# "In the First Place" Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly

October 23 - 28 Hunt, Texas



# Presbyterian Church Camp & Conference Association

# PCCCA Annual Conference October 23 - 28, 2011

# **Greetings from the Texas Hill Country!**

I can't express how thrilled I am to invite you to the 2011 PCCCA Annual Conference at Mo-Ranch. The Planning Team is hard at work planning a conference designed to provide space for inspiration, learning and fellowship.

This year's conference theme is "In the First Place." When the Planning Team gathered in March of 2010 to begin our planning process for this event, we spent a fair amount of time talking about what this event means to us. One of the items from our planning meeting that resonated with me is that the Annual Conference is a time and place where I am reminded why I felt called to camp and conference ministries "in the first place." The opportunity to gather with others who really understand this unique calling is something I look forward to every year. Over the course of the 2011 Annual Conference I hope you too will be reminded of your own sense of calling, and that this renewed awareness will provide nourishment in the year ahead.

There are a few items to highlight that are a little different from previous years. The major difference is the conference date. The conference is October 23 – 28, 2011 rather than our usual November date. Lord willing, that should mean fairly warm days and cool evenings here at Mo-Ranch. We're planning to be outside for worship on at least two occasions during the conference, and plan to take full advantage of good weather if we can. You might even consider packing a swimsuit to enjoy one our time honored Mo-traditions...The Mo-Slide. Also, the planning team came up with so many good candidates for keynote speakers, we couldn't decide on just three, so we'll be blessed with four keynote presentations from four great speakers. You'll find bios on all four speakers, plus our worship and music leaders in this brochure.

There are going to be so many great things about this year's conference, it would be impossible to cover them all in a short letter. You'll find all sorts of helpful information in this brochure. Keep in mind the brochure will expand as we receive more information. If you have a question not covered in this brochure, please feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:claytonr@moranch.com">claytonr@moranch.com</a> and I'll be happy to help.

I look forward to welcoming you to Mo-Ranch this October. Blessings to you, your families, and your ministries wherever and whatever they are.

In Christ,

#### Clayton Rascoe Chair of the 2011 PCCCA

Annual Conference Planning Team Chaplain Program Director at Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly

# **Conference Schedule**

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### Sunday, October 23

4:00	Check-in begins
5:30	First Timer's Gathering
6:00	Dinner
6:45	Parent's Meeting / Children's Pu

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- 8:30 Wine & Cheese Reception
- 9:00 Children's Program Ends

### Monday, October 24

7:30	Morning Watch
	Breakfast (served 'til 8:30)
8:30	Children's Program Begins
8:45	Welcome & Announcements
	Keynote – Sam Sikes
10:30	Break
10:45	Workshop Session # 1
12:00	Children's Program Ends
	Lunch
12:50	Children's Program begins
1:00	Workshop #2
2:30	Children's Program Ends
2:30	Free Time
2:45	T-Shirt Swap
4:00	Group Photo
4:30	Worship at Chapel On The Hill
5:30	Load up & head to The Hunt Stor
6:00	Dinner & Entertainment

8:15 Shuttles back to Mo-Ranch begin

# Tuesday, October 25

7:30	Morning Watch
	Breakfast (served 'til 8:30)
8:30	Children's Program Begins
8:45	Welcome & Announcements
	Keynote – Steve Baskin
10:30	Exhibit Hall (open 'til 1:15pm)
10:45	Workshop Session # 3
12:00	Children's Program Ends
	Lunch
1:00	Children's Program Begins
1:15	Association Meeting #1
2:30	Exhibit Hall (open 'til 7:00pm)
2:45	Workshop # 4
4:15	Children's Program Ends
4:00	Free Time
6:00	Dinner
7:00	Auction
10:00	Vespers



# Wednesday, October 26

7:30	Morning Watch
	Breakfast (served 'til 8:30)
8:30	Children's Program Begins
8:45	Welcome & Announcements
	Keynote – Kevin Witt
0:00	Association Meeting #2
11:15	Workshop Session # 5
2:30	Children's Program Ends
	Lunch / Free Afternoon

# Thursday, October 27

7:30	Morning Watch
	Breakfast (served 'til 8:30)
8:30	Children's Program Begins
8:45	Welcome & Announcements
	Keynote – Laura Mendenhall
10:30	Break
10:45	Association Meeting #3
12:00	Children's Program Ends
	Lunch
1:00	Children's Program Begins
	Camp Tour busses depart Mo-Ranch
1:15	Workshop 6
	Busses depart for Camp Tours
2:30	Workshop 7
4:00	Children's Program Ends
	Free Time
5:45	Busses return from Camp Tours
6:00	Dinner / Free Time
7:45	Closing Worship and Communion

# Frid<mark>ay,</mark> October 28

7:30 Breakfast (served 'til 8:30) Airport Shuttles Running

# **Conference Leadership**

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# **Steve Baskin**

#### Executive Director, Camp Champions (Marble Falls, TX)

Steve first attended camp when he was eight and it was there that he found his love for camping. In his years as a camper and a counselor, he discovered the power of the camp experience to develop confidence, social skills and joy. After graduating from Davidson College, he got off the camp track for a few years during which he was an investment banker. He then went to Harvard Business School, where he decided to pursue his true passion: summer camp. He and his wife, Susie, have been full-time campers since 1993. Steve has been featured in articles in the Wall Street Journal, American Way magazine, the Houston Chronicle and the Austin-American Statesman. He chaired the ACA Tri-State Conference in Atlantic City, NJ (the largest gathering of camp professionals in the world) from 2008-2010.



# Rev. Dr. Laura Mendenhall

#### Senior Philanthropy Advisor, Texas Presbyterian Foundation

Prior to joining Texas Presbyterian Foundation, Laura was President of Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, GA from 2000 to 2009. She served four congregations over the course of her ministry, including three in Texas. Her engaging style and unique perspective have made her a sought after keynote speaker for engagements ranging from youth, worship and women's conferences at Mo-Ranch and other PC(USA) events around the country. Laura is particularly gifted in communicating the mission of churches and institutions in ways that invite people to participate with their time, talent, energy and resources. Mo-Ranch occupies a special place in Laura's heart and we are excited to have her at the conference.



# Sam Sikes

#### Founder, DoingWorks Inc.

As a part of his training organization that specializes in experiential learning techniques, Sam facilitates and speaks in a variety of corporate and educational settings including Fortune 500 companies, small businesses and universities. Best known for his creativity, Sam has trained groups of as few as two people and as many as three thousand. His published materials include *Feeding the Zircon Gorilla, Executive Marbles, Raptor, Virtual World, 50 Ways To Use Your Noodle, 50 More Ways To Use Your Noodle, The Equestrian Knights Of Uma* and *Indoor Games for College Students and the Extremely Bored*. Sam has presented at the PCCCA Program Connection in the past, and the planning team looks forward to sharing his unique and creative style with you.



