

LUTHERLYN

LIFE-CHANGING ADVENTURES IN FAITH

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From Summer Campers:

"I learned that God will always love and care for me!"
 "Night Owls was EPIC.... for real; it was the BEST week of my whole 12 years alive!"
 "I learned that God is our light and we can always trust Him."
 "Camp has helped me in my faith by teaching me about God in a creative and fun way."
 "So much love and so much fun!"



From a Family Camper:

"Home from Lutherlyn! Love that place and the family campers! The staff was super. Made new friends and had great visits with old friends. Best part is the 2-hour Bible based discussion in the morning each day. The group forms its own community and becomes very close by the end of the week"



From Parents of Campers:

"My kids have been home for a week and they are still talking non-stop about their week of camp. Can I come next year?"
 "Please thank the counselors for me. A kinder, calmer, and happier kid came home from camp with me. I don't know how Lutherlyn did it but THANK YOU!"
 "My kids 'get it' at camp. They are excited about their faith. If you could just get them to stop singing 'Pharaoh, Pharaoh' all of the time (lol)."



From Summer Staff:

"Working at camp is both difficult and rewarding. It made for the best summer of my life and I hope I provided the same for my campers!"
 "When I came to camp for the first time this summer I expected a rewarding job. When I left I realized that I had a family, a community, a stronger relationship with God, and I got to make a difference in the lives of kids!"



Lutherlyn extends the ministry and mission of Jesus Christ, by inviting all people to engage the Word of God, one another and themselves in an intentional, challenging, exciting, and fun outdoor Christian community centered in the grace of God and the goodness of earth and life.

LUTHERLYN FROM ABOVE



Have you visited www.lutherlyn.com lately? On the bottom of the front page there is an AWESOME video of Lutherlyn from the air that our friend, Alan Freed, made in May, 2016 with his drone. It is a fun and unique way to see camp. Thank you so much, Alan, for this great way to virtually visit camp!



Summer Camp

LIFE-CHANGING ADVENTURES IN FAITH!



We had an AWESOME summer full of Life-Changing Adventures in Faith at Lutherlyn! Over 1,000 campers experienced Lutherlyn this summer.

Our summer Bible Study theme was “Hear and Live”. We learned about listening and hearing God’s Word in a busy and noisy world. Every camper experienced this through morning devotions, Bible study, worship, and candle power each day.

Our Wednesday theme was a Canterbury Festival. We had a picnic dinner and played medieval games every Wednesday evening.

8 Lutheran congregations hosted a Lutherlyn Day camp in their community. Teams of 3 staff traveled to each church for a week of day camp. Each day included opening worship, crafts, games, nature activities, Bible study, songs, stories, puppets, and a closing campfire.

50 families came to Family Camp and enjoyed a great week together at Lutherlyn! Some of the special Family Camp activities included a square dance, a 4th of July parade, a talent show, and a dessert buffet!

Over 60 volunteers helped to make summer camp possible. Volunteers served as nurses, chaplains, grandparents, office and store helpers, kitchen and maintenance helpers, crafts helpers, and “specialty program” leaders.

Please SPREAD THE WORD about summer camp and invite others to attend! There is something that everyone can do to be a part of camp!



SUMMER CAMP 2017

June 4-16

Staff Training

June 18-23

1 Confirmation

Life in the Wild!

Adventurers

Horse Camp

Staff-in-Training

June 25-30

2 Confirmation

Classics

Young Folks

Horse Camp

Adventurers

Small Fry Days

July 2-7

3 Family Camp

Horse Camp

On-Site Day Camp

July 9-14

4 Arts

Classics

Horse Camp

Salmagundi

Musical Theater

Adventurers 2

July 16-21

5 Classics

Classic Sampler

Young Folks

Horse Camp

Adventurers

July 23-28

6 Classics

Venture

Horse Camp

Rocketry

Adventurers

July 30-Aug. 4

7 Night Owls

Salmagundi

Small Fry Days

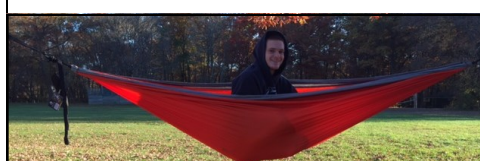
Horse Camp

Adventurers

Salmagundi



Several recent past summer staff donated 20 NEW hammocks to Lutherlyn just in time for the summer of 2016. Two hammock villages were up at camp for the whole summer for cabin groups to take a break and relax or sleep out. The hammocks were a HUGE hit! Many campers got to swing under the trees and enjoy conversation with their counselor and cabin group! Thank you to everyone that donated a hammock!



