

Park River Bible Camp

PROCLAIMER

December 2007
Volume 22, Issue 2

A Savior is Born!

8And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. 9An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. 11Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. 12This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

13Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,

14"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests." Luke 2:8-14 NIV

2007 Finishes with the Highest Summer



Attendance in PRBC History

The 2007 camp season ended up with the highest camper attendance in the history of the camp. The previous record was set in 2005 when 900 campers registered and attended

our regular programmed camps. This year the total attendance reached 901. In addition, 848 children were part of the Vacation Bible School partnerships with 25 churches. This was up from 765 last year. On-site campers along with VBS students totaled 1,749 for 2007. We're very thankful for the growth in the number of campers here at PRBC. However, our goal is to provide a safe Christian atmosphere and program where campers meet Jesus Christ in new ways and are led to trust and serve the Lord in all that they do. We are grateful for the opportunity to encourage so many in their faith in God through Jesus Christ. Thank you for your support of this ministry! To God be the Glory!

Also in this issue:

- Summer Review p. 7
- Summer photos p. 8-9
- Memorials p. 10
- Maintenance projects p. 4

Plans to Renovate the Chapel

The Chapel is one of the oldest buildings at PRBC. Campers have many fond memories of times spent in the chapel. The PRBC Board of Directors has decided to move forward in renovating the Chapel and making it a year-round climate controlled facility. We are thankful for the John Paulson Estate which will be used to fund the majority of the project. We anticipate the building of a much-needed dining hall following the renovation of the chapel. Turn to page 4 to see a sketch of the addition to the Chapel.

33rd Annual Lutefisk & Meatball Dinner

The sun was shining on the afternoon of Sunday, September 30 for the great Park River Bible Camp get together. There were 1,160 friends of the camp that came to enjoy great food and provide support for the Bible Camp ministry. The meal was served in the camp chapel where there was seating for approximately 250 at a time. There was very little waiting, and with the beautiful weather it was a great day to visit.

Those who purchased tickets for the dinner paid and left gifts of \$17,120.00. Donated items which were sold at the bazaar totaled \$1,710.56, and food sales at the end of the day added an additional \$1,875.00. In addition, Ordean and Carol Oen set up their Dakota Wild jelly stand and raised \$2,483.50 for the PRBC Endowment Fund. An additional \$800.00 contribution was received from The Walsh County Chapter of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Total proceeds for the day reached \$23,989.06. After expenses are paid, the funds raised will be used to maintain the camp, and to encourage young people in a faith relation with Jesus Christ.

Artha Travers did an outstanding job of organizing the dinner, while Sheryl Kjelland did a fantastic job of supervising the dining area. Artha and Sheryl, along with approximately 400 volunteers, worked together in preparing for the day and serving the meal.

For many years Park River Bible Camp has been blessed with many people who firmly believe in Bible Camp ministry and are willing to give of their time and talents to support this work.

It was a great day! May God continue to bless everyone who was a part of making this a success.

Quilt Auction 2007

The 2007 Quilt Auction was a huge success! The labor of love that these quilters put into making these items is amazing. In addition to their time they also invest a significant amount to buy materials for making the quilts. Thank you Quilters, for your awesome blessing to this camp. We are also thankful to those who give their time to make and serve the soup and sandwich buffet. A huge "thank you" also goes out to the many bidders at the auction. As in the past, Arlyn Askim donated his time as auctioneer for the event. Thank you, Arlyn.

The auction was well attended with approximately 200 present. There were 192 items that were donated for the sale. Proceeds from the quilt auction, along with the free will offering at the soup and sandwich buffet totaled \$22,064.00. An additional \$3,000.00 contribution was received from North Country Region of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. The highest bid of \$1,050.00 was on a hand quilted quilt made by Martha Troftgruben. An estimate of 4,200 hours of volunteer work went into making this day a success.

What a blessing you are to the ministry here at Park River Bible Camp. Thank you to all who were a part of this day! May God continue to bless you now and throughout 2008.



Thrivent Financial will still match your gift

If you are a member of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, we beg you to take advantage of the Giving Plus program. Your gift (up to \$600) will be increased by 50% with a Thrivent Financial Match if you simply complete the attached form and send it to PRBC by January 4. In fact, gifts you have already given this year may also be matched unless they were given with a dinner or quilt auction purchase. Please help us by taking advantage of this tremendous program. The match is only available if you complete the form each year.

Thrivent Members, Your gift can still be worth 50% more than you give.



4321 N. Ballard Road, Appleton, WI 54919-0001
www.thrivent.com • e-mail: mail@thrivent.com
800-THRIVENT (800-847-4836)

GivingPlus® Gift Form

Send this completed form, along with your gift, to the eligible Lutheran organization of your choice. The check must be made payable to the enrolled organization. Note: A congregation is not an eligible recipient for this program. List only one donor and one organization per form. Your unique secure identifier is required for the gift to be processed.

