

**Canyon Camp Staff Alumni and Friends
2010 Spring Newsletter**

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SPRING WORK WEEKEND AT CANYON CAMP - May 1 and 2, 2010

Scouters and friends of canyon camp are asked to help at Canyon Camp on Saturday and Sunday May 1 and 2. This will be the 35th annual Kiwanis Work Weekend at the camp. Volunteers are needed to work together with area Kiwanians as we open camp and help prepare for another summer of outdoor programming for Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts.

We will be doing the usual spring maintenance including painting, plumbing and wood construction projects. We will also be building new tent platforms and perhaps reconstructing part of the Chapel. No matter what your skill, our primary work criteria is enthusiasm for service to the scouting program. Bring your favorite gloves & tools and we'll provide the projects.

The Monroe Kiwanis Club will be providing meals throughout the weekend. Whether you can stay only a few hours, or all weekend, you are welcome to join us for the fellowship & fresh spring air. Please call or email Ron Spielman with your questions and to let us know how many volunteers we can expect!

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CANYON CAMP'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Camp will celebrate 75 years of good scouting next summer - July 23, 2011. Plans are underway to recognize the contributions of everyone to the on-going Spirit of Canyon Camp. More information will be forthcoming but be sure to mark your calendars for this event!

REMEMBERING BILL KLINE AND STAN HAYES

With the recent passing of Bill and Stan many of you contributed memories about these two Scouters. Attached to this message are some of the memories we have received – least we forget Bill and Stan, or the many others who have passed on.

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 1 & 2, 2010 Spring Work Weekend
Summer 2010 Wednesday Night Schedule
October 2, 2010 Fall Woodcutter's Ball - 32nd consecutive year!
July 23, 2011 Canyon Camp's 75th Anniversary
July 22-24, 2011 Canyon Camp Staff Reunion - information forthcoming

MISCELLANEOUS TIDBITS

It appears Camp will need to spend upwards of \$8,000 to bring the pool into compliance with the recent Baker legislation by placing a large grate over the drain to prevent a person from being sucked in the drain.

The large bell from a Freeport Fire station has cracked but may be displayed near the front of camp at or near the new Pavilion.

Work will start this spring on renovation of Rawleigh Building. It will be in use this summer, housing artifacts from Bert Strohecker's Indian artifact collection and other scouting memorabilia.

Bill Detterman compiled the "wish list" for Canyon Camp that is below. If you are capable of helping out with any of these projects please contact Ron Spielman (Spiel335@tds.net) or Lee Binkley (leebinkley@hotmail.com).

- **\$10,000 could provide needed electrical service to all of the campsites**
- **\$6,000 could provide a riding lawnmower to maintain the parade field and program areas**
- **\$2,000 could provide a new lower area campsite**
- **\$500 could provide a gas powered pressure washer**
- **\$100 could provide a gas powered weed trimmer**
- **\$75 could provide materials for a picnic table or tent platform**
- **\$25 could provide a variety of hand tools**

Blackhawk Area Council has created a 5 Year Plan for high ticket items such as, dredging the lake, new storage areas for tents, mattresses and other equipment, latrines in the program areas, a new visitors latrine, a climbing wall, a high ropes course, a new winter program cabin to replace the Raleigh Cabin and renovation of the Raleigh Cabin.

All of these items and projects, whether short term or long term, would benefit from your help and support to make them a reality.

In addition to cash donations you can help to carry on the Spirit with donations of materials and supplies needed to help keep the camp operating...a load of gravel to keep the roads passable.... wood preservative for tent platforms and picnic tables.... hand tools, and most importantyour time and dedication.