SCHEDULE CHANGE

After years of discussion and consideration; we will be making a few changes to the summer camp schedule starting the summer of 2017.

~Sunday check-in will be from 2:30-4:00pm (instead of 2:00-4:00) each Sunday. As we have improved the check-in process over the years, it just doesn't take 2 hours to get everyone checked in.

~The way that we collect camper medications will change. It will be a quick and easy process that will be explained thoroughly in the registration packet.

~Every week of summer camp will end on Friday evening. The Friday evening schedule will be:

- 5:00pm—Campers eat dinner
- 5:45pm—Shows for Parents (Horse Camp, Arts Camp, and Musical Theater Camp only)
- 6:30pm—Closing Worship in the Amphitheater (parents are welcome to attend)
- 8:00pm—Campers depart from cabins & Camp Store open

2017 SUMMER STAFF



SUMMER STAFF SEARCH 2017

The search is on! If you or someone you know is interested in serving God, making a difference in the lives of campers, being part of an intentional Christian community, and having a great time with lots of kids, please check out the “employment” section of lutherlyn.com or contact the camp office! Applications are being accepted.

HARRY W. BOST ARENA

Equestrian Center & Development



The leaves have changed and our long summer days have come to an end. Typically I am sad for the end of our riding season, however this year I am happy!

Our fabulous indoor arena has been a great asset to our programming. Lessons, homeschool classes, and lots of other programs continue to happen! The completion of this project is a great success for our nearly forty year old program.

This year we are really putting a concentrated effort to grow our therapeutic riding program. This is something we have wanted to do here at Lutherlyn for many years and we finally have the tools to do it.



The indoor arena is providing great stability to the scheduling of programs. In addition to the indoor we have two PATH certified therapeutic riding instructors available to run programming. Katey Simons and Teresa Davis have joined the team at Lutherlyn Equestrian Center. They are both certified through AAHS and through PATH International as a Therapeutic Riding instructor. Katey holds a degree in Equine Studies



from Centenary College, and has experience in many aspects of the equine field. She has been teaching horsemanship since 2005 and Therapeutic Riding since 2013. Teresa Davis has

been a steady volunteer for 3 years and now manages a lot of the day to day things at the barn. She is completing her bachelors in psychology and social work. She was a volunteer therapeutic riding instructor for years and she works in the adult group home setting. Together these two women have a variety of experience and knowledge to share. We are seeking both participants (age 6+) and volunteers (age 14+) to help bring this program to life. If you or anyone you know is interested in either participating in or volunteering with the Lutherlyn Therapeutic Riding Program or other lesson programs more information can be found at <http://www.lutherlyn.com/ourprograms/lec/>.



We had the pleasure of being a stop on the Butler County Farm Tour in October. Over 1,000 guests visited the Lutherlyn Equestrian Center that day; mostly people who have never been to Lutherlyn before. Visitors had the opportunity to take a tour, go on a pony ride, pet and visit the horses, do an Environmental Education activity, and play some games. It was an exciting day and we are so appreciative to the Butler County Tourism Bureau for including us on the Farm Tour.

We do have one additional need that every farmer knows is essential to running a farm – a tractor. Last summer the engine on our mower finally called it quits.



We contacted many repair shops and no one was able to find the necessary parts to repair our machine. We limped along this summer, getting the main camp mower when we could – but our grounds have suffered. It was hard to keep the weeds down in the fields and around the jumps and out buildings. Our largest (and most dangerous to the horses) problem was maintaining the fence lines. When you do not keep the weeds and growth off of your fence it shorts out the electric fencer. Once the horses figure out the electric does not work, they begin testing the waters to escape. Unfortunately, this time of year the grass is greener on the other side of our fence! If anyone out there knows of a tractor without a job please contact us! We would gladly accept the donation and put that tractor to good use!

Thank You to everyone who supports the Lutherlyn Equestrian Center! Whether it is by coming to our events, camps, lessons, or volunteering – you make a difference – and I cannot express how thankful I am to have you as part of our team.



