

CAMP BLUE DIAMOND



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Summer Camp 2023 is Coming!

- ❖ Online Summer Camp registration begins January 1. Brochures will be mailed out by early January. Camp Reps. and Churches will have brochures starting January 22nd!
- ❖ Register for summer camp in January or February and get the Early Bird Discount! Sign up with your brothers & sisters and save even more with the Sibling Discount!
- ❖ Check out the website at campbluediamond.org for summer camp and retreat dates, rates, forms, online registration and lots of 2022 photos!

CBD 2023 Summer Camp Schedule!

Now is the time to pick your camp! Your week at CBD will be filled with faith, fun, adventure and friends! Early Bird Registration takes place in Jan & Feb. Online reg. starts Jan. 1, and brochures will be sent to past campers in early January. Camp dates, fees, photos, forms and online registration available at campbluediamond.org.

Cooking Camp	Grades 5 – 6	May 19 - 21
Kiddie Weekend	Ages 5 - 7, Adult	June 3 - 4
CIT Training	Grades 9 - 11	June 3 - 4
Kiddie Camp	Ages 5 - 7, Adult	June 15 - 16
Tenderfoot Camp	Grades 1 - 2	June 15 - 16
Junior 1	Grades 3 - 5	June 18 - 23
Jr. High 1	Grades 6 - 8	June 18 - 23
Creative Arts	Grades 5 - 8	June 25 - 30
Yough Adventure	Grades 7 - 9	June 25 - 30
Pioneer Camp	Grades 2 - 4	July 5 - 7
Caving Camp	Grades 5 - 7	July 5 - 7
Youth Camp	Grades 8 - 12	July 19 - 14
Junior 2	Grades 3 - 5	July 16 - 21
Outdoor Living Skills	Grades 9 - 12	July 16 - 21
Jr. High 2	Grades 6 - 8	July 23 - 28
Jr. Adventure 2	Grades 4 – 5	July 23 - 28
Family Camp	Everyone	Aug. 18 – 20



Upcoming CBD Events

♦ Camp Rep. Training	Jan. 22	♦ Youth Retreat	Jan. 27 - 29
♦ Jr. High Retreat	Feb. 10 - 12	♦ Winter Hoss's Sunday	Feb. 12
♦ Junior Retreat	March 3 - 4	♦ Annual Dinner	March 24 & 25
♦ Spring ODS	March 27- May 5	♦ Quilt & Craft Camp	April 14 - 16

District Youth Retreat



A BETTER SOUNDTRACK

We are constantly bombarded by messages of how we don't measure up, we aren't good enough, etc. But God has a better message for us. We need to be reminded of what God sees when he looks at us.

Join the Middle PA District and Camp Blue Diamond as we gather together for a wonderful weekend of fellowship and conversation with David Scott, the children and youth pastor at Woodbury Church of the Brethren! Come out to enjoy time in nature, fun and games, engaging conversation and reconnect with friends old and new!

Who: All Youth in Grades 9-12

When: January 27-29, 2023

Registration begins 7 p.m. Friday

Retreat ends 1 p.m. Sunday

Where: Camp Blue Diamond

Cost: \$80

Early Bird Discount:
Pay only \$70 if you register by
January 13!

What to bring: sleeping bag and pillow, Bible, flashlight, warm clothing for playing outside (we will sled if there's snow!)

Please complete the form below and send it, along with payment, to:

Camp Blue Diamond, P.O. Box 240, Petersburg, PA 16669

Make checks payable to: **Camp Blue Diamond** Questions: call (814) 667-2355 or email: campbluediamond@verizon.net

Name: _____ Gender: M / F Grade: _____

Youth Retreat

Street: _____ Phone: _____ Congregation: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip Code: _____ Email: _____

Medications: Bring in Original Bottle w/ Instructions: _____

Allergies or dietary restrictions: _____ Is Child covered by Medical/Hospital Insurance?: Y/ N

Insurance Carrier: _____ Policy #: _____ Insurance Phone #: _____

Parents: I give my child permission to attend the **Sr. High Retreat at CBD on January 27-29**. 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. I give permission to use pictures of my child in District and CBD brochures & publicity.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____

Check Card Number ____/____/____/____ Exp. Date: ____/____ Security # ____ Name _____


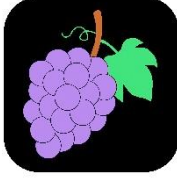







2023 Summer Camp Theme

FruitFULL Faith: A Spirit Filled Life!