Donor Information

First five characters of last name

--	--	--	--	--

First and last name

--

Address

--

City

State

Zip

--

Home phone number

--

Note:

Your unique secure ID consists of the first 5 letters of your last name and the last 4 digits of your social security number.

Use black ink.
Use block letters
(e.g. A, B, C).

Last four digits of your social security number

--	--	--	--

0	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
1	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Gift Information

Date of Gift (Month)

<input type="radio"/> Jan.	<input type="radio"/> May	<input type="radio"/> Sep.
<input type="radio"/> Feb.	<input type="radio"/> Jun.	<input type="radio"/> Oct.
<input type="radio"/> Mar.	<input type="radio"/> Jul.	<input type="radio"/> Nov.
<input type="radio"/> Apr.	<input type="radio"/> Aug.	<input type="radio"/> Dec.

Date of Gift (Year)

2	0		
---	---	--	--

<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Amount of individual gift

\$

						0	0
--	--	--	--	--	--	---	---

0	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
1	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Volunteer hour information

Mark this oval if you have contributed 25 or more hours of volunteer service to this organization during the current calendar year.

Name of institution or organization receiving gift

City **PARK RIVER BIBLE CAMP**
106 SOLID ROCK CIRCLE
State **PARK RIVER, ND 58270**

I certify that I am an individual 16 years of age or older who is either a benefit member of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, or who owns a Thrivent Mutual Funds account and/or Thrivent Life Insurance Company product. I am making this gift under the guidelines of the GivingPlus program. I understand this program is not a guaranteed contractual benefit. I understand the budget for this program is established annually and therefore all eligible gifts may not be supplemented. Finally, I understand that contributions by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, Thrivent Asset Management and Thrivent Life Insurance Company are subject to the guidelines of the GivingPlus® Program.

Signature of member

For Use by Recipient Organization

I certify that the stated gift has been received and satisfies the requirements of the Thrivent Financial GivingPlus® Program.

Signature of program coordinator

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans Organization ID

5	0	4	7	5	0	3	2	1
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---

55881



Maintenance Report

By Dennie Fry, Resident Site Caretaker

This past year a number of smaller projects have been completed along with the daily and weekly duties of cleaning and lawn care. Many thanks go out to the year-round and summer staff, and to all the volunteers! Thank you all so much! This could not have been done without you.

I have been reminded this year of a saying "as the man builds the house so the house builds the man." With being able to share our talents and our lives as we work together on these projects, we are learning and growing in ways that we never thought of. Besides helping campers coming to and growing in their faith in Christ, so we are helping summer staff grow and become future leaders in our churches and communities and beyond.

This year:

- In the Retreat Center new interior knotty pine doors were installed and knotty pine was put on walls in the entry-way area, along with new signs for each room.
- A new cedar bench was put around a clump of linden wood trees by the dining hall with a stone walk also put around it.
- A new access ramp/deck to the top of the water slide was built. All who used it enjoyed this, and it was much easier and safer for those using the slide.
- Daniel's Den cabin received a new roof and paint job.
- A new cedar deck was installed between the house and garage across the river, thanks to a material donation.
- The chapel was scraped and painted.
- An old building we had was converted to a pool shed.



In building and maintenance we truly are "helping prepare someone's meeting place with God."

From the Director's Chair

I'm Steve Kordahl, the new Director of Ministries here at PRBC. Having been here only 3 months, I'm still feeling like the new guy at camp. In this short time I've had the privilege of experiencing many new adventures.

It started with the Lutefisk and Meatball Dinner. I helped make lefse (and sampled it), and also tried the lutefisk (now I know why my Dad loved it). It was so much fun meeting many wonderful supporters of the camp. The hard work and dedication of hundreds of people make this event possible.

My next adventure was the Quilt Auction, along with the Soup & Sandwich Buffet. The food was great! Many volunteers came to help make this day a success. When I saw the many hand made items, my jaw dropped. All I could think of was the many fine people who freely give of their time to make all these beautiful items.

It has been such a joy to meet many friends of PRBC. Also, to hear the stories from those who attended this camp as children, and now their grandchildren attend this camp. I feel blessed to be a part of this ministry and I am looking forward to many years ahead.

Whether it's a retreat, a dinner, or an auction, one thing is clear to me. The love that the people of this area have for this camp, and the desire to continue the ministry that began 71 years ago is immeasurable. The love that these same people have for their savior Jesus Christ is awesome!

The way I see it is simple: The camp is great! The people are wonderful! Our God is awesome!

Merry Christmas! May God bless you this Christmas season and in the coming year!!

