

September 12, 2018

Dear Columbus Day Work Weekenders (October 5-8),

With only a few months to go before Deerfoot Lodge Blue Ridge opens its doors we are in a sprint. There is a mountain of work that must get done. Thankfully, we have a God who speaks and mountains move.

Some of the projects we will be working on are:

- Convert garage into health center.
- Install steps, doors, bunks screens in one woodsmen cabin and one pioneer lean-to.
- Complete one of four treehouses.
- Build assorted docks and raft.
- Design and layout campcraft, wildlife and survival
- Clear site, dig berms, construct rifle range.
- Clear archery range.
- Clear and construct handcraft and fishing cabin/ gazebo.
- Tune-up and service three Polaris ATVs and two Kawasaki Mules.

After reading this list I hope you are motivated to drive down and get started. Forewarned is forearmed. While DL BR doesn't have any black flies (and practically no bugs at all!) There are some unique challenges to volunteering at DL BR. Both lodging and meals at DL BR are austere. Bed space is virtually non-existent however, camping space plentiful.

Please bring your own WARM bedding, sleeping bags, sleeping pads, air mattress, tents, towels, flashlight, etc. as well as warm clothing.

Please do not bring pets which don't normally spend the summer at DL.

Work weekend is for adults. If you wish to bring someone who is under 18, please clear this with Chief Nick ahead of time.

The kitchen at DL BR is a small residential-sized kitchen. If you can support meals by bring a dish or snacks please do and coordinate with Chief Nick.

The DL BR Columbus Day work weekend will be challenging and pivotal to getting camp open. DL BR can only support around 40 volunteers. So please register ASAP online at <http://deerfoot.org/about-deerfoot/work-weekends>

If you are interested in leading any of these critical projects please contact Chief Nick at chiefnick@deerfoot.org

This is a special time in Deerfoot's history. Our prayers are that this special time of constructing a new camp would also be a special time to build fellowship among Deerfooters everywhere.

Send me,

