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volunteers making a difference

Liz and Dick Hubbard are long-time Westminster Presbyterian Church members, having joined in 1960, and are devoted Camp Henry supporters and volunteers. Over the years, Liz and Dick have helped at Camp Henry Workdays, sat on committees and served on the camp's board of directors - at least twice each!

Both the Hubbards grew up attending summer camps and know how important a camp experience can be for children. Dick went to Camp Westminster at Higgins Lake under the guidance of Al Weenink, his youth pastor at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Detroit.

All of Liz and Dick's children attended Camp Henry—two became counselors and one acted as camp chaplain. Growing up, their lives revolved around Camp Henry and Liz says that this is where her children got to really know and become good friends with other Westminster children.

What do Liz and Dick Hubbard love about Camp Henry? Being in nature 24/7, learning to get along with all sorts of people, and getting to experience freedom with some parameters are just a few of the experiences they mentioned.

The Hubbards have been amazed by Camp Henry's growth from a small eight week summer camp to a year-round camp and retreat facility. Their hopes include



strengthening the Camp Henry-Westminster connection and working to develop stronger relationships with the many scholarship children who attend the camp. In fact, Liz personally takes scholarship applications to schools and transports children to camp, fueled by her desire for all children to have the opportunity to experience summer camp.

If you're interested in becoming a Camp Henry volunteer, we'd love to hear from you! Please call the staff member listed below at (616) 459-2267 about the following opportunities:

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| Special events | Mary Robinson |
| Auction assistance | Mary Robinson |
| Program assistance | Betsy Bougie |
| Public relations | Mary Seeger |
| Maintenance & special projects | Ron Bouwense |
| Bulk mails, clerical assistance | Jennifer Hughes |

wish list

Below is a list of current program and facility needs at Camp Henry. If you are able to provide any of these items, please call Judy Astle at (616) 459-2267.

Program Needs:

- Archery Equipment
- Basketball Hoops
- Earth Ball
- Juggling Kits
- Percussion Instruments
- Bamboo Fishing Poles
- Canoes and/or Kayaks
- Wooden canoe paddles
- Two new tents for overnight excursions
- Life Jackets (PFD's)
- 6 -12 large plastic containers/bins for outdoor educational materials

Facilities Needs

- Commercial Lawn Mower
- Small gas VIP golf cart
- New ladder with grip pads for H-dock
- Pick up truck

Funding Needs

- Annual Operating Funds
- Annual Scholarship Funds - summer campers, school groups

Arts & Crafts Needs

- Crayons
- Colored pencils
- Manual pencil sharpeners
- 5 yard sticks
- Decorative edge craft scissors

- Rubber mallet
- Tin snips
- Cast Iron cookware
- Double hot plates
- Hot glue gun with glue sticks
- Ribbon of any kind
- Old nature calendars
- Old buttons
- Metal cake/cookie pans
- Long handled metal spoons
- Car or Tractor inner tubes
- Costume jewelry
- Men's white dress shirts (for smocks)
- Maps of any kind
- Enamel roasting pans (gently used)



in 2004 we served...

- 150 retreat groups, 85 of them school groups
- 5,770 people through our year-round program
- 1,378 summer campers
- 56,275 meals



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What's new at camp

Introducing Kimball Lake Lodge!



Honoring Bill and Bea Idema

Pinnacle Construction Company, October 2004-April 2005.

Henry "Rick" Idema
James and Joyce Idema
Phil and Murry Idema
Stan and Margaret Cheff
Tom and Nancy Crawford
Bill and Marilyn Crawford

Jim and Jane Welch
Craig Welch
Kate Pew Wolters
John and Stephanie Pew
Robert C. Pew II
Rob and Susan Pew
Bob and Shelly Corl

The Labyrinth



What is it?

A labyrinth is a single path or unicursal tool for personal, psychological, and spiritual transformation. It is an ancient symbol that relates to wholeness, combining the imagery of the circle and the spiral into a meandering but purposeful path. Labyrinths have long been used as meditation and prayer tools.

Where is it?

A replication of a Chartes labyrinth has been built out of river rock and fieldstone just west of Nicely Center for everyone to walk and experience. For more information, please call Betsy Bougie, Year Round Program Director (231)652-6472, ext. 14.

Study shows why parents choose Camp Henry for their kids



A recent study was conducted by Jeff Jacobs of Cal Poly Institute on behalf of Camp Henry to determine the key attributes that influence a parent's decision to send their child to Camp Henry. In addition, the study helped determine the camper benefits parents found most important.

Here we've condensed the findings, from 126 parents, into our very own Camp Henry Top 5 List!

The Top Five camper benefits that are most important to parents:

1. Increased Self Esteem
2. Respect for Others
3. Fun/Enjoyment
4. Positive Role Models
5. Increased Independence

The Top Five parent priorities for the future of Camp Henry:

1. Staff/Counselors
2. Cabins
3. Food
4. Trip Programs & Offerings
5. Horses

The Top Five factors that motivate parents to enroll children in summer camp programs:

1. Quality of Staff & Counselors
2. The Camp's Reputation
3. Programs and Activities
4. Facilities
5. Christian Emphasis



Camp Quotes

What I like best about Camp Henry?
I liked it all, that was the best time of my life!"
-2004 Scholarship Camper

"She had a better outlook of herself, I feel it (Camp Henry) was a great "self-esteem Booster."
-2004 Scholarship Parent

What I like best about my time at Camp Henry is "spending time with other kids and meeting new people with good things to do."
-2004 Scholarship Camper

Did you know that you can help support Camp Henry through your United Way Pledge? Simply write in Camp Henry's name on your pledge form as the recipient of your gift.

Summer Happenings 2005

Westminster-By-The-Lake Services

Sundays, 9:30 a.m.

Memorial Day to Labor Day, Idema Theatre

Summer Staff Training

June 12-18

Kimball Lake Lodge Dedication

Sunday, June 12

Board-Staff Appreciation Dinner

Saturday, June 18, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Nicely Center

Summer Staff Commissioning

Sunday, June 19, WPC, 8:30 a.m. Service

First week of Summer camp

June 19-25

Pig Roast

Sunday, August 7 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Last week of Summer Camp

August 7-13

Westminster PC Family Camp

August 14-18

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Arlene Burlingham
George and Margaret Cope
Ken and Marilyn Cox
Allen and Vivian DeJonge
Joan Hoffs
Arlon and Sally McClellan
Robert and Barbara Morgan
Arlene Ostman
Kimberly Ridings
Don and Nancy Taylor
Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Allan Weenink

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