



*United Methodist Volunteers In Mission  
Serving in Christian Love and Action  
for 25 years!*

## *About Volunteers in Mission*

### ***What are Volunteers in Mission?***

Volunteers in Mission share their time, talents, and money for a specific project. The experience is one of sharing with others and serving God by serving others.

Daily morning and evening devotions are held. The volunteers do more than think, read and contribute money to missions. They live, feel, and "DO". Christ challenges us to be followers of His way!

### ***Open Participation***

Volunteers in Mission are affiliated with the United Methodist Church. People of all faiths are invited and encouraged to participate. Note: All VIM work camps are tobacco, drug, and alcohol free. Campers are expected to stay at the designated housing and to be flexible, cooperative, and cheerful as we serve God by serving others. All in-state camps assume you will provide your own transportation to and from the project site. Out-of-state camps assume you will use the transportation provided by the work camp leader unless other arrangements are made in advance. All bus trips require that we have 35 people on the bus before others are allowed to drive to the site.

### ***Scholarships***

In order to encourage participation, a limited number of scholarships are available and provided through the VIM Endowment Fund with the United Methodist Foundation, Inc. The scholarship request should be made to the trip registrar and returned to the trip registrar.

Contact **Bruce Koch** for more information, 608-370-2083 cell, or Email:

[lbkoch@charter.net](mailto:lbkoch@charter.net)

### ***Work Camp Costs***

The basic cost includes a \$75 donation towards materials used as well as administration. Food is supplied on work days as part of the basic cost. Registration is open until one month before the camp; a \$25 deposit will reserve your spot with the balance due two weeks before the camp starts. Deposit for bus trips is always \$50. Refunds are available up until two weeks before departure.

### ***Within This Brochure -- Summer Camps 2011***

- **May 21-22**      **VIM 25th Anniversary Reunion @ Pine Lake, Westfield**
- **May 14**      **Chain Saw Training @ Pine Lake UM Camp, Westfield**
- **May 15-20**      **Pine Lake UM Camp, Westfield**
- **June 19-24**      **Red Cliff Reservation, Bayfield**
- **July 23-31**      **Luccock Park UMC Camp, near Livingston, MT**
- **August 1-5**      **UM Children's Services & Transitional Living Program, Milwaukee**
- **September 12-23** **Lake Junaluska, NC as part of VIM's 25th Celebration**
- **October 2-7**      **Camp Lucerne, Wautoma**
- **October 16-21**      **Midwest WI, IA, IL, MN OR OH - flooding problems**

**NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS IN MISSION**  
**Work Camp Registration Form**  
**Please keep a copy for your records.**

Please fill out separate forms for each person signing up. A \$50 deposit is due with this application form. Make checks payable to: WAC/VIM. ***Send this form with deposit to the registrar of your trip:***

Work Camp Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Church/City \_\_\_\_\_

Work Camp Cost: \_\_\_\_\_  
Less Deposit: \_\_\_\_\_  
Balance due: \_\_\_\_\_

- I will provide my own accommodations / transportation, or
- I will ride on the bus provided.
- I would like a scholarship.
- I would be willing and able to use a top bunk when needed.

Special needs \_\_\_\_\_  
My specific work skills \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Registrant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

*Your costs MAY be tax-deductible, however we make no guarantee as to the deductibility of the trip. We can provide a receipt upon request for your use with a tax preparer. If taking a deduction is a priority for you, please consult with your tax preparer prior to making the trip.*

**All VIM work camps are tobacco, drug, and alcohol free.**

**VIM 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY REUNION,  
Weekend of Saturday May 21st - Sunday May 22nd**

Wisconsin VIM has reached a milestone. February, 2011 to February 2012 will be our 25<sup>th</sup> year of service. We will commemorate this milestone by holding a reunion for all VIMers who have been part of a work team/s at any time during those 25 years. The reunion will be held at Pine Lake UMC camp near Westfield WI on the weekend of May 21st & 22nd, 2011. This is the weekend following our VIM work week at Pine Lake. Please pass the word to those you know who are no longer active VIMers and may not be receiving this information.

