

Camp-A-Rama rewards 2nd Graders with day of fun May 8

All second graders who've earned their Sparky plaque for completing all three Sparks books, including reciting 189 verses, are invited to Camp-A-Rama day camp at West Cabarrus Church as a celebration of their achievement.

The camp will take place May 8 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will include pictures with Sparky, camp t-shirts, lunch and souvenir goodie bags in addition to

fun-filled Awana themed activities through Skipperland Adventures, Hikerland Forest and Climberland Mound.

Registration is just \$25 per child or adult and space is limited to the first 200 Sparkies.

All Sparkies **must** be registered two weeks prior to the event.



Sparkies attending Camp-A-Rama are encouraged to wear play clothes they don't care much about. Chances are, they WILL get wet! The only other thing Sparkies need to bring are their biggest and brightest smiles!

Parents are invited to stay and at least one adult from each church needs to stay with their kids. One adult should be present for every four Sparks.

Camp-A-Rama will be held rain or shine.

So encourage your clubbers to finish those books so they can join Sparky and all their friends for this wild experience!

To register or for more information, visit the North Carolina Awana website www.awananc.com or contact Shelley Hoag at (704) 598-0276 or at Shelley_Hoag@hotmail.com.

MaxOut Discipleship Camp offers week of fun and games July 18-23

Does your child ever wish Awana lasted more than just one night? Well their wish comes true at MaxOut Discipleship Camp!

July 18-23 all rising 5th graders through graduated high school seniors who've completed their Awana book this year are invited to spend a week playing games, learning verses and enjoying life in the great outdoors at MaxOut.

"Anyone who likes Awana will love MaxOut," said NC Awana Missionary Tommy Nash. "It's like Awana on steroids—bigger and better."

MaxOut Discipleship Camp is located at Harvest Time Bible Camp in Shelby, NC.

Registration for camp is \$150, with a \$50 deposit at the time of registration.

The camp is open to all rising 5th-12th graders who've completed their Awana book for the 2009-2010 club year.

During camp, teens will be divided onto one of four teams: red, blue, green and yellow and earn points for their teams through Scripture memory and games.

Other activities teens can participate in are horseback riding, swimming, archery, canoeing, paddle boats, fishing and climbing walls.

MaxOut Discipleship Camp is a dimension partner ministry. Dimension partners cooperate to promote the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and to evangelize and disciple youth to know, love, and serve Christ. Each partner is an independent organization with separate governance, ministry policies, staffing, and volunteers. Another camp open to North Carolina Awana clubbers is Adventure Camp for Christ at Springs of Life Camp & Retreat Center in Patrick



Photos courtesy of Jon Hoag

Game time and horseback riding are two popular activities during a week at Discipleship Camp.

Upcoming Events

- Mar. 13 T&T AwanaGames @ Liberty Middle School, Morganton, NC
- Mar. 13 T&T AwanaGames @ Northside Baptist Church, Charlotte, NC
- Mar. 13 Basic Training @ Selma Baptist Church, Selma, NC
- Mar. 20 Sparks-A-Rama @ Central Baptist Kannapolis, NC
- Mar. 20 Sparks-A-Rama @ First Baptist Church, Cary, NC
- Mar. 20 Sparks-A-Rama @ Liberty Middle School, Morganton, NC
- Mar. 20 Basic Training @ Lake Forest Baptist Church, Wilmington, NC
- Mar. 27 Bible Quizzing @ Trinity Baptist Church, Asheville, NC
- Mar. 27 Sparks-A-Rama @ Berean Baptist Church, Fayetteville, NC
- Mar. 27 Sparks-A-Rama @ UNC-Greensboro, Greensboro, NC
- Mar. 27 T&T AwanaGames @ Berean Baptist Church, Fayetteville, NC
- Mar. 27 T&T AwanaGames @ UNC-Greensboro, Greensboro, NC
- Apr. 12-15 Journey Summit '10 @ St. Charles, IL
- May 8 Sparks Camp-A-Rama Day Camp @ West Cabarrus Church, Concord NC
- July 18-23 MaxOut Discipleship Camp @ Harvest Time Bible Camp, Shelby, NC
- Sept. 11 60th Anniversary Awana Ministry Conference /Simulcast
- Oct. 8-10 Commander College 101 & 201 @ West Cabarrus Church, Concord NC

*For a complete listing of all the Awana events happening in North Carolina, and to register for events, visit our website at www.awananc.com!

Springs, Virginia. The camp is from June 27-July 3 and costs \$250 per camper.

Both camps will encourage your child spiritually while having fun with friends. Everything during the week is designed to help them evaluate their walk with the Lord in a fun atmosphere.

Space for these once-a-year events goes fast, so sign-up your child soon.

For more information on these camps, visit their websites at MaxOutCamp.org or adventurecampforchrist.org.

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Celebrating 60 years!

Nationwide simulcast part of AMC 2010

Awana is making special changes to the 2010 Awana Ministry Conference to celebrate the ministry's 60th anniversary.

The highlight of the conference, to be held Saturday, September 11 2010, will be a nationwide simulcast featuring Awana founder Art Rorheim and Jonathan Falwell of Thomas Road Baptist Church in Virginia.

The first-of-its-kind live simulcast will have over 60 locations participating, including First Baptist Church, Concord, NC.

Even some of the workshops will be available via the live video feed.

North Carolina Awana Missionary Tommy Nash encourages as many leaders as possible to attend the 60th anniversary conference.

"This will be a once-in-a-lifetime event you won't want to miss," he said.

The primary message of the conference will be "Celebrating generation after generation of lasting faith in Christ." And the theme verse is Psalm 78:4b which says "...we will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, His power and the wonders He has done." (New International Version)

In addition to the conference on September 11, three other regular Awana conferences will be held statewide in September and October.

Throughout its 60 years, Awana has flourished thanks to God's faithfulness reaching millions of young people around the world and encouraging them to life-long commitments to the Lord.

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Every conference will still include all the workshops you need to get your club ready and your leaders psyched about the upcoming club year.

Whether you work with Puggles or Journey there will be plenty of ideas to inspire and instruct as you as you grow your Awana club.

For more information visit www.awana.org or www.awananc.com.



Did You Know?

West Central NC missionary Allen Bailey has been in 28 countries on six continents.



Prayer Requests

For the clubbers and families attending Awana events this spring, that they will see God at work in the lives of these children and understand more about Him.

For the finances of the NC Awana ministry. Would you prayerfully consider supporting your local Awana missionary?

For materials such as laptops and data projectors are needed for use during church meetings.

Praise: God's continued growth and provision for Awana worldwide and in North Carolina.

Missionary Tip: Award Ceremony

Now that it's March, time to start thinking about your awards ceremonies and making the event a memorable and exciting send off for clubbers and their families. Here are some ideas to make your awards night successful:

- Order awards and trophies early! The clubbers have worked hard all year and deserve the recognition and the award for their achievements.
- Make the night special. Maybe have food, music, decorations, raffles, games, photo slideshow of the year, whatever it takes to create buzz and make it an event.
- Encourage parents and family members to come. This way family members who perhaps haven't seen Awana or been to church can hear the gospel and enjoy a laid back event. The idea is to find a way to get them to church and have a good time so hopefully they come again!
- Have awards for as many of the clubbers as possible so they all look forward to coming back to Awana in the fall.
- Always recognize clubbers in front of the church.

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