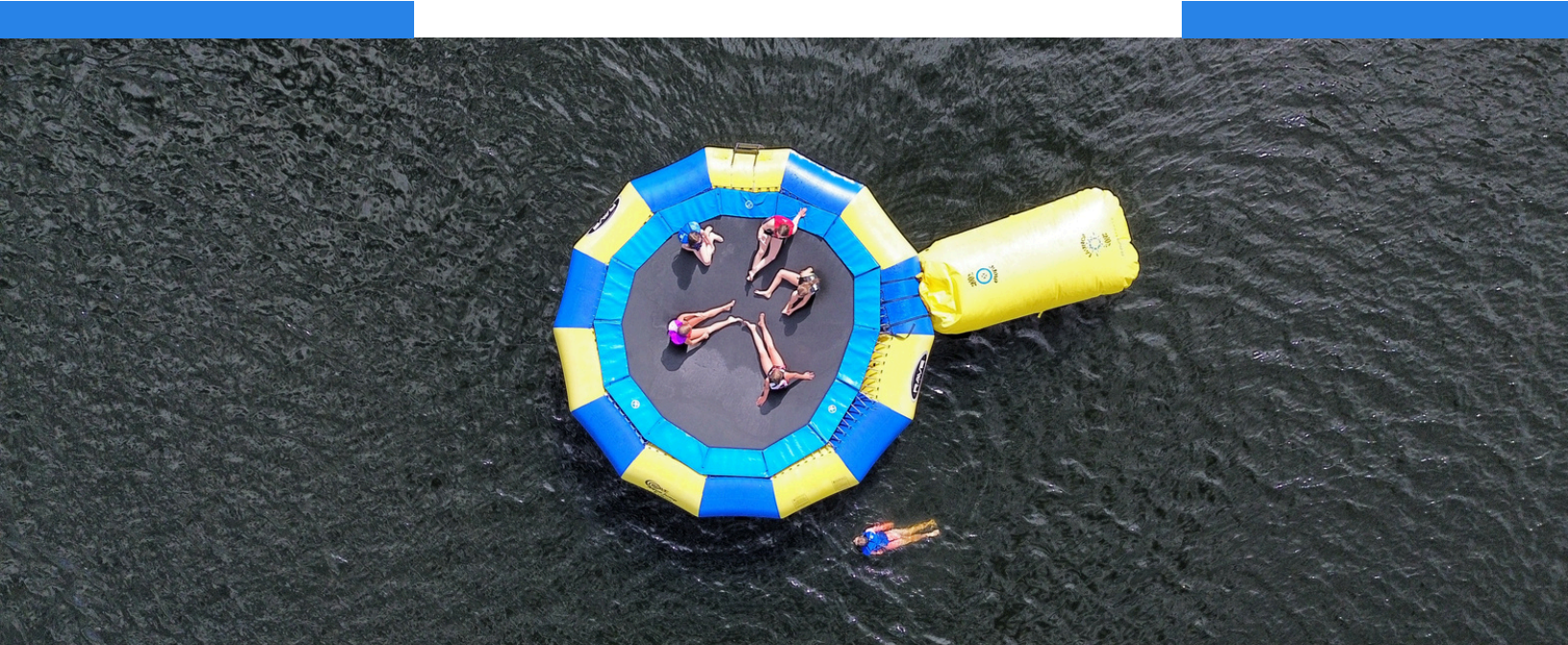




ROUGH ACRES NEWSLETTER

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>>> PREPARING FOR SUMMER 2026

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Summer 2026 is already off to a great start, and it's only April! If you haven't yet heard the news; this summer our theme is "Mission Possible 2.0" with the verse Matthew 19:26 for our chapel focus. This theme was done way back in 2006, but now that it's been 20 years, it's time to offer this fun theme to our newer generations.

Mission Possible 2006 was the year of my (Novel) favorite camp shirt. So, this year, we are having the classic black t-shirt back!

