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Whitby District Lighthouse

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THIS ISSUE:

Upcoming Dates:

- +Apr 25 Group Committee Training
- +Apr 27 Scoutrees planting at D'Hillier Park
- +Apr 29 Modular Training session at St. Mark's
- +May 11 JOTT Jamboree on the Trail
- +May 24-26 Cuboree at Fort York, Toronto
- +May 25 Log Jam, Brooklin Fairgrounds
- +May 30 Group Committee Training
- +Jun 22 Scout Shoot at Camp Samac
- +Aug 31 Final Day of Whitby District
- +Sep 1 Whitby Groups become new Area 6
- +Dec 28-Jan 8 World Jamboree, Thailand

Who We Are:

Whitby District covers the communities of Whitby, Brooklin, Ashburn and Myrtle. We currently have 17 groups and 1447 members. Our programs are for youth 5 to 26 yrs.

Join us.

+May 16 Next District Council at St. Bernards Catholic School, Dryden Blvd near Anderson. Council meetings are normally held on the third Thursday of the month at 7pm. Meetings are open to everyone.

Call for Nominations- Area Commissioner

With a new organizational structure, come new positions to be filled. We have been asked to supply the names of several individuals who could fill the position of Area Commissioner for the new White Pine Region Area 6 (the groups that were previously Whitby District). Please send your nominations to Bob Steffler and Anne Dionne, they will contact the nominees and ask if they will let their name stand for the interview by the Regional Commissioner. Check your email for the job description and nomination deadline. Also, start thinking about who you will nominate for your Group Scouter for next year.

Scoutrees Site Changed to D'Hillier Park

Trees this spring will be planted in the area of the D'Hillier Park off the north side of Dundas Street West. More details are available from your Group Committee Chair. With many of our Scouts at a Regional camp in Campbellford, we will need all the hands we can get. Refreshments will once again be donated by Ontario Power Generation.

Adult Volunteer Development (previously Wood Badge)

The course for Beaver, Cub & Scout leaders has been re-engineered to help facilitate delivery of the modules in easy-to-build sessions. Modules do not have to be taken in any specific order so you can join in anytime. The first session has been held, but you can join the next session on April 29, 6:45pm. Email Trish at training@whitbyscouts.org or check out the schedule on the website: <http://www.whitbyscouts.org/training.html> for more details. New leaders for next year may also attend the training even though they are not currently registered.

This Year in Scouting Poster

The 1st VP, Stewart Bowman, is collecting tidbits of information about things that happened this year in scouting. Please send your suggestions on to 1stvice@whitbyscouts.org. The poster will be displayed at our display case in the Whitby Mall, in the new display at Iroquois Park Arena (when it is built) and at The Brooklin Spring Fair, Pizza Sales Booth on the first weekend of June.

Scouting Garage Sale May 4th

The participants to the World Jamboree are holding a garage sale to raise needed funds. Come shop at 1525 Dundas St. W. (beside Lilac Farms market) or if you have donations call Ruth Bridge ruth.bridge@eds.com 905-430-0324 to arrange pick-up or delivery.

GPS Group Planning System - Update

On review of the GPS, we see that Groups should currently be succession planning (replacing leaders who know they won't return in the fall,) establishing membership recruitment goals for next year and seeking adequate leadership (leaders and Group Committee) for their youth. Also, it is time for Groups to compile a report to submit to the District Annual Report, which usually highlights significant events in the Group during the year. Submissions are due to Anne Dionne secretary@whitbyscouts.org by May 8th. "We won't allow you to opt-out either!" ☺