



GREEN SPACE

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF CAMP EVERGREEN

AUTUMN 2016

FROM THE SUMMER BREEZE TO AUTUMN LEAVES

The crisp morning air and the golden leaves on the poplar trees here at Camp Evergreen remind us that autumn is once again upon us. As we reflect back just a few weeks to Summer camp 2016 we can say with confidence that it was again an amazing experience for both staff and campers. We saw more than 1,050 campers join us for our children and family camps. About 60 staff joined us for the majority of the summer, with an additional army of volunteers coming for a week or more to help out in the kitchen, on maintenance and as nurses.

well as our four new German volunteers and a staff person each from New Zealand and from Ireland. We love the international influence which makes our camp community so much richer for each one of us.



Our Reaching Higher campaign is literally digging in this fall as permits have been approved and received, and the sites for two new permanent staff homes have been cleared. Excavating for

the foundations will begin shortly and the building committee hopes that framing both homes will take place in the next month or so.

The summer camp theme "Remain" was based on the verse John 15:5, '(Jesus said) "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."' As staff we pray that throughout the year each camper will choose to remain in God and His word, so that each of our lives can grow to the fullest potential God has in mind for us!



We are still well below our financial goals for completion of the two houses and the new lodge but trust that more donors will come forward. To find out more information on Reaching Higher contact Bob Kroeker: director@camp-evergreen.com

September has once again been our busiest guest group ministry month so far in 2016, with our fall staff serving more than 1,100 guests! That's about 25% of our total guests for the entire year coming in September alone. October will be almost as busy. Thankfully we have a capable seasonal fall staff made up of returning summer staff as



Even though it's only October we will begin rink preparations in the next few days

for Camp Evergreen's 8th annual 3-on-3 Pond Hockey tournament and fundraiser. We hope you are already thinking about the teams you may want to sponsor or create for this January 14th event!





It's already October so that mean's there are only three months to go to meet camp's financial goals for 2016. Currently we are about \$68,000 short of our goal for General Donations and about \$8,800 below the Special Projects goal. It would also be wonderful to reach the goal of \$5,000 per month through regular monthly donors before the end of 2016.

Donations are gladly accepted online, via cheque, or call our office about setting up monthly donations.

The current Alberta economic situation was made evident to us this past summer as our Camper-ship Aid costs increased about 45% from 2015 to 2016. In 2015 approximately \$17, 500 was paid out for 63 campers. This number grew to \$24,400 and 92 campers in 2016. We are so thankful to God and our donors who make it possible for children to come to summer camp despite financial distress at home. Thanks again to those churches who sponsored pancake breakfasts specifically to raise funds for these campers.



Pictured here are two of our Special Projects that became a reality this year: a new wagon for our Clydesdales, April & Irish, to pull and give happy campers rides around our property. Also our Foothills Outfitters campsite



across the river gained two new platforms for the

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wall tents. We'll continue to build up this out-trip camp each year with a new element.

