



LUTHER PARK BYTES: An e-newsletter with news that MUST get out.

REGISTRATION: Challenge

The registration challenge has, so far, been rather unsuccessful. We regret to inform you that instead of doubling our weekly registrations we, unfortunately, **less than halved** our weekly registrations this past week!

Even though we have not progressed much in the past week we still have hope that, with your help, we can make a good effort to reach our goal by June 1.

Goal by June 1: **950**
Current Registrations: **857**
Help we need from you: **93**

We only had **17** registrations this past week! I still have hope and faith that we can reach the goal by June 1. We still have 3.5 days to do this - we may need a miracle but, miracles can (and do) happen!

Check the status of your program online at www.lutherpark.org! Click the tab on the left hand side that says "Registration Updates."

NURSING STAFF

Luther Park is a place where "Faith is nurtured through Holy Play." In order for our ministry of "Holy Play" to take place we rely heavily on donations and on volunteers. The donations take a number of forms, including donations to our annual auction, monetary donations - of any amount, and specific gifts off of our needs and wish lists. Every summer our needs list includes volunteer nurses for each week of summer programming.

This year we currently have 8 Nurses/EMT's who have already volunteered, of those 8 only 2 have been on Luther Park's nursing staff before - we couldn't have done it without your help, encouragement, and the publicity that you put out.

We are extremely excited to greet our 8 summer nursing volunteers. However, we are still short staffed! We are still in need of a volunteer for the week of July 6-11. If you - or someone you know - can volunteer for that week, or part of that week, we would really appreciate hearing from you.

SUMMER HAS ARRIVED!

The weather may not reflect the fact that summer is here, but all the signs at camp are pointing to the fine arrival of summer! The summer staff has arrived and they already have a couple days of staff training under their belts! Among their personal belongings they have also brought with them excitement and an energy which has already spread around camp. Now all we need are the campers!

EARTH KEEPERS: Registration!

One of our 17 registrations this past week was for our new Earth Keepers program!!

We are still hoping you can help us increase that number by spreading the word around your church, to your nieces and nephews, brothers and sisters, even your neighbors!

Chris has prepared a flyer that can be distributed. I have attached it to this email. Please post the flyers around your church. You can even post them around town if you like! Of course that is assuming your town allows such things...

Earth Keepers will be held August 3-8, 2008; the cost of the trip will be just \$250 per camper, including the \$100 deposit.

For more program information contact: cqolson@wisc.edu or cqolson@hotmail.com
To register contact: becca@lutherpark.org or 715-859-2215

RETREATS: Luther Park Style

Luther Park is not solely a summer camp - we are up and running year round! We have many retreat groups in the "off season" and many still in the "on season." We are the host to a number of fishing, scrapbooking, and quilting retreats. We also encourage family reunions, various get-togethers and youth groups/church groups to use our facilities. We have also had a number of weddings and wedding receptions here at Luther Park. We have extremely reasonable rates and most all of the retreat buildings are right on/overlooking Prairie Lake.

You can book a weekend, or even time during the week. Speak with Linda in the office and she will be able to give you the rates and available days. Many of the retreats are also posted on a calendar online; you can browse the calendar at our webpage, www.lutherpark.org. You will also find links to, and pictures of, each of the retreat centers - find which one works best for you and your group!

Luther Park Golf Outing (LPGO): June 23, 2008

The Fourth Annual LPGO is scheduled for Monday, June 23 at Sioux Creek Golf Course in Chetek. We have set it up in foursomes with enough room for 64 golfers. To register please contact Diana at the Luther Park office for a registration form.

Also, please consider helping us find one or more hole sponsors (\$100 each) and/or items for our silent auction (\$25 minimum value please).

After a great day of golf you can plan to join us for supper and the silent auction in the Luther Park Dining Hall. This will be a good chance for you to see your camp in action and filled with

kids! The LPGO has been a lot of fun the last three years and it has raised some great income for the ministry at Luther Park. We would love for you to join us for our fourth LPGO.

VBS, PALS and then some:

We still have two weeks open for Vacation Bible School (VBS). We have room the weeks of June 8-13 and July 6-11. Please call and ask for Linda.

We have had a great response to our plea for PALS! Thank you for spreading the word! We currently have all the positions **filled!** However, you can still send in your applications if you wish to be put on a waiting list.

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