

# CAMP BLUE DIAMOND



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## Summer Camp 2018 Schedule!

Have you signed up for summer camp yet? 400 kids are already signed up and a few camps are already closed, but there is still room for you! You can register online at [campbluediamond.org](http://campbluediamond.org) or get a registration brochure from your Brethren or Center Association Baptist Church. At CBD you'll grow in faith, have fun, make friends and have a new adventure! Perhaps you'll paddleboard for the first time, or climb the tower! There's room for you at CBD, so don't miss the best week of your summer.

Kiddie Weekend (Closed)	Ages 5 - 7, Adult	June 2 - 3
CIT Training	Grades 9 - 11	June 2 - 3
Kiddie Camp (Closed)	Ages 5 - 6, Adult	June 14 - 15
Tenderfoot Camp	Grades 1 - 2	June 14 - 15
Junior 1 (Closed)	Grades 3 - 5	June 17 - 22
Jr. High 1 (Closed)	Grades 6 - 8	June 17 - 22
Creative Arts	Grades 5 - 8	June 24 - 29
Yough Adventure (Closed)	Grades 7 - 9	June 24 - 29
Jr. Adv. 1 (Closed)	Grades 4 - 5	June 24 - 29
Pioneer Camp	Grades 2 - 4	July 1 - 4
Caving Camp (Closed)	Grades 5 - 7	July 1 - 4
Bike Adventure (Closed)	Grades 7 - Adult	July 8 - 13
Youth Camp	Grades 8 - 12	July 8 - 14
Junior 2	Grades 3 - 5	July 15 - 20
Adv. OLS	Grades 9 - 12	July 15 - 20
Jr. Adv. 2 (Closed)	Grades 4 - 5	July 22 - 27
Jr. High 2	Grades 6 - 8	July 22 - 27
Wild OLS (Closed)	Grades 6 - 8	July 22 - 27
Family Camp	All Ages	August 17 - 19



## Helpful Hints When You Register!

- ❖ Church Stipends - Brethren & American Baptist Churches pay ½ or more of the fee.
- ❖ Campers with siblings coming to CBD get a discount of \$5 - \$25 off.
- ❖ Register online at [campbluediamond.org](http://campbluediamond.org) - It's quick & easy! One step does it all!
- ❖ Or get a Registration form from your church or CBD.
- ❖ Want a scholarship or extended payments? Complete the Registration Form.
- ❖ Scholarships - Families that make less than \$60K qualify, \$70K if 2 or more campers.
- ❖ Extended payments - Send \$25 now. CBD will bill you.
- ❖ If you choose a cabinmate, be sure your friend lists you too.
- ❖ Check [campbluediamond.org](http://campbluediamond.org) to see camp details, photos, videos and other information.
- ❖ List a 2<sup>nd</sup> choice camp, in case your 1<sup>st</sup> choice camp is closed.

## Meet the Summer Counselors and Staff!

**Abby Steele** – Abby returns for her fourth summer at Blue Diamond. Abby will be serving as Arts and Crafts Director again this summer. During the school year Abby is a Jr. High science teach at Hollidaysburg. Abby is a member at the Memorial CoB.

**Gabe Imler** – Gabe is returning for another great summer at CBD. This will be Gabe's first summer as the full time Naturalist. This past year Gabe has lived in Geneva, Wisconsin and worked as an environmental educator at the Lake Geneva Youth Camp. Gabe plays guitar and leads music too. He is a member of the Hollidaysburg CoB

**Chelsey Dick** – This will be Chelsey's first summer on staff. She will serve as the lifeguard. Chelsey recently graduated from Central High School. Chelsey attends the Roaring Spring First CoB.

**Amber Rettburg** – Amber is coming back to Blue Diamond for her third summer. She will once again be leading in the role of counselor. Amber is currently an elementary education major at Shippensburg University. Amber comes from the Waterside CoB.

**Abby Zeek** – Abby is returning to camp for her third summer. Abby will be filling the role of counselor, a position she has had the past two summers. Abby is an early childhood education major at Elizabethtown College. Abby attends the Hollidaysburg CoB.

