



# this is **Whispering Winds**

WHISPERING WINDS CATHOLIC CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER

WINTER / SPRING 2009

## Swimming Pool Update

The swimming pool is nearing completion, right on schedule! When the pool opens for the first Summer Program in mid-June, Phase 1 and a portion of Phase 2 will be finished.



### PHASE 1: Completed by June 2009

- > **Swimming Pool** – 75' long by 33' wide (equivalent of four racing lanes) – Capacity 165 people
- > **Wading Pool** – 9' by 21' – Capacity 6-8 people
- > **Main Pool Deck** – over 5,500 sq. ft concrete deck
- > **Temporary Portable Restroom** – ADA-accessible
- > **Solar Heating**

### PHASE 2:

- > **Landscaping and Lighting** – partially completed by June 2009 thanks to a generous donor
- > **Patio Furniture** – chairs, chaise lounges, and tables with umbrellas – partially completed by June 2009 thanks to a generous donor
- > **Expanded Deck** – additional 2,100 sq. ft of concrete decking
- > **Brick Seating Wall** – 18" high along the outside of the deck \*see below\*
- > **Modular Restroom and Shower Building** – including septic, grading, adjacent decking, relocation of a portion of the pool fence, and an additional 1,200 sq. ft of paving
- > **Additional Landscaping and Lighting**



### SWIMMING POOL SEAT-WALL BRICK OPPORTUNITY:

The seat-walls will run along the outer edges of the pool deck. They will stand 18" high for 600 linear feet of seating. To build this wall and memorialize the community's involvement with the pool, we are offering you the opportunity to contribute a brick to the wall. Bricks will be sandblasted with your text or logo.

There are up to 3,000 standard size or 1,500 double size bricks available. Proceeds will build the seat walls and other pool related projects. Walls will be built in phases as bricks are sold.

**Brick A** (4"x8") – \$100 – up to 3 lines text, 15-20 characters/spaces per line

**Brick B** (8"x8") – \$200 – up to 5 lines text, 15-20 char./spaces per line, optional logo (\$25-50)

To reserve your brick for the seat wall, contact our Main Office at (619) 464-1479 x12.



### 1ST ANNUAL LABOR DAY POOL PARTY

Whether you are coming to Summer Programs or not, we know you're excited about the pool. So are we! Join us at our 1st Annual Whispering Winds Labor Day Pool Party on Sept. 7, 2009! More information will be coming in our eUpdates (email us to get on the list: [eupdate@whisperingwinds.org](mailto:eupdate@whisperingwinds.org)), but you can count on great food, great fun, and great friends! We will have a huge BBQ in the meadow and an outdoor summer concert by the San Diego Civic Youth Orchestra! Hope to see you there...

### WHISPERING WINDS 2009 CALENDAR

Now	Summer Programs Registration Open!
May 16	Dinner Dance Gala & Auction at Mission Valley Marriott
June 19-21	Family Camp 1 hosted by Sacred Heart
June 21-25	Kids Camp 1 (entering grades 3-8)
July 5-9	Kids Camp 2 (entering grades 3-8)
July 10-12	Family Camp 2 hosted by Our Mother of Confidence & St. Michael
July 17-19	Family Camp 3 hosted by Immaculata, Mission San Diego, and St. Francis
July 19-23	Kids Camp 3 (entering grades 3-8)
July 24-26	Family Camp 4 hosted by Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Our Lady of Grace
July 31-Aug. 2	Single-Parent Family Camp
August 6-9	NEW High School Youth Camp (entering grades 9-12)
Sept. 7	1st Annual Labor Day Pool Party
Sept. 11-13	Diocesan Young Adult Retreat
Nov. 13-15	Men's Retreat
Dec. 11-13	Diocesan Confirmation Retreat

## Unless the Lord Builds



by **Martin Rosales, Executive Director**

Earlier this year, Don and I were talking through our plans for 2009, sharing our concerns and hopes about the economy.

He reminded me of the scripture verse he turns to most – James 1: 5-6 – "If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind." This scripture has become our rallying call in 2009 as we step out in faith towards one of the largest undertakings in Whispering Winds' 30-year history.

