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FAMTLY FUN DAY

Family Fun Day 2018 was a huge success, so we decided to bring it back. Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 6, 2019. Family Fun Day will be held several weeks prior to Easter in 2019. We will use many of the fun games Francine Morales,



our summer camp Program Director, dreamed up for the whole family to participate. We will be providing lunch again and have a build your own ice cream sundae at 3:00 p.m. More details will follow.

Check our website at www.vranch.org.



Do 'they' have your name? If you're like me, you are inundated with junk mail from non-profit organizations and politicians. "URGENT," "Deadline Approaching," "Open Immediately," or a survey where your opinion is needed along with \$26 to tabulate the results of the survey. Do you receive pre-stamped envelopes? This past year I have received more 50 cent pieces in the mail, than I have ever owned, along with other assorted coins and dollar bills. All these tactics are designed to get you to open their letter and hopefully your wallet. Victory Ranch does not participate in these tactics. Long ago, our board decided to abstain from this type of fund raising and let the Lord burden individuals and churches to give as they felt led by Him. Our mailing/email list is never bought or sold. We

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Sunday evening Singspirations will be held at:

• First Baptist Church, Wilmington (October 14 – 8:00 p.m.)

• First Baptist Church, Walteria (November 11 - 8:00 p.m.)

South Vermont Avenue Baptist, Gardena (December 2 – 8:00 p.m.)

Invite a friend to come join you for a good time of singing

and praising the Lord.

are pleased that you enjoy receiving updates on our website,

www.vranch.org, or in this newsletter. We can even email this

newsletter to you, saving this ministry postage. To be added to

our e-mail or mailing list, or to be removed from any of our newsletter lists, just send us an email at vranchcamp@gmail.com.

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From the Director's Desk: By Paul Cayot

I remember well October 21, 2007. God had given us beautiful weather for our Fall Men's Retreat the day before. Men had been up on the hill using the skeet range throughout the day as well as doing lots of other outdoor activities. That night and into the morning of the 21st, we were hit with 60 mile per hour winds with gusts as high as 110 miles per hour that continued through the day. I remember thanking the Lord for His watch over us in that the wind did not hit during the retreat. Trees toppled, the largest 70-80 feet tall. In all, we lost some 30 trees total. We lost some parts of mobile home awnings, but despite the number of trees that went down, none fell on a building. One fell parallel to our house and another fell perpendicular across the back. Even the top of the tree next to the office fell onto another tree, breaking it but not touching the office or the First Aide house next to it. Last week, a camper told me we were hit with

a mini twister/dust devil right before dinner. He said a Eucalyptus giant limb fell into the maintenance area. I went up there after the campers entered the dining room. Sure enough, there was the 45' limb, right inside the gate, stretching toward the dump truck. The gate was undamaged as was all the equipment. Matthew 5:45 says,



"the rain falls on the just and the unjust alike." The wind blows on the just and the unjust alike, but we rejoice in the way God directs it, and we rejoice that He chose to spare the Ranch property in these instances.

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Bill & Kathy Goehring



Over the past four vears, Bill & Kathy Goehring have been a tremendous blessing to this ministry. With a heart for ministry, Bill and Kathy volunteered

in their local church and our sister camp, Camp Fairwood in Wisconsin. After retiring from secular employment, the Goehrings briefly joined Continental Baptist Missions until God brought them to Victory Ranch. Bill is one of those individuals who enjoys repairing things, and he has been instrumental in bringing the Ranch's a/v and computer systems into the 21st century. He has a servant's heart and gladly insists our guests call him at any time with any problem. As the saying goes, "behind every good man is a good woman." Shortly after their arrival, Kathy's father's health took a turn for the worse. Kathy cared for him until she underwent a health crisis of her own when she was diagnosed with breast cancer. Following surgery and precautionary treatments, she was declared to be in remission. Tests just two months ago said she was still doing fine. Having tremendous neck and back pain, Kathy went back to the doctors. After four days in the hospital and multiple tests, it was determined on July 20 that she had stage 4 cancer in her spine and bone marrow, and there were no treatment options. On Sunday the 22nd, Kathy was able to have her picture taken outside their home with her husband, Bill, and their son, Joel. On Monday morning, July 23, with Bill and Joel holding her hands, she slipped into the presence of the Lord. Her services were held on August 4 in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin. We hope to have a memorial service here at the Ranch on Sunday afternoon, September 16. Please call for details. Keep Bill and Joel in your thoughts and prayers. Cards of encouragement can be sent to the Goehrings at the Ranch address.

