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From the Lutherhaven Log

A DIFFERENT Summer Review

For a third consecutive year, Camp Lutherhaven has been blessed with the greatest number of summer campers in its history. More than 1700 people were served through Camp's summer programs in 2005. The theme this year was "Different" based on Matthew 20:28, "For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." (NIV) Bright, neon green shirts abounded as staff and campers investigated the Word to learn that because Christ was different, we have been made different, and we are called to live in a different way.

Bouncing balls with a parachute during Developmentally Disabled Camp

DIFFERENT.
MATTHEW 20:28

Sticking with the theme, there were a number of different components of camp. One change returning campers would notice right away is the traditional boys' and girls' cabins of many years past were flip-flopped. This change better served the girl/boy ratio and roommate requests that the registrations hold.

Also, new in 2005 was the Junior Servants program. This volunteer high school program was the merging of the former workperson and Counselor-in-Training programs. The JS offering was widely popular, filling to capacity in a few short days of opening registration and was well led by Logan Scheiwe, our first-ever Junior Servant leader. Junior Servants had more interaction with staff and campers than the workpeople of the past and were able to participate in more personal and group growth opportunities.

One of the most popular changes included the addition of large inflatable water recreational toys. Muncie Mountain, named after the lake Camp borders, is an 8-foot tall floating mountain that allows campers to climb on three sides and slide down the fourth. In the shallow part of the swimming area a large Lily Pad was also added. Campers used it both as a climbing and resting area. Both of these items were given as a gift from the St. Paul Lutheran School in Bremen as a result of their annual Bowl-a-Thon.

Despite numerous things that were different, there were many things that remained consistent as they have for decades. Campers still played in the ever-flowing springs, each day closed with campfire devotions, and moose-kissing happened on a weekly basis. Above all, the one constant is that the love of Christ abounds.

Look for summer 2006 information to come your way in January. The theme will be "Reality Check" based on Romans 5:8. "But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." (NIV)

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Reaching out with the love of Christ.

From the Director

There's a camp song that goes like this...

If I were a butterfly, I'd thank you Lord that I had wings.
And if I were a robin in a tree, I'd thank you Lord that I could sing.
And if I were a fish in the sea, I'd wiggle my tail and I'd giggle with glee;
But I just thank You Father for makin' me me.

During this season of thankfulness, I was thinking about the many things I have been given and the many things I normally forget to even recognize as gifts from above. Sometimes life has a way of clouding the thankfulness we are called to in our Christian life. Colossians 2:7 even says "overflowing with thankfulness." - A far cry from where I am usually at. But even if we cannot think of the smaller things to be thankful for, Hebrews widens our perspective to the big picture of Life when it says:

"Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe,"
Hebrews 12:28 (NIV)

What a perfect place for the holiday of Thankgiving because it helps us to "*worship God acceptably with reverence and awe*." That's something we could all use as we approach Jesus, the babe, our Savior and King.

Now how could we fill in the blank for you?
If I were _____, I'd thank you Lord that _____.

Albion Camp Hoping To Nest Ospreys

DNR building platform to lure endangered bird

As it appeared in The Journal Gazette
September 11, 2005, Outdoors - 11B
By Phil Bloom, Outdoors editor

ALBION - There are no guarantees, but John Castrale thinks Don Schroeder's request is worth a try.

Schroeder is the outdoor education director at Camp Lutherhaven, a 72-acre camp on Muncie Lake not far from Chain O' Lakes State Park. He was curious if the camp's location might be a suitable place to lure nesting ospreys, a fish-eating bird of prey.

Castrale, a wildlife biologist with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, visited the camp on Wednesday and thought enough of the prospects to encourage Schroeder's dream. Castrale left behind a nesting platform that will be placed atop a used utility pole being donated by the Noble County REMC.

"Probably pretty good," Castrale said when asked what the chances are that ospreys will find the nesting tower.

"It's always a crapshoot, but they really like structures. They really like these types of structures."

