

DISCOVER

Gretna Glen Camp & Retreat Center

October 2009

Summer Camp 2009

Campers were welcomed to Gretna Glen this summer with a warm celebration that shared with them the excitement of this year's theme-Breakthrough. We incorporated the theme into all the activities with our campers through the week and focused on how Jesus Welcomes, Listens, Shows Compassion, Loves, Transforms, and Invites us into relationship with Him. On Wednesdays we gathered all the campers together for our summer staff to perform R.O.C.K (Reaching Out for Christ Kingdom) and an awesome all camp game in the meadow. The week ended with an all camp closing that invited campers to share with others what they had experienced throughout the week through skits and songs.

The new personal challenge course was a hit this summer and the new GAGA court, built by Mission Possible campers the last week of July, continues to be a big hit with retreat and school groups. 1560 campers, 178 volunteers, and 40 staff were blessed by Gretna Glen in this 50th year and built relationships with each other and Christ that we will be forever thankful.



Scenes from the Jubilee Celebration, Sept. 27

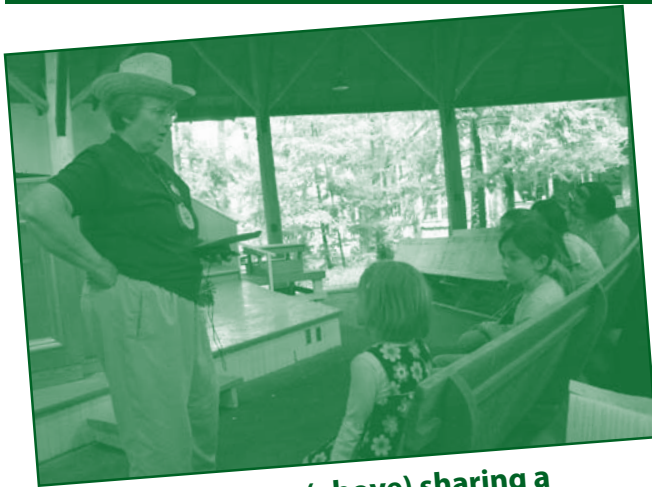


Henry Funk & Mark Hostetter

Rev. Clair Wagner enjoys looking at photos of the past with family & friends.



Scenes from the Jubilee Celebration



Joyce Zimmerman (above) sharing a children's story at The Tabernacle. Jim & Carol Adams sharing Glee & Glory (right).



Get Your Copy of the Jubilee History Book!
Call the office to purchase a book.
\$20 Donation + shipping (if necessary)



From the Kitchen

Praise God! Another wonderful summer has passed in the Newcomer Lodge Dining Hall at Gretna Glen. We thank God for the campers that we were blessed to serve and for giving our kitchen staff the stamina to serve with willing hearts.

One fond memory of summer is the appreciation for our recipe for Baked Oatmeal. We have included the recipe for Baked Oatmeal for you to enjoy in your home, but we hope you come and spend some time with us to enjoy it straight from our kitchen. Music & Drama Camp so loved baked oatmeal, that they wrote a song this year to honor their favorite breakfast.

*Here at Gretna Glen, gonna eat me my baked oatmeal (x4)
Sometimes there's not enough so we sit around and huff
but that's not the case today
we're sad that it's a side, we love it piled high
baked oatmeal's here to stay*

*Here at Gretna Glen, cinnamon and sugar (this is the line that we sang wrong)
raisins, oats, and milk kinda looks like a big brown booger
but that's okay, cause we eat it anyway*

Here at Gretna Glen, gonna eat me my baked oatmeal

*How we love you Gretna staff. Oh you really make us laugh
Cause you're just so darn cool.
In the kitchens and the fields and at pretty much every meal
your menu makes us drool*

*Hail to baked oatmeal, a big pail of baked oatmeal (x2)
And hail to Jesus too, cause he made baked oatmeal and he made you.*

Thanks to Music & Drama Camp for sharing their musical talents with us.
In Christ and always — Wendy Scarborough, Food Service Coordinator

BAKED OATMEAL
From: Cooks.com
 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. Sugar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Butter
 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Milk
 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. Baking Powder
 2 Eggs
 1 tsp. Salt
 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Quick Oatmeal
 Cream sugar and butter. Add eggs. Beat. Stir in salt, baking powder and oatmeal. Add milk. Pour into greased casserole (2 quart) dish. Sprinkle with brown sugar. Bake uncovered at 300° for 45 minutes. Nuts, raisins or other dried fruit taste great in this dish. Even delicious the next morning reheated!

