

Phase III Plans Announced

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It's amazing to see what has happened at Eagle's Wings during the past 12 months. 2009 has been a year of challenge and accomplishment. We started the year by successfully achieving the Mabee Foundation Challenge Grant that provided \$250,000 toward our Phase II construction. That money along with donations, pledges, donated materials, loaned equipment and some very generous contractors enabled us to move forward with construction.

Joe Noonan became the Construction Superintendent and the process of selecting, working with and coordinating the various subcontractors was well underway by February. We did some of the work ourselves but also recognized we needed to have the expertise of professionals if we were to have a quality finished product. The end result reflects that decision.

By June, buildings were starting

to take shape but by late summer we were starting to wonder how we would be ready for the first retreats. Katie hatched the idea of a Labor Day work weekend and sent out a request for volunteer assistance and our prayers were answered by over 75 helpers who showed up. The Body of Christ was once again helping to get His retreat center ready for the first retreat that would be there in another 2 weeks. Looking back over the year I can now recognize God's involvement in everything we accomplished. Without His guiding hand we would still be trying to get Phase II started. Instead, we have a few things left to accomplish in Phase II and then we can rest! Well actually, we can't just yet! You see—everything we built along with everything we had is now being used. We need to continue along with the Master Plan for the main campus.

We announced Phase III at our Fall Festival. Phase III continues our commitment to youth. It in-

cludes 2 more dorms that would increase our sleeping capacity on the main campus to 152. It also includes the chapel which would seat 200 and also provide additional meeting space. Phase III would also include the Sports pavilion and pool. This would finish the recreation complex and also help us move forward with a more active summer program format.

The cost of Phase III is approximately \$800,000 and the goal for completion is the end of 2011. Consider where we've come from. Consider what has been accomplished. Consider where we are at and consider what yet needs to be accomplished. Consider what God desires yet for His retreat center. Consider how you can help God continue the development of His retreat center.

Eagle's Wings can serve more people but we need your assistance to become everything God desires for this special place. Phase III is that next step. Please consider how you can help.



Phase II Buildings dedicated during Fall Festival

We had a BIG Wish List at the beginning of 2009

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer & petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God.

Philippians 4:6



Recreational area for:
Horseshoes &
Washer pitching



Tabernacle
Office Space

Service hours of:
Painting
Cleaning
Laying tile
Ditch digging
Newsletter mailing
Debris removal
Computer data entry

Monetary donations

Dedicated Board members
Visitors to Fall Festival
Auctioneer
Inflatable Childrens Air Castles
Safe Work Record
Plumbing fixtures
Growing Youth and Adult Retreats
Bar-B-Que pavilion at Main Campus

Monetary donations
Grants from:
Ben E. Keith
Mabee Foundation
Scanlin Foundation

Cooking
Shredding
Event volunteers
Bank bed construction
Laying sod

Bus
Bell
12 foot tall Cross

Presence and Spiritual
Guidance of a Resident
Priest

Rain for newly planted sod
Adoration chapel



Microwaves
pie & cake servers
Crock pots
Tables



Waste & Fresh Water treatment facilities
Electrical Contracting
Carpentry for: - Pulpit - Altars - Cabinets
Installation of Sound, Phone and Data systems
Signage
Water Heaters
Discounted Building Materials
Doors and Hardware
Stone

Lawn Mower
Piano tuning
Auto Repairs



Remember the marvels the Lord has done



San Jose Confirmation Retreat



Fall Festival 2009 Pictures



Catholic Life Insurance Donates Flag

David Kauffman Concert



2009 EWRC Fall Festival Huge Success; Mike & Lynn Winkler Named Top Volunteers

After months of planning, weeks of preparation, loads of auction items, countless phone calls and emails, pallets of sod placement and God's perfectly timed rains to water the new grass, the day of Fall Festival II arrived. The weather was perfect. When the last of over 400 visitors left and the laughter and music calmed EWRC was once again blessed beyond all expectations.

The day passed quickly as long-time friends and supporters had a chance to renew friendships and tour the newly completed main campus buildings and new friends and first time visitors had a chance to see the entire retreat center. Face painting, fishing, and inflatable castles were all highlights for children of all ages.

The Volunteer of the Year award was



presented to Mike and Lynn Winkler for service during the past year. In making the presentation, EWRC board president Joe Noonan said, "They helped the Knights of Columbus from Burnet build our new Adoration chapel down near Eagle's Nest, they did a large portion of the tile work in all the new bathrooms, helped with the wood laminate flooring and countless tasks during the

construction. This couple is so special to all of us here at Eagle's Wings and they were a unanimous choice for this years award."

President Noonan also recognized committee chairmen for the Fall Festival. They were: co-chairs: Cynthia Jordan and Gracia Avila, our committee chairs: Peggy Hansen for the auction, Jim Welch, Tom Hansen and Diego Avila for the Food and of course the many volunteers that helped.

Following a lunch in the newly completed dining hall, special entertainment was provided by David Kauffman. Highlight of the day was the live and silent auction and when the purchases were tabulated the EWRC supporters had contributed just over \$17,000.00

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