

## Camp continues connecting with kids

Camp Amy Molson has introduced a new program to maintain contact with its campers throughout the year. The staff is organizing special events to bring the children, their councillors and families together, writing them letters and sending birthday cards. The idea is to strengthen the positive relationships developed at camp and to foster a sense of belonging to a positive community.

“It’s part of our preventative approach,” says **Shauna Joyce**, executive director. “These five- to 13-year olds come from disadvantaged environments where they are often subject to negative peer influences. At camp we help them to develop problem solving and conflict resolution skills. By prolonging our contact with them past camp life, we hope to add to their progress in the long term.”

Camp Amy Molson, once a Red Feather agency, was founded in 1944 by the Ladies Benevolent Society. This new program is being funded through a grant from the Foundation of Greater Montreal.