

February 14, 2019

Dear Cedar Valley-Nauvoo Mission Center,

I am writing today to share an update on the plans for the Camp Nauvoo open house and fundraiser gala that will be hosted at **Camp Nauvoo on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**.

**Reservations:** Reservations for the fundraiser gala are still being taken at the **\$25/person rate until March 10<sup>th</sup>**. *To help with preparations for the meal, reservations are required for the fundraiser gala.* I am excited to share we have reservations from over 100 people! There is seating available for 75 more. Once this number has been met, reservations may no longer be accepted due to space issues. So, if there is someone who wants to attend, please have them make their reservation as soon as possible by contacting me at 309-762-6622 or preaves55@gmail.com.

**Housing:** If folks are attending and would like ***free overnight housing***, please be sure they contact me as soon as possible as space is filling up fast! There are currently a few rooms available in the lodge and most of the cabins remain available. The RV pads and tiny houses are fully booked. The Retreat House, which has three bedrooms and one common living area is also still available, but we may have to reserve these bedrooms separately as three sleeping rooms for three different sets of guests.

**Open House:** As a reminder, there is an open house prior to the gala. The open house is ***free*** and includes a tour of Camp Nauvoo, the historic site, and time to mingle with friends. It runs all afternoon, but the "official" start and ends times are 3:00-5:00 PM. ***Reservations are not required for the open house.*** If anyone wants to volunteer as a shuttle driver, let me know!

**Fundraiser Gala:** The fundraiser gala starts at 5:30 PM with the theme, *Be a Beacon*. There will be a social hour from 5:30-6:30 PM with hors d'oeuvres, soft drinks, and coffee. At 6:25 PM a bell will toll to signal everyone to take their seats for dinner. A buffet dinner will be served from 6:30-7:50 PM. Dinner will include pork loin, chicken breast, baked potato, corn, green beans, salad, relish trays, drinks/coffee, and dessert. Dress code is business casual/semi-formal.

Entertainment will begin at 7:15 PM and the auction for the large-ticket items will begin at 8:15 PM. *The silent auction winners will be announced between 8:00-8:15 PM.* Entertainment will include various musical talents (guitarist, pianist, violinist, harpist, and vocalist) as well as a hula dancer.

Check out the next few pages for information on general donations for the event, the silent auction items, and the large-ticket auction items. **Remember, all proceeds (after expenses) will help fund the Camp Nauvoo expansion project!**

**For reservations or questions, contact Pat Reaves at 309-762-6622 or [preaves55@gmail.com](mailto:preaves55@gmail.com)**