Happy Trails,

Carla Babcock

A year ago, Riding Lessons would be over for the season because it gets dark so early. Not anymore! Thanks to the indoor riding arena, lessons and programs continue!



CORNERSTONE AWARD

Each year at the Trinity Pines Club Banquet in June we honor an individual or individuals who have provided gifts of time, talent, and treasure to Lutherlyn with the annual Cornerstone Award.

This year, two cornerstone awards were presented. The awards were given to Sam Goncz and Tracy Gullickson. Both of these individuals have supported camp with their considerable personal skills and professional experience.



Sam has offered sound legal advice and connected us with a network of mission support in addition to helping Lutherlyn make legal decisions which will affect us for many years to come. Personally Sam has fostered within his entire family a love of Lutherlyn. His daughters have been campers and served on summer staff and his family regularly attends the Advent Retreat.

Tracy has been a volunteer nurse for over 30 years and completed a lot of behind the scenes items for Lutherlyn year after year. She has a real knack for helping Lutherlyn feel more like home and be more welcoming for guests. She has spent every Sunday of the past 31 summers doing Health Hut Check-In with every camper that has come to Lutherlyn. She has very literally taken care of the health and well-being of thousands of campers and staff throughout the years. She has also taken care of the health hut and trained/supervised the camp nurses.



Thank you so much to Sam and Tracy for the tremendous impact that you have had on Lutherlyn!



On May 27th sixty two golfers tee'd off at Lutherlyn's 25th Annual Campership Golf Outing. Through the generous support of our sponsors, volunteers, and participants we were able to raise over \$10,500 for the Campership Fund. Thank you to everyone who supported this event!

LUTHERLYN SIGNS

Did you happen to see a "Register for Summer Camp" sign anywhere in your neck-of-the-woods last spring? Thank you to all of the churches and friends that displayed their Lutherlyn lawn sign!

We have lawn signs for churches and friends of camp to display. The sign can be displayed from February 1 (the first day of summer camp registration) through August 1 (the end of summer camp). We would love to get more signs out and around Western Pennsylvania next year.



If you have a great location for a Lutherlyn sign, please contact the camp office and we will get a sign to you. Our request is that you keep the sign and re-use it each spring. Thank you for helping us spread the word about camp!

THANK YOU LUTHERLYN AMBASSADORS!

Many thanks for all of the ambassadors who have helped to spread the word about camp! Think you might be interested in serving as an Ambassador? Contact Andi at andrea@lutherlyn.com. All are welcome!



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Gifts made between 1-1-2015 and 12-31-2015

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Western PA Roof Cleaning
Zion Lutheran Church, Shannondale

New Members in Bold
↑ Giving level increased from previous year

Honorarium Gifts from 11/01/2015 – 10/31/2016

Christine Adams
by Cathleen Adams
Melanie Best (Robert Wilson Family)
by Curtis and Sally Frank
Scott H. Best Family
by Curtis and Sally Frank
Rebecca Botts
by Marvin Vaughn
James L. Clarke Family
by Curtis and Sally Frank
Mary Eller
by her Family
Lynn Schrimper
Randy & Tracy Gullickson
by Richard & Betty Albright
Ray & Lucille Allen
Nora Ambrosio
Renee Anderson
Anna Belle & Leonard Anderson
Marnie Arnold
Margaret Aupke
John & Kathleen Bangor
Jay & Mary Barnoff
David & Karen Bauer
Gary Bauer
Lynn Beck
Sandra & Kevin Bell
Fred Bennett
Joel & Mindy Benson
Amanda & Ty Best
Marlin & Karen Boltz
Gertrude Booth
Evelyn Booth
John Borden
Jean Bost
Jeffrey & Katherine Bost
Bob & Courtney Bost
Andrea Boswell
Joy Brewer
B Joan Brown
Barbara Brown
RuthAnn Bufalini
Jerry & Carole Cable
Kenneth & Laura Carl
Leona Carlson
Lynn Chiado
Thomas Christy
Jean Claus
Wylida Cole
Coombs Family
Bill Cox
Jim & Jeanette Cunningham
Timothy & Marsha Davis
James & Jane Dollhopf
Merab Drennen
Rev. Herb & Mrs. Dubler
Dick & Vie Dunmyre