**Nora Tietjens** – This will be the first summer Nora will serve on summer staff. Nora has been a CIT (counselor in training). She is a food science major at Penn State. Nora attends the St. John's Episcopal Church in Huntingdon.

**Kylie Wakefield** – Last summer Kylie serve in the kitchen at camp but this year she will be stepping into the role of counselor. Kylie just finished her freshman year at Bloomsburg University where she is majoring in mass communications. Kylie comes to camp from the Pine Glen CoB.

**Maddie Over** – This will be Maddie's first summer at Camp Blue Diamond. Maddie is a long time camper and CIT. She recently graduated from Northern Bedford High School. Maddie attends the Element Church in Altoona.



### The 2017 Summer Staff

Top Row: Chris, Xavier, Gabe, Eddie, Nathan, Paul

2<sup>nd</sup> Row: Julie, Kylie, Casey, Amanda, KJ, Alex, Kate, Dean, Brian.

3<sup>rd</sup> Row: Meghan, Deb, Jerri, David, Abby, Kelsey, Nate.

Bottom Row: Hannah, Abby, Amber, Emily, Maddie.

**Olivia**

**Hawbecker** – Olivia will be joining the summer staff for the first time. After serving as a CIT in the past, Olivia will be stepping into the role of counselor. She just completed her junior year at PA College of Technology where she is majoring in web and interactive media. Olivia is from the Beech Run CoB.

**Xavier Maslowski** – Xavier will be returning to camp for the third summer. Once again Xavier will be serving as a counselor. Xavier has completed two years at Penn Highlands CC and will be transferring to Penn State in the fall. Xavier comes to us from the Memorial CoB.

**Chris Houp** – Last summer Chris was on the maintenance staff at camp, and this summer he will be taking on the new role of counselor. Chris recently completed his freshman year at Robert Morris University where he is majoring in English. Chris attends the Woodbury CoB.

**Andre Johnson** – Andre will be joining our summer staff all the way from New Jersey. Andre finished his freshman year at Juniata College where he is majoring in Environmental Science.

**Brad Knepp** – Brad worked at camp two summers ago on maintenance staff and will return this summer as a counselor. Brad just graduated from Everett High School. Brad comes to us from the Everett CoB.

**Kendrick Imler** – After serving as a CIT, Kendrick will be joining the summer staff as a counselor. Kendrick will be a senior at the Hollidaysburg High School and is a member of the Hollidaysburg CoB.

**Alec Madden** – This will be Alec's first summer on staff at Camp Blue Diamond. He will be serving as a counselor. Alec recently graduated from Central High School. He attends the Roaring Spring First CoB.

**Maggie Lashlee** – Maggie has been a CIT, attended camp and never misses a retreat at CBD. She will be a Junior at Huntingdon Area High School next year, and will be joining the camp staff in the kitchen. Maggie is a member of Stone CoB.

**Sarah Rupert** – Sarah is a graduate of Juniata Valley High School and has lots of kitchen experience. She has worked for her mom in her restaurant and has done some catering. We are glad Sarah will be joining the kitchen staff this summer.

**Seth Armstrong** – Seth will be Junior at Mifflin County High School and attends the Maitland Church of the Brethren. He has attended Camp Blue Diamond as a camper. Last summer he worked at a Boy Scout camp. He will join the maintenance staff.

## Family Camp: Aug. 17 - 19

Come experience Family Camp with swimming/canoeing, campfires/outdoor worship, Bible time, great food, gaga ball, climbing tower/giant swing, crafts, homemade ice cream, polar bear swimming, coffee house and singing with Joe Hinish, family time, new and old friends and our guest leader Debbie Eisenbise! This weekend is designed to provide opportunity and space for families of all types to reconnect while living in a Christ-centered community and surrounded by God's creation.

Family units will be lodged in the summer camp cabins, Main Lodge or the Ouch House. Most activities are done as families, with some separate programming designed for adults, youth and children. You can register online at [campbluediamond.org](http://campbluediamond.org), or use a summer camp brochure, or use the special made Family Camp Registration Flyer available on the web or at your church.

