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Christmas Breakfast - If you are 55 plus, please join us for our Annual Christmas Breakfast, **December 1, at 10:00 am** at Alto's in the CanadInns, 1826 Regent Ave West. RSVP Shauna Wear at 1-888-642-7618 or shauna@camparnes.com.

Early Bird Deadline for summer camp registration is **February 18, 2011**. Watch your mailbox for your Summer Camp brochure coming soon!

Mystery Theatre Dessert Fundraiser - **September 29 & 30, 2011** at the Franco Manitobain Cultural Centre. Tickets: \$40.00. Watch your mailbox for your invite or call 1-888-642-7618 for tickets.

Christmas Wish List

- ★ NEW OR GENTLY USED SPORTS & HOCKEY EQUIPMENT
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THE WIGWAM

WINTER 2010



A GIANT LEAP OF FAITH!

For decades, Camp Arnes has hosted our Annual Fall Banquet as one of our major fundraisers for the year. Through the years, the banquet itself took on a different look, trying to engage the audience with an interactive stage. After much prayer and discussion, camp decided to take a GIANT leap of faith and do a completely different kind of fund raiser. This year we introduced our first ever Mystery Theatre Dessert Fundraiser. It was a hit!

Set in the late 1920's, Marc Moir of Looking Glass Productions, introduced us to "The Hunting Party", a story about Agathe Christie and her mysterious eleven day disappearance. As the wind blew Ms. Christie in, the events that occurred at Mr. Ashbury's residence during her stay had her intrigued. She watched, observed and listened as the occupants of the house quietly gave way the answer of "Who did it?". We were blessed with very talented actors, some who were Camp Arnes staff and campers. They all did a tremendous job. Each saw this event as a great tool to share about camp.

Of course an evening like this had to include a palette of desserts; each as delicious as the next. Chef Barbara, of Dessert Sensations Café, treated us with over 20 of her delectable sensations. It was hard not to try them all! Deluca's provided our theatre guests with gourmet coffee, ground that very day....what a treat.

Even though our numbers were low (anticipate a sell out next year), supporters graciously donated \$27,300, supporting **everything about camp!** A huge thank you to all the event sponsors, whose gracious support, covered the cost of this event. We could not have done it without you! This confirmed that when you are told to go out in Faith (even when you may question it), we should trust our God completely and leap with our eyes closed.

We are already excited about next year's theatre event which will take place on Thursday, September 29 and Friday, September 30th, 2011 at the Franco-Manitoban Cultural Centre. For more information or to be an event sponsor please contact Shauna Wear at shauna@camparnes.com. We hope to see you next year!

Shauna Wear, Special Events Coordinator

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Winter Newsletter 2010

GETTING INVOLVED

Words from the Executive Director

Wow, how time flies! I often reflect on my past ten summers with Camp Arnes and all that has transpired. As I do, I am quickly reminded that something that seemed like it happened just last summer, actually happened several summers ago. I must be getting old!

I'm grateful to serve with some very special people, both on staff and on the board. We have eleven staff who have been with us for over 5 years and one that has been with camp for 24 years;



you guessed it, Basil Klassen. This year, Cliff Penner, our accountant retired after 16 years with camp. All these people, including our current staff, are deeply dedicated to our mission. It's the time of year when our staff and board step back from a bustling summer and busy fall season with outdoor education and reflect on all we are thankful for.

We know that camp would not be possible without all of our supporters, some who have been with camp since its roots. It is because of the bountiful prayers and the rally behind camp that we are able to accomplish the mission and share the love of Christ with thousands throughout the year. As our year draws to a close, we ask you to consider how you can, along with your prayers, financially help us reach our year-end appeal goal of \$80,000. We are blessed this year to have a donor willing to match all donations over \$250. Thank you for supporting everything about camp.

William Wear

Building an Army of Volunteers at Camp Arnes

New and returning recruits are needed at Camp Arnes. Being the Director of Volunteers for the past year has been very rewarding. Meeting people who want to make a difference at camp inspires me. We cannot do what we do without having a culture of volunteerism.

As the year comes to an end, the need for volunteers continues to grow. Camp has enjoyed a great number of individual and families come and spend a day, weekend, week or even four weeks of volunteer service. There are many individual, family and group projects that still need to be completed. If you, your family and friends or your church could consider coming out to join the army of volunteers - I'd love to hear from you. You can contact me at ssutherland@camparnes.com or at 338-4647 whether you can give a day or a week, we would love to hear from you. I'm grateful for all those who will join the army at Camp Arnes!

