

Camp Harkness update – January 30, 2014

Lots of great things to report on!!

Beach - We are happy to report that as of today, the beach has not sustained any damage from storms.

Brown cabin renovation - The bid opening occurred for the renovation of three of the brown cabins – work on the renovations should start in the next 30 days. These renovations will add a second accessible bathroom. We hope to be on target for a Memorial Day opening for their use. The fire pit and surrounding area are being refurbished for safety and greater accessibility.

Beach bath house - the bathhouse floors are being sand blasted as you are reading this. Once the old paint is removed, the floors will be sealed with a clear seal. All of the partitions in the bathhouse are being replaced with fiberglass partitions. We will be adding additional outlets to the charging station.

Accessible board walk – we will be adding 5 more sections this year, to give us a larger area for people to enjoy the waterfront.

Harkness Dining Hall – the lighting is being replaced in the dining hall and the kitchen with energy efficient lighting. Both areas are also being painted.

Tent sites – we will be adding accessible campfire ring/grill (with heat shield for safety) at each site.

Camp rules – have been revised and will be sent out with reservation confirmation. All Camp Harkness pass holders must have a signed copy of the 2014 rules signed and on file in the camp office. We will post a copy on the website that you can download, complete and bring when you come to the park.

Camp reservations – have been coming in throughout January. Confirmations will be mailed out the first two weeks of February.

Camp Harkness Website – is being reviewed and updated as needed. Our goal is to make it more user friendly. We also hope to provide information about amenities of the park that you might enjoy.

The Sunshine Train – Oak Hill is building a wheelchair accessible car, with ramp. This will allow more individuals to use the train and see more of the camp.

High Hopes – Will be back at Camp Harkness for the 2014 camp season.

Spring Clean Up – Save the date!!! Saturday, May 17th 9:00AM – 12:00PM. Please call the camp office at 860-443-7818 if you are interested in volunteering.