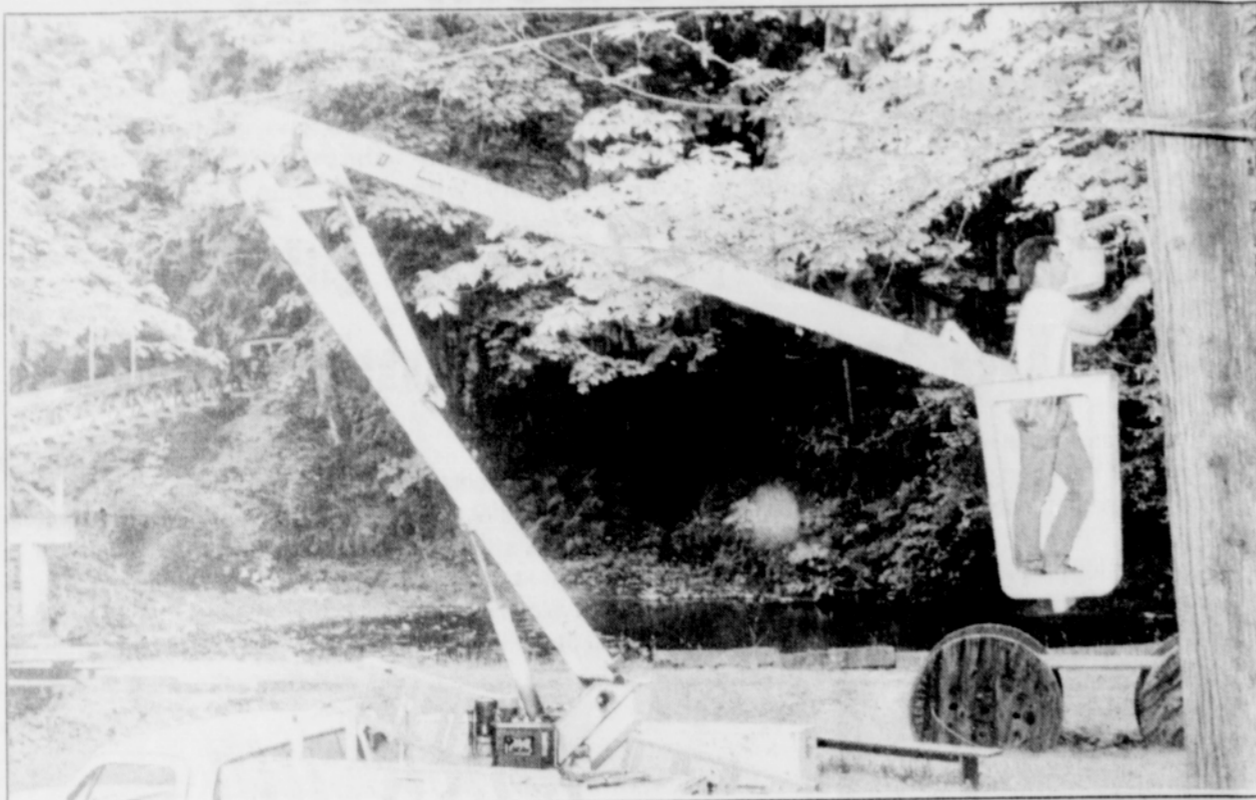


Electricians Light Up Summer Camp For Diabetic Children



Volunteer electricians from Christenson Electric, Cochran/Broadway Electric, and Delta Electric, all NECA and IBEW Local 48 members, added or improved lighting and electricity for almost every building at Gales Creek Camp, west of Forest Grove. Gales Creek is a special summer camp for diabetic children. In this photo, Don Fox of Cochran/Broadway uses a bucket truck to work on the camp's lighting. Volunteer crew members not pictured: Mark Boyer, Terry Basch, Dan Galbreath, Dwight Greiner, Mark Keller, Bruce Knowles, Bill Mohr, Mark Nellor, Dwight Page, and Phil Saunders.

Electricians from Cochran/Broadway Electric, Christenson Electric, and Delta Electric, all members of the Oregon-Columbia Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA), and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 48, donated approximately 140 work-hours of their time and labor to bring more light into the lives of diabetic children attending Gales Creek Camp this summer.

A crew of nearly a dozen volunteer electricians replaced or added lighting to almost every building at the camp, upgraded the camp's electrical wiring, and installed much needed Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs) to prevent burns or shocks from occurring.

Gales Creek Camp, located west of Forest Grove, has been providing a summer camp experience for children with diabetes for more than 40 years. The camp is committed to offering an interesting and varied recreational program to diabetic children under appropriate medical supervision. It is associated with the Oregon affiliate of the American Diabetes Association and Good Samaritan Hospital and Medical Center's Diabetes Institute. The camp is oper-

ated by the Diabetic Children's Camp Foundation which relies heavily on donations and grants to operate and maintain the camp's facilities. As a result, there were aspects of the camp's maintenance which previously hadn't received all the attention they deserved. Electrical work was one of those areas -- and that's when the IBEW Local 48 electricians, coordinated by Dwight Page of Cochran/Broadway Electric, decided to step in.

