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2007 Camp Dates

Boys Week	June 24-30	<i>“Choosing the Right God”</i>
Girls- Weeks	<i>“Road Trip....Traveling the Road that Leads to Life”</i>	
Week 1	July 1-July 7	<i>“Light Up the Sky”</i>
Week 2	July 8-14	<i>“Reality Check”</i>
Week 3	July 15-21	<i>“Submerged”</i>
Week 4	July 22-28	<i>“Wild, Wild West”</i>
Week 5	July 29-Aug. 4	<i>“Peace, Love and Bell Bottoms”</i>

“WELL BUILT STILL BUILDING”

God is amazing! A wonderfully diverse group of people gathered for our 60th anniversary/Fundraising Dinner on April 21st. Those from years past, along with those who were just being introduced to NCCC, enjoyed a walk down the “memory lane” of pictures and a DVD showing many more. The evening was emceed by KSTP news anchor, Leah McLean, who was a 2006 camp visitor when she came to do the “Iceberg” story. Sandy Vander Kooi, from Pioneer Clubs and former NCCC Director, presented us with a plaque and greetings from their headquarters.

We are thrilled to share that we met our financial goal for that evening *and* inspired new volunteers to share their time and talent with Camp Cherith. Using a donor who matched all the funds pledged, God proved faithful in providing the resources needed to complete some much needed projects this year: a covered hitching rail at the arena, a nature building, and a remodel of our “flushies” (pictures of the first two can be seen on our website). The new shower house should also be started this fall!

Special thanks go to the volunteers from Nelson Construction (Buffalo, MN) who came and built the Nature Hut in a little over 24 hours!

“Traveling the Road that Leads to Life”

I don't know about all of you...but I love a good road trip. What could be more fun? The radio blasting your favorite tunes, windows rolled down, sun on your skin, wind in your face, road snacks(fried-not-baked!)...but perhaps what I cherish most out on the open road is that I seem to be out of reach of the everyday pressures of the world we live in.

How easy it is for us to get caught up in the everyday busyness! And yet in the midst of it all, a Voice is calling us to “ride” with Him. The road may be narrow, but it is the **ONLY** road that leads to life! (Matthew 7:14)

We are getting ready for the “Road Trip” of a lifetime this camping season!! Please keep Camp Cherith in your prayers as we journey through the following weeks. Life is a highway...and there is only **ONE WAY!** (John 14:6)

So turn the music up and feel the SON-shine on your face!

All buckled up and ready to ride,
Sarah Mallett (Mooch)
Girl's Director

Daily Prayer Requests

Please keep Camp Cherith in your prayers daily this summer. Here are some specific requests to keep in mind -

Sunday—

Safe travel both for Bus to camp and parents bringing campers
Quick Registration lines
Good judgment when doing swimming tests

Monday—

Potential Homesick campers
First full day of activities
June 24-30 Rob Scott & Linette Aldrich's capable leadership for boys week.
Good first Bible Exploration with campers
Girls week - Day off for Director Sarah Mallett and Asst. Rachel Alden-Anderson

Tuesday—

Bonding time for cabins on evening cookouts
Good weather
Horsemanship/Waterfront Directors

Wednesday—

Head Cook and assistants
Safety/health
All summer staff energy and creativity
Adequate staffing for the following week (no surprise "I can't come calls!")

Thursday—

Maintenance area/minimal repairs needed
Evening All-camp activity and campfire message
Last day of skill activity classes girls week
July 12th- American Camping Association (ACA) visits to inspect us for accreditation (once every 3 years).

Friday—

Worship service at chapel
Tuck Shop weekly wrap up
Closing campfire messages that will impact camper's lives at home

Saturday—

Safe travel home for campers and one week staff
Restful day for staff staying on for another week
Good orientation for new/incoming staff
Planted seeds in campers lives would begin to grow!

Please feel free to join us in praying these Scriptures over our camp:

Psalm 91-for protection
Romans 12-over the staff
Ephesians 1:3-8, 16-23-over every camper/staff/visitor that comes to Cherith

Thank you for uniting with us in prayer. I know the Lord's favor goes before us!. As we humble ourselves and seek His will. We are confident His presence will continue to increase at Camp Cherith!

