

The Chumstick

News from Camp Camrec and
Washington Mennonite Fellowship

August 2018

Camrec Updates

Summer seems to be flying by. Our camp programs are over as of July 28. What an awesome time to share with so many kids. We had a total of 59 campers come through Camrec and 17 of them were new to our summer programs! That was super exciting. The camper that came the furthest was from Lancaster, PA (and also happened to be our niece:!) We had a wonderful mix of staff from WA and from afar. The staff coming the furthest this summer was from Goshen, IN. A special shout out and thanks to our camp Bible leaders this summer who helped us explore a Biblical approach to peace. There are lots of pictures on our Facebook page if you'd like to see more of the fun things we did this summer!



In other news, take some time to check out our **NEW WEBSITE!** If you see hiccups or notice a link doesn't work please let us know.

Some of you may have heard about the Cougar Creek Fire near Camrec. At this point we are experiencing side effects like smoke and low quality of air but there is no evacuation level set for our area. If you are interested in specific updates the Chelan County Emergency Management Facebook page has been giving them daily.

We are *thankful* for:

- safety amidst the forest fire season
- new and old campers that got to experience Camrec this summer
- staff and volunteers that made summer camps a success

Calendar of WMF Events

Annual Fundraiser:	August 31 - September 3, 2018
Fall Work Weekend:	October 26 - 28, 2018
WMF Men's Retreat:	November 30 - December 2, 2018
Senior High Snow Camp:	December 30, 2018 - January 1, 2019
SMC Snow Camp:	January 18 - 21, 2019
EMC Snow Camp:	January 25 - 27, 2019
Quilt Retreat:	March 14 - 17, 2019
Birds, Blossoms, Bikes, & Beyond:	May 31 - June 2, 2019

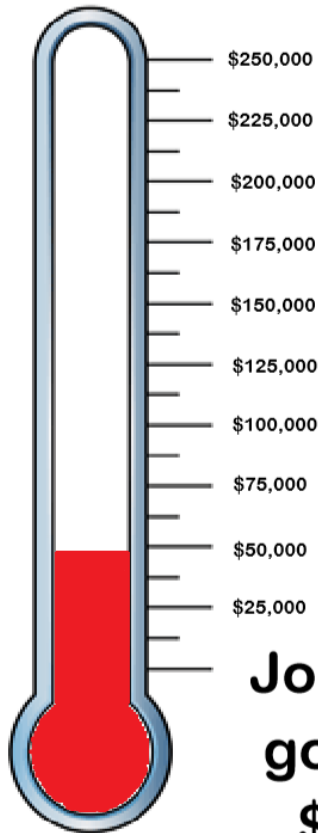
Annual Fundraiser – August 31 – September 3, 2018

Come join us for our 3rd Annual Fundraiser and FUNdRUN/Biathlon. The 5k and Biathlon are scheduled for the usual Saturday morning. Meals will be provided Friday supper through Sunday brunch. All are welcome to stay through Monday afternoon. Cabin lodging is first come, first served. Areas to park an RV or pitch a tent will be available as well. The weekend is all by donation as an effort to continue raising funds for the new staff house! Come enjoy this family oriented weekend of games, music, fellowship, and friendly competition. Help us meet our fundraising goal to create sustainable housing for Camrec staff!

Please go to camrec.org to **RSVP online!**



Staff Housing Fundraising Update



It's time for additional staff housing!!



The total amount that has been raised as of 8/14/2018 is \$48,952.00 including pledges! *Thank you* for all your support!

If you are interested in helping us reach our goal of \$250,000.00 checks can be made out to Camp Camrec with "staff housing" in the memo line. Donations are tax-deductible.

Join us in our goal to raise \$250,000!

Fall Work Weekend – October 26-28, 2018

Join together with other folks to help clean, split firewood, and get camp ready for winter! There will also be committee meetings going on throughout the weekend including a board meeting Saturday evening.

People of all ages and skill levels are welcome so bring the whole family and enjoy a weekend away together. Don't forget your boots, gloves, work clothes, and tools (rakes, hoes, shovels, etc.)!

Lodging is free, but you provide your own food (per the menu provided), which will be pooled with everyone else's and prepared together. Please **RSVP online** at camrec.org.

Staff Transitions

Jesse and Amanda are moving on to new endeavors. They are not quite sure what is ahead of them but they will be transitioning away from Camp Camrec this fall, potentially in September. We are thankful for the almost two years of energy, creativity, and passion they have dedicated to Camrec. We wish them well in their next steps!

Job Openings

Camrec is seeking someone with multi-faceted maintenance skills to fill a year-round position. Job includes managing camp facilities, equipment, grounds, and forest resources. Hosting responsibilities are shared with other staff. On-site housing provided. Ideally looking for applicant to fill .75 FTE but can be negotiated. More info at www.camrec.org/staff-volunteer-opportunities. Contact David and Saralyn Jantzi at director@camrec.org or call 509-548-7245 with questions.

Camrec Wish List

- Someone able to tune the lodge piano
- Heavy duty metal shelving for storage in shipping container or someone with skills and time to build wooden shelving
- Floor or table lamps for cabins/upstairs apartment
- Back-blade and/or rake for three point hitch
- ATV for use on grounds and trail maintenance (current golf cart died)
- Metal carport to create much needed space to efficiently store equipment through winter
- Special sewing project: We would like to put cushions on some of the benches in the lodge. Contact us (director@camrec.org) for more details.

Camrec Mission Statement:

At Camp Camrec, in thanks for all the gifts we receive from God, we will:

- Nurture children in the love of God, the love of others, and the love of Creation.
- Welcome adults to a place and spiritual framework for rest and restoration.
- Care for this beautiful part of Creation and the extended landscape around us.
- Embody Anabaptist/Mennonite values of peacemaking, simple living, service, and community.