Summer Camp is right around the corner. Sign-up now for... new summer programs offering great experiences for all ages!

By Sharon F. Miller
Writer/Editor

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ots of exciting new adventures await you this summer at Luther Park. Now is the time to sign up and become part of the fun! Come individually or bring a friend to enjoy it all.

This summer’s theme is “Living in God’s Time.” The theme verse is, “For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.” —Ecclesiastes 3:1

Our two new programs this year are fabulous! Would you like to come to camp, stay up late and explore the sights, sounds and creatures of the great North Woods in the dark? That’s what Night Owl Camp is all about! Night Owl campers sleep late each morning, have breakfast around lunch time, enjoy lunch at dinner time, and cook out a delicious dinner late in the evening. You’ll experience all the fun of traditional camping in a whole new way!

Or, how about learning how to play guitar while you’re at camp? Or violin, viola, cello or bass— even electric bass! All skill levels are welcome. Luther Park is partnering with the Mount Calvary Academy of Music to provide these awesome music opportunities along with traditional camp activities. Check out Summer Camp Information details on P. 8 for more information. Return the form on that page or sign up online.

Exciting improvements at camp

Mount Calvary Servant Weekend:
Consider one for your Congregation

By Pastor Brenda Legred
Mount Calvary Lutheran
Excelsior, Minn.

Twenty-seven servant-hearted and Spirit-filled volunteers from Mount Calvary ventured up to camp in March to tackle 27 projects. Our group ended up adding seven more. The people who came ranged in age from 11-year-olds to mid-70s. Some came with skills for writing, plumbing, and carpentry; others with gifts for organizing and cleaning.

People who had never met before became close friends. It’s the way retreats work. There is so much laughter, great food by superb cooks, and time away from the normal routines at home. People remarked, “How can so much work be so much fun!”

We arrived late Friday afternoon and ate dinner at the Fish Bowl in Danbury, went for a night hike, and most of us retired to work. Saturday night we enjoyed a big bonfire at The Point. We always include a worship service with communion sometime during the weekend. Sunday we were on our way home by noon.

Our congregation has done a Servant Weekend once a year for five years now. I know we have made a huge difference in the life of our camp. As a pastor of one of Luther Park’s corporate churches, I encourage each of our congregations to enjoy what we call a Servant Weekend. It’s a wonderful, spiritual experience!

Editor’s Note:
And remember:
➤ Make plans now for adult, family or youth retreats throughout the year!
➤ Consider programs focusing on parenting, family enrichment.

* Nativity Service Month at Luther Park

By Sharon F. Miller
Writer/Editor

There are lots of busy bees (the two-legged kind) buzzing around Luther Park these days with all of the new projects going on.

"IF WE BUILD IT THEY WILL COME!" Nativity’s “Servant Month” kicked off the weekend of May 2-3 with projects including painting, cutting wood, spring clean-up and building a Prayer Labyrinth Garden! (See photos and more information on Pages 4 & 5.) Nativity’s leaders for this ambitious project are Gerald Gallitzi, (labor & contributions) Luther Park board member from Nativity, and Roger King, (prayer labyrinth garden (labor & contributions) who has created other beautiful wood projects for Luther Park. A Nativity member said, “We’re thinking a big and beautiful garden where campers and others can come and experience prayer with movement. We’ll be working weekends and weekdays throughout the month of May.

➤ St. Barnabas has donated $7,500 for the renovation of Ash Cabin.
➤ A gift of $5,000 was received from Mount Calvary Foundation for cabin roofs and camper scholarships.
➤ A gift of $500 was received from House of Prayer Foundation for cabin roofs.

Our volunteers and donors are the lifeline of Luther Park. We can’t say this enough. All of you continue to amaze us with your gifts of time, talent and funds! THANK YOU!

123 Help Wanted
Luther Park is looking for a few Great People. We are still interviewing for summer counselors & leadership positions.

