

# Oak Leaves

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## **2017 Associational Camps**

### **Linn Livingston/1000 Hills Youth:**

May 30 to June 3

### **Heartland Youth:**

June 5 to June 9

### **Harrison/North Grand River Youth:**

June 12 to June 16

### **Saint Joseph Youth:**

June 19 to June 23

### **New Life Camp:**

June 26 to June 30

### **"Intro to Camping":**

June 23 to June 24

### **Missouri Valley Children:**

July 3 to July 7

### **Thousand Hills Children:**

July 10 to July 14

### **St. Joseph Children:**

July 17 to July 21

### **Heartland Children:**

July 21 to July 24

### **Harrison/North Grand River Children:**

July 24 to July 28

### **Missouri Valley Youth:**

July 31 to August 4

### **Linn Livingston Children:**

August 7 to August 11

## *Busy Days of Preparation!*

The pool is clean and nearly filled. Lifeguards are recruited. The weedy areas are sprayed and dying out. The trees in the central area of campus are trimmed and cleared of dead limbs.

Several buildings have new roofs and only three buildings remain to have water turned on. And, of course, the grass is growing as fast as we can cut it! Erin & Jolette are working on the summer menus. The T-Shirts, hats and drawstring bags for sale in the snack shack are in place. Yes it has been a busy spring of preparation here at camp!

Several volunteers have been here and more are

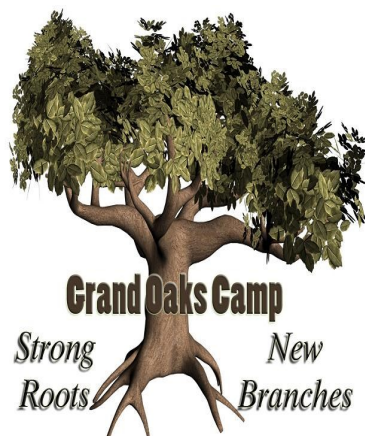
scheduled in the coming weeks. There is always much to be done here, but we believe our guests this summer will enjoy the beauty of the campus.

Among the changes for this year, we will have a full summer using the new dock on Steen Lake. We plan to take the paddle boats out of storage and down to the lake soon. The dock arrived too late for a few of the camps last summer but all can enjoy it this year. The nurse cabin has a new look as the

front door now has a window. If all goes well next week, the building may have a new porch for the nurse to enjoy along with a new roof.

A new activity available for groups is a set of pedal cars. We plan to use these over near the Old Lodge and let the campers run them on the Old Lodge circle drive. Races, relays or just driving them around the track are options. As long as the ground is fairly flat, they do well. They're a bit heavy to pedal uphill!

This year marks the 70th year of camps at Grand Oaks and we are looking forward to some great sessions. We hope YOU are making plans to be a part!



## SRNB Campaign Ticker

### Received:

\$364,430.95

### Pledge Balance:

@\$8,500.00

### Overall Goal:

\$500,000.00

### Fund Balance Toward Multi-Purpose Center:

@\$96,000.00



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*"Christian camping among  
the giant oaks and rolling  
hills of north Missouri."*

*Because  
He  
First  
Loved Us!*

# Intro to Camp

June 23 & 24

3pm Friday—3pm Saturday

Check our website for more  
information and registration.



Greg Dixon, Camp pastor (pastor at Maysville FBC)  
Kyle Bridgeman, Worship leader (worship at Maysville)  
Judy Miller, Missions (lay person, Chillicothe FBC)  
Angie Hamilton, Bible (lay person, Calvary in Chilli.)

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Age appropriate teaching & worship for children who have  
completed 1st to 3rd grade, or equivalent.  
Swimming, a nature hike, and other activities.

*Children should be accompanied by a parent,  
grandparent, guardian, or other adult from church.*

**Cost: \$25.00 per person for 3 meals & overnight stay.**

# WONDERS OF CREATION SOLAR ECLIPSE FAMILY RETREAT

Educational Sessions & Activities  
Presented by: Paige Carroll & Jill Watson  
Home School Liaison Team, Davis County, Iowa Schools

Worship Celebration  
Speaker: Jonathan Davis  
Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Chillicothe



**One Price:** \$20/Person \$80 Maximum per immediate family  
Housing options assigned in order of reservations for Cabins, RV spots, and Tent Camping

**Package Includes:**

Activities at camp include mini-golf, sports, hiking, pedal cars, and more  
A two hour swim from: 3:15pm—5:15pm on Sunday  
Educational & Activity sessions with Paige and Jill  
Worship celebration on Sunday evening  
Late night campfire  
Camp provided breakfast on Monday morning  
Eclipse viewing glasses will be available

Event WILL take place regardless of the weather!

Register by calling, email, mail, or by going to our website, all listed below

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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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## By Action of the Board

There has been much discussion over the past 3 years concerning "active shooters", "concealed carry" and related firearms topics at the Board meetings. In the April meeting, a policy that was previously adopted was rescinded and replaced with a fairly simple policy. In short, Grand Oaks remains mostly a weapon free zone with exceptions. Those are: no one is to bring a weapon on campus unless they have a valid state issued conceal carry permit and they have obtained permission from the event group leader. That group is also required to inform the camp resident manager of any weapons brought on campus. The other "exceptions" are for weapons owned by the camp employees and those used in any event that has been approved by the Grand Oaks Board. That means that event planners can now request permission for possession or use of firearms for specific events on a case by case basis. The Board retains authority to approve or deny such use.

Also in the April meeting, a schedule for 2018 was approved and the schedule process going forward will be discussed further in October. The 2018 schedule is on the Grand Oaks website calendar.

## 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:

- ◆ Roof & front porch on Nurse Cabin
- ◆ Adjust and tweak the fence around the lagoon.
- ◆ Raking/Blowing and burning leaves.
- ◆ 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.

