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Dear Peak 7 Supporter,

I have some more wonderful news! You may have already heard this but I wanted to let everyone know. When we sent out our last newsletter I told you about how the Lord had incredibly blessed Peak 7. Well, I have some more very incredible news!

Alright, so the saga continues. We had our year-end board meeting and were looking at next year's budget. Part of the concern for 2010 is that we would be basically loosing about 100K in support. 50K from the Angel donor (the grant ended in 09) and another one time 50K from the boy's home (they closed down at the end of 09). The board meeting ended and we were tasked with figuring out how we were going to make up that 100K.

Right before Christmas I received a call from Kelly (one of the executers of the organization that gave us the 50K and the van). She said that they had one more vehicle left, a truck and asked if we could use it. It is in incredible condition with a hitch, canopy, extended bed and seating for 6. It is perfect for our climbing program. So, I told her that we could certainly use it.

A week later I let Kelly know that the paperwork for the truck was finalized and she could pull it off their insurance. At the end of our conversation, she told me that they had some additional funds that they were distributing to all of the organizations that they already gave to and that she was telling me this to let me know that we would be receiving another check from them. I did not know what to say. We had already been so blessed by them that there was not really anything that I could say or do that would express our gratefulness. Well, a couple days later the check arrived in the mail and believe it or not it was for \$99,800. That is \$200 short of our need for this year. Being a part of this ministry and seeing God work in amazing ways has been such a blessing to me. He continues to pour fourth goodness upon His ministry, Peak 7.

Thank you for your support, it certainly makes a difference,

Sincerely,

Ryan Kerrigan  
Executive Director

Jehovah Jireh - "the Lord will provide"  
Matthew 7:7



## SPRING TRIPS ARE UNDERWAY!

### REFUGEE FINDS REFUGE IN CHRIST

One of the populations that Peak 7 Adventures has been serving is refugee population of Spokane. Many youth grow up in refugee camps mainly in Nepal and Burma. One of these young men went on an ascent trip this summer. He was Atheist and mocked the guides for thinking that God created everything and that the Bible could really be the inspired word of God. He had a great time but would not go again because the packs were too heavy.

This last spring break trip along the Olympic coast trail that young man showed up again. We

were partnering with Youth for Christ and refugees from Nepal, so that both groups of kids could learn from each other and make fiends and start tarring down social barriers.



This Nepalese boy asked me when we were going to do the Bible time and that he was looking forward to the discussions. During the Spotlight time when

the youth share about their lives he apologized to the guides about being sarcastic and mocking during the Bible time and that since his last trip in the summer he had become a Christian.

Even before he told me this I could see a change in his life. It is great to see how God is working in the refugee community. His family attends a local church and he is looking forward to growing in his faith. He said he is looking forward to more trips even going up the mountains with a pack.

-Austin Dannen,  
Program Coordinator

## 2010 BOCCE BALL TOURNAMENT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

The Morning of our second annual fundraiser greeted the Peak 7 crew with an uncertain forecast of weather - but to the delight of 34 teams and many spectators, the weather turned out beautiful! Tournament players enjoyed a fabulous day of playing Bocce Ball followed by a delicious dinner, all while competing for items in the silent auction, and winning raffle drawing items. Thanks to our players, tournament sponsors and generous donors, Peak 7 raised over \$21,600 at the event. Awards went out to team "Gray Anatomy" for best costume, and "Team Boccelism" for best team name. The tournament trophy went to the winning team "High Rollers" who dominated the finals! A special thanks to the many volunteers who helped before during and after the event - we could not have done it without you. Looking forward to seeing everyone next year! For final tournament results, visit : [www.peak7bocce.org](http://www.peak7bocce.org)



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## SEEING GOD'S HAND

- *He opened the doors to some Ascent permits*
- *A great 6 passenger truck was donated that is perfect for our climbing program*
- *He has provided us with a potential Area Director for Seattle*
- *The summer staff that are lined up for this summer are top notch*
- *Over 70 participants on the spring break Ascent trip in April*

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## NEW SUMMER STAFF

*- MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK -*

There's a long and unique story of how I ended up where I am today. It's full of ups and downs, great people, good tunes, and tasty food ...and mountains, oh yes. But I'll keep it short to save time and trees.

I grew up in a small town in northeast Pennsylvania. Most of my time was spent hanging out with friends and playing sports. I didn't spend much time doing homework but somehow got accepted to college at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. During college, God showed me a lot about His plans for me and what it looks like to follow Him with my actions and not just my words. I also learned how to shine shoes like a champ.

I graduated with a bachelor's in Meteorology and was stationed in Anchorage Alaska as a weather officer. While in Anchorage, I began volunteering with my church's junior high youth group and grew a passion for seeing God impact students' lives. I continued to work with church youth when I was stationed at my next base in Ogden Utah. I spent four years in Utah and separated from the Air Force in June 09.

I started volunteering with Peak 7 last April while I was in Spokane visiting friend stationed at Fairchild Air Force Base. To say I'm excited about guiding with Peak 7 this season would be a huge understatement. I've been very blessed to be able to enjoy some of the country's most majestic scenery and even more blessed to have friends and family who encourage me to pursue the God who created all of it. I hope to use what He has given me to share the same life changing blessing with youth in the northwest.

~NICOLE WINTERS



**"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."**

**Luke 12:34**



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