Roxbury Holiness Camp Meeting August 1-10, 2008

Evening Speakers: Jay Smith and Jeff Baxter Worship Leaders: Dave Hershberger, Frances Drost and Nathan Stonge

1ST WEEKEND SPEAKER - Merly Bundy 2ND WEEKEND SPEAKER - Chad Seabright





Jav Smith

Jeff Baxter

Seminars

Judy Smith - "Glorifying God with our Emotions"

Jay Smith - TBA

Jeff Baxter - "Reaching People in our

Contemporary Culture"

John Fickett - "For Men Only"

Toni Fickett - "For Women Only"

- Missions Day: Wednesday, Aug. 6 -

Concerts

Sat., Aug. 2 - Frances Drost

Sun., Aug. 3 - David O'Neill

Sat., Aug. 9 - The Collingsworth Family

Sun., Aug.10 - Deliver Jude

Please check the Sunbeam Camp web page from the camp meeting page. Information is there about the parade, a talent show, Jeff and Nettie Ogg (this years' directors), our summer challenges to complete and bring to camp for prizes, a taste of sunbeam music for this year, and more...!!

Lodging requests can be directed to Dallas and Diane Wolgemuth beginning March 1, 2008 by e-mail at roxburyreservations2008@embarqmail.com or call 717-285-5959

• Brochure correction: Sunday, August 3rd 2:00 p.m. speaker is Jeff Baxter

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THE ROSE OF SHARON

by Anita McIlveen

was looking out my office window yesterday and as I sat and enjoyed the "Mr. Lincoln" red rose, I thought of Jesus who was referred to as the Rose of Sharon. The name first appears in 1611, when it was used in the King James Version of the Bible. Song of Solomon 2:1, "I am a Rose of Sharon". The most accepted interpretation for the Biblical reference is the Pancratium maritimum. which blooms in the late summer iust above the hightide mark. It is commonly assumed by most people in Israel that, the Sharon plain being on the coast of the Mediterranean Sea, the Biblical passage refers to this flower. Today, the name is also commonly applied to two different plants, neither of which is likely to have been the plant from the Bible.

Then I got to thinking about the fragrance of roses,

especially "Mr. Lincoln". It is one of the most fragrant roses and we always have one, no matter where we live. I thought of the drawing power of a fragrant rose and how the Holy Spirit draws us to Jesus.



Ephesians 5:2, "Be imitators of God, therefore, as dearly loved children, and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave

himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God."

Early Christians identified the five petals of the rose with the five wounds of Christ. Despite this interpretation, their leaders were hesitant to adopt it because of its association with Roman excesses and pagan ritual. The red rose was eventually adopted as a symbol of the blood of the Christian martyrs. Roses are ancient symbols of love and beauty. The rose was sacred to a number of goddesses (including Isis and Aphrodite), and is often used as a symbol of the Virgin Mary. 'Rose' means pink or red in a variety of languages (such as Romance languages, Greek, and Polish).

As Christians, we can be mini rose gardens as we allow others to see Christ in us. II Corinthians 2:14,15 "But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumphal procession in Christ and through us spreads everywhere the fragrance of the knowledge of him."

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Summer Vacation



by Anita McIlveen
Director of Development &
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chool is over for summer vacation. The sound of lawn mowers, motorcycles, and children playing mix together and we have

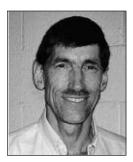
picnics, trips and summer gatherings. For most, even those who still work during the summer, it is a different pace, with time to go outside, mow the grass, jump in the pool, or do any number of warm weather activities. A large number of families take vacations during the summer.

At Roxbury Camp, with the spring rains, the grass grows about as fast as it can be mowed. Painting is being done on camp owned buildings, the RV section that was started last spring is being completed. There are electrical upgrades, nursery improvements and roofing being replaced. Roxbury Camp is a busy place.

But the most important aspect is the people that come to Roxbury Camp. They come for spiritual refreshment, physical rejuvenation, and to see friends and family in both their natural families and also the family of God. There are family reunions, youth camps, and denominational conferences.

So as you think of Roxbury Camp this summer, remember all those who will come to enjoy our campus and facilities, and say a prayer for them and the staff that God will keep everyone free from harm and that God's presence will be felt by everyone.

From the Administrator's Desk



Ray Heisey

n my spring column I mentioned that we were anticipating the

arrival of two groups; the Christian Hymnary and The Dunkard Brethren. These groups have been here with near "Camp Meeting" size crowds. They met for preaching, fellowshipping & worshiping the Lord. The Dunkards concluded their time with an annual business session.

We are anticipating many more significant events this summer as people come, leave behind their "normal routine" and set a time aside for meeting God here at Camp in a special way.

My thanks to all the volunteers who are making a difference at Camp: in the R.V. area, the nursery, painting, and generally helping in other areas. One afternoon while the Dunkards were here, about 30 youth repaired and painted 16 picnic tables in just over an hour! The possibilities are many and many hands can get much work done.

Thanks again.*



- Volunteer Painters
- Food Service Bus Tubs
- Food Service Carts
- Picnic Tables for Campsites

Each issue of *Roxbury Ripplings* will list items needed at Camp. Assistance in helping to obtain these items will enable us to continue providing quality camp facilities at economical prices. If you have one of these items and would like to donate it or if you would know where we might purchase an item at a reduced cost, please call J. Ray Heisey, Camp Administrator at 1-888-532-7256. Gifts to Roxbury Holiness Camp are income tax deductible and will be receipted.

