

Louisville Second Ward

Day of Service

April 24, 2010
Summary of Events

The Day of service for the Louisville Second Ward was held at the Blackacre Historic Nature Preserve and Homestead. A small contingent also served at Cedar Ridge Campground. Both venues are located within our Ward boundary. Blackacre is owned by the State of Kentucky and functions completely on money from private donors and help from volunteers. Cedar Ridge is a self-funded camp and outdoor activity facility owned by the Presbyterian Church.

Approximately 80 to 100 members of the ward, both young and old, attended the Day Of Service. The day started off with a kick-off breakfast at 8 a.m. Emphasis was made to the volunteers regarding how Blackacre and Cedar Ridge are valued assets to the community. Work commenced at 8:30 a.m.

Work done at Black Acre consisted of the following:

1. Weeding, trimming, and mulching to about 5 acres around the homestead.
2. Weeding, trimming, and mulching around the farm entrance and sign.
3. Several layers of compacted animal bedding were removed from the barn.
4. The "Teaching Garden" was weeded and hoed.
5. Two drainage culverts were removed of debris to allow proper drainage to walking trails.
6. Two foot bridges spanning small streams were erected along hiking trails.
7. For an Eagle Scout project, an animal shelter was erected in the pasture next to the barn.

Work ended at Blackacre at 1:00 p.m.

Work done at Cedar Ridge consisted of the following (Eagle Scout Project 2):

1. With existing rough framing, an outdoor restroom and shower was roofed with asphalt shingles.
2. Plywood T1-11 siding was placed on exterior walls.
3. Rough electrical wiring was installed.

Work ended at Cedar Ridge at 2:30 p.m.

Coinciding with the Day of Service, the local Optimist Club held a 1-mile "Fun Run" for the children. Our Primary children participated in the run. Some of the Optimist Club volunteers were able to help with us in the Day of Service.

Total man-hours are calculated to be 348 hours.

Representatives for both service venues were greatly appreciative of the service rendered. Everyone who participated in the service worked very hard and enjoyed the day.