## The 2018 Summer Camp Offering

Three major hurricanes brought devastating damage and flooding to areas in Texas, the South and Puerto Rico in 2017. The Church of the Brethren traditionally has been involved in the relief of suffering, whether caused by war, strife or natural disaster. As the flood waters receded, Brethren Disaster Ministries began response efforts in the storm affected areas. A response to a disaster of this magnitude takes several years. This Summer Camp's Offering Project will go to Disaster Ministries as help rebuild the affected homes of those devastated by the storms. We will take a collection at the registration and closing of each camp.

### Upcoming CBD Events:

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| ❖ Summer Camp              | June 2 – July 27 |
| ❖ Summer Staff Orientation | June 7 – 13      |
| ❖ Hoss Day                 | June 10          |
| ❖ Golf Tournament          | August 14        |
| ❖ Family Camp              | August 17 – 19   |
| ❖ Heritage Fair            | September 22     |
| ❖ Canoe Float              | October 6        |
| ❖ Junior Retreat           | October 26 - 27  |



## Brethren Open Tournament - Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>

Come help the District and CBD raise funds for ministry training and summer camp at the Brethren Golf Open on Tues., Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>. The tournament is held at Iron Masters in Roaring Spring. Cost is an extremely reasonable \$80 and covers a round of golf, cart, snacks, free gifts, banquet and lots of prizes - including the \$20,000 hole-in-one and door prizes. Registrations are available at [campbluediamond.org](http://campbluediamond.org) or at your church.

Thanks to golfers and sponsors, nearly \$12,000 was netted for camp and the district last year. Sponsors are needed for 2018! Businesses or families can be a \$200 Green Sponsor, with a sign showing their sponsorship on the green of their hole. \$500 Course Sponsors get a sign at their hole, plus 4 complimentary golfers and a large banner! \$1000 Tournament sponsors get all of the aforementioned goodies, plus their photo in the newspaper and our undying gratitude! Come out and enjoy a day of golf with your friends at Iron Masters and help support the ministry of camp and district.



## Digital Cameras!

Does your family have an unused digital camera? Donate it to CBD! Your old camera will have new life as counselors and campers use it to take summer camp photos for the website, newsletter and social media! Most folks are now using their phones for photos, and their cameras are lost and forgotten. Help camp and put that camera back to use!



## Heritage Fair – Sat. , Sept. 22

It's the Middle PA District Family Reunion: Heritage Fair. There will be Food, loads of Children's Activities, an auction, the Dunk the Dunker Tank, Crafts, a 5K Run and displays! Foods include: dumplings, cider, pie, beef n' noodles, pizza, ice cream, soups, hot sausage, fudge, candy, cake, whoopie pies, chili, potatoes, fresh lemonade, and so much more! Children's Activities include: games, a bounce house, face-painting, cookie-painting, the sawdust pile, making scarecrows, and a Shaver's Creek wildlife show. Last year's Fair raised nearly \$30,000 for camp and district ministries. It's a family reunion for all your camp and church friends, as we eat, see friends and have fun. Has your church decided how to participate for 2018? Food and craft booths are always welcome, or perhaps your church would like to run a game, help in the Children's area or do a demonstration.

Heritage Fair starts with breakfast at 6:30 in the Lodge. Booths open at 8:30. The Auction is from 11 - 1 p.m. and the Wildlife Show from 1 - 2 p.m. Booths, activities and the fair typically ends around 2 p.m. See you on Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>.



## CBD's 2018 Hoss Event - Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>!

Below is your ticket for this year's CBD Hoss's Event on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Funds from the Hoss Event go toward summer camp equipment. Participating Hoss's are: Duncansville, Huntingdon, Bedford and Lewistown. The Hoss Event is simple! :

1. Get together your family or church gang and plan to help camp raise money by eating at Hoss's
2. Cut out and copy the Hoss's ticket below and distribute to those who are going
3. Take the ticket to Hoss's anytime on Sun., June 10<sup>th</sup>. Hand it to the host when ordering.
4. Enjoy a great meal with your family and church friends, knowing that 20-25% of your bill goes to camp!

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### Dear Friend of Camp Blue Diamond:

We are excited to team up with Hoss's Steak and Sea House to raise money for a very worthy cause. Please consider visiting the Hoss's location(s) listed below on 6/10/2018 to aid us in raising money to benefit Camp Blue Diamond.



