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Summer KITCHEN Volunteers' Luncheon

It is time again to schedule summer volunteer teams (of 4) to serve in the kitchen each week of summer camp. Please email cabar@campappanoose.org or call the camp office to schedule your camp week. All volunteers receive a refresher course and/or training (Saturday, June 13, 10:00 -1:00). **Mark your calendar to attend this important luncheon/meeting, register to win door a door prize, and reserve a 2015 camp t-shirt.**

GOODBYE to an OLD FRIEND

It is always a little sad to bury a chapter of memories. After much deliberation the board of directors determined it was time to dismantle the old Lakeview Chapel building which served as the camp dining hall and chapel building for the first eighteen years of camp ministry. Built in the early 1970's as a meeting place for the Rathbun Lakeview Chapel, the small A-frame structure housed a church for about a dozen years, another children's work for several years and Camp Appanoose for the past twenty-six years. During those years it also served as a temporary meeting place

for another church, now located in Chariton, IA. Windstorm damage in the spring led to the realization that the costs to preserve the building outweighed its value. The location and utilitarian value of the structure were factors in the decision.

Volunteers have already salvaged useable equipment and fixtures and have dismantled the upper structure, saving as much lumber as possible. Yet this winter there is a need for persons to remove basement walls. Bring a group and the camp staff will provide good warm meals!



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CASEY @ Camp

"I have been lied to all of my life." At first I did not know what to think when Casey, a young teenager, spoke these words, tinged with anger. We had just completed a session in which the literal truths of Scripture had been presented in contrast to the secular views so prevalent in our culture. As the words began to sink in, I realized that this was just one more evidence that God has placed us here for just such a time as this.

In our culture, there are many who could echo Casey's words.

Foundations of truth given in the Scriptures, abandoned to a large extent in the public square, leave American youth with a sense that Christian faith is only part of an era past — even relegating it to the realm of fable and superstition.

Camp is a great place to challenge such preconceived notions. Living 24 hours per day in an environment which offers many new experiences and quality voices, participants are challenged with truth in a rich living/learning environment.

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Camp Appanoose Memorial Day Garage Sale

It is time to start compiling items for the Memorial Day Garage Sale at the Riley's in Des Moines. Please leave items with the Riley's in preparation for the sale. All proceeds benefit this ministry.

Please Pray

- For the ones who paid the price and their families
- Summer 2015 - that God will enable us to clearly communicate truth
- For another great summer staff team & preparations for the upcoming summer season
- Campers coming to camp who will be able to benefit in many ways

Register For Camp Programs ▶ Now!

We are currently receiving summer camper registrations. Please go to campappanoose.org to choose your camp week, register on line, or print out a registration form and mail it in with payment.

Noah This Summer

The theme for summer 2015 will center around the narrative of God's special provision for Noah and his family (and a host of animals!) The great flood is recorded in the book of beginnings – Genesis. Not only does the flood account address many scientific questions, but it also gives a great framework for communicating the Gospel to campers and guests. **We are excited to do so!**



Summer Staff

Now taking Applications

Camp Appanoose is now taking applications for summer 2015 staff. We are looking for college age young men and women who are willing to grow and at times be stretched as they serve the needs of young people and children attending camp programs. The mission of Camp Appanoose is to introduce the next generation to Christ. An eight day training session early in the summer equips summer staff to serve by investing in their lives so they can pass on spiritual principles to campers. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact us at the camp office. Applications are now available. This is a great service and growth opportunity. Contact cabar@campappanoose.org to request an application packet.

Send Someone To Camp

Do you know someone ages, 8-18, who would benefit by spending a week or two at camp this summer? Why not consider sponsoring a camper? If you can't think of someone, the camp office maintains an "Assistance Fund" for young persons who could benefit from camp and yet are unable to pay the entire fee. We always have more needs than we are able to meet, so your help will be most appreciated. Camp Fees pay around a third of actual camp costs.



Unique Camps, Educational Travel, Youth Specialists

Thank You's!

- **Humeston First Baptist Church** for supplying another fifteen passenger van. Like new, with only 40,000 miles on it, this will enable us to expand some of our growing programs.
- **Sewing Ladies of First Federated Church** who crafted and sewed kitchen aprons for the Camp Appanoose Kitchen. We appreciate (and campers enjoy!) the creative additions to camp activity spaces.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Completion/repair to Bunkhouse wall (interior)
- Complete construction of the outdoor kitchen
- A variety of carpentry projects to finish up before campers arrive
- Outdoor Classroom (Adam's Acre) – projects and landscaping

Spring Volunteer Work Weekend — May 1-2

Mark your calendar to come (with a team of volunteers) to camp for a project weekend, May 1–2. Meals and lodging are provided. Come for a great time of fellowship and service projects. We will have Friday evening dinner and three meals on Saturday. If possible, contact the camp office or email cabar@campappanoose.org with your interests so that we will be ready for your project.

Needs List

- Two small refrigerators (w/a small freezing compartment)
- Wood chipper (Heavy duty, industrial quality)
- Another 16" or larger chain saw
- Gifts of \$800 each to complete one of the eleven remaining RV sites
- Refrigerator Hand-Truck
- Heavy Duty Floor Jack
- Equipment Building Constructed – \$25,000 (urgent need)

Dates to Remember

- Mar 3, Apr 7 Go Team
- Feb 17, Mar 17, Apr 14 FOCAS (Friends of Camp Appanoose in Service)
- April 24-26 Spring Camp – 10-14 yr olds
- May 1-2 Volunteer Project Retreat (an event for the entire family!)
- Memorial Day Weekend Camp Appanoose Garage Sale @ the Rileys
- June 13 Food Service Luncheon/ Meeting (10-1 pm)