Andi Dunmyre
Donna & George Fairley
Harry & Pauline Faucett
Joan Ferraro
Elizabeth & Joseph Fetters
Patricia & Charles Flach
Carl & Val Fleeger
Richard & Barbara Flock
Joan & Michael Foran
Curtis & Sally Frank
John & Susan Frantz
Gordon & Julia Fraser
M. Darlene Frederickson
Dick Freed
Kathleen & Paul Gaberson
Margarethe & Martin Galbraith
Albert & Edwina Gesler
Shannon & Keith Glenn
Richard & Carolyn Graff
Katherine Gresh-Murphy
Linda & Theodor Gross
Larry Hamil
Glenn & Barb Harris
Susanna & Tammy Hart
David & Emma Lee Hartle
Walt & Diana Hebda
Larry & Mollie Ann Hibbs
John & Jacquelyn Holmberg
Paul & Carol Howells
Andy & Amy Huffman
Jamal & Kristie Huwel
Emily Johns
Jack & Joyce Johnston
Jocelyn Johnston
Ted & Janet Kaltwasser
Joseph & Susan Kantz
William Keller
Lorraine Kesterson
Michael & Lynn Kinney
Lauren & William Kirsh-Carr
Donald & Helen Kleckner
Lewis & Cynthia Klingensmith
Ryan & Cindy Kobert
Jacob & Julie Kosker
Joyce Kottner
Scott Kuechenmeister-Hall
Ralph & Carol Kusserow
Sherry Kyne
Rev. Ken & Susan Laber
Harold & Doris Laderer
Mario & Susan Lanna
Paul & Patricia Lebanik
Sarah Lefler
John & Betty Lehw
Shelby Lemmon
Priscilla & Gary Lester
Roger & Martha Luppold
Elma Maier
Janice Marburger
Wayne & Suzanne McClymonds
Fred & Marilyn Michael
Janet Miller
Marianne Miller
Erica Miller
Signe Mitchell
Robert & Marlene Morrell
Richard & Virginia Moyta
Lucy & Ronald Nacey
Dennis Orsen
Denise & James Pearson
Lisa Pepka
James Petsinger
Anne Pierotti
Leila Protzman
Roger & Melissa Ray & Family
Brian & Kristine Riddle
Elizabeth & Wayne Rideout
Robery & Ardyce Rigg
Deb & Jeff Roberts
Edward Roehling
Jennifer Schimizzi
Theodore & Theresa Schroeder
Karen Schwalm
Erin Seeley
Walter & Martha Senchesen
Grace & Ed Shields
Gina Sink
Kari Smail
Ronald & Susan Smith
Dennis & Virginia Stacy
Mark Steiner
Roger & Gwendolyn Steiner
Sheila Ann & Mel Stepp
Carl & Helen Still
Margaret Suhr-Barkley
Melanie Taormina
Steve, Lisa & Emily Thelin
Jeremy Tost
Walt & Jan Treser
C Reed & Ruth Lee Trimble
Ryan & Meredith Trimble
Maria Von Mickwitz
Gilson & Amy Waldkoenig
Glenda Wareham
Gary & Susan Whitting
Arnold & Kathryn Wienk
Peggy Willman

In Memory Of...

Ann & Fred Wineman
Stacey & Ronald Winfield
Reynolds & Joyce Wingard
Patricia Wuenstel
Johanna & Katherine Yoho
Robert & Patricia Young
William & Linda Zundel
First Evangelical Lutheran Church
Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
English Evangelical Lutheran Church
Spring Church Lutheran Church
Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church
Emmanuel Heilman Lutheran Church
Christ Lutheran Church
Reck Construction, Inc
New Hope Lutheran Church
Eisler Nurseries
Luther Memorial Church
Colleen Kresse
by Mark & Sharon Kresse
Lucille Lindberg
by Curtis and Sally Frank
Madeline Nacey
by Ron Nacey
Jerome Nacey II
by Ron Nacey
Chris Piatt
by Woodland Quilters
Woodland Quilters
by Linda Fleming
Donna Reeder
by Mindy's Scrapbookers
Jeff, Deb, Eli & Grace Roberts
by Richard & Betty Roberts
Sydni Rodgers
by Kellie Rodgers & Family
Suzie Schmidt
by Deborah Ross
William Luft and Sharon (Luft) Wach
by John and Susan Frantz
Caroline Wolff
by Jacquelyn Holmberg

