

Camp Wyoming Chronicle

“ON OUR WAY” THE CAMP WYOMING SUMMER CAMP EXPERIENCE

Summer camp is a wonderful place for young people to grow in their independence and enjoy the fellowship of other Christians. Campers experience the joy of creek stomping, playing outdoor games, sleeping under the stars, and participating in the Christwalk.

Our theme this summer was “On our way” which focused on each camper’s faith journey. Campers discussed how their journey was ongoing and changing as they strived to grow more fully into God’s intention for humanity. Camp offered them a place to clearly see their faith in action.

Matthew 28: 16-20

“Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

We had 733 campers attend Camp Wyoming this summer. This was a 6% increase from last summer. The following is a breakdown of the top 10 churches that sent youth to Camp:

<u>Town</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Campers</u>	<u>Membership</u>
Iowa City	St. Andrew Pres	28	1076
Wilton	First Pres	24	250
Williamsburg	First Pres	17	341
Oskaloosa	First Pres	16	180
Baraboo	First Pres	16	367
Cedar Rapids	Westminster Pres	16	865
Bellevue	First Pres	14	129
West Liberty	First Church United	14	123
Marion	Marion Pres	13	593
Wapello	First Pres	13	159



The Swinging Bridge is always popular with campers and staff alike!

Christian Education Workshop

September 27, 2007 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

\$25.00 (lunch included)

Register: campwyoming.net

Join us for a full day to network with other church staff and volunteers, attend workshops that will help further your knowledge, and renew your spirit in God’s creation.

Workshops will cover topics such as;
Ideas for mission trips and service projects
Rotation Workshop Model for Sunday School
Group games that require little or no props



The Monticello TTT Chapter GR donated supplies for the summer camp program and a monetary donation to the Camp Wyoming Capital Campaign. Presenting the donations to Camp Director Kevin Cullum, are Kendy Bohlken and her daughter. Thank you for your support.



Summer 2007 Volunteers

We want to express our gratitude and appreciation to the following individuals who volunteered their time, energy, and effort towards the summer camping season. Camp is blessed to have such a dedicated group of volunteers!

Claire Allen, Karissa Andries, Catelin Bixby, Rev. Wendy Boden-Nelson, Casie Brockert, Holly Brown, Emily Brust, Jane Burton, Cindy Carlisle, Don Clark, Michelle Colton, Aaron Considine, Jordan Cutler, Tate Dusanek, Kelli Eggert, Paige Fritsch, Annelise Gentsch, Lauren Gilkerson, Josh Ginn, Nia Gleason, Sam Griffith, Karen Hartl, Kim Hatz, Beth Hill, Talbot Hook, Kyle Jacobs, Natalie Jess, Carolyn Kelly, Kraig Kelly, Jessica Kennicker, Lily Kim, Ben Landsee, Erin Landsee, Erik Liljegren, Tracey Liljegren, Alicia Maxwell, Mariana McCue, Jan McMurray, John Mitterer, Paige Myers, Gina Nauertz, David Naylor, Elizabeth Niemer, Mischa Olson, Sara Parker, Shirley Parker, Trisha Phelps, Jessi Ralfs, Brian Rihner, Marcus Rihner, Jamie Ruschill, Blake Severson, Michael Stanek, Caleb Thomas, Duane Trimble, Jennifer Turner, Alissa Villhauer, Cameron White, Nikki Zirkelbach.

Labor Day Family Camp

Spend your holiday weekend with family and friends at the Camp Wyoming campground. This special gathering is filled with games, activities, worship, campfires, and meaningful fellowship. Enjoy canoeing, kayaking, and nature hikes.

There will also more than enough opportunity for you to sit back, relax, and enjoy the beauty of God's world. Bring out your family to camp in your tent, RV, or one of Camp Wyoming's rustic facilities.

Check out the Camp website for information and to make your reservations.



A summer camper tries out one of the new Monkey Bridges.

