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Camp Dearborn to celebrate 60th anniversary on July 19 with an all-day party – everyone's invited

Spread the word during holiday parties

DEARBORN, Mich. – Camp Dearborn turns 60 in 2008. To celebrate, a daylong party will be held on Saturday, July 19 – and everyone's invited.

“There are people all over southeastern Michigan who treasure their memories of visiting or working at Camp Dearborn,” said Mayor John B. O'Reilly, Jr. “We want them to plan to be part of this historic celebration of a ‘Camp’ milestone. And even if you've never been to Camp Dearborn before, you're invited to be part of the fun and to experience a place that's truly unique.”

Mayor O'Reilly encouraged people to spread the word among friends and family during the holiday party season – especially to out-of-town visitors coming back to the area for the holidays.

Created in 1947, Camp Dearborn is unique: a 626-acre recreation and camping oasis that's located in Milford but owned by the City of Dearborn and open to the public. Generations of people from Dearborn and a host of other communities from across southeastern Michigan have been part of Camp, both

as visitors and as employees. There are even many married couples who met at Camp Dearborn.

To mark Camp Dearborn's 60th anniversary, the City of Dearborn – in cooperation with the Friends of Camp Dearborn and other local groups of former Camp employees and boosters – is organizing the July 19 celebration.

A complete schedule of events is being worked out now. The celebration will include a wide variety of activities: some possibilities now being considered range from reunions of former Camp lifeguards and “greenshirts” to a classic car show, a bonfire, a corn roast, a “swim-in” movie on the beach and a series of games and contests.

A confirmed highlight of the event will be an evening outdoor concert and dance, with The Reflections performing.

For complete details about the event as they become available, visit the special Camp Dearborn anniversary celebration page located on the City of Dearborn's official website: www.cityofdearborn.org.

Click on the special icon that's prominently displayed on the home page of the website, which will take you to the anniversary celebration page.

As details of the event become available in coming weeks and months, new information will be posted on the anniversary page. People are urged to check the page periodically for the new information.

PHOTO CAPTION 1:

Photo Courtesy of the City of Dearborn

Swimmers in 1949 enjoying one of Camp Dearborn's six lakes.

PHOTO CAPTION 2:

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A modern-day view of Camp Dearborn's main beach.

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