

# 2021 CHRISTMAS NEWS FROM NORLAND: **READY FOR MORE LIFE-CHANGING** MOMENTS ON DEER LAKE AND BEYOND!

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord." - Luke 2:10-11

### **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

We miss you! The past 2 camping seasons were such a time of uncertainty, and Norland was too quiet for too long! But we took this time to take care of some major upgrades and look ahead to our hopes and dreams for this beautiful spot in Northern Ontario.

We are now perfectly positioned for 2022 - to reach out & welcome in people of all ages to learn about Jesus, develop positive relationships with others, and return home refreshed, renewed, and recharged for whatever life brings.

Norland is a place where young people especially can step away from the stress of life, take shelter in nature, explore Christian faith, and experience life-changing moments of deep grace, love, and hope. These moments stay with them for a lifetime, and help shape them into positive role models as future leaders of families, workplaces, communities, and churches.

We look forward to seeing you back on Deer Lake in 2022 - whether you are dropping off youth for a Coldwater adventure, sticking around to volunteer as staff or work crew, taking part in a retreat, or just visiting for the day.

We wish you a wonderful Christmas season!!

#### **Facility Upgrades**

Thanks to your donations, the property had some amazing work completed in 2020 & 2021:

- \* 4 New Propane Furnaces to **Reduce Utility Expenses**
- \* New Showers & Other Upgrades in Flushing Meadows
- \* Roofing Work on Old Lodge & Retreat Centre
- Electrical Upgrades to Increase Dining Room Efficiency
- \* Utility Trailers & Boat Trailer Donated
- \* New 9.9 hp Yamaha Outboard Motor

\* Maintenance Shed Updated Thanks to Ron Martin who does so much behind the scenes work at Norland.

#### **Kipling Community**

#### Pastor Steve Olmstead shares 3 stories from summer 2021:

I was encouraged to know that Camp Norland continues to hold a dear place in the hearts of the local community. One man supplied a variety of breads for the campers that attended the modified events. Another man made a very generous donation of lumber. Others gave a full day of labour to repair the deck. We are forever grateful for the generosity of people and the blessings of God.

A former Kipling intern experienced a Coldwater wilderness trip this summer. They told me the work experience and tripping experience encouraged their spiritual life. They want to return to Norland as a summer employee.

A guest preacher at a local service referenced a great retreat he hosted for approximately 25 pastors at Camp Norland years ago. I was proud to tell him afterwards that we would love to have them back.

Thanks to Steve for his excellent leadership at Kipling & Norland!



#### Camp Finances

We appreciate all those who give to Norland through donations of time, energy, money, and ideas. Our finances are in excellent order even after the facility upgrades, and we're more than ready for the 2022 season.

Organizations like Coldwater Canada, Redeemer University, March of Dimes, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, as well as many churches love to participate in the programs and the facilities Norland has to offer.

The camp is put to great use for programs for all ages:

- \* Summer camps
- \* Wilderness trips
- \* Outdoor education
- \* Retreats

Thanks to John Neely, Norland's Treasurer (and much more!) for all his hard work and passion for the ministry.



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We'd love your prayers for wisdom, guidance, purpose, and passion for the Norland board as we continue to adapt and move ahead with best practices for serving the surrounding communities in 2022.



Norland Board from left to right Top Row: Ron Martin (Camp Director), Steve Olmstead (Chair), John Neely (Treasurer), Margaret Tincombe (Secretary)

Bottom Row: Lee Ferguson, Diane Duhamel, Elaine Gould, Dick Blackwell, Anna Sklar

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Discover how to get involved, read our 60-year history, subscribe to our e-newsletters, give to Norland, and much more on our website. How does your gift make it possible for life-changing moments to happen at Camp Norland?



Throughout its almost 60-year history on Deer Lake:

- Hundreds of thousands of people visited the camp for adventure, community, skills training, and much more
- Thousands of people learned about Jesus countless made a commitment to live a Christian life
- \* Life-long friendships made by campers, staff, volunteers
- Leaders equipped and encouraged every single year
- \* New chances in life through positive role models
- Wilderness trips strengthen character, teach new skills, inspire confidence, and renew hope and perspective

We can't wait to see what will happen next!

If you share the vision and passion for providing lifechanging moments of connection, inspiration, and adventure for children, youth, and families, we invite you to give to Camp Norland.

There are many giving options for you:

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