Steve Kordahl, the new guy at PRBC

Exterior Sketch of Chapel Renovation



Chapel at Park River Lutheran Bible Camp

Ray Bigwood Scholarship Awarded

The second Ray Bigwood Scholarship was awarded this past August. Family members of Ray Bigwood have given gifts in his honor to begin a scholarship for summer staff members. Ray served as treasurer at PRBC for many years, and was a regular encourager of summer staff members. His family thought a good way to honor him would be to establish a scholarship fund for summer staff members in his name. The 2007 Scholarship recipient was Bethany Mathsen, who has been a counselor in 2006 & 2007. Persons interested in donating to the Ray Bigwood Scholarship Fund may do so simply by writing a check to PRBC with a notation of the designation.

Financial Help Needed at Year-end

The finances at PRBC this year-end are expected to fall short, however board members and camp staff have high hopes that year-end gifts will help to make up some of the shortfall for the camp operating fund. Registration fees and retreat income have done well. The four fundraisers, the Game Feed, the Pancake Dinner, the Lutefisk Dinner, and the Quilt Auction were all very successful. However we still need your support and prayers. We need an additional \$30,000 by year-end. Please continue to pray for this ministry, and if you are able, any size contribution would be appreciated.

Annual Meeting

The annual corporate assembly of the Park River Lutheran Bible Camp Corporation will be held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, January 29, 2008.

PRBC Wish List

- Your regular prayers for PRBC
- Cross country skis, poles, & boots
- New or gently used curtains (please no drapes, valances, or sheers) prefer at least 48" wide and 60" long
- Heavy duty coat hangers
- Box fans or window fans
- Target arrows for archery (bright colors)
- Families to sponsor future building products
- 18 volt cordless drill
- 80 grit sandpaper
- 6 passenger golf cart (prefer electric)
- Utility golf cart with dump box (prefer electric)
- 3 x 24 sanding belts
- White copy paper
- Paint brushes & rollers
- Acoustic electric guitar
- Linens for a full size bed
- Drill bit sets
- John Deere gator
- Plastic shower curtains
- 1" & 2" cargo tie downs

Summer 2007: "Listen! God is Calling"

"God saved us and called us to a holy calling, not according to our works but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given to us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time." ~ 2 Timothy 1:9

This summer at PRBC, every camper memorized this verse (as well as several other verses too!). Our summer theme, "Listen! God is Calling" came from it.

We believe that God reveals Himself to us. He doesn't hide Himself from us, but He tells us who He is, what He has done, and what He desires us to be. We believe that He *calls* us to be His children and followers. When campers arrived this summer, we told them to *listen* throughout the week and throughout their lives to what God is saying. But what exactly were they supposed to listen to? How would God speak? God speaks through His Word (the Bible). We don't have to wait for an angel in sparkling white to wondrously appear and give us a special message from God. And we don't have to discern the voice of the wind or our intuitions. As humans, we have selective hearing, and if we were left to hear God's voice through mysteriously subtle signs and feelings, we would only hear what we want to hear, and we would make up things to hear. So God chose to reveal Himself in words that cannot be changed by our feelings and wants. He gave His eternally enduring Word. So when we told campers to listen for God's voice, we told them where to look and where to listen, the Scriptures.

In our Bible studies we taught them, from the Scriptures, five things God calls us to. First of all, we are *called to be holy*. God demands that we live perfect lives just as He is perfect. It doesn't take long to realize that none of us live up to this demand. That is why we need Jesus. We picked up on day two with *called to be loved*. Notice that this is not a call to do something, but simply to be loved by God. This concept, so clearly presented by our theme verse (2 Tim. 1:9), is the central part of the summer theme. We learned about the love God has for us, that even though we are sinners and because we are sinners, He sent His son, Jesus Christ, to be our Savior. On the cross He took our sins, along with the punishment we deserve, and gave us His perfect righteousness. God fulfilled the standard of His own holiness. Then on day three we learned that we are *called to faith*. God calls us to believe in Him and trust Him. He tells us that we can live our lives in confidence that He can and will fulfill all His great promises. Day four was *called to love*. Since God has loved us in such radical ways, we ought to love all those around us. We learned about the kind of love that is not just an emotion, but truly puts others first. Finally, on day five, we learned that we are *called to testify*. We are called to join with the Church around the world to proclaim God's good news. This can mean going to third world countries or our friends at school. We are all ambassadors for Christ, wherever we are.

All in all it was a great summer. We set a new attendance record with 901 onsite campers. We had our second highest VBS attendance with 848 kids. That makes a combined total of 1,749, our highest ever. So we praise God for giving us the opportunity to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with so many kids. I am thankful for all of our campers, our great summer staff, our faithful supporters, and the many blessings God continually gives us. I trust that He will continue to do remarkable things here at camp.