Have you ever seen God at work and wondered why the moment was so clear? Have you wondered what you could do to try and connect with those moments and feelings? Paul's letter to the Church in Galatia will come alive this summer as we explore the fruit of the Spirit. Seeing this fruit all around assures us we have encountered God. We will see how these same fruit flow freely from us when we walk in the Spirit. Scripture is honest about how complicated life can be. The fruit of the Spirit show us we are on the right track as we observe, receive, and embody these virtues.



	DAY 1 Gathering Fruit Galatians 5: 16-26 The Fruits of the Spirit		DAY 2 Love & Joy Luke 15: 3-7 Lost Sheep
	DAY 3 Peace Matthew 8: 23-27 Calming Storm		DAY 4 Patience & Kindness 1 Kings 17: 8-16 Elijah and the Widow
	DAY 5 Goodness & Faithfulness Mark 12: 38-44 Widow's Coin		DAY 6 Gentleness & Self-Control 1 Samuel 24 David and Saul
	DAY 7 Sharing Fruit Galatians 5: 16-26 The Fruits of the Spirit		

Heritage Fair

Thanks to all the volunteers who made the Middle PA District & Camp Blue Diamond's annual Heritage Fair on Sept. 17th a big success. Over 35 churches participated with booths, activities or items for the auction. Over \$25,000 was raised for camp and district ministries. This event could not happen without the hundred plus volunteers who: parked cars, helped with the auction, served and cooked at food booths, ran children's activities, worked in the bank, took a turn in the dunk tank, and did one of a myriad of other jobs!



Of course, a big thank you as well to all who simply came out and bought something at Heritage Fair. What a great day when you can eat some of the tastiest food around and call it a donation to some amazing causes!

Mark your calendars for next year's Heritage Fair on September 16th. If your church wasn't able to participate this year with a booth, baskets or other fundraiser make sure you don't miss out again in 2023!

Inviting all 6th, 7th and 8th graders for a great weekend at the...

Jr. High Retreat

February 10th – 12th at Camp Blue Diamond
God Needs YOU!

It's easy to get distracted and lose touch with the messages God is sending us. Join guest speaker Dave Flumerfelt as he explores different ways he has seen God impact his life and how God might be trying to reach out to you! Dave will also touch on his work as a Chaplin at Prince Galitzin State Park. You won't want to miss this wonderful weekend!

Cost \$70

Special Discount

Pay only \$65 if you register by Jan. 31st

Who: All 6th, 7th and 8th Graders

When: February 10th - 12th; 7 pm Fri - 1:30 pm Sun.

Where: Camp Blue Diamond

What to bring: Sleeping Bag & Pillow, Bible, Dance Moves, Flashlight and Warm Clothing for Playing Outside



There will be singing, games, a campfire, outside fun, arts and crafts, and your favorite camp counselors!

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☛ to receive early registration discount, mail must be postmarked by January 31st ☛

Name _____ Phone _____

Street _____ City _____ Zip _____

Congregation _____ Grade _____ Sex: M F Jr. High Retreat

Medications: Bring in Original Bottle w/ Instructions: _____

Allergies or dietary restrictions: _____ Is Child covered by Medical/Hospital Insurance?: Y/ N

Insurance Carrier: _____ Policy # : _____ Insurance Phone # _____

Parent/Guardian: I give my child permission to participate in the Camp Blue Diamond Jr. High Retreat on Feb. 10 – 12. 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 Camp Blue Diamond.

Signed _____ Date _____ Parent's E-mail _____

Check Card Number ____/____/____/____ Exp. Date: ____/____ Security # ____ Name _____

Pay What You Can For Camp

Camp Blue Diamond is committed to making sure every child has the opportunity to participate in the life changing experience that comes with spending time at a Christian summer camp. We know that the lessons learned at summer camp can have an impact that goes well beyond the time a camper will spend at Camp Blue Diamond. This is truly a mountain top experience.

New for summer 2023 we are introducing a tiered pricing structure that ensures every child has the opportunity to come to Camp Blue Diamond while allowing those that are able to support camp in a new way by paying a fee that more closely reflects the true amount that is costs to continue the ministries of Camp Blue Diamond. For each camp, you will notice 3 different fees listed. Please choose the fee that most closely reflects your family's ability to support the ministry of Camp Blue Diamond.

