

REGISTRATION ONGOING

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We are so excited for this new year! All of the sections are close to capacity so if you would like to still get your child involved in our great programming I would encourage you not to delay in registering.

We had a very successful Apple days in September. A huge thank you goes out to all of you that donated your coins for a yummy apple. This is always our first fund raiser of the year. Great to get the kids out right away to work towards raising money for their programming. Some sections are already gearing up for their firsts camps in October and of course readying the new kids for their very special Investitures where they receive their neckties.

If you have any questions on our program or have great ideas to share with us please feel free to contact our Group Commissioner Tim Tratch at 403-251-4878.

As most of you that read this article regularly know the Woodcreek Scouts took part in the Canadian Jamboree this past summer in Nova Scotia. We have some great stories from that trip to share with you. Here is part 1 of the trip, part 2 will appear next month.

“Our adventure began July 7th, but actually we had been preparing for it for over a year with countless fundraisers including: 3 bottle drives, bake sales, crafts sales, Christmas tree sales, highway clean-up, and a letter writing campaign.

We'd like to thank the Woodcreek Community Association, The Lions Club, The Seniors' knitting club, all our local residents who used our snow shoveling service and purchased Scout's popcorn, Atmosphere in Deerfoot Meadows, Rona Macleod Trail and of course our leaders and parents to name just a few of our supporters! We had two patrols going to the Jamboree: 14 scouts, 5 adults and one Offer of Service.

We left at 10 am and arrived in Halifax at 6 pm local time. Next was a bus ride to Camp Nedooae and a four km walk from the bus stop to our campsite with our packs on! We quickly set-up tents and woke up early the next morning to find that there had been a downpour overnight that had turned our tents into water beds...and our campsite into a mud pit! Thankfully our brand new tents didn't leak at all!! The leaders spent the day digging trenches to get the water flowing away from our tents and had help from camp support who got us gravel and straw to cover the ground! Thanks to Scouter Nicole for taking us on a fun nature hike that day! Thankfully the weather turned for the better and the rest of the week was sunny! Unfortunately, the group next to us had arrived at 2 am and had to set their tents up while it was raining!

Saturday night was the opening ceremony and we saw some great performers, including Irish dancers, and a welcome from the Mi'kmaq communities. Sunday, we did an obstacle course, Monday some of us went on a self-guided tour of Halifax and visited the Citadel (the fortress was built in 1749) and saw a demo of how a rifle was fired. We saw the harbour front and Pier 21 where over 1 million immigrants entered Canada. We also got to do an Amazing Race activity in Halifax in the afternoon.”

Stay tuned for Part 2 next month!