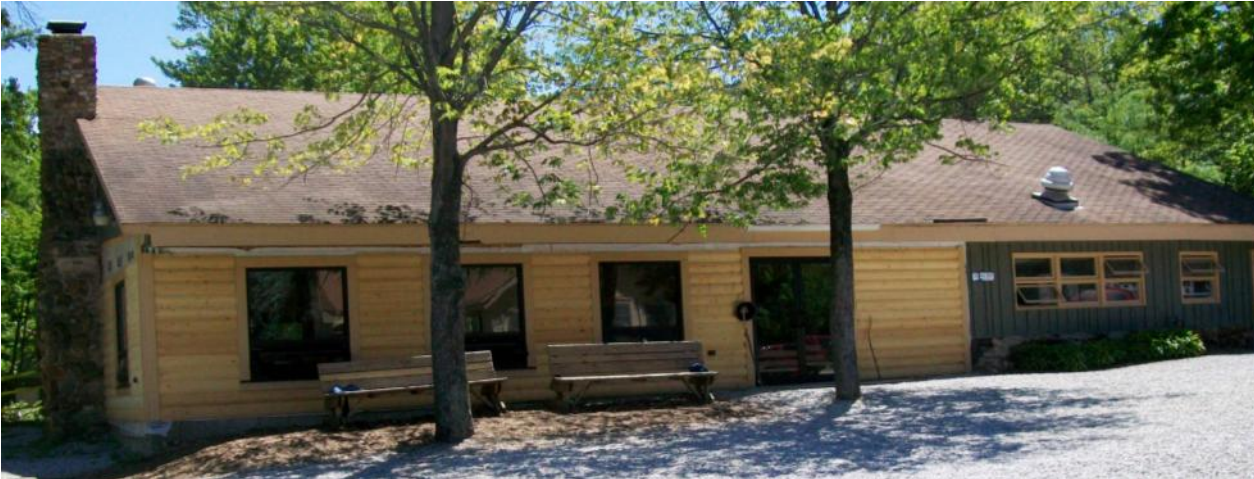


# Stony Glen News



Remodeled, renewed, transformed: Here's a view in early July, with most of the exterior work complete. The restrooms and kitchen are next.

## Dining Hall remake nears completion

Restrooms, kitchen work planned next

Even the people who planned the Dining Hall renovations in main camp can't believe the difference.

The hard work that started Thanksgiving weekend 2009 has turned the camp's most-used room into a showpiece inside and out, on par with the newest cabins.

Next on the agenda: The rest-

rooms, which are to be expanded and updated at the end of the summer camp season.

Then over the winter months, work to replace the kitchen flooring, ceiling and exterior will complete the building's remake.

See Page 2 for more on the camp's construction plans, finances and how you can help.



Without the poles and drop ceiling, the interior appears larger and makes it easier to arrange tables. Visitors are commenting on the beautiful wooden trim and views of main camp. The updated floor,



Pictures from before (left) and during the project (right) show the progress.



# What's next for Dining Hall and other camp projects?

When we started on the Dining Hall last year, we hoped to tidy up the tiny restroom area to make it more presentable. Now with more thought and an architect's



help, we're making plans to extend that part of the building 16 feet toward Mildon for larger restrooms and a redesigned kitchen storage area. As you know, the cramped, aging restrooms are often the first impression people have when they drop off their children or come for a retreat. Cleaner, well lit modern restrooms will make a big difference!

We're hoping the restroom work can start around Labor Day, with the heavy lifting completed before winter. That way, volunteers and contractors can get to work on the kitchen area around Thanksgiving. Timing

is important, as the camp hosts youth groups and others for retreats on nearly every weekend in the off-season.

With so much volunteer help, the project has cost a mere \$35,000 out of pocket so



**New wood siding and windows make it look and feel like a new building.**

far, though the type of work we're taking on this fall and winter will add to that cost. If you're able to take part, please consider making a donation now. Once the Dining Hall, restroom and kitchen renovations are complete, we expect to rebuild the Rec Hall as the Welcome Center.

We're excited about these updates to keep these buildings useful for many years, helping the camp fulfill its mission of being "a God-glorifying camp setting for bringing people to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and making disciples of men, women and children."

## Master plan project list:

1. Dining Hall main room
2. Dining Hall restrooms, kitchen storage area
3. Main kitchen area
4. Rec Hall conversion to Welcome Center

## Dave Phipps: What a broken ankle taught me

As I write this boys camp is finishing up and girls will be coming in soon. Thanks to everyone who blesses the camp by gifts of prayer, financial support and labor. Without you we would not be able to improve the facilities and keep it up like we do.