FALL LADIES RETREAT



The theme for Fall Ladies' Retreat is "Forgiven, Accepted, Loved" brought to us by Eileen Wood. (see bio below) Music will be by Hannah Wood Henline Date: October 5-6 Cost **\$ 65.00**

(Get the Early Bird discount, \$60.00 if paid in full by October 1st)

The Retreat will be co-hosted by Trinity Baptist Church in Pasadena.

Our speaker, Eileen Wood, grew up in a Jewish home in Queens, NY, and calls herself a "Completed Jew." She served as a Camp Director's wife for 12 years and was an AWANA missionary in the Pacific Rim to Japan & Taiwan for 16 years. She has traveled extensively in the South Pacific encouraging other missionaries. Eileen is the mother of 3 children and has 3 granddaughters. As a retiree in Exeter, CA, she serves at her church in both AWANA and small group Bible studies.

Ladies' Retreat Activities include:

- Silent Auction (All proceeds go to benefit a Victory Ranch project as voted on by the ladies). If desired, craft items may be donated (to be sold to benefit the Ranch project).
- Table games, chapel, craft classes, horse rides, shooting range, swimming, great food and fellowship.

FALL MEN'S RETREAT

October 19-20, 2018



Pastor Anthony Forsyth from Calvary Baptist Church in Burbank will speak on

"Trusting God in the Midst of the Storm."

Pastor Forsyth is an excellent teacher and should be well received by both youth and adults. When we are in the Burbank area, my teenage children enjoy sitting under his teaching.

In addition to the list of sports competitions, the schedule and registration forms are available online by visiting www.vranch.org.

The popular men's trio from the Sacramento "Solid Ground" will be ministering in area song. You can listen to them singing the "Star Spangled Banner" during flag raising last year on our website or you can listen to a preview on their webpage at www.solidground.us.



March 8-9.





March 22-23, 2019

Wound Up



Our Regular Baptist Round-up will be held on Saturday, November 3, 2018. Mark your calendars now.

The day's activities will include music, games, lunch, and challenging message from God's Word by Dr. Steve Little, President of Baptist Church Planters.

There will be brief updates from the Association of Regular Baptist Churches of Southern California, Victory Ranch, and our State Representative Bruce McLain.

We anticipate incorporating some of the Family Fun Day activities into the day. We will conclude with an afternoon ice cream social in the dining room. Plan to be here from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.





Summer Camp Update

We praise the Lord for the opportunity to reach young people with the gospel. We are thankful for the many prayers that go up for us, especially during our summer season. This summer we had 29 young people participate in our staff training



week, 18 in our Horsemanship Camp, 98 in our two Junior Camps, and 131 in our Teen Camp. We had 23 young people place their faith and trust in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, 9 rededicate their life to Christ, and among a few other decisions, one has decided he wants to serve the Lord as a missionary.

We had participation from the pastors of First Baptist Church in Beaumont, Calvary Baptist Tabernacle and South Vermont Avenue Baptist Church in Gardena, Fellowship Baptist Church in Hemet, and Bible Baptist of Santa Monica. Countless other volunteers served as kitchen help, recreation help, musicians, first aide directors, counselors, and staff. It was indeed a team effort to help these young people have a potentially life changing week of camp. Another praise was seeing 12 of our 24 counselors were former campers that wanted to come back and minister with us.

A CHANGE is in the works! We have seen enrollment drop at our Junior II Camp in recent years due to schools starting earlier in August. Teen Camp has been bursting at the seams, and there have been conflicts with athletes who start their sports practices earlier in the summer as well. In order to try to address these problems, we are planning to combine our Junior Weeks and start a week earlier in the summer. Teen Week would then move forward as well, but we will designate it as a Sr. High week. We had six cabins of junior highers at Teen Camp, so we will move them to a Middle School Week following the Senior High Week of camp. This change will also benefit the program by allowing junior highers who pass W.E.S.T. Week to serve at Teen Camp and lighten the load of the recreation crew that currently run two separate camps within our Teen Week and the speaker who speaks twice each morning.









