

# CAMP KOINONIA NEWS

## SPRING, 2018

### SPRING IS COMING!

The snow will soon start to melt away which means that spring is upon us.

Though the snow is amazingly beautiful, it wreaks havoc with the roads and trails, not to mention that all outside activities and projects have to wait for the snow to go away before they can commence.

This is the time of year when a helping hand from volunteers and groups really makes a difference. If you or your group wants to volunteer, let us know.

There are projects for all skill levels. You can come for a day, or longer. We will feed you while you work, and if overnight is necessary, we will provide a place to stay for the night. If giving service to camp interests you, contact the camp director by email or phone.

[director@campkoinonia.com](mailto:director@campkoinonia.com) or call the camp at (509) 674-5767.



### FOREST, FLORA & FAUNA

Though we come to camp to learn together, play and have a good time, we sometimes forget that we are right smack dab in the middle of a beautiful forest that has been kept as natural as possible since we bought the property 60 years ago. There is so much to see in the forest. This winter we saw evidence of bobcats (not the plowing kind), cougars, deer, ravens, woodpeckers, and rabbits. Douglas fir, white fir, pine trees, cottonwoods, maples and vine maples, evergreen huckleberry, salal, Oregon grape and many species common to our region are all around us. What have you seen at camp? Let us know as you follow us on FACEBOOK. If you would love to help us develop a nature walk through the camp, let us know! We are committed to not only preserving the forest, but to sharing it with all that come to Camp Koinonia.

### 60 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

There are a number of special projects we hope to accomplish this spring as we celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> year of the camp. All of them improve the camp and create more opportunities for campers to enjoy their experience at camp. If you can help either by a financial contribution to buy materials or by volunteering to help do the project, contact us!

- We are building new summer staff and volunteer housing which would create 12 new beds along with a staff breakout area. We need to build and furnish it all before summer is here! We have donations to build it, but still need funds for furniture (\$2000).
- We are moving the archery range to a new permanent spot where it will be safer and more accessible to any group qualified to use it. What we need are archery tables- benches and free standing roofs or targets and back stops (\$1000).
- The Retreat Center building needs a new floor (\$1400).
- We are ready for a new backstop in the meadow (\$900).

These projects are great improvements to the camp. If you want to volunteer your time to help to do them, or if you are able to help fund them, let us know. You can contact the camp director by phone at (509) 674-5767 or by email at [director@campkoinonia.com](mailto:director@campkoinonia.com). You can send any donations by snail mail to Camp Koinonia, 850 Camp Koinonia Lane, Cle Elum WA 98922.

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*..., but with God, all things are possible! Matt 19:26*

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