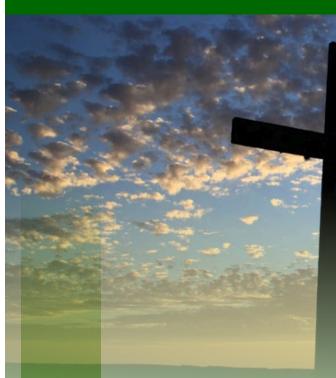
# **Rev. Kevin Witt**

### National Staff Person for United Methodist Camp and Retreat Ministry, General Board of Discipleship of the United Methodist Church

With more than 25 years of leadership within camp and retreat ministry, Kevin is widely recognized as an inspiring teacher, keynote speaker, and leader who knows how to move organizations forward in times of significant change. He is passionate about the profound role of faith-based camps and retreats in drawing people closer to God and in developing spiritual leaders. His gifts for collaboration, operational excellence, strategic planning and theological insight create a demand for his leadership as a consultant and trainer. Kevin has co-authored two books – *The Retreat Leader's Manual* and *Twists of Faith*. He also helps to teach camp and retreat ministry certification courses offered by Drew Theological Seminary (Madison, NJ).

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# **Rev. Sandy Tice - Worship Leader**

#### Pastor, First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino (California)

Sandy Tice holds a B.A. in Recreation and Leisure Studies from San Jose State and an M.Div from Fuller Theological Seminary. She has been a minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA) for over 20 years. Sandy holds a Diploma in the Art of Spiritual Direction and a D.Min in the area of Christian Spirituality. She has served several churches in California and lived briefly in Lima, Peru. In addition to pastoral work, she has taught at San Francisco Theological Seminary, does spiritual direction, and spent a dozen years in camping ministry. Camp was where she first made a commitment to Christ and where she first claimed her gifts and experienced a sense of call. That was 35 years ago, and she still makes her way to Westminster Woods (in Occidental, CA) every summer to be refreshed.



# **Rev. Hugh Donnelly - Music Leader**

#### Pastor, Guildwood Community Presbyterian Church (Toronto, ON)

Hugh taught himself to play guitar after enjoying some music one night in an Irish pub. He has a passion for congregational singing, and loves to help groups discover they can sing in four-part harmony. He has led music at the Montreat Youth Conference, Annual Recreation Workshop, Peacemaking Conference, Canada Youth and the Annual Event of the Association of Presbyterian Church Educators. Important activities in Hugh's life include long distance running, flying small airplanes, playing with Lost Pilgrims and enjoying beachside walks with his wife, Laura, and their three children. The PCCCA Annual Conference is pleased to be partnering with The Presbyterian Church in Canada to bring Hugh to Mo-Ranch to share in the leadership of this conference.

# **Pre-Conference Event**

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# **Compass Points**

A Certification Program for Camp and Conference Leaders PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CAMP AND CONFERENCE ASSOCIATION PCCCCCA C O L U M B I A THEOLOGICAL S E M I N A R Y

The certificate program's inaugural class, the Genesis Event (Articulating our Mission, Role and Value), will be offered as an Annual Conference pre-event on October 20th-23rd.

#### What is the Compass Points Certification Program?

This program was developed by the Presbyterian Church Camp and Conference Association in partnership with Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. It is designed for those looking to deepen their understanding of camp and conference ministry. Prospective students may be considering a call to camp and conference ministry, may be new to the field or may be seeking to widen their base of knowledge.

The certification program is comprised of eight courses of study, which are scheduled on a repeating two-year cycle. Each class covers key areas that are relevant to this unique ministry. These courses are:

- Articulating our Mission, Role and Value (The Genesis Event)
- Biblical and Reformed Theological Foundations
- Program Design and Implementation
- Personnel and Leadership
- Non-Profit Business Management
- Development
- Site Administration
- Capstone Event

The certificate is offered by through a partnership between the Presbyterian Church Camp and Conference Association (PCCCA) and Columbia Theological Seminary (CTS). Faculty for the courses will include seminary staff and Presbyterian camp/conference professionals. The classes will be offered as pre-events at the PCCCA Annual Conference each fall and at Columbia Theological Seminary (in Decatur, GA) in the spring. The only exception is the Site Administration course, which is an independent internship program reviewed by a mentor. Students can exempt out of a class if they have previously received sufficient course credit in a related program or can demonstrate an experience level with the course content that satisfies the PCCCA-CTS Certification Task Force requirements.

### **Schedule of Upcoming Certification Courses**

#### DATE

**October 20th-23rd, 2011** Articulating our Mission, Role and Value (The Genesis Event)

March 11th-14th, 2012 Biblical and Reformed Theological Foundations

March 14th-17th, 2012 Program Design and Implementation

November 8th-11th, 2012 Personnel and Leadership LOCATION

A Pre-Event for the PCCCA Annual Conference Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly (Hunt, TX)

Columbia Theological Seminary (Decatur, GA)

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# **The Conference Pre-Event**

The certificate program will kick-off with its first **Genesis Event** (Articulating our Mission, Role and Value) just prior to the 2011 PCCCA Annual Conference at the Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly (Hunt, TX).

The pre-event will focus on the importance of a camp and conference center's mission. Course content will include the development, implementation, and articulation of a mission statement. Learners will discover how this statement helps drive and shape all aspect of ministry at a camp and conference center.

The course will also include opportunities for discernment of one's own call to camp and conference ministry. This class recognizes and celebrates that all of us come to camp and conference ministry from different places. It is intentionally centered around storytelling, worship and community building as we explore the meaning of personal and collective calling and mission. Course content will be explored in an experiential setting with an emphasis on celebrating different learning styles.

### The Curriculum/Teaching Team for the Genesis Event

### **Rev. Betty Angelini**

Executive Director, Crestfield Camp and Conference Center Slippery Rock, PA

# **Paul Humphreys**

Program Director, Calvin Center Hampton, GA

### **Rev. Peter Surgenor**

Executive Director, Holmes Presbyterian Camp and Conference Center Holmes, NY

# **Tuition and Lodging**

The tuition cost for this certification course is \$225.00. Lodging and meals at Mo-Ranch during the preevent will be \$192.50 for double occupancy or \$326.00 if you would like a single room. This includes three nights in private bath bedroom accommodations and nine meals (Thursday dinner through Sunday lunch). We would like to have all of the participants arrive at Mo-Ranch by 5:00pm.

A shuttle is available from the San Antonio International Airport (SAT) for \$25 one-way or \$40 round trip (either going back on Sunday or at the end of the Annual Conference). On Thursday the 20th, the shuttle will be leaving the airport at 3:30pm. Please plan your flights accordingly. If you are taking the shuttle back to the airport on Sunday the 23rd, we ask that you schedule your departure no earlier than 3:30pm.

# **Have Questions?**

If you should have any questions about the conference pre-event or the certification program in general, please contact Joel Winchip, PCCCA Executive Director, at <u>joel@pccca.net</u> or (803) 322-0232.