Contact Anna Treague
Call 715.656.7244
Email: camp@lutherpark.com
Write: Luther Park, 30376 Lakes Drive, Danbury, WI 54830

Summer Open House
July 19

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
9-11 a.m. Arrive at your leisure to enjoy coffee/cold drinks and sweet rolls.
11 a.m. Outdoor worship
12:15 p.m. Outstanding Christian Service Award, Volunteer & other Recognitions, New board member welcome
12:30 p.m. Special Buffet Lunch at the Lodge
2 p.m. Old-fashioned ice cream social, pond boat rides, camp tours, waterfront open with Illeguard, & more
3 p.m. LP Board Meeting
4 p.m. Farewell

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY
(Cont. on P. 7)
**Summer Camp**

In addition to Cabin, Tree House and Canoe programs, here are some of the special programs offered:

- **Leadership Training**
  - Learn leadership skills through hands-on training in the camp setting.
- **Leadership Mentoring (LM)**
  - Take the next step in leadership development.
- **Tours in Mission (TIM)**
  - Youth-group leadership training to take home to support the mission of your church. Group registration only.
- **Great Lakes Mission Trip**
  - Camp-based mission service experience in the Twin Ports of Duluth-Superior and Burnett County, Wis. Group registration only.
- **Leadership Camp**
  - A great way to develop leadership skills for Jr. and Sr. High age youth. Group Registration only.
- **Teens in Mission (TIM) Team**
  - Take home to support the mission of your church. Group registration only.

**Mount Calvary Servant Weekend**

Visit www.lutherpark.com to register. But register soon! Week 1 and Week 2
day camp programs are already full. Return the form right away with your $200 deposit—or the entire fee of you prefer.

Final payment is due two weeks before you arrive at camp.

At Luther Park you’ll find friendly staff, great food, music, fellowship, quiet moments in the outdoor chapel, the beautiful North Woods, stars for gazing, and much more—all waiting for you.

Detailed information about dates available and fees is shown on the back page of this newsletter as well as in the summer brochure and on our Web site: www.lutherpark.com.

“Whether you have been to Luther Park previously, or have never visited, you are encouraged to join us this summer, along with staff from all over the world,” said Executive Director Joel Legred. “We’ll discover what Living in God’s Time means in our lives.”

If you have any questions, please call camp at 715.656.7244, e-mail: camp@lutherpark.com, or check the Luther Park Web site: www.lutherpark.com.

**Luther Park ECHOES From the Point**

The inspirational faith journey that a church camp experience provides gives a new direction in a young person’s life! Luther Park needs your support this summer.

To help raise funds for the camp, bicyclists seek donations, then ride from the Luther Park Bike-a-Thon to support the mission of the camp.

Any amount helps. You don’t have to pass out tickets or do a fundraiser at the school. You can use your own bicycle to support the mission at Luther Park.

Luther Park Bike-a-Thon

**WELCOME 2014 SUMMER STAFF**

They come from near and far, and we know this staff will bless Luther Park and all of its campers in many ways. They come from as nearby as Danbury, Wis. to as far away as international staff from Northern Ireland, Hungary and London, UK. Who are they? They’re the 2014 Super Summer Staff. Welcome to each and every one as they become part of Luther Park’s outdoor ministry this summer!

Melissa Anderson, Troyo, Minn.
Werner Baker, Greenwood, Minn.
Jennifer Everett, Duluth, Minn.
Alexi Haug, Stillwater, Minn.
Cheryl Jamieson, Ballymoney, Northern Ireland
Peter Johnson, Chatworth, Calif.
Phillip Johnson, Appleton, Wis.
Miranda Kunz, Mounds View, Minn.
Joe Larrivy, Aurora, Colorado
Beige McComanough, Somerset, Wis.
Leah McDougall, Arden Hills, Minn.
Catherine Odde, St. Anthony, Minn.
Summer Phillipson, Kings Lynn, UK
Chris Pollock, London, UK
Elfora (Yaya) Saura, Danbury, Wis.
Briana Spragins, Minneapolis, Minn.
Jacob Taylor, Blackpool, UK
Zofia Toth, Szeged, Hungary

Associate Director Anna Treague said: “God has called together a great mixture of phenomenal young people with tremen- dous spirit to serve Luther Park. I’m very excited about their leadership abilities and how they will help us to shape our counsel- ing staff this summer.”