Ospreys are on the Indiana endangered species list, but the DNR is in the third year of trying to restore populations statewide. Young birds are obtained from researchers who collect eggs from two locations in Virginia - Chesapeake Bay and Langley Air Force Base.

"They don't like them nesting in close association with jets, so they try to rob all the nests each year and distribute them to other states," Castrale said. "When we get them, they are about 5 to 7 weeks old."

The young ospreys are hand fed for a while before being released to fend for themselves.

Castrale has worked with two other raptor reintroduction programs for the state - bald eagles and peregrine falcons.

"These guys are a little different," he said of the ospreys. "They are hard to get to eat at first, and it's really frustrating. You've got to force-feed them sometimes, but after a couple, three days they get the hang of it. They never really gain weight. They are lean and mean and skinny. We have daily contact, and you'd think they'd sort of get used to you, but they get wilder as time goes on. You've got to be careful with them."

Widely distributed around the world, ospreys experienced a rapid population decline from 1950 to 1980 because of the insecticide DDT, loss of breeding habitat and poaching.

"They were scattered throughout the state through the 1960s and maybe into the early '70s," Castrale said. "Then for a number of years we didn't (see) any that we knew of in the state."

A pair showed up at Brookville Reservoir in southeast central Indiana in the early 1990s.

"For a number of years, that was the only pair," Castrale said. "Then we had some activity at Potato Creek State Park (near South Bend), and Patoka Reservoir and now Hovey Lake. We had 11 nests this year."

That includes Tri-County Fish and Wildlife Area near North Webster, where the DNR has released 24 young ospreys over the past three years. A pair of ospreys nested there this spring, and two other pairs nested at Pigeon River Fish and Wildlife Area in LaGrange and Steuben counties.

That's one reason Castrale liked the Lutherhaven site.

"It's in between Tri-County and Pigeon River, and birds are coming through here," he said. "That's why we released them up here (in northern Indiana). With the natural lakes, there are a lot of opportunities for them to nest. Some of the lakes are not that big, but as long as they have food choices it should be good for them."

Women's Retreat

Once Upon A Time

A New Year's Retreat for Women at Camp Lutherhaven January 27-29, 2006

As daughters of the King we know the end of our life-story, we do - and we rejoice! But there's a lot of living to do between now and then. Some of these hours are filled with beautiful, sweet moments. Other times are stained, sour and carry the stench of sin - ours, as well as the sin of others. The gifts of courage, strength and hope are treasures, linked to surrender and obedience, which will crown our days and bestow on us the beauty of our true identity in Christ.

This getaway weekend, dedicated to spiritual renewal, gives women of all ages the opportunity to grow through Scriptural presentations, small group Bible study, personal reflection, dynamic workshops and times of singing and praise. The fellowship and encouragement of women whose hearts are fueled by the love of Jesus is always a blessing - always a treasure.

This year's keynote presenter is Janet Fehskens. Janet and her husband, Ed, lived in Ft. Wayne from 1978 to 1981 while Ed attended seminary and then again from 1995 to 2003 when Ed was a pastor at Holy Cross. They are currently living in Elma, New York with three of their six children still at home. Janet has led workshops at the National Lutherans for Life Conventions and has had articles and poetry published in *Living*, (an LFL magazine) *Gentle Spirit* and local newspapers. She has spoken at the Ft. Wayne Seminary, high schools, camps and women's functions. She leads the "Girls' Night Out" at her home church, Faith Lutheran in Elma, and works part-time at the Aurora Wellness Center.

Cathy Jantzen, our speaker in 2005, is a Mental Health Counselor and Administrative Director at Family Care Center in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Cathy will be joining us on Saturday afternoon to present an extended workshop entitled "Freedom Through Forgiveness." Powerful and riveting, this participant focused workshop will usher the healing work of God into the deep places of our lives for those who wrestle with an unhealed wound, a painful breach within a relationship or find it hard to freely receive the Lord's forgiveness for difficult things from their past.