I hope and pray for God's Blessings to you all this Christmas season. Just as Christ was born in a dirty little manger so many years ago, may He continue to be born in us and those around us. *To God alone be all the glory!*

Dan Antal Program Director



I've come to Park River Bible Camp 14 times for retreats and week long camps, since I was six years old. I'm a fifth grader now. My favorite part of camp is meeting new friends. I like playing extreme capture the flag. If I could be anywhere in the world I would be at Park River Bible Camp. I also like the songs that we do there. Sam, Adven-



I had a fun time at my first year at the Bible Camp. I can't wait to go again. Kristen, 1st Grade



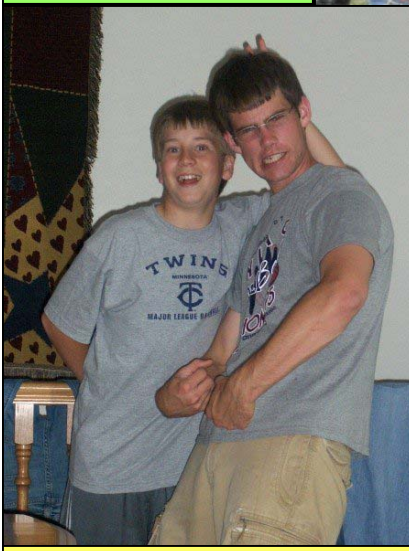
I've been going to PRBC for as long as I can remember and it is always the best summer memory. I always had a lot of fun playing games and my favorite part was rally time. I love singing about Christ, the songs have so much meaning. I have grown in my faith so much since attending PRBC, this last summer I participated in the CIT program and had a blast teaching young girls about Jesus. Cassie, Sr. High Camper



Bible camp has always been the best week out of the whole year, I mean, you got 4-square, o u t - post, plastic wrapping the girls cabins, even some Bible studies.
Justin, Sr. High



I think that PRBC is a great place to have fun, make friends, and most importantly, grow in faith. The first time I went to camp, I didn't know anyone, but quickly made friends, and my counselor was great too! I can't wait to go back this summer!
Alyssa,



I have been coming to the Park River Bible Camp for 9 years now and love coming. I look forward always until the next time I go to see old friends and make new ones. My favorite time was when I was 9 (I think) and they had someone standing on a big rock being Jesus and teaching us his word. That was very exciting to me. I also really like playing 4 square!!!
James, Jr. High Camper

Memorials received 12/12/2006 to 11/20/2007

Key to listing:

Person(s) being remembered:
Giver(s) of memorial gifts

Martin Aaserud: Big Pembina Lutheran WELCA, Elgin & Betty Coyle, Lyle & Rena Overby, Rev. Dr. Gerald & Dr. Joyce White

Esther Amundson: Melvin Amundson, Esther's Family

Alice Anderson: Lillian Clemens, Alvin & Shirley French, Ed & Sharon Loraas, Leon & Corrine Weberg

Alice B. Anderson: Bethel Cudmore, Harvey & Clarice Offerdahl

Bud Anderson: John & Julie Stearns

George "Bud" Anderson: Marilyn & Bill Ginder

Christine M. Bach: Irene Dencker, Barbara Nelson, Judy McGoven, Doris & Harold Einarson

Olgar Bang: Clive & Jacky Jones

Luke Barta: Gary & Darlene Krom

Edna Berger: Floyd & Irma Gemmill, Randall & Jane Riesberg

June Bjorneby: David & Cynthia Loiland, Wayne & Virginia Meyer, Dennis & Beverly Hammer, Howard & Marion Hove

Mary Blomquist: Gary & Darlene Krom

Rev. Dwight Boe: Gordon & Dee Gronhovd, Myron Hylden, Wayne & Virginia Meyer

Palmer Boe: Paul & Pam Berntson, Lillian Clemens, Alvin & Shirley French, Earl & Lorna Marifjeren, Henry & Verna Delle Skorgeheim, Timothy & Jacqueline Zikmund, Dennis Grove

Laurel Bowles: Bernice Flanagan

Alfred Brueckner: Jim & Marcy Halstenson

Marty Brueckner: Jim & Marcy Halstenson

Joshua Buchwitz: Ann Fagerholt, Joel & Amy Fedje

Ron Capp: Gary & Darlene Krom

Evelyn Christenson: Wayne & Virginia Meyer

Gilman Clemens: Eloise Adamsen, David & Linda Kyle

Donna Clow: Dorothy Gillespie

Elwyn Common: Oscar & Cynthia Lundquist

Thelma C. Crowston: Dorothy Gillespie

Lyle Currie: Wayne & Virginia Meyer

Helen Davies: JoAnn & Glen Gorder

Irene Dencker: Maren Heaney, Corrine Ramsey, Arthur Flaten, Dorothy Gillespie, Wayne & Virginia Meyer

John D. Desautel: Kelly Desautel & family, JoAnn & Glen Gorder, H.M. & Eleanor Iversen, Kathy Midgarden, Joel & Kristin Sobolik, John & Sharyl Lindell, Gary & Darlene Krom

