

Stony Glen News

JULY 2014



What a job! Thanks to help from Kenneth Gallion and Gallion Trucking and Excavating, we were able to dig out the rotten, water-logged floor of the woodshop (and the 2-3 feet of muck underneath) so that we could backfill it with gravel and then top it with concrete for a safe and sturdy floor that will last!

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ATTENTION: If you'd like to start receiving the Stony Glen Camp newsletter via email, please help us cut costs and let us know at info@stonyglencamp.org or view it online at www.stonyglencamp.org



Saturday, May 24th dawned a bright and beautiful morning – perfect for Stony Glen's 66th year reunion and open house. We had volunteers come as early as 9 in the morning to start getting things set up for the crowds that would come later. By 2pm, when the open house began, we already had many people milling around.

Our all-day picnic, hourly hayrides, silent auction, tours of new and updated camp buildings, Frisbee and volleyball games, glen hikes, river walks, and fellowship time hit the spot as new and old friends mingled and caught up with each other's lives. The evening closed with a

campfire-style worship and testimony time, message and then a closing prayer with Duane and Peggy Helmick, Luana Smith, Jim and Marisa Lapish, and Dave and Tiffany Phipps. Throughout the day, and very poignantly in the closing message by Rev. Todd McKenney, we were all reminded of the responsibility and urgency we face in reaching the next generations for Christ. We are confident that Stony Glen will continue to be an avenue for God's people to win the world for the Kingdom. Thanks to all those who came out to share in this special day!

See a video of the reunion at www.StonyGlenCamp.org.



The Stony Glen Address

Three-score and six years ago, our forefathers brought forth on this Stony Glen a new camp: conceived with great hopes and dedicated to the proposition that a place of beautiful nature, set aside for camping, could provide an ideal setting to meet and grow in relationship with Jesus Christ – that people would be exposed to the grace of Christ in the midst of His creation. Now we are met at that Camp to honor the work and sacrifice and efforts of our God and those founders and builders over the years.

*Written by Rev. Todd McKenney
May 24, 2014*

From Jim's Desk

Thank God for summer! We are so blessed here in Northeast Ohio to get our share of the four seasons. But there is something very refreshing about when the green leaves fill out the trees and the summer air is filled with the sounds of girls and boys attending summer camp week. We love knowing that God is in the very act of changing lives forever!

We had a wonderful time celebrating Stony Glen's 66th-year reunion just a couple weeks ago. I hope that every-

one who came (and those who were there in spirit) were able to enjoy the day as much as we all did. As we prepared for the open house and watched the day unfold, I was reminded again and



again about God's faithfulness. We have seen it for decades here on what we like to call "holy ground." God has always met with people here, changed people's lives here, and brought them back again and again to get refreshed and renewed. We are so thankful for the support of so many volunteers, staff members, dedicated campers and camp counselors who have shown such commitment to the work that God is doing here.

In Christ, Jim Laphis



"I learned to look for God in the small things, not just in the radical moments"

~ Summer Camper

Honoring 50 Years: Jack and Leah Vincent



Jack and Leah Vincent first started coming to Stony Glen in the mid-60s, when the roads were muddier and the camping was a bit more primitive than it is now. They would come every year with a group from their church, Little Church in the Vale. These times of fellowship and bonding with others from their church were a big piece of what made the camp such an important part of their lives. (along with memories like the time when the light fluffy pancakes that the ladies made for breakfast turned to shoe leather after they were left in the warming oven too long).

After coming out to the Camp for several years on these weekend retreats, Jack and Leah and their kids began to get more involved in Christian Service Brigade and Pioneer Girls. Both of these groups also used Stony Glen regularly during the summer and the CSB winter Klondike event. So the whole

Vincent family continued to spend a lot of time at the camp. Coming to camp as a family was instrumental for all of them, and it instigated a lifelong love for Christian camping in their hearts. In fact, some of their 3 children and 9 grandchildren are still involved in camping ministries around the country.

In the mid-70s, someone suggested that Jack should become a Stony Glen Board member. Jack agreed, and thus began his forty years of service on the Board. While Jack was in Board meetings, Leah enjoyed fellowship time with the other "camp ladies" who would meet together in the camp homes to sing, talk, encourage one another, and eat Leah's world famous cookies. In recognition of his valuable 40 years of service and commitment to the Camp, Jack recently became a Trustee Emeritus on the Board. We are so thankful for the Vincents and we look forward to many more years of working together with them at Camp!



Labor Day Family Camp Weekend 2014

Registration is now open!



Make plans now to bring your family out for Labor Day Weekend at Stony Glen Camp Friday, August 29 through Monday, September 1st

Highlights of the weekend include:

- Teaching sessions with praise and worship
- An old-fashioned campfire on Saturday night
- Meals provided (no cooking for mom!)
- Activities like canoeing, hiking, swimming, volleyball, Gaga dodgeball, and much more

The fun starts in the afternoon/evening of Friday, August 29th. Come up and get settled any time after 3:30 pm. A snack and a brief fellowship time will be held in the Dining Hall at 9pm that night.

Saturday will be full of family fun, including a reaching session with praise and worships, three great meals, family free time, an old fashioned campfire and a snack.

After a full Saturday, on Sunday (August 30th), there will be a morning church service after breakfast in the Carl Smith Chapel, a box lunch, our annual frog-jumping contest, and free time until dinner.

No meals or programming are provided on Monday (September 1st), However, families are welcome to stay and enjoy the camp the entire day if they wish.

**Please, no pets!*

Register ASAP to guarantee your spot at this super family-friendly weekend! To make your reservation, please mail in both this completed form AND your check to 5300 West Loveland Road, Madison, OH 44057. We hope to see you there!



Our speaker this year is Pastor Donnie Stuart who serves as the youth and young adult pastor at Painesville Assembly of God. Pastor Donnie, his wife Lauren, and their two sons, Obadiah and Samson, live in Lake County and love the Lord with all their hearts!

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____

A detailed schedule will be emailed to you.

Number of adults x \$40/adult: _____
 Number of teens x \$32/teen: _____
 Number of children x \$23/child: _____
 Number of children under 4
 (no charge) _____
Total enclosed: _____

If your family can share a cabin, please let us know.
 This helps us make the best use of cabin space.

Do you need a cabin? _____
 Can you share a cabin? _____
 If yes, with whom? _____
 When are you arriving? _____
 Are you staying Sun. night? _____

Circle the meals we can expect you for:

Friday night	Snack		
Saturday:	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
Sunday:	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner

EPA Update

In our Winter newsletter, we asked for prayer about an upcoming need to update our waste treatment systems. The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) informed us late last year that we would need to update our septic management systems (one for the main camp septic needs, and the other for the Aframe side of camp) to meet current code requirements. In order to determine which of two different management systems we would need to install, we had to complete a

rigorous soil test, which we completed in April.

The two different options, either complete septic packaging plants or soil-release systems, varied quite a deal in installation and operational costs, but we knew that either treatment system would require extensive funding.

After our soil testing in April, the EPA informed us that we will likely be able to use the less-invasive soil-release program on the Aframe side of camp. This system requires minimal trenching and tree removal, which is a huge blessing as we progress with the instal-



lation. Because of the waste volume on the main side of camp, we will either need to make significant updates to the existing system or install a completely new packaging plant. We are still waiting to hear back from the EPA with the official word for what we will need to do, so we would greatly appreciate your continued prayers and financial support!

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