



THE SCOUTER'S DISPATCH

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- 18 Hamilton Help Desk closed for Christmas Holidays
- 18 Hamilton Scout Shop Closed for Christmas Holidays

Deadline for the December Dispatch is November 10, 2010



NATIONAL RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN

Scouts Canada has launched a national recruitment campaign featuring creative that promotes outdoor experiences for kids.

The campaign is part of a five-year marketing initiative from Scouts Canada. The first wave of creative includes posters, flyers and postcards distributed to churches, schools and other community hubs.

The executions highlight the benefits children receive from exploring the outdoors while referencing more passive indoor activities involving computer and television screens. One poster, for example, shows a tent in the middle of a field at night, with mountains in the background, along with copy that reads "Try finding this on a search engine."

Another execution depicts a sunlit forest

and includes the line, "Show them where Discovery Channel got its name." The ads include the tag line, "It starts with Scouts."

St. John's-based Target Marketing and Communications developed creative for the campaign, the shop's first work for Scouts Canada since becoming its agency of record in the spring.

"Scouts Canada is really excited about the relationship we've built with Target," said Steve Kent, chief commissioner for Scouts Canada. "We've mapped out a branding strategy that we believe will really put Scouts back on the map in Canadian society."

"This recruitment campaign is a much more modern, fresh approach than we've taken for a long time."

Both Kent and Jenny Smith, creative group head at Target, expect the ads to resonate with parents who want to make sure their children spend time away from video games and other sedentary pursuits.

"The creative concept is just about getting your hands dirty again, getting out there and exploring nature and doing things in the outdoors," said Smith.

"It's about having great adventures and first-time discoveries."

Smith said Scouts Canada plans to follow the recruitment initiative with a broader branding campaign in the coming months.

TICATS SCOUT DAY



Saturday, November 6. 2 PM. Ivor Wynne Stadium.

Peter Dyakowski of the Hamilton Tiger Cats has donated 500 tickets for Scouting Youth Members. Additional tickets are available for \$15 per person. After the game, youth will meet the Ticats and will be treated to pop and popcorn while they watch a movie on the Jumbotron screen. Contact the Help Desk for more information.

Cub Fun Day

Sat., Oct. 23
Camp Nemo
Theme: Famous People
Cost: \$5.00 per person
Registration Deadline: October 16.



Bring the whole Pack to join in a fun filled day of activities. All Cubs are welcome. Contact Mickey McPherson: scouter.mickey@gmail.com 905-515-5678. If you have not yet received your information package, call Mickey and it will be mailed out ASAP.

Many Thanks!

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards and phone calls while I was in the hospital and since I have come home. I would especially like to thank Pat Troughton for being my liaison with all my scouting friends by letting them know how I'm doing and for being there for Yvonne. Can't wait to do coffee again. Thank You very, very much. *Charlie Oliver*



Commissioner's Corner

It Starts With Scouts! You should start seeing this phrase a lot in the near future. Scouts Canada has begun to roll out a new identification program that will help to make Scouts more recognizable. In place of "Creating A Better World" our identification will include the triangular Scouts Canada crest with "It Starts With Scouts" under it. I encourage you to use it to, because "It Starts With Scouts".

You will also notice some changes in how we refer to our various sections. In an effort to tie them all together, we will now refer to our sections as "Beaver Scouts", "Cub Scouts", "Scouts", "Venturer Scouts" and "Rover Scouts". It Starts With Scouts.

By now, most of our groups have held their registration nights. I hope that you have all found the interest in our program growing. I encourage you to review your registrations and determine which youth have not returned. Now is a good time to contact the parents of those youth and invite them to return. If the response is that their child will not be returning, try to determine why. If the reason is a conflict in meeting times, please recommend that the parents consider another Scouting group in the area that meets on a different night. If the child has lost interest, try to determine why. Some constructive criticism can often be beneficial in helping us to improve the program that we offer. We seem to do a pretty good job

at bringing new youth to our program, but we need to do everything possible to keep them coming back. Remember, "It Starts With Scouts".

This year, in addition to increasing our youth membership, Scouts Canada has challenged us to dramatically increase our volunteer membership. If we have sufficient numbers of volunteers, we should never have to turn a child away from Scouting because we don't have enough leaders. When you are talking to parents, ask if they were in Scouting or Guiding as youth. If they were, ask if they would be interested in joining your leadership team. When you run into a former youth member who may have left Scouting to pursue their education or career, ask if they are ready to return to Scouting and give back to the program. Tell them "It Starts With Scouts".

