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Camping Season Update

April ended with a custom father-son retreat from the Salt Lake area. Seeing dads and their sons having a good time and benefitting from what is preached is what custom camps are all about. When the men got home, several of them suggested that they do another one the next year, and a date has been requested. If interested, call Katie to get on the 2021 schedule.

We ended up with a fun bunch of ladies and girls for the All Daughters' Get-away the beginning of May. One mom was so glad to have a time away with her daughters, two ready to leave for Bible college and another a young mother. The big game Friday night was a lot of fun as this lady and her sister headed up the two teams. Another mother came with her young daughter to carry on the tradition of attending with her mom and sister for many years while she was young. Having Carol Bond as the speaker was a great encouragement, too. Begin making your plans now to come next year!

We were able to have four regular horsemanship camps plus day camp with over 80 young people in attendance. Next year we'll be needing to have a college-aged camp as there are several who will be graduating but who want to keep going in the program regardless of their late start. Details still need to be worked out with a camp schedule set for regular youth horsemanship camps. Thank you to everyone who came this summer! Each week had its own "personality" and many kids made new friends that they're still in touch with. Our speakers seemed to fit the different groups of kids. Again, we would like to thank Pastor Jason (PJ), Pastor Herron, "Coach" Petersen, and Pastor Clapp for their preparation, biblical preaching and teaching, and their interaction with the kids. We are thankful for safe fun camps and for the spiritual decisions many campers made during the services, including one boy who accepted Christ as his personal Savior. Thank you for entrusting your kids to us. We hope to see them again next year.

During our second week of camp, we had two more campers graduate—Kyra Rowland from Colorado and Dane Rickford from California. Congratulations to both of you for your hard work and diligence through the years! And thanks, Mom and Dad, for your encouragement and support.

Bits and Pieces

It seems that things change with Covid restrictions on a regular basis, but we are thankful to the Lord that we were able to operate as close to normal as you can get all camping season. Hopefully, some of you who have helped with work projects in the past will be able to come again this next year. Some of the buildings need some sprucing up, and the outdoor arena needs some skilled welding work done to put the finishing touches on it. (What a great blessing it was to see that arena used all summer!) If you are interested and able to schedule some time, please call Rick at 435-749-9016.

Final Events for 2021

Custom Men's Retreat
September 9-11

**Quilting Retreat*
September 23-25

**Quilting Retreat*
September 30-October 2

(*Call Lynda Smith for details at 435-655-5356.)

A SPECIAL THANKS

Camp would not be what it is without our summer staff. Most of our counselors did double duty this summer as wranglers **and** counselors. (Some even ended up helping with horse science though not skilled riders!) Counselors included Sattler (SC) who, by the way, will be working here through the fall and possibly into next year; Bethany (IN) returning to help out for a week; Sydney (OH) who spent May to August in an internship for her degree from Ohio State; Hannah (OH), a camp graduate, returning to help again for three weeks; and Noelle (TX) who came for a week at the last minute.

And we can't forget Sam (OH) who helped with the Snack Shack, games, and whatever wranglers needed help with, and Mallory (CO), also a camp graduate, who came for two weeks as a wrangler and who willingly helped out in all sorts of ways. (Sam also will be staying to help through the fall. We'll make a "cowboy" out of him yet!)

Volunteers included Tom and Peggy Roark (CO), as part of the teaching team for a week each summer ten years straight; Holly Roark (AZ), photographer and cabin "inspector"; Lisa Parlo (CO) who helped in the kitchen and with many other program essentials; Gerry Stotler (UT) and Jean Morlan (UT), local ladies who helped with the kitchen and housekeeping spring and summer and continuing into the fall.

Thank you all for a job well-done!