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#### **OP** Know the Ropes

#### Sam Sikes, Keynote Speaker

Join Sam to learn several activities that teach lessons and skills using pieces of rope. All the activities are great to pull out during rainy days or just about anytime you need people engaged. All we'll need is people, rope and a few smiles.

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### **G P** Balancing YOUR Family With CAMP Family

#### Allyson Ashmore, Darren Ashmore & Harry Zweckbronner

Whether you live on or off-site, work with a family member or not, have children or don't, balancing a family life amidst working amongst a camp family can be very challenging. Please join us as we talk about it at this discussion centered workshop.

**Allyson Ashmore** is the program director at Hopewell Camp & Conference Center in Oxford, MS, where she has served with her husband, **Darren Ashmore**, for 10 years. Darren serves as the Site Manager at Hopewell. Darren and Allyson reside at camp with their daughters Brynn and Gracyn.

Harry Zweckbronner is the program director at Camp Johnsonburg in Johnsonburg, NJ.

### **I G P** Singing Through the Church Year

#### Hugh Donnelly, Music Leader

This workshop will focus on learning new songs that can be used in programming at camp and conference centers throughout the year. Songs that are used for worship during Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, Pentecost and other church celebrations will be introduced.

*Hugh Donnelly* is our conference music leader. His bio can be found in the Conference Leadership section of this brochure on the Worship & Music page.

### O G D Being a Director 101

#### **PCCCA Consultants**

Many directors jump into their roles in camp and conference ministry after being involved in program or facilities, but just what are the basics that every director should know? We'll cover the essentials that every camp and conference director needs to know.

### **I** O SITE TOUR: The Broad Stroke Facilities Tour

#### **Mo-Ranch Staff Member**

Join members of the Mo-Ranch staff as they take you through a sampling of our lodging and meeting spaces. This tour will focus on giving participants an overview of Mo-Ranch with particular focus on recent upgrades, historical buildings not featured on Thursday's historical tour, and future plans. Tour guides will give you an idea of the capacity and use of spaces as well as how they are used in specific departments to fulfill Mo-Ranch's Mission Statement.

# Healthy Governing Boards/Committees Lead to Success Gary Batty & Rich Swartwood Learn about the elements and guidelines that help insure a knowledgeable

Learn about the elements and guidelines that help insure a knowledgeable, well functioning governance/advisory group for your ministry. Identify differences between boards and committees. Share strategies for effective development of your oversight group, from selection to recognition and all points in between. Come prepared to share your problems and solutions.

**Gary Batty** has been in camp and conference ministry for 28 years; 21 as Executive Director of Stronghold Center, IL and the last 7 as Vice President of Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly. He is a member of the PCCCA Consultant's Network specializing in strategic planning, board development and governing body relations.

**Rich Swartwood** has been in camp and conference ministry for 17 years serving as Executive Director of Camp PYOCA, IN. He serves as the Coordinator of the PCCCA Consultants Network and specializes in board development, funds development and strategic planning.

#### **O P**umpkin Decorating

Bring your creativity and love of fall to this workshop to help spruce up the decor around Mo-Ranch. Enjoy the crisp Autumn air and let your creative juices flow. Pumpkins and supplies will be available.

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#### Camper Marketing: Embracing Your Purple Cow Bill Hinton

A culture change in your camper marketing: Figure out what makes your camp unique and embrace it and use it to your advantage. This session will have some lecture and case study as well as some group work to get you started on your camps unique camper marketing plan. Based on books like *Good to Great, Raving Fans* and *The Purple Cow*.

**Bill Hinton** is an Austin, Texas native and attended Colby College in Waterville, Maine earning a degree in Psychology and Biology. He started his camping journey at Camp La Junta, and now works at Camp Flaming Arrow, just down the road. Bill's career dream of working with YMCA Camp Flaming Arrow has been met, now he is faced with the awesome challenge of working to make it the best camp around.

#### **OBP** Mo-Ranch Environmental Leadershship Program

#### Patrick Fitzgerald, Director of Outdoor Educational Ministries

Learn more about the Environmental Leadership Program which thousands of school-aged children from around Texas and beyond participate in each year. Tour the facilities and learn about some of the key components of the program.

#### **G** And What About Tomorrow?

#### **Douglas Kelly, Board of Pensions**

During this seminar, a representative of the Board of Pensions will discuss important aspects of retirement including financial planning, time management, and physical and mental health. For members of the Pension Plan the seminar leader will be able to answer specific questions dealing with the person's retirement. There will be time for questions following the workshop.

**Rev. Dr. Douglas Kelly** is the Regional Representative of the Board Pensions of the Presbyterian Church, USA. Doug has served in this position for six years. He has served as a synod and presbytery executive for some twenty-five years. Doug currently works out of Kansas City,MO and serves the synods of Mid-America, Lincoln Trails and Lakes and Praries.

### **TEO** Environmentally Conscious Landscaping: A "Walk About" Workshop Aroldo Barrera, Mo-Ranch Grounds Manager

#### Gary Batty, Mo-Ranch Vice President

You will visit examples where Mo-Ranch has taken steps to be more sensitive to the environment while continuing to provide an inviting and attractive landscape for our guests in drought prone south central Texas. While examples may be region specific, the basic concepts are transferable.

**Aroldo Barrera** has been employed at Mo-Ranch for 16 years and has been Grounds Manager for 14 years. He has special skills in the areas of turf management and native plant landscape design. Previously employed in ranch management, he gained specific knowledge in Ashe Juniper control. He and his crew of 3 full time employees are responsible for the development and upkeep of Mo-Ranch's grounds, specialized landscapes, gardens and greenhouse.

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### PCCCA Consultants' Series - Part 1 of 3

Paul Fogg, Peter Surgenor & Rich Swartwood

The PCCCA Consulants will be leading a three-part series on budget/finance, annual campaign, and preparing sites for a capital campaign at this year's Annual Conference. This is part 1 in the series.

Basic Budget/Finance: How to Generate, Read and Report Financial Reports

**Paul Fogg** is the Executive Director of Calvin Center in Hampton, Georgia. He is a expert in Building Design, Master Planning, Program Design, Camp and Conference Center Management, Board Development and Ministry Planning. Paul is also part of the PCCCA Consultant Network.

**Peter Surgenor** is the Executive Director at Holmes Presbyterian Center in Holmes, NY. Peter has served as president of both PCCCA and the American Camping Association. Peter is also a part of the PCCCA Consultant Network.

**Rich Swartwood** is the Executive Director at Pyoca Camp, Conference & Retreat Center (Indiana) and has a certificate in Fund Raising Management through Indiana University Center on Philanthropy. Pyoca's budget has quadrupled in the past 15 years, primarily due to successful fund development. Rich is also part of the PCCCA Consultant Network.