Be sure to greet them and thank them at camp or at your church.

**A Message From the Associate Director Anna Treague**

Greetings from Luther Park.

Many of you may remember me, but for those who do not, my name is Anna Treague (maiden name Klevgard). I am the new associate director at Luther Park as of the end of January this year. I may be new to this position, but I am not new to camp.

My first experience with Luther Park began the summer of 1995 when I was hired as a counselor for my first year on summer staff. After that amazing experience I spent four more summers on staff working as a canoe guide, in health care, senior high leadership coordinator and whatever else I needed to do. I began full time at camp in the fall of 1999 as retreat coordinator, and moved up to program director in 2003.

Since then, I have taken some time off to explore other paths, but ultimately keep finding my way back. My kids, Adin, Elizabeth and Eleanor are excited to spend more time at camp again as this was their first “home!”

This summer’s theme involves looking at the church year. Since we begin with Advent as a time for preparing and reflecting God’s love, I am reminded of a devotion I wrote many years ago for one of my “The Son’s Reflection” articles. …Yours in one of my many science classes I read somewhere that moonlight, really isn’t the moon’s light. It is just a reflection; a reflection of the sun’s light. The moon can’t actually produce its own light at all, but by reflecting the light of the sun, we are able to see a very bright light in the dark.

This is just like our lives today as Christians. We can’t produce “light,” but if we follow Jesus and do His will, we too can reflect the Son’s light in the darkness for others to see…. …by being part of this ministry, we are acting like the moon when we share that light with others. We not only act as the moon reflecting God’s Son’s light, but when we pass that light on to others, just think how much brighter the world can be.

When we in camping ministry touch the life of one child by sharing the Son’s light with them and get them excited to share and reflect that light, watch and see how bright our world can become. It may take time, but it is a beginning.

John 8:12 – “Then Jesus spoke to them again saying, ‘I am the light of the world. He who follows me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.’” “May God bless you all, and may you too be ‘The Son’s Reflection’!”

Anna Treague

Associate Director
A Message From the Executive Director

Joel Legred

2013 Annual Report to Member Churches

Just like this squirrel, we praise the Lord for your prayers, gifts, and volunteerism in 2013. Thank you for your support of Luther Park!

Volunteers have been a major force this year. Men and women from Diamond Lake, Mount Calvary, and Elim have renovated cabins and retrofitted the Log House. Tom Nelson of Elim designed and built a beautiful new entry sign for the camp. Roger King of Nativity built an amazing gazebo from materials he and his wife Kathleen donated. House of Prayer youth and adults reconstructed the ropes course on their Summer Mission Trip.

The construction of a family and adult retreat center is closer to becoming a reality. We have over $500,000 committed and a large portion of this is earning interest in the ELCA’s Mission Investment Fund. We can begin construction at $750,000. Luther Park will be able to serve many more people, including senior adults, with this additional facility.

Families will enjoy private rooms and private bathrooms. With more people visiting the camp, more adults will see what needs to be done around the camp and take more ownership in maintaining our facilities.

Significant donations this year included a $56,000 estate gift from Lorraine Olson, long-time member of Zion Lutheran, Minneapolis. Another $15,000 was gifted to pay for interior improvements and the new roof on the Log House. Our annual Quilt Auction, Glad Tidings silent auction and dinner, Ole & Lena event, and Bike-a-thons brought in over $35,000. One person shared $29,000 to use where needed most! Each and every single gift we receive is critical to the ministry here. We are so grateful for all of our donors.