**Print this ticket and present it on 6/10/2018 at Hoss's in Bedford, Duncansville, Huntingdon, Lewistown** Hoss's will then donate 20%\* or 25%\*\* of your total check paid to Camp Blue Diamond

\*To qualify for the 20% payout, our group must have a minimum of \$300.00 in total pre-tax food and beverage sales.

\*\*To qualify for the 25% payout, our group must have a minimum of \$1,200.00 in total pre-tax food and beverage sales.

This applies to a one-day, single location, pre-scheduled event. The purchase of gift cards is not included as part of your organization's community fundraising totals.

**DISTRIBUTING INVITATIONS ON HOSS'S PROPERTY IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED AND WILL DISQUALIFY OUR ORGANIZATION!**  
Thank you for your cooperation!

Group #98082

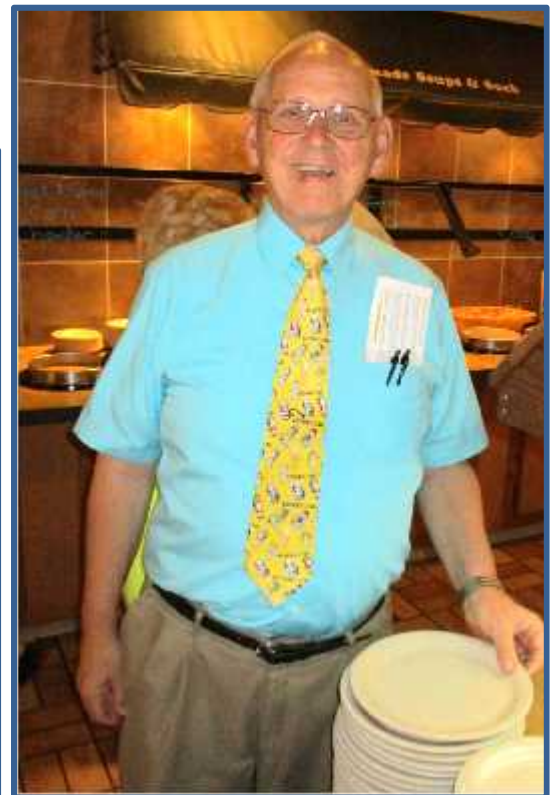
**Please present this ticket when ordering.**



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**Come meet the 2018 Summer Counselors. They will be at the Duncansville Hoss's for lunch after church! Other participating Hoss's are Huntingdon, Bedford and Lewistown!**

**Be sure to order the really big steak! Remember 20% of your total goes to Camp Blue Diamond for summer camp equipment.**



**Thank you!**

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**Hoss Sunday: June 10 ✨ Golf Tournament: Aug. 14 ✨ Family Camp: Aug. 17-19**

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## **Capital Campaign Update:**

The capital campaign is progressing nicely. It is now in stage 2, with churches making pledges. The goal is \$650,000 for the building projects, and to start the Reserve for Replacement Fund. Currently we are at \$613,000 in pledges, and an additional \$52,500 has been pledged to the Reserve for Replacement Fund. It is fantastic that we are so close to the \$650,000 goal. It would be even better if we were able to blow the top off the goal and reach \$700,000 or \$800,000. Construction projects often cost more than expected, and if we have extra money we don't use, we can put it in the Reserve for Replacement Fund.

The first of the capital campaign projects, placing the Family Campground's water and electric lines underground, is completed. The new water and electrical lines are operation, just in time for the campground season opening. Each campsite now has a year-round water spigot and an electrical box that allows either 30 or 50 amp service. In the coming month, Paul will be resurfacing and spreading stone on the Campground roads, since the new lines were buried under the roads. Other capital campaign building projects will be renovating the office, building a new Family Campground shower house, and the new multi-purpose/recreation building. Building projects will be started as the needed funds arrive.

The Reserve for Replacement Fund is to support upkeep of camp facilities in the future. The fund will be invested with Brethren Foundation. Interest generated off the principal of the fund will be distributed annually to Camp Blue Diamond. These earnings can be used for maintenance and building projects, thus ensuring that CBD's buildings will be kept in good shape into the future. To date \$52,500 has been pledged for this fund.