Mabel Egeland: JoAnn & Glen Gorder

Lee Einarson: Marie & Scott Bakke, Karl & Kimberly Blake, Jean Fjeld, Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Jay & Carol Lewis, Alice L. Olson, Corrine Ramsey, Timothy & Jacqueline Zikmund

Nora Florence: Mitzi & Gary Flatau, Hamilton & Marion Hurtt, Wayne & Virginia Meyer

Ruth Foty: Dorothy Ferguson, Marvin & Margie Laaveg

Vernon Gerig: Barbara Nelson

Kurtis Gillespie: Dorothy Gillespie

Ruth Ann Gjevre: Ruth's family, Tom & Laurie Schulz

Orland Gronhovd: Alvin & Shirley French, Glenn & Barbara Gronhovd, Gordon & Dee Gronhovd, Ed & Sharon Loraas, Thomas & Anita Praska

Helen Gunstenson: ND Air National Guard Credit Union, Mr. & Mrs. Allyn Fagerholt, Kathy Gunstenson & Roger Beardsley, Rev. Harold & Eunice Vold

Rodger Gustafson: Rev. Gordon & Norma Berntson, Beth Carlson, Lillian Clemens, Arthur Flaten, Alvin & Shirley French, Dennis Grove, Jim & Marcy Halstenson, Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Myron Hylden, Orville & Sheryl Kjelland, Helen Laaveg, Jay & Carol Lewis, J. Monson, Alice L. Olson, Bruce & Susan Otto, Corrine Ramsey, John N. & Maxine Sveen, Anna Windingland, Lennart & Margie Almen

Melvin Gutterud: Dorothy Gillespie, Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Howard & Darline Johnson, Orville & Sheryl Kjelland, Corrine Ramsey, Joel & Kristin Sobolik, Lennart & Margie Almen

Patricia Hagen: Glora Halliday, Linda Larson, Robert & Joan Pilon, Greg & Donna Erovick, Floyd & Irma Gemmill, Lennart & Margie Almen

Tom Hall: Donald & Muriel Folson

Mildred Halstenson: David & Geri Beckman, Bernice Flanagan, Russell & Jean Hoverson, Kevin & Kim Nelson, Leona Peterson, Rod & Cryss Quanbeck, John & Susan Steinke, Dean & Linda Wedul, Gary & Paula Whaley

Evelyn Hamre: Jim & Marcy Halstenson, John & Susan Steinke

Lorene Hanson: Douglas Anderson

Marion (Mrs. Arnold) Hanson: Arlen & Ann Jackson, Earl & Marcella Weisz

Memorials, continued...

Elaine Haroldson: Irene Askim, Rev. Gordon & Norma Berntson, Paul & Pam Berntson, Lillian Clemens, Alvin & Shirley French, Norris & Lorna Haug, Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Terrance & Jo Ann Lykken, Irene Seim, Bernhard & Anna Setness, Harold & Helen Sundvor

Harlan Haslekaas: Rev. Gordon & Norma Berntson, Paul & Pam Berntson, Alva & Richard Brown, Alvin & Shirley French, Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Jay & Carol Lewis, Curtis & Malvina Moe, Robert & Marilyn Paulson, Irene Seim

Evelyn Heggen: David & Geri Beckman, Paul & Lola Hagen

Mae Hellum: Harvey & Clarice Offerdahl

Darren Herbel: Gilbert & Elna Herbel

Teresa Hersch: Helen Laaveg

Marie Heuchert: Blaine & Trina Papenfuss

Edwin Hjelvik: Alvin & Shirley French, Ed & Sharon Loraas, Alvin & Grace Peterson

Maureen Hobbs: Judie L. Lundgren

Harvey Hogstad: H. Eulalie Smestad

Corey Holt: Alice L. Olson

Ed Hooley: Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Gary & Darlene Krom

Nancy Houser: Arlen & Ann Jackson, Orville & Sheryl Kjelland, Corrine Ramsey

Bernice Hunking: Orville & Sheryl Kjelland, Lorna Pesek

Duane Hylden: Pamela O'Leary

Jeremiah Jelinek: Loy & Ruth Jelinek

Bud Johnson: Joel & Kristin Sobolik

Orrin C. "Bud" Johnson: Orville & Sheryl Kjelland, Bernice Flanagan, Gora Halliday

Thomas Johnson: Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Joel & Amy Fedje, Andy Fedje, JoAnn & Glen Gorder

Verna Johnson: Lillian Clemens, Richard & Ruth Clemenson, Bernice Flanagan, Jean & Craig Hollenbeck, Adeline Hurtt, Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Mark & Esther Hylden, Dick & Linda Jeffries, Duane & Gloria Johnson, Phyllis Koppang, Sylvester & Joyce Miller, Leona Paulson, Joel & Kristin Sobolik, Oliver E. & Grace E. Johnson

