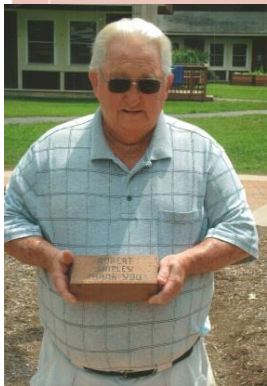


# Lions Camp Merrick

*Making Memories That Last A Lifetime!*

**OUR MISSION:** *"To promote the education, creative expression and social growth of special needs youth. Lions Camp Merrick fosters friendships between children facing similar challenges and provides the community and Lions with opportunities for service, philanthropy and leadership."*



## LCM Brick Sales

One individual honored with a brick at LCM is Robert Shipley, a friend of a local Lion, who visited camp and was moved by what campers said their experience at camp has done for them. Robert used his talents and resources in the heating and air conditioning business to donate heat and A/C units

for the rustic renovation. Lions clubs, Lions, staff, camper families and others have been buying bricks to be placed here to honor, and remember someone special. Robert is only one of many special people who have been honored with a brick.

## Rustic Rehab

We are moving forward to make the rustic cabin renovations a reality. We have an LCIF grant and the matching funds need to be raised by Lions and camp staff. Several clubs have stepped up with donations and we have a grant from PayPal that will be used for the renovation. A loan will be taken out to cover the balance with the intent to continue raising money so our budget does not have to take on the cost of these renovations.



## Reminders & Updates

### Camp Board Meeting – January 19th

At Babes Tavern, 2890 Old Washington Road in Waldorf, All are welcome to attend! We meet at Babes Tavern at 2890 Old Washington Road in Waldorf.

### Next Camp Advisory Meeting – Jan 19th

We appreciate your assistance and support. We meet at Babes Tavern at 2890 Old Washington Road in Waldorf.

### Annual Camp Gala – Friday February 12, 2016

Mark your calendar for a Roaring Good Time!

### Appreciation Picnic TBA

A picnic for Lions, staff, campers & families and friends of LCM will be held so look for more information in upcoming newsletters!

## Challenge Course Update

Many of you may already know LCM was awarded \$65,800 from a Charles County grant for building / updating our climbing tower and high challenge course. The contract has been signed and the work will begin in late December, if the weather holds out. We look forward to the addition of new activities for our campers as well as a team building activity for rental groups.

