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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

8 three-four person tents for off-site trips
2 portable water purifiers for off-site trips
Cross country skis
Sleds
Snowshoes
4 x 4 x 8 cedar planks - for teambuilding exercises
Pipeline, GeoCrossing, and Beam Potpourri kits from Project Adventure—www.pa.org (portable teambuilding elements)

Horse Program Needs

18 rubber curry combs, body brushes, mane and tail combs, hoof picks
Gently used regular to wide tree English hunt saddles, sized 16"-17" with fittings
Gently used English saddle pads and wither relief pads
Neoprene girths, western and English sizes 40-51
6 Cashel soft saddles, 3 small, 3 large—www.cashelcompany.com
New Troxel riding helmets: 2 xs, 5 small, 8 med, 4 large

12-15 stick hobbie horses for stick horse rodeo
Feather boas, glitter hoof polish, ribbons and bows for horse beauty pageant

Facilities Needs

Commercial grade ovens and stove tops for kitchen
Storage cabinets for the pole barn
Storage racks for various buildings
Table saw
Fishing dock
Vented wall heater for the arts and crafts building
Vented heater for the Idema Theater
Carpet and flooring for Millar House
V-plow for the new pick up truck
Landscape timbers
Paving bricks

Funding Needs

Annual Operating Funds
Annual Scholarship Funds for summer campers and school groups

Arts & Crafts Needs

Enamel cookware
Tin snips
Mallet
Dress shirts - used - for smocks
Crayons and colored pencils
Office Needs
1 small TV with built in VCR and DVD capabilities
1 laptop computer
1 desktop digital copy machine
1 color laser printer

did you know?

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.
496 summer campers were awarded \$129,000 in scholarship awards this year!

A gift of summer camp memories



Debbie Howe, a busy business executive, decided last year that although her life was happy and blessed, she wanted to share her life and experiences with someone else. She found that perfect person through the Grand Rapids Big Sister, Big Brother program—Carter "Catherine" Chudzinski.

Catherine—a bright 8 year old with a winning smile and sparkling brown eyes—lives with her mom in central city Grand Rapids. Debbie has been Catherine's "big sister" now for six months. They enjoy doing many

things together from bird watching to nature walks. Catherine loves being in the out-of-doors and that is one big reason Debbie decided to check out summer camps.

She found Camp Henry in the phone book, called the office, and asked our registrar Ben Matlack loads of questions. By the end of the conversation, Debbie was convinced that Camp Henry was the right place for her "little sister". With the help of our summer camper scholarship program, Debbie was able to send Catherine to Camp Henry's day camp program—her very first experience with camp!

Catherine loved all the new experiences camp provided her. She met new friends and participated in a variety of activities each day. Both Debbie and Catherine's mom agree that camp also helped to improve Catherine's self-esteem. Camp definitely was the highlight of this little girl's summer, and was made possible only because of our generous scholarship donors, a

wonderful "big sister", and a mom anxious to see her daughter happy and healthy.

And, yes, Catherine is still talking about camp and looking forward to coming back to Camp Henry next year!

Bid Bash a big hit

On Saturday, October 1, the First Annual **Camp Henry Bid Bash** took place at the Grand Rapids Art Museum. The fundraiser generated nearly \$17,000 for Camp Henry's operating fund.

More than 160 friends and supporters enjoyed live music, food and drink while scouting the silent auction tables for treasures and deals! Later in the evening Phil Hertel, our auctioneer, kicked the auction action up a notch by leading a spirited live auction.

Our thanks to Phil, the hard-working auction committee, our tremendous auction volunteers, generous donors, and the Grand Rapids Art Museum, which provided efficient and cheerful support for our efforts.

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Camp clothing sale!

Save at least 20% off logo t-shirts & sweatshirts

A great gift for Christmas, or any occasion! Please call the Grand Rapids office for more information, or to place your order.
Call 616.459.CAMP ext. 1 today!



What's new at camp

New programs for summer 06

We're introducing a new group of programs for our 2006 summer campers - two Music, Arts, and Creativity (MAC) camps, Wakeboarding Camp, and a Hunter-Jumper horse camp.



Whether it involves molding and refining clay from our own clay pits, painting, or creating tie-dye, MAC campers will leave their creative mark on Camp Henry through hands-on expression in **Art's The Thing!**



Wakeboarding Camp is for riders of all levels. Run by a professional wakeboard coach, campers will learn the physics of wakeboarding and the tricks.



Led by a certified American Riding Instructors Association instructor, **Hunter-Jumper** campers will spend their time jumping courses, polishing their flatwork, as well as trail riding and learning to "horse whisper".



For those who wish to express themselves more vocally, there's **Rock Camp**. Together with Will and Travis, these MAC campers will form a band to rock Camp Henry. The more experienced musicians will even put on a live concert at the end of the camp week!

Save a tree. Get the Kimball Call via email instead! Send your request to JenniferH@campheny.org, subject **Opt-in**.

Fall Happenings 2005

Camp Henry Bid Bash

October 1

WPC Youth Groups

October 1-2

Camp Henry Grandparents Weekend

October 8-9

WPC Confirmation

October 9

WPC PWW

October 14-15

PCUSA Pilgrimage

November 3-6

Winter Wonder Camp

December 28-30

WPC Men

January 20-21

Schedule your retreat NOW!

Fall 2005, and Winter/Spring 2006

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The kids of Camp Henry

It's hard to believe that yet another amazing summer at Camp Henry has come to an end! By our last week of summer camp, we had served 1,378 campers! So with that many kids, we were curious - just who comes to Camp Henry?

In order to find out, we compiled data throughout the summer camp season by age, ethnicity, religion, and other characteristics to help us better understand our camper base.

At 72 percent, kids age 10-15 made up the majority of our campers. Of all the campers this year, 85 percent were Caucasian, 9 percent African American, and 3 percent Hispanic. Religious groups are well represented at Camp Henry. The largest constituencies are: Catholic at 37 percent; Nondenominational, 10 percent; Presbyterian, 9 percent; Christian Reformed 8 percent; and WPC at 5 percent

This year, 36.5 percent of our campers were able to come to Camp thanks to a scholarship. For 58 percent, this year marked their first time at camp. Additionally, 73 percent of our campers are from West Michigan; 19 percent are from Eastern Michigan, including Lansing; and 8 percent come from out of state.

Winter Wonder Camp

Wednesday, December 28 - Friday December 30

Winter camping is coooooo! So bundle up, 'cause we're going to go dog sledding, ice skating, have a snowman beauty pageant, sing around a huge campfire, drink lots of hot chocolate and have a heavy dose of Camp Henry fun with some of your favorite counselors!

Come nighttime, you'll sleep soundly, and warmly, in our new heated lodges. And wake up to do it all over again!

Open to children age 8-17, the cost is \$109 with transportation, or \$99 without. To register call (616) 459-2267 ext. 1.



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summer camp and year-round outdoor and retreat center

we are thankful for our friends

support from May 1 - September 15, 2005

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