Unlike other years, this year's retreat will formally being at 8:15 PM on Friday night with registration occurring from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. However, once again the retreat can begin as early as 1:00 PM on Friday afternoon for those desiring extra time for rest and renewal. This extended time is packed with quiet, refreshing possibilities for a small additional fee. Some women enjoy this extra time to simply rest and relax with a dear friend. Others enjoy extended personal quiet time, workshop opportunities, a long winter hike, or an uninterrupted day of scrapbooking. Dinner will be served at 6:00 PM. Committed to making this retreat a refreshing blend of faith, friendship and fun for all women, Lutherhaven will still offer 1-night, 2-night and 'Saturday only' retreat options.

For more information - please contact Lutherhaven's office at 260.636.7101 or e-mail Peggy at camp@lutherhaven.org.

Registration Form

Once Upon A Time Women's Retreat, January 27-29, 2006

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
State/Zip _____
Phone _____
Email _____

- **All housing is limited and will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis.**
- **Reservations sent together will be housed together**
- Prices (per person) are based on full room occupancy and include lodging, 5 meals and programming
- All housing utilizes community bathroom facilities.
- **Please contact Camp Lutherhaven if you have special housing needs.**

Because all housing is limited, please rank your housing choices 1st, 2nd & 3rd

FULL Lodge Private Rooms (1-3 roommates) $99
(linens provided in Private Rooms)
__ Daniel Retreat Center (1-7 roommates) $92
__ Dormitory $80
__ Cabin (1-9 roommates) $70
__ Providing own lodging $51
__ Saturday only *(includes lunch & dinner)* $30
__ Early Friday Arrival (check if coming) +$10
(Arrive 1pm - includes Dinner)
__ One night only - Cabin Housing $55
___*Friday Night* __*Saturday Night*

Roommate Preferences:
Reservations sent together will be housed together

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o Enclosed is a check for the $20 nonrefundable deposit -or-
o Enclosed is a check for the full amount. _____

To register, send completed form with check to:

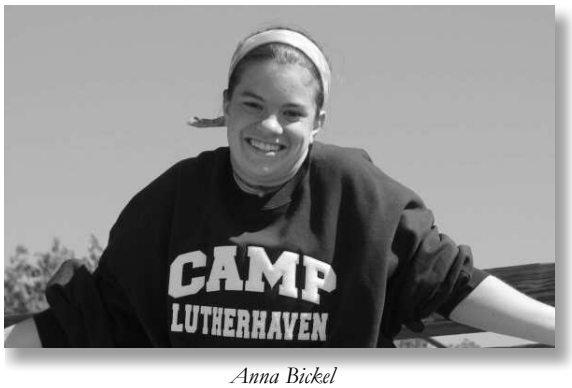
Camp Lutherhaven
1596 S. 150 W.
Albion, IN 46701

New Ministry Impact Worker

Camp Lutherhaven is pleased to welcome Anna Bickel as its newest Ministry Impact Worker. Anna began serving in this position in September and will continue to serve until May of 2006. She is no stranger to the camp scene. This past summer Anna served as Program Assistant on Lutherhaven's summer staff. In previous summers, she worked on summer staff at Walcamp Outdoor Ministries in Illinois and Camp Luther in Wisconsin.

Anna spent the first 18 years of her life in Racine, Wisconsin, with her parents and four younger siblings. Upon graduating from high school, Anna headed off to Indiana to attend Valparaiso University. While at Valpo, she spent several semesters serving as the Stage Manager for Soul Purpose, a traveling liturgical drama troupe. In Spring 2003, she spent a semester studying in Cambridge, England. This past May, she graduated with a degree in Mathematics and Secondary Education.

Anna loves working with kids, playing guitar, and being outside. She is looking forward to the opportunities this year holds for her.



