

# The Chumstick

News from Camp Camrec and Washington Mennonite Fellowship

## June 2018

### Camrec Updates

Wow, spring has been beautiful here at camp! The Lupines are in full bloom and it seems like there are more every year. It's an exciting time of year. Speaking of exciting, check out our NEW WEBSITE! If you see hiccups or notice a link doesn't work please let us know.



Camrec staff are thrilled to share that we, with the help of the Steiner family's financial gift, purchased a Ventrac tractor. This equipment will be a huge asset to mowing brush, trail maintenance, snow removal, and many other things! There was also a used Cub Cadet riding mower donated to camp which will be wonderful for finish mowing.

Menno Mennonite and Warden Mennonite shared a weekend for their retreat, May 11-13. The weekend was full of meadow activities, table games, relaxation, and good food! Pastor Jeanie

also shared a story from her life that exemplified Christ being present even in the storms of life. While she shared Pastor Lyn drew a chalk drawing to represent this idea. What an engaging way to share their message!

Nature and Bike Retreat took place May 18-20, with a small but certainly energized group. The weekend started off with some attendees relaxing by the fire or taking the opportunity to have an early bedtime, while others gathered together making pies and rice cakes for lunch menu items.

Saturday there were several individuals that went birding around the property. A group of six went on a 47-mile bike ride returning in time for supper. There were also others that enjoyed staying closer to camp property for a variety of things like riding bikes, walking, throwing Frisbee, and working on school nature projects. It was a wonderful weekend!



### We are *thankful* for:

- spring flowers and lively birds this spring
- a NEW website! Check it out at [camrec.org](http://camrec.org)
- the donation of the Cub Cadet riding mower
- the Steiner family's generous contribution towards the Ventrac tractor
- staff and volunteers that are lining up for SUMMER CAMPS 2018

### Calendar of WMF Events

Summer Camps:	see "Summer Camp Schedule"
Annual Fundraiser:	August 31 - September 3, 2018
Fall Work Weekend:	October 19-21, 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

### Summer Camp Schedule 2018

Orientation ( <i>for summer counselors</i> ):	July 2-5
Pre-Junior Camp ( <i>completed K-2</i> ):	July 6-8
Junior Camp ( <i>completed 3-5</i> ):	July 10-14
Junior High Camp ( <i>completed 6-8</i> ):	July 16-21
Senior High Camp ( <i>completed 9-11</i> ):	July 23-28

Printable **registrations** are online. The **deadline is June 25** so spread the word and send in your registrations and checks to: 18899 Little Chumstick Creek Rd. Leavenworth, WA 98826

**Volunteers still needed!** Every summer we have close to 45 to 50 wonderful volunteers help make children's camp happen.

We still need extra hands to:

- lead crafts and nature
- be medical staff
- help cook

If you have a heart for summer camp and enjoy working with the next generation please let us know and we would love to get you involved!



## Annual Fundraiser – August 31 – September 3, 2018

Come join us for our 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://camrec.org) to **RSVP online!**

## Fall Work Weekend – October 19-21, 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.)!

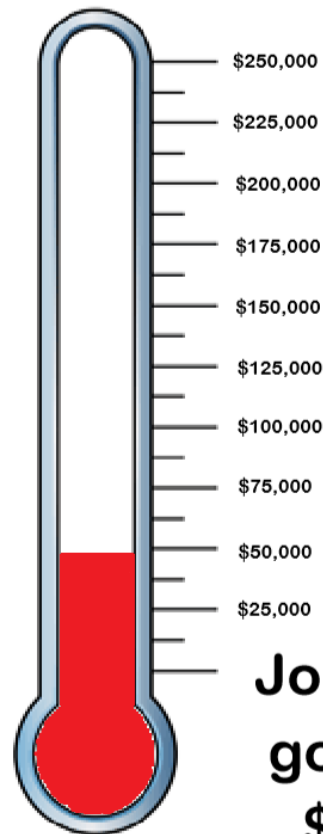
**Lodging is free, but you provide your own food (per the menu provided), which will be pooled with everyone else's and prepared together.**

Please **RSVP online** at [camrec.org](http://camrec.org).

## Camrec Wish List

- Someone able to tune the lodge piano
- Heavy duty metal shelving for storage in shipping container
- Corelle - big plates and big bowls
- 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)
- Special sewing project: We would like to put cushions on some of the benches in the lodge. Contact us ([director@camrec.org](mailto:director@camrec.org)) for more details.

## Staff Housing Fundraising Update



**It's time for additional staff housing!!**



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

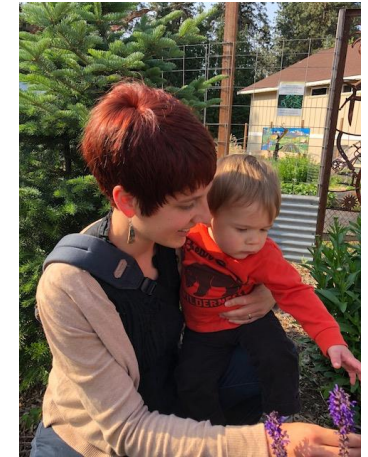
If you are interested in helping us reach our goal of \$250,000.00 checks can be made out to Camp Camrec with "staff housing" in the memo line. Donations are tax-deductible. The **total amount that has been raised as of 6/07/2018 is \$47,902.00** including pledges! *Thank you* for all your support!

## 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.

The SMC/EMC fundraiser was a hoot! Besides Soto Ayam and life sized Dutch Blitz folks cast their vote for what color Saralyn's hair should be dyed. The winning color was...



.....RED.

This fundraiser event alone brought in \$8,024.00 including Sunday's offering. Thank you! Thank you!