Memoriam Gifts from 11/01/2015 – 10/31/2016

Dorothy (Shaulis) Sternat
by John and Betty Lehw
Matthew Ammon
by Joyce Kottner
Ed Ayers
by Curtis and Sally Frank
William & Cora Baer
by Judy Seanor
Anna Bainbridge
by Scott Peters
Iz Baron
by Minda Cohen
Eric Bish
by Peter & Nancy Graff
Homer A. Bollen
by Michael & Nicole Frank Leckie
Ed Roehling
Terry Gaberson
Pamela Heintzinger
Hometowne Sports
Arthur & Dorothy Heintzinger
Junella Heintzinger
Bonnie Bullers
by E. Jeanne Armour
William and Terrye Bullers
Latrobe Past Matrons & Past Patrons Club
Peg Korney
Bud & Bonnie Bullers
by Barbara E. Bullers
Bernice Bullers
by Robert & Virginia Bullers
Kelly Christen Jones
by Gene Jones
Betty Christy
by Patricia Dietrich
A. Dale & Jane B. Clarke
by Curtis and Sally Frank
Helen A. Conley
by Ryan and Amy Ebner
Betty Lou & Dave Finney
by John & Betty Lehw
Robert Edward Fleeger
by Merab Drennen
Wilma Follmer
by Carl Follmer
Carol Folwell
by Adele Dengel
Kathleen Schubert
Mary Beth Bradley
Rev. Dr. James N. & Edith W. Frank
by Curtis and Sally Frank
John, Sally & Pat Freed
by Jack & Judy Freed
Patricia Freed
by Richard & Lynda Freed
Jon & Sally Freed
by Richard & Lynda Freed

Joseph Gomez
by Donna DuPont
Louise K. Graham
by Minda Cohen
Scott Henjum
by Nancy and John Jeffries
Bob & Mary Claire Hileman
by Pat & Don Melpolder
Arthur & Martha Klein
by Karen Newson
Candace Kling
by Deborah Ross
Shirley & Andrew Kopriva
by Cheryl & Randall Neish
June Charlotte Lobins
by Ryan & Amy Ebner
Pastor Patrick A. L. Maier
by Edward R. Miller
Harry Laube
Evon Marrett
by Donald & Barbara Baker
Mary May
by Donald May
Grandpap George Miller
by Janet Miller
Wil Morrow
by Susan and Daniel Morrow
Joel Neiderhiser
by Herbert & Andrea Dubler
Lori Greene
Curtis and Sally Frank
Craig & Patricia Yost
Helen Walter
Louise Nordsiek
by Judy Seanor
Florence Robinson
by Dan & Gloria Yount
Tom Roe
by John and Betty Lehw
Rev. Earl G. Runge
by Keith Runge
Jared Schaney
by Robert Morris University SNHS
Janice Saraspick
Jeremiah DeWayne Kamerer
Dr. Walter Schratz
by Ruth and Rick Boyle
Bill Schrimper
by Schrimper Family
Betty Shearer Ray
by Ray and Lucille Allen
Paul & Eleanor Slonaker
by Phyllis Klingensmith
Clifford D. Smail
by Ray and Lucille Allen
Ruth D. Steen
by Ruth and Delmar White
Debbie Steiner
by Doris, Noah, and Rachel
Karl Stollenwerk
by Ray and Lucille Allen
Clarence Strand
by Ray & Lucille Allen
Jim Sweeney
by Joan and Frank Ferraro
Tom Vezzetti
by Delwin & Alicia Brockett
Augusta Vezzetti
by Delwin & Alicia Brockett
Richard Walker
by Ray and Lucille Allen
Edna Whiteside
by Linda Boice Schaeffer
Barbara E. Wilson
by Rebecca and Stephen Choiniere
David Worthy
by Don & June Kudas
Dr. Sam Shaulis & Family
by Sue & Jack Lehw
Our Grandparent
by Russ & Jenn McIntire

Our sincerest apologies if we omitted your name.

Save the Date:

The 2017
Trinity Pines
Club Banquet
is on
June 11, 2017.

