

Oak Leaves

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2016 Associational Camps

Linn Livingston/1000 Hills Youth:

142 registered

Linn Livingston Chil- dren:

122 registered

Heartland Youth

150 registered

Harrison/North Grand River Youth:

June 20 to June 24

Saint Joseph Youth:

June 27 to July 1

New Life Camp:

July 5 to July 8

“Intro to Camping”:

July 8 to July 9

Missouri Valley Camp:

July 11 to July 15

Thousand Hills Children:

July 18 to July 22

Heartland Children:

July 22 to July 25

St. Joseph Children:

July 25 to July 29

Harrison/North Grand River Children:

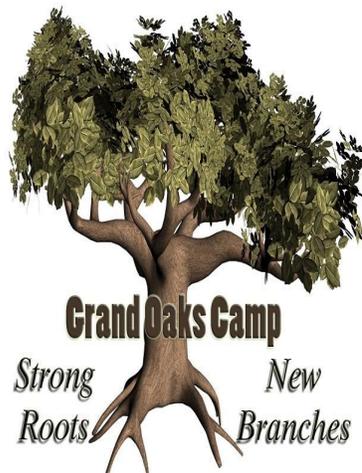
August 1 to August 5

The “Fields” Are On the Field!

A new era in Grand Oaks history began on May 1st when Brad & Erin Fields and baby son, Judah, began work as Assistant Manager/ Kitchen Coordinator. In our planned transition, Brad & Erin will be learning the various aspects of the operation of Grand Oaks, and near the end of 2017 will assume the role of camp manager. Current manager Boyer remains in his position until then when the plan is for him to take a lesser role more

in the area of maintenance rather than administration. He will also continue working in public relations and promotion of the camp. Currently the Fields and Boyers are working together closely to pass on guidance and routines long established. As

time goes on the roles each play will become more established. Already, Brad has done a great deal to bring our office forms and record keeping up to date using more technology than in the past. Please keep our staff in your prayers as the summer progresses.



Campaign Ticker

Received:

\$336,505.83

Pledge Balance:

\$9,035.00

Overall Goal:

\$500,000.00

Fund Balance after Pool Construction:

@\$74,000.00

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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?

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The Fields Report...Brad & Erin

We moved onto campus in late April and began work officially on May 1, although a lot of volunteering was done before then because the month we were given to prepare for the camp season hardly seemed long enough! Ready or not, camp started on May 31st and we welcomed our first campers! We've been putting in early mornings and long days, but it has been worth it every step of the way.

Brad has been working closely with Don to accomplish the daily tasks of maintaining the buildings and grounds, as well as completing some much-needed upgrades in a few areas. The shower house at the pool now has a new sidewalk connecting the gals' shower to the snack shack patio. There have also been some updates to the mini-golf course, and the west side of the dining hall has a fresh coat (several fresh coats, rather) of paint. Erin has been steadily learning the ins and outs of Jolette's former responsibilities, and Jolette has been gladly volunteering to babysit her grandson so that Erin can complete tasks as necessary. Erin has also taken on more of the daily operation at the manager's home, such as answering phone calls, sorting mail, and recording donations.

8 month old Judah is enjoying the "show" at each mealtime in the dining hall, & is learning to eat through the distractions. He seems to enjoy all the attention he's receiving so far. The swimming pool has also been an enjoyable new experience for him. We all appreciate your patience and prayers as we learn our new roles. Our desire is that God will be glorified through our work and that many will come to know him while here at Grand Oaks. We hope to see YOU at camp! -The Fields

Volunteers Welcome

A campus this size is in constant need of upkeep. Here are a few of the projects needing attention and volunteers in the coming months:

- * roofs on Riverview.
- * gables on Hilltop & Riverview.
- * lagoon woven wire fence needs some work.
- * creativity & TLC at the mini golf course.
- * prepping/ & painting in Hilltop Shower House.
- * tree cutting and brush work.

We would welcome individuals with a day or week along with groups of volunteers working as a team.