Those attending may arrive at any time on Saturday morning. There will be a noon meal with VIM providing barbeque sandwiches, scalloped potatoes, coffee and lemonade. Those attending are asked to bring potluck items of salads or desserts if you live close enough for this to be convenient for you. An afternoon program of celebration will follow the meal.

You may register to attend on Saturday only, or register to stay overnight in the Retreat Center on Friday night before the event, or Saturday night to extend the fellowship into Sunday. Meal service will be available at camp for those staying over into Sunday **if a minimum of 15 requests are received**. Those who register for this service will be kept advised if the minimum number of requests is not received. There are also restaurants available in Westfield.

**Registration cost will be \$5.00 to cover the rental cost of the main lodge and food provided by VIM. Room cost at the Retreat Center is \$59.00 per night (no linens, double occupancy). Each room has a queen and twin bed. An extra person in room charge of \$12.50 per night applies. The meal costs at camp, for those staying over into Sunday, are \$12.00 for supper and \$7.00 for breakfast.**

The tent and trailer sites will also be open and available at this time. Please contact Pine Lake camp at 608-296-2720 or toll free at 1-800-648-9630 if you wish to reserve a site.

**Registration deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup>.** Those who register will receive further information as the time draws nearer.

**Send your registration to:** Vince and Carol Ramsden, 5811 County Rd. P, Highland WI 53543  
[vcramsden@gmail.com](mailto:vcramsden@gmail.com)

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**Special Registration Needed for VIM 25th Anniversary Reunion, Sat May 21- Sun 22:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday only	\$ _____			
Room @ Retreat Center	Friday _____	Saturday _____	Sunday _____	
Additional person in room	_____	_____		
Additional Breakfasts		_____	_____	
Additional Dinners	_____	_____		

**ATTENTION: CHAIN SAW TRAINING AT PINE LAKE CAMP, Westfield, WI,  
Saturday, May 14, 2011, beginning at 9:00 a.m.**

**Anyone using a chain saw as a volunteer for VIM must have certified training.**

This Chain Saw Training Course is for beginners and experienced cutters with emphasis on safety and working with basic hazards evaluation. This course is limited to 10-15 people.

**This course covers:**

1. Personal protective equipment
2. Equipment inspection / safe handling of equipment
3. Chain sharpening
4. Basic hazard evaluation / storm damage
5. Tree felling evaluation
6. Working with trees and branches under spring pressure

Nathan Stanford is an Independent Chain Saw Safety Trainer who is highly qualified. Please bring helmet, ear and eye protection. Also bring work boots, gloves, chaps and chain saw if you have them. Dress for the weather. Lunch will be provided. You will receive a wallet card for participating or attending a basic chain saw safety course.

**Cost is \$35.00 per person. Write the check to VIM Camps. Please send your name, address, email address, and money to: Chuck Wedemeyer, 8389 N. Ivy St., Brown Deer, WI 53223 #414-354-8285; Email [jcwede@gmail.com](mailto:jcwede@gmail.com) Dead line is May 7, 2010.**

**PINE LAKE UNITED METHODIST CAMP, Westfield, WI  
Sunday, May 15 – Friday May 20, 2011**

Come join us! We will be staying in the Bishop Sharon Zimmerman Rader Retreat Center with separate rooms for couples and singles. Rooms all have showers. Bring your own bedding. Our construction projects include: putting in docks, piers, & slips; re-roofing the tree houses and Wildwood outhouses; staining Red & Black Oak cabins; making curtains for rustic and family cabins; adding emergency exits to tree houses; building a ramp to replace railroad tie steps leading to Amphlett Hall; putting screens on Amphlett Hall; building shelter areas at old craft cabin & Ash 5; painting the office and a variety of clean up jobs.

