

Norman B. Barr Camp News

# Barr-O-Meter

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"This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it."

## Camp opens for 108th season

Camp opened on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> and the sunny skies and freshly painted pier welcomed everyone to Summer 2017, our 108<sup>th</sup> year. Camp managers this summer are Bill Tarver and Cindy Reiland and they are ready to help you in the office. Our facilities have undergone renovations and our grounds have been groomed following the long winter. Our Board of Directors worked together planning the programs, hiring the staff and arranging the group schedules, which include ten camper groups this summer.



## Beautiful Camp Print FOR SALE

A beautiful rendition of our lakefront by Neal Aspinall (see above) is now available for purchase. The proceeds will go towards restoration of the main building. You can see the prints in different sizes in our dining room. You can order yours in the office. The prices are as follows.

16x20 @ \$80 18x24@ \$100 24x32 @ 150

Thank you to Pat Standley and Andrea Nelson who commissioned this artwork. They wanted to find a creative way to memorialize the old look of the lakefront that we all grew up with. Neal's style fit the bill perfectly. Seeing all of Neal's work around the area for various events, they also thought it would be a perfect fundraising vehicle for camp. Neal has been very generous with granting use of this image for any and all of our efforts.

Andrea and Pat went out on their paddleboards one beautiful day last summer and took some photos for Neal to reference. He ended up using their original image and from there they had several emails and calls to tweak the image to capture their vision. Neal was very receptive to all of their suggestions and everyone ended up so very pleased with the outcome.

As you may have guessed, lucky Amanda Scofield happened to be on lifeguard duty that day and is now immortalized in this lovely image for all time!

From Neal Alaspinall's website. "He loves simplicity in his images and likes to allow the viewer to fill in the blanks. He is a big fan & student of pre-60s Americana advertising. His work has been described as 'Using images of the past to communicate concepts of the present'. He loves to connect with the viewer and can make a monolithic corporation feel very approachable and Mayberry-esque."

More about the artist can be found at: http://www.nealaspinall.com/neal



### Camper program kicks off with training week

From June 4<sup>th</sup> through June 9<sup>th</sup> the counselors were welcomed to camp for training. Thank you to Kim Tarver who did First Responder training and to Nancy Brown and Gail Novosad for organizing the week and training our enthusiastic team of counselors. A big thank you to Marilyn Ogden who planned and cooked the meals all week. Thank you to Deedy and Doug Payne and Donna Johnson for assisting.

#### Program Director ~ Megan Baker

Megan joins us for her third year. She started as a counselor in 2015 and was our Program Director last year and again this year. She graduated from Aurora University last May and this year taught Special Education at Central High School in Burlington Illinois. Megan is from Geneva Illinois and she looks forward to embracing every day here at camp.

#### Male Counselors:

Joe is from Naperville, Illinois where he went to Benet Academy and played basketball and baseball. He has participated in his youth group and Bible studies. He currently attends Marquette University majoring in business but he is thinking about switching to education. Welcome Joe.

Tyler joins us from Cary North Carolina He attends Coker College in Hartsville, South Carolina. He plays tennis and baseball. He is majoring in Musical Theater and Classical Voice. We look forward to hearing his voice at church this summer.

#### Female Counselors:

Alex (Alexandria) is from DeKalb, Illinois and attended Aurora University but is transferring to University of Illinois in Champaign where she will be studying animal science to become a vet. She describes herself as funny and she loves animals and kids.

Courtney is from Imperial, Missouri, a small city south of St. Louis. She plays softball, basketball and participates in track. She will be a senior at Aurora University and is majoring in Physical Education. She will be doing her student teaching next spring at Hall Elementary School.



PLEASE NOTE: Several of the counselors will be in camp over the weekends, so please welcome them and invite them for a meal if you have a chance!

From left to right:

Joe, Tyler, Megan, Courtney, and Alex

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## AGAIN THIS SUMMER!! NBBC Day/Weekend at the Lake

This summer we look forward to welcoming several groups on the weekends. We will need volunteers, so please help us out. More details will be available as we get closer to these dates.

Jobs that we will need help with:

- · Supervising swimming, kayaking, fishing, etc.
- · Taking guests for a boat ride.
- · Making and serving lunch/dinner.
- · Helping in the Candy Store.
- · Being present and supportive of the staff and guests.



### Many hours were donated to get camp ready

Thank you to everyone for doing your part to get camp ready for opening this year. The revised tasks and format really seemed to work well. As we all know the volunteering does not stop there. We count on all of you to continue to support and participate in camp mission throughout the summer and into the fall. There are unending opportunities for you to participate. You can check the camp calendar that is available in the office and online for activities throughout the week. All these events can use your help and participation, so please join us if you are in camp. There are also projects around camp that always need attention. If you can help, please check in at the office because Bill and Cindy have an ongoing list of suggestions and opportunities for you.

Thank you once again for your dedication to camp we sincerely appreciate it and count on your help.

