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What's Happening at SMBC!

By Mark Williams

The work on the cabin and pool continue in addition to the normal repairs and upkeep that occur in the off season of camp. The weather has been rather bad this Winter and slowed the progress of some of these projects but we are still planning to have camp ready for the Summer. We have a lot of work to do and we are doing all we can to make sure both are ready for camp. We need some support if you can help. Please contact Jerry if you could have a group come and work. We could also use any donations for the construction.

We have an exciting event planned for 5/22/10 starting at 10:00am. We will have the dedication of the New Boy's Cabin and the Pool. We will have lunch and a devotional together. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by 5/8/10. You can call me directly at 931-581-5013 or e-mail camp at smbchome@dtccom.net with "5/22" as the subject line. The cost will be \$7 per person. Please announce this at your congregation. We would love to have a huge turn out to get everyone excited about the camp.

The upstairs of the cabin will be dedicated to the memory of Joel McGee. Joel was on the Summer staff at SMBC for several years. Joel passed away following a motorcycle accident.

The downstairs of the cabin will be dedicated to Gerald Denton. Gerald Denton left a trust fund under the oversight of the Doyle Church of Christ. That trust fund has provided substantial support for the cabin construction.

The Summer Schedule for 2010

The Summer camp schedule for 2010 has been set. We are glad to announce that the camp rates for 2010 are the same as 2009. The cost to attend camp is \$150 for the first camper and there is a \$25 discount for campers from the same family. There is a \$25 late fee if you do not register 2 weeks prior to the beginning of the week of camp you plan to attend.

SMBC 2010

Maury County 1	May30-June 4
Maury County 2	June 6-June 11
Hardin County	June 13-June 18
Putnam County	June 20-June 25
West Nashville	June 27-July 2
Una	July 4-July 9
Cannon County	July 11-July16
Coffee County	July 18-July 23
Warren/White Co.	July 25-July 30

It is our desire to allow anyone who wants to attend Summer Camp be allowed to come. From time to time there are those who cannot afford to attend camp. If you would like to sponsor someone to attend camp by paying their camp fee, please contact Jerry Nash at camp. There are already those who need a sponsor. Please help if you can.



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Accompanying the Echo by e-mail there are instructions (Ultracamp Guide Letter 2010.pdf) as a reminder how to register for camp using the online registration. Remember there is a \$10 fee for registering using a paper copy of the application.

A Note From The President of the Board

By Steve Lynn

I wanted to let you know about what is going on at camp. The cabin is looking fantastic and it is really taking shape. Bybee Branch installed the roof. The electrical rough in is completed and the plumbing is underway. We feel confident the cabin will be ready for camp. The pool house work is under way and all is looking good. Both facilities should have an enormous impact on the camp. These projects exhibit the foresight and the willingness to work toward a common goal by the board of directors. It hasn't been easy getting to the point we are now. There still may be some rough waters ahead but I have faith that the Lord will see us through and we can be successful in our endeavors. Please keep the work at SMBC in your prayers.

SMBC Camp Rewind

by Mark Williams

You have one more chance to become closer to God, while enjoying the beauty of the mountain. We are planning the 1st annual SMBC Camp Rewind. Last year we didn't get to publicize the event that well, found there were several conflicts and we would like to try again this year. We are inviting anyone 12 years old and up to come back to camp Oct. 2-3. This is an opportunity to meet with those from other weeks and enjoy fellowship and fun together one more time. The website will have the registration information for this Rewind in May and a schedule of events will be available in the June Echo. Make your plans to attend now.

HELP IS NEEDED!

by Mark Williams

Short Mountain Bible Camp is a not-for-profit organization that is funded solely by camp fees, church support, and individual donations. The increases in costs that you incur at your home are also increasing for the camp. Insurance, food prices, energy prices, and the costs for supplies to maintain the camp are ever on the increase.

We are able to provide a week of camp for less than most other camps in our area and still are able to make preparations to expand and improve our facilities. ~66% of the revenue for camp comes from camper fees. ~12% of the revenue comes from church support. We were able to keep the same camp fees this year but we need more church support to reduce the impact of these rising costs. Many say they would like to see better facilities at our camp and so would we. We need your support and your home congregation's support to do this.



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In this Echo and previous Echo's and through mailings to congregations we have expressed the need again and again for help financially and rarely received any response. The Board of Directors is pressing forward to complete the projects that are ongoing at camp. We have been required to borrow \$39,990 to help complete these projects. We expect to need additional funds to finalize the construction of the new additions to camp. We truly need support from every Christian and Congregation that are touched by the work that goes on spreading the gospel and encouraging young people to remain faithful.

In a book called "The Gospel According to Generation "X,"" faithful Gen. X'rs were asked to list the Top 10 things that helped them remain faithful to their church. Summer Bible Camp was rated as #2 behind Mission trips. Many consider camp to be just "camp." But the impact we have on the live's of young people is enormous. Extended stay experiences focusing on God's word will provide a positive experience for your children. Sending your child to Bible Camp will not guarantee they will remain faithful. It was impactful for my life and I am dedicated to the work.

I cannot write a check to pay off the \$39,990 loan personally or I would and I know you probably can't either. Please consider writing a check for \$20, \$50, or \$100. This Echo will reach approximately 1000 people. If we all wrote a check for \$50, we could pay off the loan and come close to paying for the remainder of the construction. Please don't ignore this request. Please help!