



Durley Camp News

New Staff and Structure

After eight years of pouring out her heart, time and energy for Durley Camp, our Camp Manager, Deb Lewis retired in March. We are so thankful for her contribution to helping make Durley Camp a place where countless people have experienced the transforming love of Jesus!

With her retirement, we took the opportunity to evaluate the staff structure for the future growth of Durley. We shifted some of the responsibilities of the managerial positions and created two new positions: Operations Director and Guest Services Director.

We are excited to announce the addition of Marcos Gilmore as Operations Director to our year-round staff. Sarah Vanderkwaak is our Guest

Services Director, as well as continuing in the role of Caretaker with her husband, Neil.

Marcos is the father of four grown children and the grandfather of two. Previously he worked for the Free Methodist World Ministries Center, served as a pastor in the Wabash Conference, worked for Greenville University and is the Reading Link Coordinator (adult literacy) at Kaskaskia College.



Summer 2020—The Year We Never Saw Coming

Due to COVID-19, the summer camp season at Durley will look very different than we planned. All summer youth camps have been cancelled, and Family Camp with Pastor David Roller has been postponed to June 2021.

However, we hope to have a version of Family Camp happening all summer long—beginning with a Zoom Family Camp Meeting (see details above). Then we encourage you to find a weekend, or a few days during the week when you can bring your family to Durley. The self-contained housing spaces will be available to rent (Chalets, Keffer Quads, Ministry Lodge, RV spots), with access to canoes/kayaks/paddleboats and the beautiful grounds, as well as a bonfire at night. Family units can stay safely social distanced and still enjoy the peaceful space on the Durley Camp grounds!

Contact Sarah Vanderkwaak at (618) 367-5684 or durleyrentals@gmail.com to be a part of our Durley family getting together all summer long!

Zoom

Camp Meeting

Friday, June 12, 2020
7:00-8:00pm

Experience Durley Family Camp from a distance—no matter where you live!

*See the grounds; celebrate changes/additions

*Worship with David Roller

*Ice Cream Social (bring your own option) with Greenville University Alumni Office

*Email us at Durleycamp1@gmail.com to receive the Zoom email link to join our virtual Camp Meeting!



New Gazebo overlooking the lake!



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Financial Update

Due to COVID-19, Durley Camp was closed to all activities on March 19 and remained closed until the limited reopening for family rentals on June 1. The camp remains closed to groups larger than 10, and all common areas such as Young Lodge and the shower house are closed for safety reasons.

This continuing shutdown is taking a heavy financial toll on Durley, including estimated losses of about \$100,000 of projected income from summer camps and \$20,000 or more in offerings from the cancellation of Family Camp. Rentals to outside groups is another major source of revenue. We have already lost about \$40,000 in rentals that were canceled.

There will be cost savings from these events not taking place, but some expenses like utilities and essential staff are still being incurred. In April we applied for and received a forgivable loan of \$11,275 from the Payroll Protection Program, which will cover two months of qualified expenses.

It is impossible to predict the budget shortfall for 2020 because we don't know when the camp will be able to reopen fully to rental groups. Durley needs your prayers and support now more than ever, to weather the storm of the pandemic and continue on sound financial footing for the rest of 2020 and into the future.



We want to thank all our faithful donors in a special way this year, by sending you a Durley Camp t-shirt with our 2020 logo! If you send in a gift of at least \$50 to help with our budget expenses, we will send you a t-shirt (please indicate size needed.)

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for Durley Camp!

Mission Statement