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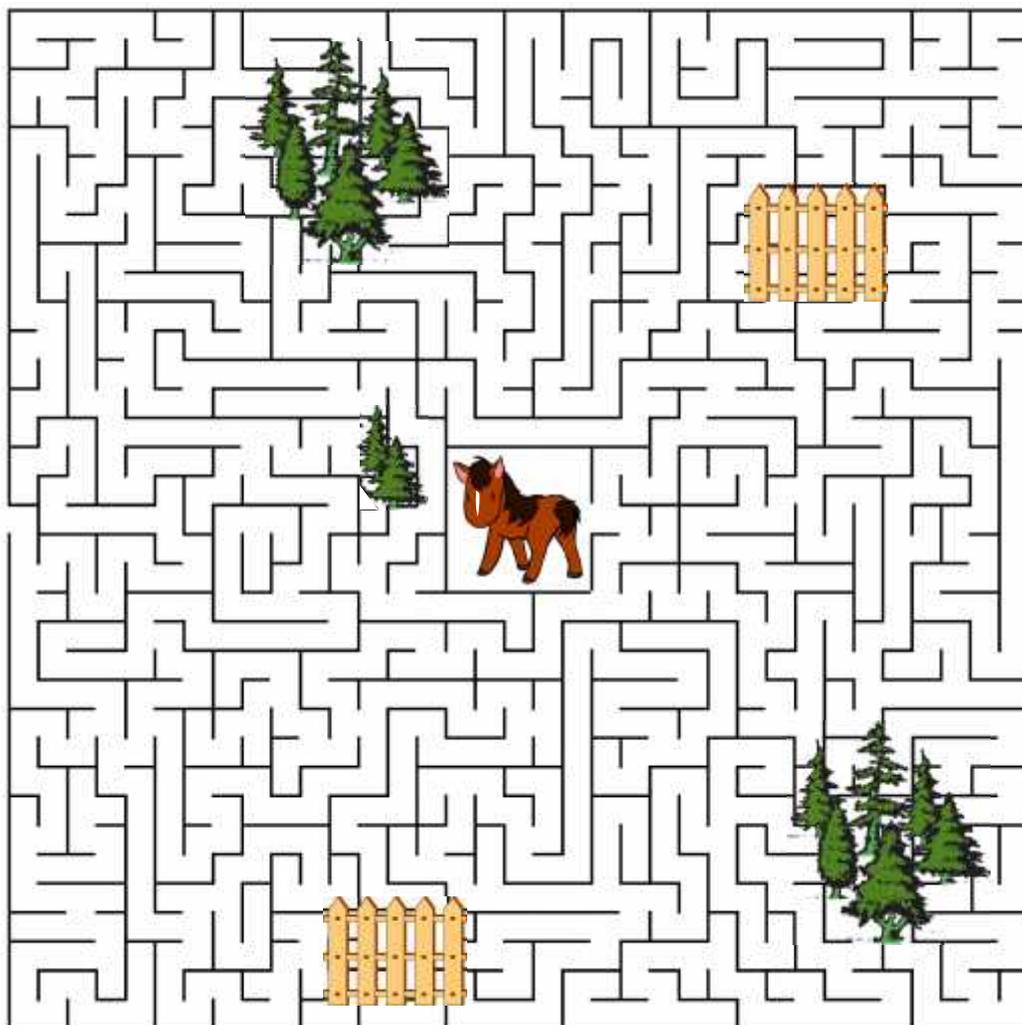
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**Hi, it's me again,
Blue!**

I have a new friend: his name is Puzzles and he's a donkey! Puzzles and I are going to hang out together while my mom rejoins the big horse herd again.

Can you help me get out of the middle of the maze and find my buddy Puzzles?



**Kampers
Korner**

Shhhh ...don't tell the cook!

One thing Camp Evergreen is known for is its amazing food! Our food services director and head cook, Ken Underwood, and his team always do a fantastic job of keeping the campers, guests and staff happy in the "appetite satisfaction department!"

We're sharing one of his secret recipes with you, but don't tell him! It's an awesome dressing that's great on salads, wraps and anything else you may want to add some zingy excitement to. It won't be a secret recipe anymore!

Camp Evergreen Creamy Thai Dressing

1 C. mayonnaise	2 tsp. curry powder
¼ C. Thai sweet & spicy sauce	1 or 2 green onions, finely chopped
2 Tbsp. fresh ginger, finely chopped	2 Tbsp. liquid honey
1 Tbsp. fresh garlic, minced	1 Tbsp. sesame oil
2 Tbsp. white wine vinegar or rice wine vinegar	1 tsp. granulated onion
1 tsp. pepper	Optional: fresh cilantro

Measure all ingredients into a large bowl. Blend thoroughly with an immersion/stick blender until a nice creamy consistency is reached. Keep refrigerated.

Please let us know if you enjoyed this recipe. If you did maybe we can dip into Ken's vault for more!

2017 CALENDAR

- January 3 Summer Children's Camps
Online Registration Opens 9:00am
- January 14 Pond Hockey Tournament
- February 3 Summer Family Camps
Online Registration Opens 9:00am
- February 24-26 Rise 'n' Shine Jr. High Retreat
- March 31 - April 2 Ladies Retreat
- May 6 Dinner and a Laugh Fundraiser
- May 23 Senior's Day
- June 24 AGM & Open House
- July 4 - Aug. 25 Children's Summer Camps
- August 5-7 Family Camp 1



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