Retreats & Events



NEW FAMILY GETAWAY WEEKENDS *NEW*

We are excited to introduce **FAMILY GETAWAY WEEKENDS**. Enjoy a relaxing weekend with your family and let us take care of the lodging, meals, and program! Family Getaway Weekends will start on Friday evening and finish after brunch on Sunday. Each family will stay in a cabin (4 bottom bunks, 2 top bunks, and a full bathroom). Meals will be provided in the Dining Hall. There will be some scheduled activities and programming but there will mostly be time for families to relax, enjoy each other's company, and have FUN together! Campfires, hiking, crafts, games & activities, relax with a book in a rocking chair, nature activities, horseback riding, high ropes course, canoeing, board games by the fireplace, worship..... time to getaway with your family and RELAX in God's beautiful creation! We hope to see you soon at a FAMILY GETAWAY WEEKEND!



Halloween Family Fun
Oct. 30, 2016

2017 Calendar

January

10-15—UFO (Unfinished Objects) Retreat
27-29—Winter Retreat (4-12 grade)

February

4—Saturday Safari
4—Ambassador Training

March

4—Maple Sugaring Saturday Safari
5—Winter Tea
21-26—Mystery Quilting Retreat

April

21-23—YouthFest (Jr. High & Sr. High)
29—Work Day

May

12-14—Family Getaway Weekend
13—CAMP BLAST!!!

June

4-16—Summer Staff Training
11—Trinity Pines Club Banquet
18—SUMMER CAMP BEGINS!

July

1-31—SUMMER CAMP CONTINUES!

August

4—Last day of Summer Camp

September

1-2—Fathers and Sons Retreat
5-10—Crafty Lady Week-Long Getaway

October

6-8—Wild Women Weekend
14,15—Woodland Quilters Quilt Show
27-29—Family Getaway Weekend
28—Family Halloween Fun

November

4—Saturday Safari
14-19—Santa's Workshop Retreat

December

1-3—Family Getaway Weekend
2—Family Advent Celebration



WINTER RETREAT

January 27-29, 2017

Join us for lots of Winter fun! Youth in 4th-12th grade are invited to come to camp for the weekend, live in a cabin group with a counselor from summer staff, and have tons of winter fun at camp! Check out the NEW schedule on Lutherlyn's website.



In 2017 there will be 2 ways to come and enjoy camp for Advent. You can come for the weekend as a Family Getaway Weekend or you can come on Saturday for the Family Advent Celebration. Decorate Christmas cookies, make (and learn about) an Advent Wreath, worship, and relax by a fire!

Woodland Quilt Show

The Woodland Quilters are a dedicated group of quilters who host the quilt show each year to raise money for Camperships. They are always looking for people to enter quilts in the show. The theme for the 2017 Quilt Show is "Woodland Creatures".



NEW FOR 2017

All four of the quilting/crafting retreats (UFO in January, Mystery Quilt in March, Crafty Lady Getaway in September, and Santa's Workshop in November) will have the option of coming from Tuesday through Sunday or for any combination of days that works for you! That adds up to a whole lot of creative fun & fellowship!

You Are Invited:

CampBlast

at



Saturday, May 13th, 2017, 11am-4:30pm

Join us for a day of FUN that highlights all that Lutherlyn has to offer. Horseback riding, campfire, crafts, gaga ball, archery, high ropes course, zipline, bouldering room, hikes, nature activities, canoeing, hay rides, games, sports, archaeology, rockets, kayaking, biking, tours, great food, and MORE! The best part.... EVERYTHING IS FREE!

Visit www.lutherlyn.com/campblast for more details.

WOODLAND CENTER FOR THE ARTS

The Woodland Center for the Arts has a full schedule of classes for 2017! Pottery, Blacksmithing, Quilting, and Fiber Arts classes are from 9am-5pm and include lunch. Painting classes are from 10am-noon. Please visit Lutherlyn.com for more information and to register for a class.