Steve Sutherland
Director of Volunteers

A Feast fit for a King!

In 2003, Camp Arnes decided to host it's first ever community Fall Supper. It was the perfect opportunity to show the community who we are and what we do. The first year brought less than 200 people through our gates, many of them not even realizing that we were right next door or that we were open all year round. On October 24, 2010 we hosted our 8th dinner with more than 400 people served from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Steve Sutherland, our Director of Volunteers, went from table to table sharing about camp and opportunities on how they can get involved through volunteerism. It was a perfect day to visit with friends, neighbours and even strangers who shared in a meal fit for a King! As a staff we felt blessed to be able to serve the community and let Jesus shine through us.



SUMMER TIME

My camp experience!



My week at Camp Arnes was one of the funnest weeks of my life. Everything about camp was great and I can't wait to go back next summer. The food was awesome, so that was all good. It was really fun meeting so many people and making so many new friends. One of my most favourite things was learning all the songs that we had to sing everyday. We had an official sneak out night, which was a night we were allowed to sneak out of our cabin and go to the dining hall and make bannock, all with just a fire in the fireplace and our flashlights.

There are so many cool and fun things to do at Camp Arnes that you are never bored. They have the Climbing Wall, a cool beach with a waterslide and they even have an indoor pool which is really good when the weather outside is not so nice. They have a farm with animals like Alpacas for the Ranch campers and they also have a Drama camp for those that like to act.



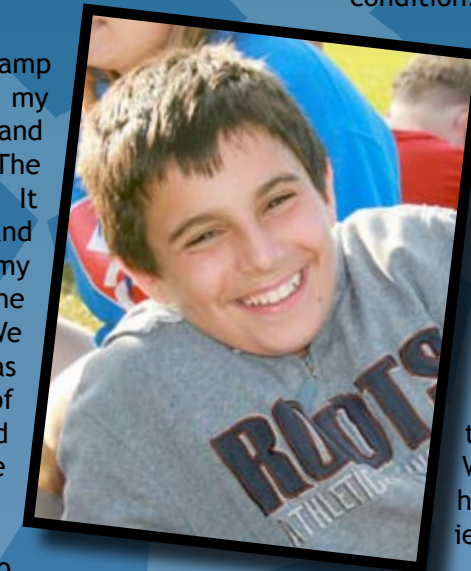
When my week was over, I was so excited to see my mom when she came to pick me up but was also sad about having to leave camp and all my new friends. I am looking forward to next summer and the possibility of seeing my new friends at camp again.

Brooklyn
Challenger Camper

Impacting a Life!



The first time I met Isaac was in an orphanage in Liberia, West Africa. He was placed there by his biological mom due to his severe medical condition of tuberculosis of the spine. She knew that if he stayed in Liberia he would die due to the lack of medical care for his condition. Isaac's biological mom is still active in his life through his adoptive family.



During Isaac's time in the orphanage I had the privilege of being his "foster" mom. His condition required special care, so he lived with me and while I went to work at the orphanage, he came with me. God heard my prayers and Isaac was adopted at the age of 7 years old to an amazing 26 year old woman from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. I have been able to get to know Isaac's adoptive mom through phone calls and visits. What a blessing it was for me to hear that he was receiving the much needed surgeries he needed to save his life.

Isaac came to visit me this summer, his first visit to Canada; he even flew all by himself! At the age of 10, he is walking around with the help of leg braces and canes, his ribs are made of titanium and his back is designed to grow with him using a key adjustment system. I was able to volunteer as a nurse this summer at Camp Arnes and bring Isaac as a camper for a week of fun in Canada. Isaac loved the "flying squirrel and especially his Cabin Leader Mike and all the piggy back rides he gave him. We both hope that this will be a "summerly" thing for Isaac and myself to come to Camp and visit his Canadian friends and maybe even see a moose!

Volunteering at Camp Arnes is great opportunity to give back a little whether you are a nurse, a carpenter, a waiter, a stay at home mom or work in an office! By helping out for a week at camp you can receive a volunteer campership. We would love to share the experience with you!

Sydnee T
Volunteer Camp Nurse