



# SEASONS

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## Turning Seasons

### Give a Day...Celebrate a Year in the Life of Pilgrim Heights



Turning Seasons, day by day! Please support Pilgrim Heights by participating in our Annual Operations Fundraising effort – **Give a Day Calendar Campaign.**

Many of you have come to share days or weeks with us on-site for weddings, camps, retreats, meetings or family reunions. Many

of you are planning to come to Pilgrim Heights in 2012 and we are excited to welcome you any of the 366 days of 2012, it's a leap year!

Our commitment to provide a safe, well maintained, natural and fun environment for your year-round visits requires regular expenditure of operating overhead – a possible \$10,000 a month for the costs not tied directly to programming and services support. As our program support grows with increasing numbers of guests, it helps to cover these ongoing, general expenses for personnel, utilities, insurance and the like.

As a non-profit organization, we rely on donated contributions to assist us with the ongoing operational costs of providing the sacred space we know as Pilgrim Heights Camp & Retreat Center as a place for your special times.

You can help support us by donating in our Give a Day Calendar campaign before December 31, 2011.

We are creating a Calendar for 2012 – it will be distributed electronically and a printed version will be available as well.

You can decide what images and words will decorate

the days and months of the calendar year. At varying levels of support, you can choose to Name any Day or be first to claim a Day to decorate with your choice of watermarked image. Your favorite picture could be the highlighted picture for your favorite month; your favorite quote could be the month's blurb; or you could choose the front or back cover images.

We need your help to fill the days in 2012! Your contribution is tax deductible and is what makes Pilgrim Heights possible. *Thank you!*

Give today by completing the Gift Card on page 2; and enjoy your investment in Pilgrim Heights every day of the 2012 calendar year!

A Day in the Life of Pilgrim Heights can include a camper's life-changing experience, a couple's life-time commitment, a celebration of family, or a quiet personal reflection.

Recognize a wedding or anniversary date, birthdays, special celebrations and holidays with your words, name or image. First Come First Serve in picking the

cover, back, and monthly images and blurbs.

Ask a friend to support us, too! Everyone has a special day in 2012!

Investments of time and talent are always welcome! Help make the most of gifts of in-kind service by supporting operating overhead with monetary gifts. The proper tools and materials are needed for every job to be safe and effectively utilize donations of time and effort.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					a Your Name Here	
		a Your Text Here		b		
	b				b	
						c

or Your Blurb Here





## Give A Day Gift Card

a. \$50 - Name a Day  
(possibly more than one per day)

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date text

b. \$100 - Image a Day  
(one per day)

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date

c. \$1,000 - Small Image or  
Blurb of the Month

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month blurb

d. \$5,000 - Large Image of  
the Month

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month text

e. \$10,000 - Image the Back Cover

f. \$20,000 - Image the Front Cover

\* For gifts of Images, you may submit your own picture or choose from one of the existing photos or images in our collection. The Images of the Month will be full color while the Images for the Day will be printed in watermark, potentially with other Names of the Day atop them. For multiple days or months, write the item letter (a - d) along with the date or month and associated text on the reverse side of this form.

## Give a Day

Celebrate a Year in the Life of Pilgrim Heights

I will be providing an image for my Gift by sending it to  
ContactUs@PilgrimHeights.org

Please contact me to arrange for one of the existing photos or images in our collection for my Gift  
(preferred method of contact: -----)

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email / phone: work, home, or cell

Additional Information about my Gift:  
(date, text)

Name: -----  
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Street: -----  
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State, Zip : -----  
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Email: -----  
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Work Phone: ( ) -----

Home Phone: ( ) -----

Cell Phone: ( ) -----

## 'Tis the Season for Wish Lists.. Pilgrim Heights has one too!

Our website has a Wish List for donations of materials and equipment and it may match your desire to give. Items can be new or gently used, big or small.

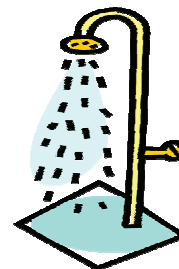
- Chainsaw
- Shovels - snow and digging
- Golf cart or ATV
- Candles/candle wax
- Car or van
- Volleyball nets
- Work gloves
- Zero-turn 60-72" mower
- Candle lighters for fireplaces & fire pits
- Paint for a special project
- Reams of paper for the copy machine
- Gently used furniture
- DVD players and DVD's rated G-PG-13
- Twin sheet sets and blankets

For a complete list visit: [www.PilgrimHeights.org/getinvolved/Wish-List](http://www.PilgrimHeights.org/getinvolved/Wish-List)  
or call 641-492-6165. Remember Pilgrim Heights this holiday season.

## Let's get this done!

### OAKS SHOWER HOUSE UPDATE

Unfortunately, we were denied a recent grant request for the last \$45,000 of our Shower House Project.



The board has decided that with an additional \$30,000 we will break ground.

Let's dig deep and find the way to offer a new shower house for campers next summer!

## You Can Be a Champion!

### Who is a Champion?

A Champion for Pilgrim Heights is a volunteer who takes on a task, project, idea, or topic as their “top of mind” focus in support of Pilgrim Heights.

