

# **ROAM** Chronicles

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# Kile's Korner



I can't believe how fast the summer comes and goes! It won't be long before winter will be here along with (for some of us) that four-letter word, SNOW. A great reason to escape to one of our many wonderful ROAM projects!

Ruth and I spent a full day at our state capitol of Michigan (Lansing) at Franklin Graham's "Decision America Tour 2016." It was a day of prayer for our

state, our country, and the upcoming elections. Some alarming statistics were given to us about how many evangelical Christians fail to get out and vote. If we want the right person in office, we need to vote! Reverend Graham urged us to become informed about the candidates, local and federal, and to vote for those who are most likely to uphold the Biblical standards that America was founded on.

We have quite a few projects where our ROAMers have been working. We would love to feature a few of them in the ROAM newsletter, which goes out bimonthly. It is sent out to churches, camps, Christian schools, ROAM members, etc. If you have been on a project lately, please send in a brief note highlighting your experience. We would love to publish them, so others know what ROAM is doing around the country. Thank you for your participation!

God bless you all, be safe, and have fun serving the Lord!

Ed

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# **Reports from Board Members**

#### Central Region

The Central Region, comprised of Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin, was again well represented on different projects this year. Members from our region worked projects in Maine, Georgia, Tennessee, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and of course Florida.

We appreciate those who represented ROAM at our region's District Assemblies and Campmeetings: Gary and Juanita Fruehling, Cheryl and Dave Lampton, Ed and Ruth Kile, Al and Charlene Hawkins.

We have a brand-new ROAM couple from Wisconsin, Dan and Denise Golden.

The ONU Region ROAMers held our 2nd Annual Frankenmuth Lunch on June 9, with 17 in attendance. Always a fun reunion!

Again, it has been a pleasure to serve this region, with so many happy campers serving the Lord!

Ed and Ruth Kile

#### Southwest Region

This was our first year as representatives for ROAM, and our second year of serving as ROAM members. It has all been a learning experience as you all know. Our region represents California, Arizona, New Mexico, and El Paso, Texas, covering eight districts.

We began and ended the year with 12 projects. The Pinerock camp in Prescott has been removed, but the Sacramento project has been added. We emailed each project for a description update and received a response from about half. We were able to work at one of the locations in our region as well as two in the Northwest this year. There were 14 couples that worked on 3 projects this year.

One couple was added to our region this year, bringing us to 5 members for our region, and we pray for more. We were able to attend 3 district assemblies, spoke to many about ROAM, gave membership information to two couples, and gathered 22 entries for the newsletter. We sent materials to one assembly to include in their church packets. Special thanks to the Gangers who graciously helped by attending 2 more assemblies. We hope to attend the other assemblies next year.



Randy and Cindy Woods



#### Southeast Region

This was our first year as board members and we were assigned responsibility for the SE Region. This region includes eight states (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North & South Carolina and Tennessee) with ten districts.

We began and ended the year with 9 projects in our region. We lost one when Rolling Hills Camp in Alabama was sold to the city of Calera but gained a new one, Hephzibah, a children's home in Georgia.

There are only six ROAM members in our region and we contacted each one via email encouraging them to serve a project if at all possible sometime during the year and also to look around for possible new members.

As we received assembly information for the different districts, we contacted the superintendents and secretaries asking if we could send them ROAM brochures to be included in materials to be distributed in their church packets. All but one, I believe, agreed to help us out.

We were able to quickly receive updated information from Adrian Campground when our ROAM office notified us of this need.

Dale & Judy Foster

#### Eastern Region

We worked at Adrian Camp and Conference Center in Adrian, GA in February and March of this year.

We spent April through July promoting ROAM at seven District Assemblies and NMI Conventions in the Eastern Region. This region includes Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Maryland, New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania, New York, Virginia and a small corner of West Virginia. We also visited current projects at five camps, visited a potential project at a camp in Maine, reinstated a camp project in Virginia and set up a church project in Bloxum, VA. We already have a couple signed up go work at the Bloxum project this fall.

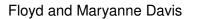
We plan to work at Cornerstone Church of the Nazarene in Lake Jackson, TX from November 2016 through March 2017.

Duane & Jean Morford

#### **Northwest Region**

Our region consists of Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, and part of Nevada and Utah. We attended three District Meetings, gave away lots of candy and signed up 25 for the letter and are hopeful for some new members.

The McMurtrys served at Golden Bell Camp. The Woods at Trinity Pines Camp and Lounsbury at Pinelow Park. They and Woods and Davis served at Kamiah Church. The projects at Kamiah Church, Albany Grace Church, and Brookings are finished.









#### Southcentral Region

The Southcentral region includes Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas. Within the region there are 5 District Camps Louisiana (1), Oklahoma (2), and Texas (2). We have four Church Camps Texas (3) and Alva, Oklahoma which has been recently approved. Love Link Ministries is also an approved ROAM camp. We have had six ROAM couples serving at these locations so far this year.

With the help of ROAM members we have covered two District Assemblies. Our focus the last two years has been to visit all of the ROAM projects in our region and establish a relationship with Camp Managers and staff at the various projects. We have visited or served at all locations in the region except Love Link Ministries and the new site at Alva, Oklahoma.



Daniel and Lutrecia Church

## **District Events**

ROAM's goal is to serve at as many projects as possible. We are actively recruiting new members in various ways as well as promoting projects in need.

One of the ways we recruit and promote is at district events. During the 2016 district event season we sent out materials for 25 events. Many of those had ROAM representatives manning tables to talk with anyone who might be interested which generated 96 new contacts who signed up to receive the ROAM newsletter. These are people who want to stay informed as to what ROAM is doing. Some eventually become active members who serve at many of our ROAM projects.

## **Hours Donated**

This last year (October 1, 2015 - September 30, 2016) ROAMers donated a total of 18,609 hours to projects all across the country.

## **Golden Bell Says Thanks**

We have so enjoyed our ROAMers this year. (Gaylon & Sharon McMurtry, Dale & Judy Foster, and John & Pat Ganger) What an incredible group of hard working folks we had. Many of them left right after Labor Day and we will miss them so much.

The photo is a couple of our ROAM men, with a couple other local volunteers building a new Gaga Ball pit for our camp.

Heather Pillers Program Director



## **Pinelow Park and Conference Center**

I wanted to let you know how much Pinelow Park and Conference Center appreciated the work done by Richard and Terry Lounsbury. They truly made a difference in the camp.

Some of the projects they worked on were building cabinets for the new camp store, installing molding and doors, removal of siding, installing vinyl on cabinets and in bathrooms, installing ceiling molding in the office, repairing a wooden file cabinet, and the list goes on.

They were both great in helping in the kitchen including taking inventory of the freezer and walk-in refrigerators. Terry was so brave to tackle the laundry, washing towels and sheets after unmaking 90 beds. It was a mountain of laundry. She went to work, finished the job, and was still able to laugh about it.

Not only the work, but their company. They were delightful to be with. We enjoyed their company so very much. Both have such a great spirit. We would love to have them back again.

Thank you again for assisting in making this happen. God is blessing the camp.

Ron & Nicki Coil

### **New Projects**

Check out this recently approved ROAM project.

#### Community Church of the Nazarene - Sacramento, CA

Project Description www.facebook.com/CommunityChurchOfTheNazarene

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