

## **Call for Talent and Supplies for VBS!**

St. Bartholomew's and St. Gabriel's Vacation Bible School 2009 "Journey to the Son" on the Oregon Trail starts in a month and a half. Along with the usual volunteer positions, we are also looking for people with pioneer skills and some supplies to borrow or have donated to make our VBS an authentic, fun pioneer experience. Can you help us? There will be a box set out to collect supplies at St. Bartholomew's and at St. Gabriel's in the narthex. If you can supply one of the talents or can lend one of the larger items, please contact Charlotte at St. Bart's at 503-644-3468 Page at St. Gabriel's at 503-645-3877 page [clothier@stgabrielonline.org](mailto:clothier@stgabrielonline.org).

### **We need people who:**

- Can cut colored fabric in squares for bandanas (no hemming necessary).
- Can cut and hand sew 50 fabric canteen holders out of felt from a pattern.
- Can sew sunbonnets, aprons and skirts for camp leaders and actors from a pattern.
- Can quickly sew and assemble a simple quilt (start noon Tuesday, have finished Thursday morning).
- Can pop popcorn over a campfire in wire poppers and/or dutch oven, and maintain the fire all day (Thursday).
- Can teach grade-schoolers whittling.
- Can teach simple square dancing.
- Can set up and teach candle-dipping.
- Have equipment to safely provide a wagon ride for young children, either for pay or donated; pony, donkey or horse drawn wagon or trailer.
- Can demonstrate pioneer skill such as spinning wool, churning butter, etc.
- Can paint large U.S. map on canvas or heavy paper to show progress on the Oregon Trail.
- Can play pioneer instruments such as harmonica, fiddle, flute, washboard, etc.
- Can take photos of groups and activities Monday-Thursday.
- Can act in the daily Oregon Trail drama, both adults and kids (Monday-Thursday).
- Can be the director for the drama.

### **We need donated supplies** (won't be returned):

- medium-large baby food jars
- large tin cans (large baked beans, chili beans or large dog food can size).

### **We need to borrow** (will be returned-please mark with name):

- 2 children's plastic swimming pools-no more than 2' high
- Dutch oven that can be used over a campfire
- Knives appropriate for whittling
- Old wooden wagon wheel
- (Mallet) metal punch to make small holes in felt for stitching
- Pioneer-themed preschool toys (cowboys, Indians, wagons, animals, etc.)