

Camp Lebanon News



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Monthly NEWSLETTER of Camp Lebanon

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MINISTRIES REPORT

Camp's Win Streak Continues with Crazy Busy Fall



The Minnesota Twins might have fallen short of expectations even as the Vikings' new season opened wide right, but Camp followed up a record summer with a victorious September. Serving over 1200 guests, the month was packed with winning events for families, dads and daughters, senior adults, men, and women. The two **Women's Retreats** knocked it out of the park with two packed-out weekends (455 women!) and \$14,766 in gifts through the Silent Auctions and Love Offerings. \$8102 was designated for new floors in three cabins and Activity Center and \$6664 was earmarked for misions. This year the women partnered with **Sisters of Hope International** outfitting 97 Ugandan homes with life-sustaining water filters. What a blessing! Next up in Camp's batting order are three big rental weekends, Camp's 3rd Annual **Fall Fire** (grades 9-10), and five sessions of **Quilt & Craft** – all at capacity levels. Keep praying. The staff is pushed to its limits, but the opportunities to share the love of Christ are amazing.

If You Light It, They Will Come!

On August 17, a group of boys got the surprise of their lives! Playing on Legends Field in the dark with only their leader's truck for lights, these big league wannabes suddenly found themselves playing on a fully lit wiffleball field! The first lighting also proved be the ultimate 30th birthday present for the field's designer, Monte Abeler. We can only dream of groups that will play on into tomorrow, like these boys who finally called it quits at 12:15 AM! *Play ball!*



PRAISE & PRAY!

- **PRAISE!** *Fantastic Senior Day:* 150 guests, \$6944 love offering, wonderful program.
- **PRAISE!** *Men's Retreat:* 140 men (20 from Teen Challenge), \$1600 offering.
- **PRAISE!** *Women's Retreat:* 455 women, auction/loving offering \$14,766, sweet time!
- **PRAISE!** *New Master Plan:* CUP approval from Morrison County, no local opposition.
- **PRAISE!** *Rental Ministries:* Fall weekends filled, limited winter openings. (Call soon!)
- **PRAY!** *Camp Board:* Long and short-term planning, staffing, site development.
- **PRAY!** *Volunteers Needed:* raking, cleaning, waterfront, winter prep.
- **PRAY!** *Fall Ministries:* Staff health & unity, safety, spiritual harvest, sustaining joy
- **PRAY!** *Winter Planning:* Lots of details to work out, trying to stay ahead of the wave!

INBOX Blessings

"There's a sweet, sweet spirit in this place!"

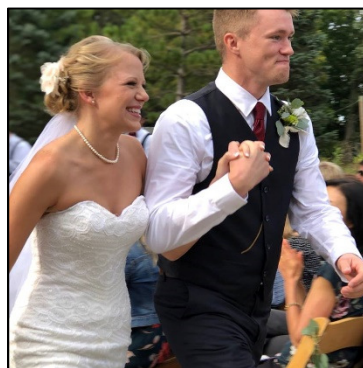
"The retreat was a change of focus from not hearing about our country's problems to focusing on Jesus and God's Word..."

Young at Heart Guests

"I grew closer to Dad and God."
Dads N Daughters Camper

"We had such a wonderful time at Family Camp! A great big thank you to all the donrs that made receiving a scholarship possible. Without it we would not be able to attend. So blessed!
Labor Day Family Campers

Congrats Monte & Jaimie!



The day was perfect. The bride (Jaimie Schreifels) was gorgeous. And the groom (Monte Abeler, Director of Guest Ministries) beamed with joy. Monte & Jaimie were wed 9-9 at Hole #9 on Camp's North 40 with a big tent reception adjacent the Eagle's Nest. The newlyweds make their new home in Avon. *Woo hoo!*



FINAL SUMMER REPORT

SUMMER YOUTH & FAMILY CAMPS

YOUTH CAMPS (grade entering)

Super Kids 1 (3-6)	June 10-14	197	RECORD!
Junior High 1 (7-9)	June 17-22	178	RECORD!
Adventurers (1-4)	June 24-27	217	RECORD!
Junior High 2 (7-9)	July 8-13	196	
Super Kids 2 (3-6)	July 15-19	214	
Senior High (10-grads)	July 22-27	215	NORTH 40 TENT
Super Kids 3 (3-6)	July 29-Aug. 2	216	
Junior High 3 (7-9)	August 5-10	212	
Super Kids 4 (3-6)	August 12-16	218	
Adventures 2 (1-4)	August 19-22	59	BONUS CAMP!
D3: Sweat Team & LIT		50	

1968 (up 221 over 2017)

RECORDED DECISIONS FOR CHRIST: 206!

Memorial Weekend	May 25-28	197 GUESTS	RECORD!
Summer Fun	June 28-July 1	178 GUESTS	RECORD!
Family Week	July 1-6	179 GUESTS	
Labor Day Weekend	Aug. 31-Sept. 3	206 GUESTS	

Summer Sew Quilt Retreat June 3-7 77 GUESTS! **RECORD!**

Thanks for helping us fill Camp Lebanon this summer!



FALL HIGHLIGHTS

Details at www.camplebanon.org

Dads N Daughters (ages 5+) September 7-9 **162 RECORD!**

"Love's Magic Words" with Matt Swigart; Horse Trail Rides

Young at Heart Fall Retreat Sept. 10-13 & **Senior Day** Sept. 11

"Wonderful Grace of Jesus!" **52 GUESTS – FALL RECORD**

Men's Retreat Sept. 14-16 Hobby Spotlight: "Trophies of Grace"

"Cultivate – Working the Soil of Your Soul" **140 MEN**

Women's Retreats 1: Sept. (20)21-23 **220!** 2: Sept. (27)28-30 **236!**

THEME: "Deeper Still" Early Bird "SPA-cial Evening" **RECORD**

Fall Fire (grades 9-12) October 19-21 **125+ expected**

Fall Quilt & Scrap (5 sessions) **October 25 – December 3 HURRY!**

Sessions A, B, C: WAIT LIST All midweeks open. NEW: Online reg.

HELP WANTED: Fall Volunteer Projects

Raking, deep cleaning, painting, wood cutting
Call Chris for details at 320.232.0990



75,000!

At the Super Kids 4 Closing Rally, **Lily Wolgamott** was honored as **summer youth camper #75,000!** The first 250 came in 1948. Praise God for an amazing 71 years!