The time has come to build a permanent Meeting Hall. A special focus group has spent the last two months studying the needs of our guests; they have identified the urgent necessity of a permanent Meeting Hall. It is my pleasure to announce the launch of this project. Based on the clear necessity, the Board of Directors has agreed to the focus group's aggressive timeline, opening **Founders Hall** in 2010.

Naming this building **Founders Hall** honors our co-founders, Don Kojis and he late Dr. Jerry Tisi. It honors our Founding Families who felt a burden in their hearts and a willingness to step out in faith for Whispering Winds. Ultimately, it honors the Lord, who is The Founder of all things and the root from which we stem.

As we move forward on this journey, I invite you to be a part of the **Founders Hall** project by prayer, by gift, or by encouraging those you know to come to Whispering Winds. As it says in Psalm 127, "unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build," let us work together diligently to further the mission of Whispering Winds; to provide a Christ-centered environment, apart from the everyday world, where all are welcome to increase their knowledge of and commitment to Christ, and join as fellow pilgrims on their journey of faith with God.

### DINNER DANCE GALA & AUCTION – MAY 16, 2009



Join us in honoring Whispering Winds' 2009 Person of the Year at our 27th Annual Dinner Dance!

Charles S. LiMandri is a respected Catholic attorney based in San Diego. His devout Catholic faith has guided his career in law, as he eloquently conveys while describing St. Thomas More:

"I was absolutely enamored with Thomas More — who he was and what he stood for. He blended being a brilliant lawyer into being a Catholic saint — and how he was able to fully integrate his faith into his personality and all aspects of his life. As a matter of fact, the word 'integrity' comes from Thomas More. He coined it. He was the model and standard that greatly influenced my thinking and ideals of what a layperson working as a lawyer should be."

Charles S. LiMandri has worked hard to apply this ethic and has been a tremendous advocate for Whispering Winds, helping secure a fair legal settlement from insurers to compensate for the devastating losses incurred during the Cedar Fire of 2003. The settlement funds will be vital for the ongoing development of the camp. The entire Whispering Winds community is deeply grateful for his dedication and service.

Sponsorship Opportunities – Contact Don Kojis (619) 464-1479 x14



# Called to Serve

by Larry Sheehan, Chair, Whispering Winds Board of Directors

As we embark on 2009, the Whispering Winds Board of Directors continues to give praise and thanks to God for all He has done and is currently doing for our camp.

Being called to serve on this Board is a great honor, and, in taking the role of Board Chair for the next two years, I am honored and eager to serve with a great group of board members and others participating in committees.

In my four years serving on this Board, my life has been blessed in countless ways, both by the ministry I have been a part of at Whispering Winds and by the insight and camaraderie of the Christ-like people who have served on this Board with me.

I would like to thank our outgoing Board Members –

Bernice Mascari, Patrick O'Brien, and Msgr. Mark Campbell – for their heartfelt commitment to serving the Body of Christ and our Whispering Winds community. We thank you for your continued love and support. Fr. Mark has kindly agreed to continue to serve our community as Chaplain.

I would also like to thank our outgoing Board Chair, Glenn Wilhite. By his example, Glenn has provided great leadership while he has been on the Board of Directors. Even though he has 'retired' from the board, he has volunteered to chair the Founder's Hall Committee and has assembled an experienced group of construction professionals to guide the process as we build a permanent Meeting Hall. Thank you for your leadership

and continued involvement in Whispering Winds!

Though they are big shoes to fill, our newly appointed Board Members are more than equipped to meet the challenge. I would like to welcome George Anderson, Damon Braden, Rick Ghio, and Barbara Noerenberg to our family. Thank you for answering the Lord's call to join our ministry!

Finally, I ask that you continue to pray for Whispering Winds on a daily basis. Please ask the Lord for his continued favor and blessing upon the WW Staff, guests, donors (past, present, and future) and the Board of Directors.

