

CAMP BLUE DIAMOND



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Heritage Fair: Sept. 22nd

Heritage Fair is a time for the churches in Middle PA District to come together to raise funds for Camp and District ministry missions. It's also a time to reconnect with family and friends, eat great food, have loads of fun, fill up your pantry and enjoy the beauty of camp!

For children there's a special area with scarecrow making, face painting, a bounce house, the sawdust pile, and lots of games and activities. Adults and youth can enjoy musicians, food and craft booths, displays, the Dunker Dunk Tank, Dance Dance Revolution, and a 4-Square Tournament. The Heritage Fair Team hopes your church is talking up Heritage Fair and making plans on how to participate with a booth and to donate auction items.

Overnight lodging is available in the Lodge, summer camp cabins and the newly improved RV campground, which now has 30 & 50 amp service on all sites. If you have questions about Heritage Fair, or to reserve a room, cabin or site, contact CBD at campbluediamond@verizon.net or call (814) 667-2355. See you at Heritage Fair!

Friday the 21st – Set-Up

5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Hamburgers/Hot Dogs on the Grill

Saturday the 22nd – The Fair

6:30 - 8:30 a.m. Diner Style Breakfast in the Lodge

7 a.m. Diamond Dash – 5K Run/Walk

8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Food/Craft Booths, Displays,
Children's Activities, Entertainment

11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Ministry Support Auction

Sunday the 23rd – Wrap-Up

9:30 a.m. Free Continental Breakfast

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship in the Lodge



Upcoming CBD Events:

- ❖ Heritage Fair Sept. 22
- ❖ Diamond Dash 5K Sept. 22
- ❖ Outdoor School Sept. 24 – Nov. 9
- ❖ Canoe Float Oct. 6
- ❖ Jr. Retreat Oct. 26 – 27
- ❖ Youth Retreat Jan. 11-13
- ❖ Jr. High Retreat Feb. 8-10

Junior Fall Retreat – October 26 & 27

3rd, 4th, and 5th graders are invited to this fall's Junior Retreat at Camp Blue Diamond on Oct. 26 & 27. The retreat starts and ends at 7 p.m. and is jam packed with games, singing, gaga, a campfire, the Giant Swing, crafts, Bible Discovery and your camp friends and counselors. Cost is \$35. In early September flyers will be sent to churches and to third, fourth and fifth graders who attended CBD summer camp. Flyers will also be available at campbluediamond.org. Mark the date now and plan to attend this overnighiter with your friends.

2018 Summer Camp Project:

Every summer the Program Committee chooses a Summer Project for campers, parents, staff and board members to support through financial donations. An invitation is given prior to camp, and again at registration each week. This is an important reminder to the Camp community of our call to reach beyond ourselves and offer care to others. This past summer our outreach project was Brethren Disaster Ministries.



The 2017 hurricane season brought devastating damage and flooding to areas in the U.S. and the Caribbean. Brethren Disaster Ministries and Children's Disaster Services were quick to respond to the impacted communities, but workers and funds continue to be needed. It was a privilege to send \$1007.60 to Brethren Disaster Ministries. Many thanks to all who gave as well as to all who serve through this important ministry.

Highlights from the Summer 2018

- J 454 campers had a fun-filled, meaningful CBD experience!
- J A fantastic, committed and hard-working staff made the summer successful and rememberable.
- J A well written, scripture based and practical curriculum, *Beyond Belief! The Universe of God*.
- J Camp music! There's nothing better than singing camp songs together.
- J Family Camp numbers hit a new high (45) and the fun was immeasurable.
- J No Hospital Runs! • Fantastic Food!
- J 107 Pre-registered for summer camp 2019!
- J Addition of a second Junior Adventure Camp!
- J Debbie Eisenbise's leadership at Family Camp.
- J Gabe and Silas leading music at Jr. High 2 camp.
- J Abby's cool crafts, especially at Creative Arts.
- J It rained a lot, but the fun was never dampened.
- J Soap Hockey! • Slip N' Slip! • Such fun!
- J CIT's! We continue to see a bright future.
- J Campers & staff puddle jumping & rain dancing.
- J 100 summer campers without church affiliation.
- J The giving of \$1007.06 for hurricane relief.
- J Bike camp – no flats, but a few fell off their bikes!
- J New water and electric lines in campground!
- J Shawnee Rupert, the new Food Service Director.
- J New ice machine for the Lodge Kitchen and beach ropes and buoys thanks to Hoss Event!
- J All the cool outdoor living skills taught and learned at Wild and Advanced OLS Camps!
- J The great volunteer nurses, who filled every slot in the summer camp calendar.
- J Wonderful Chaplains and Volunteers that added meaning & leadership to the camp experience.
- J Youth Camp with David Radcliffe and Beckie Zeek was challenging, enlightening and fun.
- J Seeing campers and staff creativity within nature and community.
- J Campers encouraging one another and being challenged on the Climbing Tower.
- J Excitement about National Youth Conference and CBD campers connecting with one another at NYC!
- J The name of Jesus was raised high through worship, prayer, fun and meaningful relationships.





