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# DYF Difference

## CAMP UNTIL A CURE

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### Diabetes Youth Foundation Buys Noblesville Camp

Home, sweet, home. Since late November 2005, those have been the ecstatic words members of the board of directors have been saying since the Diabetes Youth Foundation of Indiana purchased the Boys and Girls Club camp in Noblesville.

“We’ve been trying to find a permanent location for our camp for many years,” said Dan Bartholomew, board chairman.

“The Noblesville facility is centrally located in Indiana, has great access to medical facilities and volunteers, and offers 28 acres of woods for our kids to explore, play in and learn about diabetes,” he said.

The Noblesville camp was built in the 1950s, and while structurally sound, needs some updating. A capital campaign, Camp Until A Cure, was begun by the DYFI in late 2005 to help fund repairs and improvements to the site.

“We are really excited about the potential and possibilities for our camp,” said Dr. Sam Flanders, board president. “We have a great program to build on.”

Rick Crosslin, one of the top science teachers in the state, will run the camp program while the medical coverage is being organized and led by Dr. Flanders, who has more than 25 years of diabetes camping experience.

A grant has been submitted to the Lilly Endowment for funds to expand the high ropes course at camp and plans are underway to offer several daylong bike trips for the older campers during the two-week session. The board is also working with Crosslin to develop a summer adventure trip for diabetic teens. See the box for more information.

The DYFI will offer three weeks of camp this summer. The first session will run from June 11-17, and the two-week session will run from June 18 - July 1. The cost is \$200 per child per week. Financial aid is available. A camp application is included with this newsletter. Extra applications are available at [www.dyfofindiana.org](http://www.dyfofindiana.org).

The DYFI camp is moving forward with new programs, new challenges at camp, and new ideas. Don’t be left out! Register for camp today!

### Teen Adventure Trip Planned Aug. 6-11

The Diabetes Youth Foundation of Indiana is committed to serving children and teens with diabetes.

This year we are excited to tell you about our summer science adventure to Arkansas, designed especially for older or past campers in seventh grade or above! This is an incredible opportunity for your son or daughter to go on an adventure with one of the premier science teachers in the country while benefiting from having one of the DYFI Founders, Dr. Sam Flanders, on hand to help with any diabetes issues or emergencies.

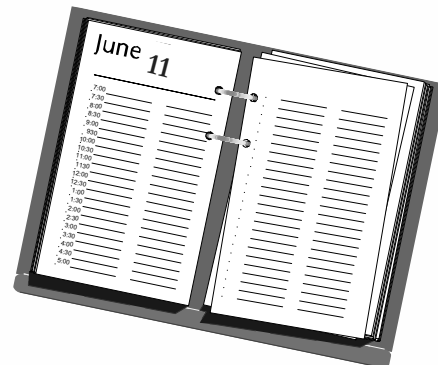
“On this trip we will dig crystals, hike mountain trails, rappel off cliffs, crawl deep into muddy caves, and relax in Hot Spring mineral baths! It is a geologists’ dream come true,” said

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### Don’t miss these upcoming DYFI events

Mark your calendars now for these DYFI events.

- ◆ The second annual Gong Show fundraiser will be Saturday, May 6, at the Moose Lodge in Greenwood, Indiana. This fun-filled night raised more than \$20,000 for the DYFI last year. Acts and sponsors are needed. Group and individual tickets are available. Call Paula Barnes at 317-902-5048 for more information.
- ◆ Saturday, April 22: Camp clean up. Join us for the day, or an hour or two, to help spruce up camp for this summer.
- ◆ Get your golf clubs out and plan your foursome now for the fourth annual DoubleQ golf outing on Friday, May 18, in Indianapolis. This fundraiser raised \$30,000 for the DYFI in 2005. For more information contact Greg Goldstein at 317-508-2030 or via email at [ggoldstein@doubleq.org](mailto:ggoldstein@doubleq.org).
- ◆ The spring Family Camp Weekend will be Saturday, May 20, and Sunday, May 21. Contact Julie Shutt, 317-750-9310 or via email at [dyfjulie@yahoo.com](mailto:dyfjulie@yahoo.com) to register.
- ◆ The first week of camp will be June 11-17 and the two-week session of camp will run from June 18 – July 1.
- ◆ Arkansas Adventure trip for boys or girls in the seventh grade and above, August 6-10.



# Meet DYFI Camp Director, Rick Crosslin

Rick Crosslin, School Liaison for Science Learning at the Indianapolis Children's Museum, and Science Teacher at MSD Wayne Township, has received numerous awards recognizing him as an outstanding teacher. This will be his fourth year leading the camp programs for the DYFI camp. His awards and recognitions are many but a few of the highlights are listed below:

- 2005 Emmy "Datacast Demonstration" Technical Achievement PBS WFYI
- 2004 Indiana University School of Education Distinguished Alumni
- 2001 Christa McAuliffe Fellow
- 1999 Hoosier Association of Science Teachers Inc. Distinguished Service Award
- 1998 Milken National Educator Award

- 1997 Indiana Exemplary Teacher Network Award
- 1996 Indiana Teacher of the Year Finalist
- 1996 MSD Wayne Township Teacher of the Year
- 1990 Presidential Award for Excellence in Science

Crosslin was the director and founder of the Super Summer Safari Science Camp. He has taught grades 3, 4, 6 and graduate courses for teachers in Indiana and Cairo, Egypt.

