



What is the Green Fund?

The Earth is God's creation and we are blessed to own several hundred of the most beautiful acres on this fantastic planet. The Green Fund is a special account established at Burnamwood solely for the purpose of preserving and protecting God's good earth at Burnamwood. Its original purpose is to pay for kitchen upgrades to free us of styrofoam and other disposables through the purchase of a dishwasher and accompanying supplies. Any funds remaining will be used solely for other environmentally conscious improvements at the Camp. Very soon, we hope to develop an extensive recycling program and will be reducing our energy consumption by converting to fluorescent lighting in our buildings, installing timers and motion detectors on lights, gradually replacing leaky windows and improving insulation. And our future curriculum will include a component on the importance of preserving and protecting God's Earth.

What's Happening With the Green Fund?

First the bad news: Due to some technical difficulties, our initial introduction of the Green Fund pledging system was unable to take pledges made online. We've figured out why. We've corrected the problem. No money was lost at all..... It's just that we don't know who responded in that first couple of weeks and said that they wanted to make a pledge. So we couldn't follow up and make sure that we received the pledge. And we don't even know who you are!

But the good news: Many of you responded! We were excited about making this new green initiative happen, and many of you were, too. We know because we have the number of responses, just nothing beyond that. So we must ask those of you who have responded to give us one more try to make it happen! You can do this by going online to <http://www.burnamwood.net/greenfund.htm> and re-pledging.

Even more good news: Knowing that the money was coming in, we went ahead with the project! The first such action was to install a dishwasher, which has been operational for the entire 2008 Summer Camp season. No more paper plates, plastic cups, and plastic utensils! We have an entire set of serving trays and utensils that are easily washed and re-used. We have installed a new stainless steel dish table, wall rack, sink and counter. We have taken a considerable green step forward!

Even better news: the kids have noticed! Having the kitchen redone and emphasizing the importance of protecting God's good creation has carried over into the way they treat things and one another in the dining hall, as well as how it affects their attitude about everything at Burnamwood. Who knew that one little change could make so many others happen?

And the final good news we need to hear: that you will follow through with this commitment we have made in your name. Would you make a pledge or even send us an actual check! For those of you who have not yet pledged to the Green Fund, we ask that you prayerfully consider donating to this fund to allow us to continue to make positive, ecologically-helpful, sustainable improvements to Burnamwood Camp and Conference Center.

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Thank you for helping us improve our Camp by contributing to The Green Fund.