## A season of thenks!

When we cancelled our camp programs this year, it felt like we had somehow been defeated. Our summer programs are why we are here after all. Building lasting relationships, digging into God's word, being outdoors, and having a blast all week long! The emptiness on site felt long and drawn out this spring and the summer felt strange. Now, blanketed with snow, our camp year feels very much incomplete. But, like walking down the winding camp road, you turn a corner and suddenly your perspective changes. Camp Nutimik isn't about what we are doing, it's about what God does - lives are changed at camp and COVID has given us a new perspective in this ministry that we didn't have before. While going through files and archives we have come across story after story of how Camp Nutimik has made a difference in people's lives - through the friends they have made, the stories and teachings they have heard and through the staff genuinely reaching out to our guests. We are looking back to where we started 66 years ago, clearing brush, putting up buildings and welcoming our very first groups of campers onto site. Now I walk through property and see the most incredible sun rising past a clear-cut field over a shimmery lake. I see our facilities and buildings which we are ever fussing over - for good reason looking to improve what we have, but in the same breath they have stood the test of time, hold more memories, tears, celebrations, friendships and adventures than we can even fathom. This summer - as different as it was, has again given testimony that Camp Nutimik has and continues to be a place of hope, restoration, renewal and life changes. And so, while I'm feeling more than done with COVID, I admit that in it we are being refocused and renewed. Isn't that what hard times do? It makes us take a deep breath, find our footing and realize that we aren't approaching a dead end, just a bend in the road. So, we place our sights on what matters most - keeping focus on the LORD and keep moving forward - investing in the people around us and living intentionally with purpose and drive. While there may be cause for us to fear or worry, we are here to LIVE. May we keep living, and fear less - "The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is His faithfulness" (Lamentations 3:22-23).
And so, even with the uncertain
times ahead of us, we at Camp
Nutimik are choosing to define
the next three months as our
It is so easy to recognize all the things we need, but are instead choosing to see what God is doing. So, we hope you will follow us on our website, on Facebook and Instagram where we will have features reflecting this season of Thanks and we can together see how God is using Camp Nutimik for HIS glory!
-Nancy Paschke
Program Director

## AN ANDOUCCYENT FROM THE BOARD

It is with deep regret that we announce that as of December 31, 2020 Wayne Eisbrenner will step down from his role as Executive Director of Camp Nutimik. We as a board are sincerely grateful for the time that we have worked with Wayne, and of course wish him all the best in his future endeavors. Wayne has truly been a blessing to our Camp!


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## Some Nuggets of News from on site:

Wayne Eisbrenner (Executive Director)
We were blessed by two grants from the Winnipeg Foundation totalling $\$ 45,000$ to fund the summer programming that we were able to do, and a larger stabilization grant to help fund some of our fixed costs.
A generous donor provided necessary funds allowing us to refund all registered camper fees. A number of camp families chose to donate their camper fees which also was a huge blessing.
We received many words of encouragement during phone calls that were made to camper families. Many parents expressed their appreciation for the ministry of Camp Nutimik as well as commitments to pray for us during this time of uncertainty and upheaval.
Andrew Mickelfield, MLA for Rossmere, came out to Camp in early summer and toured the camp. We were able to spend time praying with and for him at the Gazebo. Andrew has been a real blessing in advocating for the camps in Manitoba to the provincial government.

## Angela Lott (Food Services \& Hospitality Mangager)

Summer Cabin Rentals saw 21 individuals/couples/families come out and enjoy our camp! Some had never been to Camp Nutimik before, some had been previous staff and were now bringing their children. One person came who had been a camper in the 1980's and two families were immigrants from Ecuador! It was a great way to share our love of camp with others. All our guests said they wished they could come again next year! God willing, the camp will be filled with children, so this opportunity was definitely a chance of a lifetime!
$30+$ yrs. of staff files have been sorted and refiled! Who knew that so many people have passed through the doors of Camp Nutimik to enthusiastically teach children about God!

## Geoff Lott (Operations \& Facilities Mangager)

The summer gave us opportunity to tackle many projects on site including putting a new roof on the office, preparing firewood, tending to the garden beds and landscaping, but most exciting of all was building replacement signs for the camp entrance.


We were blessed with good weather and hard workers for work days. We tackled several projects, made good progress on the bike trail, leveled several cabins and are well on our way to being ready for winter!

Nancy Paschke (Program Director)
We hired 10 adult staff for 10 weeks this past summer who were fully funded through federal and provincial grants. We accomplished all kinds of much needed jobs around camp, but what got me most excited was experiencing first hand what it meant to live together in Christian community as a "family bubble" - sharing in the day to day responsibilities. The result was a group of people who were vulnerable with each other, together studied God's Word, grew in faith and character, learned how to support each other, speak honestly, build each other up and genuinely love our brother and sister.


A new feature on our website called Camper's Corner includes a new devotional series called the 30 Day Challenge. It's made up of daily videos prepared and filmed by our summer staff along with a devotional for each day. It is still on our website! Kids of all ages can take part in the challenge on their own, with siblings or you can take the challenge as a whole family! Explore with the camp staff what the Bible teaches about our summer theme - LIVE. FearLess.
We are very blessed to have received a program grant this summer which covered all mailing and printing costs for our camper birthday card mailouts, allowed us to move forward on some program projects that have been on the back burner like refurbishing acoustic panels and new canvases featuring 22 years of theme verses for the Chapel, theme boards for Lakeside Hall, and purchasing a new whiteboard and much needed storange bins among other items. So thankful for our work day volunteers


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