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18TH ANNUAL LONGABERGER BASKET and TOOL BINGO SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020

Woodmen of the World (Rt. 42 in Dayton)

Doors open at 5:00 p.m. – Games start at 6:30 p.m.

A basket or tool awarded to each game winner with a door prize awarded between every game.

General Admission: \$10.00 per card or 3 cards for \$25.00 **PRESALE**

SPECIAL \$25.00 for 4 cards plus

one ticket for each presale card toward the **PRESALE GRAND PRIZE.**

For Presales, Contact 540-833-2072 and leave a message.

WISH LIST FOR STILL MEADOWS

ANIMAL FEED (rabbit, horse, cats, donkeys, chickens, alpaca)

GIFT CARDS (Costco, Farm Choice, Walmart) for camp supplies

3 NEW WINDOWS for the newly renovated workshop

2 HAY HUTS to feed animals in two pastures.

A gentle, older HORSE for therapeutic riding, preferably a gelding

WE NEED BOARD MEMBERS WHO ARE WILLING TO HELP PROVIDE THE HEALING POWER OF NATURE FOR OUR SPECIAL FRIENDS.

We invite any group that has a member with a special need to use Still Meadows for your activities. Picnic in our shelter and enjoy the view of a beautiful valley. Handicap accessible bathrooms are available.



A dedicated volunteer, Jeremy Bolton, who loves to entertain the campers



Our Summer Camp Co-Directors, Hailey Lantz and Cati Hermes, with a fun and energetic camper, Nathan LeMay.

OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE AMAZING!

It's been another successful summer at Still Meadows, thanks to our dedicated volunteers. It is these volunteers who keep our programs running smoothly. They wear many hats; gardeners, furniture movers, camp counselors, animal care, and supporters of all kinds. They help with fundraisers, opening and closing of camp, or even serving as directors on our board. Speaking of the Board, they announced the following awards to supporters of Still Meadows at the Volunteer Appreciation Picnic on October 20, 2019.

THE CHESTER & NANCY BRADFIELD FAMILY DONOR AWARD

Partners Excavating Company

THE RICK & JANE SMITH SERVICE AWARD

Bill Joseph

THE JANET MAASCH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Larry Bowman

THE CAMP CARING AWARD

Savannah Clark



I sincerely apologize to the family and friends of Steve Harris whose picture was posted as that of Charlie Robinson in the Fall Newsletter.

R.I.P., Charlie.

Diana Umbel
Operations
Manager

Our beloved camper, Charlie Robinson.

MARK YOUR 2020 CALENDARS...

19TH ANNUAL CHICK WINE MEMORIAL RIDE-A-THON

DATE: October 3, 2020

PLACE: LOST RIVER STATE PARK

Mathias, West Virginia

See the views at Lost River from a whole new perspective. Experience horseback riding on beautiful wooded trails with scenic overlooks and panoramic views.

Ample parking space

Picnic shelter with bathroom.

Rental horses may be booked.

A country lunch of homemade beef vegetable soup and chili will be provided.



Kendall Smith rode the Ride-a-thon for the first time. Flash has been on this ride many times and always seems to enjoy it.

18TH ANNUAL CHICK WINE MEMORIAL RIDE-A-THON

It was a beautiful Fall day on October 7, 2019...perfect weather for a trail ride through the mountains. We thank **Patti Clontz** who again traveled from Michigan to organize the kitchen and prepared the delicious meals. We also thank **Marlene Rohrer** and her friends who donated the delicious fruit pies and all of the businesses who donated prizes for the riders. Our winners were; **Joy & Gary Halterman** (1st place in donations), **Ray Smith Family** (2nd place in donations), and **Kellie Breedon** (Longest distance traveled), **Beverly Keller** (oldest rider), **Faith Phillips** (youngest rider), and **Christina Phillips** (first to post online).

Please remember Still Meadows in your estate and will planning. It will ensure that this facility may exist for our future generations.