### **OPD** Measuring Our Missional Outcomes

#### Kevin Witt, Keynote Speaker

We are being asked at many levels whether or not we actually have the impact we say we have. Do we truly help deepen Christian faith among most of our participants and guests? Do we still play a significant role in developing spiritual leaders and helping them discern their calls to ministry? Do we actually inspire our guests and guest groups to great levels of love and justice? How do we know this is happening at what level? The only way we can assess this in an ongoing way is to establish measurable goals directly related to the key areas of our mission. We can then demonstrate how we are doing and can work more intentionally to improve. Come discuss how this might be implemented and the benefits of knowing more clearly what our impact is.

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### Output Standing the True Benefits of Summer Camp

#### Steve Baskin, Keynote Speaker

The summer camp experience is 150 years old, but we are only now coming to understand the powerful benefits of camp. Children who attend camp gain confidence, independence, greater faith and leadership skills. In the past, we have relied on anecdotes to communicate these advantages, but recent studies have begun to provide empirical evidence of the benefits. Come hear about the research and how we can use it to bring more children to the camp experience.

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#### **G** The Benefits Plan and You

#### Rev. Dr. Douglas Kelly, Board of Pensions

What is included in your benefits plan through the Board of Pensions? The seminar will explore the many facets of the Plan lookin specifically at the Employee Assistance Program, Healthcare, and Death and Disability. There will be time to look at the effects that the Healthcare Reform law has had and will have on healthcare in general and specifically on the Board of Pensions. Time will be left at the end of the seminar for questions.

# Output the Section 2 Content of the Section

#### Ali Mann, Bunk1

Session will cover the different ways in which you can use the web to improve interactions with parents. Specifically we will discuss ways you can better market your program, improve reigstration process and better communicate with parents. Bunk1 will show you how to save time, save money, and get organized.

**Ali Mann** is the Senior Sales Manager at Bunk 1. Having attended camp for 11 years both as a camper and counselor, Ali has chosen to continue expanding relations with those in the camping industry. Ali is responsible for bringing new camps on board to work with Bunk1, managing new client needs, and maintaining relationships with Bunk 1's current client base.

#### **O P** Abuse Prevention Programs & Services for Camps Carl Kotheimer, Insurance Board

A review of six elements of sexual abuse prevention as defined by the Centers for Disease Control, and why many programs come up short. Also a review of free and subsidized services from the Insurance Board available to all: Free online sexual abuse prevention training and subsidized background checking services by Praesidium.

**Carl Kotheimer** is the Director, Loss Control & Claims for the Insurance Board. He has 36 years' experience in corporate risk management, complex claims, litigation and leadership in safety training programs. Carl is the creator of the SafeConduct Workbench on the Insurance Board website, a resource for abuse prevention policy development and related services.

### **OPD** Bucking the Trends

#### Kevin Witt, Keynote Speaker

The country continues a long slow recovery from the recent economic downturn. It has been challenging for nearly everyone, including families, churches and camp & retreat centers. This workshop focuses on recommendations from professional camp and retreat consultants and experienced camp and retreat leaders about steps staff and boards can take to strengthen the long-term sustainability of their ministries. We will examine key factors essential to missional and financial viability, and gain insights from nine camp and retreat ministries that have grown or improved their financial viability during the last three years when others have experienced declines in participation or faced financial deficits. Learning from and supporting each other, we can make it possible for Christian camp and retreat ministry to establish a stronger future.

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#### **(F)** Introduction to 2012 New Earth Curriculum

#### Allyson Ashmore

We will walk through the curriculum, looking at the Biblical background, daily discoveries, and the activities that will engage campers for the 2012 camp season.

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### You Mean I Have to Raise Money Too?

#### Paul Marsh CFRE, Associate, GSB Fundraising

In this workshop, you will learn successful fundraising techniques for your ministry, regardless of your staff size. We will discuss annual fund efforts in the small/one person shop, as well as proper mechanics to keep your donors happy and fulfilled. We will also talk about donor traching, major gifts, capital campaigns, planned giving, and GSB's Ten Steps to Success. You will leave with a concrete and doable action plan for your development program!

**Paul Marsh** is a development professional with two decades of experience in a variety of nonprofit organizations—colleges and universities, outdoor ministry, campus ministry and social service organizations. In 2003 he opened the Guadalupe County Children's Advocacy Center, a nonprofit organization dedicated to serving sexually abused children. Paul is skilled in building annual funds, leading capital campaigns, directing planned giving programs and conducting strategic planning and board development efforts.

### **O P** Ropes Course Building/Standards

#### Josh Todd, Rope Works

Learn about the building standards being put into place in today's ropes courses. Learn what you can do to make sure your course is in compliance.

#### **SITE TOUR: The Down and Dirty Behind the Scenes Tour Part I** Mo-Ranch Staff Member

Get a look behind the scenes of Mo-Ranch's operations. On this tour you will go to the King Dining Hall Kitchen to meet with Dining Services Director, Scott Schafer. Scott oversees the service of over 140,000 meals a year plus refreshment deleveries, catered events, and the Wagon Wheel Café. Then travel to our Housekeeping Department to meet with Director of Housekeeping, Don Cottonware to get an in-depth look at what it takes to keep our guest rooms and public areas clean and ready for the thousands of guests Mo-Ranch serves annually.

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#### Annual Campaign Support - What does it mean? Where do I start? How to do it?

Does your site have an effective annual campaign? If so, GREAT! Come and tweak your plans to make it more effective. If NOT, YOU NEED TO ATTEND! We will have a brief review of fund development trends and discuss success stories, then will develop a calendar/task list to begin to help sites become experts at annual campaigns!

**Maria Shupe** has served as Executive Director of Highlands Presbyterian Camp and Retreat Center for six years. Everything she had learned about funds development has been from sheer necessity. Maria will gladly share what has worked and what has not, as we have reduced our debt and grown our budget. Maria is also part of the PCCCA Consultant Network.

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#### **F P Creating Places of Meaning: Community & Contemplation by Design** *Amanda Williamson, Kaleidoscope*

What is it that makes that one spot on camp so inviting for quiet reflection? Why do people flock to another to congregate? Sometimes the answer is obvious, other times it's harder to name. Learn the components make social and sacred spaces special and successful, starting with you.

**Amanda Williamson** is a CLARB certified landscape architect committed to providing practical, sustainable site plans for camps and centers. Amanda's personal camp experience, her professional training, and her understanding of environmental design are a solid foundation for creating site and facility plans that support 21st century programs, campers, and guests.

#### Online Registration: The Nitty Gritty

#### Rob Carmichael, CampBrain

Let's discuss online registration in detail! How to get the most of our parents accounts, how to keep credit costs lower, whether to accept e-checks, how to put more online than just the camper registration form (think medical form, staff application, etc.) how to integrate with your database. Bring your questions!

**Rob Carmichael** is a principal with CampBrain and has served the camp industry for the past 12 years, specializing in camp management software and online registration. When not chatting with camps, he can be found at various hockey arenas coaching his kids.