We’re in the process of recruiting summer staff including assistant program directors, counselors and kitchen staff. We always need lifeguards and health care personnel. Please let us know if you are aware of an 18-22 year-old who has gifts for working with kids. Working at camp looks great on a resume plus provides valuable work experience. Work begins in June and concludes in mid-August with most weekends free. What other job allows you to take your whole paycheck home since room and board are covered?

Our year-round staff members are here to serve you all year long. Anna Tregae is our associate director and handles registration for summer camp, manages Executive Director needed. Retreaters and summer campers alike will enjoy fabulous food from our great cooks Arlene Miller and Rhonda Demars.

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Thank you to all who are providing financial support for this, as well as their time and talents.

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Many thanks to the dedicated board members, staff, and countless volunteers who keep the ministry of Luther Park alive and moving forward!

God Bless,

Janet Nelson
President

2013 Luther Park Income and Expenses

A Message From the President

Janet Nelson

Here’s What’s Been Happening at Camp!

The theme for this year’s summer camp is “Living in God’s Time” and is based on Ecclesiastes 3:1: “For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.” Campers will learn about Jesus as they focus on different seasons of the church year each day, all while being surrounded by the wondrous beauty of nature and the outdoors. This can have a profound effect on campers’ lives, their beliefs about God, and their futures.

After six years on the Luther Park Board, two as President, my term has come to an end. There are so many wonderful people who give of their time and talents to support Luther Park. Being on the board has been a rewarding experience for me.

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Thrivent Financial for Lutherans gifts for 2013 are shown on P. 6. 2013 Church Partner Support These gifts are provided each year by member congregations as an expression of their ministry partnership with Luther Park.

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Luther Park
A Place for All Ages...A Place for All Seasons

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Gifts from Thrivent Financial in 2013 totaled $14,304 through corporate and chapter fraternal programs as well as the Thrivent Choice program (see article below). Many thanks to Thrivent! Thrivent Financial provides financial expertise, personal customer service and a broad range of financial products and services.

It is a faith-based membership organization dedicated to helping members live better lives and give back to their communities.

The $14,304 Luther Park Luther received includes the following contributions:

- **Thrivent Choice Dollars**: $5,854—Eligible Thrivent members direct charitable dollars to Luther Park.
- **Gift Multiplier Program**: $1,100
  - Current & former employees contribute through Employee Match—Art Peterson, Laura Gallati, and Cindy Hurley (in honor of parents Herman & Delores Asproth).
  - Thrivent Community-Crossroads $2,500 for Quilt Auction
  - Central Mpls. Thrivent Chapter $1,200—Match for the Ole & Lena Dinner Show/Silent Auction
  - $600—House of Prayer Mission Trip for Ropes Course

Thrivent Choice: A great way to support Luther Park

If you have a Thrivent Financial product you may be eligible for this program which lets members direct the company’s charitable dollars to camps and other non-profits enrolled in the program. Contributions directed to Luther Park since its charitable grant program and benefit of membership, called Thrivent Choice, began in November 2010. In the past year 50 members directed their Choice Dollars totaling $5,854 to Luther Park. By May 2013, your total donated Thrivent Choice Dollars since the program began have added up to $24,700.

Many thanks to Thrivent Financial and to all Thrivent members who have designated some or all of your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Luther Park! Luther Park is extremely appreciative of the outstanding financial assistance received through this charitable program.

If you have not yet designated your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Luther Park but haven’t yet done so, please visit Thrivent.com/thriventchoice, or call 1.800.847.4836 and say, “Thrivent Choice.” They will guide you through the process.

Annual Meeting Report

The Luther Park Corporation held its 2013 Annual Meeting Sunday, March 16, 2013 at Elim Lutheran Church.

