

The **DCE Connection**

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Tools and New Counselors

It doesn't matter what the job is — most jobs require a basic set of tools. A dentist has a chair and drill and other tools for poking and prodding in your mouth. A carpenter has hammers, saws, and drills. A farmer has a tractor, wagon, and a pitchfork. Even a computer repair technician has certain tools and diagnostic equipment to do his work.

In each case, the tools alone will not get the work done. If you hand me a dentist's drill and ask me to drill teeth, I will probably do a lot of damage. Someone who has never used a hammer or saw will probably not be able to build the house or table you request. Give me a tractor and a bailer or a plow, and I would have no idea how to use them effectively. But give me the computer repair tools and diagnostic equipment and I can solve your computer problems.

Why? Because I have learned how to use the tools and equipment to do

the job right. The same goes for the dentist, carpenter, and the farmer.

Now think about new Cadet counselors. They get tools to do their task too. They get a *Counselor's Manual* and *Quest* magazine and many other tools. The problem comes when they don't know how to use them. They need to learn what each tool is for and how to use each effectively in their ministry to boys.

This is where you DCEs come in. You get to use the tools of your DCE trade to help them learn how to use theirs. That's why running a Counselor Certification Course is so important! That's why determining which tools they need to learn how to use and then training them to use them is so important. So we plan workshops on the "Cadet Profile" and the "Counselor Planner." We have workshops on using *Quest* for more than Bible topics, how to lead effective Bible discussions, work-

shops on specific merit badges, and more.

Why do we plan all these? Because we realize that the sooner new counselors understand these basic tools and how to use them, the sooner they can help boys to grow in all areas of life. So let's get to work. It's our job to provide the counselors with that knowledge. Doing this will also help relieve the anxiety that new counselors have and help them get comfortable with their role.

See the back page for a tool Corps has available to help you with this task.

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A Faithful Servant

On April 19, 2004 the Lord called home his servant Cornel Rylaarsdam, DCE and Regional Training Coordinator for the Southwest Region. Cornel had been struggling with liver cancer for about two and a half years.

He had a deep love for Cadets and was very active in the Southern California Council. Shortly after becoming a DCE in 2000, Cornel accepted the position of Regional Training Coordinator. In 2001, Cornel accompanied Bernard Teeninga, the CCC Training Coordinator, on visits throughout the Southwest Region. Cornel was always a "behind the scenes" man, part of the support team for any event or activity he became involved in. He served as council treasurer and was an integral part of the staff for the Southern California Council Field Day.

On a wider scale, he was involved in west coast camporees and international camporees. Cornel's love for Cadets and his desire to help boys is demonstrated by his wish to have a fund started to help pay for needy boys and men to experience an international camporee. Through the efforts of Cornel and his wife Arlene, the Cornel Rylaarsdam Memorial Fund has been established.



Four days before his passing, Southern California Council held its April council meeting at Cornel's home. After having a chance to visit with Cornel, they ended the evening by singing "Living for Jesus." Arlene says that singing that hymn meant a lot to Cornel as well as to the other counselors present.

It can truly be said that Cornel tried to live his life for Jesus. Now God has rewarded him by calling His faithful servant home. Cornel Rylaarsdam is living with Jesus full-time.

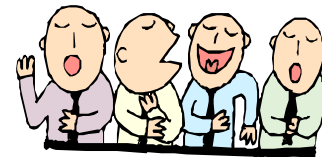


DCE Training

- Phase 3** October 14–16, 2004 in Flamborough, Ontario
Phase 2 October 28–30, 2004 in Grand Rapids, Michigan
Phase 1 March 17–19, 2005 in Flamborough, Ontario

Regional Conferences Scheduled

North Region	September 18, 2004	Rocky Mountain House, AB
Midwest Region	October 30, 2004	New Lennox, IL
N & S Central Regions	November 6, 2004	Kalamazoo, MI
Eastern Region	November 13, 2004	Toronto, ON
Northwest Region	February, 2005	To be determined



Conference Info

North and South Central Regional Conference

November 6, 2004

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Milwood CRC
3306 Lovers Lane
Kalamazoo, MI 49001

