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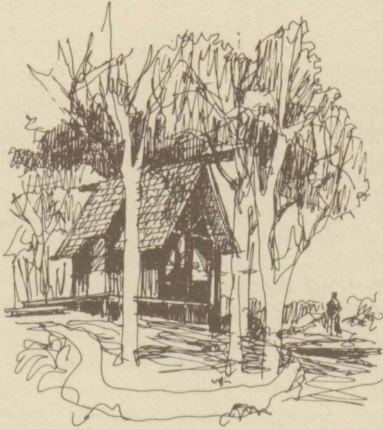
Camp Tilikum Announcements and Updates from Tom-Tom Winter-Spring 1975

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TILIKUM TOM- TOM

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There is a quiet place far from the rapid pace where God can soothe my troubled mind.

Sheltered by tree and flow'r, there in my quiet hour with Him my cares are left behind.

Whether a garden small or on a mountain tall, new strength and courage there I find.

Then from this quiet place I go prepared to face a new day with love for all mankind.

A QUIET PLACE by Ralph Carmichael
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A Quiet Place

Have you ever wanted to just "get away" by yourself for a day of meditation and spiritual renewing? From time to time, friends of Tilikum have voiced this desire to us. We have begun work to help meet this need.

Tilikum's first "Quiet Places" will soon be built. Funds for this project have been given by an interested family as a memorial gift. These shelters will be tucked in among the trees near the meadow. They will be approximately 7' x 10', have large windows, comfortable chair, and desk.

Business people, pastors, housewives, and students will be able to use these "Quiet Places" during the week. We believe that many will experience the reality of Ralph Carmichael's song. We trust that this added dimension in programming will provide further growth opportunities for God's people.

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Mark 6:31 "And He [Jesus] said to them, 'Come with me by yourselves to a *quiet place* and rest a little while.'" (Williams)

Third Annual Potlatch — May 5, 1975

STATE OF CAMP TILIKUM

By the Director

Then

"Growth is the only evidence of life." I want you to know that Tilikum is alive, well, and growing!

NUMBER OF PROGRAMS has been steadily increasing, so that Illahee House is in use every weekend of the retreat season. Midweek use is increasing. Day camps are confirmed for almost the entire summer.

QUALITY OF PROGRAMS is an indicator of growth. People report being motivated by the teaching ministry of our retreats.

YEAR-ROUND STAFF IS INCREASING. Arnie and Barb Mitchell have moved on the grounds and become part-time staff in the area of building, maintenance, and office help.

FINANCIAL GIVING has steadily increased in both numbers of givers and total income. We are now able to meet our monthly operating budget. Our program to enlist 200 families to give \$10 a month has been well received.

GROWING INVOLVEMENT between George Fox College, an evangelical liberal arts college, and Tilikum has been taking place ever since our beginning. Let me give you some history of this relationship:

In March of 1971 while Tilikum was still in its formative stages, I submitted the following outline to Tilikum's board, which keynoted George Fox College involvement:

- College camp credit—for physical education, Christian education, and psychology, including precamp courses and in-camp counseling experience.
- Opportunity for Christian service in day camps and resident camps.

- Wilderness stress camps—using Tilikum as base camp for conditioning and then going to the Cascades for trail experience.

- Weekend retreats—spiritually oriented and in a relaxed setting.
- Work at developing property (physical labor).

What *has* happened since then?

- Both the Biology and Physical Education Departments have been using Tilikum's grounds and facilities for "in the field" experience.

- My experience and knowledge in camping ministries are helping to strengthen students with similar interests. Seminars and training sessions have been held to train students to run various church and camp programs throughout the Northwest. This year I have taught a course, "Creative Bible Teaching," with special emphasis on teaching the Bible in small group setting, camp, and Sunday school.

- In-service training. Home economics majors received credit for meal planning and preparation for retreats. Also, the last two summers, Tilikum's program staff has been made up of GFC students, helping create a unique Day Camp program with a quality ministry.

