
GEORGIA LIONS CAMP REPORT



As the year is nearing the end, it is ending with the knowledge that the camp had some accomplishments as well as some challenges that have made us better. At the beginning of the year the camp ended up with camper sessions that provided fun, fellowship and exposure to some challenges that will enable the Blind to learn how to fit in their communities better and develop relationships that will last a lifetime. This has been the history of the camp for many years. The Board appreciates the support that the Lions of Georgia has supported the camp over the years, but it is appreciated this year. We have had many different groups use the camp this year. This use by other groups had added additional income to the camp's program. The camp needs your support for the coming year and in the future for the continued success

of the camp. We had an outstanding Christmas Camp. Thanks again for the many volunteers that helped with the Christmas Camp.

Over the year, we have made contact with the professional community that work with the blind population in Georgia. These professionals have pledged their support to the Georgia Lions Camp/for the Blind.

This will enable the camp to get input from these Professional's and to expand our camping program. Planning for the upcoming camping sessions are in progress. We have added a Leadership Camp to this year's schedule. This will enable a group of Blind Campers to learn those skills and develop attitudes that will enable them to fit into the world of work. The camp is partnering with the Vocational Rehabilitation Service, Blind Division, of Georgia in providing funding for this program. It will be a 6 weeks' program designed for the blind campers to fit into the world of work and their communities. We hope to expand these types of programs. As you know, the swimming pool had to be repaired It is being repaired now with completion the end of the May.

We really "THANK" the many people and clubs that have made the special donation for the repair of the pool. LCIF has agreed to fund ½ the cost of the pool since it used for the Blind Campers.

We also had the pump at the pond go out and have had to replace it in the last week.

We are looking forward to having another successful camping session in the next few weeks. Thanks again for all that the Lions do for the camp, PCC Olin Newby Chairman of the Board.