



Illinois Campers On Mission

September
2021

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President's Letter—John Lindeman

I want to thank all who worked at Carmi in August. Much work was accomplished and Phil appreciated the effort. You can find the project report in this newsletter. We want to continue to pray for the residents and the ministry that happens at Baptist Children's Home.



Francie and I had a wonderful vacation traveling in Michigan.

In September, COM will be working at Streator camp. If you are planning to come please let me or Karen know. The dates are 9/19/21 – 9/24/21.

Looking ahead, we are working on the schedule for the Fall Rally. We are going to try a few new things this year to make it a fun, relaxing time for us as we finish the year. We are going to plan a Praise Report Workshop one morning so bring your information to use to fill out the forms and have them done for the year. More about the rally later.

Galatians 6:9 Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.
John

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2021 IL COM Schedule

Tentative 2021 Schedule ****

(all locations are tentative pending restrictions & availability)

September 19—24	Streator Baptist Camp	Streator, IL
October 10—14	Fall Rally	Lake Sallateeska
December 4	Christmas Luncheon	Farina, IL

Attendees at Carmi Work Project

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- Leroy & Irma Burnett
- James & Catherine Rentfrow
- Sonny & Sondra McKenzie
- Gary & Karen Watson
- Richard & Anita Evans
- Fred & Paula Riley
- Dick & Karen Mowers
- Jerry & Margaret McDowell
- Linda Riley
- Augie Dothager
- Randy McClellan

Thank You



Calendar of Birthdays and Anniversaries— September



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1 Dennis	Felix	
3 Pat	Boggs	
4 Steve	Beth	Harding
5 Sonny	McKenzie	
7 Don	Jan	Kragness
8 Jim	Chloe	Page
10 Ken	Marty	Ramsey
12 Lois	Nattier	
12 John	Lindeman	
13 Leroy	Irma	Burnett
14 Emil	Lois	Nattier
17 Anita	Esteviz	
17 Pam	Martin	



News Notes and Information

Work Project – Carmi 2021

Meals served: 126

Salvation dolls (sewed and stuffed): 22

As You Go Bears (sewed and stuffed): 12

Presented dolls/bears, cookies and a game to the 9 girl residents and house parents

Septic System –

tear off old tops, build new tops and replace on upper and lower pit

Ballad –

Paint interior rooms (all but some bathrooms and back room)

Replace outside spigot

Scrape, prime and paint doors on outside storage shed

Repair, spackle & paint ceiling and walls in the boiler room

Garrison -

Hang new door in house parent quarters

Install 5 smart key lock sets

Remove and replace sump pump and disconnect switch on the side of the house

Gym –

Repair, sanded, scraped, primed and painted front doors

Staley-

Painted touch up on the basement walls

Painted trim around exterior doors.



The harvest is upon us. The Bible tells us: *Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask **the Lord of the harvest**, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. '*

Thanks for being workers in the harvest Illinois COM

Chaplain's corner by Francie Lindeman

Wow, here we are almost at the end of our season of COM work. It's been a good and blessed season. It took me awhile to come down from the planning of the rally. I would find myself thinking about it and then remember- ITS OVER. I think the rally left us all with a good feeling and made the summer fly by.



Looking forward to cooler weather and fall rally. I think the Lord has some good things in store for us next year.

See you all in Streator.

Proverbs 16:3

Commit to the Lord whatever you do and all your plans will succeed.

Remember the challenge given to us at National Rally:

It is amazing what you can accomplish if you only care that God gets the glory.

We are blessed to serve with others who keep that in mind while they serve at COM projects. Let us never forget why we do what we do.

Fall Rally - tentative schedule

Sunday, October 10 – arrive at Lake Sallateeska

Monday, October 11 – work day for those that want to work, day of rest or shopping in Nashville and area stores, **6 PM wiener roast & hay rack ride – back pavilion**

Tuesday, October 12 - work day for those that want to work, **1 PM – Executive board meeting – Hotel**
6 PM – chili cook off and skits – back pavilion

Wednesday, October 13 - work day for those that want to work, **10 AM Praise Report workshop.**

1 PM – general membership meeting – lodge

6 PM potluck, saying goodbye

Thursday, October 14 - work day for those that want to work until noon, Leave Lake Sallateeska

DID YOU SEE THIS ARTICLE ABOUT THE ILLINOIS BAPTIST CAMPS?

112 saved at camps

AUGUST 3, 2021 BY ILLINOIS BAPTIST STAFF

After a busy, fun, and sometimes trying summer, IBSA reported a successful return to summer camps following their closure due to Covid-19 in 2020. In seven weeks of IBSA-led camps, 691 children and students attended. That was down 33% from 2019, but overall, leaders considered it a strong return given the remaining challenges from Covid. One week of camp at Lake Sallateeska was relocated to Streator Baptist Camp in July, after an outbreak was reported.

In seven camp weeks led by IBSA and in partnership with local associations, 43 salvations were reported. Another 79 salvations were reported during camps organized by IBSA churches for a total of 112 salvations at Lake Sallateeska and Streator Baptist Camps this summer. "God has blessed our camps as they reopened," said Associate Executive Director Mark Emerson. "We are grateful for our partner churches and associations, for dedicated staff and volunteer leaders, and especially glad that so many young people have

Project List at Streator—September 19—24

Blowout lines at Lake Pavilion

Take out water slide & power wash

Take out boats and store them (power wash boats)

Build new fire pits

Paint Prairie Center exterior spots

Remove particle board under Bunk House roof and replace

Refurbish chairs in Prairie center (Sand, paint and cover with new fabric)

Recaulk showers in Prairie Center

Switch out sink faucet in Dining Hall Kitchen (Vegetable sink)

Fridge floor repairs (grind down seams in fridge, glue down new flooring)

Trail Head signs (build 1 sign at the start of the trail heads)

Clean out gutters

Build shelves in lodge closets using Naier shelves

Shelves in Bunk House closet (use Naier shelves)

Steam clean carpet in Prairie Center, Lodge and Lakeview Center

Repair beds around camp

Replace cover for crawl space (build a new one)

Build permanent chair for lifeguards

Replace motion lights around camp

- - - - and more— Job list may change as we get closer to the project- - - - -



Sondra & Irma in their usual place = at sewing machines, painting at Ballard, meal time, James cleaning up, Phil Mitchell & Gary discussing the next project, and Leroy finishing the project with James and Gary.





Painting at Ballard,
Painting the front
doors of the gym, the
new lids built at the
septic system on the
upper & lower pits





Table ready with the dolls and bears and a game that Sondra made for the girls, the girls listening to Sondra, Gary & James working on the sump pump at Garrison, Randy & Fred painting in Ballard, Gary & Sonny painting in Ballard, our fellowship meal eating out together. What a blessed week!!!

