



# The Wolf's Howl

The Voice of Camp Timberwolf—Home of Troop 212

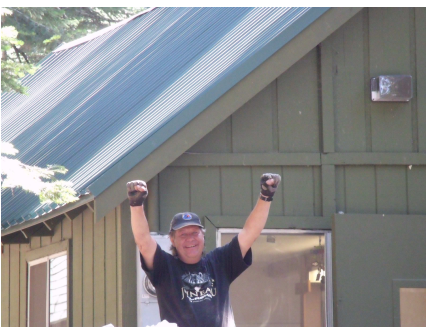
Summer 2010

## 2010 Work Parties

Work parties performed several camp improvements and important annual tasks. The big project this year was replacing the roof on the kitchen and dining building. This project was made possible due to a large donation from the Zalesky family and Chevron. The old shake shingle roof was replaced with a steel roof. The new roof is more fire resistant, will not allow as much snow to accumulate, and is expected to last for many, many years. The workers installing the roof used safety harnesses. Jeff Koester organized the roof construction and he and the crew deserve credit for a job well done.



New Steel Roof



Jeff Koester in Front of New Roof

The roof work was done in conjunction with the improvements in the ventilation system for the kitchen and refrigerator room. Thank you to Mike Hulbert for leading the effort on the ventilation.

The annual maintenance items included initiating the water system was initiated for the season, cutting down dead trees, removing fallen tree branches and other debris, repairing damaged deck railing (from large snow loads coming off the old roof). Thank you to the Zalesky family and Chevron for paying for the roof materials and thank you to all of the hard working volunteers from the Board, Troop 212, Grace Church in Reno, and other friends of Camp Timberwolf for their hard work.

Later in the summer, addition work parties put in a new tile floor in the shower room.

## Check-In/Check-Out Procedures

In order to keep the camp in top condition, we are continuing the check-in and check-out procedure to track any damage or repairs needed for the camp. Each camper group will fill in a checklist noting the condition of the facilities when starting and ending their stay at the camp.

## Lakeshore Resort Reopens

The Lakeshore Resort at Buck Lake was reopened this year after being closed for four years. It has lakefront dining, a bar, and groceries. Groceries are also available at the Haskins Valley Inn.

## Bucks Lake Lodge Destroyed by Fire

The Bucks Lake Lodge was burned to the ground on January 20, 2010. Deep snow made it difficult for firefighters to get to the historic structure in time, but they were able to save most of the nearby cabins.



Bucks Lake Lodge on Fire

Photo by Mary James from PlumasNews.com

## Camp Timberwolf on Facebook

Camp Timberwolf has a page on Facebook with a link to our web site. To find it type "Camp Timberwolf" in search box in the upper right corner of any Facebook page.

## Astronomy at Camp Timberwolf

Cliff De Lacy brought his large telescope to Camp Timberwolf for the MVPC Family Camp and for the Troop 212 Wilderness Camp. At the MVPC Family Camp, he had close-up of Saturn with the rings and some moons clearly visible. He also showed stars, nebula and solar prominences.



Cliff De Lacy

*Editor's Note: Cliff De Lacy's love for the outdoors was inspired by the beauty of the Bucks Lake Wilderness Area. Cliff currently teaches and promotes astronomy as "The Star Guide". Information is available at his web site at <http://www.thestarguide.com>.*

## Camp Timberwolf 2010 Board Elections

Elections were held at the January Board meeting. The following officers were elected:

- President – Jeff Koester
- Vice-President – Don Drennan
- Secretary – Bob Green
- CFO – Joe Cunningham

Existing Directors Tom McIntosh, Nellie Wilkerson and Dick Ayres were reelected and Brad Whittaker was elected for 3-year terms ending in 2012.

## Lake Usage

Please leave the raft anchored in place in deep water. If you find it in shallow water, move it out where it belongs. We have had damage to the ladder and deck when the raft was moved closer to shore, and then ran aground when the lake level dropped. Please leave it anchored in deep water.

The canoes need be chain locked to a tree at the beach when not in use. Life jackets must be worn by everyone in the canoe. Life jackets are available and must be returned to the storage container. All other boats are privately owned and not available to renters without prior arrangement.

Invasive species such as zebra mussels are a concern, so additional precautions are needed for boats used in other waterways.

## Fire Safety and Reporting

Please exercise extreme care regarding fire safety. **The only location allowed for a fire is our campfire area** and it should be used carefully with small campfires that are continually watched and completely extinguished. For any fire incident get help immediately by going to the nearest telephone and dialing 911. Always notify us at Camp Timberwolf and the proper authorities as required. To notify campers of danger, there is an alarm bell on the mess hall controlled by the red switch inside near the front door. Camping groups should perform a fire drill so that all members are aware of the emergency procedures.

## Protect the Trees

We all enjoy the trees at Camp Timberwolf. We have had to remove several dead trees over the last couple of years. We have planted some replacements, but they will take many years to grow into mature trees. **Do not damage or cut any trees at the Camp.** The trees are in the Plumas National Forest and belong to the U.S. Forest Service. Trees can only be cut down with their permission. Cutting trees without permission could result in citation and a fine from the USFS, as well as the group's loss of future use of the camp. If you see newly dead trees, please contact a Camp Timberwolf Committee member, so that the trees can be removed safely with the proper authorization from the Forest Service.

## Garbage Dumpsters

The garbage dumpsters are picked up on Wednesdays, so please show courtesy to the next camping group by leaving space in the dumpsters at the end of your stay. If you generate so much garbage that you would fill the dumpsters at the end of your stay, then please take some of it with you to dispose at home or at a local landfill. If your group expects to generate extra garbage, please let Rich Holden know when you confirm your reservation, so that an extra dumpster can be ordered.

Remember to empty all garbage cans at the camp every night and always lock the dumpsters to keep the garbage away from the bears.

## 2010 Reservation Schedule

<b>Date</b>	<b>Group</b>	<b>Contact</b>
May 26 (Wed) – 28 (Fri)	Open water system	Rich Holden
May 29 – 31 (Mon)	BSA Troop 212 work party	Don Stephens
May 31 – Jun 4 (Fri)	Opening work party	Jeff Koester
Jun 5 – 12	Work party	Rich Holden
Jun 12 – 19	Grace Community Church – Sr Hi	Jim R.
Jun 19 – 26	Grace Community Church – Jr Hi	Nathan Jr.
Jun 26 – Jul 3	McHugh Family	Cheryl McCarthy
Jul 3-9 (Fri)	Harbor House	Karen Grutzmacher
Jul 9 – 15 (Thu)	MVPC Family Camp	John and Staci Drennan
Jul 15 – 17	MVPC Dads' Adventure	Bob Kuo
Jul 17 – 23 (Fri)	Robak Family	Laurie Blackstone
Jul 23 – July 31	BSA Troop 212	Eric Andresen
July 31 – Aug 7	Graves Family	John Graves
Aug 7 – 14	Discovery Fellowship Church	Randy Dorman
Aug 14 – 21	Work party	Rich Holden
Aug 21 – 28	World Impact	Hendrik de Boer
Aug 28 – Sep 3	Bay Area Rescue Mission	Bill Jones
Sep 3 – 6	Robinson Family	Tim & Heidi Kinsinger
Sep 6 – 11	Camp Timberwolf Directors & Friends	Rich Holden
Sep 11 – 18	World Impact	Hendrik de Boer
Sep 18 – 22(Wed)	Closing work party	Jeff Koester