

# Oak Leaves

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### 2020 Associational Camps

Saint Joseph Youth:  
May 26—30

New Life Combined Camps:

Jun 1—5

Linn Livingston/1000 Hills  
Youth:

Jun 8—12

Missouri Valley  
Children:

Jun 15—19

Thousand Hills  
Children:

Jun 22—26

"Intro to Camping":

Jun 26—27

Harrison/North Grand River  
Children:

Jun 29—Jul 3

St. Joseph Children:

Jul 6—10

Missouri Valley Youth:

Jul 13—17

Linn Livingston  
Children:

Jul 20—24

Heartland Children:

Jul 24—27

Heartland Youth:

Jul 27—31

Harrison/North Grand River  
Youth:

Aug 3—7



## Progress update on Parker Hall

Spring preparations are beginning at Grand Oaks. Soon enough the buildings will need to be de-winterized and cleaned up. We welcome any assistance if you or someone you know would like to take a day to volunteer. A few spring retreats and events visited Grand Oaks. We are well underway on the deconstruction of Parker Hall. I have to say thank you to the many people from Laura Street Baptist Church and friends that came and helped in the deconstruction of Parker Hall. One recent retreat, the Missouri Valley Youth, also helped in this process. As time moves on, progress continues in the goal of removing Parker Hall by the time sum-

mer camps begin.

Included in this Newsletter are pictures of the progression of the deconstruction. We will continue to post progress pictures to Facebook and send out updates periodically.

As of writing this, the appearance of Parker Hall has dramatically changed. We have been working in earnest on dismantling the structure before the summer camp season begins. Currently all of the hardwood flooring is removed, bundled and stored. If we have someone that is interested in obtaining some of the flooring, we would be happy to discuss how that can happen. The white siding panels have been removed on three sides along with the fiberboard that was applied originally. The east side of the building is all that has anything still attached

to it as the terrain and height makes it challenging to work on. We've thought of various methods of taking that wall down and have determined we would like to avoid winning a Darwin award. With that we have elected the less spectacular methods of removal for that wall. The remaining walls are down to the bare two by four wood framing. All of the shingles on the roof are removed and the upper roof deck planks are removed. Don has been steady as he goes, removing each nail one at a time, one board at a time. We have reclaimed some potential good lumber, some being one by six, eight, ten and twelve in boards. If you or someone you know has need of such material give us a call. If you would like to come help contact the office at 660-646-1906.



## SRNB:PPNG Campaign Ticker

Received:

\$124,541.89

Overall Goal:

\$675,000.00

Fund Balance Toward Multi-Purpose Center:

\$254,334.32

See you at camp at Grand Oaks Baptist Assembly!

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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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Our next stage is removing the roof trusses. Once those are down, we will move on to removing the lower roof deck planks. After those are off then the frame will be dismantled. At that point just the sub-floor should remain and then that will be removed. We will continue to reclaim all the material we can. We will have to demolish the basement block and concrete pad after that. Once again if there is an interest that one has to come and be a part of the tear down process or help in other ways, we welcome the assistance.

### Pictures of Parker Hall progress



### 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:

- ◆ Gable siding on Riverview Cabins
- ◆ Demolition of Parker Hall
- ◆ Trim installation on Nurse Cabin
- ◆ Adjust/tweak fence around the lagoon
- ◆ 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
- ◆ Paint east gable of Dining Hall

Reclaimed oak hardwood flooring





Laura Street Baptist Church and Friends



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Missouri Valley Baptist Association Youth

