The Kamp Kiwanis Daily Peanut

From The President

Dear Friends,

As the fall season descends upon us, the sights of Kamp Kiwanis also begin to change. Not only does the imagery of the forest shift with the annual display of autumn leaves, but our focus transitions from summer camp to our school programs.

Summer camp was extremely successful this year. Throughout the season, children from Calgary and the surrounding area came to Kamp Kiwanis to enjoy activities such as swimming, canoeing, crafting, archery, camping trips, and campfire. Some highlights of this year's camp included: the opportunity to hike offsite in the Elbow Valley, the "Kiwanamazing" race (an ongoing activity that emphasizes cooperative play and teamwork), "Karnival" (carnival style games that last the

afternoon), "Splash Bash" (camp wide pool parties), and eating fresh nutritious meals largely from our new camp garden.

This summer, volunteers and staff worked hard to provide us with a horse-shoe pit, newly painted cabins, weeding around the flagpole garden, new energy-efficient lighting, trail cleanup, a new fence, and the new camp garden.

Just as summer camp wrapped up, preparations began for our year-round programs, notably our Outdoor School. This fall, Kamp Kiwanis will be hosting numerous students from in and around Calgary. This program is tailored specifically to each school's needs to ensure students grow in the areas of environmental literacy, awareness, and action.

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Thank you to all our contributors and supporters. Your ongoing generosity is essential to the work done at Kamp Kiwanis. Without your help we would be unable to offer the life-changing programs that we do. Your involvement ensures that children build positive lifelong memories that will stay with them forever.

Sincerely,

Paul Kelba President Kiwanis Club of Calgary Downtown



The Daily Peanut is produced each day during the summer at Kamp Kiwanis to keep campers and staff informed of upcoming events, camp success stories and celebrations. It also provides campers with opportunities for input through songs, stories and opinions. This is a special edition for the friends of Kamp Kiwanis to share our progress and future plans for the Kamp.



Above: A kamper jumps in for a dip!

Left: 3 kampers hanging out by the river.

Right: Kampers enjoy a hike in the Elbow Valley.





Progress At Kamp Kiwanis

Right: Kamp Kiwanis has a new addition to our food services department. Here is the brand new garden. The Garden provides fresh greens for our campers throughout the growing season.





Left: Volunteers from Aspen Properties came to Kamp Kiwanis for a one day work party to beautify and add functionality to the Kamp Kiwanis site. Here volunteers are working during a downpour to add a fence to the archery range.



Above: A very special thank you to the Kiwanis International Foundation for providing Kamp Kiwanis with a special grant to help offset the costs of repairs needed as a result of the 2013 floods. This grant along with the help from numerous volunteers allowed us to keep Kamp Kiwanis operational.





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Mailbox

As the year progresses we receive letters, cards, emails, and telephone calls. We welcome the opportunity to hear from you with ideas, suggestions, and constructive feedback. The letters that we receive allow us to celebrate the impact that we have on the lives of families. We are pleased to share some of the excerpts with you here. Once again we would like to pass along our appreciation for the support that you provide each year. Only through your support and encouragement are we able to positively impact the community.

He has enjoyed camp so much he now has an ambition to become a counsellor. - The Parent of a Future Kounsellor

Thank you very much for the generous subsidy you provided our school. It is much appreciated. - An Outdoor School Teacher

Thank - you! Thank you for the safety, acceptance, the love, the friendships, the laughter, songs, games, activities, the kids, the team, the quality + the value ... thank you for recognizing my child's talents and quality that she can bring to the kids too. - The Parent of a Leadership Participant and Assistant Kounsellor

This place is a dream from reality and I love it as my own home! - A Summer Kamper

The setting was beautiful and the meal exceptional. - The Organizer of a Community Rental Group

It's only been about 3 hours and we miss you like crazy! - 2 Extremely Ethusiastic Summer Kampers

Such an awesome camp! I am so blessed my kids get to experience this! - Parent of 3 Kampers