Board President Janet Nelson, Elim, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone, adding that, “This is my last official duty...” as she is going off the board. President Nelson introduced Pastor Chr. Enstal of Elim Lutheran, and invited him to the podium to give devo-tions. He noted Elim was a charter member of the Luther Park Corporation and said, “There are many good memories of Luther Park’s history among members of Elim. We desire a strong future for Luther Park and the church. It is God’s mission.”

Nelson said the minutes of the 2013 Annual Meeting, which was held at Richfield Lutheran Church, are printed in the Annual Report. She called on Secretary Deana Miller, Zion, to present the minutes, which was reviewed by the Luther Park Board. Board approved for presentation to this meeting. Nelson asked everyone attending to give their name and their church as a way of introduction. She then called on Executive Director Joel Legred. After welcoming all to the meeting, Legred showed the new video produced by Luther Park. Following the presentation he thanked Associate Director Anna Tregua for doing a great job making the video.

Financial Report/Proposed Annual Budget

Treasurer Gerald Gallati reviewed the year-end financial statement and the proposed 2014 budget. The financial statements and the report from Anderson-Hager-Moe, Certified Public Accountants, are also printed in the Annual Report. Gallati explained that the budget is conservative, and reminded the group that the budget does not reflect the thousands of hours donated to Luther Park by volunteers.

Election of Board Members

Vice President David Shirley recognized Janet Nelson for her years on the board, and for serving as president. He also recognized Chuck Hughes for his years on the board.

Proposed new board members are Terry Cottrill, Elim Lutheran, and Jim Pemberton, Richfield Lutheran. Board members up for re-election are Art Caple, Bethany, Darrell Hyde, House of Prayer; Jennifer Parker, Gustavus Adolphus; and Lori Wright, Mount Cuhaby. The slate of candidates was approved.

Currently in Second Year of Two-Year Term

Gerald Gallati, Narviss, Nancy Mattson, NE Community Lutheran; Deanna Miller, Zion; David Shirley, Messiah; Maran Wacholtz, Shepherd of the Hills, and Gene Zemiske, Diamond Lake

Staff Reports

Executive Director Joel Legred thanked Anna Tregua for her service to Luther Park. She first joined staff in 1995. In January 2014 she became associate director. Only Joel Legred is employed full time. All others are part time or volunteer. Legred referred to graphs and charts in the Annual Report which gives information on campers, corporate church giving and 5-year trends at Luther Park. He also gave thanks to corporate churches and all volunteers.

Associate Director Anna Tregua expressed excitement about the year ahead and 2014 campaigns. At the time of the Annual Meeting almost 70 campers were already registered, more than at the end of April last year.

Master Plan Update

President Nelson explained we still need $200,000 before we can break ground for the Retreat Center. Three cabins have been renovated; two more will be done this year. The Log House has a new roof.

New Business

We were asked to encourage campers and retreater to come to Luther Park. It churches want a “special retreat,” be sure to call Anna Tregua. Chuck Hughes talked about the Ole & Lena event at Richfield Lutheran on April 26, a fundraiser for camp scholarships.

Old Business

David Shirley talked about the two Bikeathons, June 7-8 and July 18-19. More riders are needed for both. Last year they raised $20,000.

Closing

Thanks were extended to Elim Lutheran for hosting, and to all who attended. The Lord’s Prayer was said by all.

Respectfully submitted, Secretary, Deana Miller

A Great Note of Appreciation

“...another word of appreciation and admonition for continuing to gift Messiah’s campers with an exceptional camp experience. It is so great to pick them up at the end of their camp week—the stories and experiences fill the van with smiles and laughter—and sometimes some spiritual insights, too. We live off those camp experiences for a long time, and they make us look forward to the next opportunity to be at camp.

So God Bless you these days as you prepare for Summer 2014, the 55th year of ministry at Luther Park! WOW!

