

# Beaver Tales

September 2010

## Welcome

Welcome to another exciting year at the 115<sup>th</sup> Parkwood Hills Beaver Colony! This year, we have many new smiling faces and we are all looking forward to getting to know each other.

Here is some information we thought you would find useful. Like last year, we will try to make an informative letter available every month.



## Volunteers

We are always looking for parent volunteers to help the colony along. If you wish to participate in any way (i.e. crafts, outings, special activities), please contact us.

## Meetings

Please ensure that your favourite Beaver attends our meetings with a pair of dry running shoes. The floors at the meeting area are too slippery for sock feet or wet shoes.

Parents do not have to stay during meetings. However, if parents desire to stay, we ask to respect the meeting by keeping the noise level minimal or go wait in the lobby.

For security, we want to ensure that each Beaver leaves with the expected adult. Please, be in time to pick up your Beaver and do not run out before we have time to account for the departure.

## Uniforms

Beavers are expected to wear the uniform consisting of a vest and a hat. The blue t-shirt is optional. The neck scarf (necker) and slide (woogie) are provided by the colony at investiture and need not be purchased. We are currently trying to accommodate new Beavers by recalling uniforms no longer in use from Beavers that have left the colony.

Uniforms can be purchased at the Scout Shop, located at 1345 Baseline Road. Parents are encouraged to look for used uniforms which can sometimes be found in other stores such as Value Village.

## Weekend Dates

Besides the regular meetings that take place every Monday, we have other activities planned at other times. Please, mark your calendar as we are finalizing our planning. Here are the special dates:

- Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. We should have a morning/afternoon activity. Currently, we are planning to visit a trail like Jackpine or Stoney Swamp.
- Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. Apple Day
- Monday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Meeting cancelled due to Thanksgiving.
- Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>. We should have a morning/afternoon activity, yet to be determined.
- Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. The area is tentatively organizing a Beaverree for that day.

## Apple Day

The 115<sup>th</sup> colony will join their cousins, the Cub Pack and the Scout Troop, on Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. This is a fund raising event where Beavers, Cubs and Scouts give away apples for donations. The event will take place from 09:00AM to 05:00PM. Beaver participation is greatly appreciated, and consists in a shift of 1 to 2 hours with other members of the Group. Adult volunteers are welcomed.

More information on shifts and locations will be coming.

Please, inform JP Fiset, by phone or e-mail, to let us know if you can participate.

## Contacts

If you have any questions or comments, you can reach one of the colony leaders listed below:

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