

# Pine Lake Fellowship Camp

### **Quarterly Newsletter**

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Jeff and Cheryl Landis were surprised with a wall hanging before the auction at Camp Sale. It was given in appreciation for their service as PLFC Directors from 2002-2012. The wall hanging features photos of camp during their tenure. Cheryl actually took each photo herself!

#### WISH LIST

- Gas powered leaf blower
- Small tractor (15 hp)
- Durable furniture for Tall Pines (dorm style couches/love seats, coffee table)
- Matching sets of pine or oak bunk beds

## Camp Sale 2013

Tropical Storm Karen posed a threat early in the week, but when Saturday rolled around, the weather could not have been nicer. We were blessed with a strong attendance of dedicated camp supporters and local community members.

#### A record \$28,781.85 was raised that day. Baked goods, pork BBQ, gumbo,

eggrolls, donuts, and sauce piquant were sold to satisfy the hunger of all the patrons. I would like to know who, *if anyone*, was able to eat a bite of each.

It was truly a great day of fellowship. Many people viewed and purchased crafts, pottery, and woodworking items while others shared a laugh and talked about memories of camp. I am thankful for God's blessing on Pine Lake that day.



Checking out the quilts

Thank you to each individual who helped make this day so great. Many of you volunteered many hours to make and bake items for the sale. Your efforts continue to make PLFC a place where people encounter Jesus Christ.



Ed Lee & Herman Cortez



Bonnie Opel & Elaine Maust

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Part of the Baked Goods table



PLFC Mugs for sale!



### **Our First PLFC Retreat!**

#### By Melissa McClure

We recently held our first youth retreat at Pine Lake and what a great experience we had! From the Lodge and Bender House meeting our sleeping accommodations, to the Meeting Room being the perfect place for our meals. From the beautiful lake providing boating and swimming, to the large ball field for playing games...the facilities were perfect! One chaperone loved having the large field to play kickball. It was one of his favorite parts of the weekend, as he had not played kickball since he was a child. <u>One youth even asked if we could</u> come back to Pine Lake every couple of weeks!



Most importantly, we spent time with God. We all sensed God's presence among us during devotions and campfire time. One youth accepted Christ as his Savior and several others really opened up about their struggles, so we could pray with them. We were in a constant awe of the beauty of God's creation and the peacefulness of Pine Lake.

Our church has started a Summer Camp Fund to send our children and youth to Pine Lake next summer. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of this ministry.

Melissa has served as the Office Administrator at PLFC since April. She is also the Assistant Youth Leader at Pine Hill Baptist Church in Enterprise, MS.

## MATCHING GIFT CHALLENGE

*Every dollar given to "Growing the Pines" until December 31 will be matched by another dollar—up to \$10,000!* 

### "Growing the Pines" Update

Last Fall, the Board of Directors set a goal of completing the first floor, lodging end of Tall Pines Fellowship Center by the end of 2013. Many wires have been pulled and doors have been hung in the last year, and we are still seeking volunteers to achieve this goal. If you are able to help paint, install electrical/plumbing fixtures, move furniture, or clean, please contact Matt Graybill.



Although this phase is nearly complete, there is more work required to complete this project. Through the end of the year,

we will once again feature the **MATCHING GIFT CHALLENGE.** These funds will add landscape plantings, windows, and a patio area, as well as frame the kitchen and office area. Last year's goal was exceeded by \$8,000. Will you take the challenge?

#### Pine Lake Fellowship Camp Calendar of Events

November 8-10	PLFC Board Retreat
November 28	Thanksgiving
December 25	Christmas
February 15	GSMC Women's Retreat
February 21-23	Mission's Rally
March I Work	Day & Association Meeting
March 21-23	Youth Rally
March 28-30	Senior's Retreat
April 4-5	Father & Child Retreat
May	Young Adults Retreat
May 24—July 12	Summer Camp
August 29-Sept. I	Family Camp
September 19-21	Youth Rally
October 4	Camp Sale



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