Standard Fee: This fee allows families, no matter their financial means, an opportunity for their child to experience camp. This fee is the same price or lower than in 2022.

Supporter's Fee: This fee allows families that are able to pay a cost that more accurately reflects the actual cost of summer camp. This helps cover often overlooked costs, such as, insurance, vehicle and building maintenance, utilities, replacing equipment and more.

Sustainer's Fee: This fee allows us to keep the standard fee as affordable as possible. We are also able to cover all those overlooked costs plus we will be able to offer our summer staff a more competitive wage for the Christ like example they provide during the summer.

We encourage each family to pay the fee they can most afford in supporting the ministry of Camp Blue Diamond. However, each camper will get the exact same experience regardless of which fee is chosen. Only the camp office personnel will be aware of your choice. If your church pays a part of the fee your choice will not affect their portion of the fee. Churches will also be given the choice of fees.

Please note, for those with greater financial assistance needs, scholarships and other discounts are still available. Visit our website for more details on the tiered pricing, scholarships and other discounts.

Annual Dinner: March 24 & 25

After having Camp Blue Diamond's Annual Dinner outside the last two years, we are returning to our traditional time frame of late March in the lodge. While we have enjoyed being in God's beautiful creation the last few years, we know that schedules in the summer are much busier than in March. We are excited to see friends that have not been able to attend the last few years!

Dinner on Friday evening will begin at 6:00pm while Saturday evening's dinner will begin at 5:00pm. We encourage everyone to come out for appetizers and fellowship with other camp supporters a half hour before the meal each night.

We are also excited to welcome Jimmy Swogger and his friends as the entertainment both nights. Jimmy is the Lead Pastor at the Oakland Church of God in Distant, PA. Combining music and ventriloquism, Jimmy takes the stage with plenty of help from his entourage of characters! Jimmy has preformed all over the country, and we know you will enjoy his blend of singing and comedy!



3rd, 4th and 5th Graders Won't Want to Miss Camp Blue Diamond's

Junior Retreat

March 3-4

Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord!

Camp Blue Diamond invites you to join us for 24 hours of music and outdoor fun! We love to sing here at camp, not just because it's fun, but because singing is a form of Worship. Psalm 100: 1-2 tells us "Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs". Make sure you do some vocal warm-ups, start thinking of your favorite camp songs, and join us for a wonderful weekend at CBD!

Who: YOU! (3rd, 4th & 5th graders)

Where: Camp Blue Diamond

When: March 3rd & 4th
7:00pm Friday
to 7:00pm Saturday

Cost: \$40.00
≧Special Discount≦
Pay only \$35 if you register by
February 25th!

Be sure to bring: sleeping bag & pillow, Bible,
warm clothes for the outdoors, and your best singing voice!

We will be staying in winterized cabins



There will be singing, games, outdoor activities, arts and crafts, and a campfire! Come see your favorite camp counselors and make a new friend or two! See you there!

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Name _____ Phone _____

Street _____ City _____ Zip _____

Congregation _____ Grade _____ Sex: M F Junior

Medications: Bring in Original Bottle w/ Instructions: _____

Allergies or dietary restrictions: _____ Is Child covered by Medical/Hospital Insurance?: Y/ N

Insurance Carrier: _____ Policy # : _____ Insurance Phone # _____

Parent/Guardian: I give my child permission to participate in the Camp Blue Diamond Junior Retreat on Mar.3 – 4. 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 Camp Blue Diamond.

Signed _____ Date _____ Parent's E-mail _____

Check Card Number _____/_____/_____/_____ Exp. Date: ____/____ Security # _____ Name _____

Summer Staff, CITs (Counselor In Training) & Vol. Nurses Are Needed

If you, or someone you know, love camp and enjoy kids, working at camp is the greatest! Counselors must be at least 18, committed Christians, enjoy kids, and be able to live in harmony with others. Being a part of camp staff is a great experience. Staff members grow in faith, leadership and communication skills, as well as live in community with other like-minded Christians. For those interested in teaching, ministry or social work (or being a parent), it's terrific on-the-job training! Maintenance & Kitchen staff need to be at least 16, and work 8-hour



days, with time off in the evening to join activities. Pay is \$250 - \$300/week, based on position and experience. Room & board provided. Camp runs June 8 – July 29. Get an application at campbluediamond.org. Don't wait too long to apply! We are hiring now!