Birthdays Blast
Happy Birthday to the following
Camp Wyoming Supporters!

September

5 - Carl Snipes
9 - Thomas Benedict
9 - Linda Davidson
18 - Jessica Hoppe
19 - Anita Benedict
23 - Eric Wright
27 - Stewart Brooks

October

6 - Jody Bieber
10 - Sara Parker
17 - Kevin Cullum
17 - Don Glass
17 - Bill Collett
22 - Lisa Gammon
22 - Abby Holland
23 - Fred Haley
26 - Buck Mills
29 - Gary Guetzko
30 - Robert Lyon

If you would like to be added to the Birthday Blast List, please email your name and birthday to the Camp office.

"LEAF" PAPER BEHIND

In an effort to reduce our impact on the environment, this quarterly newsletter is available on our website.

www.campwyoming.net

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NEW PASTOR-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM

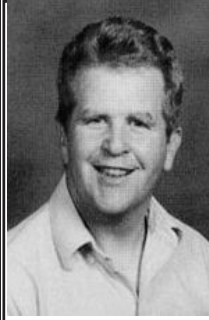
We started a new program this summer where we invited local Presbyterian pastors to participate in our summer camping program. We accommodated them in our 2 bedroom cabin, Roger's Lodge, where they had the chance to rest and reflect during their time away from home (and at times, Camp). Pastors led and participated in activities such as group bible studies, staff devotions, nature hikes, morning worship, evening campfire, and the Christwalk. This enhanced the experience for both staff and campers as well as connected the program to the Church in a tangible way.

We want to thank the following pastors and their spouses who participated this summer: Rev. Wendy Boden-Nelson and Blair Nelson from Baraboo, Wisconsin; Rev. James and Sherry Huston from Wapello; Rev. Al and Linda Polito from Monticello, Iowa; Rev. Tim Snart from Coal Valley, Illinois; Rev. Bill and Donna Warhover from Miles, Iowa.

WHERE ARE OUR COUNSELORS?

Ben Becker – 2nd year at the University of Iowa; Philosophy major
Lisa Bindi – 3rd year at the University of Iowa; Education major
Kaylyn Chapman – 1st year at Scott Community College; Nursing major
Emily Dennis – 2nd year at Sheffield Hallam University (UK); Psychology major
Jenny Erbes – 1st year at Monmouth College; Theater and Religion major
Phil Gilkerson – 4th year at the University of Northern Iowa; Education major
Jon Hatz – Seeking full-time employment in the Camping ministry
Christina Kelly – Recent University of Iowa graduate; seeking full-time employment
Claire Miller – 1st year at Iowa State University; Environment Science major
Jay Miller – 4th year at Buena Vista University; Marketing major
AJ Plummer – 3rd year at the University of Northern Iowa; Music and Education major
Jillissa Rich – Living in Onslow, Iowa and seeking full-time employment
Natasha Risner – Seeking full-time employment in the Camping ministry
Robert Shell – Seeking full-time employment in the Camping ministry
Megan Stanek – 2nd year at Southwest Wisconsin Technical College; Nursing major
Janelle Turner – 1st year at Southeastern Community College
Gary Webb – 3rd year at Coe College; Art & Education major
Eric Wright – 2nd year at Louisville Theological Seminary

Volunteer Spotlight Rev. Tim Snart



The year was 1990. *The Simpsons* debuted on FOX and Rev. Tim Snart debuted at Camp Wyoming, both became instant hits. Tim was serving as the Pastor for Sharon Presbyterian and West Point Presbyterian and recruited youth to attend Camp Wyoming. In 1994, Tim was called to be the Pastor at the Coal Valley Presbyterian Church in Coal Valley, IL. Here he continues to promote Camp Wyoming to youth. Tim provides general leadership for the church and teaches an adult Sunday School class and Bible Study.

