

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **KRISPY KREME SALE: 7/4**
@ Walla Walla Pt. Park. To Pre-Order call 662-1712
- Swimming at Lk Chelan: 7/5
- WildWaves Day Trip: 7/7
- SP 101: 10am 7/24
- Hike to Deception Falls: 7/24
- Gold Panning, Fossil Hunting, and Petrified Forest Day Trip: 8/14

For more information go to:
<http://acts512.org/Calendar.html>

WISH LIST:

NEED:

- Used Ink Cartridges
- Coupons to SlideWaters!
- Disinfecting Wipes
- Paper Towels
- Heavy-Duty Paper Plates
- White Card-Stock Paper
- Sunblock SPF 30+ (for youth)
- Baby Wipes
- 8' Projector Screen

WANT:

- Crayola Colored Pencils
- Digital Cameras (5+mpx)
- Family-friendly DVD's
- Guitars (electric or acstc.)
- Used Cell Phones
- Rubber Stamps & New Ink Pads
- New solid-white twin sheets
- New & Gently Used Camping Equipment

See our **FULL LIST** at acts512.org/Wishlist.html

BUDGET:

2010 Jan-June Budget:	\$26,899
Actual Income Jan- April:	\$31,308
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Aslan's Refuge Goal:	\$440,900
Raised:	\$123,678
Left to Raise:	\$317,222

LEADERSHIP:

Executive Director:
Steven Knemeyer
Board of Directors:
Sharon Morris,
Rebecca Springer,
& Dianna Wheeler
Program Director:
Desiree' Knemeyer

SOLOMON'S PORCH: BRIDGING THE GAP BETWEEN THE CHURCH AND THE STREET

The Porch Paper

JULY 2010

Fishing, Rafting, and So Much More!

The pungent smell of the water clung to us as we ventured back into town two times in the past two weeks.

First was the fantastic trip to Lake Wenatchee on Free-Fishing weekend. Mr. & Mrs. Barry, of Barry's Curbing and Striping, helped us rent a large pontoon boat for the trip. Each of the youth caught at least one Rainbow Trout that sunny day and each helped clean the fish as well. The trip was a wonderful success in building memories and family-like

bonds with the youth. Then, only two days later Peak 7 Adventures, out of Spokane, WA took a group of our youth and staff on a wild ride down the Wenatchee River!

The trip was a blast and one of the rafts even made it into a cave along the way. A bar-b-que followed with fun food, wind, and a good 'ol bottle of bubbles!

This summer SP is working to get youth involved

in multiple activities that will bond them and build their self-esteem. Check out the calendar page at Acts512.org for more!

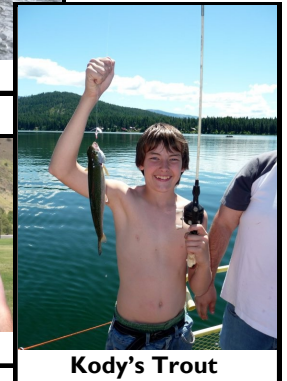


Rafting Trip

Thanks to the NCW Foundation for Youth for helping!



Shane & Steve



Kody's Trout

Stone Table Youth Group Thriving!

On may 5th, a group of youth and staff launched Stone Table Youth Group at Solomon's Porch. Since then, questions have been asked and answered, prayer requests have been made and youth who had no hope have a sparkle in their eye.

Some songs are older, some less "cool," but youth predomi-

nate the worship band. Crystal's pipes rock a harmony, Kody and Andrew trade off for the drums, Alex slaps the bass and Steven leads out vocally and on guitar. Pam does the computer stuff

and youth and staff take turns on announcements. The teens never know what they're walking into for the night and learn and laugh



Worship at STYG Led by Steve with Shane and Kody

with the staff who love them so much.

A year ago, or so, someone had told our leaders that we would be moving out of the time of planting and into a time of fruit and what a time it's been. The changes that are coming over some of these youth are true transformations. Changes we couldn't have helped them with on our own.

STYG will continue through the summer on Wednesdays @ 6pm



SOLOMON'S PORCH

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THANK YOU to Lenka Slapnika and Forte Architects for helping so much with the plans and the craft samples for the teens! You are a true blessing in our community! Also a big thanks to everyone that has supported SF throughout the Teen Crisis Shelter Campaign!



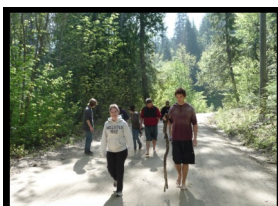
grant to assist with the costs of installing a commercial kitchen! On July 8th we will find out how much was raised through the Gates Great Giving Match that will go towards the kitchen as well. We are feeding an average of about 32 youth per Friday night with the Free Food program and greatly appreciated all of the community members and organizations that have been making that program a success. We hope to have a great kitchen

Two years ago, should someone have ever be up to opening a teen shelter, you would have heard a sarcastic laugh. Not because we wouldn't have wanted to, but because it wouldn't have seemed like a realistic option to us. But today things look so different! We have been given a grant for \$20,000 to assist with the costs of inspections, architectural plans, and the costs of marketing for fundraising activities. We have also just been awarded a \$40,000

Teen Shelter Moving Ahead!

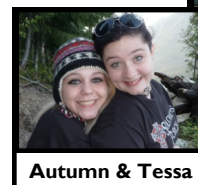
The Sneeka in Zanika

We were unprepared for how impacting the trip to Camp Zanika was going to be in the lives of our youth... many of the youth had never been to any kind of camp and their only idea of what it would be like came from movies and stories from friends who had gotten to go. We sang songs around the campfire, roasted marshmallows, played a bunch of games and ate a bunch of campfood. We took a hike to Hidden Lake (many



Hiking to Hidden Lake

had never been hiking as well), and found the waterfall that fed the lake. But the best memory was at night, when everyone was supposed to be going to sleep. Four girls snuck out of their cabin (with permission) and quietly made their way over to the boy's cabin. They hid under a pine tree when one of the boys came out for a bathroom break. One person stayed below the tree with a flashlight ready, two moved to the lake side of the cabin and one to the other side. The single girl began to pound and scared the other girls, they began to scream and pound as well and dashed off towards their cabin with their hearts pounding adrenaline through their bodies! Unfortunately, they found out the following day that



Autumn & Tessa



Austin, Tessa, John, & Autumn

the boys could hear them coming and weren't in the least bit startled. The rest of the night the girls tried to devise another plan... but the next night they were too tired to keep their eyes open! It's fun experience like this that make lasting and fun memories! The youth keep asking if we're going back next year... that's a great sign that something changed that weekend!