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“WHAT’S HAPPENING”, YOU ASK?

There has been a lot going on at Horton Haven this winter and spring with general maintenance and repairs as buildings age.

The Fernwood Lodge has seen some significant repair and upkeep. A new roof structure was added over the back deck of the Lodge when damage was found to the exterior wall of the health center. Water had been coming down from the deck above. The plywood underneath the siding and structural lumber had to be replaced as well as minor sheetrock repair inside. The roof over the deck was constructed to repair damage and prevent further water encroachment. Someone has already donated some nice outdoor rugs and furniture for the deck. All lodge rooms and health center have been freshly painted and all that remains are the common areas. The existing roof on the lodge and well as the office and bathhouse roofs have been replaced.

New Pergo flooring was put down in the living room of the Maple Cottage. Several leaks, and damage to floors in the camp trailer, has all been repaired and carpet replaced.

The pesky woodpeckers have been at it again and damage to polls at the High Adventure Area

was repaired. This year the equipment we use is at the end of its life cycle and we are replacing all of our harnesses, helmets and crab claws. We are also now required to be inspected and permitted under the state of Tennessee. We have previously been inspected annually by the company that installed the High Adventure Area.

While all of these repairs and upkeep are going on we will continue to host 9 rental groups through the end of May as well as the 5K Trail Trek and Father/Son Canoe trip. We are in full swing with camp preparations. Registrations are pouring in daily, CORE staff has been selected, and we have a Health Care Director and a Lifeguard, but are still looking for a Wrangler.

There is still much to do so if you find yourself available one day to come out and help, just give us a call.

This is HIS work and we are humbled to be HIS servants. We are praying that the summer of 2016 will see many come to a saving knowledge of the Savior and give honor and glory to our Lord!

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SPRING RETREAT

For every kid who spends their summers at camp, the winter months bring a longing for those sunny, school-free weeks filled with fun. Though it's nearly impossible to fit a whole week of activities into two days, this year's Spring Retreat was about as close as you can get! Directed by CORE Staff alumni Mark Moore, the weekend started off on Friday night with mixer games, followed by snack time, during which the teens were able to catch-up with each other. After a good night's rest, some of the teens enjoyed a Saturday of games such as ultimate frisbee, dodgeball, and a game of "Six Square in the Air" that lasted nearly two hours. For others, the day was spent relaxing, lounging in enos and enjoying each other's company. During the mornings and evening, the teens spent time in worship and were enlightened by Tony Meyer's messages from the book of Isaiah. When asked how they felt about the retreat, the teens and staff only had good words to share:

"I made so many new friends and grew closer to God!" - Michalea Shofner, camper

"A fantastic time with fantastic people in a fantastic place." - Danny Sunstein, cabin leader

"10/10." - Brian Gardner, camper



WOMEN'S WEEKEND AWAY

We had a wonderful Women's Weekend Away with 57 in attendance, despite conflicting with the homeschool convention this year, and 15 last minute cancellations due to illness, family death and surgery.

Our theme was "God's Provision, Our Dependence ...a bird's eye view of Psalm 127. Adria Warner from Texas spoke on our need to depend on our Savior, not ourselves. We are all busy building something, a marriage, a family, a business, a ministry. So often our pride gets in the way and we try to do it on our own and we fail. God is our architect and we must depend on Him.

We enjoyed breakouts on marriage and family, briar stitching for baby blankets, reverse glass painting, floral headbands, needle felted nests, and intro to Essential Oils, and just enjoying one another's fellowship.

I think I'll just sum up the weekend with a few quotes from some of those in attendance.

"I enjoyed myself greatly here. I loved the speaker and crafts. I am definitely coming back next year." ~Rachel

"I believe this was one of the best weekends I have ever had! Sharing Jesus and being around other Christians, I have thoroughly enjoyed it and hope to come back next year!" ~Raquel

"I loved the music selection and Adria is my favorite speaker. I also loved the essential oils breakout session and the marriage one. This was the best one yet!" ~Kim

"Wonderful!! Thank you!" ~ Vicki



HOW CAN I HELP?

This is something we get asked all the time. We need people who can give of their time to come out and volunteer, people that are able to help financially, and people that can pray.

Until camp starts, we can always use people to volunteer for a day to do some mowing and work in flower beds as well as other odd jobs that don't require specific skills.

For the summer we need weekly cooks, assistant cooks, nurses, maintenance/project help, cabin leaders, and at-home prayer warriors.

We are in need of people who are able to give financially to the camper scholarship fund. We have right around 100 requests for assistance each year. Also, if you know of any children that would benefit from a week of camp, please send them our way.

And last and most importantly, we need prayer warriors. Pray for boys and girls to come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, for protection from evil, for safety in all areas of the camp, for endurance for the staff and unity. If you would like to be placed on the "at home prayer warrior" email please let us know. We ask that you pray an hour each day for the camp, staff and campers. We send out an email the beginning of each week during the summer with staff and camper rosters. Then we will send several emails throughout the week with specific needs.

We are working together for HIS Kingdom!



Prayer & Praise

Pray For

- 5K Trailtrek
- Father/Son Canoe Trip
- 2016 Core and Teen staff
- Resident Staff families
- Need for a summer wrangler
- Campers attending this summer
- Our God to have all the Glory!

Praise Him For

- Funds to replace the roof on the lodge, office and bathhouse
- Funds to build a new roof structure over the back deck of the lodge
- Providing a summer lifeguard
- Providing a Health Care Director
- SOWERS during April and May

Financial Update

General Op. Fund	\$12,566
Capital Fund	\$191,174
Core Staff	\$0.00
Camper Scholarships	\$176.00

Most Wanted List

- 2 new commercial vacuums with on board attachments
- Kirby G series vacuum-can be used
- Oscillating drum sander
- Bench top band saw
- 6ft. or 8 ft. lightweight folding tables

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TrailTREK

5K RUN / 3K WALK • HORTON HAVEN CHRISTIAN CAMP

Upcoming Events

5K Trailtrek

May 7th – 8 am

Cost: \$25

Race will start promptly at 8 am

Arrive at camp by 7:30 am

100% of fee goes to camper scholarship fund

Register online

Father/Son Canoe Trip

Father Son Canoe Trip

May 13-14

Begins 7 pm Friday (No supper)

Cost: \$15 Program Fee + lodging

This weekend will go on rain or shine

Register online



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Haven Christian Camp
is to create a camp
environment where people
can come to know and
follow Jesus Christ.