Tim grew up in Green Lake, WI and graduated from Green Lake Public High School. Tim's father was the Principal and Tim fondly refers to himself as a "PK" (Principal's Kid). Tim worked a year as a Shipping Clerk prior to enrolling in college at the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh. Here he was a business major earning his degree in Operations Management in 1983. He then went on to be the Director of Respite Care for United Cerebral Palsy. The Fall of 1986 took Tim to Louisville, KY where he enrolled in the Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

Tim's first pastoral assignment was with the Madison Presbyterian and Jeffersonville Presbyterian Churches in Madison, IN. It is here that one particular member continually stood out. This member would later become his wife, Lori. They were married in 1989. Tim and Lori have two children, Ben who is 16 and Jennifer who is 10. Both kids enjoy attending Camp Wyoming each summer. Tim and Lori enjoyed an Alaskan cruise (something he thought he'd never see) in 2002 for their anniversary.

Tim enjoys spending time with his family, boating, fishing and woodworking. His favorite meal is a sirloin steak and baked potato. The last book he read was *Shoeless Joe Jackson* and the last movie he saw was *Evan Almighty*. Tim's greatest joys in life are serving the Lord and spending time with his family.

Tim likes the enthusiasm of the Camp Wyoming staff and enjoys working with them. Tim has seen the Camp Wyoming program evolve throughout the years as he's spent a week each summer volunteering as a Director. This summer Tim volunteered his time to participate in the Resident Pastor program. This program encourages Pastors to spend a week at Camp interacting with the campers and participating in activities. Tim feels the addition of the Resident Pastor program is a great idea.

Thank you Tim for keeping Camp Wyoming a part of your Summer tradition!

LINK With Us ~ If your church has a website and currently does not have a link to Camp Wyoming's site, encourage them to LINK up with us. www.campwyoming.net

Friends of Camp Wyoming Club

Camp Wyoming has an opportunity for individuals, couples, families, and organizations to support the camp through an annual giving club. This club allows us to improve and expand the Camp Wyoming program and facilities. Your annual tax deductible gift will go a long way to help spread the Good News of God's love to many deserving youth, adults, and families. Members of the Club receive a beautiful framed bird print to represent the level at which they join.

Goldfinch Level: \$125-\$249
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Bald Eagle Level: Over \$5,000

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Gifts Given in Honor

Culver, John & Jean
IHO Jim & Alice Davidson's 50th Wedding Anniversary
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Griffith, Scott & Mary
IHO Joy & Duane Daniels' Birthdays
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Meumann, Mary
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Walters, Rodney & Mary
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Gifts Given in Memory

Anderson, James & Karen
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IMO John Williams
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IMO Paul Saunders
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IMO Anna Marie Huston
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IMO Eva Herkleman
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IMO John Williams
IMO Red and Huston
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IMO George Freese

Capital Campaign Gifts

Burton, Richard & Ann
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Dry Erase Markers
Four Drawer File Cabinet



Board Spotlight Anita Benedict

Anita Benedict lives in Monticello, Iowa and works in the Food Service Department at the local High School. Her husband, Roger, works with Star Manufacturing. They've been married for 30 wonderful years. She has two children, Sarah and Thomas, who grew up going to Camp Wyoming. In fact, Thomas eventually became a counselor at Camp where he worked on staff for five summers. Currently, Sarah is working with American Eagle at the Eastern Iowa Airport while Thomas lives in Waterloo where he works handicapped adults at EPI.

Anita has served on the Camp Wyoming Board of Directors for 4 years and has served as the Chair of the Program Committee for 3 years. She also serves as the Church Treasurer at the First Presbyterian Church in Monticello. Anita likes Chinese food and really enjoys cross-stitching.

Anita's father, Robert Lyon, was a member of the first group of volunteers who helped build the cabins at Camp. Her family's connection with Camp Wyoming has stayed strong for much of the Camp's history. She feels "camp has come a long way and continues to grow." She was proud to be a part of the group who helped build the outdoor Labyrinth at Camp in 2004. She hopes that people of all ages get the opportunity to come closer to God through the use of this amazing resource. "Camp is a place where you can connect with your family and take time to relax."