# P Partnerships with Universities

#### Dr. Lynn Litchke

This session will focus on the various ways university organizations and recreation programs can partner with camps to utilize their services to meet the needs of faculty, staff, and students. Several key organizations will be viewed such as fraternal, service, and honor societies. More specifically, we will take a look at the recreation curriculum including fieldwork and internship opportunities and class projects.

**Dr. Lynn Litchke** received a Bachelor's of Science in Education with an emphasis in Therapeutic Recreation from Ohio State University. She went on to obtain a Master's in Physical Education and a Doctorate in Adult, Professional, and Community Education from Texas State University-San Marcos. Lynn is an Assistant Professor of Therapeutic Recreation and has taught Therapeutic Recreation and Leadership for 10 years at Texas State University-San Marcos. One of her roles is developing service opportunities and partnerships between the university the community.

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#### **SITE TOUR: The Down and Dirty Behind the Scenes Tour Part II** Mo-Ranch Staff Member

Are you curious to know what it takes to keep 307 toilets flushing, 179 HVAC units running, 3,914 exterior light bulbs burning and over 500 acres of grounds in good shape? On this tour, Director of Facilities, Mark Perhamus will take you to the Mo-Ranch maintenance shop and waste water treatment plant to give you the low down on what it takes to keep a facility with an annual guest night count of over 70,000 running as smoothly as possible.

# **ODP** Dashboards and Scorecards: Developing Key Indicators to Tell If Your Site is on Track

#### Wynne Whyman, Lodgepole

Board members, Executive Directors, and people in key leadership positions: Your team has a vital responsibility to lead the organization, and they need to know if the organization is on track for the future. In this workshop, we'll examine how to create a dashboard/scorecoard type of indicator tool for your camp or conference center. This workshop is geared toward the whole camp/center operation and focused around the recent article in InSite Magazine by CCCA.

**Wynne Whyman** wrote the book *Outdoor Site and Facility Management: Tools for Creating Memorable Places* and is president of Lodgepole (facility software). Wynne's background includes training boards, serving on non-profit boards and 25 years of experience in the camping field.

#### G Is There Life After Camp? Retirement Is Not In Our Vocabulary! Alan Herbert

There is only one scripture reference that talks about retirement! Moses gave instructions that after retirement we are "to minister with our brethren to attend to needs....but are no longer to be responsible for the work" (Num. 8:26 NKJV/CEV). But what does that mean in practice? As you consider this call to a new ministry in your life, how do you decide when and where to retire? How will you prepare spiritually and financially for retirement? How will you plan for succession and prepare your site for leadership changes? What does meaningful "attending to needs" look like as you change your life? Join a panel discussion with recently retired camp directors who have successfully made the transition. Share experiences and models of the transition and the new ministries in which they are engaged.

**Alan Herbert**, with his wife Dorothy, was co-Director at Gracefield Camp & Conference Centre (Quebec) for 15 years before retiring in 2009. Alan was instrumental in bringing Presbyterian Church in Canada camps into full partnership with PCCCA. Prior to Gracefield, Alan was Managing Director of Operation Bootstrap, an ecumenical chaplaincy initiative on in Toronto that provided vocational counselling to displaced executive and professional staff. He spent 16 years at the Hudson Bay Co. corporate IT division finishing as Director of Training and Development.

### Expecting more from CIT's and LIT's

#### **Tim Huchton**

Are you looking for a CIT/LIT program that goes far beyond preparing them to be great camp counselors? Throw out the norm and increase your expectations for this age group. Four years ago Mo-Ranch completely revamped the CIT and LIT programs. The result is a program for 16-17 year olds that has grown 153%, has increased camper retention for that age group to over 75% and has become a signature piece of camp. Whether you are looking to create a new program, redo your existing program, or just gather new ideas to refresh a program you already have this workshop will be a great starting point.

**Tim Huchton** is the Camp Director for Mo-Ranch where he has served for 7 years. He fell in love with summer camp by accident 15 years ago and has not left since. He serves on the ACA Texoma leadership council and has been involved with numerous local and national camp conference planning teams.

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#### D PCCCA Consultants' Series - Part 3 of 3

#### **Bob Pryor and Maria Shupe**

The PCCCA Consulants will be leading a three-part series on budget/finance, annual campaign, and preparing sites for a capital campaign at this year's Annual Conference. This is part 3 in the series.

#### **Captial Campaigns: Two Perspectives**

Whether you are planning a Capital Campaign with professional support or on your own, you'll want to participate in this workshop! Maria and Bob will provide experience, materials and resources from one who has "done it on their own" and one who has used a professional fundraising consultant. We'll share the challenges of Capital Campaigns in the current economy, along with the strategies that have provided the most success! Join us and we will share the wealth of knowledge we have acquired!

**Bob Pryor** serves as Director of Camp Hanover in Mechanicsville, Virginia. Bob is also part of the PCCCA Consultant Network.

**Maria Shupe** has served as Executive Director of Highlands Presbyterian Camp and Retreat Center for six years. Everything she had learned about funds development has been from sheer necessity. Maria will gladly share what has worked and what has not, as we have reduced our debt and grown our budget. Maria is also part of the PCCCA Consultant Network.

### P No Limits Staff Recruiting and Training

#### Steven King

Why think outside the box when you can throw the box away? How many times have we done the same old thing for finding staff and training them? This workshop will give you insight into how one camp creates a staff frenzy about coming to camp. Real Camp. Real Ideas. Real Fun.

**Steven King** is a camp director at Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville, TX. He is also a frequent conference speaker, mentor and life coach. He has served on the Texoma ACA Board as well as the C.A.M.P. Board.

#### **O P Changing Your Thinking From "Off Season" to "Retreat Season"** Jaynie Schultz & Debra Williams, Retreat Central

Every camp today has two seasons: camp season and off-season. While camps are quite adept at marketing for their camp season, rarely do they devote the time and resources to off-season business. This session will explore the process of selling and marketing a camp for the retreat season. It will focus on this valuable retreat season and how camps can capture this business.

Jaynie Schultz spent the past 20 years growing Garrett Creek Ranch Conference Center, and now leads Retreat Central with Debra Williams. She sits on numerous national and local boards, including the Foundation for Jewish Camp. Debra Williams knows sales and marketing from many different perspectives. She served as Director of Sales for Garrett Creek Ranch and owned and operated successful restaurants in the Dallas metroplex for 17 years.

### Eco-Stewards Workshop

Workshop leader and workshop description to be announced.

#### **Canoeing the Guadalupe**

Take in the beautiful Guadalupe River by canoe. During this workshop, you will have the opportunity to enjoy the smooth, clear waters of the Guadalupe River as a nature watch, a leisurely canoe ride, or just splashing around with friends. Whichever floats your boat. This workshop is suitable for all ages.

