



Invitation

Summer Splash for Harvard, Wellesley and MIT Alums, Friends and Families in the Ottawa Area

August 15, 2010 1:00 – 5:30 pm

What is a splash?

- It's a child jumping in the wading pool.
- It's an ice cube dropped in a glass of punch.
- It's a sprinkler under the trampoline.
- It's a hose in the wrong hands.

As if we all need an excuse, it's time for a family-friendly get-together among the Harvard, MIT and Wellesley communities in the Ottawa area. We must be a sizeable group, yet we each probably know only a few. Some groups are active and making neat things happen in Ottawa; other folks are quietly thriving on the periphery. This event is intended to provide an opportunity for everyone to get acquainted and enjoy some summer fun.

Where: Merrickville (see directions below)

What's involved: An outdoor potluck picnic and barbecue – with lots of fun for the kids.

What you can bring: A lawn chair, something you like to drink, something to put on the potluck table, outside toys and bathing suits for your kids. (There is no swimming pool, but water will splash from sprinklers and the kiddie pool.)

Hosts: Diana and Angus MacKay plus Fae (9), Gregor (7), Neil (4) and Hal (3). Also the dogs, ducks and chickens.

No admission fee; but, registrations are strictly required. RSVP as soon as possible, no later than August 11, by email: hucottawa@post.harvard.edu. **Important:** Please indicate your phone and the name of every participant. Also kindly provide each child's age.

Directions: The village of Merrickville is approximately 1 hour from downtown Ottawa. To get there, take the 416 South to the Kemptville exit. From the off ramp, merge right onto Route 43 which will take you through two roundabouts, along the business drag of Kemptville, and through one more roundabout to continue heading in the same direction west along Route 43 for 15 minutes to Merrickville. When you arrive in Merrickville, continue straight at the flashing red light to the end of the road where you will see an outdoor hockey rink and a community centre. Turn left onto Read Street, and continue out of the village past the corner field. At the first road, turn right. This will be the Corktown Road. Go for 1.5 km until your first right-hand turn. This will be Boyd Landing Lane. It is at a sharp curve to the left in the Corktown Road and there is a cluster of mailboxes there. Turn right on Boyd Landing Lane and then half way down turn left into our driveway marked #74. It's a long gravel driveway. Come on in.