

Metigoshe Ministries is adventure anchored in Christ where people experience and celebrate the gifts of God in a life together.

Metigoshe

monthly update



May 2011

“Each one’s joy is joy to me; each one’s grief is my own.” – No One is an Island



These are part of the words to “No One is an Island,” the song with which every Camp Metigoshe campfire concludes. It is with both grief and joy that co-directors Kyle and Betsy Debertin share that they have accepted a call to a new adventure.

Kyle and Betsy will serve as co-directors of Joy Ranch, a brand new ELCA camp in Watertown, SD, currently

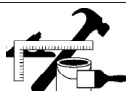
under construction. Kyle and Betsy will value this time of preparation for another summer of camp at Pelican Lake and will say good bye at the end of July.

In the midst of this decision-making process, Kyle and Betsy have had a wonderful opportunity to reflect on how significantly Metigoshe Ministries has shaped their lives. Beginning 17 years ago when the Debertins arrived for their first summer as Camp Metigoshe counselors, they have formed deep and lasting friendships with summer staff and have been invited to share in campers’ faith stories. Fourteen years ago when Kyle began his work as the full-time program director, a deep passion for outdoor ministry was revealed and nurtured. Seven years ago, when Kyle and Betsy were asked to serve as co-directors, they were welcomed, encouraged, and trusted.

For fifty years, God has blessed Metigoshe Ministries. This will not change! God will continue to call summer staff full of energy and passion, young adults who are committed to sharing the Gospel. God will continue to be present in the conversations that happen around campfires, and in tents and canoes, and next to the fireplace in the Christian Center. God will continue to empower people to support Metigoshe Ministries with financial gifts. God will continue to equip people to provide vision and leadership. God is with us, in our grief and in our joy!

Camp Metigoshe Work Day

Saturday, June 4



Camp Metigoshe on Pelican Lake has over 300 acres, 20 cabins, and will be overdue for a good spring spruce up on Saturday, June 4. Please join us for Work Day! We need help of all sorts, cleaning, mowing, building, and keeping tabs on all those counselors with hammers. The fresh caramel rolls and coffee will be on by 9:00 am, and we’ll make sure to have a hearty lunch to keep you going strong.

We can’t do it without you!



Mother The Camp

What Does That Mean?

Quick--you just found out 150 teenagers are coming to your house for lunch--what’s in your pantry? At Camp Metigoshe, we have 150 teenagers for lunch...and breakfast...and supper...every day. So what’s in our pantry?

Help us fill our pantry by “mothering our camp.” Any of the items listed below are food stuffs we eat a lot of at camp. Your donations add up to a significant cost savings. Drop off your groceries at the Christian Center, summer camp at Pelican Lake, or at your church in the month of May.

NEW IN 2011

We are excited for our new KETCHUP & MUSTARD dispensers! So, from now on, we will purchase special containers of KETCHUP & MUSTARD. Instead of donating KETCHUP & MUSTARD, look below to find items Camp Metigoshe needs.

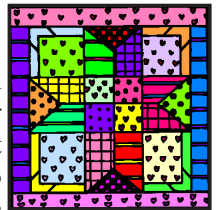
Camp Metigoshe Grocery and Wish List

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| breakfast cereal | chocolate chips | napkins |
| oatmeal | peanut butter | paper towels |
| tomato sauce | jelly | paper cups |
| (#10 can) | pancake syrup | paper plates |
| canned vegetables | honey | toilet paper |
| (#10 can size) | Miracle Whip | dish soap |
| brown sugar | pickles | mosquito spray |
| powdered sugar | Hershey Kisses | Band Aids |
| white sugar | drink mix | sunscreen |
| flour | | sturdy wheelchairs |

Quilt Auction!!

Saturday, June 25, 10 am

Don’t forget to attend this year’s quilt auction at the Christian Center. Quilts will be available for viewing on June 17. Thousands of hours are spent by our quilters cutting, piecing, and quilting to create beautiful works of art. The proceeds from the Quilt Auction help support the summer staff. These young people are passionate about camp’s important ministry and excited to grow in faith with their campers. Join us on June 25 and help support this important ministry.



Quilt Camp-a-Mucha and Camp Scrap-a-lotta

1:00 pm Wednesday, June 15 to 7:00 pm Friday, June 17.

Unending quilting and scrapbooking interspersed with delightful diversions to give your brain and back a rest. Through worship and devotions, you will leave with your spiritual, quilt, and scrapbooking cravings satisfied.

Cost: \$130/person (\$10 discount if registered on or before June 8)

Please go to www.MetigosheMinistries.com or call 701.263.4788 to register for a retreat.