We already have a Waterfront Manager hired as well as a Program Director. These two positions are often the hardest to fill. We are beyond thankful that these positions were filled so quickly this year.



We are also incredibly thankful for Sydney Webb, Lorna Dyck, Lorne Schmidt, and all the others that were involved in hosting the Terrace Fundraiser Banquet this spring. We raised a total of \$4,288 to put toward canoes/kayaks, and sound proofing the Mess Hall.

Another exciting development is Smithers Evangelical Free Church partnering with us this summer to provide all the volunteer staff for Intermediate Coed! We are thrilled about this opportunity and can't wait to see who all signs up.

The spring work bee is scheduled for May 30th from 10am to 4pm, roughly. Jobs include cleaning up the grounds, the main lodge, setting up inflatables, and lunch is provided!





UPCOMING PROJECTS

SUMMER CHANGES

There are a couple of notable changes this year to not only the camp schedule, but also to Family Camp. The biggest and most noticeable change is that we are offering fewer camps this summer. We are only running from June 29th to August 3rd. Since we aren't operating in August, we will be open to rentals! As the campers above have demonstrated, Rough Acres is a beautiful spot for a wedding venue! Since we have fewer camps, we expect them to be fuller, so we need more volunteers per camp than usual.

Another schedule change is that we are running from Monday afternoon to Saturday afternoon, rather than Sun-Fri.

Lastly, this year for Family Camp, we are splitting the chapel sessions into adults and kids. This way, couples of all ages can enjoy Family Camp without the chapel messages being directed toward children.

We still have several big maintenance jobs to complete this year, as well as some smaller, but no less important projects. Some of the bigger projects include the downstairs women's bathroom, cabin roof repairs, water system repairs, and soundproofing the Mess Hall. Some of the smaller jobs include making new campfire benches, fixing up the riflery range, and cleaning up the playground. Let us know if you're interested in helping with any of these projects and we can get you in touch with our Maintenance Director!



➤➤➤ OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

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Rough Acres has two other big opportunities to get involved. Firstly, we are looking for an Expeditor to buy our supplies and groceries for this summer. This is a volunteer position, but it is very integral to our operation- as I am sure you can imagine. It is quite hard to have meals without food!

Secondly, we are looking for an Executive Director for next year. The position will begin this fall. Applications or questions can be emailed to roughacres@roughacres.org.

Other opportunities include joining the RABC board, helping on a fundraiser or maintenance committee, or helping cook/clean for rentals (Which is paid).



➤➤➤ STAFF NEEDS!

I will put the full list of our summer staff needs below. The main needs are the final few chapel speakers, cabin leaders, first aid, and cooks.

In the last couple of years, we've had difficulty finding male cabin leaders and support staff, so please pray that we get these positions filled this summer.

Stay tuned to hear the announcements about this year's hired Summer Missionaries.



Current Staff Needs

Staff Training (June 29th- 3rd)

- Head Cook
- 1-2 Assistant Cooks

Teen Camp (July 6th- 11th)

- 3 Assistant Cooks
- First Aid
- 4 Male Cabin Leaders
- 3 Female Cabin Leaders
- 6 Support Staff

Junior Coed & LIT (July 13th- 18th)

- First Aid
- 6 Male Cabin Leaders
- 4 Female Cabin Leaders
- 4 Support Staff

Intermediate Coed (July 20th- 25th)

- Head Cook
- 6 Male Cabin Leaders
- 3 Female Cabin Leaders
- First Aid

Mini Rough (July 27th- 29th)

- Head Cook
- 2 Assistant Cooks
- 6 Male Cabin Leaders
- 4 Female Cabin Leaders
- 4 Support Staff
- First Aid
- Chapel Speaker

Family Camp (July 31st- Aug 3rd)

- Chapel Speaker for the adults
- Head Cook
- 2 Assistant Cooks
- First Aid