In addition, he has taught pre-school children at the Children's Museum, adolescent teens at the Indiana Department of Correction Boys' School, and intergenerational classes at Oasis centers.

He is the author of the monthly science section of the publication *Inquisitive Kids*, "Mr. C the Scienecman" where he

shares his expertise and motto: This is science, don't take my word for it. Try it yourself!



DYFI Camp Director, Rick Crosslin, entertains the kids at camp nightly with his lively science show.

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Crosslin. "It really is a one-of-a-kind science expedition."

Some specifics of the trip include:

- **Rock Climbing and Rappelling** at Sam's Throne located in northwestern Arkansas
- **Caving** at Lone Hill Onyx Cave located near Onondaga Cave State Park in Missouri

- **Group Initiatives Facilitators** to address and develop group dynamics
- **Medical help on hand** to offer diabetes guidance and help with any emergencies

Crosslin has been leading groups of youth in outdoor science activities such as rock climbing, caving, fossil and mineral collecting for more than 20 years and Dr. Flanders has more than 25 years of diabetes camping experience. Together, the

two have created a dynamic, safe, science expedition for your teen.

The cost of the five-day trip is \$700 per child. This includes all meals, lodging, equipment rental and activity fees. The trip is limited to 14 campers so sign up early. You can use the camp application included with this newsletter.

If you have any questions about this trip contact Julie Shutt at 317-750-9310 or via email at dyfjulie@yahoo.com.

## DYFI's Wish List Items and Services needed for Camp

As new owners of a camp, we are committed to making our program and our facilities the best they can be. That said, if you or your company can help with some of the requests on our wish list we would be grateful. Contact Julie Shutt, at 317-750-9310 or via email at dyfjulie@yahoo.com if you can donate or volunteer.

### Items:

- Portable, PA system with a wireless, lapel-style

microphone

- Gas leaf blowers
- New, portable, lifeguard stand
- Outside PA system for use with the pool and sports field
- Chain saws
- Garage organizers
- Several truck loads of gravel
- Copier for camp office
- Internet service at camp
- Large, top-grade, telephone poles for new, ropes course elements

### Services:

- Grading the entrance road to camp
- Landscaping services around camp buildings
- Labor and materials to build a deck on back of the Program House at camp
- Printing services
- Pool repair and maintenance services
- Large, rip rock for gulley erosion at camp
- Volunteers

## DYFI Camp Medical Staff: Tops in State

The level of expertise and dedication of this year's camp medical staff is extraordinary. While the volunteer medical staff for this summer is still being finalized, here are the leaders:

- Dr. Sam Flanders, Senior Vice President, Medical Quality Clarian Health Partners. Dr. Flanders co-founded the DYFI and has more than 25 years of diabetes camping experience. He is president of the DYFI board and coordinates the DYFI's medical advisory committee.
- Dr. Chuck Shufflebarger, Medical Director, Emergency Medicine and Trauma Center, Methodist Hospital. This will be the second year at camp for Dr. Shufflebarger. He has a son with diabetes and also serves on the DYFI board and medical advisory committee.

- Dr. Andrew Riggs, Director of Pediatric Endocrinology, St. Vincent Children's Hospital. Dr. Riggs worked at the American Diabetes Association camp when he lived in St. Louis. This will be his first year at the DYFI camp. He serves on the DYFI board and medical advisory committee.
- Dr. Brian Sloan, Assistant Professor of Clinical Emergency Medicine, Wishard Hospital. This will be Dr. Sloan's second year at camp. He has a son with diabetes and serves on the DYFI board and medical advisory committee.
- Robyn Pollom, C.D.E., is the Nurse Practitioner and Director for the Community Health Network Diabetes Care Center. She is also the co-leader for the Diabetes Quality Improvement Initiative for In-

patient Care for the Network. She will be one of our pump nurses at camp this summer.

- Dan Pollom, M.D., is a Diabetologist and practices at Diabetes and Internal Medicine & Endocrinology in Indianapolis. He has Type 1 diabetes and has been using an insulin pump for 15 years.
- Dr. Andrew Cagle specializes in pediatric endocrinology at Diabetes Endocrinology Consultants in Indianapolis. He completed his residency and internship at Riley Hospital. This will be his second year participating at the DYFI Camp.
- Dr. Amy Ripperger is in private practice at Margaret Mary Community Hospital in Batesville, IN. This will be her fifth year at camp. She has diabetes and also uses a pump.