



Camp Badger Monthly "Newsy Notes"



September 2010

Here it is September already, spring and summer have passed very fast this year at Lions Camp Badger. Thanks to all the volunteers and the work force for helping at Camp. We have accomplished a lot of much needed work.

We've installed much needed back doors that were too small on a number of cabins. They now meet code requirements at 36". We have 5 cabins still to go. Numerous cabins have been painted white inside and we have only one cabin left to install a new ceiling.

One quite major project that was accomplished at Camp Badger was Cabin #20. New footers were installed on one very long weekend. Thanks once again, volunteers!

Big Flats Lions are going to install two back doors on cabins, Gasport Lions are installing a new tin roof on Cabin #15. District E-1 will be at Lions Camp to do several projects: work on a LP furnace, cover all the new trees at camp for the winter, and work on a set of stairs at the Dining Hall.

Also at Lions Camp Badger this fall, we have a wedding reception at the Dining Hall on October 9th. Lee and I are working hard to finish the spackling, primer, painting and moulding on the walls of the Dining Hall before the wedding. This will look beautiful and we hope to make a DVD for promotional purposes!

Deer season will be upon us soon. Interested in hunting on 400 acres? Give me a call and book a room for a small fee.

Every Lion is invited to visit your camp. I would be glad to show you around.

Thanks! Dave

LIONS CAMP BADGER AND MACY'S TEAM UP TO "SHOP FOR A CAUSE"

On Saturday, October 16th, 2010, Macy's Stores will be holding their 5th annual Shop for a Cause event. Since 2006, this event has raised more than \$34 million for their ongoing charitable efforts. This is your chance to be a part of this monumental event and to help Lions Camp Badger. Purchase a \$5 Shopping Pass* for savings in every Macy's store and online at macys.com on Saturday, Oct. 16. This exclusive shopping pass includes 20% or 10% off most regular, sale and clearance purchases all day, plus 25% off one regular, sale or clearance item in men's, women's, or kids apparel. We keep 100% of the proceeds. Plus, you can enter to win a \$500 Macy's Gift Card! PDG Marv Hankinson has put the wheels in motion for Lions Camp Badger to benefit from this charitable event. For more information, to purchase a Shopping Pass, or to sell Shopping Passes contact: Marv at marv.hankinson@gmail.com or Cynthia at the office at 800-232-7060 or by email: lionscampbadger@frontiernet.net



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Circle of Life Camp-Summer 2010

This August, Lions Camp Badger had the pleasure of hosting the 15th annual Circle of Life Camp for children with diabetes. Two camping sessions were held over a 2 1/2 week period of time. Along with learning how to deal with their disease while leading a normal life, the kids learn to monitor properly, eat healthy and exercise. But most of all, the kids just enjoyed being kids. For once, having diabetes was the "norm" amongst their peers and the kids could relax and just have fun. Most of the counselors are former campers, meaning they also have Type I diabetes. The counselors all carry backpacks filled with blood-glucose monitors, insulin and glucose tabs wherever they go. This is actually what allows the kids to relax and not have to be on constant guard about their blood glucose levels. We learned that there is also what they affectionately call the "vampire crew," which is the team of folks that stays up all night to "do the rounds" every few hours to check glucose levels and administer insulin if necessary. Overall, it was a very successful camp for the Circle of Life Center as well as for Lions Camp Badger! We look forward to next year.

Project New Hope - August 2010

On August 27-29, Camp Badger also hosted a Project New Hope retreat weekend for families of men currently stationed in Afghanistan. Three families attended and were very grateful for the weekend at Camp Badger. They relaxed and regenerated while enjoying good food, playing games, and making new friends. There were activities for the kids and pampering for the moms. The following is a letter received from one of the moms that attended:

Our weekend spent with Project New Hope NY at Camp Badger was a fantastic experience filled with fellowship, comfort, understanding and information, beneficial to a military family such as ours. Upon arrival, we were warmly welcomed by the Director and volunteers who made the weekend possible for us. The atmosphere of the retreat experience was what made the weekend so special. Not only did the volunteers and program staff visit, dine and spend time with us, they genuinely got to know us as if we were a part of a large extended family.

Having Mary Reeves, licensed marriage and family therapist, as a member of our weekend was a tremendous asset. Both formal sessions and informal time was spent with Mary. I was particularly impressed that Mary took part in all activities of the weekend allowing everyone access to her skills and knowledge. Her warm and inviting personality allowed participants to openly discuss thoughts and feeling with her in a non-threatening manner. She is a gifted therapist who is a priceless to the program.

Our family would highly recommend Project New Hope NY. My children ages 9 and 4 had a wonderful time and look forward to attending again in the future. McAllister, age 9, was so excited about spending time with the volunteer staff and playing in the beautiful outdoors. Little Montgomery, age 4, asked if he could come back next year in order to spend time with his special friend, "Mr. George".

Our gratitude is extended to the wonderful folks who contributed to the weekend, and we look forward to future endeavors with Project New Hope NY.

Sincerely, Mary Ellen Bills