



## Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp



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*"And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature,  
and in favor with God and man" (Lk. 2:52).*

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## NEWS & VIEWS

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### NEW FEATURES AT FORT HILL CHRISTIAN YOUTH CAMP

Campers and staff members arriving at FHCYC this year (2012) will be treated to some new features!

- ◆ Female campers and staff now have a **bathroom** that is more than double in size of the old facility.
- ◆ A **zipline** has been added to the existing array of resources available to campers and staff.
- ◆ **14 stations in a low ropes course** will be available for use. These stations include: All Aboard, Whole Watch, Trolley's, Rebirth, King's Finger, Spider Web, High Beam, Burma Bridge, Log Walk, Rope Maze, Board Maze, The Wall and more.
- ◆ **New siding** on three girl's cabins.

The camp facilities are in excellent shape and are being improved each year. Nevertheless, the efficacy of FHCYC is primarily related to spiritual growth opportunities. Facilities are important and the FHCYC Trustees are proud of the camp infrastructure, but the spiritual aspects of camp are of greater concern.

Teachers and counselors are special Christian individuals. They are carefully selected and are provided substantial orientation regarding their duties. The spiritual atmosphere of camp is of paramount importance to staff.

### ASSISTANCE WITH TUITION/CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

The camp fee is \$130 per camper per week. A \$10 discount is applied if the fee is paid prior to May 1. The fee represents less than one half the cost incurred per camper.

Trustees expect all who can afford the camp fee to pay it. Those who need assistance with part of or all of the fee must contact the manager of the week to arrange for a partial or full scholarship.

In past years, managers have been able to raise sufficient scholarship money by contacting generous donors. Camp Trustees desire that no camper is turned away due to lack of ability to pay.

### HALLMARKS OF FHCYC

- ◆ **DEVOTION** — to excellence in Christian camping
- ◆ **COMMITMENT** — to continuous improvement and greater service
- ◆ **FAITHFULNESS** — in teaching and adhering to God's word
- ◆ **ALLEGIANCE** — to Christian virtues
- ◆ **PROFESSIONALISM** — in camp operations and fiscal affairs
- ◆ **DILIGENCE** — in responsibilities demonstrated by each Board member.

FOR INFORMATION AND PHOTOS ABOUT FORT HILL CAMP:

[www.forthillcamp.org](http://www.forthillcamp.org)

## CAMP FACILITIES AVAILABLE FOR RETREATS

The camp facilities are in use full time from mid-June through the third week in August. During May, September and October, the camp facilities are in part time use. During November through April the camp is used only periodically. The Trustees would like the camp facilities to be used throughout the year.

Part of the camp buildings are winterized and thus retreats and events can be held during winter months. Please contact Jack Jennings, 13500 Fort Hill Road, Hillsboro, OH, 45133, or 937-588-2266 or email: [cabinlites@roadrunner.net](mailto:cabinlites@roadrunner.net) for information and scheduling.

## PARENTAL PERMISSION NEEDED FOR USE OF ZIPLINE

Campers under the age of 18 that wish to use the zipline will **need signed permission of the parents or guardians**. Camp insurance covers the operation of the zipline. A set of guidelines and regulations adopted by the Trustees is in place to ensure safe usage. Parental permission is just another precaution.



## SPORTS CAMP 2013

The Board of Trustees will be taking feedback on an abbreviated sports camp in the summer of 2013. The preliminary plans involve a 3 day camp before the start of the regular camping season. The shortened week will still include the normal Bible classes and activities that occur during the regular camp weeks, with specialized instruction on particular sports during the normal free time. Fort Hill is available to provide venues for basketball and soccer. We are asking for feedback on what sport campers would be interested in attending as well as age and gender of potential campers so as to insure the best possible instruction to be provided. Information and request forms will be available during registration during the 2012 camp season. Please contact Brett Triplett if you have any questions or comments.

## MATCHING DONATIONS

Fort Hill recently received \$5,000 from a company that offers matching contributions from its employees to qualified charitable organizations. Fort Hill is a 501(c)3 organization that qualifies for tax deductible contributions. If your employer participates in a similar program or you are aware of organizations that provide this benefit, we ask that you please consider taking advantage of this opportunity to maximize the support for Fort Hill.

## KROGER CARD SIGN UP

Just a reminder that now is the time to renew your Kroger card to allow Fort Hill to receive a portion of your purchases. Fort Hill has received over \$2,000 each year for the past few years from Kroger based on purchases and participation in the Community Rewards program. The program requires participants to renew their registration each April. So please continue your support or sign up to start contributing based on your normal purchases.

## EARLY REGISTRATION

Fort Hill is continuing to improve its online registration process. One feature will be the ability to pre-register up to two weeks prior to the camp session and still receive a \$5 discount for online registration. The managers appreciate advanced enrollment so that staffing, supplies and programming can be planned to make the campers week the best possible with minimizing any problems based on enrollment. The goal for the Board of Trustees is to surpass 1,000 campers this summer. Early registration helps ensure the availability of attending your favorite week and not being disappointed in showing up on Sunday to find there is no more room.

Please consider making the registration process as smooth as possible and registering online where you can take care of most expenses such as t-shirts and concession cards as well.

## COST OF FACILITY PROJECTS FROM THE FALL OF 2011 — SPRING OF 2012

The cost of the zipline, low ropes course, cabin siding and renovation of and addition to the girl's restroom will accrue to \$50,000. These beneficial additions to the camp will enhance the camp experience for our youth. Camp Trustees depend on donations to maintain facilities and to add new ones. Camp registration fees do not even cover the operating costs.

Camp Trustees are grateful to generous donors who provide funds to maintain and expand camp facilities; however, additional donors are needed. Please send your donations to Brett Triplett, Treasurer, Fort Hill Christian Youth Camp, 2725 Bridlewood St., Circleville, 43113.



### Sections of the Low Ropes Course



### THE GREATEST NEED

Camp has many ongoing needs – summer staff, funds for facilities and operations, maintenance workers, etc. But the greatest need is the recruitment of campers.

FHCYC has the capacity to serve more than 2,000 campers during the summer months. About 1,000 campers have been served each of the past several years.

You can help in the recruitment effort. Campers can recruit friends to attend. Congregational leaders can encourage all youth of the congregation to attend camp. Interested adults can provide scholarships to young people who cannot afford the registration fee.

Fort Hill is a viable mission effort. Each year in the range of 30 campers are baptized and greater commitment to Christian services is achieved. Greater attendance will translate to greater numbers of baptisms.

### BAND CAMPS



Two high school bands have contracted to use the camp facility in August this year. The weeks of August 20 and August 27 are still available for use by band camps.

Anyone who knows of a band director that would be interested in using FHCYC may contact William Phillis – 614-276-9221 or 614-332-2886.