Workshop Sessions

- Small Crafts
- GPS
- First Aid
- Fishing by Kevin VanDam; professional fisherman.
- Trapping
- Fly Tying
- Rope Making
- International Camporee
- Air Gun Marksmanship
- Paintball ... The Pain, the Fear, the Fun
- Round Table Discussion
- Camporee Certification
- Nature Study
- Wild At Heart
- Pinewood Derby
- Creation vs. Evolution
- Archery
- Snowshoe Making

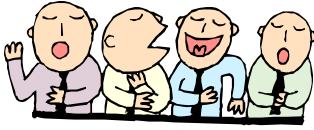
Cost : \$25 / person

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More Conference Info

Midwest Regional Conference

October 30, 2004
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
New Life Church
500 South Gougar Rd.
New Lenox, IL 60451

Workshop Sessions

- Astronomy
 - Do You Know Me?
 - Wood Carving
 - Welding
 - Bible Lessons with Purpose
 - Leadership
 - Community Service
 - Glass Etching
 - For the Birds
 - Sculpture
 - DC Electric Motors
 - Cadet-A-Pult
 - Community Service
 - Attracting Community Kids
 - Bible Lesson Basics
 - Assignment: Cadet Counselor
 - Planning Your Cadet Year
 - Money Management
 - Leadership
- There are more workshops being developed.

Schedule

7:30-8:30 Registration
 8:30-9:00 Opening remarks, devotions
 9:00-10:00 Workshop
 10:15-11:15 Workshop
 11:30-12:30 Lunch
 12:30-1:30 Workshop
 1:30-2:30 Workshop
 2:30-3:00 Closing

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Eastern Regional Conference

November 13, 2004
 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
 Toronto District Christian High School
 377 Woodbridge Ave.
 Woodbridge, ON L4L 2V7

Workshop Sessions

- C.P.R. Refresher
- C.P.R. Certification
- Stained Glass
- Fly Tying
- Teaching Preparation
- Tole Painting on a Flower Pot
- Maximizing Scripture Cards
- First Aid
- Understanding Your Computer
- Not, Naught's or is it Knots?
- Prayer
- A Man, a Boy, and Relationships
- How to Train a Righteous Disabled
- Training in Righteousness
- Balloon Art

Schedule

7:45 - 8:30 Registration
 8:30 Opening Assembly
 Workshop # 1
 Lunch
 Workshop # 2
 Workshop # 3
 3:45 Closing ceremony
 Dinner (for those who stay)

Cost : Conference — \$35 / person
 Dinner only — \$17/ person

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North Region
 September 18, 2004

The Counselors of the North Region met near Rocky Mountain House for a conference at a campground. We will report on the Conference in the next issue of DCE Connection.



One of the complaints I hear from DCEs is that there is just not enough time to develop the workshops they plan to present. The front page article talked about tools for new counselors and helping them learn how to use those tools. This requires developing workshops about those tools, which takes time ...

BUT

Did you know that the Cadet Corps has an excellent tool called *Basic Training for Cadet Counselors* already available? It's a three-ring binder containing six proven workshops. It contains overheads, worksheets

and a step by step guide to leading each workshop.

Now I don't want you to think that having *Basic Training* means you can just grab the packaged workshop material and deliver the workshop. It still takes time to go over the notes and make sure that you understand how the workshop is laid out. On the other hand, you don't need to spend time developing and refining it, hoping that it will do the job. That's all been done by others, and refined by RTCs and myself.

Basic Training is not just one workshop, but six of them! They are:

1. The Counselor's Planner
2. Getting the Most from the Cadet Profile
3. How to Lead an Effective Bible Discussion
4. How to Teach a Merit Badge You Don't Know Anything About
5. How to use *Cadet Quest* for More than Bible Topics
6. Disciplining Boys: Building the Goals of Cadeting

I'm sure your council will find *Basic Training* a valuable tool for helping new counselors understand how to use their cadeting tools effectively. Call Mary or Kathy at the Corps office and order yours today!

Price: \$100 US • \$140 CDN

Summit Info

A DCE Summit is a conference strictly for DCEs. It's a valuable and economical manner to achieve something that many DCEs have asked for — continuing education. Watch for one to come to your area this season.

North & South Central Regions

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No Summit will be planned for this year.

Eastern Region

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