



Camp Chippewa Smoke Signals

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Conference Director of Camping Ministries - Rev. Howard Sudduth

On behalf of Camp Chippewa, I would like to extend our sincere thanks to the many volunteers and wonderful staff for making this camp a success. And of course, thanks to the amazing children without whom this camp would not be possible. We would like to thank everyone for supporting the "Bridges of the Future" we have refurbished two of our cabins which helps make our camp more of a vital part of all adult and children's lives through this capital campaign. Early in the year of 2010 we will be looking for health workers, core counselors, life guard's, kitchen help, maintenance workers and other camp support staff (volunteers). Working at Camp Chippewa is a fun way to share your teaching and leadership skills, spend time outdoors in the beautiful Chippewa hills and make a difference in kid's lives. We believe that quality camp experiences help children develop spiritually, physically and emotionally. Our facilities are available for camps, conference, retreats, seminars, meetings, family retreats or reunions and more! Our year-round staff administrative staff is an amazing team of hard workers who ensure us that the buildings, grounds, animals for Camp Chippewa are well maintained, improved, prepared for camping and delicious meals. Our Theme and Curriculum this year is "Be A Hero... Living Like Jesus" We would like to wish everyone "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Come and enjoy, this is where "Faith and Fun" comes together.

Blessings,
Rev. Howard L. Sudduth
Director of Camping Ministries



Our 2010 Summer Brochure is coming January 1st. New Camp opportunities for all ages! Watch your mailboxes, and our web site for all the information needed to register. See you at Camp!!!

Merry Christmas
and Best wishes in the New Year!
From All of us at Camp Chippewa



New Chairperson, Camping Ministries Area Team -- Pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church, Parsons -- Rev. Paul Wolf

Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! My name is Paul Wolf and I am the new chair of C.M.A.T. Believe me, it is an honor and a privilege to work with Howard and Brenda and Becky and Clancy and all the dedicated, hard-working members of this Conference Team. Camping Ministry is near and dear to my heart, and I've experienced first-hand the blessing of God's transforming Presence in the breathtaking beauty of the trees, the trails, the waters, the grounds and the wildlife of Camp Chippewa. I've seen kids open up the wounds of their hearts in a safe and sacred setting, and receive the healing touch of God through the care and compassion of their counselors and small groups. God is at work, transforming, renewing, healing, restoring and inspiring campers and retreatants throughout the year in this holy place. Every year more people discover the joy that is Chippewa! Have you been to Camp Chippewa lately? Have you been to Camp Chippewa.....ever? It's time!

Your faithful giving to the 'Bridges' campaign makes this an exhilarating time to be involved with Camp Chippewa, its outdoor ministries, and year round retreat facilities. We thank you for supporting the capital campaign. Yet, like every area team in the Kansas East Conference, we've been asked to tighten our operating budget and make cuts wherever possible. It occurred to us that it might be helpful to publish a wish list. It certainly wouldn't hurt, and maybe churches, individuals or even districts might lend a hand in finding some items we need for the coming year. People from every walk of life are United Methodists in Kansas and our Connection may be the key that helps us continue providing excellent fun and faith-filled camping experiences during an economic down time, by the grace of God, with your help.

It's Christmas! How about shopping for something for Camp Chippewa? Something specific. Becky Moore put together a list of things we could really use. Pray about it! Let us know. We've got lots of trees to store presents under that will bless hundreds of children here!

Facility Equipment:

New or ('05 or newer) Used 1/2 to 3/4 Ton 4 Wheel Drive Pickup
Bumper pull Small utility trailer
Weather radio
Need - A E D defibrillator (new)
New Hand Radio System
12" Floor Buffer

Food Service items:

1/4, 1/2 or whole Beef
#10 Canned Food products
New skillets - 3 (10" to 12")
7" commercial grade Meat Slicer
New Counter top Cabinetry in Dining Hall

Program Items:

Campfire roasting sticks (20)
Campfire griddles (3)
New pedestal fans or small window fans
New Fishing Poles w/reels (Zebco 202) (12)
Marshmallows (all flavors)
4 - CD players
Fabric Markers
4' X 5' White Boards(4)(Dry erase)

Office Items:

1/3 tab file folders (3 reams - 1500 folders)
Lexmark Ink cartridges #36 - #37 - #32 - #33

Around the Grounds with Clancy -



We bring to a close another year at Camp Chippewa, and look forward to the ever changing New Year to come!! I would like to take this time to thank all those folks that have shared their time, support, and prayers with Camp Chippewa in 2009. Your help is a vital part to the programs, and the facility, "Thank You".

