



Mill Stream Buzz...

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SPRING Newzzz

As spring arrives we are constantly reminded of God's renewal all around us.

Renewal comes in various forms. Whether it be the grass beginning to green, flowers pushing up through the soil, trees beginning to bud with the anticipation of new foliage, our re-birth through Christ Jesus or the hope we have in our graduation to be in the presence of our Lord, they are all evidences of God's creation and promises of renewal.



Just recently we experienced the graduation of two great friends to our heavenly home. We say graduation because we know we are just passing through this world, it is not our home...can you honestly say that you are just passing through, on a journey to a far greater place? These ladies spent their lives serving a



living God with this knowledge of a better home. *'Keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life.'* Jude 21 So we don't say goodbye to Dorothy and Jane, we say "see you soon"...all in God's timing and perfect will.

Speaking of renewal, much has been

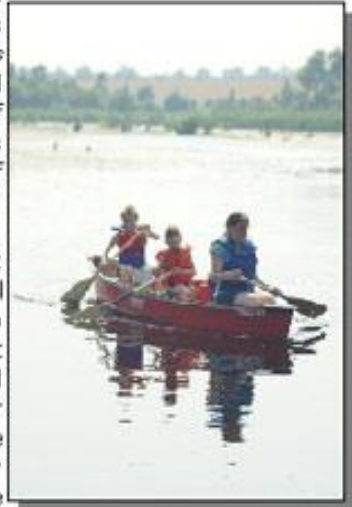
happening over the winter and spring in preparation for the spring retreat season and the summer camp season. Facilities, equipment and program have all experienced some form of renewal.



Our staff retreat and clean-up weekend was very successful with almost 100 man-hours of work being completed.

This year we will not be holding a Spring Dessert Night. Our annual event is now a Fall Banquet which will be held on Saturday, October 4th at the camp. Please mark this on your calendar as there will be more details to follow.

This summer's Bible theme is *Finding God's Wisdom* based on the life of Daniel. James 1:5 says, "If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God...and it will be given to him." At camp we and our summer staff experience this truth every day as we serve Him.



As you read through the remainder of this newsletter, let's continue to praise God for his faithfulness and goodness as he blesses and grows the ministry at Mill Stream.

LarryBoy & Aunt Sid

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Camperzzz Corner



Summer 2008 is coming quickly and what a GREAT summer it will be!

What a fun summer we had last year with hot weather and wonderful experiences.

This year we are offering a week of Trekkin' Camp (boys and girls ages 7 to 13) during August (August 3 to 9). This week has been moved in response to a request by several parents and will offer all the same activities, electives and fun as our July encampments.



**Rubber
Ducky
Races**

We will be having several theme days and weeks including Christmas, Western Day, Fisherman Day, Fun Fair, etc. If you would like to know the themes during your week, contact us by phone or email.



**Discovering
Nature**

Mail Box Bible Club

As I type this note for the camp news letter (April) the sun is shining and the snow is melting fast. Yes, the daffodils are starting to peak their heads through the ground.

This past winter nine children worked hard to complete Storytime 1 and receive a certificate.

They are :

Nicole Ripley - Cavan
Amanda Evans - Uxbridge (completed Lessons 1 and 2 of storytime.)
Ashley Willis - Sunderland
Taylor Willis - Sunderland
Olivia Ulp - Oshawa
Calista Green - Newmarket
Sophia Kim - Uxbridge
Tony Cho - Uxbridge
Patrick You - Uxbridge

Sophia ,Tony and Patrick came to Canada in September 2007 from Korea. They not only completed Storytime 1, but are mastering English (speaking and writing). Six more children are working hard to complete their lessons before camp starts.

Summer camp will soon be here! Do pray for those children who will attend.

Thank you for your prayers.



Aunt Mill

If you are interested in signing up for the Mailbox Bible Club please contact me at mgevans@interhq.net



Hey Campers:

Remember, we have one week of Trekkin' Camp in August as well.

This week of Trekkin' Camp runs from August 3rd-9th.

