

# The Kamp Kiwanis Daily Peanut

## From The President

Dear Friends,

Crisp evenings around the campfire, frosty mornings, and yellowing leaves all mean that fall has arrived. The coming of fall has signalled a shift from our summer camp program to our other programs.

Summer camp was a resounding success again. Throughout July and August Kamp Kiwanis became a temporary home for children from Calgary and the surrounding area. During their stay, campers enjoyed classic camp activities such as swimming, hiking, arts and crafts, canoeing, archery, camping trips, and campfire. Some highlights of this year's camp included: The first ever Mardi Gras parade (every cabin made a float and marched it through the Kamp Kiwanis courtyard), the opportunity to hike in the elbow valley (where many a

camper exclaimed 'I actually climbed a mountain'), and as always the 'Karnival' (carnival style snacks and games that last the afternoon) was a camper favourite.

The fall outdoor school program will be one of largest ever. Starting in early September and lasting until the end of November, children from Calgary and the surrounding area will come to Kamp Kiwanis to develop their environmental literacy, awareness, and action in a unique outdoor setting. The Outdoor School programs range from a single day to a 4 day overnight excursion.

We are pleased to invite you to the first annual Kiwanis Apple Festival on September 26 & 27. The kamp will be filled with fun apple-themed family activities, baking lessons, a mini farmers market, and live music. The festival is open to the

September/October 2015  
public (9:30am-4pm, admission is free). Please visit the website ([www.kiwanisapplefestival.org](http://www.kiwanisapplefestival.org)) for more details.

Thank you to our donors and supporters. Without your dedication and generosity, we would be unable to offer the breadth of programs that we do!

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 at shelter building.

**Left:** Kampers resting while on a hike.

**Right:** This kamper says the water is great, come on in!



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## Progress At Kamp Kiwanis

**Right:** Everybody likes a place to sit and visit with the new friends they have made at Kamp Kiwanis. Here volunteers are building and painting a total of nine picnic tables. These tables will surely be witness to many great conversations!



**Left:** Volunteers are working on sprucing up Kamp Kiwanis just before summer camp begins so everything looks like new when the campers arrive. Here Watson Lodge is receiving a fresh coat of paint.



### A New Partner

What if buying or selling a home could help send a kid to camp? Kamp Kiwanis has partnered with Agents of Change to make this a reality, at no cost to you. Agents of Change will custom match you with the best real estate agent out there for your needs, and contribute 20% of the real estate commission earned to Kamp Kiwanis. It's a win, win, win, every time!

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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.

**I was so lucky to come here in senior camp, even though I wish I came here in junior camp too! I can't wait to see you in the leadership programs and hopefully as a staff member. - A Future Leadership Participant**

**Lessons learned far outnumbered the curricular programming. Friendships formed, cemented, and grew. - The Teacher of a class who attended Outdoor School**

**Thank you for making Kamp Kiwanis possible, it's the most awesome place imaginable! - An Enthusiastic Summer Kamper**

**I learned a lot about trees and forests and also how to reduce my impact on the Earth. I loved the program and if I were to rate Kamp from 1-10 it would be 100! - An Outdoor School Student**

**It was so wonderful to be out here at Kamp K. The meals were great & all the ladies had fun. - The Organizer of a Community Rental Group**

**I thank you for all that you guys do to ensure everyone leaves with a smile, a new group of friends, and memories for a lifetime. You are awesome! - The Parent of a Summer Kamper**



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