

NEWS RELEASE

CAMP SAMAC TO RECEIVE FUNDING FOR RECREATIONAL UPGRADES

OSHAWA, Ontario, July 2, 2009 — Scouts Canada will benefit from a joint federal and provincial investment of \$138,348 to upgrade and renovate Kitchie Lodge at Camp Samac, under the Recreational Infrastructure Canada program in Ontario (RInC Ontario) and Recreation Ontario (Ontario REC).

“Our government is pleased to support renovations and upgrades to Scouts Canada for Kitchie Lodge under the RInC Program in Ontario. Scouts Canada plays such a vital role in the development of thousands of children across our province.” said Dr. Colin Carrie, Member of Parliament for Oshawa and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Health. “As a result of these investments, residents of Durham region will be able to benefit from improved facilities and services in order to continue to pursue healthy and active lifestyles.”

“Scouting is very important to me. My own experience combined life skills education and fun for the five years that I was a member of the 3rd Ajax Scout Troop,” said Ajax-Pickering MPP Joe Dickson. “Scouting is a great learning experience and a time to make lifelong friends. We are pleased to work with the Federal government to fund the renovation of Kitchie Lodge.”

“We at Scouts Canada are very excited about the recent grant from the Federal & Provincial Governments under the Recreational Infrastructure Canada Program.” Stated Natalie Benson, Manager of Revenue Development for Scouts Canada – Eastern Ontario. “We will be able to renovate Kitchie Lodge at Camp Samac and bring it back to the glory it once was. Thank you to everyone for your support”.

This project is one of 758 projects announced this week by Minister of State (Science and Technology) Gary Goodyear, on behalf of the Honourable Tony Clement, Minister of Industry, and Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Leona Dombrowsky, on behalf of George Smitherman, Ontario Minister of Energy and Infrastructure, worth a total joint federal and provincial investment of more than \$380 Million

These programs were designed to provide a timely, targeted stimulus to the economy through investments that will spur construction activity related to existing recreational infrastructure. Beyond economic stimulus and job creation, renewing, rehabilitating and modernizing our recreational infrastructure has the additional benefit of encouraging higher levels of participation in physical activity and community building.

Projects were selected on the basis of merit and construction readiness.

A list of approved projects will be available on July 6, 2009, at www.rinc-on.ca.

Scouts Canada owns and operates Camp Samac in Oshawa a 200+ acre facility for camping and recreation. A multitude of organizations including Scouts and Guides utilize the property in all 4 seasons.

The Scouts Canada, White Pine Council office is located in Oshawa. For more information on Scouts Canada or Camp Samac please contact: 1-888- 726-8876

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