The current Bridges to the Future project here at Camp Chippewa, is the renovation of Munsee/South Cabin. The new exterior siding, sheet rock, and electrical upgrade are almost finished, with flooring, cabinetry, and fixtures to come next. We may have to make an adjustment to when it will be available for use, as the weather has placed some of the deliveries of material a little behind schedule. We will keep you updated as best we can.

Winter is hard on everything imaginable, vehicles, livestock, equipment, roads, buildings, souls, and hope. Let the warmth that comes with the celebration of Jesus' Birthday, keep your spirit alive, and know that God is with you each day and into the New Year.

Merry Christmas

Till Next Time ... See ya at Camp!

Clancy Moore, Site Director

GUEST GROUP CALENDAR CAMP CHIPPEWA

(* Groups tentatively scheduled waiting on deposits)

January	9 -10 - Boy Scout Troop #74 *21- KEC Worship Planning Team University 22-24 - CCYM Spiritual life Retreat 29-31 - Fort Osage Church of the Nazarene
February	6 - Camping Ministry Area Team 9:30am to 12:00pm *5 - 6 - UM Hispanic Ministry *Baker University
March	* 26-27 - Edgerton UMYF *5 -6 - CCYM Confirmation Retreat *26 - Site Staff CPR/1 st Aid renewal
April	*10 th & 17 th - Spring Cleanup Work Day- *10 -11 - Lenexa UMC 16 -17 - Roeland Park UMM *Life Springs Church *23 -24 - Lenexa St. Paul UMC
May	25 th - Soup & Salad Sunday for Scholarships!!! (12:30pm to 3:30pm.) 1 - Camping Ministry Area Team 8 - Volunteer Counselor Orientation & S & S Training

**There are still many spring dates available to group use...just call the Camp Office today to schedule your Retreat at Camp Chippewa!
785-242-6797 or office@campchippewa.org**

Conference Director of Student Ministries -Program Director of Camp Chippewa - †††

Brenda Davids

Do you have any heroes in your life? One of my heroes is my dad. We grew up in the country and when it is cold like it is right now, we had to go with him to cut firewood to heat our house. My sister and I would moan and complain about going out in the cold weather to cut firewood but my dad would make us go. I thought it was really cruel at the time but the funny thing is, we always had a great time cutting wood with my dad. We would start a fire with the brush and make a game out of stacking the wood in the pickup and Mom always had hot cocoa ready for us when we got back to the house to unload our firewood. I learned a lot about doing what you are told, working hard, and the satisfaction of getting a job done by cutting wood. I thank my dad for that.

Our curriculum this summer is about heroes. Maybe your parents or guardians make you come to camp. But even the kids that are made to come to camp end up having a good time here. I've seen the change occur as they enjoy the outdoors and play at the pool. I love Camp Chippewa so much that I can't imagine not wanting to come here - but maybe that is you. I ask you to reconsider your attitude about camp. Sometimes there are things in life that don't seem fun or important at the time, but they are. I think camping at Camp Chippewa is like that. Lots of things happen when we spend the week together learning about God and our role in the relationship we have with God. Sometimes we don't even know how it impacts us until later.

I have a friend that has a sign in his house that says "Firewood warms you twice. Once when you cut it and once when you burn it." Camping is like that -it's fun when we do it (even if we didn't want to come) and it's important to us later as we continue our walk with God. Come to camp this summer and we'll burn some firewood—and I promise you won't have to go cut it—just come and enjoy the warmth of the campfire. See you soon and don't forget to bring a story about your hero to share at camp.

Brenda Davids

Christmas Cookies From Doris Dehn -

1 Box of Pillsbury Angel food cake mix,
3/4 cup of Jelly (your choice) and mini chocolate chips. Mix, and drop by tsp. full on parchment paper and bake.



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