William "Bill" Johnson: Lynn & Mary Berg, Terry J. Burns, Richard & Ruth Clemenson, Bernice Flanagan, Marilyn & Bill Ginder, Howard & Darline Johnson, Helen Laaveg, Ed & Sharon Loraas, Nels & Sonia Midgarden, Family & Friends, Joel & Amy Fedje, Ken & Beatrice Johnson, Orville & Sheryl Kjelland, Joel & Kristin Sobolik, George & Yvonne Walstad

Myrtle Kalbakdalen: Wayne & Virginia Meyer

Neil Kelley: Rev. Harold & Eunice Vold

Ella Rae Kelly: Jim & Marcy Halstenson

Stan Kennedy: Alice L. Olson

Charlie Kiefer: L.E. & Mary Seim

Doris Kinlaw: L.E. & Mary Seim

Lynn Kjorstad: Orville & Sheryl Kjelland, Jon & Linnae Norberg, Corrine Ramsey, Lennart & Margie Almen

Ed Klink: Harvey & Clarice Offerdahl

John Kloster: Rennae Millette

Marion Knutson: Earl & Ione Anderson

Find Us Faithful by Steve Green

We're pilgrims on the journey

Of the narrow road

And those who've gone before us line the way

Cheering on the faithful, encouraging the weary

Their lives a stirring testament to God's sustaining grace

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses

Let us run the race not only for the prize

But as those who've gone before us

Let us leave to those behind us

The heritage of faithfulness passed on through godly lives

Chorus:

Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful

May the fire of our devotion light their way

May the footprints that we leave

Lead them to believe

And the lives we live inspire them to obey

Oh may all who come behind us find us faithful

After all our hopes and dreams have come and gone

And our children sift through all we've left behind

May the clues that they discover and the memories they uncover

Become the light that leads them to the road we each must find

Repeat Chorus

(Continued on page 14)

Retreat News

Fall 2007 Events

- **Autumn Blast:** On September 15 we held our annual Autumn Blast event. The main attraction was nationally-known Christian comedian Daren Streblov. Re:born, a Christian rock band from the Fargo area also played. It was a great time to worship together, laugh together, and hear God's Word together.
- **Fall Gathering for Senior Citizens:** On October 4 we held our annual Fall Gathering. Pastor Don Swenson of Walhalla shared devotions. It was a time for Sr. citizens to sing hymns, fellowship, and hear God's Word.
- **1st-3rd Grade Retreat:** On October 13, we had our first retreat of the season. We set a retreat season record for this age group with 71 campers! This fall our retreat theme is "Standing on the Promises." We saw how God has been faithful to His promises and how He is still faithful to His promises to us in Jesus Christ. All in all it was a great time to play together, worship, learn God's Word, and grow in our faith.
- **4th-6th Grade Retreat:** This retreat was on October 26-27. With 55 campers, it was also a retreat season record setter for its age group! We continued to study God's promises to us and continued to be blessed.
- **Fall Quilt Retreat:** 20 women came to PRBC on November 9-11 to enjoy fun, food, fellowship, and of course, quilting!
- **Scrapbooking and Stamping Retreat:** 44 women attended the annual fall retreat on November 16-18. They not only learned new techniques for their hobby but also enjoyed fellowship with each other.



2007-2008 Retreat Events

December

7-9 ~ 7th-9th Grade Retreat
31-Jan. 1 ~ 9th -12th Grade Retreat

January

12 ~ 1st-3rd Grade Day Camp
18-20 ~ "Stashbusters" Quilt Retreat
25-27 ~ Beginner & Buddy Retreat

February

1-2 ~ 4th-6th Grade Retreat
8-10 ~ 7th-9th Grade Ski Retreat
22-23 ~ 9th-12th Grade Retreat

March

1 ~ 1st-3rd Grade Day Camp
7-9 ~ Quilt Retreat
14-15 ~ 4th-6th Grade Retreat
28-30 ~ Spring Scrapbook/Stamp Retreat

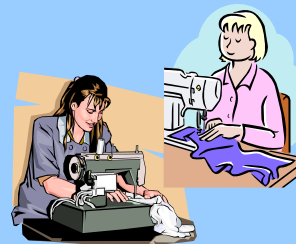
April

12 ~ 1st-3rd Grade Day Camp
27 ~ Pancake Dinner

Do you want to learn to quilt?

Does your friend know how to
quilt already?

Want to spend some time
quilting to-



gether?

We've created a Quilt Retreat that will
work for both of you!

