



Area Forum

May 21st, 2009

Lions Club, Smiths Falls



Attendance: John Stalker Area commissioner, Gen Stalker youth rep, Jean Lasenba treasurer, Stan Lasenba camp warden; Brad Simpson, Technology / Fundraising; Gen Stalker, Youth Rep; Diana Nuttall, Registrar; Hope Gray, Recognition; Roger Nuttall, area; Brian Billings, Area; Chris Tyler, Area; Alex Beelich Program; Bill Lawrence 2nd Almonte; Elizabeth Docker, Carleton Place; Torsten Dekart, 1st Drummond; Larry Palmer, 4th Perth; Joan Smith, 2nd Smiths Falls

Regrets: Allen Sinfield, Beckwith; Michelle Niefer.

Agenda Items:

1. O'Canada: Led by John Stalker

Poem: John Stalker

2. Minutes: read. Motion to move Alex Beelich, seconded by Brian Billings; passed

3. Agenda Addition

- Lombardy Fair-Stan to talk
- Program plan- Alex to discuss

4. John Stalker – Area Commissioner Report

- See Agenda

5. DAC Reports:

i: **Youth - Gen Stalker** stargate_gal@hotmail.com

- See Agenda

ii: **Training –**

* No DAC for training yet. John put out an appeal to fill the position.

iii: **Program – Alex Beelich**

- 2009/2010 calendar to be finalized for next meeting.

Camporee- May 22nd-24th at Whispering Pines- Be Prepared Camp and canoe camp- Trophy to be awarded-

Beaverree- May 30th at Whispering Pines – “Forests of Fun” – Day outing

Impeza –June 5th-7th – Whispering Pines-Around the world in 2 days- Come visit our 5 continents and experience their culinary delights.

Algonquin Park – June 28th-July4th-

iv: **Camp Warden – Stan Lasenba –** lasenba@sympatico.ca

- Being used every weekend in May and June.

- KYBO'S being fixed up.
- Storage containers have been cleaned up and out.
- 53 Foot Trailer is now in place were the old trailers were located.
- Open for discussion: Updated camp rules. Rule sheet circulated. Roger suggested 'poles' to #h.
- Archery Range being updated.
- Open for Discussion: 'Guidelines for Area event Co-Ordinators'. Hand sanitizer added to the list.
- \$7500.00 +GST of 375.00 sent to Jeff Benson.
- Motion to accept the new camp rules moved by Stan Lasenba, Seconded by Alex Beelich. Passed.
- Motion to accept 'Guidelines for Area Event Co-Ordinators' moved by Stan Lasenba, Seconded by Alex Beelich. Passed.
- White and Grey trails are finished as far as clearing the trails. Red trail needs some minor clearing work.
- Stan suggests a 15' Bunkie be built in one end of the new storage trailer. Ideal for first aid and or the need for emergency shelter.
- Lombardy Fair Food Booth. July 31st. to August 3rd. 2009. Volunteers needed from each group. Will be calling adult members /Venturers in June.

v: **Recognition – Hope Gray** hope@kevinrobertgray.com

- Crest and Certificate for Area Award finalized. The award will be called The Spirit of Scouting Mentoring Award. Outlined as above and beyond the regular duties in Mentoring within the Area. Applies to both Youth and Adults in Valley Highland. Specific Criteria to follow. The Award will be a crest and certificate.
- Motion to Implement Valley Highlands Area Spirit of Scouting Mentoring Award. Motioned by Hope Gray, seconded by Gen Stalker. Passed.

vi: **Scout Trees - Brian Billings -** brian_billings@carleton.ca

- Thank You to all. Avery successful Scout Tree Plant. 83 youth and Adults in attendance.
- Brian asks for each group to submit totals of \$ raised.
- Donations as follows: 800.00 from Lanark Cedar, 200.00 from Albany, 1500.00 from Lambden, 305.00 from the Ministry of the Environment, 700.00 from Drummond/North Elmsley Council.
- Blair and Sons Funeral Home had a tree Memorial; dedication at the same time as the tree planting.
- Thank you to Stan and Roger for BBQing @ Lanark Cedar after the plant.
- 10th of June Brian has been asked to present @ the Stewardship Committee.

