



WINDS OF GOD



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The Newsletter of St. Dorothy's Rest

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The Rev. Jennifer Hornbeck and Katie Evenbeck

"I HAVE NO CONNECTION TO ST. DOROTHY'S"

Funny statement coming from the chair of St. Dorothy's Rest Development Committee! It was spoken two years ago and has often been repeated with laughter as people look to see the inextricable ways St. Dorothy's has become a part of my life over the past year. Never more profoundly than sitting with Katie Evenbeck at Grace Martin's bedside in the hospital singing the St. Dorothy's Ritual. Having spent a week at camp, I had a taste of the power of this simple ritual and there in that quiet hospital room, its sacredness. The symbolism of that moment was not lost: the ever-growing web that begins in a simple circle before bed-time during summer camp and carries forward through space and time. We said good-bye for the last time in this life, before Grace's spirit set free to soar and knew it was not the end. And it was clear that the ministry and work of St. Dorothy's Rest is absolutely vital to our community and our world.

HOW MIGHT WE DEEPEN OUR MANY CONNECTIONS TO ST. DOROTHY'S?

To be able to participate in this ministry is an incredible blessing and opportunity. What a unique opportunity! A camp and retreat center in the glory and beauty of the

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possibility. An Episcopal center directed with integrity, passion, and joy. A space for living, prayer, and creativity. A communion of saints who celebrate life's joys and mourn our sorrows. St. Dorothy's is in a strong place and poised to flourish in ever-expanding ways.

All that St. Dorothy's is, all that is possible for its future are valuable beyond compare. I invite you to consider how you might make outward and visible your commitment to the spirit of this place that moves in each of us. Our money, time, and talent make this work possible and allow these ministries to thrive. We honor the history, the sacred setting, and the lively retreats, camps, and conferences through our commitments.

The Rev. Jennifer Hornbeck, Development Committee Chair

FROM THE DIRECTOR: WE CAN DO MORE: \$200,800 IN 2008

Things have changed here. St. Dorothy's Rest had a surplus of income in 2007 with a significant, 67% increase in donations from 2006. The St. Dorothy's Rest office has moved to Berton House. Trees had to be removed that were impacted by Sudden Oak Death and now the sun peeks through new places as a result. Grace Martin passed away late January and for a brief moment, I looked for her to enter the room as we began a recent board meeting. I miss her. A new development committee was formed and meets frequently. The St. Dorothy's Rest staff hosted a luncheon for ECCC, Inc. a national network of Episcopal camps & retreat center directors. To say that the staff exceeded my expectations does not express the gratitude and love I have for the amazing team I am so blessed to know and work with.

Things are going really good here.

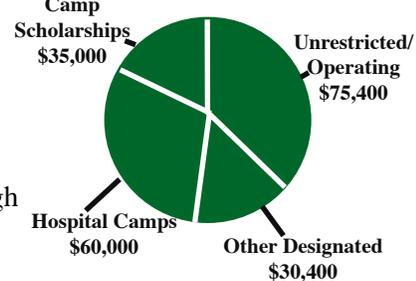
And I go back and forth between wanting to sit and revel this time, where St. Dorothy's is and what has already been accomplished, to feeling like so much more can be done with your help. \$200,800.00 in 2008 is St. Dorothy's Rest's fundraising goal. This is a significant increase from last year and we need your help. After a fundraising consultation last year, a development committee was established and has been working hard to prepare the foundation for engaging you, guests, campers & parents, and the Diocese of California to share our excitement about what is happening at St. Dorothy's Rest and share in our vision and enthusiasm about where we are going.

I invite you to enjoy this special "development" focused newsletter with an annual report for 2007 and descriptions of new programs for 2008. I pray you will continue to be excited about the life & work of St. Dorothy's Rest and help us do more.

Peace, Katie Evenbeck

Executive Director of We Can Do More

2008 FUNDRAISING GOAL: \$200,800



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ST. DOROTHY'S REST BOARD OF VISITORS ESTABLISHED 2008

The Board of Visitors is essentially a support group for the camp made up of people that are extremely dedicated to supporting the mission of the camp through more significant commitments, both financial and of their time. There is a general meeting each year of the Board of Visitors but individual members are active with the camp on a periodic basis throughout the year. The annual gathering is an opportunity to strengthen and reaffirm our individual and collective commitment to the ministry of the camp, meet with others who share our passion for the camp and work with the staff on their vision and plans for the future.

Establishing a Board of Visitors for St. Dorothy's Rest will create an opportunity for friends and supporters of St. Dorothy's to come together in celebration of it's rich history and in hope for it's vibrant future. The first Board of Visitors weekend, May 30th-June 1st, 2008, will provide an opportunity to learn of the plans for St. Dorothy's, hear Bishop Marc speak about his passion for camp & retreat ministry, work with the staff on visioning for the future, see old friends, make new friends and relax among the majestic redwoods. It will be a time to share a common passion for St. Dorothy's and learn of opportunities to help expand its mission. The Board of Visitors is a calling that invites us to make a commitment and share our passion for St. Dorothy's Rest.