**A big THANK YOU to
Kyle "Cheeto" Mohr for
donating his fantastic skills by
designing the 2007 Camper
Shirt logo.**

SUMMER VOLUNTEER WORK GROUPS

We had three volunteer youth work groups this summer who traveled from nearby states to perform maintenance work here at Camp. They helped construct two new Monkey Bridges, several new elements on our Low Ropes Challenge Course, replace the roof and paint Wren Cabin, clear trails, and stack firewood for our summer program. We want to express our thanks to the following churches who volunteered their time and effort:

First Presbyterian Church, Ferguson, MO

New Zion Presbyterian Church, Clarkson, NE

Church of the Cross Presbyterian Church
Hoffman Estates, IL

Volunteer Work Projects

Volunteering provides an opportunity for individuals and groups to be a part of Camp Wyoming's mission and enjoy the time working on a meaningful project. If you or your organization would like to volunteer to work on one of the following projects, please contact the Camp Office to schedule a date.

Project List

- *Assemble newsletter & Christmas Packets
- *Split wood
- *Stack woodpiles
- *Clean windows
- *Painting
- *Carpentry Projects
- *Electrical Projects
- *Organize & assemble historical camp photo albums

Staff Spotlight ~ Jonathan Hatz

Jon Hatz has been coming to Camp Wyoming for the past 12 years. He participated in the Summer Games camp for 2 years as a camper and then served as a Huddle Leader for 7 years. He then worked as a camp counselor for Camp Wyoming for the summers of 2005 and 2006. He recently served as a Unit Director this past summer. Jon thinks "Camp gives people a chance to see God's work through a different lens." "I love the sense that God is ever present in the community and in the natural setting." Jon also "loves Mary Jane's fine cooking!"



Jon grew up in Merrimac, Wisconsin where he graduated from Sauk Prairie High School. His dad, Dave, is a CPA while his mom, Marge, works as an Elementary School teacher. Jon also has a brother, David, who works as an Electrical Engineer in Chicago and a sister, Kim, who is going to the University of Wisconsin at Steven's Point for a degree in Elementary Education. Kim has also been a part of the Camp Wyoming community where she has served as a Huddle Leader for the Summer Games program.

Jon likes to read, watch and play sports, and considers himself to be a big movie buff. Jon is also a big Chicago Cubs fan and is routinely seen around Camp wearing a big and loud Carlos Zambrano Cubs Jersey. Jon enjoys the "Lord of the Rings" Trilogy and considers Calzones to be his favorite food.

Jon has always enjoyed his time at Camp. In fact, he has chosen to follow Christ with a career in the Camping ministry. He hopes to offer kids the same positive experience that he himself has enjoyed.

Thanks again for your energy and commitment, Jon. Camp Wyoming is a wonderful place because of you.

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Bird Unit: Sleeps 56 with 4 heated cabins surrounding a central lodge that includes shower & restrooms, meeting area, indoor fireplace, kitchen, and outside fire circle. \$16.00 per person.

Tree Unit: Sleeps 56 with 4 heated cabins surrounding a central lodge that includes shower & restrooms, meeting area, kitchen and outside fire circle. \$16.00 per person.

Rogers Lodge: Individual lodge sleeps 7 with 2 bedrooms and a sleeper sofa. Equipped kitchen, bathroom, study room and living room. Linens are furnished. \$25.00 per person or \$50.00 per family.

Deer Center: Multi-purpose meeting and dining facility that accommodates up to 225.

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September 2007

1-3 Labor Day
Family Camp

27 Christian Education
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December 2007

28-30 Wintertainment Retreat

February 2008

22-24 Confirmation Retreat

May 2008

23-26 Memorial Day
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