2008 Summer Camp registrations are available online at www.MillStream.ws/registrations.html

New!

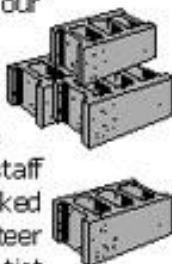


Staff Scoopzzz

Staff Retreat/Spring Cleanup Weekend



At the end of April we held our annual staff retreat in combination with our spring cleanup weekend. Over 100 man-hours of work were completed as last summer's staff and future summer staff worked along-side with a few volunteer men from Courtice Baptist Church. In one day most of the summer camp facilities were opened and the entire camp was cleaned up including roadside pruning. Thanks to all who attended to make this a productive and fun weekend! Maybe we'll see YOU next April for our annual cleanup weekend!



Western Day Staff

Student staff members are required to serve for a minimum of 3 weeks.

Do not hesitate to contact us with any questions you may have.

2008 Summer Camp Staff Needed!

Summer is approaching quickly and we are excited about what God will do and how He will use our staff this year.

We still have several positions open and know that God is faithful in filling these job positions.



2007 Summer Staff

If you feel led to serve in a positive Christian camping ministry this summer, or if you know someone that would love to work with kids and share the Gospel, contact us by phone or go directly to our web site at www.MillStream.ws/opportunities.html to read about the opportunities available and download the staff application forms.

LTP Camp

If you are interested in becoming a future leader, whether at camp or within your church, but are unsure if you want to become a summer camp staff member, here is a great opportunity to come for one week to explore and develop your servant-leadership abilities. This camp is limited to only a few campers and is for ages 14 to 18 years old.



LTP's hard at work



If you are interested in applying, contact us for more information at office@millstream.ws or go to www.MillStream.ws/ltpcamp.html.



We are accepting Staff Applications for this summer NOW!

Staff is still needed in most areas.

Go to www.MillStream.ws/opportunities.html for details.

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Winter & Spring Projects

Upper motel units remodelled

This past winter our volunteers remodelled the interiors of upper motel units. New paint, flooring, trim, inside passage doors and bed frames were completed. All costs for this project were covered by direct project or material donations.



New Dining Room Tables



11 new dining room tables are almost completed. These tables are longer than the original tables which will allow for more comfortable seating. The tables are made

out of solid pine with a natural wood finish. We expect these table will be used for many years to come.

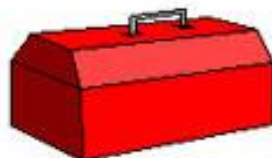
Craft Room New Interior

Last fall the interior of the new craft room (old summer motel units 3,4 and 5) was stripped to the studs. Additional electrical outlets, new ceilings and walls, and new light fixtures are currently being installed. This room will be completed for this years camps.



Upcoming Projects

New Summer Program Office/Craft Room Roof



This year a new roof is needed on the summer program office/craft room (old summer motel). Now that the new interior of this entire building will have been completed, a new steel roof is needed to replace the 20 year old shingles before we encounter any leaks. **We require approximately \$2,000** to complete this project. Please prayerfully consider supporting the financial needs of this project. We are hoping to complete this roof in the fall.

Fall Open House & Banquet

We will once again hold our annual banquet at the camp with an open house, tours, a banquet, music and a very fun silent auction! It is always an exciting time to praise God for his faithfulness over the years. The patio room at the camp provides a beautiful setting for this annual event. The banquet will be held on **Saturday, October 4th**. Transportation will be provided for those who require it. Mark it on your calendar NOW as we look forward to seeing you there!



Oshawa Area Clubs and Prayer Team

Marilynn Manuel of Oshawa is wrapping up her weekly after school Bible Club in her home. Pray for the children that have been attending this year that what they have heard and learned will be impressed on their hearts. Several children over the past two years have made decisions to follow Christ. Marilynn also hosts a monthly prayer time on the 2nd Tuesday each month. The Prayer Team meets at 163 Gibbons Street in Oshawa. Please consider joining us for a wonderful time of fellowship and prayer.



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