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#### **SITE TOUR: The Historical Mo-Ranch Story** *Mo-Ranch Staff Member*

Come on a walking tour through the heart of Mo-Ranch and learn about its unique beginings as the ranch of Texas oil-man Daniel Moran. Many of the buildings in the main campus date to the 1930's and 1940's when the Moran family owned the Ranch. See examples of Monterey furniture, San Jose tile, and ironwork of master artisan Erich Riesel.

### **G O** A New Way Up the Hill

#### Sandy Tice

It's ironic that we who work on holy ground where others come seeking God can grow weary, and spiritually depleted. The changing nature of ministry and the Church, financial pressures, and demands of hospitality make it imperative that we find a way to be refreshed by God's love. Hikes were a fixture where I used to work, and we took delight in carving out new ones- all of which led to the vistas at the top of the hill. Similarly, our tradition provides more than one way to place ourselves in the presence of the Holy One. We'll describe and experiment with some prayer practices, and listen together for the Spirit's encouragement and call.

**Sandy Tice** is our conference worship leader. Her bio can be found in the Conference Leadership section of this brochure on the Worship & Music page.

# Like This Workshop: Social Media and #SummerCamp #PCCCA2011 Doug Walters

Social Media is dramatically changing the way we communicate. How can we tap into this trend to build relationships with campers and staff, connect with parents, inform & respond to user groups, and tell our story? Using real world examples, we'll look at Social Media best practices and pitfalls. We'll contrast and compare the similarities & differences, strengths & weaknesses of various platforms, and explore how to effectively employ social media in our programs and marketing efforts. Whether you are new to social media and want to know where to start, or are an online pro looking for innovative ideas, you will leave this workshop with tips, tricks, concepts and resources that can immediately improve your camp or conference center's online presence.

**Doug Walters** has over a decade of experience directing Presbyterian summer camps and retreats. A jack of all trades, Doug is also a stay-at-home dad, graphic designer, videographer and self-proclaimed "computer geek." He currently serves as the webmaster and Interim Director of Youth Ministry at Second Presbyterian Church in Little Rock, Arkansas.

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### **D** Continuing the Conversation

#### Laura Mendenhall, Keynote Speaker

Laura Mendenhall will be available to follow up on issues raised during the keynote: how and where to tell the story of your camp, how and where to have conversations regarding the funding needed to run your camp, how and where to find the vision to lead the camp.

*Laura Mendenhall* is one of our keynote speakers. Her bio can be found in the Conference Leadership section of this brochure on the Keynote Speakers page.

# **0** Off - Site Tours



We will be touring three of the local area camps, including: Camp Waldemar, Camp La Junta, and Camp Flaming Arrow.

**Camp Waldemar** is a for-profit, all girls camp located between Hunt, TX and Mo-Ranch on FM 1340. Waldemar offers long and short terms ranging from one week to thrity days for campers between the second and eleventh grades. While campers can choose from over thirty activities, they are best known for their equestrian program including polo-crosse.



**YMCA Camp Flaming Arrow** is a non-profit summer camp located along the banks of the South Fork of the Guadalupe River a few miles past The Hunt Store. Executive Director Bill Hinton uses the core values of the YMCA to craft unforgettable experiences for campers. Campers from ages 6 to 16 leave with new friends, increased self-confidence and memories that last a lifetime!



**Camp La Junta** is an all boys, for-profit camp located near Hunt, TX. "La Junta" comes from an old Indian word which means "the gathering place". Camp La Junta began in 1928 with four campers and a program for camping excellence which has continued to date. Third generation campers are now enjoying themselves, growing, discovering their capabilities and learning good citizenship. Owners Blake and Cheryl Smith are long time friends of Mo-Ranch and are members fo First Presbyterian Church of Kerrville, Texas.

The camp tours will depart Mo-Ranch at 1:00 p.m. from the King Dining Hall. Those going on camp tours should not plan to be back to Mo-Ranch until 5:45 p.m. and will not be able to go to other afternoon workshops.

# **Explore the Region**

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# **Afternoon Options for Wednesday**

Wednesday afternoon is wide open for you to enjoy everything that the region has to offer. Below you will find planned trips and destination suggestions. If you do not feel like traveling on Wednesday, you can also stay at Mo-Ranch and enjoy what the facility has to offer. Dinner will be served (at a nominal cost) for anyone who makes reservations by Tuesday.

#### San Antonio Zoo

**The San Antonio Zoo** is home to over 3,500 animals representing 600 species of animals on 56 acres. More than 1,000,000 guests visit the San Antonio Zoo annually - 13,155 of those being children participating in education programs and 80,000 school children coming on field trips. The cost is \$18 for youth and \$20 for adults (transportation and zoo admission only).



#### James Avery/Fredericksburg

James Avery Craftsman is a top jewelry designer, manufacturer and retailer in the US, mostly throughout the southern states. Its jewelry collection, numbering some 1,100 designs and 14,000 items made in sterling silver, yellow and white gold, and gemstones, is sold through about 200 independent retailers and more than 60 of its own stores mostly in Texas, but also in Colorado, Georgia, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Tennessee, and Arkansas.

After spending some time at James Avery, travel with us to the town of *Fredericksburg*. Fredericksburg is a hop, skip, and a jump away from James Avery headquarters and a great way to spend the afternoon into the evening. The town is full of shops, sites, restaurants, and some rich history. The cost is \$10 (transportation and James Avery tour).

#### San Antonio RiverWalk

**The San Antonio RiverWalk** is a public park, open 365 days a year. It is a network of walkways along the banks of the San Antonio River, one story beneath approximately 5 miles of downtown San Antonio. Lined by bars, shops and restaurants, the River Walk is an important part of the city's urban fabric and a tourist attraction in its own right. The River Walk winds and loops under bridges as two parallel sidewalks, lined with restaurants, shops, hotels and more. It connects the major tourist draws from the Alamo to Rivercenter Mall, Arneson River Theatre and La Villita, the San Antonio Museum of Art, and the Pearl Brewery. The cost is \$10 (transportation only).

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# **Conference Theme: "In The First Place"**

Even after a particularly rewarding summer of ministry, camp and conference professionals often come into the fall needing a break from their ministries to recharge their batteries. For years, the PCCCA Annual Conference has provided a gathering space for the Presbyterian camp and conference family, for individuals to center themselves after the summer, before the next sumer begins, and for the sharing of shared successes and challenges.

When the planning team gathered to discuss this conference for the first time, words and phrases like **connection**, **community**, **renewal** and **inspiration** bubbled quickly to the surface of the conversation. Again and again, when talking about Annual Conferences past, it was mentioned that this conference is a place where we are reminded of why we do what we do and are strengthened by gathering with those who "get it."

Through conference events like keynote, workshops and worship we are crafting an event to remind you why you got into this challenging, frustrating, spirit-filled calling known as camp and conference ministry... in the first place. Through open spaces in the schedule for meals, free-time, late night card games and conversations, we hope you'll renew old connections and kindle new ones. The PCCCA Annual Conference creates a community unlike any other, and our hope and prayer is that you will leave renewed and inspired for the year to come.