Anna Bickel

"I am excited to serve in the Ministry Impact position. Not only will it allow me to use the gifts God has given me in new ways, but it will also give me a chance to learn more about the ministries that take place at Camp in the non-summer months." Eventually, Anna hopes to serve in a full time position at a Christian camp.

Volunteers At Camp

Volunteer (noun) - One who offers service, joins a force, etc., of his own free will. (You want an example??) Camp Lutherhaven has been blessed with a number of volunteers this past summer & year who can be listed as an example for Webster's Dictionary. Here they are, take your pick! (And don't forget to tell them thanks for a job well done at Camp Lutherhaven!)

Junior Servants 2005
Janelle Berning
Kevin Boner
Emily Conrad
Therrin Ebert
JP Eberbach
Spencer Elliott
Kristen Gallmeyer
Lindsay Gasche
Chris Gorman
James Gorman
Kelli Guhl
Ryan Harpel
Becka Knox
Allie Knueve
Katarina Koch
Amy Kozlowski
Sarah Larsen
Katie Martin
Sara Mowrey
William Newman
Tamela Noe
Zane Omlor
Hannah Peters
Ryan Petrie
Rachel Renken
Stacie Rennecker
Drew Shinbeckler
Amber Scobie
Spencer Scott
Samantha Smith
Stephen Spinks
William Spreen
Kim Stiriz
Alexan Sukta
Brittany Voelker
Christie Volkman
Abigail Werner
Katrina Worman
Renee Worman
Kristen Zilz

Sunday morning speakers
Rev. David Dubbelde
Rev. Tom Eggold
Rev. Jim Keller
Rev. Brian Pratt
Rev. Daniel May
Rev. Donald Nord

Summer Volunteers
Margie Wickert
Rev. Brian Pratt
Brenda Jank
Larson Family
Rev. Jim & Annette Keller
Angie Tucker
Fey Fey Moussou
Rev. Mark Sedwick
Sue Koenig
Scott Schoech
Tony Samuels
Bethany Buchinger
Lauren Luedtke
Nicole Fischer
Nathanael & Sarah Tudor
Pastor Easterday
Adrienne Troemel
Joshua Vandercar
Adam Gaines
Shawn Davis
Peggy Schroeder
Todd Thieme and band

Short-term staff members
Erin Wolfe
Chris Murphy
Kera Prasuhn
Elizabeth Gregory
Meredith Gaines
Dawn Modlin

Memorial Weekend Participants
Daniel Anderson Family
Pam Berg Family
Jim Berning Family
Simon Brunstetter Family
Adam Gaines Family
Al Grossmann Family
Andy Heuberger Family
Elden Hildebrandt Family
Debbie Hiss Family
Nancy Kaiser Family
David McConnell Family
Greg Medbourn Family
Paul Nord Family
Jonathon Osborn Family
Daniel Rex Family
Tim Scherer
Bill Schoech Family
Cheryl Short Family
Wayne Srotyr Family
Carl Theis
Seth Tracy
Peter Van Niekerk Family
Mike Vandercar Family

Congregational Representatives
Marilue Brunstetter
Zion, Painsville, OH
Barb Christian
St. Peter, Fort Wayne, IN
Sandy Glumb
Our Hope, Huntertown, IN
Stephanie Maxson
St. Michael, Fort Wayne, IN
Dawn Modlin
St. John, Kendallville, IN
Susan Murphy
Concordia, Fort Wayne, IN
Natalie Reynolds/
Diana Taylor
Mt. Calvary, Fort Wayne, IN
Sarah Stair
St. John, Defiance, OH
Christine Stevens
Suburban Bethlehem, Fort Wayne, IN
Jill Thorn
St. John, Decatur, IN
Deb Zeckzer
Emmanuel, New Haven, IN

Cori Hildebrandt makes some repairs during Family Work Weekend.