Thanks for Attending the Hoss Sunday!

Thanks to everyone who participated in the CBD Hoss Sunday Event at the Bedford, Duncansville, Huntingdon and Lewistown Hoss's on June 10th. Camp raised over \$2000.

Duncansville: \$1098
 Bedford: \$356
 Huntingdon: \$226
 Lewistown: \$227

Proceeds from this year's event went to replace the ropes and buoys at camp's waterfront, and to replace the ice machine in the Main Lodge kitchen. Thanks to all who went to a Hoss's, and to the families who were unable to attend, but still sent a 'Hoss' gift to CBD! Photo at Right:



Pastor Marlys Hershberger and grandsons enjoy themselves at Duncansville Hoss's. Photo at Left: The Rockhill men arrive at the Huntingdon Hoss's.

Brethren Open Tournament - Aug. 14th

Camp Blue Diamond and the Middle PA District Center thank the 34 sponsors and 103 golfers that made the 24rd annual Brethren Open at Iron Masters a huge success. The event netted over \$11,000, with half going toward summer camp expenses and half toward District ministry training. After the tournament a banquet was provided by Frederick's Meat Market at the Albright Church of the Brethren Fellowship Hall. A very heartfelt thank you to all the sponsors, volunteers, the Albright church and especially the \$1000 Tournament Sponsors: the Huntsman Family Foundation, Juniata College and Dr. Ramon Burket!

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Dr. Ramon Burket
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Summer Camp 2019 Schedule & Registration:

This summer 454 children, youth and adults attended summer camp. That was a slightly larger group than we had the past few years! Campers grew in faith and understanding, as well as made new friends, were challenged by new experiences and had fun! The 2019 Summer Schedule is out, and 107 children and youth pre-registered in June and July. Early Bird Registration takes place in January and February. At that time online registration will be available at campbluediamond.org. and past campers will receive registration brochures in the mail. Churches will receive registration brochures after the Camp Rep. Meeting in mid-January. Register in January and February and get the lower 'Early Bird Discount' rate. Details about each camp, dates, fees and photos can be found on campbluediamond.org.



Kiddie Weekend	Ages 5 - 7, Adult	June 1 - 2
CIT Training	Grades 9 - 11	June 1 - 2
Kiddie Camp	Ages 5 - 6, Adult	June 13 - 14
Tenderfoot Camp	Grades 1 - 2	June 13 - 14
Junior 1	Grades 3 - 5	June 16 - 21
Jr. High 1	Grades 6 - 8	June 16 - 21
Creative Arts	Grades 5 - 8	June 23 - 28
Youth Adventure	Grades 7 - 9	June 23 - 28
Jr. Adventure 1	Grades 4 - 5	June 23 - 28
Pioneer Camp	Grades 2 - 4	June 30 - July 3
Caving Camp	Grades 5 - 7	June 30 - July 3
Bike & Raft Adventure	Grades 7 - Adult	July 7 - 12
Youth Camp	Grades 8 - 12	July 7 - 12
Junior 2	Grades 3 - 5	July 14 - 19
Adv. OLS	Grades 9 - 12	July 14 - 19
Jr. Adventure 2	Grades 4 - 5	July 21 - 26
Jr. High 2	Grades 6 - 8	July 21 - 26
Wild OLS	Grades 6 - 8	July 21 - 26
Family Camp	All Ages	August 16 - 18

Thanks

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 Beth Longwell
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 Jack & Gloria Morgan
 Ken & Peggy Ott
 Mindy & Travis Wagner
 Dasan Yoder
 Elena Yoder
 Hollidaysburg CoB Youth
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 District Disaster Relief
 Wednesday Volunteers:
 Homer Shriner, John Knepp,
 Bob Scott, Bob Rhodes,
 Don Snively, Dean Brubaker

Camera
 \$\$ for Ice Machine
 Ritchey's Ice Cream, van driver
 Picture Books
 Soap Hockey Supplies
 Snacks
 Phone Installation
 Cookies
 Pig for Heritage Fair Auction
 Cameras
 Chalk, Cook-out Gloves
 Camera
 \$\$ for Ice Machine
 \$\$ for Ice Machine
 Stacked wood, cleaned brush
 Van for Youth Camp
 \$\$ for Ice Machine
 Vans for Summer Camp
 Bearview Renovations
 Cut and Split Wood
 Cut up Old Pipe

