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National/Global Crisis

Scanning through a series of daily e-mails, twenty out of twenty-five news items were in some way referenced to the Covid-19 pandemic. This ministry is no less affected. With the counsel of our national and state officials, along with the Christian Camp and Conference Association, of which Camp Appanoose is a member ministry, we are attempting to follow given guidelines.

All camp activities involving larger group gatherings will be suspended through at least the twentieth of April. This, of course, comes with a bit of disappointment in that so much of the year is spent working toward very special times when we can so openly and creatively share

Spring Camp (7th-12 Grades)

Spring Camp has been cancelled for 2020 Due to the national health concerns, it seemed wise to cancel

SURF Club

7-12 grade students! Meets each Saturday evening at camp, from 6-8:00. The SURF Club Ski event was in February but we still have lots of fun activities planned this spring. Come for a time of friendship and group games. Snacks are provided and as the weather warms, the Filling Station will also open so that snacks and beverages may be purchased as well. Pastor Pat will provide a brief Bible study.

Welcome Glenda Dinwiddie

Glenda is scheduling summer camp kitchen teams of three to four persons per week throughout the summer months. If you are interested in volunteering in food service, please contact the camp office and we will direct your information to Glenda. Currently we are seeking additional cooks during the month of July, as well as a number of days throughout the month of June. Contact Glenda at 641.895.4652; or the camp office: cabar@campappanoose.org for questions or indicate your week of choice! Glenda is filling the very-capable shoes of Bev Hanawalt, who has faithfully served in this capacity for the past five years!

the truth of the gospel with young people. We must trust this ministry into the hands of our sovereign God, and work behind the scenes to be prepared, after the present crisis, to come forward in a stronger way on the other side.

We so much covet your prayers on our behalf. The financial strains are already being felt. We ask you to consider generously supporting this ministry as our expenses continue on. It is our intention that, whenever this crisis is past, we will be even better positioned to carry the mission of Camp Appanoose forward in a strong manner. Your support is of critical importance. — *Pastor Pat*

Spring Camp this season. We look expectantly ahead to summer programs and Fall Camp (October 9-11, 2020)

AMPED at Camp - for young adults!

This spring Camp Appanoose is planning several activities for young adults. On March 14, April 11, and May 16, we will be inviting young adults who have been former campers or who simply desire fellowship with other young adults for an afternoon of service projects (outdoor if weather permits.) Camp Appanoose, in its earlier days was largely developed by young adults who often gave their Saturdays to accomplishing many needed projects. Out of those shared challenges many life-long friendships were developed. If you know of young adults who would be interested, we urge you to come and join in an afternoon of shared projects, followed at 5 pm by a meal in the Pavilion. Additionally, young adults may stay on and join in the SURF Club activity of the evening if desired. Please RSVP to Matt at 319.850.9047 or intern@campappanoose.org, or Pat Amsden 641.8895.0295. Project details and other specifics will be posted on Facebook.



Summer Kitchen Volunteers Are Needed

How many of your great memories involve food? Camp is no different. Help campers make memories – volunteer in the kitchen! Come, be a part of the kitchen team of 3-4 cooks/kitchen helpers each week of camp. Friendships have developed in this area through past seasons, all while serving young people with delicious and healthy meals three times each day. If you've not considered this opportunity, give us a call and consider bringing your own team of kitchen workers. Training will be provided on June 6 and necessary paperwork required by the state of Iowa can be completed at that time.

Two Urgent Needs

Two needs have arisen which must be addressed quickly

- 1. In October, the sewers backed up in both of our two all season bunkhouses. These structures are the only two which have not been connected to the central sewer and remain on one of the four original septic systems. Short term solutions would not be inexpensive. The best option, we believe, will be to connect to the main sewer lift station, providing a permanent solution. One other benefit would be that the new trunk line would then be in place for future development. The cost of constructing this third line on our central sewer has been estimated at around \$28,000.00. However, a generous contractor in the area has offered to construct this line for \$10,500.00 and have it ready for the upcoming season if we will provide some of the volunteer labor. We are asking for \$11,000.00 to cover the construction project with a little provision for our equipment and volunteer costs. This is urgent.
- **2. In late January,** we found that our walk-in freezer failed, also taking down the walk-in cooler. These had been checked only two days prior, and contained a considerable amount of quality meats which had been purchased for summer programs. (By buying throughout the year, we are able to offer a much higher quality of meats for camp programs at a fraction of the costs.) These units were donated to Camp Appanoose when we built the Pavilion. At that time, they were over forty year old. Again, there are temporary solutions, but we have been advised that a longer term solution would be much more dependable with the hotter summer months not far ahead. To renew these two vital pieces of equipment we will need approximately \$3500.00. This, too, is an urgent need in that not only did we lose a considerable amount of food, but we are



currently unable to purchase in significant quantities due to a lack of freezer space. **This is also urgent**

Mission Statement Introducing Jesus Christ to a new generation and challenging youth for productive service in our world.



By Praying: We are a faith-based ministry whose final dependence is upon God.

▲ **By Volunteering:** Much of our work is done by volunteers who are here weekly, monthly or even occasionally. Our volunteer auxiliary, Friends of Camp Appanoose, meets on the third Thursday of each month.

By providing financially: *Actual costs per camper are approximately \$1000 per session. Generous donors make up the difference. In 2020, Appanoose Ministries is seeking 200 donors to sponsor campers at \$1000 each. *Please consider making a generous gift to camp by US mail or PayPal online. *All gifts are tax deductible. *You may be able to give through your employer. Some employers will match your gift. Check with your employer for details.



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We thank God for you, and for your gifts to this ministry, as God has laid the needs on your heart

Summer Camp

"The Big Fish Story" will be the camp theme this summer as young people are drawn into the actual account of a man who was swallowed by a great fish or sea creature, specially prepared by God, and lived to tell about it! We will look at how God speaks to us and how we respond to Him. A week of staff training, followed by a week of Bible training for the more mature young

person, will launch six more weeks of summer camps for young people ages eight to eighteen. Pray with us, in this year of global crisis and national emergency, that God will enable Camp Appanoose to be a great voice for the reality of our God and the certainty of His gracious provision through Jesus Christ. On grounds programs will conclude with an expanded Extreme Sport camp, featuring two extra days, an emphasis on Bible apologetics and overnight options on horseback, bikes or canoes/kayaks.

Opportunities for teens, young adults, and horse campers will be offered through the Rocky High Adventure Camps in the majestic high country of Colorado. A special Rocky High for families is planned for early September which will equip parents to help connect their families with the Creator through His creation. Send campers! Pray! And consider volunteering at Camp Appanoose this summer!

Most Needed

- ▲ Funds for Kitchen Walk in Units \$3500.00
- ▲ Funds and volunteers for sewer project \$11,000.00
- ▲ Burn Cage \$700.00
- ▲ (2) 30-Gallon Air Compressors
- ▲ Bridge Completion \$4000.00



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