



Camp Eastman Development Association  
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## A New Sunfish Sailboat For Camp Eastman

In 1997 the Camp Eastman Development Association handed over the keys to the new boathouse on Larry Creek, continuing our long-standing strong support of the Aquatics program at camp. In 2010, CEDA again focused on making improvements in this important program area. Through a combination of grants and donated funds, CEDA raised the \$4,300 necessary to purchase a new Sunfish sailboat to add to the Aquatics program's fleet.



Designed in 1952, the Sunfish is a model of simplicity and function. The latest sail plan requires just two lines and the boat can be set up and sailing in minutes, making it a perfect choice for the small boat sailing classes taught on the Mississippi river during summer camp.

CEDA purchased the sailboat directly from the manufacturer, LaserPerformance, Inc, who offers discounted pricing and delivery charges to non-profit organizations. The sailboat was delivered in the fall and will be ready to get wet when the camp season begins this summer.



Scouts at Summer Camp learn about the Sunfish sailboat in small boat sailing class at Camp Eastman

## 16th Annual Camp Eastman Reunion Banquet March 5, 2011

Plan now to attend the 16th Annual Camp Eastman Reunion Banquet and Auction on March 5th, 2011 at the West Burlington Christian Church, 545 Melville St. in West Burlington, Iowa. This year's event promises interesting and informative displays, good food and fellowship, an exciting auction, and some surprises all wrapped up in a great opportunity to help Camp Eastman. CEDA again invites the 2010 Camp Staff to be our guests this year to thank them for their service to Scouting and Summer Camp. For information about becoming a CEDA member, or to order tickets online, visit [www.cedaweb.org](http://www.cedaweb.org). Tickets can also be purchased from any CEDA Board Director. Supporters of Scouting, scouts, their families, and the general public are welcome!

Since 1995, the projects undertaken by CEDA have grown in number, complexity, and financial burden. The undertaking of future projects is dependent upon the continued generosity of the supporters of Camp Eastman. The annual banquet is the only participative fund-raiser that CEDA holds. CEDA also funds projects through grant applications, bequests, corporate gifts, and repeated donations from Camp Eastman alumni around the world.



**If you have a unique item that you would like to donate to the live or silent auction, please let us know at our website, [www.cedaweb.org](http://www.cedaweb.org), or write us at: Camp Eastman Development Association, P.O. Box 183, West Burlington, IA 52655**

## 2010 - A Busy Year At Camp Eastman

Looking back, 2010 was a very busy and productive year for the Camp Eastman Development Association. Major projects were completed, several long-term projects progressed considerably, and some new initiatives were realized. Here are just a few of the highlights:

### Vending Center

In 2001, a \$2000 contribution in memory of Terry Ross was designated on CEDA's financial reports to go towards the funding of a beverage vending center. Recent interest by the council toward improving the trading post brought the issue to the attention of the board once again. Working with the council, who agreed to fund the electrical installation for the building, CEDA submitted a design and location proposal to the Camp Properties and Maintenance Committee and obtained approval to move forward with the project.



Mike Hausch works on the Vending Center construction

The concrete floor was poured on May 8<sup>th</sup> and, after four busy weekends, the pop machines were delivered, the ice machine was moved and the building was open for business. This fall, gutters and downspouts were installed on the Vending Center and Mouse Manor, and topsoil was spread in preparation for seeding this spring.

While CEDA designed, funded, and carried out the project, getting the center constructed and operational would not have been possible without Ron and Mickey Keller, Brad Buckley, Bill Ell, Mike Hausch, Mark and Kendall Porth, Gary Sheets, Caroline and Steve Weyer, and all the others who volunteered their time and expertise.

### T-2-1

The summer camp T-2-1 program was delivered by the Camp Commissioners and included new activities designed to get 1st year campers fired-up about coming back to camp next summer. CEDA financed a portion of the cost of materials to get the new T-2-1 program ready for Camp Eastman this summer.

### Road Grading

In October, CEDA continued its efforts to improve the main road in camp. From the Eastman Lodge lane to the dining hall turn-off the road was graded and 120 tons of gravel was applied. The ditch on the Trading Post side of the road was also cleaned and deepened to improve drainage. Finally, sealant was applied to the existing blacktop. The \$7,700 cost of the project was paid for by private donations to CEDA.

