

# Read Between the Pines



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Artist's rendering of our new portico.

## *Happy Spring!*

There's excitement in the air at Camp Evergreen! Summer Camp 2022 is right around the corner, and we are busy gearing up for an amazing time. Covid put a damper on our usual routine, but we've weathered it well and we're building back toward doing what we do best. Take a few moments to read about the improvements we've been making to better serve our camp families. We look forward to seeing everyone this summer. Until then, stay well and share the excitement of camp with everyone you know!

### *Portico Project*

In the not-too-distant future we'll begin construction of a portico which will protect our day program entrance from the elements. Our goal is to facilitate pick-up and drop-off for our participants started with the construction of our circular drive in 2019. Last year we installed automatic door openers at our two main entrances. The portico pictured above will keep our participants dry on inclement Wisconsin days...not that we *ever* have those. It will also help prevent transfers on dangerous, icy sidewalks. This project was made possible through generous donations from the Becca Grace Foundation and the Catharine B. Stayer Foundation.

### *Restroom Renovation*

Several years ago, we renovated the camper men's room. Upon removing some unnecessary physical barriers, we discovered some water damage in the shower area that needed to be addressed. The project resulted in a beautifully renovated rest/shower room. This spring Quasius Construction will be replicating the renovation in our women's room. Improvements include roll-in tiled showers, new ADA compliant sinks, new fixtures throughout, and new toilets and toilet partitions. Kohler Company donated all the plumbing fixtures needed to complete the project. Our goal is to have everything completed before summer camp begins...fingers crossed!

### *Camp Picnic*

A favorite Camp Evergreen event will return this summer. The Camp Evergreen Annual Picnic will be held on Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, from noon until 3:00 PM. Plans are already well underway. Julie Rios & Family will be returning to provide karaoke entertainment (it wouldn't be a camp picnic without her) and the tent and additional picnic tables have been reserved. We'll be serving burgers, brats, and chicken breast sandwiches...and of course all the delicious side dishes and desserts we've always had. RSVP's will be required. Information will be included with your summer camp confirmation. Who would you most like to see in the dunk tank?!?

## *Let There Be Heat (& Cold) ...*

Kleeman Mechanical recently completed the installation of a new furnace and air conditioning unit for the west end of our building. Not nearly as exciting as a portico or a bathroom renovation, but important nonetheless. Yes...that furnace is hanging from the ceiling in our dry storage room. Not something you see every day. Our building has a total of three furnaces and three air conditioning units. The others are working adequately and will be updated when our budget allows us to do so.



## *Meet Our Summer Camp 2022 Staff*



**Left to right, top to bottom:** Lauren, Maurice, Cassie, Sophia, Fleur, Gabriella, and Erika. Not pictured: Skye, Jeff, Christina, Abby, & Carissa.

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