

CAMP DEWOLFE FRIENDS NEWSLETTER



Winter 2012



RENOVATIONS CONTINUE!

This winter at Camp DeWolfe has been one of excitement and change as renovations keep progressing! Most recently, all demolition across camp has been completed, ready to begin the “restorative” work of the renovations project.

In the next weeks, bathrooms are being built, walkways re-cemented, electrical upgrades installed (which will allow for new lighting and heating/cooling systems), plumbing work in the St Luke’s Chapel and Dining Hall (for new bathrooms), and a new patio outside the Meeting Hall (for enjoyment)!

The next stages of renovation include installing new flooring, replacing old doors,

re- grading the beach trail and putting a new stone wall and fence around the pool!

Each day brings with it a new challenge but we are so grateful for the countless hours of work and planning being poured into Camp DeWolfe! As anyone who completes a construction project knows, these things take longer than scheduled and there are always evolving. But we stay focused with the hope of welcoming retreat guest and summer campers to a much improved facility! Please keep Camp DeWolfe in your prayers as work continues and as we near our completion date in the spring!

CATHEDRAL J2A RETREAT!

In early January, Camp DeWolfe welcomed its first retreat of the New Year. More than 20 guests from the Cathedral of the Incarnation came as part of their winter J2A retreat. The middle school group had a great time playing games, eating, deepening their faith, clearing brush and having the honor of being the first guests to use the new Tempur-Pedic beds!

Picture above:
Contractors pour foundations for new Dining Hall bathrooms.

Picture Right:
Cathedral youth clearing leaves from the Chapel area.



**“YOUNG PEOPLE ARE NOT THE FUTURE OF THE CHURCH...
THEY ARE THE CHURCH TODAY.” - BISHOP PROVENZANO**

JANUARY UPDATES!

- Benson House weathers first snow fall of the year on January 20th. Also note an improved view of Long Island sound from a Landscaping Project! *Pictured: Top Right*
- Online summer camper registration open!
- Retreat Lodge renovation complete with brand new floor, furnishings, and paint inside and out! *Pictured Middle: Lodge bedroom and kitchen*
- Camp DeWolfe receives donation of wood chips to cover the Challenge Course area.
- **“Leave-A-Legacy”**
Commemorative Brick Campaign: With a donation of \$150, a commemorative brick with the personal message of your choice will become a fixture at the camp for years to come. Simply complete an application by February 1st 2012 and send to Camp DeWolfe. Call (631) 929 4325 or visit our www.campdewolfe.org for more information!
- 12 parishes throughout the Diocese commit to providing a “Parish Banner” to be hung in the Canon Davis Dining Hall.
- Camp Staff visit St John's Huntington, St Marks Westhampton Beach, and tour the Episcopal Church Center in Downtown Manhattan.
- Retreat guests enjoy great food while dining with a spectacular view of the Long Island Sound! *Pictured: Bottom*



MEET OUR STAFF!



EMMA TEES **PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

In her own words.... " I was born and raised in England. During college, I spent my summers serving at different summer camps in the USA, including an Episcopal camp where I met my husband, Matt Tees. After graduating with a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Surrey in 2006, I was an EFL teacher in South Korea. Matt and I were married in 2008 where we served at an inner city youth center in Massachusetts, then as Graduate Program Assistants at Wheaton College's camp, Honeyrock, in northern Wisconsin.

Before moving to Long Island in 2011, we were Family Teachers for at-risk youth at a private residential school called Mooseheart, in Illinois. I came to know Christ as a young adult, and God has turned my life around in the years since. A meaningful Bible verse for me is "We can do everything through Christ who gives us strength." (Phil 4:13). God has given me a passion for youth, for serving the poor and those in need. I am thankful for the opportunity to serve in camp ministry, where lives are changed when people experience God in the outdoors and in community."

"My wife, Joann and I have been married forty-three years. We have two daughters and four grandchildren. I am retired from Brookhaven National Lab. I am an avid biker and kayaker; love working with my hands; cutting and splitting wood; working on web pages; and a general all around handyman. I have a living relationship with Jesus Christ and have rewardingly relied on God more times than I can count. when asked my favorite verse, it would have to be the KJV Proverbs 3:5,6 or John 3:16,17 or Philipians 1:21 or Matthew 6:9-13!

God has blessed us with many gifts and like Gideon, I am not afraid to ask God to wet the fleece one night and keep it dry the next. I love kids, especially those with Type I diabetes. Having juvenile diabetes for fifty-seven years, I love encouraging others and sharing my journey and published works with those having a hard time accepting the disease. Ask me sometime as to why I believe working at Camp DeWolfe is absolutely 'providential'.



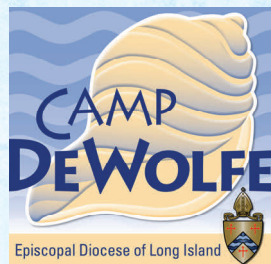
JOHN BENNETT **PROPERTY MANAGER**

"THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE MINISTRY OF CAMP DEWOLFE!!"

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CELEBRATE YOUR PLACE AT CAMP DEWOLFE...

**REGISTER FOR THE "LEAVE-A-LEGACY"
COMMEMORATIVE BRICK CAMPAIGN TODAY...**



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