

# THE BUCKING BOARD

SILVER BIRCH RANCH

## NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER - DECEMBER, 2022

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Our newest building, the Wranglers Roost, home to five cabins and one meeting room

### OPPORTUNITY

-Dave Wager

"...that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children, so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments..."

Psalms 78:6-7

Silver Birch Ranch has been proclaiming the Gospel message since the summer of 1968. God's love and provision for us has not and will not change, and as it gave hope in 1968, it will again provide hope in 2023 and beyond.

We are encouraged and excited to see God continue to provide opportunities and resources to accomplish His work. We thank the many who have partnered with us through the years, and we invite you to continue to pray, give, serve, and watch God work in the years to come.

During uncertain times, the certainty of God's message shines the brightest, and for now, we project many opportunities in 2023.

We invite you to join us in one of our many weekend retreats, bring your small group to the Wolf River Refuge, check out the Nicolet Bible Institute for that college-aged relative, or come and volunteer on a weekend work crew or during summer camp.

As I look ahead, the word "opportunity" keeps crossing my mind. We have the privilege and opportunity to display the truths of God's Word on these sacred grounds, and since His Word never returns void, we expect to see Him do wondrous things.

The past five years have been a plethora of unforeseen events that God has used to glorify His name, and as you think of us, pause with us and thank Him for His wonderful provision.



<b>Family Camp #1</b>	<b>June 3-8, 2023</b>
<b>High School Camp #1</b>	<b>June 8-13, 2023</b>
<b>High School Camp #2</b>	<b>June 14-19, 2023</b>
<b>Middle School Camp #1</b>	<b>June 19-24, 2023</b>
<b>CCC High School Camp*</b>	<b>June 24-29, 2023</b>
<b>Family Camp #2</b>	<b>June 30-July 5, 2023</b>
<b>CCC Middle School Camp*</b>	<b>July 5-10, 2023</b>
<b>The Chapel Middle School Camp*</b>	<b>July 11-15, 2023</b>
<b>Middle School Camp #2</b>	<b>July 15-20, 2023</b>
<b>The Chapel High School Camp*</b>	<b>July 21-26, 2023</b>
<b>StuCo High School Camp*</b>	<b>July 27-31, 2023</b>
<b>StuCo Middle School Camp*</b>	<b>August 1-5, 2023</b>
<b>Junior-Middler Camp</b>	<b>August 5-10, 2023</b>
<b>Riding Adventure/Trax</b>	<b>August 5-10, 2023</b>
<b>Family Camp #3</b>	<b>August 13-17, 2023</b>

**\*These marked weeks are reserved for specific churches and aren't open to public registration.**

## TOP 10 LIST

1. Laptop  
**\$1,700**
2. Horse Fencing  
**\$5,000**
3. Horse Arena Doors  
**\$2,000**
4. New Phone System  
**\$3,000**
5. New Copy Machines (2)  
**\$14,000 Total**
6. Projection TVs (2)  
**\$1,000 Total**
7. Security Camera Server  
**\$650**
8. Shop-4 Jack Stands  
**\$500**
9. Boat Seat Repairs  
**\$1,500**
10. Waterfront Rocket  
**\$4,500**

*If you can help with one of these items, please contact us at 715-484-2742. Silver Birch Ranch is a 501(c)(3) organization. All gifts are tax-deductible and are appreciated. If you are interested in finding out about other ways to support the ministry of Silver Birch Ranch, visit our website.*

## SUMMER 2023: FREEDOM

- Jason Kemper

Another summer is in the books. It was humbling to see all that God did in the lives of so many students during The Frontier. Over 400 students committed their lives to following Jesus! So whether you were a camper, summer staffer, volunteer, parent, prayer warrior, or financial supporter, thank you for being a part of what God did in the lives of so many students this summer.

With the leaves beginning to change and the weather cooling off, many of you might be thinking about winter. Well here at camp, our minds are already on next summer. It's time to take a trip to the wooded realm of Robin Hood as we prepare for Summer 2023: Freedom. Take a look at the dates and start planning your summer now because we would love for you to join us for another great summer at SBR! Make sure to follow us on social media for the countdown to open registration. Note the newly added second Middle School Camp, and that each camp session is one full day shorter. Online registration is scheduled to open December 1, 2022! Register early!!

# INTRODUCING THE NBI CLASS OF 2023!

While one-half of the students hail from Wisconsin, this year's class is the most geographically diverse on record with the remaining eleven students representing eight different states. We also have an interesting gender split – 16 girls and 6 guys! The students are enthusiastic, engaging, and so full of life – a pure joy to teach. Already we are seeing their servant attitudes as they work with retreaters. They have spent the first weeks orienting to each other and life here at NBI. We praise God for giving us the opportunity to invest in their lives!

Classes this fall semester include Old Testament Survey, Missions and Evangelism, Christian Theology, and the start of the Personal Development Seminar. In addition to the academics, the students will be involved with the on-going ministry of Silver Birch Ranch and in the local community, giving them ample opportunity to put legs to their learning.

The sum of all these experiences and opportunities will mold and shape these young people in incredible ways as they live out their calling within the Kingdom of God. Please join us in praying for them.

Maybe you or someone you know would benefit from a year at Nicolet Bible Institute. Here's the essential information.

Facts about NBI:

- One-year, college level program
- Transferable credits – written agreements with other four-year Christian colleges (Including University of Northwestern, Trinity, Crown, Oak Hills, Montana Bible) for up to 36 credits. Credits have transferred to many other similar colleges as well.
- Affordable - \$8500 for tuition, books, fees, room and board
- Qualified and caring instructors who hold earned master's and doctoral degrees
- Foundational Bible Courses – to help you own your faith
- Building a Life Mission Statement with the use of a variety of assessments

Visit our website at [www.nicoletbibleinstitute.org](http://www.nicoletbibleinstitute.org) or contact Rich Hess, Dean of Students, at 715.484.2322 x226 if you are interested in more information. Apply early. Space is limited. We are actively accepting students for the fall of 2023!

Finally, don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Instagram if you are interested in relevant information about NBI and in seeing highlights of the student year.



# WOLF RIVER REFUGE



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **FATHER-DAUGHTER RETREAT**  
October 7-9, 2022
- **WINTER JAM**  
February 3-5, 2023
- **QUILTERS' RETREAT**  
October 28-30, 2022
- **ADOPTION FAMILY CAMP**  
March 10-12, 2023
- **SCRAPBOOKING RETREATS**  
Nov. 11-13 & Nov. 18-20, 2022
- **DO YOUR OWN THING RETREAT**  
March 23-26, 2023
- **WINTER FAMILY CAMP**  
Dec. 29-Jan. 1, 2023
- **SPRING COUPLES' RETREAT**  
April 14-16, 2023

Scan QR code with your smart phone to learn more about our events and retreats!



## WRR HUNTERS' RETREAT

Are you looking for a place to gun deer hunt this fall? Are you searching for a place where you feel safe taking your children on their first hunt, and where you know the conversations will be clean? Then you have found the right place at the Wolf River Refuge.