We will be praying for Luther Park’s ministry, staff, and all the campers and retreaters. I’ve been encouraged lately by 1 John 3:1—‘The first sentence of the verse. Maybe it will speak to you, too: ‘See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God and that is what we are.’ Together, and in Christ, Tom Gustafson, Messiah Lutheran Church

2013 Camper Numbers

We praise God that Luther Park’s ministry has had the opportunity to serve many.

Summer Campers: 853
Retreaters: 520
2014 Total: 1,773

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Gift Multiplier Program

$1,100

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Northwest Hennepin Chapter

$600—Match for June Bikeathon

Northwest Mpls. Chapter

$1,000—Match for July Bikeathon

West Hennepin Cty. Chapter

$750—Match for Quilt Auction.

North Ramsey Chapter

$600 for Nativity Work Weekend

“We greatly appreciate the wonderful support Thrivent Financial gives Luther Park year after year,” said Executive Director Joel Legred. “Their generous gifts make it possible for the camp to serve many adults, youth and children in numerous ways each year.”

Would you like to leave a legacy for future generations that reflects your faith and values? The Luther Park Legacy Society has been created to help friends of Luther Park leave a legacy.

A Legacy gift to Luther Park will be a seed planted in good soil because it will help people of all ages deepen their faith in Jesus. You can provide a Legacy gift through a life insurance policy, a will, bequest, a charitable annuity, donor-advised fund, charitable trust, and a number of other ways. If you have already completed your will, a codicil can be added at a nominal charge.

For more information, please contact Executive Director Joel Legred, at 612.987.6628 or email: Jlegred@lutherpark.com.

Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain.”— Mark 4:8

Board Officers Elected at May Board Meeting

President, David Shirley
Vice President, Terry Couillard
Secretary, Deana Miller
Treasurer, Gerald Gallati

Round of Applause!

Thanks to Outgoing Board Members

Janet Nelson
Elim
Chuck Hughes
Richfield

for their dedicated service!
Welcome Back & Farewell

**WELCOME BACK TO ANNA TREAGUE:** We are very pleased to announce that Anna Treague has returned to Luther Park! She accepted a new position as associate director as of the end of January. Executive Director Joel Legred said: “Anna brings 17 years of experience in camping ministry and a long-time dedication to Luther Park as a staff member in a variety of summer and year-round positions. She has served as a catalyst in securing our ACA (American Camping Association) accreditation, and has been responsible for CPR, first responder and life guard training.” Anna and her husband, Scott, are blessed with three wonderful children.

**WELCOME BACK RHONDA DEMARS & ARLENE MILLER:** We’re excited to have this dynamic duo back in Kitchen/Food Service at camp. They are again cooking up a storm in the kitchen and providing excellent food for our guests. Don’t forget to visit the Point & Cross booth with special items.

**A FOND FAREWELL AND MANY THANKS TO TARA JO HILL:** We wish Tara well as she leaves her position as retreat host/supper program director. And also the best in her future endeavors, including possibly returning to school.

Quilt Auction at Mount Calvary Sept. 27

Quilters from throughout Luther Park member congregations are stitching together pieces of the 24th Annual Quilt Auction to be held at Mount Calvary Lutheran Church in Excelsior on Saturday Sept. 27. Lunch and viewing begin at noon; bidding at 1 p.m. If you quilt, knit or crochet, please consider making an item for the auction. Or just come and enjoy the day. Quilts, afghans and crafts at the event come in a variety of colors, sizes, patterns and prices. Dozens of Quilt Auction attendees have discovered this is a great place to find that special gift for a loved one or yourself. For more information or to donate, contact Joel Legred at 612.987.6628 or email jlegred@lutherpark.com.

OPEN HOUSE

(Cont. from P. 1)

You’ll be glad you came when you experience the inspiring outdoor worship service. You’ll also enjoy Luther Park’s great picnic buffet lunch, the ice-cream social, presentation of the 2013 Outstanding Christian Service Award to Dave Rice, a volunteer from Mount Calvary in Excelsior. Dave has come up numerous times over the past few years to help out by putting in and taking out docks and boats, re-roofing the Log House and cabins, working on vehicles, and many other tasks.

