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1). **January in Review:** It looks like January will go down as our busiest January on record. The good weather and snow helped with the snow tubing and sleigh rides, and also the groups we hosted. United Pentecostal, Butterfly Retreat, Mullenbach Family, Dr. Jeff Sloan Office party, Grace Communion, Quilter s Quarters, Holy Cross Women, Boy Scout Jamboree, Girl Scouts, Hmong Baptist, and our own Ironwood Extreme Snow Camp. To God be the Glory.

**Camp Barnabas:** Ironwood is considering a partnership with Camp Barnabas, which is a Christian camp for severely disabled people. They were recently recognized by ABC's Extreme Makeover Home Edition by building them a new facility in Missouri. July 18-24 is the week we hope to host this camp, so please pray for this to happen. [www.campbarnabas.com](http://www.campbarnabas.com)

**Charitable Giving:** An account has been established with Edward Jones for creative ways to support the camp such as giving through your will, stock, bonds, appreciated assets, electronic funds, etc. Contact Marlin Hofer at 507-288-5472 or [marlin.hofer@edwardjones.com](mailto:marlin.hofer@edwardjones.com). Our website [www.ironwoodsprings.com](http://www.ironwoodsprings.com) will be secure for charitable giving very soon through PayPal.

**January Donors:** Mike & Luann Olson, Rochester Chapter DAR, Detail Stone, Lighthouse Community Church, South Zumbro Lutheran Church, United Methodist Women, Cornerstone Baptist Church of Mesquite TX, Dr Jeff and Vesna Sloan, Mark & Julie Place, Rochester Elks Lodge, Edward Magnuson, Davies Printing, John & Mary Remick, ARMAR Corp.(Countertops), Cici's Pizza. January donation totaled: \$7,818.00

2). **Wheelchairs for Haiti:** I am starting to collect wheelchairs for Haiti. I just heard on the news that there are 2,000 amputees now and many more to come. I have four agencies needing wheelchairs some months down the road. Salvation Army, SCORE International (Serving Christ Our Redeemer Enterprises-Chattanooga, TN), Baptist Haiti Mission, EFCA Touch Global. It sounds like the National Guard may also get involved.

**FUNDS NEEDED:** Please consider donating to this worthy mission or doing a fundraiser. When sending checks or using credit cards; please indicate Wheelchairs for Haiti. If you could be a "drop site" for chairs in your community, let me know! Dave Kiley is collecting on the east coast. Shipping will be sometime this summer or whenever agencies/hospitals or missions need them. Chairs should be in good condition.

3). **Operation Welcome Home!** Our three 2010 retreats are filling up better than ever. We are very privilege to serve our soldiers and happy to give back to them our gratitude, appreciation, and God's Love. We have 31 couples registered and anxious to attend. Your support is needed; **\$275 sponsors a couple** for the entire weekend, and we have 11 couples sponsored to date. We encourage sponsors to come Saturday evening (May 1<sup>st</sup>) to decorate a table and help serve the candlelight dinner. We always look forward to the ladies from "Quilts of Valor" bringing quilts for each of the soldiers. Pray for Chaplain Morris and the staff. We have a color flyer available if you would like to help promote this retreat.

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4). **The remodel of the Red Barn** is our main improvement for 2010. This barn was built in the early 1980's and has served us well until the new Castner Indoor Riding Arena was built. Our plan is to renovate the box stalls, feed and saddle rooms into meeting space. We have the sawn lumber drying and will be ready for volunteer help this spring! Consider planning a mission trip to Ironwood working on the barn.

5). **Calendar:**

- \* Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> (President's Day) 4:30-8:00. Annual Benefit Pancake Supper. Pancakes, sleigh rides, snow tubing, and music
- \* Mar 5-7<sup>th</sup> A Time to Sew Quilters retreat
- \* Apr 23-25<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Turkey Hunt for disabled individuals
- \* May 13<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> Annual BENEFIT AUCTION " you can make your donations now.
- \* May 14-16<sup>th</sup> Wounded Warrior Weekend with turkey hunt
- \* May 28-31<sup>st</sup> Memorial Day weekend and cookout

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