### Signs

CEDA is continuing to install new signage throughout camp. Merrill Crawford, using equipment made available by the City of Dubuque, created over 60 routed signs for Camp Eastman's campsites, program areas, and landmarks. All of the campsite signs have been sealed and painted, and a few have already been installed. On average, the cost to finish and install a sign is about \$45.00. Ceda welcomes donations from individuals or troops to fund this project.

### Staff Area

In the spring of 2010 Camp Commissioners Bill Ell and Bill Dorrell approached CEDA to request funding for repairs to the tent cabin frames as part of a more extensive project to realize significant improvements to the staff area. Repairs included extending the concrete slabs on which the frames rest, replacement of deteriorated wood, new paint and new screen. The CEDA Board of Directors approved funding for the initial phases of the project and funded the construction of 2 new frames from Ron and Mickey Keller to be ready for the summer of 2011. Several of the cabins were completely refurbished before camp, and work continued on the project after the summer sessions.



Steve Baker, Bill Ell, and Ron Keller repair a tent cabin

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Here is my reservation for the  
**Camp Eastman Reunion Banquet**  
**March 5, 2011**

\_\_\_\_\_ @ \$10.00 per person

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If you can't join us for the 2011 Reunion Banquet, we will miss you! You can still support Camp Eastman by enclosing a donation of \$10.00 or more to become a CEDA member and help fund future projects. Thank you!

Donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Camp Eastman Development Association.  
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## 2011 Camp Eastman Reunion Banquet Highlights

The 2011 Camp Eastman reunion banquet to be held March 5th, 2011 at the West Burlington Christian Church will feature several special events and items, along with the fun, good food and fellowship that have become the event's trademark. If you would like to purchase a ticket to this year's banquet, contact a CEDA Board Director or visit our website at [www.cedaweb.org](http://www.cedaweb.org).

### **2011 Reunion Schedule**

**4 pm - Doors Open**

**4-6 pm - Silent Auction**

**6 pm - Dinner**

**6:45 - Presentations**

**7 pm - Auction**

Watch your email box in February for more details about the Reunion, including a list of items that will be auctioned to benefit Camp Eastman. If you've never received an email from CEDA, send us an email at [ceda@mchsi.com](mailto:ceda@mchsi.com) and we will add you to our mailing list.

## Commemorative Tree Program Update



The Camp Eastman Development Association continues to work towards improving the landscape of camp by removing old trees that are unsightly or past their prime, clearing brush from overgrown areas and planting new trees as part of the Commemorative Tree program.

In May of 2010, twelve new trees were added to the arboretum by donors wishing to honor or memorialize others. The trees planted this spring were in memory of Dr. H.M. Patterson, Michael L. Martin, Harl Teater, Curt Junior Baker, Paul & Elvira Behne, John J. & Louise Marrah, Allen Clark Pealer, Irl Shamp, Randy Plummer, Mary Erickson and the Past, Present and Future Scouts & Leaders of Troop #3.

Several other memorial trees were purchased during the summer and fall of 2010. Because the hunting season closed camp during the prime fall planting season, CEDA will be planting the rest of these commemorative trees this coming spring.

The Commemorative Tree Program display board, which will contain engraved plates recognizing honorees and donors, tree species and a map with tree locations, will be mounted this spring on the north wall of the new Vending Center near the Trading Post.

If you would like more information about the Commemorative Tree program, visit CEDA's website at [www.cedaweb.org](http://www.cedaweb.org).

## Crawford Retires From CEDA Board

Longtime friend and supporter of Camp Eastman Merrill Crawford announced his retirement from the CEDA Board of Directors last fall. Crawford has been a Director since 2006, was instrumental in getting CEDA's signage project off the ground, and has served for several years as CEDA's Banquet Czar, organizing the event and creating many of the displays enjoyed by Reunion attendees.

CEDA's Board of Directors will miss Crawford's enthusiasm, ideas and talents, but Merrill has promised to continue to support Scouting, CEDA, and the enhancement of the Camp Eastman experience.