In the Spring, 1974, TOM-TOM, I remarked: "We believe that involvement with George Fox College, seven miles from Tilikum, can provide the leadership and academic climate for experimenting, documenting, and disseminating new ideas to camps throughout the West." Here's what is happening to allow that statement to become a reality (see "Now" on next page):

Now

During the past few months, Tilikum's board and members of the executive committee of the George Fox College board have been meeting. It has been mutually agreed upon that Tilikum become an adjunct of the college. This might be thought of in terms of coming under the college "umbrella." Specifically, what does this mean? It means that Tilikum now has a broader base of operation: i.e., the security of a financially sound institution over it and the resources of the college in finding capital funds sources, primarily foundations. We believe that our proposed lodge, which is a priority need, will be a reality sooner than if we pursue funding for it independently. The business office of the college will assume many administrative details, thus releasing me to use those skills I use best—the development and directing of programs.

Practically speaking, this agreement does *not* change any of Tili-

kum's committed goals. The purpose for which Russell Baker gave the property—to develop an interdenominational retreat center—remains unchanged. We are still working to develop a year-round retreat program and summer youth-oriented program. Tilikum's board, which will remain intact, has the responsibility for developing and promoting its program and for securing prayer and finances. We are still responsible for setting and meeting our operating budget. We need your ongoing support.

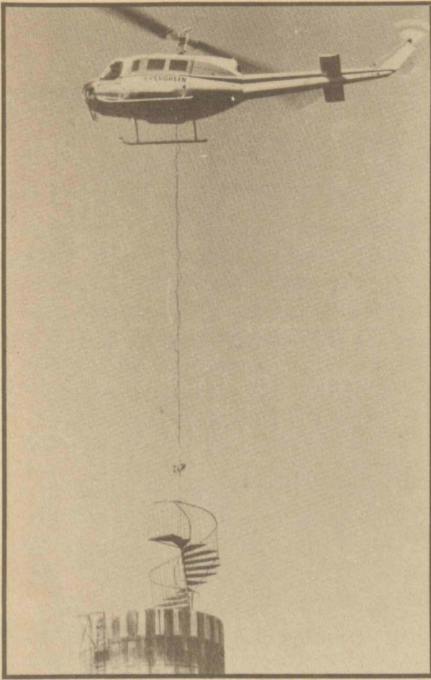
We believe that by becoming an adjunct of the college, we can see the completion of our total master plan (lodge, multipurpose building, enlarged camping program) more quickly. But an equally exciting aspect of this agreement is the thought of new creative, imaginative programs for Tilikum and George Fox College—possible only by the combined efforts of both institutions.

Future

Let's dream some dreams and see some visions. With acquisition of additional nearby property, a satellite campus could be developed holding unlimited possibilities for academic, recreational, and ministering programs. Here are but a few—experimental park for environmental education; basketball camps run by college for high school students; a horsemanship program; live-in experiential learning center; a working farm; and family camping sites.

Assurance

Let me assure you that we will maintain our identity as a center to serve the needs of the Christian community through retreat programs, summer day camps, and outings. We are still CAMP TILIKUM, INC. We need your gifts to continue this ministry. They should be sent to and will be received by Tilikum. We need your encouragement, support, and prayers as we expand our vision. "No goal is too high if we climb with care and confidence."



Uplift

"There is a retreat center in the Chehalem Valley dedicated to giving people a spiritual uplift. Well, today a lift of another kind took place," stated the Channel 2 TV broadcaster.

And so it was that almost 150 people saw a skillful pilot from Evergreen Helicopter, Inc., lower the four 10-foot sections of steel spiral stairway into Tilikum's silo. We appreciate the donated services of this neighboring company. Yet to be built is a glass-enclosed observation room on top. Building director, Arnie Mitchell, states that if all goes well folks can plan to attend the Grand Opening of "Tilikum Tower" on Memorial Day.

You are cordially invited
to be guests of Camp Tiliikum

at a

POTLATCH
(Ceremonial Give-away Dinner)

Monday, May 5, 1975, 7:00 p.m.

at the

Thunderbird Ballroom, Thunderbird Motor Inn
Jantzen Beach

"Tilikum—Today and Tomorrow" Gary Fawver, Director
Slide-movie presentation

Special "Chief Tiliikum" award

New and renewed "200-\$10's" pledges received

R.S.V.P.

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