We’ll also be acknowledging a memorial gift from Joel Legred’s dad, Arlen, and his family, in memory of his mom, Mona, as well as other gifts noted on Page 1 of this Echoes.

Dedicated staff, volunteers and friends, the backbone of Luther Park, make these donations possible to keep this wonderful Christian outdoor ministry moving forward.

**FUN FOR ALL AGES!**

Come join us July 19 at Open House 2014 and experience a touch of the wonder of a summer day at Bible Camp. Check out the buildings and grounds. Visit with summer staff members / mentors. Cruise the waters of sparkling Lake 26 on the camp pontoon boat, swim, canoe, hike, try out a paddle boat. Or just relax in the shade and delight in the quiet beauty that surrounds you at camp.

**OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATIONS**

Overnight accommodations may be available in the cabins or campground. Please call ahead, since space is available on a first-come basis. If you are interested in making a full weekend of the event, contact Associate Director Anna Treague 715.656.7244 or email: anna@lutherpark.com for rates and reservations.

**YOUR PARTICIPATION IS A BLESSING!**

We’ll be celebrating 55 years of Christian Outdoor Ministry with this year’s theme: “Living in God’s Time,” based on Ecclesiastes 3:1.

You’ll find a map with directions to Luther Park on Page 8.

You can also experience things at camp that you may not get to do at home: hiking, swimming, boating, ropes course, art and crafts, and games. Accommodations available include: Log House, Welcome Center, Cabins, Tree Houses, Tent and RV camping.

For more information contact Anna Treague at 751.565.7244, email: retreats@lutherpark.com. Or check out our Website at www.lutherpark.com.

LUTHER PARK WISH LIST

Listed below are some of the camp’s current needs. Perhaps you don’t have any of them on hand, but would like to give a special gift or a gift in honor or memory of someone. To contribute toward any of these items, just make a check out to Luther Park, note your wishes and mail to: Luther Park, Point & Cross, 30376 Lakes Drive, Danbury WI 54830-9508.

**URGENT NEEDS**

Other than....

Smaller refrigerator
Golf Cart (to transport guests)
Smaller passenger car/van
Portable DVD player with screen
Laminating sheets
Copy/Printing machine, color
Cork board and poster board
Rubber floor matts
Under cabinet microwave
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**SPECIAL NEEDS**

- Deck chairs (new or gently used)
- Four-wheeler
- Smaller refrigerator
- Wire-feed welder
- Tote commercial entrance mats (15)
- Ice maker
- Portable DVD player with screen
- Seed beads & pony beads
- White boards & markers
- Coloring supplies (crayons, markers, pencils, etc.)
- Board games
- Bagless Vacuum
- Copyprinting machine, color
- Cork board and poster board
- Laminating sheets

**THANKS FOR GIFTS IN KIND**

- 22” flat screen computer monitor
- Fishing/waterfront equipment
- iPads with keyboard
- Vw golf cart material for Log House curtains
- Painting by Frances Ann Hopkins, “Shooting the Rapids” 1879
- Simplicity snowblower
- Under cabinet microwave

- Donating items to Luther Park

You can also experience things at camp that you may not get to do at home: hiking, swimming, boating, ropes course, art and crafts, and games. Accommodations available include: Log House, Welcome Center, Cabins, Tree Houses, Tent and RV camping.

For more information contact Anna Treague at 751.565.7244, email: retreats@lutherpark.com, or check out our Website at www.lutherpark.com.
Summer Camp Information

TO REGISTER:

1. Register Early! Some weeks and programs fill quickly.
2. Select a program based on the grade your camper will complete in June 2014.
3. Complete all the Registration and Health History Form and submit it to Luther Park. The deposit is not refundable and non-transferable after May 1.
4. Final payment is due at the camp office two weeks prior to arrival at camp.

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