

## Camp Pinerock Update May 2008

I re-read these powerful words recently. "Even though it is a valuable piece of property in today's economy, its value lies not in monetary terms, but in lives brought closer to God and sent forth to witness." These words were penned by Della Newnum in the introduction to the Camp Pinerock 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration booklet.

I wholeheartedly agree! Camp Pinerock's primary purpose has always been and always will be to spiritually impact the lives of Arizona-Southern Nevada Nazarenes and others with the good news of God's love, acceptance and forgiveness.

I have the privilege of hearing firsthand many of the reports of group leaders who use Camp Pinerock. I hear regularly about new conversions, renewed marriages, calls to full-time ministry, healing, restoration and other life-changing spiritual victories.

Your participation through prayer, volunteering, promoting and giving is the key to partnering with those who sacrificed in the past, people of vision like Dr. M.L. Mann and others who laid the foundation for the Camp Pinerock ministry. And it is through you that God provides the means to extend that partnership to our next generation.



The gazebo is a popular meeting place.

Here is a brief update on how God has most recently blessed Camp Pinerock:



Digging the ditch for the new sewer line.

The Advisory Board approved pursuing the construction of a new gym/family life center as our next major building project. The multi-purpose facility will include a full-size gym, meeting rooms, restrooms with showers, and sleeping space.

This new building will enhance the ministry of the camp. It will provide more recreational opportunities for our guests, in addition to providing a place to play during inclement weather. Plus, it will "earn its keep" by producing additional revenue through additional dorm space and meeting space.

We continue to work with the architect and the City of Prescott on the Master Plan approval process. While we have made progress, one significant issue remains. The city requires a dedicated 6-8" water line for fire suppression, and it must be within 150 feet of the new building. The preliminary estimate ranges from \$70,000 to \$100,000, depending on how much granite they run into once they begin digging. We will keep you updated as new information is available.

We're making progress on several other fronts. The following capital improvement projects are either in process or have been completed:

- Three roofs have been replaced recently: the back portion of the Tabernacle (\$18,226), Olivet cabin (\$2,847), and Wagon Wheel (\$14,044). Thanks to Pastor Marion McKellips and Sun City Nazarene Church for a donation of \$5,000 toward the back Tabernacle roof!



Marge Barnum sews curtains for a meeting room.

- The exterior of the Fiesta units has been painted and the interiors will receive a facelift in the next few months with new tile, mattresses, paint and several other upgrades.
- The upper level of Lions dorm is being renovated with new energy efficient doors and windows. Other upgrades include new paint, floors, heaters and ceilings.
- Forty-five new bunk mattresses and protective covers have been purchased to replace some of the worn-out ones.
- We continue to make repairs to the sewer system. Most of the work has been completed by volunteers, although some of the work requires outside contractors. A section of sewer has been replaced from the corner of the Tabernacle to the lift station. They also replaced the water line at the same time. This project cost \$22,500.



Don Pierce works on the Lions dorm renovation.



Newly renovated Lions dorm room.

We have been reorganizing the staff for even better efficiency. Our terrific Pinerock team includes Co-Directors Margie Compton and Steve Chappel, along with department heads Debbie Hammer (Housekeeping) and Adam Reid (Guest Relations/Activities). You can read more about our staff on the camp's website [www.camppinerock.org](http://www.camppinerock.org).

We had a good year financially and ended the year in the black. Our donor income is strong through both cash and estate planning gifts. Thank you for your faithful support!

I have several prayer requests to share. We hired Bradley Green in early September to serve as our Maintenance Director. His daughter, Jodi, was diagnosed with cancer in November. Bradley and his wife Martha felt they needed to move back to Texas to support Jodi and her family. We are now in the process of looking for a new Maintenance Director. Also, Dean Vierling was diagnosed with cancer and recently passed away. I know you will join us in praying for Cindy, Bradley, Martha and Jodi.

I am reminded that we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses cheering us on. Let's continue to do everything we can to make Camp Pinerock the place God intends it to be.

Thank you for your partnership in this vital ministry!

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