November is "training month". Although training is available throughout the year, we like to focus on more training in November. If you have not yet taken the Wood badge Part I for your section or if you just want a refresher, please consider taking the weekend residential course on November 5, 6, 7 at Camp Nemo. If you can't get away for that weekend there is also a course over two consecutive Saturdays (November 13 and 20th). If you just can't make time to get away, the Wood badge Part I program is available for all sections on-line. Please make November your training month, because "It Starts With Scouts".

Apple Day is just around the corner. Apple Day is a great opportunity for us to raise awareness of Scouting in our area. It also provides us with the funds to pay for the upkeep of our camping facilities without having to charge participating groups for using our camps. Have you started asking parents to set aside as much time as possible to help reduce the cost of camping in Hamilton Wentworth? If not, now is the time to start. In order to keep up with the rising costs of operating a facility like Camp Nemo, we need to have a best effort from everyone. On Apple Day, make sure everyone knows "It Starts With Scouts".

Tom Morrow
Commissioner
Hamilton Wentworth Area



It starts with Scouts.



The Mission of Scouting

The Mission of Scouting is to contribute to the education of young people, through a value system based on the Scout Promise and Law, to help build a better world where people are self-fulfilled as individuals and play a constructive role in society.



TRAINING

Our Hamilton Wentworth Area planning calendar contains additional training opportunities. See your Commissioner for details.

SIXER / SECOND CAMP

Friday, November 5 to Sunday, November 7. Camp Everton. Registration limited. Cost: \$35.

Come and have fun! Sign up your second and third year Cubs and plan to join them. Learn how to develop leadership among your youth, how to use the Sixers' Council effectively and increase the momentum of your Pack. Contact James White: akelaww@mountaincable.net 905 385 7724.

WOOD BADGE PART 1 COLONY, PACK, TROOP, COMPANY

Friday, November 5 to Sunday, November 7. Residential. Camp Nemo. Cost: \$50.

At this Battlefields training event you will learn skills needed to deliver a quality program while having fun. Topics include program planning, camping and outdoor activities, risk management, resources, etc. The completion of Module 1 (e-learning) is mandatory prior to the course. Contact Susan Little: littleivo2@yahoo.com 905 528-3326.



WOOD BADGE PART 1 COLONY, PACK, TROOP

Saturday, November 13 and Saturday, November 20. Consecutive Saturdays. St. Matthews on-the-Plains Church, 126 Plains Rd. E., Burlington. Non-residential. Cost: \$40.

This course will help you will gain the skills needed to deliver a quality program while having fun. Topics include program planning, camping and outdoor activities, risk management, resources, etc. The completion of Module 1 is mandatory prior to the first Saturday of this course. Contact Geoff Macquire: gmacquire@cogeco.ca 905 634-0651. Or Susan Little: littleivo2@yahoo.com 905 528-3326.

AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER

Saturday, November 13. 9:00 AM. Camp Wetaskiwin. Cost: \$20.

1 - day event. Lunch provided. Contact Mike Burke: mburke_57@hotmail.com 905 562-9178.

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Unsolicited submissions are welcome. You may E-mail submissions to bob_miller@mountaincable.net or frenchjackie@mountaincable.net.

Scout House is located at 375 James St. S., Hamilton, Ontario L8P 3B9 1-888-SCOUTS-NOW FAX (905) 528-7919 Scout Shop (905) 528-4662 Help Desk call (905) 528-5711

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The 2010 Apple Day

Campaign takes place on Friday, October 15th and Saturday, October 16th this year. Our goal

this year is \$70,000. Last year's revenue was down significantly and because of this, many things at Nemo and Ragged Falls simply could not be done and still need to be done! This goal is ambitious but can be met and even exceeded if we have maximum participation from our youth, leaders and parents.

Leaders, you are the key to the success of our campaign in promoting full participation for youth and their parents, not only for one "shift" - for all shifts.

To encourage this kind of commitment, ballots towards the annual prize draws are given out in four separate periods: Friday before 5PM, Friday evening, Saturday morning and Saturday afternoon. Any youth participating in all four time slots will have four chances to win a prize.

GRAND PRIZES

This year our Grand Prize, generously donated by Great Wolf Lodge, is a 1 night stay in the Wolf Den Suite for 4, two days water park & parking, breakfast buffet for each guest & 40 arcade tokens.



Other Grand Prizes include a 26" Bike, sleeping bags & self inflating pad generously donated by Home Hardware - Westcliffe Mall.



