



# CHERITH® CHATTER

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Please Join Us



GOD'S GOOD

LET'S CELEBRATE

## Benefit Dinner for Camp Cherith

PLEASE JOIN US IN CELEBRATING GOD'S AMAZING WORK!

SATURDAY APRIL 19, 2008 • 6PM  
ROSEVILLE COVENANT CHURCH  
\$15 PER PERSON

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## 2008 Camp Dates

Boys Week: <i>Mayday! Mayday!</i>	June 22-28
Spiritual Theme " <b><i>Consider the Cost</i></b> "	
Girls Week 1: <i>Happy, Happy Birthday</i>	June 29 - July 5
Girls Week 2: <i>Sing Like No One's Listening</i>	July 6-12
Girls Week 3: <i>Cannon Ball!</i>	July 13-19
Girls Week 4: <i>Cowgirl Up!</i>	July 20-26
Girls Week 5: <i>Slumber Party</i>	July 27 - August 2
Mother / Daughter Weekend	September 19-21

## Staff Needed

Please pray about how God would like you to serve at Camp Cherith this summer! We need lots of key people at our waterfront, with our horsemanship program, in our kitchen, maintaining/cleaning our site, leading activities, and in our Tuck shop. Counselors for both boys and girls weeks for all ages are needed. Call Sarah 612-269-1329, Rob 651-765-0809, or Becky for an application or to chat about a position.

## The Biggest Loser

There's not a night of TV that you can't find one of the latest reality shows on. What theme will they use next to suck in a captive audience week after week? One that caught my attention recently, was *The Biggest Loser*, a show themed around a race to see who can lose the most weight...talk about becoming vulnerable in front of all of America. Get on a scale for all to see...umm no thanks!

So did you know we're all stars on the "Christian" version of *The Biggest Loser*...now hold on before you put down that bowl of ice cream...it has nothing to do with losing pounds...but something a lot harder to lose. Jesus says in Luke 9:23-24, "***If any of you wants to be my follower, you must turn from your selfish ways, take up your cross daily, and follow me. If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it.***" In a world where it's so easy to get wrapped up in an "it's all about me" mentality, it can be one of the hardest things to lose, to freely give up, "our lives". After all, it's *my freedom*, it's *my fun*, it's *my money*, it's my time, it's my *stuff*, it's *my selfish ways*. This summer, our theme is ***Consider the Cost***, we'll be taking a closer look at what exactly Christ wants us to "lose" so that our lives can be used by Him to captivate an audience made up of those in our everyday lives who are desperate to see His love. So whether you'll be joining us as a staff member or camper... get ready for an exciting summer of losing it all (while still eating plenty of s'mores)...and hanging out with some "big losers" Hope to see you soon!

Working on "*losing it*" daily,  
Sarah Ann Mallett (Mooch)  
Girl's Director

## Work Weekends

The snow has been melting at camp and we need you and your family to join us in getting the place ready for another great summer!

We will be having a couple of major weekends this year—May 23-26 (Memorial Day weekend-come any or all of it!) and June 6-8.

Projects include building benches on the Nature hut deck, rebuilding the Waterfront shed that got smashed by a big oak tree last fall, building a boardwalk to the boat dock, painting the staff house and Nite O Rest, giving the Tuck shop a makeover, and many other smaller projects for skilled and unskilled hands.

You provide the labor and we'll provide the meals and lodging! There is always a campfire or two to roast a few marshmallows at each weekend.

Contact Becky Nelson at [bonccc@aol.com](mailto:bonccc@aol.com) or 952-884-1451 to make arrangements to join us.

## Need Camp info?

Need another brochure, staff application, or a promotion at your church? Give Becky a call at 952-884-1451 or e-mail her at [bonccc@aol.com](mailto:bonccc@aol.com)

## MayDay... MayDay!!



Boys week is gearing up. The activities are being planned, counselors, new and old, are being found, and I am getting pumped up to be the evil one for our all camp activity. Our theme this year is "Mayday, Mayday!" You'll be calling that out a few times during the all camp. If you think Darth Vader was tough - you just wait until this summer! OOOOOHHHHHHH YAAAAAATAAAAAA!