vii: **Technology / Fundraising - Bradley Simpson** bradleysimpson@sympatico.ca

- See attached report.

viii: **Financial: Jean Lasenba -** lasenba@sympatico.ca

- Jean made donation on behalf of Area for Allen Vickers.
- Scout Trees profit \$1411.74
- 2nd Smith Falls raised 130.00 for the world brotherhood fund. Westport raised 47.50

viii : **Registrar: Diana Nuttall**

- Area members please see Diana to re-register tonight.
- Diana will come out for early registration nights for each group.
- Once registrations are filled out by each group they must be checked over by Diana or an Area member before being sent off to council offices.

5. GROUP REPORTS:

2nd Almonte:

- See report
- Beavers had their swim-up
- Cubs to the Carleton Area Camporee
- No Venturers this year.

1st Beckwith:

- no report

Carleton Place:

- Sections participating in Area and Council Events.
- Tracey Ivans is our new Registrar.

Carleton Place:

Reference: Group Committee Meeting held Wednesday, April 29th, 2009

1. **EVENTS TO DATE:** (since the last meeting)
 - a. April 18th: Scout Fest
 - b. April 26th: Pre White Water Training
 - c. May 1st to 3rd: RSVP Camp
 - d. May 2nd: Scoutrees
 - e. May 2nd to 3rd: Cub Spring Camp
 - f. May 8th to 9th: Night Vent
2. **FUTURE EVENTS:** (within the next month)
 - a. May 22nd to 24th: White Water Training in Petawawa
 - b. May 23rd to 24th: Cub Sleepover at Old Fort Henry in Kingston
 - c. May 26th: All Section Swim Up/Jump the Log/Handshake to Venturers Ceremony
 - d. May 30th: Beaveree
 - e. May 30th to 31st: Beaver End-of-Year Camp
3. **MAIN EFFORTS:** (the group's focus this period)
 - a. Early Registration
 - b. Recruitment of new leaders and youth
 - c. Scouts' Fundraising for ScotiaJam '09
4. **ISSUES:** (items you need assistance with or questions you need answered)

none
5. **COMMENTS.** (general comments on your program and area program)
 - a. All the leaders who attended Scout Fest really enjoyed the program and benefited from it. We would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to organize the event. We would also like to thank everyone who has worked so hard at the Area level to organize the many events that are happening this spring.

Yours in Scouting,
Elizabeth Docker
Group Commissioner

1st Drummond:

- Looking for and extension for 2 leaders in WBI
- Bottle drive fundraiser coming up. 3rd year in a row.

1st Elmsley:

- No report.

1st Merrickville:

- Nothing to report.

4th Perth:

- See report.
- BBQ fundraiser coming up.
- Maureen Vickers is now our Registrar.

Arnel W Pattermore, Group Commissioner

2nd Smiths Falls:

- See Report.

- Scouts went Geo caching.
- Cubs made birdhouses with Ducks unlimited.
- Beavers are going to the Toronto Zoo May 30th.
- End of Year family camp weekend of June 21st. 2009

Old Business:

- None to report.

New Business:

- Ticks at Whispering Pines. Some leaders discovered ticks on their person after last weekend's camp. Please advise all attending upcoming events/camps at Whispering Pines. Please inform parents to check their youth upon arriving home for ticks.
- John discussed a year end gettogether. Would be at his home. Details would be finalized and communicated to each group shortly.

Motion to adjourn Elizabeth Docker

Recording secretary: Bradley Simpson

Minutes Read at Area Forum and motion to accept: _____

Minutes Signed by: _____ on _____.
John Stalker, Area Commissioner Date