## FALL PRESBYTERY REPORT: SEPT 2011-09-20 11

Camp Duncan has been rolling along, with rentals, maintenance, upkeeping, planting of trees, and shoring up of cabins and lodge. Very busy place with very few volunteers to carry the load. Yes, still volunteers, run this camp. We give an honorarium to our booking person, Patricia, but she in turn donates that to her church.

Rental season started May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 with clean-UP and Cambrian Presbytery being our first Group in June 13<sup>th</sup>. Other rentals following this season were, family reunions, Navy league, Pres of Superior, Childrens Aid Society, Ist Wesley, Camp Quality, Hilldale Lutheran camp, Boy and Girls Camp, Trinity Church Weekend, and lastly The Lakehead University: Track and Field, Residence Training, and Forestry. Close up this year will be Oct 1<sup>st</sup> and close down to follow. Water system will be drained, and camp closed up. Garbage removed.

New Booking Contract was revised and written and in use. Cost to rent is \$300.00 /day up to 35 persons and \$8.00/day per person following. Booking sec: Patricia Macdonald can be reached at Knox United Church at 345-5065.

We are pleased with our Safe drinking water System. Well regulated and tested periodically by ALS labs and maintained, by Don Mcconkey/ Fred Alexander. Camp chairman, Mike Dunlop, keeps us in check, New treasurer, Andre Kreikmann has stepped up to run our finances. Taking over, over 40years of dedicated service from Gerry Reith, of Wesley. We have approx. 14 directors, representing all the churches of thunder bay, but still need rep from Knox Pruden and Westminster. WE HAVE 2 VERY ENTHUSIASTIC WORKERS, MARILYN AND JARVIS BEYAK, FROM 1<sup>ST</sup>/WESLEY AND THANK THEM FOR THEIR CONTINUED SERVICE.

We had unfortunately, lost our Charitable Status # in 2006, and have been struggling to get it back. As of Sept 8<sup>th</sup>, The Hammonds, D&L, have done the tax info for 2006-2010 and all is sent to Canada Revenue. We hope to hear back soon with good news.

We had purchased a Fire hose and pump, few years ago, but with not been used and no training we decided to sell or donated. With not many inquiries coming our way, we were informed of The Scout camp.." Grey trout", By Bill TAYLOR, Quarter Master of a great need for their camp. The board decided to donate to their cause, with Great Thanks . Definitely Charities Helping Charities.

Camp Quality memory wall is Work in Progress, down at the beach, by the creek. Camp Quality faithfully rent and help us maintain this camp, each year.

Volunteer groups like Profor Engineering Services, stepped forward to level all the cabins and lodge, this season. Cabins then will be spray insulated under neath. Forestry Group in action, trimming trees, removing unsafe limbs, and dead trees, and planting seedlings. Thank You to ALL!!.

Donations come in slowly, and we are grateful. A large THANK YOU to Presbytery for believing in us and our cause, and for their \$1000.00 donation each year. Our insurance cost this year alone will be over \$5,600.00. for full coverage for camp members while working on site, also buildings, liabilities, canoes, equipment, replacement cost, and water safety. If you have never seen the camp, You must contact us and get a tour. We have come a long way. We have a long term investment from a estate, and this is used only as we feel fit. We look down the road at future plans.

Our last MEETING BEING HELD SEPT 27<sup>TH</sup>, AT WESLEY CHURCH AT 7PM

This is a up to date report for 2011, and pray that presbytery and all churches have a successful and rewarding meeting and gathering while in the District.

Yours in Christ, Linda Hammond, camp Director, Camp Duncan, Loon Lake

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