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### Upcoming events this weekend

Saturday, June 17 - BEACH PARTY Sunday, June 18, 2017 9:30 - Sunday School

11:00 – Church with Pastor Rob Eppley and Lakefront Dedication 12:30 – Potluck

### Weekly Events - EVERYONE IN CAMP IS INVITED!

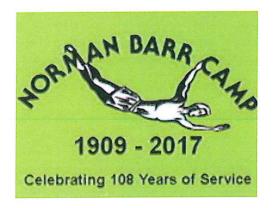
Monday – Movie on the lakefront
Tuesday – Vespers at 7:30 with campfire following
Wednesday – Fishing and Kayaking (WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!)
Thursday – Talent Show and Dance Party – Y'all come!!

### Norman B Barr Camp Children's Group Schedule ~ Summer 2017

Please keep this attached schedule handy throughout the summer. It gives you some background on the groups we will be serving. Our hope is that you will join us in the camper events (YOU ARE INVITED!) and support our staff as they work to minister to these campers. Just being "at the lake" for a week is not enough, we need to reach out and embrace the work Dr. Barr started over 100 years ago.

| June 5-9            | Training  |
|---------------------|---|
| June 12-16          | PUENTE DEL PUEBLO   |
|                     | Outreach ministry – Wheaton Bible Church.   |
|                     | Puente del Pueblo literally means, "Bridge of the People" and it reflects their vision of people reaching                 |
|                     | out to people in the community. An outreach of Wheaton Bible Church and Iglesia del Pueblo, in                            |
|                     | partnership with Outreach Community Ministries, PdP aims to serve the residents of the Timber Lake                        |
|                     | Apartments of West Chicago. The goal is to build a strong sense of community by assisting people in                       |
|                     | making changes that benefit their personal, family, and community lives.  |
| June 19-23          | ELGIN BOYS & GIRLS CLUB   |
|                     | To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as caring,                 |
|                     | productive, responsible citizens. They serve members with education programs that work to prepare                         |
|                     | young people for success in the classroom.  |
| June 26-30 July 3-7 | DUNDEE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB  |
|                     | The Boys & Girls Clubs of Dundee Township is one of the largest Boys & Girls Clubs organizations in                       |
|                     | the State of Illinois, serving nearly 2,000 Club members throughout the year with afterschool                             |
|                     | programming, Summer Programs and Athletic Leagues.  |
|                     | By THE HAND Moving Everest By The Hand is a Chicago-based, after-school program that emphasizes academic excellence while |
|                     | nurturing the whole child—mind, body and soul. "We are a Christ-centered, after-school program that                       |
|                     | takes kids by the hand, and walks with them through college, helping them have abundant life—mind,                        |
|                     | body and soul."   |
| July 10-14          | VISITATION SCHOOL   |
|                     | Visitation Catholic School, PreK-8th grade, has served the Chicago communities of   |
|                     | Englewood and Back of the Yards since 1891. They believe that relationships are the heart of their                        |
|                     | ministry: relationships with students, relationships with parents, relationships among faculty and staff,                 |
|                     | relationships with alumni and our generous supporters, and relationships with the surrounding                             |
|                     | communities. They believe in collaboration as a guiding principle when working with our constituents.                     |
| July 17-21          | By the Hand – Altgeld   |
|                     | By The Hand is a Chicago-based, after-school program that emphasizes academic excellence while                            |
|                     | nurturing the whole child-mind, body and soul. "We are a Christ-centered, after-school program that                       |
|                     | takes kids by the hand, and walks with them through college, helping them have abundant life-mind,                        |
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| July 24-28          | ST GALL School  |
|                     | Providing education to children on Chicago's southwest side. St. Gall strives for excellence in their                     |
|                     | curriculum while also demonstrating God's love by the concern we show to each student and their                           |
|                     | family. Students may receive before and after school care, and extra-curricular activities teach our                      |
|                     | students to be leaders, not followers. Students learn what it means to be a citizen of the world and a                    |
|                     | member of a church and school community.  |
| July 31-Aug 4       | Maria Kaupas Center   |
|                     | Maria Kaupas Center is a Catholic space where spirituality, community and leadership merge creating                       |
|                     | opportunities for the people of all faiths to grow and develop as effective agents of God's love. It is a                 |
|                     | faith-based organization that focuses on spirituality, education, leadership, and community building.                     |
| Aug 7-11            | SEASPAR ~ special needs group   |
|                     | SEASPAR's sole purpose is to provide dynamic programs recreation programs and quality recreation                          |
|                     | services for people with disabilities residing in its eleven community service areas in DuPage County. It                 |
|                     | is SEASPAR's Vision to: Discover Abilities, Achieve Potential, and Realize Dreams. SEASPAR was                            |
|                     | founded with and continues to operate with the following core values: Fun, Excellence, Service, Respect,                  |
|                     | and Accountability.   |
| Aug 14-18           | Boys & Girls Club Sheboygan, WI   |

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# Please send us your news!!

The Barr-O-Meter in published to inform all Barr Campers about happenings.

Please email me if you have some updates, corrections, or items you want included.

If you have a staff member to whom you would like to give KUDOS, please let us know.

If you have a story you want to share, please let us know! Email Deedy Payne with any updates, stories, or ideas. deedyp@me.com

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