



The TEAM READY Foundation 'Going The Extra Mile...'

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In addition to formally accepting the annual operating budget, members approved Rob Hughes to join the Team Ready Board of Directors. Rob fills the role for the "retiring" Todd McDonald and Josh Stevens, who have served on the board since our incorporation. Thank you to Todd & Josh, and thank you to all of the event coordinators and financial supporters for the past year. Also congratulations to Dick Amelse, Troy Armstrong & Paul Sackmann for reaching the 25-hour level and to Will Churchill & Roger Sackmann for reaching the 100-hour level in our service award program. This year's slide show, photo gallery and complete list of contributors have been added to the respective sections on our website.

Friends and family gathered at the Annual Banquet



The start of a new year brings the opportunity to renew membership. The annual \$10 cost helps with operating and recognition expenses. You can register online or contact Todd or Scott for a status check.

The first staff weekend at Crystal Lake Scout Reservation was a great time for the alumni that came to camp and helped out. Over the weekend, we cooked for the staff to allow them to focus on their training efforts. The food was good and we topped it off with a nice pasta bar dinner. Throughout the day, some alumni cleared out the Sioux Cabin so that new flooring can be put in for the future staff, while others got a recently donated camp vehicle up to operating standards for an increasing summer ranger staff. Everyone who helped did a great job and it was greatly appreciated by the staff. Thanks to everyone who gave up their weekend to come help with this event. The second staff weekend is **May 1-3**, so please mark your calendars.

Alumni grilling lunch at first CLSR staff weekend



Thank you to Liz & Jason Anderson for hosting another annual Trivia Contest gathering. As always, it's great to see friends, both new & old, and occasionally answer a question or two correctly.

Mission Statement: To provide physical and financial assistance to local charitable organizations, while providing fun and rewarding experiences for our members and friends.

MILITARY SERVICE

Team Ready sends its thoughts and prayers to several friends serving overseas. **Chad Brownell** has just begun a second tour in supply command, this time in Iraq, after having previously served in Afghanistan. Chad will be joined by **Brad Frahm** and **Will Wogernese**, who will be serving in similar roles in their first tours in Iraq. And **Joe Anderson** is currently flying Kiowa helicopters in Afghanistan, after having previously served in the infantry in Iraq.

Thank you and we look forward to your safe return and participation at future Team Ready activities. And thank you to all veterans who have served in the past.



Please consider joining us for another family camping trip on Labor Day weekend **September 4-7**. The location has yet to be determined, so let Brian know if you have any ideas for place or activities to make this event better for everyone who is going to attend.



Team Ready has been helping with local Habitat for Humanity projects for the past 4 years. We look forward to keeping this streak alive this fall. We've developed an on-going relationship with the Central Wisconsin chapter and we are looking for both volunteers and coordinator. If you are willing to serve as the liaison between our two groups, please contact Drew.



The 8th Annual Team Ready Brewers Outing will take place on Sunday, **May 31st**. The cost of the event will be \$20 per person, which includes your ticket and tailgate party (and a bobblehead).

Team Ready will be providing the basics tailgate items for the event (hot dogs, brats, hamburgers, chips and condiments), but ask members to bring their own preferred beverage of choice and side dish to share. We also ask participants to bring a contribution for our participation in the "Operation Backpack" school supplies program.

Those that wish to enter the parking lot with the main group should meet at 9319 W. Wisconsin Ave (the Polebitski residence) and be prepared to depart by 10:00 AM, others meeting at the park can stay in contact through cell phones. Contact Scott with questions or interest in filling the remaining spots.



Our 5th annual charity softball tournament will be held on the weekend of **June 5-7** at the Marathon Lanes Sports Complex. In addition to replenishing the Team Ready Sponsorship Fund, this year's proceeds will be donated to The Neighbor's Place in Wausau and Operation Bootstrap in Stevens Point (and those food pantries have teamed with the Feinstein Foundation, so donations will be doubled).

Volunteers in all areas of umpiring, scorekeeping, grounds keeping, raffle drawings and concession stand workers are greatly appreciated. Even if you can't attend, opportunities exist to collect donations, sell raffle tickets or prepare equipment in advance. Please contact Todd to get involved.

Anyone for a golf scramble on **August 23rd**?



Are you showing your spirit? Want to show your spirit more often? Team Ready is putting together a late spring order for hats and t-shirts. We are able to order clothing from the range of toddlers to super-sized. In addition to traditional colors, we will also continue to order clothes in the breast cancer awareness color of PINK! If you've got an idea for an apparel item, talk to Brian and we can figure out how to make it work.

Our goal is to increase communication and to help people plan for upcoming events. Since this is your group, and your newsletter, please feel free to submit ideas or articles for our publications. Let Todd know if you wish to add to the newsletter, website or electronic mailing list.

In Memoriam
Gary Stevens 1952 - 2009
Condolences to the Stevens Family

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