



Dunkirk Camp and Conference Center 2025/26 appeal

In an effort to build on the terrific 2025 camping season, the Board of Trustees is working on a number of projects including some required maintenance that will enhance our camping experience. **We hope you will consider donating to DCC to help us continue to provide amazing experiences for the next generation.**

Major projects for 2026...Entrance Pillars

The Pillars at the entrance to Camp require major repair. They were dedicated in 1930, and they welcome campers with the iconic message, "Enter to Learn Depart to Serve". In addition, the Board of Trustees would like to upgrade the signage on Route 5. The sign with the changeable messages will not last for another season.

Our goal is to raise \$30,000 to have qualified masons repair the Pillars and update the signage. Your donation can help us maintain this historic entrance and provide a new message board that will be an effective means of communicating the amazing programs and services that DCC has to offer.

Sincerely,

DCC Board of Trustees

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**To Campers, Volunteers, and Friends of DCC
RE Dunkirk Camp and Conference Center 2025 Update**

On behalf of the Board of Trustees. Thank You, Thank You, Thank you for your strong support in 2025.

Busy summer at camp... The entire summer was busy with youth and family camps. It was great to see the campus, pool, Mothers Memorial and Vesper Point provide such joy to so many. Our Day Camp Program also grew with over 50 children per day, and local swim lessons were maxed out again. All this led to a record for camper revenue which is so important to our continued mission. That said, we still have plenty of room to grow.

We just wrapped up the Halloween Happening. This community event was a resounding success as good weather allowed almost 100 volunteers to entertain an estimated 650 youths and adults. This is surely one of the largest crowds on campus in one day. The kids smiles were our reward.

2025 was a very successful year. Strong camper revenue, along with your generous donations, allowed us to cover operating expenses and provide some much-needed maintenance to our facilities and equipment. The many financial challenges, not unique to DCC, included an increase in the minimum wage, rising food costs and utilities as well as an industry wide surge in insurance costs. **A solid bottom line is telling us we have strong support and are well positioned to provide fellowship, learning and fun in a welcoming Christian environment.**

We also accomplished several major projects to help improve the camper experience. These were primarily supported by your donations and the funds raised during the 2nd Century Campaign. Projects included...

- Caretaker house...painting and cleaning as well as a new boiler and updated water lines.
- Mothers Memorial...new metal roof and dormer windows
- Pool...new pump house motor and chlorinator. A lift chair was also added
- New Mowers...we also repaired or added needed leaf blowers and trimmers.
- Utilities... included some electrical and water line updating.
- Dining hall...We replaced a vintage dish washing machine in the Dining Hall that failed early in the season.
- Volunteers are working on clearing and marking trails across the street
- New windows were installed in cabins 6 and 17.
- Necessary repairs, painting and cleaning

How can you help?

- Help us grow our camper attendance...we want to share our favorite place with friends and family. Your assistance in promoting our youth, family, and weekend camps would be much appreciated. Word of mouth is a powerful tool.
- DCC is only viable with the many volunteer hours you so generously provide. Donating your time and talent is a very valuable contribution.
- Our facilities are available for church picnics, family reunions, and other events.
- Donations...we commit to being good stewards of your generous donations to enhance the DCC mission to provide an enjoyable and rewarding camp experience.
- Church support...does your church have a mission or endowment committee that could provide support to our outdoor ministry?
- Consider remembering DCC in your estate planning.

We are blessed

Jay Rich III
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