

The Briarwood Vine

The monthly newsletter of Briarwood Retreat Center
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Join us for a special Easter morning service and brunch. The worship service will be led by Bishop Kevin Kanouse and will begin at 10:00 AM. Service will be outside if weather permits.

A Brunch will follow the service in the Shalom Center and will feature a wonderful menu prepared for you by the Briarwood team. Brunch hours are from 11:00 till 2:00. Cost is \$13.50 for adults and \$6 for children.

Calling Thrivent Members

If you are eligible for the Thrivent Choice Dollars program, you can use your smartphone to support Briarwood. Simply scan the QR code box and you will be taken to the Thrivent Choice website. Not all Thrivent members are eligible. You can find the eligibility requirements on the website. Members who qualified in 2011 will need to direct their dollars by **March 30**. Last year we received more than \$6000 through this program, which is less than we used to get from matching gifts, so if you are eligible please think of us. If you are one of the members who remembered us, thank you.



You can also reach Thrivent by going to www.thrivent.com, calling 800-847-4836, and say, "Thrivent Choice," when asked.

Fore!

Briarwood's 2nd Annual Golf outing and fundraiser will be held at the Golf Club at Fossil Creek on Friday, May 4th, 2012. This will be an 8:00 AM shotgun start with practice time and breakfast options beforehand. After your round there will be a luncheon and award ceremony with great

food, fun, door prizes, and more. All of the information you need to register or sponsor the event can be found on our website under the Upcoming Events menu. Hope to see you there.

We believe that God's purpose for Briarwood is to provide a natural setting where people experience God's love.

Thank you for your partnership in the camping and retreat ministry of the synod.

Lenten Retreat

March 24 - March 25
4th - 8th Grade

Lent is a time when many Christians prepare for Easter by observing a period of fasting, repentance, moderation and spiritual discipline. The purpose is to set aside time for reflection on Jesus Christ - his suffering and his sacrifice, his life, death, burial and resurrection. Our time together this year will focus on the idea of preparation and what it means in our lives today.



Lent.... Are you ready?

Cost is \$60 per participant, there is a sibling discount, and adult chaperones are free. Lots of information and a downloadable brochure with registration form are available on our website.



Seniors Retreat March 23 - March 25

Please join us for the annual Seniors Retreat at Briarwood. Designed for the retired, semi-retired, or still working - there is no age limit. If you want to join us, you are invited to be here!!

This year's event will feature Bible studies led by Pastor Mel Hammer. There will be plenty to keep you busy with worships, Bible study, wine and cheese social, workshops, games, and lots of fellowship. The cost for this year's event will be: \$90 per person for double occupancy or \$120 per person for single occupancy

Lots of information and a downloadable brochure with registration form are available on our website or by calling the office.

Construction has begun on Copper Canyon Road. During Phase 1 Briarwood will only be accessible from the North. For detour maps and alternate directions you can see our website.

