

# WANAKE CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER FACILITIES PROJECTS

Over the past ten years, Wanake has raised funds and completed projects to address critical facility needs. At Outpost, this included the restoration of Lake Arnold and complete restoration of the Outpost Barn with new sides, a new roof, and a new floor. At the Wanake Ranch, we converted the barn to a horse stable and a garage to a tack barn, added a riding arena, and most recently, completed a large tie out station and an indoor riding space. The chapel (main floor) of the Inpost Barn has been completely renovated for year-round use while maintaining the historical character of the building.

Now, as Wanake looks forward to the next 70 years, Wanake is launching fund-raising efforts for three new facilities that have been the subject of strategic planning:

## **Maintenance Complex** (\$58,000)

This project is long overdue as Wanake has been operating with a small wood shop and a three-bay shop for many years. Unfortunately, these shops are being used to store tools and supplies, and most equipment and vehicles are left outside. Hence, there is little space to house tractors and valuable equipment and no suitable place to work on general maintenance projects indoors. The maintenance complex project includes (1) a storage building that would house valuable equipment, tools, supplies, and vehicles organized and under cover from the elements while (2) clearing workshop space and adding heat and plumbing in existing shop areas.

## **Showers on Pines Hill** (\$115,000)

Anyone who has been to Wanake over the past 50 years needs little convincing of the need to improve the pool shower house. A more practical and cost-effective solution to major renovation or replacement of the pool shower house is to add showers close to where they are most needed - on Pines Hill. These showers are an addition to the restroom between cabins 6 and 7. Included in this project are upgrades to pool house restrooms.

## **Multipurpose Programmatic Pavilion** (\$155,000)

For summer camp, this large (100' X 60') pavilion will provide a large group meeting space for worship, campfires and recreation during days of heavy rain, storms, or even week-long periods of rain which we have experienced in recent years. Several of our summer camp weeks are now too large to be accommodated at the Inpost Barn chapel. The pavilion will also provide an alternate location for cookouts for 2-4 small groups. For outdoor education, challenge course and retreat groups, it provides a covered location for a campfire, large group gathering, and active games with a high ceiling for tossing and throwing.

## **Funding**

Please consider a gift to help Wanake fund these three projects. Fundraising and the completion of projects will continue over the next five years, so gifts and pledges may be made over a period of 1 to 3 years if you prefer. To date Wanake has received more than \$12,240 and has pledges equaling an additional \$30,000. The Maintenance Complex and the Multipurpose Programmatic Pavilion are nice naming opportunities to honor an individual, a family, a church, or even a decade of Wanake alumni. Please contact Julie Lutt at Wanake to discuss naming opportunities or other questions concerning these critical projects.