CIT's are 9th, 10th & 11th graders who help a counselor with a boys' or girls' unit. Being a CIT is a great way to experience counseling. First time CIT's need to attend CIT Camp on June 2 & 3. After completing CIT Camp, you can help with a Junior, Pioneer or Tenderfoot camp. If you attend a youth camp (Youth Camp, Adv. OLS, Yough or Bike Camp) CIT Camp is discounted 50%!

Nurses (RN's, MD's and PA's) are needed for summer camp. Nurses are responsible for administering meds, and treating injured or sick campers. Nurses are housed in the Ouch House and may bring their spouse and family. For a CIT or Nurse Application contact CBD at (814) 667-2355 or campbluediamond@verizon.net.



Hoss's Fundraiser – Sunday, February 12th

Camp Blue Diamond is excited to announce the addition of a second Hoss's fundraiser! Below is your ticket for Blue Diamond's Hoss's Event on February 12th. We will host another Hoss's Sunday in June. Participating Hoss's are: Duncansville, Huntingdon, Bedford and Lewistown. The Hoss Event is simple! Please encourage all of your friends, family and your congregation to attend. We will be sending promotional post cards with details to our local supporters and churches closer to the event. You can always make copies of the promotional ticket to give to others before arriving at Hoss's. Thank you for your support in this fundraiser!

Thanks Volunteers and Donors

John & Grace Gable – 2005 Dodge Dakota Pickup

Eugene Morral – Sound Equipment

Joseph & Remona Sollenberger – 2023 Bible Study Curriculum

Homer Schriner, John Knepp, Bob Scott, Dean Brubaker, Don

Snively, Don Spickler – Work on the New Campground Washhouse

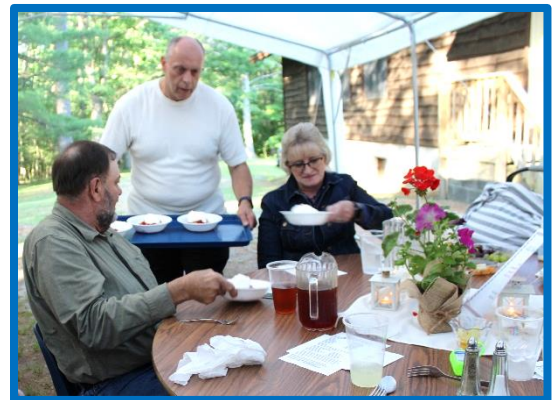
John Heichel – Mowing & Work on the New Campground Washhouse

Hollidaysburg CoB Youth – Wood Splitting & Stacking, Raking

Ken Ott, Randy Singo, Rick Singo, Jeff Browell, Shawn Shirk,

Ryan Welsh, Will & Nanelle Eshelman – Cut & Split Wood

PSU ServeState – Raking, Brush Cleanup, Wood Splitting & Stacking



Thank you to everyone that made a monetary donation, attended/served Annual Dinner, bought something off our Amazon Wishlist, encouraged someone to attend summer camp or prayed for Camp Blue Diamond. There are so many ways to support Camp. We are truly blessed to have so many wonderful supporters!



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Camp Rep Training – Jan 22nd

Camp Reps are invited to attend the Training Event on **Sunday, January 22nd**! This is important to the ministry of CBD, as we strive to invite children, youth & adults to be a part of the CBD program. The training begins at 2:00pm and will be wrapped up by 4:00pm. Spouses, pastors, friends and anyone that wants to learn more about Camp Blue Diamond are invited to join us. Camp Reps will receive summer brochures, a summer 2022 video and loads of other handouts. We will learn about camp sessions, discounts, scholarships, staffing needs, the **FruitFull Faith** theme, and the new pricing structure. Mark your calendars now for this important event!

Wish List

Camp is excited to announce that we have started an Amazon Wish List. By scanning the QR code you will be directed to our Amazon Wish List. You can also visit the following web address to view the list, <https://a.co/2AO626u>. This list is full of items Camp needs to help make our ministry a success. Be sure to check back often as the list will constantly be changing as our needs change. You can always find a link to the list on the donate page of Camp's website.

If you're struggling to figure out that perfect gift for someone this year you can always buy something off the wish list in honor or memory of someone. We know that many families make donations rather than giving gifts so please check out the wish list this Christmas season!

