

AURORA DEADLINES

January 5- Articles Due
February 1- Aurora Mailed

May 1- Articles Due
May 25- Aurora Mailed

If possible, e-mail your articles to Ron as a Word attachment, otherwise send us a hard copy.

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Mark your calendars!

Camp Wilderness Fall Fellowship
October 30 and 31, 1999

Woodcutting
Post-camp Inspection
Latrine construction
General construction

Camp Wilderness Spring Cleaning
and
Work Weekend
May 5 - 7, 2000

Last year, over 300 Scouters attended the work weekend. Dozens of projects were completed and the fellowship was incredible. Plan to join us this spring. Once again, we plan to have an Alumni Association meeting as a part of the work weekend.

Capital Campaign Update

The capital campaign for Camp Wilderness continues to grow steadily. Phases one and two are completed and phase three is just about done. To date, \$ 752,289.00 has been raised. Thanks to all that have helped out. If you would like more information about the campaign, please contact Ron Schneider at the address listed below.

The *Aurora* is the official publication of the Northern Lights Camps' Alumni Association, 301 South 7th Street, Fargo, ND, 58103. It is published three times per year. The purpose of the Association is: to preserve and promote the camping opportunities at our council camps, to inform the membership of the camps current progress, to provide support for the current operations with our time, talents and assets, and to organize gatherings of the association. Membership is open to all past camp staff members, campers or anyone with an interest in the camps. Association dues are \$ 15.00 per year for annual membership, \$ 25.00 or more Sustaining memberships or \$ 150.00 (one time) Life Memberships. The Association's dues year begins June 1. Send any comments, article ideas or questions to Ron Schneider, 1608 South 17th Street, Moorhead, MN, 56560, call 218 236-5072, or e-mail them to Schneids@worldnet.att.net.

So where is ole what's his/her name now?

Chris Tveitbakk is an Audio technician for Juntunen Media Group in the Cities. He does the mixing for video shoots and television shows. Chris mixes for the "Sports Connection" on MSC and travels the country for his job. Drop him a note at ctveitbakk@juntunen.com

Brad Olson has been elected Student Body President at North Dakota State University. By the way Brad, NDSU lost to UND this year in football. Nice shorts!!!! (Ask Brad)

Chris Soper is now in San Antonio, Texas serving with Black & Veatch as a Control System Startup Engineer. (Whatever that is?) He will be there until June, 2000 - Drop him a note at SoperCJ@bv.com or 134 West Craig # 3 San Antonio, TX 78212

Ernie Harlow continues to recover from the stroke he had while at camp this summer. Ernie is in Altru Hospital, 1300 Columbia Road, Grand Forks, ND 58201 - Room 213, phone (701) 780-4813.

As of this past summer, **Sara Eidsvold** and **Jon Hendrickson** are Mr. and Mrs. Jon Hendrickson. Jon is a Civil Engineer with the MN DNR. Sara is on the hunt for a rec job in the Duluth area. Jon and Sara can be reach at 1926 East Second Street, Apt 1, Duluth, MN 55812. Call 218 724-2529 or e-mail them at Hendrickson12@yahoo.com.

Check out the council's web site at: www.nlcbasa.org Also try <http://huntingnet/uffda/97review.html>--you will be surprised!!

Alumni Meeting Minutes from April 30, 1999

This meeting was held at Camp Wilderness during the Spring Work Weekend. The membership and financial reports were reviewed. Summer camp open house will be held on July 9. It was MSP that Ernie Harlow and Ron Jackson receive the Alumni Achievement Award this summer. Chad Swenson will make the arrangements for the awards. John Sterns updated the group on the capital campaign. The group discussed helping the council fund a basketball court (staff has requested the court). The motion was made to fund up to half of the cost (up to \$ 1200.00) for the court. MSP. (Note: The Alumni group has just recently decided to fund a sand volleyball court next to the basketball court.) The group discussed the possibility of having note card and/or Christmas cards printed by the Association with proceeds to benefit Camp Wilderness. Ron Schneider will look into have the cards printed. (Note: The first in a series of five note cards will be available by November 1, 1999.)

Tom Brantner Memorial Camp

In case you have not heard, this past summer, the Council received a very generous donation of approximately 50 acres of pasture and wooded land from Casey Brantner, rural Clay County, MN. The land is approximately 20 minutes ENE of Moorhead and is covered with oaks and has a creek running through the property. The land was donated in memory of Casey's son, Tom, who died in a farm accident in September, 1998. Tom was a great outdoorsman and loved children. The land will be forever kept as a primitive camping area following the guidelines of the Leave No Trace program. Our thanks to Casey.