### Sabbath Space

Throughout the event, Sabbath Space will be available for personal prayer, meditation and reflection. This self-guided space is designed to invite you into awareness of and conversation with God. Take advantage of this opportunity to "be still and know that I am God."

### **T-Shirt Swap**

Bring t-shirts, sweatshirts, water bottles or anything else with your camp or conference logo on it (children sizes are welcome as well). This free-for-all exchange could help with next year's t-shirt design and give you good ideas for new items in your camp store.



### Auction

The Annual Auction Fund Raiser is a high-energy, fun-filled, entertaining evening supporting our organization. Items for the auction may be shipped in advance to Mo-Ranch. Plan now to provide an item, and bring your check book and a generous heart!

### **Dinner at The Hunt Store**

What would a trip to Texas be without sampling some BBQ, playing washers and listening to some live Texas Music? **The Hunt Store**, with its open porch and rustic trappings, quaint signs and swinging doors, "long-necks" and barbecue, welcomes visitors to a non-airconditioned world where the historic Texas past is still very much alive.



### **Children and Youth Program**

Childcare will be provided for children under age 5. Programming will also be provided for children age 5 and older. Program options for youth include kids only options as well as intergenerational activities. Childcare and children's programs are provided during keynote and workshop times. Be sure to check out the free afternoon options for family-friendly fun!

#### **Exhibit Hall** An exhibit hall in the

An exhibit hall in the King Dining Room will open Tuesday the 25th from 10:30am to 1:15pm and from 2:30 to 7:00pm. Exhibitors will be on hand to share what they offer your camp and conference ministry. Participants who visit certain booths will be entered into a special drawing for prizes donated by these organizations. Exhibitors are listed at the end of this brochure.

# **Annual P Triple C A Quintiple K Run**

Chicago has their "Magnificent Mile." in Texas, we do things bigger: "The Mo Magnificent Miles." Run or walk 1 mile, 2 miles or the whole 3.1 miles (5K). Bring your running or walking shoes and join us for this toast to good health through the Texas Hill Country. Top dozen small, medium, large and extra large finishers recieve a commemorative "Mo Magnificent Miles" t-shirt.

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# **Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly**

Since 1949, Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly has been a camp and conference center affiliated with the Synod of the Sun of the Presbyterian Church (USA). We occupy approximately 500 acres in a beautiful setting on the North Fork of the Guadalupe River in the scenic Texas Hill Country. Our facilities represent a rich architectural heritage of distinctive native limestone buildings with impressive decorative features of colorful tiles and ornamental ironwork.

# **Our Mision**

The Mission of Presbyterian Mo-Ranch Assembly is to provide a special place and an enriching program in a living, learning, Christian environment to enable people to grow in God through Jesus Christ.

# **Food Service**

The King Dining Hall's rustic interior with cedar vaulted

ceilings and three huge fireplaces has a seating capacity of 420 people. King Dining Hall serves more than 160,000 meals annually with a varied menu to meet the taste of young and mature appetites alike.

# Things You Should Know

Free wireless internet is available during your stay in the Lobby area of Registration building and in hotel-style accomodations.

Pets are not allowed.

Weather in late October will be comfortable, with warm days and cool nights.

Please bring personal gear and toiletry items. Bedding and towels will be provided. Pack a swimsuit to enjoy one of our traditions, a splashdown into the Guadalupe River from atop the Mo Slide.

# **Airport Shuttles**

Mo-Ranch will be providing shuttle service to and from the **San Antonio International Airport (SAT)** on the first and last day of the conference.

#### Cost for shuttle service is \$25 one-way or \$40 round trip.

On October 23rd the approximate first shuttle will pick up at SAT at 11:00 a.m. The last shuttle will leave SAT at approximately 5:30 p.m. On October 28th, the first shuttle will not leave Mo-Ranch before 5:00 a.m.

#### Departing flights for those using the shuttle service should be scheduled no earlier than 8:00 a.m.

First and last shuttle times are subject to change depending on the number of reservations for shuttle services. Those arriving/departing outside of these times will need to make other arrangements for travel.

All major rental car companies are available at SAT. You can arrange alternate transportation with Hill Country Limousine (<u>www.hillcountrylimos.com</u>) for an airport shuttle at any time.

**If you plan to travel by train**, please contact Clayton Rascoe at 800-460-4401 ext. 242 or <u>claytonr@moranch.com</u> if you would like shuttle service.

No refunds for shuttle services will be given within 10 days of the start of the conference.

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# **Driving? Here's How:**

### **Driving From San Antonio 90 Miles**

West on IH-10 to Kerrville to State Hwy 16 (exit 508) and take SH 16 into town; turn right at the Courthouse on State Hwy 27 to Ingram; take State Hwy 39 from Ingram to Hunt. Turn in Hunt on FM 1340 for 11 miles.

# **Driving From Austin 130 Miles**

West on US 290 through Johnson City to Fredericksburg: take State Hwy 16 into Kerrville turning right at Courthouse onto State Hwy 27 to Ingram; take State Hwy 39 from Ingram to Hunt, turning right at Hunt onto FM 1340 to Mo-Ranch (11 miles).

# **Driving From Houston 295 Miles**

West on 1-10 to San Antonio. In San Antonio, west on IH-10 to Kerrville to State Hwy 16 (exit 508) and take SH 16 into town; turn right at the Courthouse on State Hwy 27 to Ingram; take State Hwy 39 from Ingram to Hunt. Turn in Hunt on FM 1340 for 11 miles.

# Driving from Dallas / Ft. Worth 325 Miles

South on IH-35 to US 290 in Austin. West on US 290 through Johnson City to Fredericksburg: take State Hwy 16 into Kerrville turning right at Courthouse onto State Hwy 27 to Ingram; take State Hwy 39 from Ingram to Hunt, turning right at Hunt onto FM 1340 to Mo-Ranch (11 miles).

Amarillo

# **Driving From El Paso 530 Miles**

East on IH-10 to the Mountain Home/Rocksprings exit 490. This will put you on State Hwy 41. Turn right and go approximately 16.5 miles to FM 1340, turn left and Mo-Ranch is 11 miles on your left.



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# **How To Register**

Whether you are planning on paying with a check or credit card, please click on the "Register Online" link for the registration form. When you complete the process using a credit card, you are immediately registered for the conference. If you choose to mail a check for your fees, the registration process is not complete until we receive your payment. You will be notified by email once your payment is received. All payments are to be made in U.S. Dollars. We wish to thank UltraCamp for their donation of this online registration system.

# **Register Online - Click Here!**



### Wynne / Flato Lodges

**Double Occupancy Rooms - \$222.50 per person** Fifty large hotel rooms, each with two queen beds and full bath. Upstairs rooms have private balconies. Two-story lodges joined by a comfortable lobby and meeting room.