Senior High New Year's Eve Retreat

2007 is almost gone and 2008 is right around the corner. So bring in the New Year right, in PRBC style! As the New Year approaches, we start thinking about our "resolutions" for the next year. They range anywhere from losing ten pounds to reading through the entire Bible in a year. Whatever our resolutions are, they're always attempts to make our lives better or be better people. Trying to make our lives better or be better people isn't bad, but sometimes we forget about Jesus, and that is bad! Do we really think we can do anything without Him?

So join us as we start off the New Year right, with Jesus! We'll worship Him together. We'll hear His word together. We'll celebrate the freedom He gives us. We'll have some fun. We'll play some "whose line?" And (as usual) we'll get a little crazy.

We hope you can join us as we start the New Year off right. The cost will be \$19. Registration will be from 7:00-7:45 pm on Dec. 31 and departure will be 12:00 noon on Jan. 1. For more information or to register, call the camp at (701) 284-6795 or (800) 269-2465 or visit our website at www.ParkRiverBibleCamp.org.

(Continued from page 11)

Anna Kordahl: Anton & Kay Alkofer, Lyle & Rena Overby, Bruce & Lynn Torfin

Harriet Lerud: Hamilton & Marian Hurtt

Glen Liddle: Wayne & Virginia Meyer

Hamilton Lindell: Allan & Orla Lindell

Thomas P. Lindell: J.A. & Linda Gillespie, Allan & Orla Lindell, Larry & Vicki Klamm, Dorothy Gillespie, John & Sharyl Lindell

Orvin Loftsgard: Snookie Bjerneby, Joel & Amy Fedje, Adeline Hurtt, Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Glenn & Lynette Langerud, Jay & Carol Lewis, Glenn & Jeanne Okeson, Rev. Orville & H. Marjorie Sunde

Loved ones: Lynn & Linda Paulson

Loved ones: Rennae Millette

Wilmar "Bill" Magnusson: Hamilton & Marian Hurtt

Edith Mastre: Earl & Ione Anderson, Richard & Ruth Clemenson, Nels & Sonia Midgarden

Hildegarde Mattson: Ray & Jennette Feltman

Eleanor McMillin: Anna Windingland

Martha Medalen: Gordon & Dee Gronhovd, Thomas & Anita Praska

Violet Meline: Gary & Darlene Krom

Anita Moe: Rev. Harold & Eunice Vold

Dorothy Mohagen: Eloise Adamsen, Rev. Gordon & Norma Berntson, Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Sylvester & Joyce Miller, Michael & Bette Nelson, Artha Travers, Rev. Harold & Eunice Vold

Esther Mullen: Steve & Mary Langerud, Rodney & Janice Nygard

Robert Mustad: Judie L. Lundgren

Melvin Myhre: Alvin & Grace Peterson

Clara Myrvik: Richard & Ruth Clemenson, Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Orville & Sheryl Kjelland, Gena Seim, Rodney & Janice Nygard

Ruby Newman: Dorothy Gillespie

Jerome Nordby: Rev. Gordon & Norma Berntson, Gora Halliday, Hamilton & Marian Hurtt, Vernon & Shirley Vejtasa, Family & Friends

Alice J. Olson: Wayne & Virginia Meyer

Olin Olson: Shirley Christian

Jean Omdahl: Mark & Sheree Einarson, Jean Fjeld, JoAnn & Glen Gorder, Paul & Lola Hagen, Harold & Charlotte Myrdal

Stella O'Neil: Omar & Julia Bjornstad

Alice Oppegard: Avis Barnett, Rick Barnett

Robert Oppen: Ray & Jennette Feltman

Mabel Ostenrude: Arlen & Ann Jackson, Helen Laaveg, Linda Larson, Dean & Erna Meberg, Glenn & Jeanne Okeson, H. Eulalie Smestad, Rev. Harold & Eunice Vold

Dennis Otto: Marilyn & Bill Ginder, Nels & Sonia Midgarden

Margaret Rasmussen: Steve & Mary Langerud

Marcia Rinde: Arlen & Ann Jackson

John "Jack" Riske: Judie L. Lundgren

Earl Robinson: Marilyn & Bill Ginder

Arthur Rost: Jean Fjeld, Harold & Charlotte Myrdal

Glenn Roy: Wayne & Virginia Meyer

Duane Rustan: James & Doris Haug

Cliff Severson: Alvin & Grace Peterson

Harold Shephard: Ervin Harlow, Glenn & Lynette Langerud, Rod & Cryss Quanbeck

Clara Skjerseth: Paul & Lola Hagen

Margrete Skjerven: Dorothy Gillespie

Steve Skorheim: Paul & Pam Berntson, Ron & Harriet Samuelson

Ken Solberg: Floyd & Irma Gemmill

Bernice Sorbo: Glenn & Lynette Langerud, Rod & Cryss Quanbeck, Rev. Harold & Eunice Vold

Kurt Spies: Ann Fagerholt, Arlen & Ann Jackson, H. Eulalie Smestad, Rev. Bruce & Ann Vold, Rev. Harold & Eunice Vold