Our theme verse comes from Psalms 121 "I lift up my eyes to the hills. Where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth." Are you ready to stop trying to figure out life on your own? Are you ready to look to God for help and wisdom. He is ready to give you the wisdom you need for life. Come to camp ready to learn what it means to cry out to God - "Mayday, Mayday." It will change your life!

Boy Director – Rob Scott

## Lund Scholarship Fund

Each year there are many children who hope to attend Camp Cherith, but their family financial situation makes it impossible. Last year several scholarships helped children who could not have attended camp otherwise. Where does that money come from? Generous friends like you. The cost of one week of Camp Cherith in 2008 is \$280. If you would like to help out these families, donations can be sent to Mike Bischof 17585 Illinois Ct., Lakeville, MN 55044



Correction—Travis Strike was missed in the 2007 Built Graduate list last fall.

## Connections



- On January 29, 2008, Mel Mattson, long time board member in the 1980's passed away. Mel's fingerprints are all over North Central Camp Cherith. Major contributions include the Log Tack House which he and others cut down, debarked, and hauled the trees to the site for construction over about a 3-4 year span in the '80's; the Tuck shop patio and roof, the Flushies in 1990, and the Foundation and deck for the TB building. Mel was a picture of strength to all of us who knew and loved him. He was also a picture of God's love and sacrifice as he shared his love for the Lord and his desire to see each and every camper come to know Christ at Camp Cherith by doing his part to make camp better and better for the campers (flushies were a pretty big deal you know!)
- Ken Wald (staff member in 1980's) went to be with the Lord after a long battle with cancer on Nov. 22, 2007. He is missed by wife, Rose (Past Committee member) and daughters Cindy and Christy (past campers).
- Gage Robert was born to Melissa Scott-Phillips (Cilt 1984) and husband, Rick
- Continue to pray for Ryan Marks (Built 2005) as he serves in Iraq

## Easy fundraising

- Don't forget you can help raise funds for Camp Cherith by using [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) as your search engine. Just indicate North Central Camp Cherith as your charity. NCCC received over \$150 for your searching/surfing last fall.
- Shop online at [www.schoolpop.com](http://www.schoolpop.com) by registering using 130529 and a percentage will be donated to North Central Camp Cherith.
- Matching gifts—Check with your employer and see if your donation can be doubled with a matching gift. Many employers just have a form that you can send us to fill out and increase your donation power.
- Thanks to those of you who are already donating through the United Way!
- Next time the United Way campaign rolls around at work in your community, just write North Central Camp Cherith as your choice on the list.

## Memorials

In memory of ....  
Mel Mattson by Doug and Becky Nelson  
Kris Frost by Ruby Sher  
Viola Braun by George Braun  
Patty by Lynda Hoffman  
Ken Wald by Rose Wald  
Ray Lanners by Jacque Blaine  
Joseph Pflighaar by Joan Pflighaar  
Myron Bunkowske by Scott and Margi Gilles

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**Phonathon Pledge Results**  
**\$23,135**

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## Wish List

Attention 3M employees – we could really use lots of masking, scotch, duct & painters tape.



Mini Van  
Power washer  
Park benches  
Laundry detergent,  
Large area rugs

Free time items –  
Fun self-directed activities for outside like:  
Sling catch type games  
Juggling rings  
Luna stix  
Diabolos,  
Cup stacking cups, etc.

Nature Hut items –  
Binoculars  
Lots of field nets & water nets to catch fun stuff  
Skins/furs/hoofs/antlers/mounts of animals  
Posters

Wanted for Tuck Shop –  
New or gently used CD's of Contemporary  
Christian Artists to give or sell for a minimal  
amount to campers.

If you can help out with any of these items, contact  
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