Staff = Awesome

A summer at Camp Lutherhaven is only as good as its staff and we certainly had an outstanding group of young men and women serve here this year. This solid, dedicated, mature staff was a great blessing as they continued to uplift each other while doing all they could to make the campers have the best time growing in Christ. Eleven weeks of around-the-clock work is a tall order for anyone, yet this staff handled it phenomenally and we would like to take this time to extend our deepest gratitude to the exceptional Lutherhaven Summer Staff of 2005. You are a blessing!

The 2005 Summer Staff

If any of you as campers or parents would likewise desire to pass on your letters of thanks to individual staff members or the staff as a whole, please send it to Camp and we will forward it to them at college or wherever they are. They would certainly be grateful.

2005 Lutherhaven Summer Staff

Stefanie Ambrose, Columbia City, IN
Jenni Bennett, Albuquerque, NM
Anna Bickel, Racine, WI
Carrie Camp, Munster, IN
Jenna Campbell, Carmel, IN
Ben Cunningham, Valparaiso, IN
Shawn Davis, Fort Wayne, IN
Jon Glenn, Loves Park, IL
Lyssi Grawcock, Avilla, IN
Toni Guhl, Andrews, IN
Jason Hallman, Rockford, IL
Sharon Harden, Garrett, IN
Pete Ill, Vassar, MI
Mandy Ketcher, Crown Point, IN
Nick Larson, Valparaiso, IN
Becky Meyer, Huntington, IN
Erin Miller, Leesburg, FL
Paul Muther, West Bend, WI
Celine Newman, Gallup, NM
Alli Oppenneer, Grand Rapids, MI
Katie Pratt, Fort Wayne, IN
Logan Scheiwe, Pittsboro, IN
Justin Scott, Hoagland, IN
Tracie Sherouse, Saginaw, MI
Brock Stafford, Indianapolis, IN
Laura Stair, Fort Wayne, IN
Elan Williams, Fort Wayne, IN
Geoffrey Willig, Indianapolis, IN
Jenel Yoder, Defiance, OH
Jenni Zeser, Decatur, IN

Camp Board Of Directors

Although this group often goes unoticed and unseen, they play a profound role in the ministry of Camp Lutherhaven. Serving Lutherhaven with their gifts of leadership, expertise, time, contacts, experience, ideas and support, they provide the ongoing foundation for everything else that happens. A big thank you to all past board members and the current Board of Directors:

If you, or someone you know is interesting in serving on the board of directors, please contact Tim at the Camp at 260.636.7101.

Jim Berning
Rev. Tom Eggold
Adam Gaines
Bill Habegger
Doug Haupt
Tim Maxson
Steve Moore
Mark Oetting
Rev. Tim Sims
Gary Stair

Lost & Found

No…We're not talking about Lost and Found the band; although, they were here this Fall to perform at the Junior High Youth Rally.

We're talking about all of the items that were lost over the course of the summer and have now been found. We have quite the collection of items - including cameras, clothing items, shoes, Bibles, and more. If you think one of these items belongs to you, give the camp office a call at 260.636.7101 or send an e-mail to camp@lutherhaven.org. We will do our best to locate the item and return it to you.

We will hold on to all lost and found items until December 31, 2005. Any items still unclaimed at that time will be donated to a local charity.

The ministry of Camp Lutherhaven is what it is today because it has at its foundation a community of supporters that are prayerful, generous and committed to the cross of Jesus Christ. The Staff and Board of Directors at Camp Lutherhaven wish to warmly thank all those who have joined hands with us in our endeavor to sustain an outdoor ministry dedicated to the great commission through year round and summer camping programs for children, youth, and adults. If anyone is missed below please notify the Camp office so we may correct our mistake. Many also give beyond our ability to record through in-kind donations and volunteerism. Thank you all!!!

2005 Contributors To Date

To Protect the identity of our donors, we have chosen to not publish them via the Internet.

We're A Team!

