

# Our young men will go west with your support

In July, 1981, the Boy Scouts of Canada will be holding an event known as the Canadian Jamboree near Calgary, Alberta. A Jamboree is held only once every four years and involves the gathering together of scouts from all across

Canada. The opportunity to travel and to meet with other boys from various parts of Canada, together with involvement in a myriad of exciting and interesting activities, combine to provide the boys with a richly rewarding and unforgettable ex-

perience.

It is the hope of 2nd Cooksville to send 18 scouts and sea scouts to participate in next year's Jamboree. To this end, the boys of 2nd Cooksville, together with their leaders and parents, are deeply involved in various projects in an effort to raise funds to meet the costs of such a trip.

You will appreciate that the expenses to be incurred in sending each boy to the Jamboree are

quite high. For that reason, I would ask that you kindly give consideration to providing some financial assistance to defray such expenses. All donations should be made payable to "Boy Scouts of Canada — 2nd Cooksville" and directed

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Fall leaves me awed

I am enclosing a verse about the autumn leaves I have composed myself. I have lived in the lakeshore area some 50 years and have seen many colored leaves. This year, I think they are the most beautiful.

Clara La Rose  
Sayers Rd.

The leaves have a place they must go. Some are happy at leaving and dance gayly along in the breeze.

While others are sad about going. And silently fall far below. The trees now stand majestic.

Their whispers caught up by the wind. They have finished their course for this season. Next year, autumn will call on them again.

### Contented chompers

I think that gum-chewing should be allowed in school because it keeps us quiet and why should we get in trouble for nothing? We also do our work faster because we feel content. It also develops mouth muscles. I think I speak for almost all the students when I say we enjoy it.

Mark Bulmer  
Age 11  
Council Ring Rd.

AUTUMN  
Autumn is having a party. She invited all the deciduous trees. What will they wear to the party?

Autumn said, "Any color you please. This made the trees very happy. They knew the colors they had in their leaves. Right away they began dressing in crimson, yellows and gold. One wonders at this display of beauty. As their maker the colors unfold. Now the party is nearly over.

### Clear the sidewalks

Sidewalks are very dangerous in the winter. You can break an arm or even a leg. There should be something done about it. People like myself have fallen down because of icy sidewalks.

Sidewalks, especially beside highways, are even more dangerous because of the ice and because of the traffic that goes by. There should be something done about it. I suggest that we make a small and better machine to pick up snow as well as ice. The sidewalks should be clear for the safety of people.

Michael Ewing  
Age 11  
Longleaf Court

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This public meeting will help clear up questions you may have and offer some important thoughts on solutions to the many forms of learning disabilities.

### IN TORONTO:

Medical Sciences Building Auditorium\*  
University of Toronto  
1 King's College Circle  
Toronto, Ontario  
\*North-west of College St. & University Ave.  
8:00 p.m., November 18, 1980

Speaker:  
Dr. Margie Golick, Chief Psychologist  
McGill-Montreal Children's Hospital Learning Center

**Bell 1380**

### Loving innocence

Five of us, old acquaintances, were chatting of this-and-that last week, chomping at a freshly-opened bag of chips surrounded by small strangers, gathered by curiosity and sparrow-like enthusiasm to pick up the scraps, when we were joined by a mixed group of East Indian and Vietnamese and West Indian parents and their dark-eyed and dimpling wee-ones who stared with unashamed desire at our tasty tidbits.

A tidy and pretty little blonde who had been standing at my side, shyly resting her arm on the arm of my wheelchair, suddenly knelt down and swept up the pieces under my chair, then, scooping them into her little hands, tip-toed around and offered the scraps to her happily smiling strange brothers and sisters.

It was a totally un-instructed gesture of innocent loving concern to give pleasure to a desire she understood. I was so glad that no officious adults, or other, stepped in with stern warnings about germs, dirt, gifts from strangers, etc. to sour the sweetness of the generosity of innocence.

Rev. Owen G. Barrow  
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