



# Marmot News & Review

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## Our Mission

**Friends of Camp Sacramento** is a non-profit volunteer organization, consisting of people with a love for camp. We are dedicated to supporting Camp Sacramento for the enjoyment of all campers by providing financial contributions, conducting project improvements, social activities, and by increasing awareness through public outreach.

## Save These Dates!

### Opening Weekend May 29 – May 31

There is a lot of work to be done!

- Awning Install
- Playground
- Plant Flowers
- General Painting
- Raking Mulch
- Archery Set-up
- Store Prep

**Space is limited!**

### Labor Day Weekend Sept. 4 – Sept. 7

Join us for “Summer’s Last Fling” This is a great way to show your friends why you love Camp Sac. Special rates are available for Friends members. Reserve a cabin NOW!

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### Closing Weekend Oct. 2 – Oct. 4

Join Friends as we end another wonderful summer and prepare for the winter months ahead! There is a lot of work to be done!

**Make your reservations while you are at camp!**

**Call Allison at (916) 808-6098 to make your reservations today!**

## President’s Message

Hello Friends!

May is almost over and summer is here! Camp Sacramento here we come! There have been a lot of exciting things that have happened in the last year! With your help our Friends organization has provided camp with a number of items necessary for camp to continue but the list is long and the funds are short so we need your help! Visit our website ([friendsofcampsacramento.com](http://friendsofcampsacramento.com)) to check out the Camp wish list to see if there is anything you can provide or assist with!

**New Boyd Family Campership** program: Everyone deserves a chance to enjoy Camp Sacramento. This year the Friends of Camp Sacramento received a generous donation from Alan Boyd as he retired from the City of Sacramento after 30 years. Alan and Susan Boyd founded the Friends of Camp Sacramento and we felt it was only fitting to create a program that would help even more families experience the joys of Camp Sacramento! Watch for more information on how you can get involved with this program soon!

Thanks for your continued support!  
Zach & Chrissy Jones

## Membership Drive Changes

The Friends of Camp Sacramento are currently in the process of the 2009-10 Membership Drive. While we appreciate the continued support of our Friends members this year we have included a couple of different options of membership. These different options will provide you the opportunity to assist the Friends Board in raising additional funds to improve the camping experience for all who attend. See membership form enclosed for details.

## Why Join? Because Camp needs your help!

There is no hiding it we are in a recession! While this causes all of us to take a closer look at our pocket book, it is especially challenging for local and city governments who continue to feel the tightening of the economy. As the City is forced to take a hard look at all expenditures your support of Camp is needed now more than ever.

## Where does the money go?

Many of our members may not be familiar with how their membership dues and donations directly assist camp. Each year Friends of Camp Sacramento board votes on how your contributions will be utilized to purchase items, which the Camp office have identified as a priority needs. Your membership dues and donations go directly to Camp for the things needed the most.





# CALLING ALL FRIENDS!

## Camp Sacramento Sets Attendance Goal for the 2009 season – Credits Available!

With the heavy weight of the budget axe looming Camp Sacramento has set a goal for the 2009 summer season to reach a 95% capacity by June 1st. While the attendance numbers have shown an increase in each of the last two seasons we still have room to fill! It is with this goal in mind that camp is offering a “New Camper Credit” for new camper referrals. Here is how it works!

- For every family you refer that books a mini week vacation you will receive a \$50 credit towards your families stay.
- For every family you refer that books a full week vacation you will receive a \$100 credit towards your families stay.

Your referrals can make you eligible for up to a \$500 maximum credit towards your stay, so refer away and help camp meet it goal!

## Don't miss “Summer's Last Fling” Friends of Camp Fundraiser on Labor Day Weekend September 4 – 7, 2009

The “Summer's Last Fling” Labor Day weekend event is the single largest fundraiser for the friends of Camp Sacramento annually. While this event provides new campers the opportunity to try camp on for the following summer, it also provides us seasoned veteran's a final fix of camp life before summer ends! This weekend also provides Friends members the opportunity to work as a Recreation Leader, Store Keeper, Kitchen assistant and much more. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Zach Jones at (916) 428-2213. All members of the Friends of Camp Sacramento receive the following discounted rates:

<b>Adults (16+)</b>	<b>\$154</b>
<b>Ages 11 - 15</b>	<b>\$109</b>
<b>Ages 6 – 10</b>	<b>\$ 86</b>
<b>Ages 3 – 5</b>	<b>\$ 50</b>
<b>Under 2</b>	<b>Free</b>

Last year's attendance produced a record number of preregistrations for the 2009 session so space is limited! Make your reservations today (916) 808-6098.

### **Wine Social Sponsored by Friends**

Friends sponsors the Wine Social at the beginning of each camp session as part of our annual membership drive and fundraisers. Purchase raffle tickets during the wine social and have a chance to win a bottle of wine while helping to raise funds for *Friends*. If you are not already a member of Friends the social is a great place to sign up, annual

## Come Back to Camp Early OPENING WEEKEND May 29 – MAY 31, 2009

Attention all campers mark your calendars now for the opening work weekend. There is a lot of work to be done, the more hands we can recruit the lighter the load will be for everyone! We are **looking for more than 70 volunteers** in the following areas:

- **Children's Activities** (ages 4 - 8 years)
- **Playground Assembly**
- **Dining Hall Awning Assembly**
- **Flower Bed Planting**
- **Sign Installation**
- **Shutters Removal and storage**
- **Kitchen and Meal Support**
- **Cabin Rails & Misc Painting**

Opening Weekend is a great opportunity to give back to camp as well as to get to know other campers who attend a variety of different weeks. Join us to share some stories, have some fun, and create a new tradition. **Important Note:** There is **NO CHARGE** for Friends Members who volunteer to work on Opening Work Weekend. Interested volunteers should be sure to bring work gloves, hand tools, cordless drills, and durable comfortable shoes. To reserve a cabin please contact Allison in the camp office at 916-808-6098 or by email at [anarramore@cityofsacramento.org](mailto:anarramore@cityofsacramento.org)

### **How can I make a difference?**

- Renew your Friends of Camp Sacramento membership
- Make a donation to fund a specific item
- Volunteer to help at Opening, Labor Day or Closing
- Get Involved with Friends of Camp Sacramento

For additional information



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