



The Messenger

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Fabulous Christmas Lighting!

If you have not driven the grounds of Camp Chesterfield since Thanksgiving, you missed the best Holiday lighting display in at least the last 20 years.

Kudos go to Marty Richey, John Hudson, Rev. Suzie Greer, and her students. Many hands worked very hard! The lighting project began during October Seminar, and took over a month to complete. Mark your calendar in 2009, and think about joining the fun.

Work Weekend Cancelled

Originally scheduled for Jan. 16-18, W3! Winter Work Weekend was a hope on the part of Rev. Terry Ryan that volunteers could help on projects indoors in our buildings. Not all ideas come to fruition; maybe in 2010!

Chesterfield Lives!

Enclosed you will find a copy of the now familiar bookmark with the Affirmation, "Chesterfield Lives."

We ask you to include this Affirmation in your daily prayer work to help build a prosperous 2009 for Camp. In a time of great challenge in our nation, more people than ever need reassurance, spiritual nurturing, and coping skills to help themselves and their families.

Camp is needed more than ever too! Your Affirmations and support can make a difference.

A New Spiritual Contract

This past fall the Board of Trustees adopted a first-ever "Spiritual Contract" to guide their deliberations and actions, which all current and future Board Members are asked to sign.

Additionally, this was sent to all residents of Camp in the hopes they would sign it too. Some have returned a signed copy.

Now, we provide a copy to you in the hopes you will also embrace its principles. In order for Camp or any endeavor to succeed, there must be commonality and shared principles by the majority in order to survive and to thrive, especially in these challenging times.

Camp Chesterfield is at a crossroads; enough people need to care for us to survive!



Transitions

Long-time member Rev. Alice Binford passed away this fall after a long illness. She was cared for and is survived by her dear friend, Rev. Kay Facer.

Lawrence Carvey, a long-time member and former resident, also passed away this fall.

New Mini-Park on Western Drive

At the far end of Western Drive next to the A-frame house (Rev. Sarah Brown) is a wooded area that camp has always kept mowed.

During the fall work weekend, that area was expanded and cleaned up. The Board has now designated this area as St. Francis Park. Ultimately, we hope to move the statue of St. Francis out of the traffic circle and into the park, adding statues of animals.

We are seeking monetary donations for a few benches, a sign, and a decorative fence around the perimeter. If you would like to contribute, please contact the office at 765-378-0235 Wednesday through Sunday or mark your check "St. Francis Park."

Students needed for Feed and Read

If you are currently a student in our academic program and live within an easy drive of Camp, we invite you to join with other students from 4 to 6PM the 3rd Sunday of the month in the Feed and Read Psychic Fair. This is a great opportunity to get valuable experience in doing readings, and sharpening your mediumistic skills even as you help raise money for Camp projects. Contact Darlene in the Camp office.

Amendments to Bylaws

Proposed amendments to the Bylaws must be submitted to the Bylaws Committee via the office no later than April 1st. Contact Darlene in the office to receive a form for proposed changes. Copies of the Bylaws with the changes from the August 2008 Convention are available by calling the office.

Choir Members and Musicians Needed

Even if you don't live close to Camp, you can think about joining our new choir under the direction of our Minister of Music, Timothy Millard.

We are also seeking musicians of every kind to add special music to our services and activities from time to time. For more information, contact Tim at 765-378-1488.



Usher Corps Being Formed

We are seeking at least 10-12 people who will volunteer as ushers at our 2:30PM Sunday Services. You would only be scheduled once every 4 - 6 weeks. If you are interested, please call or E-mail the office. Jack Fournier has been appointed Chief Usher to assist with scheduling.

Camp Chesterfield Homes for Sale

Please note: All home purchases must be approved by the Board of Trustees. A leaseholder's information packet and application is available in the Administration office: (765-378-0235 or admin@campchesterfield.net). For more information, contact Rev. Terry Ryan.

Purchase price must be negotiated directly with the contact person indicated. Once a tentative agreement has been reached, the prospective purchaser must then seek approval from the Board.

