

## WORK WEEK 2008

Hello, my name is Heath Knowles, and like you, I'm looking forward to summer! I'm sure you're faced with the question of what to do with all your free time. So, I have a suggestion for you. It's called Work Week! I know what you're thinking, "Yeah right, like I'm going to spend a week of my summer working!" But before you make a decision, give it a thought. You will get to help those in need, meet and work with some really great people, you will definitely get a tan (or sunburn; sunscreen is essential), stay at Todd Hall Retreat Center, eat delicious food, and have more fun than you can imagine! However, you must be between an incoming high school freshman and an outgoing high school senior to submit an application to Work Week.

Work Week is done through the Diocese of Springfield and in cooperation with St. Louis Metro East Non Profit Agencies. We are not sure yet what we will be doing this year, but it could range from things like working at Todd Hall to demolishing/building houses with Neighbors for Renewal.

The Work Week team will be staying at Todd Hall Retreat Center in Columbia, IL. Monday through Thursday, we will pile into our "Super Van" and drive to that day's worksite, where we'll spend our day working on something. We'll work there from 9 am to 3 pm. Friday, we'll spend the day at Six Flags over Mid-America. Lunches and dinners will be provided by area parishes.

This will be my Third summer participating in Work Week, and I am looking forward to it more than ever! I am excited to meet new friends, and see my old ones. Yeah, it might be a little work, but the rewards are **definitely** worth it. You can make a difference, and have fun doing it. I strongly encourage you to send an application, and I hope to see you there!

Love in Christ,

  
Heath Knowles