## WHISPERING WINDS CAMP RENTAL INFORMATION

### 2009

**Deluxe Lodging:** \$138 per room per night (up to 4 guests); \$32 per person per night (5th & 6th guests)

**Economy Lodging:** \$32 per person per night

**Meals:** \$7.25 per person per meal

Inquire about Off-season rates (Labor Day – Memorial Day, 5PM Monday – 8AM Friday)

### 2010 – through May 31, 2010

To serve our guests better, we are offering per person package deals with no increase over 2009 rates through May 31, 2010! Package deals are flexible based on the number of nights/meals desired and can be customized to your retreat. Per person Deluxe Lodging rate reflects 1-2 guests per room, 3-4 guests per room, or 5-6 guests per room. Contact our Main Office for more information – (619) 464-1479 x10.

Nights	Meals	Deluxe Lodging			Economy
		1-2	3-4	5-6	-
1	3	\$90.75	\$56.25	\$55.00	\$51.75
2	5	\$174.25	\$105.25	\$102.75	\$96.25
2	6	\$181.50	\$112.50	\$110.00	\$103.50

Inquire about Off-season rates (Labor Day – Memorial Day, 5PM Monday – 8AM Friday)

## CAMP STORE RENOVATION



On your next visit to camp, swing by the Camp Store. After a fresh renovation, we are excited to introduce our new Camp Store Manager, Karen Coleman. Karen has been very active with Whispering Winds for many years, and she is excited to take her involvement in a new direction.

In the Camp Store you can find anything you may have forgotten for your stay, snacks and beverages to tide you over between meals, branded Whispering Winds merchandise, religious articles and books, and more!

**New Camp Store Hours:**  
Saturday 12:30pm – 2:30pm; Sunday: 10:30am – check-out; or By Request

## SUMMER SUPPORT STAFF

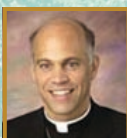


Support Whispering Winds' summer ministries! Seasonal employment for ages 18+ Compensation includes base salary, room & board Training: June 13-17, On staff: June 18 – Aug. 10

Specialized leadership opportunities available in:

- Youth Ministry
- Children's Ministry
- Music Ministry
- Lifeguarding

For more information or an application: [www.whisperingwinds.org](http://www.whisperingwinds.org)



### BEST WISHES, BISHOP CORDILEONE

As announced on March 23, Pope Benedict XVI has appointed Bishop Salvatore Cordileone the Bishop of the Diocese of Oakland. We at Whispering Winds are sorry to see Bishop Cordileone leave San Diego, though we know what a blessing he will be for Oakland. Bishop Cordileone celebrated our first Mass after the Cedar Fire for Thanksgiving 2003. He has been a blessing to our camp and to our Diocese. Please keep him in prayer as he shepherds his new flock in Oakland!

# Summer Family Camp 2009 and Single-Parent Family Camp



## Come to the Water

*"Come!" Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life.*  
- Rev. 22:17

Get more info and Register online at [www.whisperingwinds.org](http://www.whisperingwinds.org)

or call our office at 619-464-1479



## Totally Soaked! Kids Camp 2009

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH CAMP SUMMER '09





## God Watches over Whispering Winds

by **Don Kojis,**  
**Co-Founder and Community Relations Director**

The past few months have provided an opportunity to grow in faith that I could have never imagined. Whispering Winds has felt the effects of the disaster that struck the economy, as has the majority of the Whispering Winds family. I have to thank the Lord for the impact we have felt in our reservations and donations, because it has driven us to deeper prayer, prayer which He answers. God does not appear before any of us to answer our prayer; He moves in those around us. We put our trust in the Lord and he fulfills that trust through you. On behalf of the staff and board, thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ for Whispering Winds. Thank you for exceeding our expectations in this time of hardship. Thank you for bringing to mind a reason for our hope.