Summer Camp Volunteers:

Nurses: Desiree Engler, Tiffany Tomlinson, Marcia Graham, Stacey Bowser, Jeannie Strunk, Annette Chadwick, Gabriel Peight, Carolyn Lidston, Karen Callis, Maureen Mitchell

CITs: Samantha Erhard, Jack Hartman, Abby Mickle, Marissa Ebersole, Jaycee Myers, Katie Carter, Nate Dreyer, Allison Wood, Lucy Hess, Mary Sylvester, MacKenna Weikel, Khaleb Mickey

Counselors: Brianna Musselman, Emmett Eldred, Evan Ulrich, Emma Parker Miller, Emily Berryman, Kate Thurston-Grissold

Program/Chaplain: Tiffany Erhard, Beckie Zeek, Joe Hinish, Chris Heinlein, Jeff Glenny, Debbie Eisenbise, Jan & Tom Hurst, Maddie Hess, Tammy Frye-Carter, Mark Dowdy, David Radcliffe, Bob Etzweiler, Kenny Ott



Heritage Fair Diamond Dash 5k Join the Diamond Dash walk/run on Saturday, Sept. 22 at 7 a.m. at CBD's Heritage Fair. Meet in front of the Camp Directors' House. Registration is open until the event, but register by Sept. 7 and get a "Diamond Dash" t-shirt! Fee: \$30. This event is sponsored by Albright Church of the Brethren. Contact Tammy Frye-Carter at (814) 931-9367 or fryetammy@hotmail.com for details.



Diamond Dash—Camp Blue Diamond—Sept. 22rd – 7 a.m.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Shirt Size: YS YM YL S M L XL XXL

**Mail this Registration for with your fee to:
Tammy Frye-Carter: 327 E. Main St., Roaring Spring, PA 16673**

Little Juniata Canoe Float: Oct. 6th

This one-day Canoe Float is a fantastic opportunity to enjoy the serenity of the river, the beauty of autumn colors, and the fellowship of brothers and sisters while paddling down the Juniata River. Meet at Camp Blue Diamond at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 6th and we'll load the canoe trailer with all the gear needed (including lunch) and head toward Spruce Creek where we'll begin our peaceful adventure. Camp will provide canoes, lifejackets, a lifeguard, lunch, & transportation to and from the river. Cost is \$15. The event will end at about 4 p.m. back at camp.



Yes! I want to join you for the Canoe Float on October 6!

Name(s) _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Participant's ages 9-17 must have parental permission (see below). Participants 9 to 14 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/grandparent. Children under 9 need to wait for another year. Cost is \$15. Mail this registration form and payment by Sept. 28th to: Camp Blue Diamond, P.O. Box 240, Petersburg, PA 16669

Parent/Guardian: I give my child permission to participate in the **CBD Canoe Float on October 6**. I authorize the leaders to act in any emergency and give permission to the physician selected to hospitalize or secure treatment as needed. Should it become necessary for my child to return home for any reason prior to closing, I will abide by the decision and provide transportation. Also, I give permission to use pictures of my child in brochures and other publicity used by CBD.

Signed _____ Date _____ Parent's E-mail _____



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Capital Campaign Update:

The capital campaign is progressing nicely, and the Campaign Committee is ready to start the third and final phase of fundraising. The goal of the campaign is \$650,000 for the building projects, and to start the Reserve for Replacement Fund. Currently we are at \$633,000 for building projects, with an additional \$52,500 pledged to the R for R Fund. It is fantastic that we are so close to the \$650,000 goal. The final phase, a letter to 'Friends of Camp', will be mailed in October to families and individuals who are camp supporters. It will be fantastic to surpass the \$650,000 goal with these final phase gifts. Construction projects often cost more than expected, so extra money will come in handy.

The first of the capital campaign projects, replacing the Family Campground's water and electric lines has been completed. The new water and electrical lines are underground, and sites and roads have been improved with new gravel. Forty-four campsites now have a year-round water spigot and an electrical box that allows either 30 or 50 amp service. This project costs nearly \$140,000. The second project - Renovating the office - will begin next spring. Other projects include: building a new Family Campground shower house, and the new multi-purpose/recreation building for summer camp and outdoor school.

The Reserve for Replacement Fund is to support upkeep of camp facilities in the future. The fund will be invested with Brethren Foundation. Interest on the principal will be distributed annually to CBD. Earnings can be used for maintenance and upkeep, ensuring camp will be kept in good shape in the future. To date \$52,500 has been pledged for this fund. If funds are given to the campaign in excess of those needed for the projects, they will be put in the Reserve for Replacement Fund.