Date	Pottery	Blacksmithing	Quilting	Fiber Arts	Painting
1/21/17	Intro	Intro	Intro	Intro Weaving	Winter Canvas
2/18/17	Intro	Intro	Beginner Applique	Paper Making	X
3/25/17	Intro	Intro	Intro	Journal Making	Mandela Design (\$20)
4/8/17	Intro	Intro	Binding	Batik	Mixed Medium Painting
5/6/17	Intro	Intro	Intro	Print Making	X
6/3/17	Intro	Intro	Intro	Intro Weaving	Tote Bag
9/9/17	Intro	Intro	Foundation Piecing	Paper Making	Fall Welcome Sign
10/14/17	Intro	Intro	X	Journal Making	X
11/18/17	Intro	Intro	Intro	Batik	Fall Canvas
12/9/17	Intro	Intro	Beginner Applique	Print Making	Christmas Welcome Sign

Lutherlyn Equestrian Center and Woodland Center for Arts & Crafts each have their own schedule FULL of classes and events.

Visit www.lutherlyn.com for complete schedules, details and registration information.

Want to bring your own group to camp?

Most weekends (and some weekdays) we have groups using Lutherlyn's facilities and/or programs. Please give us a call to talk about all of the ways that you and your group can use camp's facilities. Lutherlyn is a great place for a retreat in any season!



Lutherlyn Environmental Education Program

A DEER OF A DIFFERENT COLOR

Visitors to Lutherlyn in the last year and a half may have had the chance to catch a glimpse of a rare sight – a piebald deer. A piebald is a color variation of whitetail deer with some patches of white fur and some patches of brown fur. The piebald deer we have seen at Lutherlyn is a female which was first seen after the spring of 2015. She is most often spotted along the main Lutherlyn driveway, between Dick Road and the bottom of the hill, often in the section of forest between the driveway and the stables. Her head and neck are brown with some patches of white, while the rest of her body and legs are mostly white. She is quite a sight to see!

Piebalds are different from albino deer. Albinos have a recessive gene that causes them to have no melanin at all in their body. Along with all white fur, this gives albino deer pink noses and eyes and white hooves. The chances of an albino deer being born are only 1 in 20,000.

Piebald deer have a genetic variation or defect that produces white fur on some parts of the deer's body. The eyes, nose, and hooves are normal color. Other defects often occur along with the piebald color variation, including short legs, arching spine (scoliosis), short lower mandible, bowing of the nose (often called Roman nose), and even some internal organ deformities. The piebald deer at Lutherlyn does appear to have shorter legs than the other whitetail deer around her.

Piebald deer are much more common than true albino deer, but are still rare – it is estimated that less than 1% of the whitetail deer population in average areas are piebalds. If piebald deer mate with normally-pigmented deer, the offspring could be either piebald or normally colored deer.

Keep an eye out while you are driving in the main driveway from Dick Road, and you may catch a glimpse of this rare and beautiful part of God's creation!



LARGEST SPRING L.E.E.P. SEASON

Spring 2016 was a banner season for environmental education field trips at Lutherlyn. We served over 4,450 students from 67 different schools, the largest season ever! Schools came from as far away as Erie to take part in our renowned education activities.

Thanks to the hard work of our 15 environmental educators, each student got to experience a wonderful outdoor adventure. Our great education staff enables us to serve groups up to 180 students at a time!

With so many schools wanting an outdoor adventure, signing up for LEEP field trips is best done as soon as possible. Fortunately, we have



many dates open each fall for those schools who want to start the academic year off with a quality educational field trip. Many fall schools combine group building activities with their environmental science courses to help build a strong classroom community.

NEW WINDOWS AT TERRA DEI

The house at Terra Dei has been upgraded this fall with new south-facing windows. The old windows and framing were deteriorating badly, allowing significant heat loss.

All of the south-facing windows were replaced with Pella fixed-frame windows and the cooling doors were replaced with crank-out awning windows. In response to a small special appeal, a faithful group of donors came through with the funding to make these essential upgrades possible.

The new windows will allow the house to be truly energy efficient again, and make the most of the passive solar heating design. By using less energy we can better care for God's creation and we can more effectively demonstrate ways to live with less environmental impact.

Special THANK YOU to everyone who helped make this possible!



WISH LISTS

Maintenance/Housekeeping

- Home Depot and Lowes Gift Cards
- *Reliable mini van or SUV (for program use)*
- 4X4 Pick-Up Truck
- NEW twin & queen size sheets
- New work gloves (for volunteer groups)
- NEW or LIKE-NEW washer and dryer
- **Lutherlyn relies on donated vehicles for Summer Day Camp Teams and program use. If you are ready to get rid of a used vehicle that is still road-worthy and safe; please consider a donation to Lutherlyn that is tax deductible! (NEW vehicle donations welcomed too!)