I must say that this has been one of the most stressful years for me since I have been here, spreading myself too thin. God saw that and decided to make me take about 2 months off and relax and rely on HIM. I fell and broke my left ankle at a church roller skating party on March 30. Tiff and the kids took me to the emergency room, where they confirmed it was broken and manipulated my ankle back into place. The next night I had 9 screws and a plate put in my ankle. I had broken

my fibula and tore a ligament that holds the two bones together. I ended up being in a cast for 6 weeks and then in a walking boot for 1 month. Now I have a brace on and am doing therapy. All is healing well — I just had a screw removed on July 9.

Those two months were hard for me. I pretty much had to stay in bed the first month on my back and with the windows open, I could hear all that was going on. I didn't like that I couldn't be involved or that I had left Jim by himself working the camp. But God is good and he continually allowed men to take time from work to come work with Jim and our 3 wonderful retirees.

I was on my bed reading Mark 1:21-41, where Jesus healed the man in the synagogue from the evil spirit, and then the man with leprosy, and verse 41 caught my attention: "Filled with compassion Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. I am willing, he said, Be clean! Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cured." I remember

saying Lord touch me, heal me so I can return to doing your work here, and that was only in the first week. But God didn't because he knew that I hadn't been taught what he wanted me to learn.

So now its been 3 months since that time and I have found what God wanted me to find, that it's all right to let others help and to ask for help. To have the humility to do so is a big step for me. He also taught me its OK to say NO, not in a bad way but so I don't spread myself so thin that I miss the important things. I wondered, couldn't He have done this in a way that didn't take "precious" time away from me? Maybe he did and I didn't listen.

Maybe you're going through something like this or maybe you never have, but I ask that you don't run away from God but sprint to him. Seek His guidance. Maybe He's trying to tell you something.

Thanks for your continued prayers as I recover as I am told it will be at least a year before I might be back to my normal self.

# Labor Day: Family weekend fun for all ages

Got plans for Labor Day weekend? Why not come to camp, where once again families will come to play and pray together from Sept. 3-6.

The event includes:

- \* Three teaching sessions with praise & worship.

- \* An Old-Fashioned Campfire on Saturday night

- \* Meals provided (no cooking for mom!)

- \* Swimming / canoeing / volleyball / hiking / fellowship & much more.

It starts the afternoon/evening of **Friday, Sept. 3**. Come get settled anytime after 3:30 p.m. A snack and fellowship time are planned in the Dining Hall at 8:30 p.m.

After a full Saturday, the Sunday (Sept. 5) lineup includes a church service in the Carl Smith Chapel and a box lunch, with the afternoon frog-jumping contest and mostly free time until dinner.

No meals or programming are provided on Monday, though families are welcome to stay and enjoy the camp if they wish.

This is a super family friendly weekend. Team up with another family and register ASAP!

## Labor Day '10 registration

Please mail payment with this form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

(Detailed schedule will be sent by e-mail)

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ x \$38 per person = \_\_\_\_\_

Teens \_\_\_\_\_ x \$30 per teen (13-18) = \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_ x \$21 per child (4-12) = \_\_\_\_\_

Children under 4 \_\_\_\_ (no charge, but please bring childcare donation)

Total enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If families can share please let us know. That helps us make the best use of cabins. Do you need a cabin? \_\_\_\_\_ Can you share a cabin? \_\_\_\_\_ With whom? \_\_\_\_\_

Arriving when? \_\_\_\_\_ Staying Sunday night? \_\_\_\_\_

Circle the meals where we can expect you:

**Friday night:** snack

**Saturday:** breakfast lunch dinner

**Sunday:** breakfast lunch dinner



### Scenes from summer camp

"Chivalry" (on shirt, above) was the theme for Christian Service Brigade camp, keying on Philippians 2:3-4.

The two images at the right are from the Stockade Water Olympics and greased watermelon contest. At immediate right is the arm of a CSB father-daughter girl, where she wrote the names of the other girls.





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## News & notes

**Jim Lapish** had a double knee re-  
placement  
February 1.  
“All is go-  
ing well.  
They get  
stronger  
every day,”  
he says.  
“Praise  
God!! The  
chronic pain  
is gone. It is  
fun to walk  
again.”



**Jim works out his new knees and a chain saw on an early July day near the Grand River.**

Sadly, **Milner Cabin**, not used by campers in years, has been taken down. Parts of the cabin had fallen in over recent months, making it a hazard.

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The camp arranged to **harvest trees** this year in the sledding hill area. None of those taken were smaller than 18 inches wide, so the site will fill in more quickly. A 25-year master plan is being developed to help us better manage our tree resources.

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Winter retreat groups will especially appreciate the recent **concrete work outside the A-Frame**. The result is a gradual, spacious (and less slippery) entrance to the restroom area.

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The **Recharge Pastors Conference**, a program to bless Northeast Ohio pastors while introducing them to camp, will now be in Fall 2011. Though initially proposed for three days this spring, we changed the dates to better fit the camp's and pastors' schedules.

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