

# MAGRUDER GRAM

Spring 2009

## Director's Corner

From June 5-7, Camp Magruder will host the Episcopal Diocese of Oregon "Bishop's Ball 2009." The event is open to all students in middle and high school (completing grades 6-12) and is a weekend of fun and celebration. The Bishop's Ball will feature boating, small-group bonding, and a much-awaited fancy-dress-ball. People can still register to attend by contacting Catherine Healy, Missioner with Youth, Young Adults, and Higher Education, at [catherineh@diocese-oregon.org](mailto:catherineh@diocese-oregon.org), or through <http://www.gocamping.org/>. The highlight of the event will be the anticipated visit by the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, the Most Rev. Katherine Jeffert Schori. What a wonderful way for Camp Magruder to kick-off its summer season!

Summer camp registration is going well. So well in fact, that some program camps have already reached capacity. Yes, Memorial Day Weekend is already upon us! The school year is drawing to a close and kids everywhere are beginning to daydream about summer adventure. Our seasonal program staff will be arriving soon. Our seasonal program staff members work to support all of our volunteer summer camp dean teams, volunteer counselors, and campers in their activities.

Camp Magruder will host a number of other groups as well this summer. As a member of the Camp Magruder staff team, I hope that you will find satisfaction and joy in being gracious hosts to all who pass through our camp gate. Please strive to make each of our guests, young and old alike, feel welcome and at home here. The measure of our success will be their desire to return.

## Upcoming Groups

5/26-29	Candy Lane King School
5/29-31	Mountain Park Church Roseburg UMC
5/30-31	Sacred Fire
5/31 – 6/2	The Bear Creek School
6/1-3	Jefferson Elementary Lincoln Elementary
6/3-5	Clatskanie Elementary Culver Middle School
6/5-7	Episcopal Diocese of Oregon Women's AA Retreat
6/8-9	Fernwood Middle School
6/12-14	Presbyterian Mom & Me I
6/12-19	Summer Camp Staff Training
6/16-18	PSU Upward Bound
6/19-21	Grand Camp I Duncan Family Reunion
6/21-27	Presbyterian MAD Camp MADD Camp Music Machine Camp



## Safety Corner

A portion of the summer camp staff training week will be devoted to First Aid/CPR/AED training. Every employee is encouraged to participate in this training. While the hours spent in training are non-compensatory, Camp Magruder will cover the cost of your certification. To sign-up to participate, please add your name to the registration list in the camp office.

First-Aid and CPR courses teach many different life-saving skills, including:

- how to check a victim properly;
- what to do if someone is conscious and choking;
- what to do if someone is unconscious and choking; and
- how/when to perform rescue breathing/CPR.

In addition, the first-aid component teaches individuals how to provide immediate care for burns, poisoning, cuts, sudden illness, as well as shock.

## Just For Fun – Letters from Children to God

- Dear God: In school they told us what You do. Who does it when You are on vacation? *Jane*
- Dear God: Are you really invisible or is that just a trick? *Lucy*
- Dear God: Did you mean for the giraffe to look like that or was it an accident? *Norma*
- Dear God: Who draws the lines around the countries? *Nan*
- Dear God: I went to this wedding and they kissed right in church. Is that okay? *Neil*
- Dear God: Thank you for the baby brother, but what I prayed for was a puppy. *Joyce*
- Dear God: Why is Sunday school on Sunday? I thought it was supposed to be our day of rest. *Tom L.*
- Dear God: Please send me a pony. I never asked for anything before, You can look it up. *Bruce*
- Dear God: My brother is a rat. You should give him a tail. Ha ha. *Danny*
- Dear God: I want to be just like my Daddy when I get big but not with so much hair all over. *Sam*
- Dear God: I think about You sometimes even when I'm not praying. *Elliott*
- Dear God: I bet it is very hard for You to love all of everybody in the whole world. There are only 4 people in our family and I can never do it. *Nan*
- Dear God: Of all the people who work for You I like Noah and David the best. *Rob*
- Dear God: My brother told me about being born but it doesn't sound right. They're just kidding, aren't they? *Marsba*
- Dear God: If You watch me in church Sunday, I'll show You my new shoes. *Mickey D.*
- Dear God: I would like to live 900 years like the guy in the Bible. *Love, Chris*
- Dear God: We read Thomas Edison made light. But in Sunday school they said You did it. So I bet he stoled your idea. *Sincerely, Donna*
- Dear God: The bad people laughed at Noah - "You made an ark on dry land you fool." But he was smart, he stuck with You. That's what I would do. *Eddie*
- Dear God: I do not think anybody could be a better God. Well, I just want You to know but I am not just saying that because You are God already. *Charles*
- Dear God: I didn't think orange went with purple until I saw the sunset you made on Tuesday. That was cool! *Engene*

## Our Mission

We are people dedicated to creating quality environments of Christian hospitality and learning.

We nurture persons so they may...

Grow in wisdom and in healthy self-esteem.

Develop lifestyles of loving interdependence with each other and all of creation.

Affirm and expand their faith in God and their service as Christian disciples within God's world.