Barbara Staven: Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Dahl, Florence Longie, Rich & Karissa Olson, The Friezen family

Mandy Stenerson: Donald & Muriel Folsen, Arlen & Ann Jackson, Gilbert & Judy Jensen, Robert & Betty Rinde, L.E. & Mary Seim, Gena Seim, Rev. Bruce & Anne Vold

Alna Swendseid: Corrine Ramsey

Enid Gutterud Sylvester: Dorothy Gillespie, Barbara Nelson

Luella Syverson: Wayne & Virginia Meyer

Ethel Thiele: Dorothy Gillespie, Arlen & Ann Jackson

Clair Tongen: Dennis & Beverly Hammer, Doreen Nelson

Amy Torfin: Bruce & Lynn Torfin

Memorials, continued...

Tina Torkelson: Terril & Elsie Borgeson, Janice Englerth, Kenneth & Barbara Greicar, Winten & Helen Gunderson, Paul & Lola Hagen, Myron Hylden, Russell & Barbara Johnson, Orville & Sheryl Kjelland, Helen Laaveg, Inez Laugtug, Barbara Nelson, Corrine Ramsey, Claude & Darla Sheldon, Timothy & Jacqueline Zikmund, Lennart & Margie Almen

Edward Uggerud: Ray & Jeannette Feltman, Arnold & Sharon Pasche, Gary & Darlene Krom

Arthur Vaughn: Paul & Pam Berntson

Percy Walstad: Earl & Ione Anderson, Amos & Darlene Flaten, Dorothy Gillespie, Duane & Gloria Johnson, Ken & Beatrice Johnson, Robert & Shirley Moe, L.C. & Pyllis Sundahl, Bruce & Lynn Torfin

Carol (Lindell) Wang: Allan & Orla Lindell, David & Geri Beckman, Odell & LaVonne Berg, Lee & Elaine Cudmore, Dorothy Gillespie, Duane & Gloria Johnson, Orville & Sheryl Kjelland, D.L. & B.M. Jacobsen, Betty Jacobsen, Arthur Flaten, Lance & Susan Jackson, Wayne & Virginia Meyer, Kay & Neil Lindell, Noel & Loretta Moe, Carol's family & friends

Raymond Westby: Gary & Darlene Krom

Jessie Westphal: Family & Friends, Bob & Fran Lebrun, Gary & Darlene Krom

Wendell White: Dorothy Gillespie, Bruce & Lynn Torfin

Thank you for remembering friends and loved ones with your gifts to Park River Bible Camp!

Honorariums:

6th Anniversary of Oscar & Cynthia Lundquist: Oscar & Cynthia Lundquist

Jim Halstenson's Birthday: Thomas & Yvonne Halstenson, Rod & Cryss Quanbeck

Bernice Flanagan's Birthday: Jim & Marcy Halstenson, James & Lois Otto

Ole & Marjorie Christenson's 60th Anniversary: Alvin & Shirley French

Bernice Hall's Birthday: Wayne & Virginia Meyer

Omer & Lavonne Johnson's 50th Anniversary: Alvin & Shirley French

Dorothy Thomasson's 90th Birthday: James & Lois Otto, Rodney & Janice Nygard

Rod Quanbeck's Ministry: Barry & Chrissy Fagerholt, Rev. Reuben Jacobson, Karen Skarpness

Elmer & Bella Hammer's 60th Wedding Anniversary: Alvin & Shirley French

Ruby Olson's Birthday: Dorothy Ferguson

Harold & Helen Sundvor's 50th Wedding Anniversary: James & Lois Otto

Cassie Dahl's 3rd Birthday: Rodney & Janice Nygard

Summer 2008 @ PRBC

June 22-27	4 th -6 th Grade Adventure Week 1
June 29-July 2	Jubilee Camp
July 6-11	7 th & 8 th Grade Primetime 1
July 6-8	3 rd Grade Mini Camp 1
July 9	1 st & 2 nd Grade Day Camp 1
July 10	1 st & 2 nd Grade Day Camp 2
July 13-18	9 th -12 th Grade Power Surge
July 20-25	7 th & 8 th Grade Primetime 2
July 27-August 1	4 th - 6 th Grade Adventure Week 2
August 3-8	4 th - 6 th Grade Adventure Week 3
August 10-12	3 rd Grade Mini Camp 2
August 11	1 st & 2 nd Grade Day Camp 3
August 12	1 st & 2 nd Grade Day Camp 4



Non-Profit Org
U.S. Postage
PAID
Park River ND 58270
Permit #5

Park River Bible Camp

106 Solid Rock Circle
Park River ND 58270
Telephone: 701.284.6795
or
800.269.2465
Email: goprbc@polarcomm.com
www.parkriverbiblecamp.org