

# FOOTINGS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE FIRM FOUNDATIONS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

## April 2008 Update

<b>Campaign Goal</b> .....	<b>\$1,250,000</b>
<b>Total given</b> (pledges & one time gifts).....	<b><u>\$1,170,877</u></b>
<b>Amount still to be raised</b> (original goal)....	<b>\$ 79,122</b>

### **New Goal Set For Firm Foundations: \$1,800,000**

The Board of Directors at their January meeting reviewed the status of the building projects and the progress of the capital campaign. In response to the additional costs being incurred with construction of the dining hall, **the new goal for the *Firm Foundations* campaign is \$1.8 Million.**

This is a challenge, but considering the generous response of individuals and congregations who have already given to the campaign, and the number who will be participating, we are confident this goal can be reached. **Every Congregation Is Needed To Reach The Goal!!**

### **Dining Hall Expands In Scope And Cost**

As mentioned above, changes made to the **Dining Hall** plans have increased the cost by an additional \$300,000. Some of these changes are due to an increase in construction cost since the original plans were proposed almost three years ago, **but most of the increases are from changes in building codes and an expansion of the new dining area.**

- The new dining area has expanded by 547 square feet by squaring off the lakeside portion of the dining hall, accommodating additional space for guests.
- Due to a change in state building codes, a Fire Suppression Sprinkler System costing over \$75,000 has to be installed throughout the entire dining hall. In addition, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) mandated that the camp change its domestic water supply to a closed system, abandoning our current storage tank. These two mandates have required major changes in our domestic water system costing an additional \$80,000 to separate the fire suppression system from the domestic water supply.
- A 734 square foot basement was added underneath a portion of the new dining area. This winterized area will be used as additional meeting space with a separate mechanical room.

Even with the changes, **the dining hall will be ready for use this summer!**

### **Dedication Of Dining Hall Set For May 31, 2008**

Circle the date on your calendar. Plan to bring your family and friends to this celebration of ministry. Marva Dawn will join us as a featured speaker as we dedicate our new dining hall. Also at this celebration, our Program Director, Brooke Ells, will also be installed as an Associate in Ministry (AIM) for the Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp.

### **Alumni Staff Give Over \$62,000 From Phonathon**

In February former staff gathered in the Twin Cities to telephone other staff alumni and their parents, inviting them to participate in the appeal. **So far staff alumni have reported \$59,355 in pledges and gifts.** What a wonderful start to this portion of the campaign. In addition, last summer's staff (young people who are still in school) had their own campaign and **the 2007 summer staff have pledged an additional \$3,080.** Thank you to all those who are helping with this phonathon and to all the staff alums who continue to support this ministry.

**Thank you! Your prayers, dollars and hard work are vital to this ministry. Through your contributions, Flathead Lutheran Camp will be strengthened for generations to come.**