**Cost: \$150.00 per person.**

**Co-Leaders** are: **Carol Culbertson**, 243 W Main Street, Evansville, WI 53536.  
Phone: 608-882-0136 e-mail: HYPERLINK "<mailto:cculbert@charter.net>"  
[cculbert@charter.net](mailto:cculbert@charter.net) and **Don Mevis**, Westfield, WI.

**RED CLIFF RESERVATION, Bayfield, WI**  
**Sunday June 19 - Saturday June 24, 2011**

This will be a repeat trip to that site to continue to serve the residents of the reservation and deepen the relationship with the Native American community there. There is something for everyone to do as the needs vary from repair to ramp construction to helping with daily tasks when needed. This will be an adult/youth trip. There is always an abundance of cultural exchange on this trip.

**Cost is \$150.00 for the week.**

**Co – Leaders are Joan Harvey and Bruce Koch**

**Registrar is Joan Harvey**, 502 N. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Wausau, WI 54403; 715-845-1544;  
Email – [Harvey.family@frontier.com](mailto:Harvey.family@frontier.com)

**LUCCOCK PARK UMC CAMP, Montana**  
**Saturday July 23 – Sunday July 31 2011**

Luccock Park is a UMC camp that serves countless visitors every year. It is nestled at the base of three mountains, affectionately named Faith, Hope and Charity in Paradise Valley just south of Livingston, Montana. Last year was our first year providing support to bring this camp into a new level of comfort with roof repairs, chinking, painting, stair repairs, porch building and new siding for the main building, just to name a few. Many repairs and improvements remain and this year we will share our efforts with the newly formed Montana VIM group. This will allow us to make new friends with Montana residents and support the camp while serving others in God's name. We will be leaving from Eau Claire, WI early morning Saturday July 23rd and returning late afternoon Sunday July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Our projects this year will be varied and all skills levels will be utilized to their fullest, such as .....steel roofing applied to cabins, chinking existing logged interiors, misc. painting and cleaning projects, possibly building a bridge over the spring fed creek running behind the camp allowing access to an area not previously accessible, and many more on a wish list of the camp and board of directors.

Cabin style housing will shelter us from the elements, meals will be prepared by their chef, the work will consume your energy, the beauty of the surroundings will motivate your being and God's earthly beauty will take your breath away. This is a fabulous opportunity to serve God by serving others, and you will be filled with the spirit of giving.

**Cost of this camp will be \$415.** This covers bus, motel, housing, meals (excluding in route & return trip meals), day trip mid-week and a \$75 donation to the project.

**Co-Leaders are Bruce and Shelli Ellis**

**Registrar** – Shelli Ellis, 4818 Wood Duck Way West Bend, WI 53095 262-644-1680 e-mail  
HYPERLINK "mailto:B72356E@msn.com" [B72356E@msn.com](mailto:B72356E@msn.com)

**Bruce Ellis 262-424-3663 best phone contact number**

**UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S SERVICES AND TRANSITIONAL LIVING PROGRAM, Milwaukee, WI Monday, August 1 – Friday, August 5 2011**

This will be a return trip to a very worthy agency on the front line of efforts to deal with folks with major life issues relating to poverty and lack of basic life opportunities. This is always a rewarding trip as the agency has been in existence for years and is very dynamic in the community there. It is possible we will be helping with some phase of their new building program or assisting in the repair and maintenance of the existing facility. This will be an adult/youth trip. Cost is \$125.00 which includes your meals and lodging. Daily rate and daily participation will be encouraged as well.

**Leader is Bruce Koch**, 1560 Meadowlark Ln., Prairie du Sac, WI 53578

Phone – 608-643-3962; Cell phone – 608-370-2083;

Email – HYPERLINK mail to: [lbkoch@charter.net](mailto:lbkoch@charter.net)

**Registrar is Jeff Virchow**, 585 5th St., Prairie du Sac, WI 53578; phone 608-643-6356;

email [pastor@concordiaumc.org](mailto:pastor@concordiaumc.org).

