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THE SUMMER CAMPING SEASON IS COMPLETE, BUT LIVES ARE CONTINUING TO BE TRANSFORMED:

Summer is drawing to a close, schools are starting and the final numbers are in for the camps held at WCC. Super Summer numbers were down just a few, but all three of the children’s camps saw an increase in attendance this summer. Although these camps are completed, God is still moving in the lives of students, sponsors and their churches as they continue to see lives transformed through follow-up and discipleship in their home churches. Here are the numbers/stats for the summer camps:

Group	Professions of Faith	Rededications	Vocational Service	Candidates for Baptism	Other	Registration
Western KS Bapt Assoc	43	5	0	1	61	370
Central Bapt Assoc	23	21	0	2	18	277
Heart of KS, Smoky Hill, South Central & Flint Hills Assoc	21	8	0	2	8	226
Super Summer	107	122	4	16	116	2,296
Total Decisions	194	156	4	21	203	3,169

Below are a couple of pictures of the worship and recreation at the recently completed Super Summer:



COLLEGIATE DAY AT SUPER SUMMER:

Jon Sapp reported that “Collegiate Day” at Super Summer continues to be an effective tool for assisting students in making the transition from high school to collegiate life. Those who attended this Tuesday night session each week at WCC indicated that 76 will be seniors this fall, and 70 have already graduated and are heading to college even as you read this article. Thirty-eight (38) are headed to 4-year universities with 35 of those students headed to colleges where full-time collegiate ministry staff are in place with intentional outreach to the incoming freshmen helping these students

make the transition. In addition, 27 students were headed to community colleges and faith-based colleges in Nebraska and Kansas. David Irons took the major leadership role to assist Jon this summer, and he did an excellent job in coordinating different campuses to be present to meet with these students and their sponsors. Jana Gifford is also a valuable member of this team as she coordinates the information and gets it out to the appropriate campus ministries to assist those leaders in connecting with incoming freshman.

KNCSB SUPER SUMMER iGoGlobal CONTINUES TO INVOLVE STUDENTS AND SPONSORS IN INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS:

Students and sponsors were also challenged to be part of the next KNCSB Super Summer iGoGlobal mission project to Amsterdam in 2018 while at WCC during the six weeks of camp. Terry McIlvain reported that 2017 saw the most successful trip to date. Because this trip is designed to reach a people group that is extremely difficult to reach, the visible results are not always evident immediately. But because of repeated trips to this location to the same people group for five years, the responsiveness is changing rapidly. McIlvain stated, "In previous years it was not unusual for me to only get to share the full gospel one or two times during the eight-day trip and usually the KNCSB team would only be able to collect names and contact information for a dozen or so people to give to the local missionaries for follow-up. This year, however, I was able to share the gospel at least one time every day and some days twice a day, and we left 48 names and contact information for the local missionaries to follow up."

KNCSB will again travel to Amsterdam in 2018 for a sixth trip with the same people group. You do not need to attend the Super Summer meeting at WCC to be eligible for this trip. Registration is now open to anyone who will have completed the 9th grade by June 2018 up through college students. Registration closes on September 6th and all information needed for this trip can be downloaded by going to www.igoglobal.org/trips and clicking on the "KS/NE Super Summer" icon. Adult sponsors, age 21 or older, are also needed to accompany the students going on the trip. For more information contact Terry McIlvain at tmcilvain@kncsb.org or iGoGlobal at the website listed above.

MINISTRY CONTINUES AT WCC AFTER THE CAMPING SEASON ENDS:

Many people and churches throughout KNCSB still think that WCC is just a place for kids and teenagers for summer camp. Nothing could be farther from the truth! Actually, more events are held for adult groups and organizations than anything else at WCC by a large majority. As an example, as Super Summer ended on August 4th, immediately the next week WCC was filled with incident management teams from a large majority of the counties in Kansas for the 2017 Kansas All Hazards Incident Management Teams Workshop. WCC is a place where we assist many organizations like this to improve their skills to make Kansas a better place to live and serve. Below are a couple of photos of this recent meeting held at WCC on August 7-11, 2017.



BIDS ARE BEING RECEIVED FOR THE MULBERRY CREEK PROJECT:

With the approval of the Army Corps of Engineers on the Mulberry Creek project, the plans are being distributed to several companies to secure bids for this project. WCC has received one bid already, but the others bids have not arrived yet. If the first bid is any indication of the cost of this project, it will take some time to raise the funds needed to pursue this project, so unless money arrives more quickly than on other projects, the project will probably not begin until the late winter of 2018 or even 2019. This rechanneling project will return the Mulberry Creek to its original

channel that was changed by Mr. Webster as he was in the process of giving “Camp Webster” to KNCSB. The current security channel on the west side of the campus will cease to be the main flowing channel of the creek, and it will become the overflow channel during the rainy months of the year. This will allow the creek to gently flow through the camp just west of the current buildings when the construction project is completed.

Included in this project will be the rechanneling of the creek as just discussed, developing a new low-water bridge in its current location, the construction of a small bridge in the Disc Golf area to allow golfers to cross the creek, as well as removing the current rubble along the creek and some sculpting and landscaping along the creek banks. Besides the beautification of the area because of the cleaned-out river bed and the sculpting of the banks, perhaps the biggest benefit to the conference center will be that the channel, which now currently remains stagnant most of the year and is a great breeding-ground for mosquitoes, will now become a free-flowing water source that is constantly moving.

When the final cost is determined, a fundraising campaign will begin to secure the funds needed to complete this project. Because of the benefits to those who use the conference center in the late spring and early summer, it is hoped that funds can be raised quickly. PLEASE BEGIN TO PRAY NOW that everything will come together at the right time to complete this project which has been in the planning process for several years.

