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To whom it may concern:

I came across the above mentioned article while surfing for websites about The Salvation Army's Camp Madawaska. I thought you might like to know the following information so you can update your article.

Regarding footnote 4 of the article:

-Camp Madawaska was left to The Salvation Army after the death of Garfield Weston who acquired it from a sale by the Smith family. In the 26 years that have followed the camp has been providing wilderness camping opportunities for underprivileged youth as well as providing rental facilities for family camping and retreats. "Smith's Lodge", the 103 year old log building which served as the main residence in Governor Smith's day, is currently used by school, church, and family groups who rent the facilities for retreats.

-As for the telescope that is mentioned by Timothy Smith, it is believed to have been removed by the Westons from the 32,000 acre property when they left the Camp to The Salvation Army.

As former Executive Director of Camp Madawaska for four years you can be assured that these details are accurate. One of the maintenance staff members has been working at the Camp for over 30 years and was in the employment of the Westons when they owned the property. To this day, some of the Weston family still return on occasion for a visit. Garfield Weston's youngest daughter, Hillary, is currently the Lt. Governor of the Province of Ontario. She may have further insight into what became of the telescope.

Sincerely,

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