Special Events 2008



Gordy & Marie

Theme: Celebrating the Mystery and Wonder of Your Marriage **Topics:** The Art of Reminiscing. The Art of Romance, The Art of Intimacy. The Art of Conflict

COUPLES RETREAT September 26-28, 2008

Marie and Gordy attend the Manheim BIC Church. Together, their concerts are a mix of exhilarating traditional and contemporary music with an emphasis on hymns, worship, and songs of marriage and family. Friday evening will be an introduction to the topics of the weekend, and a mini concert. Gordy and Marie will weave their music throughout the sessions and provide worship singing as well. Gordy says, "In a marriage weekend we celebrate the miracle of God's joining us together in marriage, and developing the skills to enhance and cultivate a more bonded, intimate relationship."



Rev. John Keefer

FALL SENIOR DAY October 14, 2008

Devotional Speaker: Rev. John Keefer Singing out of the Hymnal with Nelson Byers Pianist: Diana Reinert Drama by The Covenant Players



The Covenant Players

The Covenant Players is an international professional theatre company founded in 1963. Around 62 full time performing units serve in over 51 countries, presenting original theme-based skits.

Speakers: Rev. Ken Hepner and wife, Raina

Theme: Making Connections with God and Each Other

> Scripture Verses: Romans 8:38-39; I Corinthians 12:12



Rev. Ken & Raina Hepner

SINGLES RETREAT October 18, 2008

Sponsored by Roxbury Camp and Crossroads Singles Network.

Note date change from weekend to one day! Due to a situation beyond our control, the Singles Retreat will be held for one day - this year only.

Cost: \$25 per person, includes lunch and dinner

Brochures for these events can be found on the Camp's website and will be sent to your BIC church soon.

A New Employee



Katie Cane

✓atie Cane is a new employee at Roxbury Camp, and comes to us with a wide range of skills in Christian camping. Katie began working in Christian camping over 15 years ago when she worked at Doubling Gap Center's, Camp YoliJwa, through high school and college. In 1996, she worked at Camp Redcloud, a Christian adventure camp in Colorado, which affirmed her desire to work full-time in Christian camping. Right after college, Katie gained a variety of work experience, which prepared her for a future camping position. She worked in college food service, provided recreation in nursing homes, and served as a nanny.

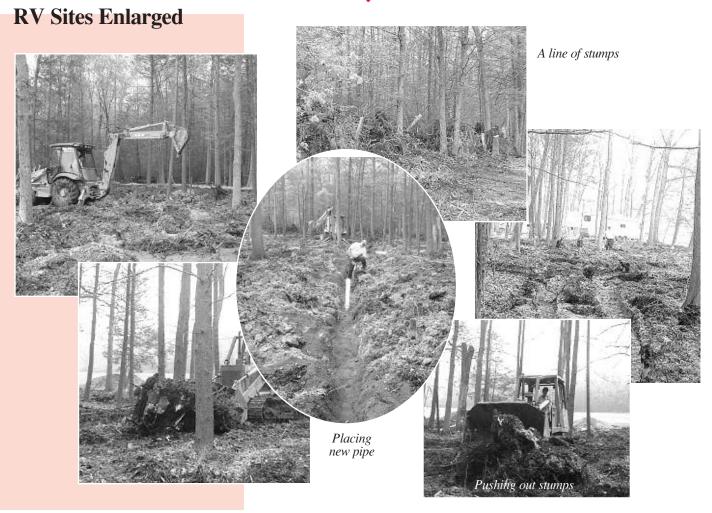
Then in 2001, she accepted a full-time position at Camp YoliJwa as Program Coordinator. Her main responsibilities were overseeing their 14 weeks of summer camp, recruiting volunteers and training staff.

Katie has been married to Shannon Kane for seven years. He helps manage his family's dairy farm in Pleasant Hall. They are members of Doubling Gap Church of God where Katie loves teaching 1st and 2nd graders.

Katie is a graduate of Big Spring High School, class of 1993 and also graduated from Houghton College in 1997 with B.S. degrees in Recreation and General Science. Her interests include running (she just completed her first half-marathon and she is training for a marathon this fall), hiking, biking, baking and spending time with family and friends.

Katie's view of Roxbury Camp: "Roxbury is a huge blessing and privilege to me and Shannon. Our lives have been transformed by Christian camping. We are so thankful that God provided an opportunity for me to continue working in it since moving to this area." Her favorite camp activity is an evening campfire with s'mores. We welcome Katie to our staff and know already that she is a blessing.

Summer Projects continue...



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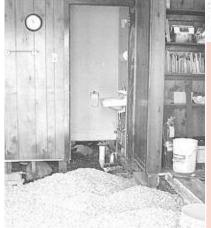
A New Motel Roof



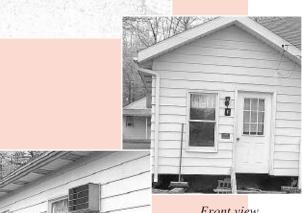
Surveying the progress

Remodeling the Nursery





Spreading stone preparing for concrete floor



Front view

Side view

Spring Senior Day

Diana Reinert



Charles & Ray serving









Edna & Ron Etzweiler



"The Hat Lady"

Miriam & Charlie Byers from Indiana

Richard Kiser

May 13, 2008

A smokin' guitar









Earl Herr portrays Lazarus



Lester Fretz from Ontario, Canada