OTHER PRIZES

Youth also have chances to win many more great prizes such as Gift Certificates from local businesses such as:

- Chapters – Ancaster
- Wild Waterworks – Hamilton Cons. Auth.
- Jack Astors- Ancaster
- Licks – Hamilton
- Lonestar Texas Grill
- Mandarin – Hamilton
- McDonalds - Dundurn
- Montana's – Upper James & Ancaster
- Silver City - Ancaster
- Swiss Chalet – Ancaster
- Tim Hortons – Mohawk West & Wilson St
- Wal-Mart – Ancaster
- Bol-o-drome
- Bowlero Lanes
- Cameron's Speedway
- Canadian Football Hall of Fame
- Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum
- East Side Mario's-Upper James & Queenston Rd
- Empire Jackson Square Cinema
- Hamilton Indoor Go-Karts
- Jungle Jam Indoor Playground
- King's Buffet
- Lazermania

MORE PRIZES!

- And more prizes from our local donors:
- CIBC – Westcliffe Mall
 - Hamilton Emergency Services
 - TD Canada Trust – Mohawk & U James
 - Canadian Tire – U James
 - Carmens Banquet Centre
 - Central Cycle
 - Dell Pharmacy
 - John Bear Pontiac
 - Kraft Foods/Cadbury
 - Shoppers Drug Mart - Garth

and more to follow....

Proceeds from our Apple Day Campaign are used to maintain and upgrade Scouting facilities at Mount Nemo Scout Camp and Ragged Falls Canoe Base. Usage of Camp Nemo and Ragged Falls is still no charge for Hamilton Wentworth Area groups that participate in Apple Day and we hope they are able to continue that tradition with your support.

The 2010 Apple Day Chairs are:

- Gary Fliss
- Cam Napholc
- Debbie Napholc

- Counting: Jim Bryce
- Media PR: Brian Johnston
- Prizes: Joan Harkness, Michelle Napholc

The 2010 coordinators are:

- Centre Mall: Marion Lacroix/Don MacAngus
- Eastgate Mall: Nancy Wands
- Lime Ridge Mall: Linda Sargeant
- Albion Mills: Linda Sargeant
- Power Centre: Gary Fliss
- Dundurn: Yvonne Oliver
- Aldershot: Christine Guest/Gerry Mros
- Hermitage Springs/Ancaster: Kathryn Catlin
- Dundas/Flamborough: Wayne Childs
- King's Head: Marion Lacroix
Don MacAngus
- Mohawk Trails: Sheila Sferrazza

We thank you for your support.
The Apple Day 2010 Committee



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POPCORN ORDER DEADLINES

In the Area Planning Calendar you will find references to the deadlines for the annual popcorn fundraising campaign. Details will be distributed by email to group popcorn coordinators.

Please note:

Saturday, October 30 NOT LATER THAN 11:59 PM., submission of -

- a. all group popcorn orders. Online direct from group to the Trails-End site.
- b. all group prize orders. Online, direct from group to Trails-End.
- c. all \$1500 Sellers' Club prize applications.
- d. all \$2500 Scholarship applications.

November 11, 12, 13: Council popcorn warehouse for all Areas & Hamilton-Wentworth groups.

Payment: All groups are requested to submit a post-dated cheque for their main popcorn order when it is picked up at the Council warehouse. Payment deadline date is **Friday, December 3.**

Scouts Canada, SWOAC
M Taylor – Battlefields Popcorn
531 Windermere Rd
London ON N5X 2T1

Phase Three Registration Things to Remember:



- Current forms are dated 2010-2011 at the top. Any forms submitted with the wrong date will be returned for replacement.
- The Group Commissioner signs adult forms and parents sign youth forms.
- A member is not insured unless they are properly registered as active on the MMS.
- When you come to phase 3 please leave your cheque BLANK in case we need to change it for any reason (or bring two signing officers with you!)
- Main Registration batch must be received and dated by the Council Field Executive prior to Oct. 15, 2010 to be exempt from the Late Administration Fee!
- Financial statements and charter renewals are due at phase 3.
- New member Volunteers must complete the screening process and have a clean PRC prior to working with the youth.
- Returning members must have an up-to-date clean PRC.
- If you are unable to complete MMS data entry (i.e. you have no registrar) I will try to help you find registrar, and get them training as soon as possible.
- Every registration batch (whether for 1 or 100 members) must go through the Council Field Executive before they are forwarded to The South Western Ontario Administration Centre and must have a registration cover sheet attached!
- Incorrect registration batches will be returned to the Group Commissioner or Group Contact

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Colony / Pack Service Team



We are pleased to announce our service team is returning this year. We will again be visiting area groups throughout the Scouting season as we have done in years past and are always available for assistance at any time. A major change to the program is that the service team members will be attending all Colony /Pack Scouter Club Meetings which will be held October 20, January 12 and April 13 at 7:00 pm at Scout House. We hope by attending these meeting that this will prove a more efficient way to offer information to more Scouters. You can think of this as a Centralized Colony/Pack Scouters Club. We are looking forward to hearing new ideas and suggestions from you on better programming etc.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all those who called and asked after Charlie Oliver's condition over the last several months. Yvonne and Charlie both are special people and we are lucky to have them as members of the Scouting organization and this Service Team.