Why Kids Should Go To Camp

For years, child development specialists have referred to **emotional intelligence** as developing competencies in children---behaviors, skills and abilities that are the foundation of sound personality development (*Activities that bring forth or reinforce these competencies actually build assets in children that inoculate them against disappointments, setbacks, and losses while strengthening their self-esteem.*) This is where the true value of camping resides. It is an astute camp professional who can look at a canoeing lesson, the rehearsal of a camp play, or the conflict resolution session masquerading as a fireside chat and see the competencies that are being worked on. Suddenly archery, swimming, rock climbing, group sings, and cabin cleanup are rich with subtle lessons and become the medium for transacting the crucial work of establishing these assets or competencies.

A list of these assets may include:

- Learning to wait
- Learning to work with others
- Developing better impulse control
- Learning the art of give and take
- Developing perspective
- Learning to tolerate a greater level of frustration
- Being able to persevere
- Asking for help
- Recovering from setbacks more quickly
- Having a less inflated, more reasonable sense of self
- Learning to recognize one's own feelings
- Recognizing an emotional reaction in others
- Developing acceptable and effective ways of expressing feelings (esp. anger)
- Planning ahead
- Delaying gratification
- Balancing individual needs with those of the group or community
- Being able to access risk

These are the building blocks of emotional intelligence. Because camp is not school, the child is naturally more concentrated in the social and affective domains of development.

-From In the Trenches by Bob Ditter

Memorials

In Memory of.....

Joseph Pflieger by Joan Pflieger
Ralph Strike by Megan Strike

"Your Cherith Story"



"I remember sneaking out of the White House after everyone was asleep (following Missy Scott's leadership) and heading up to the kitchen where we ate delicious chocolate chip cookies. It was great until the next morning when we had to confess to Ruth Behn, our much esteemed and respected director what we had done! We were Ciltts at the time and were supposed to be setting a good example.

I absolutely loved songfests...in particular I enjoyed the songfests outside of the dining hall where the leaders would dress up and make us all laugh with their silly costumes and corny jokes. I am still singing..."Swimming, swimming in the swimming hole" to my son every night during his bath. Do you still sing this one? "Black socks that never get dirty....."?

My absolutely favorite event was when we got to participate in an obstacle course relay that included a canoe race. Missy and I were partners and we thought we were hot stuff paddling across the swamp at the bottom of the hill.

I loved rest time.....I especially loved playing cards (SPEED) on our bunks.

I loved Morning Watch on the Hill...sitting with the Lord, soaking in His Word while soaking in His beautiful creation!

I remember looking up to Kim K., B.O. and Lisa O.....I was so blessed to have them as role models and Godly women to follow. Their love and examples left an impression on my heart that is still with me today.

Thanks Camp Cherith.....words can't describe how much you taught me about life, friendship and faith!"

Patra S. (Pfothauer) Mueller Cilt 1984

"It was love at first sight. I went to Camp Cherith for two years as a one week volunteer. I was very impressed by the commitment of the staff and the organization of the camp. I knew immediately that I wanted more. I struggled to think of what skills I had to offer this wonderful Christ-centered place. Some time during the next year Becky called with a job offer. "Would you consider being our registrar?" It was perfect; I was thrilled! But I played it cool – "I'll think about it and get back to you." Of course, I said yes and I've been head over heels in love with Camp Cherith, my position as registrar, and my Lord ever since."

Gerri Wilson, Registrar since...mid '90's until...????

"I am the little girl who went to camp for the first time at the age of 9.
I am the little girl who asked Jesus into her heart on the bottom bunk.
I am the little girl who wanted to be just like her counselors.
I am the little girl who learned to ride a horse in the arena.
I am the little girl who learned to water ski and sail on Lake 6.
I am the little girl who grew into a Counselor, Divisional Director, and Director.
I am the woman who still returns to camp each summer.
I am the woman forever changed by Camp Cherith."



Andi (Amann) Anderson, Cilt 1990/Girls Director 2005-06



Wish List

- AA rechargeable batteries
- Power washer
- CD players
- DVD player
- Park benches
- Sturdy Wagons
- Miter saw/table saw
- Large area rugs
- Batteries (all sizes)
- Metal pop bottle caps for a craft

A Little Mom-Daughter "Togetherness"

Fall Mother-Daughter Weekend
September 21-23

Craving a little "togetherness" with your mom or daughter? Then come to Cherith's Fall Mother-Daughter Weekend. We'll supply fun activities, spiritual reflection, and (of course) time to relax. Meanwhile, God will supply a breathtaking panorama of peak fall colors. Our theme is "Journeys: Traveling Along God's Chosen Path." Come explore the incredible journey God has in store for you. (see enclosed brochure)

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