Mr. Scott Rhoades

Finance Committee Chair & Treasurer

YOU ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE AND SUPPORT THE MINISTRY OF ST. DOROTHY'S REST BY:

- Making an annual gift to St. Dorothy's Rest, appropriate to your ability.
- Saying a prayer daily for St. Dorothy's Rest Episcopal Camp & Retreat Center
Holy and everliving God, we give you thanks and praise for the sacred places that we might better experience your abundant, life-giving presence. The places where we pray, play, and experience your grace, active and moving in our lives. Thank you for the Rest in the redwoods. May it flourish as a place to walk in prayer, thrive in creativity, and connect with friends, family and Your creation. Bless all who care and work for it's good, that you might be known. In your holy name we pray. Amen.
- Supporting the St. Dorothy's Rest Board of Directors, sometimes taking an active part, in preparing for the future of St. Dorothy's Rest ministry.
 - Include St. Dorothy's Rest Episcopal Camp & Retreat Center in your will or estate plan. (See below for will writing workshops)
 - Being a spokesperson for St. Dorothy's Rest in your parish and around the diocese
 - Invite a friend for a visit to St. Dorothy's Rest
 - Post the camp schedules and information in your newsletter
 - Place a link to St. Dorothy's Rest website: www.stdorothysrest.org on your website
 - Share the stories of your experiences of St. Dorothy's.

CONVENIENT WAYS TO REMEMBER ST. DOROTHY'S REST

Please consider including St. Dorothy's Rest in your will or estate plan.

2008 Will Writing Sessions: Write a Simple Will for \$75

Date: June 14th, 2008

Location: St. Anne's, 2791 Driscoll Rd

Fremont, CA

Time: 9AM-Noon

Date: June 21st, 2008

Location: St. Mark's, 2300 Bancroft Way

Berkeley, CA

Time: 9AM -Noon

To schedule an appointment, email Adairh@diocal.org or call (415) 869-7812.

The Rev. Richard Schaper, CFP

Gift Planning Officer, Episcopal Diocese of California, (415) 869-7812, RichardS@diocal.org

GRACE MARTIN MEMORIAL

On January 27, 2008, Grace Martin passed away, 3 months short of her 100th birthday. Grace was the great niece of Nellie Olmstead Lincoln, founder of St. Dorothy's Rest. From the time she was very young, Grace spent summers with her grandmother (Nellie's Sister) at their little cabin in Camp Meeker. Grace and her grandmother would take the ferry from San Francisco to Marin, take a train to Tomales Bay, and then take the narrow gauge train to Camp Meeker. St. Dorothy's Rest would send a horse and buggy down for the two of them, and deliver them for the summer. Grace spent her whole life vacationing in Camp Meeker, supporting St. Dorothy's Rest as a board member as well as a financial contributor.

Several years ago the Lych Gate, the formal entrance to camp, was removed. Not only was it about 100 years old and ready to fall down, but it was too low for fire trucks to get to the building in case of an emergency. Grace's family has decided a wonderful tribute to Grace Martin would be to rebuild the Lych Gate in her memory with the hope it will last another 100 years.

With your generous designated gift in memory of Grace Martin, we hope to raise enough money, approximately \$15,000, to begin immediate construction, allowing us to dedicate the a new Lych Gate during the Board of Visitors Weekend, May 30th to June 1st, 2008. The Board of Visitors Weekend is fast approaching so please don't delay in sending your gift.

Gifts to the Grace Martin Lych Gate Memorial Fund can be designated on the enclosed donation form and sent to:

**St. Dorothy's Rest, Grace Memorial
PO BOX B
Camp Meeker, CA 95419**



ST. DOROTHY'S REST WELCOMES NATIONAL CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS

The NCCC team will be welcomed in April at an exciting time in the life of St. Dorothy's Rest. The NCCC team, with your generous support will improve paths, create parking areas, do basic repairs and rebuild the Lych Gate in memory of Grace Martin. The NCCC team will strengthen the St. Dorothy's Rest programs and facilities while living in community.

10 people, working 40 hours per week, for 18 weeks in 2008 is a commitment of over \$144,000 in labor to the continued construction, preservation and expansion of St. Dorothy's buildings, land, and programs. Your designated gift to buildings and materials (over \$20,000 in materials and supplies needed) will be matched by the dedicated work of the National Civilian Conservation Corps.

**Gifts to the NCCC Fund can be designated on the enclosed donation form and sent to:
St. Dorothy's Rest, NCCC Fund:
PO BOX B
Camp Meeker, CA 95419**



DID YOU KNOW?: AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) is part of AmeriCorps, a network of national and community service programs that engage 75,000 Americans each year in intensive service to meet critical needs in the areas of education, the environment, housing, disaster services, homeland security, and other unmet needs. The NCCC is a team-based, full-time, residential program for men and women between the ages of 18 and 24.

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The Rev. Jennifer Hornbeck, Chair
The Rev. Thomas Skillings
The Rev. Ron Willis
The Rev. Richard Schaper, CFP

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WITH THANKS AND APPRECIATION FOR ALL OF GOD'S WONDROUS GIFTS TO ME,
I/WE PLEDGE TO SUPPORT ST. DOROTHY'S REST WITH AN OFFERING OF
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