmental education, and their possible solutions, priorities and target groups, issues and strategies. Participants then broke into working groups to draft recommendations to be submitted to the Ontario Government through IMEEC.

Numerous suggestions were developed (far too many to list here) and we trust that some action will eventually come as a result.

The implications for members of the O.C.A. are very positive and encouraging. Apart from the joy of seeing so many organizations and branches of Government actively supporting an increased importance being given to environmental education, some of the other recommendations can only be of benefit to the camping movement. Such as: the need for more information dissemination and servicing by the Government of organizations involved in working with people in environmental education settings (such as camps); the need to encourage field trips and outdoor education experiences for students; the need to develop environmen-

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tal education programmes for the non-student (i.e. pre-school, adult) sector and the need for professional development opportunities (e.g. Master's degrees in environmental education) for people currently involved in the field and for those planning to enter it.

Further reports on the activities of IMEEC and the disposition of the many recommendations given to it are supposed to be forthcoming. We will attempt to keep you informed as these appear. Anyone wishing a full copy of the colloquium proceedings may obtain a copy by contacting Craig Copland through the O.C.A. Office.

Craig Copland
Chairperson
Environmental Concerns Committee

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