A.) 310 Parkview Drive: Asking price \$45,000. Please contact Angela Foxsong: (765) 378-4369

B.) 222 Parkview Drive: Please contact at Rev. Suzanne Greer: (765) 378-5119

C.) 216 Parkview Drive: Asking price is \$62,900. Please contact Rev. Harolyn Temple
(765) 378-3886

D.) 315 Grandview Drive: Please contact Rev. Terry Ryan: (765) 378-0235

E.) 224 Grandview Drive: Please contact Rev. Barbara Loft: (765) 426-7483

F.) 318 Eastern Drive: Please contact Rev. John Hein: (513) 481-3236

G.) 405 Eastern Drive: Asking price is \$44,000. Please contact Shari Carr: (317) 501-8203

Volunteer Healers and Bodyworkers Needed

We have aspirations of growing and improving our monthly psychic fairs, as this is an important source of income for Camp.

We would like to have the service of Healers and other Bodyworkers to offer at our psychic fairs, in line with our desire to begin offering those services on a more comprehensive basis at Camp. If you are interested, please contact Rev. Terry Ryan through the office.

Spiritual Contract – Indiana Association of Spiritualists, Inc.

I, _____, as a member of the Indiana Association of Spiritualists (IAOS), do affirm and promise to always act and vote in a manner that promotes and protects the best interests of the IAOS and Camp Chesterfield first. “What is good for Camp and its Membership?” will be the guiding question in my mind during consideration of all decisions and actions.

- I will embrace ***The Principals of Love and Right Human Relations*** in all that we do.
- I will embrace ***The Principal of Stewardship*** - committing my time, energy and financial support, to the best of my ability, to secure the long term viability and spiritual work of the IAOS and Camp Chesterfield.
- I will embrace ***The Principal of Cooperation*** – a willingness to work together in a cooperative spirit, to truly understand and find common ground that regardless of our differences will allow us to move forward as a group. With a true spirit of Understanding and Cooperation we will work together as one to solve the issues that come before us.
- I will embrace ***The Principal of Responsibility*** – each of us will take responsibility for our thoughts, words and actions so that we remove from our personal life those things that may be hurtful to others. We will all work, individually and as a group, to dissolve all barriers and end the spirit of separateness in all areas of life.
- I will embrace ***The Principal of Sharing*** – a willingness to help our fellow man in a time of need to the best of my ability.
- I will embrace ***The Principal of Goodwill*** – an expression of that which is good and ought to be and focus this ideal with all our mental energy as a practical and dynamic force for constructive action.

Consequently, my personal preferences, those of other individual IAOS members or groups of members, will be considered but always subordinate to Moral, Legal, Spiritual, Good Business Practices and in the best interest for the sustained growth and long term survival of the IAOS and Camp Chesterfield.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

The final step for the back large trench and we also area for the replanting of bearded iris. This area was mums were planted for contractors on sight we stone planters on the right hand rail on the left stairs to beautify and blend with the you can join with us and this project.



wall was to back fill the created a 4 foot garden the hosta and german covered with mulch and fall. While we had the also repaired two of the side of the trail and added a as shown in the next on planting these areas weekend so they will be new landscaping and hope lend your green thumb to



Phase Three - What's Next

The next phase for 2009 is to broken by vandals in the late that time. Unfortunately the promised, as you can see in the Confucius is in a similar state At present our contractor is matching the busts as originally unique to Camp Chesterfield and world and must be preserved for plan to continue work on the



replace two statues that were 90's and temporarily repaired at repairs did not survive as photo of Zoroaster. The bust of and also needs to be replaced. looking for a sculptor capable of created. The Trail of Religions is the only one of its kind in the the future generations. We also bricks this spring.

All of this work has been done from private donations and we are now asking for additional help that will allow us to complete restorations by fall of 2011. This spring we need gardeners to help with the landscaping. If you are interested in becoming involved with this project please contact Rev. A. Win Srogi.

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***Welcome
New
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Members!***

Conrad Adams
Patricia Beers
Connie Gaylord
Troy Nightbourne

JR Rowland
Kathryn Weslak
Rita Williams