



CHRISTIAN HARBOR CAMP NEWS

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MANAGER'S REPORT

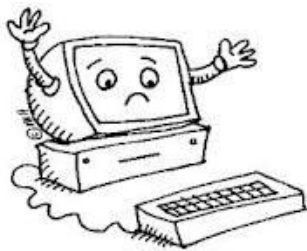
It has been said that Christian camps have led more people to the Lord than any of the other para-church ministries. Time and time again we have been blessed to hear the testimonies of the impact Christian Harbor Youth Camp has had in the lives of campers during the past 50 plus years. Thus we press on in our commitment of providing a camping experience where campers are drawn into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

The blessing of God in the form of your prayers, sacrificial giving and many volunteers is the heart and soul of this ministry. On behalf of our campers, those who serve on the board of directors, our faculty and staff, we salute you and give thanks and praise to God for your faithful support.

The 2011 camping season, as you know, began with a weekend canoe trip the latter part of May and continued with weekly activities, along with several special events until Labor Day. We anticipate a similar schedule for the coming season.

We are now in the process of hiring our summer staff, visiting our churches, and working on the lodge addition as we look forward to what God has in store for Christian Harbor Youth Camp in 2012

Russ and Rebecca
CHYC Management



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CAMP COUNSELORS

This past year was our first year to have hired camp counselors to help in the cabins and work with the deans. We feel it was a great success. Sarah Coggins and Lee Chepil were here this year and did a great job. During the weeks that the camp was rented to other groups

they helped with painting and other maintenance on the campground. It is getting harder to get volunteers to spend a week at camp in the cabins and working with the deans so the hired counselors helped to fill that need. We will be looking for mature, college aged young people to serve with us as counselors in this coming year.



CAMP MAINTENANCE

There is always work to do to keep the campground and buildings in good shape. Several projects for this coming year include:

- Painting of a couple of the girl's cabins
- Creating better lighting in the chapel
- New shingles on a couple of the cabins
- Putting handicap stools and handbars in both men's and women's sides of the bath house
- Always yard work to do

If your church or group would like to take on the cost of the work or doing any of the above jobs just let us know. They could be done in the spring.

HERE'S WHAT ONE CAMPER HAD TO SAY ABOUT CHYC:

Whoa, fun in the sun 2012...

You know you want to go!!!

Hey, Hey, Hey! ATTENTION kids of all ages! Are you looking for an awesome, fun and God filled adventure to do this summer or just looking to seek Jesus more! Come to Christian Harbor. There's everything from mini golf, a rockin' ropes course, swimming in the beautiful lake and, of course, chapel time. I promise if you go this summer you will have an amazing time. Every year that I go I always meet new friends, and one of the highlights of my week and what I'm always excited for is throwing kids in the lake...their face is so funny to watch. Just go to www.chyonline.org and sign up for your week! Now I'm not joking, go sign up right now, really go now, you will not regret it!!!!

From a fellow camper, Sami Dresen



Frost Wall Poured

FROM OUR WATERFRONT DIRECTOR

Top 10 reasons to come to CHYC

- 10) It's fun
- 9) Enjoy the great outdoors
- 8) Meet new people
- 7) See old friends
- 6) Connect with people your age
- 5) Experience great opportunities
- 4) Watch people transform
- 3) Amazing food
- 2) Read God's Word and reflect upon it
- 1) Make a personal relationship with God

There are so many different reasons to come to Christian Harbor Youth Camp! Seriously! The reasons listed are only the top ten. There are games, activities, worship, songs, campfire and so much more! Did I mention Rebecca makes AMAZING Macaroni and Cheese?! Well, now you know! What you don't know is what you're missing out on! I've gone to camp for many years, and I loved it so much I decided to work there! I lifeguard and this year I am waterfront director, so if you come you get to enjoy the wonderful Lake Holcombe and the beauty God has made.

Camp is an amazing, life changing week of experience and opportunity that will definitely be with you for the rest of your life. You'll gain new friends, make tons of memories, and overall create a personal bond with the One that created you—God

God Bless, Karansa Franzen

CHECK THE CAMP CALENDAR CAREFULLY!!

Some important changes were made this year. The 6th & 7th grade camp has been split with 6th grade going with the 4th & 5th and 7th grade going with the 8th and 9th. This was decided at our last board meeting.