"My father was a doctor who used to volunteer his services to Gales Creek Camp," said Page. "I know how important the camp experience is to these kids. Not only do they learn more about managing their disease so they can be more independent, but they have a terrific time, too. This is a wonderful facility for the kids and we're glad to give up a couple of Sundays to help make it even better."

The electricians, complete with tools, service van, and bucket truck, worked on two consecutive Sundays making the camp much safer -- and much brighter -- for the campers, counselors, and physicians who will be attending.

"This is wonderful," said Patricia TenEyck, Executive Director of the Diabetic Children's Camp Foundation. "The work these electricians

donated makes Gales Creek safer for our campers, provides a better environment, and has saved us a lot of money, too. We really appreciate what they've done." Dr. John Stevens, Chairman of the Board of the Diabetic Children's Camp Foundation agreed. "The electricians were all sincerely interested in helping the children. They did an enormous amount of work to update everything, bring it all up to code, and bring more light to our camp," said Dr. Stevens. "The change here is really quite magnificent."

"We're glad to help out," said Ed Barnes, IBEW Local 48 Business Manager. "And we're very proud of the volunteers who chose to participate in making this camp a better place for children with diabetes."

"We know how important special camps like this are for the campers, not only for recreation, but for increasing self-esteem and independence," said Tim Gauthier, Executive Manager of NECA, Oregon-Columbia Chapter. "We are always pleased when our members take an interest like this in their communities."

The camp will be open for its first 1994 summer camp session at the end of June.

The Breakfast And Lunch Program

The African American Clergies will begin its second summer programming June 20, 1994. The Summer Breakfast and Lunch Program will start on June 20, 1994 and continue through August 31, 1994. Breakfast will be served, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am and 10:00 am. Lunch will also be daily between the hours of 11:30 am and 1:30 pm.

Children between the ages of 3 to 19 years of age are eligible for the free meals. The meals will be served at St. Mark Baptist church, located at 103 N. E. Morris St. (one block west of Martin Luther King Blvd), Joe Hardie, Pastor.

There will also be a daily recreational program as an extension of the Summer Breakfast and Lunch Program, which offers a full day of social/recreation programming for youth. The Program will offer recreation, field trips, arts, crafts and other similar activities throughout the summer months. In addition, counseling and gang youth outreach services as well as some employment services, will be ongoing throughout the summer.

The African American Clergies will also be starting the second annual Parks and Gangs Youth Outreach Program, beginning August 25, 1994. The Outreach Program

will operate each Saturday and will have recreation, food, counseling, employment services and music between the hours of 12 noon and 5 pm. The schedule of the Parks and Gangs Youth Outreach activities for the summer are: June 25, Peninsula Park; July 9, 16, 23, 30, Alberta Park; August 6, Dawson Park; August 13, 20, 27, Unthank Park.

The African American Clergies is also seeking volunteers to assist in the operation of any or all of these programs. Any questions concerning either or both of these programs should be directed to the African American Clergies at 287-7457.

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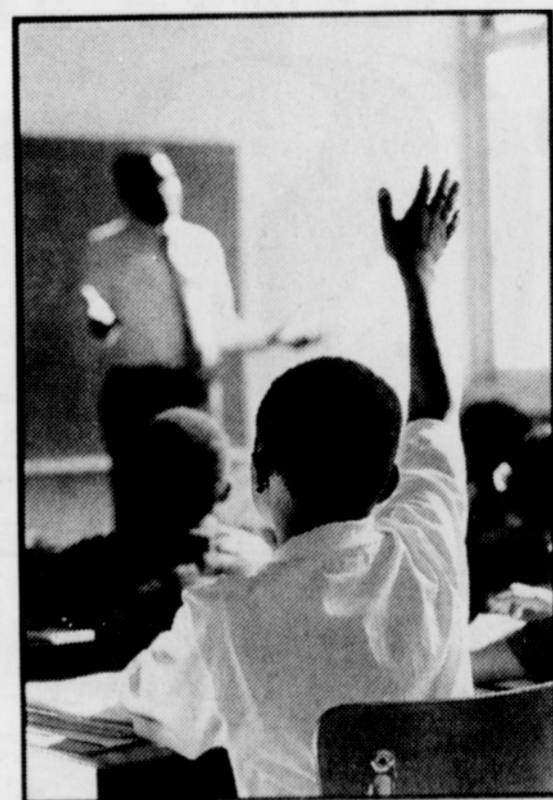


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