"Every time you cross my mind, I break out in exclamations of thanks to God. Each exclamation is a trigger to prayer. I find myself praying for you with a glad heart. I am so pleased that you have continued on in this with us, believing and proclaiming God's Message, from the day you heard it right up to the present. There has never been the slightest doubt in my mind that the God who started this great work in you would keep at it and bring it to a flourishing finish on the very day Christ Jesus appears." – Phil 1: 3-6



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### "THANK YOU", DONORS

#### 2008 Fund-an-Item Donors

Abrom Family	Mistrial Family
Aldecoa Family	Neighborhood
Altiveros Family	Baptist Church
Anderson Family	O'Brien Family
Bialk Family	Ochsner Family
Belprez Family	Oliverio Family
Boggs Family	Palomino Family
Brundy Family	Parkinson Family
Brunner Family	Poprac Family
Burns Family	Pateros Family
Cashman Family	Quiles Family
Civic Youth Orchestra	Rascon Family
Fr. Nick Clavin	Rhamy Family
Colombo Family	Ridge Family
Cook Family	Rivera Family
Davenport Family	Santos Family
Deiters Family	Schumacher Family
Dornisch Family	Sheehan Family
Gauvin Family	Spartz Family
Geltz Family	Spooner Family
Healy Family	Stevens Family
Hoagland Family	Szalkiewicz Family
Hubal Family	Tempredola Family
Hueso Family	Torres Family
Hughes Family	Tran Family
Major Family	Walker Family
Matney Family	Whispering Winds
Medina Family	Women's Auxiliary
Melcher Family	Winters Family
Miller Family	

#### 2009 FUND-AN-ITEM OPTIONS

Replacement canvas for up to 8 tips (\$1200 ea.)  
Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) (\$1200)  
Replacement window for Milner room #11 (\$882.00)  
Gas-powered post hole auger (\$400.00)  
Trees  
Snow plow truck

### "THANKS" TO OUR 2008 GUESTS

Academy of Our Lady of Peace	Seminaries for Diocese of San Diego
All Hallows Academy	Spirit Ministries
Blessed Sacrament	St. Charles
Cerritos Korean SDA Church Family	St. Christopher Korean Church
Retreat	St. Didacus Church
Christ Our Savior Cathedral	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Youth Ministry
Civic Youth Orchestra	St. Francis of Assisi
Claritas	St. Francis Xavier Justice Walker
Corpus Christi JAMS Annual MS Retreat	St. Gabriel Youth Ministry
Cursillo	St. John Middle School
CSUSM Orientation Team	St. John Neumann Youth Ministry
CSUSM – Associated Students	St. Jude Youth Ministry
Diocesan Camp Emmaus	St. Juliana Youth Ministry
Diocesan Ministros Eclesiales	St. Kieran
El Nido	St. Killian Youth Ministry
Ethnos Church	St. Leo
Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy	St. Martin of Tours 8th Grade
Filipino Cursillo Community	St. Martin of Tours Youth Ministry
Foothills Christian Fellowship	St. Mary
Good Shepherd Youth Ministry	St. Michael's Church
Holy Trinity	St. Monica Youth Ministry
Holy Trinity 8th Grade	St. Pius X Youth Ministry
Hoye Family Reunion	St. Rose of Lima
Indian Hills Interns	St. Stephen Youth Ministry
Korean Catholic Ministry	St. Therese of Carmel Youth Ministry
Mary Star of the Sea Youth Ministry	St. Therese Academy
Mary, Star of the Sea Campus Ministry	St. Timothy Campus Ministry
Mater Dei Catholic High School	St. Vincent de Paul
Notre Dame Academy 6th Grade Camp	Sts. Simon and Jude
Our Lady of Grace	Sweetwater Union HS District ASB
Our Lady of Guadalupe	UCSD Chi Gamma Phi
Our Lady's School 6th Grade	USD Alpha Delta Pi
Our Lady's School 8th Grade Retreat	USD Founder's Chapel Choir
Parish Family Camp - St. Therese & St. Kieran	USD Orientation Adventure
PLNU Undergraduate Admissions Staff	USD Residential Life
Pomerado Christian Women's Retreat	USD Ultimate Greek Adventure
Queen of Angels	USD University Ministry
Sacred Heart	USD-EDLD 162
San Diego Feeling Good	Van Veen Family
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Santa Margarita Catholic High School	Whispering Winds Women's Auxiliary

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