#### Pheasant Run Single Occupancy Rooms - \$445.00 per person

Thirty-one rooms, each with two queen beds and full bath; an additional ADA accessible room with one queen bed and sleep lounge. Upstairs rooms have private balconies with beautiful view of the ranch.



#### Group Housing - \$170.00 per person

The original ranch owner's home, styled after an early Spanish mansion, with 8 bedrooms, most with private baths, a large living room with fireplace.





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#### **Guest Lodge**

#### Group Housing - For Night Owls - \$170.00 per person

Unique two-story lodge overlooking the Guadalupe River. Sleeps 38 in upstairs rooms with bunk beds and shared bathrooms. Large fireplace dominates the picturesque first-floor meeting and lounge area. Includes game tables, food service area and large kitchen.

#### **Westminster Lodge** Group Housing - For Families Adults: \$170.00 per person (Kids 18 and under stay free)

Sleeps 16 people in four separate hotel type accommodation units with one double bed and one set of bunk beds/private baths. Each unit shares an adjoining common area with kitchen.

# **Register Online - Click Here!**

# **Meal Prices**

Adults	\$118.50
Children ages 12-18	\$118.50
Children ages 4-11	\$ 87.75
Children under 4	Free

Mo-Ranch has the ability to meet most special dietary requests (gluten free, diabetic, vegetarian, etc.). Please be sure to fill out that portion of the online registration form if you have special needs.

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# **Program Fees**

Participant:	\$152.00 for PCCCA members / \$202.00 for non-members
Non-Participating Spouse	\$55.00
Children and Youth:	\$50.00

On October 1st, these program fees increase by an additional \$25.00

The above fees are for the conference program. If a spouse or guest is planning on participating in workshops, then they are to register as a participant. PCCCA members who are registering as a participant receive a \$50 discount. This does not apply to all employees from a PCCCA member site, but only those individuals who have paid dues from that site. During the registration process, members are to use the PCCCA website repository password (co\*\*\*\*\*\*\*) as a special coupon code in order to receive this \$50 discount. If you are a member and do not have this password, please contact Joel Winchip at joel@pccca.net or (803) 322-0232.



# Cancellation Policy

Prior to October 10th, all but \$100.00 will be refunded to you. After this date, the entire fee is nonrefundable. If you need to cancel or change your registration, please contact the conference registrar, Elise Bates Russell, by email at <u>elise@</u> <u>campwestminster.com</u> or by calling (313) 341-8969.

# **Carbon Offset**

We encourage everyone to continually strive to reduce their carbon footprint through sensible energy reductions combined with carbon offsets to eliminate their overall footprint. Please go to <u>Carbonfund.org</u> to learn how you can offset the emissions created by your travel to the conference.

# Scholarships

Financial assistance for the conference is available by contacting the PCCCA Board President, Paul Humphreys, at <u>paulhumphreys@calvincenter.org</u> or (770) 946-4276. Scholarships are normally limited to the program fee for the event.

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# **Exhibit Hall**

The PCCCA Annual Conference includes an exhibit hall in the King Dining Room. This takes place on Tuesday the 25th from 10:30am to 1:00pm and then from 2:30 to 7:00pm. We will have exhibitors on hand to share what they offer your camp and conference ministry. Participants who visit certain booths will be entered into a special drawing for prizes donated by these companies and organizations. Here are the exhibitors for this year's conference:

Gactive NETWORK Camps

#### Active Network www.campregister.com

Active Network is the leading provider of camp management software. Active's comprehensive solutions help camp operators register, manage, communicate, and promote their camps. With Active Network's integrated

online registration, management software, and communication and promotional tools, camps of all types and sizes are getting rid of paper-based administration, better managing participant data, and strategically marketing and promoting their camps. Active's technology is built to improve campers' experiences, drive registrations, boost revenue, and increase operational efficiencies. Since 2000, Active Network has provided more than 1600 camps in North America with customized camp software and services. Learn more at the website above.



#### American Bedding www.americanbeddingmfg.com

At American Bedding Manufacturers, we supply mattresses, replacement waterproof mattress covers, wood and metal bunk beds, army and metal folding cots, wood and metal furniture, blankets, pillows and linens. Our online catalog with prices is available at the above link. Our phone number is 800.203.2507 and our fax number is 423.203.2507.

# Bunk1.com

#### Bunk1 www.bunk1.com

Bunk1 offers a fully integrated and web based online registration and camper management program. Other services include one-way camper email (Bunk Notes), Bunk Replies (campers email home without a computer!), a password protected photo gallery, and more. Call today for a free demo! 888.465.CAMP



#### Camp Craft Charms www.campcraftcharms.com

Camp Craft Charms makes and sells sterling silver custom and non-custom charms. Have your logo or design on a charm as a memento for your campers, alumni and staff. Sell in your camp store or online or give out as a special award. Also available in gold or platinum. Just send us your black & white .jpg image and we can get started right away! Please allow 8-12 weeks for initial orders and 4 weeks for reorders. We look forward to working with you! All of our charms are made locally in Austin, Texas, USA.



#### CampBrain www.campbrain.com

We provide camp management software and online registration solutions to camps and retreat/conference centers throughout North America. We serve over 750 camps and have been doing so since 1994. Our solutions feature camper registration (including online), billing, medical, transportation, activity scheduling, cabin and group assignment, camp store, alumni, staff, donors, inquiries, credit card processing and a complete retreat/conference center module. We understand how to serve year-round operations by providing a complete solution from camp management to conference

center reservations to donor management - all in one database! We take pride in our products and our commitment to exceptional service.

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#### **CAMP TV**

CAMP TV has been helping camp directors tell their stories on video since 1987. CAMP TV is a full-service video production company: from writing the script to location shooting...from video editing to helping you establish a smart YouTube Channel. We understand that it takes much more than a camcorder and a little ambition to effectively connect with viewers. CAMP TV has a unique combination of camp experience and video expertise.

Promotional Videos. Capital Campaign Videos. Staff Recruiting Videos. Let's talk about your next video project. Contact David Betz at 800.284.8437 or click on the link above.

#### Campwise by RecSoft www.campwise.com

CAMPWISE Campwise management software for camps, retreat/conference centers and off-season programming. Fully integrated; combines camp/retreat center management functions such as registration, New group registration, activity scheduling, billing, housing, New camp store, transportation & staff with rich online registration, staff, payments & inquiry. New donor module adds fundraising management enabling organizations to track donations/pledges/campaigns; online donations; track gifting options (cash, pledges, in-kind, matching gifts, etc.); track donor history with integrated contact management system; and more. Our Parent Communicator, a no-cost-to-camp product which enhances communication between campers and camper families with camper photos, one-way email, and camp newsletters may be added.

# marketing Software Solutions to Grow Your Business

#### FUNL Marketing www.funlmarketing.com

FUNL Marketing (pronounced "Funnel" Marketing) has developed a custom Content Management System designed specifically for camps and other

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