Bring on the Adventure for Another 100 Years!



A ake 28 million young people from around the world; Blend with thousands of former members; Gather years of happy memories, sprinkle over a campfire and stir in a Centenary.

What do you get?...

...Possibly the biggest youth birthday par the world ha ever

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SCOUTS CANADA n 2007, Scouting cele-brates its Centenary, and

Scouts Canada is inviting you to be part of a national party full of exciting activities, ceremonies and celebrations.

Baden-Powell started it all at a small island camp almost a century ago. For the last 99 years, millions of youth have participated in hundreds of thousands of activities and in doing so have helped make a better world. Today, there are 28 million members of the Scouting Movement worldwide, in 216 countries and territories.

Scouting's Centenary offers us an opportunity to showcase our Movement and help set the stage for another 100 years of adventure and memories. What a great opportunity to remind Canadians how Scouting has prepared generations of members to become the compassionate, productive citizens and leaders they are today.

1907 - 2007

Scouting's Centenary provides a special opportunity for all those members both past and current to celebrate Scouting's achievements over the last 100 years. This once-in-a-lifetime event requires a great deal of advance planning, so Scouts Canada has created the 2007 Scouting Centenary Team. Made up of volunteers and staff members working together, the Team's goal is to raise awareness of Scouting's 100th year, to coordinate national initiatives and to support and encourage participation in community-based projects and activities in celebration of the Centenary.

Planning for two major events has already begun — CJ'07 and the World Jamboree. This is just the beginning. This birthday celebration calls for our youth and volunteers to cultivate interest in every corner of the country.

We encourage you to help set the leaders, families, partners, sponsors, supporters of Scouting and the media in your area. We want to fun and eager to build on our 100-year

CENTENARY IDEAS



Prepare a pot luck supper on February 22, 2007 including past and present members give each section in the area 10 invitations to send to past members.

Give focus to any local celebrations by using August 8th, the date Brownsea Island camp concluded back in 1907. Local properties could be an ideal location to form visitors into impromptu patrols and have them move from location to location doing a simple task taken directly from the Brownsea Island camp: first aid (fashion a sling), semaphore (send an easy message like our motto), observation (play a Kim's Game), tracking (recognize six common animal prints), patriotism (identify the six historic flags that have flown over Canada 1496 - 2007), and knot work (tie a simple knot such as a bowline). For refreshments, consider serving bannock prepared over an open fire along with drinks.



Beaver colonies could make and deliver greeting cards to shut-ins in nursing homes or to veterans who received the Veterans' Thanks crests last year; the idea would be to reach 100 people.



Plant 100 trees for Scoutrees.



5. Sell 100

units of

Popcorn.

Scout

Collect 100 bags of garbage while cleaning up the

local park.

Get out

• and about

hiking

100 km.

by walking/

Find more centenary ideas and information on Scouts Canada's web page at: http://www.scouts.ca/inside.asp?cmPageID=651

How can you help? Start thinking about what you can do to make this a special year in your section, group or area. We encourage you to be creative and find fun and memorable ways to celebrate the Centenary with our Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Venturers, Rovers, SCOUTSAbout and Extreme Adventure members. Then build these activities into your annual plans.

Scouting Centenary - It's Your Site

To help get you started we invite you to visit the Scouting Centenary site found at www.scouts.ca. Just click on the Centenary banner at the top of the homepage. Here you will discover a growing resource that currently includes a calendar of national and international events, a kids' page, a media kit and ideas for planning and promoting activities in your area. The media kit will provide you with key messages and ways to publicize Scouting initiatives during 2007. There is even a spot to post and share your group's community event or program activity in celebration of 100 years of Scouting - Centenary Central.

As members of the strongest Movement of young people that the world has ever known, let's use 2007 - Scouting's Centenary to, "Bring on the Adventure for another Hundred Years". \wedge

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- Scout/Guide Week, February 18 - 25, 2007
- B.-P.'s Birthday, February 22, 2007
- The 2007 Centenary Gala: February 24, 2007, Museum of Civilization, Gatineau, Quebec
- CJ'07, July 25 August 1, 2007
- World Jamboree, July 27 - August 8, 2007
- Scouting's Sunrise Ceremony, August 1, 2007.