Thank-you for your support
Cam Napholc

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IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO EVERYONE...

During the Fall transition period when new members are added and returning members' information is updated to the National data base, we need to use last year's data plus the current list of members in an attempt to reach all our H-W Area volunteers. We didn't want to miss anyone. If you received a Dispatch by accident, please accept our apologies. If you know of someone who did NOT receive a mailed Dispatch or an emailed notification about the Dispatch on the website, please have your group registrar check registration information on the Membership Management System.

Scouts Canada Appoints New Executive Commissioner and Chief Executive Officer



Steve Kent, Chief Commissioner and Chair of the Board of Governors, joins with the members of the Board of Governors in announcing Janet Yale as the new Executive Commissioner and Chief Executive Officer for Scouts Canada, effective September 27, 2010.

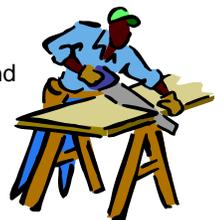
HELP WANTED... HELP NEEDED



The camp committee has created a sub committee to organize volunteers who have different skills and abilities and who are interested in helping out with the many ongoing and new projects at camp. As everyone is well aware, these projects and jobs involve a wide range of skills, but also just as important, are the able body people who are willing to do the grunt work. Can you do carpentry? Can you do electrical work? Can you paint? Or do you just like to be out in the fresh air doing something good? What about heading up a work party for a specific job or project? People, THIS IS YOUR CAMP! and we need your input and help. If you are interested in volunteering, email Gerry at bluhmgerry@gmail.com.

Home: 905 335-3792
Cell: 289 440-4284

Gerry Bluhm
Camp Warden



Advertising Opportunities Available

The Scouter's Dispatch reaches hundreds of volunteers each issue. Hamilton Wentworth Area publishes the Scouter's Dispatch six times a year. If you would like to advertise in The Scouter's Dispatch, which serves as a program resource for Scouters and other adults who work with young people, contact Bob Miller bob_miller@mountaincable.net



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Annual Venturer Basketball Tournament

Saturday, December 11th, 2010

10 AM until 2 PM
at Delta United Church
47 Ottawa St. South and Maple
\$2.00 per person

- All Venturers, Advisors, Senior Scouts, & Rovers welcome to play.
- Tuck shop, lots of sweaty fun and trophies to the winners
- Hosted by the 31st Venturers
- Contact Todd Martin at 905-385-3837 or tcmartin@mountaincable.net

Venturer Winter Survival Camp

January 7th to 9th, 2011
Camp Nemo
\$15 per person

Hosted by the 31st Company
The Venturer Motto is CHALLENGE!
This is the weekend to live up to that.
Live for 2 nights & 2 days like Survivor Man.
Limited equipment allowed,
Pre-camp survival kit construction required.
For more information, contact Todd Martin,
905-385-3837. Or
tcmartin@mountaincable.net



SWAP MEET AND AUCTION

Saturday, November 6, 2010
Scout House
Swapping from 10 AM - 2:30 PM.
Live Auction from 2:30 - 4 PM.

Any Scouting youth or adult who wants to learn about collecting and trading Scout badges or memorabilia, please come and join us. No admission charge and lots of free advice to beginners.

For further information, contact Tom Evanoff (905) 523-4619, tevanoff@cogeco.ca

POPCORN POLICE NEEDED!



Last November dozens of volunteers helped unload, guard, sort and distribute over \$500,000 worth of popcorn for Battlefields Council. These people played an important role in supporting the largest popcorn campaign to date. This year, we expect another very successful popcorn sale. We will need several "Popcorn Police" from November 10 to November 13. Please phone or email Bob Miller bob_miller@mountaincable.net if you are available for one of the 6 hour shifts or are available to help load on November 13.

SCOUTING AUXILIARY



The Scouting Auxiliary meet on the second Tuesday of the month, at 1 pm at Scout House. If you can help at special events catering, please let us know by calling Aline at 905-648-5520 alinchan@cogeco.ca. New members are welcome.

Dispatch Deadlines

Nov. 10 for the Dec. 1 Dispatch
Jan. 10 for the Feb. 1 Dispatch
March 10 for the April 1 Dispatch
June 1 for the June 15 Dispatch
Aug. 10 for the Sept 1 Dispatch
Sept. 10 for the Oct. 1 Dispatch

BOOKING SCOUT HOUSE?

All groups and committees who want to book a room for a meeting at Scout House should make the arrangements with a Help Desk volunteer. Even if a meeting is listed in the Dispatch Upcoming Events, a meeting room must still be booked by the committee Chair. Arrangements will be made for pick up of a Scout House key and alarm instructions.



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