**LAKE JUNALUSKA , NORTH CAROLINA, Monday, September 12-23 - Friday 23, 2011**

*This work camp has been added as part of our celebration of our 25th year of service by Wisconsin VIM.*

We will leave by chartered bus from Sun Prairie on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> for our 1 ½ day trip to the beautiful grounds of the Conference and Retreat Center at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina. We will return on Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

We will be housed one or two to a room with real beds, most with private baths. Our cooks will prepare our meals in a full kitchen in one of the Lodges in which we will be staying.

Our work projects are not fully determined at this point. The head of maintenance would like to build an addition onto the maintenance building if financially feasible. However, there are always repairs and upkeep to be done on the many buildings on campus. There will be ample work to be done for all skill levels.

There will be an optional overnight bus trip to Pigeon Forge, Tennessee on the weekend. We will spend most of Saturday at the Dollywood theme park, with its' many shows and other attractions. Full information on the weekend will be sent to those who register as details are finalized.

Cost of the trip will be \$425.00. This covers bus and motel cost, food on work days and a \$75.00 donation to the project. Cost for those driving on their own to the work site will be \$240.00.

**Work camp leader** – Don Bastian, 1240 St., Hubertus, WI 53033; 414-467-5015

**Co-leaders and registrars** – Vince and Carol Ramsden, 5811 County Rd. P, Highland, WI 53543; 608-929-4931 [vcramsdn@gmail.com](mailto:vcramsdn@gmail.com)

**CAMP LUCERENE, Wautoma, WI**  
**Sunday October 2 - Friday October 7, 2011**

This is a beautiful time to be at Lake Lucerne in central Wisconsin, moderate temperate days and cool nights are ideal work and fellowship times as we support this WI conference camp. The projects include painting, roofing, carpentry, winter camp preparations, and cleaning the 50 plus buildings on the camp site. The jobs are plentiful for all skill levels and ages and we encourage you to come and share the beauty of this camp.

We gather Sunday evening for supper and conclude our week Friday after lunch. Accommodations are provided by the Camp, as we are housed in Ridgecrest lodges which are modern and comfortable.

**Registrar:** Sister Ann Catherine Veierstahler, Ancilla Convent, 3601 So. 41st St. Milwaukee, WI 53221-1014, Phone - 414-384-6535  
Email - HYPERLINK "<mailto:srann@earthlink.net>" [srann@earthlink.net](mailto:srann@earthlink.net)

**Work Site Leader:** John Draggs, 13722 Spring Valley Road, Fennimore, WI 53809  
Phone - 608-822-3972, Email - [Jdraggs@tds.net](mailto:Jdraggs@tds.net)

**Cost: \$150.00** – includes lodging, meals, work supplies and donation to camp.  
Registration deadline is one week before camp begins to insure adequate planning.  
It is an excellent experience for 1st time VIMer's!

**NEW VIM Opportunity, Midwest-WI, IA, IL, MN, or OH**  
**Sunday October 16- Friday October 21, 2011**

The Midwest continues to have flooding problems. We will wait until early spring to pick a place for the trip. Here are some examples of current areas that need our help:

**West Ohio, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Rockford Urban Ministries, Illinois, Tennessee, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin, North West Indiana**

This will be a drive to camp, carpools will be available. Showers will be available, but might need to drive to another location. Housing will be in local churches on VIM's comfortable seven inch thick air mattresses. Meals will be together in one of the churches. We will leave the site in the afternoon of Friday, October 21.

**Trip cost is \$175.** The deposit amount is \$50 and make the check out to VIM Camps OR WAC/VIM. It is due by September 15.

Co-Leaders: Kathleen Schneider & Chuck Wedemeyer

**Registrar:** Kathleen Schneider, 8835 W. Bennington Ct., Mequon, WI 53097  
[ksquilts@gmail.com](mailto:ksquilts@gmail.com) 262-242-5982 OR (cell) 262-617-8072

**Chuck Wedemeyer**, 8389 N. Ivy St., Brown Deer WI 53223  
HYPERLINK "<mailto:jcwede@gmail.com>" [jcwede@gmail.com](mailto:jcwede@gmail.com) or 414-354-8285

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