SAVE THE DATES:

Wednesday, April 22...Community Foundation Great Community Give

Wednesday, May 13 ..SPRING INTO SUMMER WORK DAY. Contact the camp if you or your employees would like to join us.

YES, I want to make a **DONATION** to help support this center for persons with developmental, intellectual, and/or physical disabilities.

____ Donation of \$1,000

____ Donation of \$100

____ Donation of \$50

____ Donation of \$25

Enclosed is my \$ _____ contribution.

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

FULL ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

MAIL TO: Still Meadows Enrichment Center and Camp, 11992 Hollar School Road, Linville, Virginia 22834
(Donations are tax deductible TAX ID# 54-1857340)

YES, I want to pay for a **SCHOLARSHIP(s)**

Because of extensive medical bills and/or other family situations, many families are not able to afford to send their sons or daughters to Still Meadows Enrichment Center and Camp.

Individuals and clubs are encouraged to provide a full or partial scholarship to enable a camper or rider to attend either a one-week camp session or an 8-week therapeutic horseback riding session. Each program also provides the participant's family with much needed respite that allows them to regroup physically and mentally.

Your tax-exempt gift will provide a full scholarship to a camper who would otherwise be unable to attend one of our programs.

____ Day Camp (\$200)

Tax ID # 54-1857340

____ Therapeutic Horseback Riding (\$150)

____ Partial Scholarship (Amount: \$ _____) Program _____

DONOR: _____

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TEACHERS OF SPECIAL EDUCATION RESOURCE CLASSES

Include Still Meadows in your plans for a spring field trip. Available activities include a hayride through the woods, visits with our barn animals, and stories in our wheelchair accessible tree house. Plan to eat your packed lunches in the picnic shelter with gorgeous views of the valley and follow up with playing on the playground. There are no fees charged for a field trip.



Younger students enjoy the playground while middle and high school students enjoy the exploration and hiking. Older students are often come to volunteer at the camp, helping with gardens, animals, and preparation for the next season.

Special Education classes from Waterman Elementary School in Harrisonburg and Peake View Elementary School in Rockingham County enjoyed Fall visits to Still Meadows. They especially enjoyed the ride through the woods and picking out that special pumpkin. Our riding instructor, Sara Kate Moore, proved to be an adept tractor driver!



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AMAZING GIRL SCOUT PROJECTS FOR THE CAMP

Two amazing projects were completed by the Girl Scouts this fall. The first Gold Project by Abigail Showalter was to renovate the building used as a woodworking shop by Janet Maasch into a workshop for our campers with special needs. The original woodworking power tools were sold, and the front part of the shop was emptied. Then, walls were painted and a new floor was laid. Wheelchair accessible work stations were built and installed. Campers will be able to use this for wood working and art projects. The final step will be to acquire a heating/AC unit and new windows to keep the building comfortable. We thank Abigail who is now a freshman at Virginia Tech studying interior design. She has been a Girl Scout since the first grade. She has earned her Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards as well as the GSVSC's Triumph Award for earning all three of the highest awards. Her inspiration for the Gold Award was her grandmother, who due to a debilitating illness, has begun to need the use of a wheelchair causing her to limit activities she has enjoyed.



The other Gold project was completed by Ines Lopez-Flores, a Girl Scout since kindergarten, who is now a freshman in the nursing program at West Virginia University. Ines also received her Bronze, Silver, and Gold awards as well as the Triumph Award awarded by the GSVSC for those who have earned all three higher awards. Her project was to build a wheelchair accessible playhouse in the Healing Gardens. Previously, a small playhouse was in the gardens, but it fell victim to the weather. This whimsical playhouse has a ramp leading to the front door with windows on each side. The windows can be opened to allow cross ventilation or to use for "serving." It includes a full play kitchen with a dining table and chairs. The table has a blackboard top for creative designs. In the spring of 2020, the outside of the playhouse will be painted with whimsical trees. Ines' inspiration for her project has been her brother who has CP and utilizes a wheelchair for mobility.