There's exciting things going on and your help makes it all possible! Lutherhaven values your investment in this ministry with your time, talents, and treasure. Each gift makes a huge difference because it is God who works through it. Some ways for you to *team up* include:

Wish List

Camp always has a need for something and we try to list those things on our wish list. (see green rectangle on the next page) Some things are small and some are large. Check with each Chips newsletter to see if you may be able to help with these items.

Become a Partner

When you donate at least 10 hours of your time *-or-* make a donation of $100 or more each year to Lutherhaven, you become a partner with others to promote and support an effective and unique ministry of the Church. Partners serve as core supporters of Lutherhaven and therefore also have input at Camp's annual meeting.

Campership Fund

This fund is an important, annual need as it provides assistance to families who do not have the financial resources to experience a summer camp program at Lutherhaven.

If you're a **Thrivent Financial** member, don't forget their **GivingPlus** program which matches gifts from $50-$400 with $1 for every $2 dollars. Give us a call for a brochure or more info. - or print the form from their website at: http://www.thrivent.com/fraternal/churchcommunity/pdf/GivingPlusApplication.pdf

Wish List

General Camp

- Archery bows and arrows
- BandAids
- Beach balls
- Broomball equipment
- Brooms
- Buoy ropes for swimming area
- Camperships ($108-$237)
- Canoes/paddles
- Chain saw (at least 16")
- ~~Children's scissors~~ *(Thank you)*
- Computer software upgrades
- Cookie cutters (metal)
- Decks of cards
- ~~Dictionary (recent)~~ *(Thank you)*
- Dining Room Chairs
- Djembe (drum)
- Dressers/nightstands for cabins
- Electric keyboard/piano or repair
- Embroidery floss
- Glue bottles
- Guitar stands
- Hammer drill
- Inner tubes
- ~~Leaf rakes~~ *(Thank you)*
- Lifejackets
- Luggage carriers
- Megaphone
- Mirrors, full-length for cabins
- Music stands/podiums
- New postcards
- Nice serving dishes
- Paddleboats
- Paintbrushes
- Playdough
- Service projects
- Sidewalk chalk
- Snow cone machine
- Snow shovels
- Summer staff care package
- Tempera Paint
- Table saw - large
- Tractor auger
- Truck - pickup

Daniel Retreat Center

- Artwork/decorating plan
- Board/recreational games
- Couches & lounge chairs
- Outdoor rocking/ Adirondack chairs
- Ping-pong table - fold up
- Sitting stools
- Stepping stools

To donate an item from the list or to find out more information, please contact the Camp office.

Camp Gives Thanks & Gives Thanks...

Through **St. Paul Bremen Lutheran School's Bowl-a-Thon**, a significant financial gift that was received this past year came 'rolling down the alley' to us in a different fashion. The students of St. Paul Lutheran School in Bremen held a bowl-a-thon to benefit the Ministry of Camp Lutherhaven. The school of approximately 130 students knocked down pins at a local bowling alley, all for the sake of Camp Lutherhaven.

Through their efforts, the students raised over $4500 that was presented to Camp when we visited their chapel service during National Lutheran Schools Week in March. The students selected which camp Wish List items to donate and they selected water recreational toys and new mattresses and mattress covers that were all put to great use this summer.

Have these Lutherhaven campers met their match?

For the second time in the past three years, Camp Lutherhaven received a grant from the **Celebrate Diversity Project of Noble County** which enabled Noble county residents to be a part of our annual, International Camp. Part of the Celebrate Diversity Project's mission is to support programs that enrich the lives of the residents of Noble County and promote cultural diversity. The grant received was for $4300 and enabled 17 campers to attend International Camp for the first time in Summer 2005 where they attended camp alongside international campers and participated in daily cross-cultural activities.

For the 4th year in a row Camp has held International camp and in that same number of years we have received sponsorships for international campers to attend at very little or no cost. This year scholarships for 33 Burmese, African, Bantu, and Hispanic children were provided from 20 **church groups or individuals**. Gifts totaled more that $8000 and allowed the camp to be filled to capacity.

