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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

2019 Associational Camps

Harrison/North Grand River

Youth:

May 28—Jun 1

Saint Joseph Youth:

Jun 3—7

New Life Combined Camps:

Jun 10—14

Linn Livingston/1000 Hills

Youth:

Jun 17—21

“Intro to Camping”:

Jun 21—22

Missouri Valley

Children:

Jun 24—28

Thousand Hills

Children:

Jul 1—5

Harrison/North Grand River

Children:

Jul 8—12

St. Joseph Children:

Jul 15—19

Missouri Valley Youth:

Jul 22—26

Heartland Children:

Jul 26—29

Linn Livingston

Children:

Jul 29—Aug 2

Heartland Youth:

Aug 5—9

Winter Retreats & the Approach of Summer Camps

I sit here looking out the office window, the temperature is -12 degrees and snow and ice cover the grounds. The snow has been on the ground for several weeks, however I am reminded that this will only be here for a season. Much like the weather seasons, we experience seasons in our lives. The winds of change shift from the chilly north wind to bring the warm southern breezes. What season of life do you find yourself in? This winter season do you need to retreat to a place where you can experience the winds shifting in your life. We have several retreats coming to Grand Oaks from youth to women to

church groups. If you would like to schedule a time to come and enjoy some time away and refocus, look at our calendar, find a date and give us a call. Our calendar is at: <http://grandoaks.camp/events/>. Before we know it spring will be here; we encourage you to act now to reserve your event.

As the new year has begun, many associations are beginning to make preparations for upcoming summer camps. The camp dates are listed on the left front page border of this newsletter. We encourage you to locate the dates for your associational camp/s and mark your calendar now. Make summer camp a priority rather than waiting to see if it

fits into your summer schedule. Spread the word and encourage both adults and the children to be thinking and praying about how they can participate in camp. Encourage your church to start publishing the dates in upcoming newsletters or bulletins. Marketing our summer camp offerings is a responsibility that rests equally on the shoulders of anyone who has been to camp before and recognizes the immense benefits to be gained by anyone who attends. Remember what God has done in your life at camp and spread the good news so that others may know and experience God at Grand Oaks! We hope to see YOU at Grand Oaks this summer!



SRNB:PPNG Campaign Ticker

Received:

@\$6216.41

Pledge Balance:

@\$16,064.00

Overall Goal:

\$675,000.00

Fund Balance Toward Multi-Purpose Center:

\$136,008.84

See you at camp at Grand Oaks Baptist Assembly!

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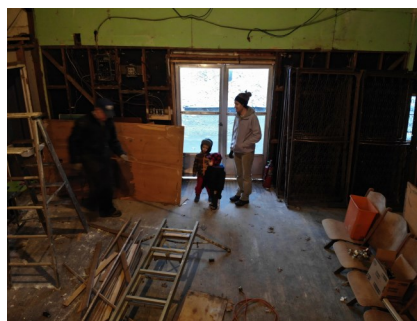
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***Strong Roots, New Branches:
Protecting and Providing for the Next***

Since the last newsletter, work has continued in earnest on dismantling Parker Hall. We're sure you are aware that the Camp Board is moving toward replacing Parker Hall with a modern multi-purpose structure including a storm shelter lower level. That project took a big step forward in October when the Board voted to commence at once with the removal of Parker Hall. So the camp staff and even Mrs. Boyer began at once with the tear down. We have had several volunteers, but could use a great many more in the coming weeks. At present, the main floor is completely gutted and approximately half of the oak flooring is removed. The basement area was started on just a few days ago and is progressing. We have not completely decided on what to do with the material from the building, but much of the lumber is salvageable. There will be several hundred square feet of 3/4" tongue & groove oak flooring. If you might have interest in purchasing any material we would welcome the discussion. Also, while not built like modern buildings, the main frame of the structure could potentially be re-erected and we hope to take it down intact with that possibility in mind. Again, if you think you might have interest, or know of someone who would, please call.



Campus was covered in snow for most of the month of January



Demolition of Parker Hall is well underway. We've had a few volunteers come in to help, but could always use extra sets of willing hands and feet.

Since 1945 Grand Oaks has been a place to "win the lost, disciple the saved and train believers for Christian service." That is still our goal today as we provide a facility for our member Associations to conduct summer camps and other activities. Grand Oaks is supported solely through user fees and donations from individuals, churches and Baptist Associations. Grand Oaks does NOT receive funds from Cooperative Program giving.

The facility is open year round and is a great place for group retreats as well as family events. We encourage each of our churches to consider scheduling an event. Grand Oaks provides a quiet and usually uninterrupted experience in a beautiful outdoor setting. Won't you call soon?

"Oak Leaves" is a periodic publication of Grand Oaks Baptist Assembly, Inc. distributed by email. Please contact us to be added.

Volunteers Welcome



A campus this size is in constant need of upkeep. There are several projects needing attention and volunteers in the coming months. We would welcome individuals with a day or week along with groups of volunteers working as a team.

Here are a few of the projects:

- ◆ Demolition of Parker Hall
- ◆ Raking/Blowing/Burning leaves
- ◆ Trim installation on Nurse Cabin
- ◆ Adjust/tweak fence around the lagoon
- ◆ Installing siding on Hilltop cabins
- ◆ Painting and staining
- ◆ Tear out the old water system in the pump house below the lake to make the building more useful for storage
- ◆ Brush clearing, dead trees to fell
- ◆ Stripping paint in the Hilltop Showers