\$50 Honoring 50 Years of Camping at Gretna Glen

1959 was the beginning of using the site at Gretna Glen for summer programs. For 50 years this outreach of the UMC has been "sharing the joy of knowing and following Jesus Christ". It may be that you accepted Christ here at camp, or heard a call into ministry-perhaps Gretna Glen

changed your life! As we celebrate this year of jubilee we challenge every home that receives this newsletter to make a \$50 donation to help pay down our debt and cover 2009 operating expenses as an expression of gratitude and praise for what God has done at Gretna Glen.

Fall/Winter Gretna Glen Events

ENCOUNTER 2009

"Moving Beyond Mediocrity!"

November 13-15

6 pm Friday-11:30am Sunday

For Youth Grades 6-12

Program Director: Rev. Kris Perry

Encounter 2009 is a life-changing weekend for students. Students can expect to have an encounter with God throughout the weekend, experience the fun of team-building and the thrill of High Ropes! We'll have lots of fun on the hayride and experience camp at its best with campfire and S'Mores! We have great speakers lined up for the weekend: Dan Bailey, Kim Checkeye, Rev. Kris Perry, Pastor Randy Smith, and Rev. Bob Wilt. Our Worship Leader is Dan Kirby, and Christian Hip-Hop Artist Michael Fugitt will be in concert.

Cost: \$95.00

Children's Winter Blast Overnight

"Let's Party for Jesus"

December 4-5

7pm Friday-7pm Saturday

For Children Grades 1-6

Program Director: Dan Kirby

This 24 hour experience will be one big party for Jesus! We will learn to be excited for what we have already received and ready to share the gift God has given us. Come join us for Games, Campfires, Outdoor Exploration, Crafts, and more at this awesome sleepover.

Cost: \$40.00

Youth Winter Blast Weekend

"Purpose Driven Jesus"

January 15-17

7pm Friday-2pm Sunday

For Youth Grades 6-12

Program Director: Dan Kirby

Christmas will be over, but we don't want to forget the reason for the season. Join us as we explore "Purpose Driven Jesus" and focus on doing everything for Him in 2010, just like He focused on doing everything for us. Come enjoy Worship, Campfires, High Ropes and a trip offsite to go snow tubing with your new friends. This might not be After Hours Camp in the summer, but staying up half the night will be a must to enjoy the fun we will be having this weekend.

Cost: \$95.00

**Gretna Glen
Gift Certificates
Available**

**Don't know what to give that special someone?
Gift Certificates are available in any amount. May be used for
Summer Camp, Youth Retreat, Birthday Party, or the camp store.**



Fall/Winter 2009/2010 Events Registration Form

Event: _____

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: M / F

Parent Signature _____

Parent's Printed Name _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Special Needs: _____

Cost: _____ Payment Enclosed: _____ Balance Due: _____

If registering for more than one event, please make copies & complete a form for each event.
Please fill out this form and send it to: Gretna Glen Camp, 87 Old Mine Rd., Lebanon, PA 17042

WANTED

- Prayers
- Staples Gift Card
- Lowes Gift Card
- 2-B or 2-A Modified Stone Cabin Mattresses-New \$70.00
- Laptop
- Digital Camera
- Digital Video Camera
- Gas Gift Card
- Bulk Paper Towels
- Chocolate Bars-Smore's
- Extra Large Outdoor Trash Bags
- New or Used Mountain Bike
- Camper Scholarships
- Sleds & Tubes

More Ways to Have Fun

Thinking of planning an overnight retreat or a quick day trip to Gretna Glen? There are a lot of activities we can offer to add to the enjoyment of your program. Some of the activities you can add without additional cost are: use one of our pavilions for a picnic; take your group on our self-guided nature trail; walk through our prayer labyrinth; sit and sing around a campfire; explore our nature center; climb on the playground; look for critters in the pond and creek; or go for a hike. There are also lots of sports and games available:

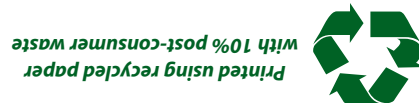
- Soccer
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Lacrosse
- Kickball
- Volleyball
- Football
- Frisbee
- Hockey
- Four-square
- Bocce
- Croquet
- Ping-pong
- Foosball
- Ga-Ga

Also, don't forget our recreational programming (which does include additional fees) such as boating, fishing, archery, swimming (seasonal) and/or hayrides. Gretna Glen also offers learning opportunities through our three different challenge courses (i.e. teambuilding, personal challenge, and high ropes courses), environmental education, trust trail, and confirmation camps.

Please come take advantage of the many things we have to offer and let us know how we can best serve you!

Woodcutters Day • Saturday Nov. 7 • 9a-2p

... sharing the joy of knowing and following Jesus Christ.



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