There were a couple of reasons for this: First, it is hard for our deans to get faculty who will commit to a week of camp. This will eliminate one week so those that do volunteer can possibly only work one week instead of multiple weeks.

Second, our camp is able to handle 96 campers and staff in the cabins. We normally only have 30—60 campers at each week so all of the cabins are not used. Having more campers at each week will make better use of our facilities but also increase the activity level making it more fun for the campers.

Third, this will free up a week for a possible rental group.

This change will be reviewed at the board meeting following our summer camps and comments would be welcome.



We thank you for your interest in Christian Harbor Youth Camp as a camper, a parent or a donor. Christian Harbor could not exist if it were not for you.

We wish you a joyous Christmas and a blessed New Year.



**FROM OUR PROGRAM DIRECTOR
Jeremy Allard**

- Can you still hear the bell ringing for canteen?
- Can you still smell the smoke lifting off of the campfire?
- Can you still feel your heart beating from that wonderful time of worship?
- Can you still remember the speaker's challenge for the week?
- Can you still see the beautiful sunset on the lake?

Some things might seem so far away when we are stuck inside during the winter, but I have great news for you: Camp isn't very far away! In fact it is coming and it is going to be great! This year we have a great line up of deans, which means camp is going to be something special that you won't want to miss. So, take this newsletter and get out your new 2012 calendar and reserve the dates for your camp next year. Look carefully as some of the dates and grade combinations might be different from this past year. See you soon!



The addition is enclosed

**PROGRESS ON THE
LODGE ADDITION**

Here is what has been done: all permits have been secured, the old septic system has been removed, the foot and frost wall is complete, framing (exterior walls sheeted and wrapped with tyvek, roof sheeted and covered with fabric) and the rough in plumbing has been installed.

The first part of January the floor is scheduled to be poured and then the framing of the interior walls, wiring, more plumbing, windows, doors, siding and steel roof will be done, installation of the new septic system, landscaping etc. It is our plan to have the addition ready for use for the 2012 camping season.

We continue to work toward our goal of being "Debt Free in Three." At this point we have received a little more than 1/3 of the estimated cost in gifts in addition to three year commitments. The process of securing financing for the balance is in progress with the intention of liquidating the loan in the next two years.

The addition will include the nurse's station, handicapped bathrooms, canteen, office and utility room.

Our thanks to churches and individuals who have given generously to the building fund enabling us to get off to a great start. It is our prayer that such support will continue, that others will join us and that the ministry of CHYC will be significantly enhanced as a result.

DONATIONS APPRECIATED

You can donate by check or through Pay Pal. Send donations to our treasurer, Maria Stone, 10520 24th Ave., Eau Claire, WI 54703 or to the camp at 28110 264th St., Holcombe, WI 54745. All donations are appreciated from \$1.00 to \$1,000.

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CAMP DATES FOR 2012

Mark your calendar for the following dates next year and plan to be at Christian Harbor sometime during the summer.

June 1—3	Work weekend and God's Great Outdoors fishing event
June 4—9	Staff Training
June 10—16	Grades 7, 8, & 9
June 17—22	Grades 4, 5 & 6
June 24—30	Grades 10, 11, & 12
July 1—7	Teen Serve
July 8—12	Open for rental
July 13—15	Burch reunion
July 15—20	Teen Serve
July 21	Car Show
July 22—28	Wackernheimer reunion
July 29—August 1	Grades 2 & 3
August 1	Teddy Bear
August 3—5	Ladies Retreat
August 9—12	Family Camp
August 16—19	Miller Reunion
August 24—26	Empty Nesters
August 31—Sept. 3	AA

There is one week open in July and open dates in September if you would like to plan a family reunion, small group activity or church picnic
Give us a call.



CAMP BOARD MEETING

The next camp board meeting will be held at West Lima on Saturday, January 21, 2012 at 10.00 in the morning. We encourage each member church to send a delegate to the meeting

CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

We are thankful for those churches that help pay the registration fee for their youth. The board tries to keep the cost of registration low so that all can afford to come. The camp has a scholarship fund that is available for those who need help in order to come. If you would like to contribute to that fund, and in turn contribute to a young person who might not otherwise be able to come, you can send that donation to the camp, marked for "scholarship."



SPRING CLEANING

We will definitely have a spring cleaning day for the kitchen and dining hall in May. With the construction of the addition the dining hall is full of construction material and everything will need to be cleaned. An e-mail will be sent out the first part of May letting you know when you will be needed.