Rock Springs 4-H Leadership Center – 75th Anniversary

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The Great Northwest 4-H County Camp at Rock Springs 4-H Leadership Center is in the books. Phillips County had 19 campers, 4 counselors, 1 leader, and 2 K-State Research and Extension Agents attend camp this year. Rooks County had 27 campers, 4 counselors, and 1 K-State Research and Extension Agent attend camp this year. This is Rock Springs 4-H Leadership Center 75th Anniversary. How much do you know or remember about this great camp ground dedicated to our 4-H youth?

4-H members and sponsors took less than 5 months to earn enough money to purchase Rock Springs 4-H Center in 1946. The purchase price for the 348 acres of Rock Springs Ranch was $22,500 with the Sears Roebuck Foundation donating $25,000 to be used toward a camping facility (not land). This purchase was immediately put to use with 1946 as the first year that 4-H camp was held.

The first permanent structure requested for Rock Springs was a swimming pool which was renovated last year, and the Olympic-sized structure is now called the “Cool Pool” with fun slides and shooting fountains.

For the past 75 years, guests of all ages have come to Rock Springs to experience camp life at its best! Year-round availability offers groups the opportunity to schedule a program during any of Rock Springs’ four beautiful seasons. Campers create lasting memories while they meet new friends, experience adventures away from home, and try out a variety of Rock Springs’ fun and educational activities.
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