JULY USER DAY AND REVENUE REPORT:

July 2016 User Days	9,485	July 2016 Revenues	\$260,389.70
July 2017 User Days	9,780	July 2017 Revenues	\$295,755.17
2016 Year-to-Date User Days	33,144	2016 Year-to-Date Revenues	\$645,443.50
2017 Year-to-Date User Days	30,454	2017 Year-to-Date Revenues	\$674,748.87

PHIL GRAVES RETIRES:

Phil Graves, WCC Food Service Coordinator, retired on August 4th. Phil worked with another food service company that provided the meal service for WCC for several years until he resigned from that company to become the full-time Food Service Coordinator for WCC twelve and a half (12.5) years ago. A retirement celebration and dinner was held for Phil on August 6th. This allowed the WCC Staff, and especially the food service employees, to express their appreciation to Phil and his family for his years of dedicated service to WCC. Phil will be greatly missed at WCC, and the staff and users of WCC wish him well in his retirement years as he remains in the area.



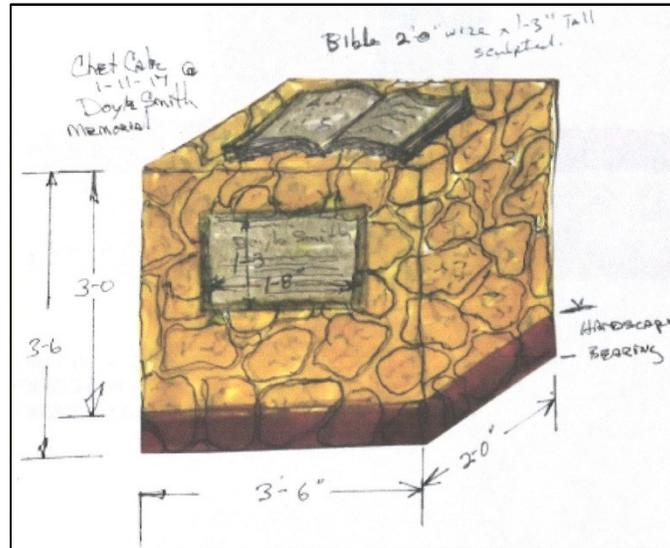
Beth Walters, current WCC Associate Food Service Coordinator, will serve as the Interim Food Service Coordinator while the leadership team begins the search for a full-time replacement to fill this vital need at WCC. Interviews have already begun and it is hoped that a new Food Service Coordinator will be in place in the early fall at the latest.

MEMORIAL TO REMEMBER DOYLE SMITH:

The attempt to raise the funds for the memorial marker for Dr. Doyle Smith is entering its final stages and over half of the funds needed for this memorial have been raised as of mid-August. Doyle served as the President of KNCSB when the Mission Board agreed to accept the gift of “Camp Webster” from Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Webster in 1981, and he served as the President of the WCC Board during the first ten years of this ministry. As Doyle stated, “God’s vision for Webster Conference Center is to call and equip the next generation of spiritual leaders in Kansas and Nebraska.” THIS IS A LEGACY THAT NEEDS TO BE SHARED. Several thousand dollars are still needed to be raised to erect this large, eye-catching, beautiful, outdoor memorial which will challenge everyone to continue to live out this legacy. If you and your church could assist with this memorial to remember the vision and legacy which Doyle sought to demonstrate, make your checks payable to “KNCSB” and send your gifts to:

The Doyle Smith Memorial
 Kansas-Nebraska Convention of Southern Baptists
 5410 SW 7th St.
 Topeka, KS 66606

The memorial is planned to be finished in mid- to late September and to be installed at WCC in time for the KNCSB Annual Meeting being held at WCC on October 9-10, 2017, when it will be formally dedicated.



SCHEDULED VOLUNTEER WORK GROUPS:

NO volunteer work groups have been scheduled at this time. Would your Sunday School class, men's, women's or youth group or church be willing to help make WCC a better place for those who will attend in the near future? There are also jobs/ministries for individuals too. Work teams from 2-5 are often the best size for the things that need to be done at WCC. Call Bill Cooke at 1-620-200-2931 to schedule yourself or your group for the late summer and fall. THANKS!

PLEASE PRAY:

Pray that lives will be transformed at future events held at WCC, especially:

- a. Renew (formerly Wonderful Weekend for Women)
- b. Smoky Hill Baptist Association
- c. Collegiate Fall Conference

GROUPS SCHEDULED TO USE WCC NOW THROUGH OCTOBER:

AUGUST EVENTS:

Salina West
Creative Memories
St. John's Military School
Girl Scouts of Kansas Heartland
Central Kansas Amateur Radio Club
First Covenant Church
Leadership Salina
KNCSB Youth Evangelism Staff Meeting
Sam's Club
Kansas Association for Family and Community Education

SEPTEMBER EVENTS:

Lao Fellowship
Long/Finch Wedding
Salina Public Library
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas
Thacker Wedding
KNCSB Renew (Wonderful Weekend for Women)
Kansas Army National Guard

Smoky Hill Baptist Association
Salina Rescue Mission
Collegiate Fall Conference
Central Christian Academy
Gideons International

OCTOBER EVENTS:

Salina Public Library
Kansas Head Start Association
WCC Board Meeting
KNCSB Annual Meeting
KNCSB VBS Planning Team
Artisan Market
KNCSB Chaplains Conference
Carrillo/Jaye Wedding
Crossroads Women's Encounter
Disaster Relief Conference
CrossPoint Salina
Western Plains District Church of the Brethren
Lyne/Garrison Wedding

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