Once again, the **Lutheran Foundation** graced Camp with several grants. A gift of $9612 helped fund Lutherhaven's Campership Fund which allowed 72 families or 102 individuals to experience a Christian camping experience at a reduced cost. Also this year, Lutherhaven received a grant of $8025 to upgrade technology around Camp. This included new televisions, dvd/vhs players, computers, improved network/storage capabilities, and wireless coverage.

We are so thankful for all of these groups and individuals who have supported Camp Lutherhaven through these special gifts. To God be the glory!

A Day of Rest and Renewal

A quiet day away from everyday responsibilities is a gift which alters our attitude and impacts our perspective on life. Join us for this day of rejuvenation and reflection. Two retreats are being offered and each will be unique.

March 19, 2006
May 7, 2006

These two retreats will take place on Sunday afternoons from 1:00 to 7:00 and include dinner. Cost: $15.00 RSVP at least one week before each retreat by calling 260.636.7101.

Upcoming Programs

Winter 2005-06

December 2005

12	Homeschool Outdoor Education Class
29-30	Summer 2005 Staff Reunion

January 2006

9	Homeschool Outdoor Education Class
13-15	Confirmation Retreat
20-22	Confirmation Retreat
27-29	2006 Women's Retreat

February 2006

13	Homeschool Outdoor Education Class

March 2006

19	Rest & Renewal Day retreat

Summer Staff & Volunteers Needed

Every summer, Lutherhaven is dependent upon a large team of staff and volunteers to make each camper's stay as great as it can be. As our camper base grows, so do our needs for quality summer staff and volunteers. We currently have two categories of positions for which we will begin to take applications in the next few months. They are as follows:

SUMMER STAFF:
There are approximately 30 positions available for the full summer program that typically require residency to be at camp (head cook is an exception). Staff members must be 18 and are preferably at least one year out of high school. Positions include program staff, cooks, maintenance, medic, lifeguards, and counselors.

JUNIOR SERVANTS:
This is a volunteer program for 9-12th graders. Each Junior Servant stays for 2 weeks and assist with various tasks around camp, both with campers and various camp chores. The program includes time for Bible Study, team building, work and recreation. The program was widely popular last year and filled very quickly.

Celine & William Newman, summer staff & junior servant

The applications for both of these programs will be available shortly on our web site. If you are interested or know someone who would be great for either of these positions please let us know. We will make sure that an application is mailed to interested individuals.

If you are interested in volunteering for camp in the summer in a manner that does not fit into one of these categories, please contact the office so we can plug you into the way that best matches your gifts.

Eagle Scout Project Gives Back to Camp

William is in the middle, along with his helpers and picnic tables ready to be unloaded

William Spreen was "looking for something a little different" than the normal Eagle Scout project that was typically done in his area. Having spent two weeks in the summer of 2004 as a workperson, he thought of Camp Lutherhaven and wondered how he might give back to Camp. He subsequently opened a Chips newsletter to the wish list, and as a result Camp Lutherhaven is the new owner of 5 sturdy, well-constructed, outdoor picnic tables.

William planned many steps to complete his Eagle Scout project. He raised the funds to purchase the materials needed, found the design for the construction of the tables, coordinated a team to build the picnic tables, and delivered them to Camp just in time for the Summer 2005 Annual Chicken Dinner.

He said that raising the approximately $700 to build the octagonal tables was 'a breeze' compared to the 182 man-hours of labor needed to assemble them. Spreen, a member of the Boy Scouts programs since 1996, will find out on whether he has earned the distinguished Eagle Scout honor in the next few months, as his paperwork must go through a national review.

William is the son of James and Barbara Spreen of Huntington, Indiana, and is a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Huntington.

Other than being a workperson in 2004, William has also been a part of Lutherhaven as a camper in 2003 and a Junior Servant in 2005. Now he has created something that will ensure that a part of him is at camp for many summers to come. Thank you and congratulations, William, for this great gift and accomplishment!

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