### What do Champions do?

Champions agree to share their interests, skills and passion in support of the mission and activities of Pilgrim Heights in a specific way for a specific time.

### What is a Champion's cause?

Whatever a Champion is energized and motivated to do and be! A Champion's cause can be little or big, long-term or time-specific. Pilgrim Heights' board and staff will help guide that energy by defining areas of priority need and providing parameters for work within a Champion's area of interest.



### Why Champions?

Pilgrim Heights can not afford to hire it all done. For many projects and ideas, if the Champion does not do it – it won't get done. People who share their gifts and work together build the relationships that lead to long lasting support of the ongoing work and investment in Pilgrim Heights.

**Thanks to friends like you,  
the tree continues to grow!**



Four Seasons Conference Center Tree of Blessings

### Why be a Champion and How does it work?

Let's ask Carey Ryan – our Champion for American Camping Association Accreditation.

*“Last winter, I had been invited to a mini retreat at Pilgrim Heights. As I stepped out of my car on my first visit, I was immediately aware of the beauty and quiet serenity that surrounded me. Next I was greeted as a treasured friend coming into the warmth of Shagbark cabin for a seat near the fire. As a nurse practitioner and nurse midwife I have been through the rigors of many accreditations over the years for both hospital and birth centers. In the next few hours I was convinced that any skill I had or could learn should be offered to better ensure that Pilgrim Heights would be here and thriving for generations to come. Accreditation is the perfect match between the skills of our volunteer team and the larger long term goal of this wonderful setting.*

*When a camp chooses to seek voluntary accreditation, it is making a bold statement towards excellence. Pilgrim Heights is asking to be compared, using hundreds of standards, to other local and national camps that have successfully achieved ACA Accreditation. The initial accreditation is the most difficult and time consuming. The camp must pull together the entire management team, administration, physical plant personal, seasonal staff, volunteers, consultants, donors and of course actual campers to determine how our camp can best meet and exceed national standards. Pilgrim Heights wants to make sure that every group has a beautiful safe environment in which to work and play. We want to make sure that every aspect of our camp's development and growth is aligned with the ACA quality assurance program.*

*My name is Carey Ann Ryan and it is my privilege to work with so many committed people on our journey towards making Pilgrim Heights even more special. It is OUR SACRED SPACE.*

*I am the champion of this year-long project of ACA Accreditation.”*

Some of our other Champions take charge of the care of our waterfront, act as our guru on fishing, provide regular accounting services, and edit our newsletter. You can be a Champion, too! Contact Ann Graham at 641-492-6165.



## “Secrets of the Kingdom: The Parables of Jesus”

Come travel with us and learn God’s message.



### 1 - We Are the Soil

Parable of the Sower • Mark 4:1-9, 4:13-20

### 2 - We Can Ask Boldly

Parable of a Friend in Need • Luke 11:5-10

### 3 - God is Generous

Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard • Matthew 20:1-16

### 4 - God Treasures Us

Parable of the Lost Sheep and Lost Coin • Luke 15:1-10

### 5 - Jesus is in the “Least of These”

Parable of the Sheep and the Goats • Matthew 25:31-46

### 6 - God Plants Us in the World

Parable of the Mustard Seed and the Yeast • Matthew 13:31-35

Week	K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	Adult	Senior	
June 3-9	Grandparent / Grandchild Camp June 3-4								CIT Camp June 2-6							
	Overnight I June 4-5		Overnight II June 4-6		Stargazers Camp June 4-6							Grandparent / Grandchild Camp June 3-4				
Heartland Youth Choir																
June 10-16	Father & Me Fishing I Camp June 17-19				Movie Magic June 17-23			MAD II Camp June 17-23						Father & Me Fishing I Camp June 17-19		
				Fishing II Camp June 19-23												
	Grandparent / Grandchild Camp June 21-23												Grandparent / Grandchild Camp June 21-23			
Soaring Eagles																
July 1-7																
July 8-14	Grandparent / Grandchild Camp July 8-9				Dangerous Boys & Daring Girls Camp July 8-14			Outpost II Camp July 8-14						Grandparent / Grandchild Camp July 8-9		
	Overnight I July 9-10		3-4 Fun Camp July 10-14													
July 15-21					Water Camp July 15-21			Challenge I Camp July 15-21								
	In-Comfort or Out-post Intergenerational / Family Camp for a Day or for the Week July 15-21															
July 22-28																
July 29-Aug 4	Mother & Me Camp July 29-30				Outpost I Camp July 29-Aug 4			Olympic Games I Camp July 29-Aug 4			Challenge II Camp July 29-Aug 4			Mother & Me Camp July 29-30		
	Overnight I Camp Aug 2-3		Overnight II Camp July 30-Aug 1													
	Grandparent / Grandchild Camp Aug 1-2													Grandparent / Grandchild Camp Aug 1-2		
Aug 5-11					MAD I Camp Aug 5-11			Olympic Games II Camp Aug 5-11			Secret Service Camp Aug 5-11					