Office

- pens & pencils
- dry erase markers
- copy paper
- cardstock
- paperclips
- scotch tape
- masking tape
- scissors
- thumb tacks
- permanent markers
- new 3-ring binders
- new easels and paper pads
- Bibles

Crafts

- tacky glue
- scissors (adult & kids)
- pony beads
- seed beads
- tempera paint
- embroidery floss
- new markers
- new colored pencils
- paint brushes
- construction paper
- colored tissue paper
- glue
- baby food jars

Stables

- *TRACTOR for mowing*
- rubber mats for stalls
- water proof sheets and winter blankets of all sizes
- size 13, 14, 15 mens boots
- fly spray & fly masks
- dressage saddle
- joint supplements
- multivitamin supplements
- cat food
- cat flea & tick treatments

Environmental Education

- Rain coats for kids
- Riding mower or small tractor (for hauling compost)
- Winter coats for kids
- Winter gloves and hats for kids and adults
- 8 ounce "Cool-whip" containers
- vis-à-vis wet erase markers

Volunteers & Skilled Labor

We often have projects that could use volunteers with specific skills (painting, electrical work, carpentry, construction). If you have a trade or specific skill that you are willing to share with Lutherlyn, please let us know. Our schedule can be flexible to accommodate your availability.

We also have projects that do not require much skill but need people willing to dedicate their time. Individuals and groups are always helpful in completing these tasks.

SATURDAY SAFARIS

Lutherlyn Saturday Safaris are a great way to spend a Saturday morning outside! They are designed for families of all sizes and shapes, youth groups, scout groups, and any interested parties. The only requirement is that there is an adult responsible for all children. Feb. 4 (topic TBA), March 4 (Maple Sugaring), and Nov. 4 (topic TBA).

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (additional maple sugaring session from 1-3:30pm)

Place: Environmental Education Center at Camp Lutherlyn

Cost: \$6.00 per person (children ages 4 and under are free). Payment will be collected at the event.

This fee includes the program, snacks, and beverages.

To Register: (724) 865-9079; EMAIL: leep@lutherlyn.com



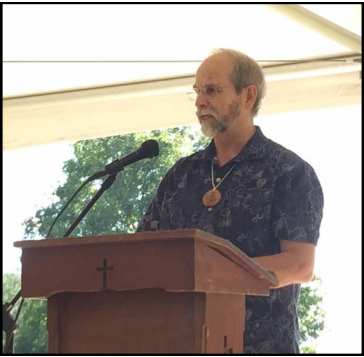
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

As stewards of God's creation we realize that we are commanded to care for and sustain the earth. We also realize that at times we fail to understand our impact upon the created world around us. For this reason Lutherlyn places a high priority on the careful management and restoration of the land with which we have been blessed. Education of campers and staff is seen as an important part of sharing God's vision for the world.



Staff News and Notes

A CELEBRATION



On Sunday, August 21st we celebrated Randy Gullickson's retirement after 31 years of service to Lutherlyn as the Executive Director. It was an exciting day with 500+ friends of camp from all over the country.

The day started off with worship in the amphitheater. Bishop Kusserow (SWPA Synod) preached, Randy presided over communion (including a final reminder about intinction, if you come back with only fingers, leave the bread where it is!), and many friends from the past assisted with the worship service. We then headed to the dining hall for refresh-

ments and fellowship. Finally, everyone went to the giant tent in the field for a heart-warming program and celebration in honor of Randy and Tracy Gullickson.

Thanks to the kindness and generosity of many friends of Lutherlyn, we were able to present Randy and Tracy with a gift of \$8,000 to go to Liberia next summer for Alexander's graduation. You may remember Alexander. He was an international counselor through the ELCA in 2013. Our campers and friends raised money to send Alexander to nursing school in Liberia. He will graduate as a Physician's Assistant next summer and Randy and Tracy plan to go to his graduation on behalf of everyone who helped send Alexander to college.

Not only was it a day to celebrate Randy and Tracy; but the joy, excitement, and love that filled that day was a reminder to all of us of the awesome Lutherlyn family that we are all a part of and of the Life-Changing Adventures in Faith that Lutherlyn has provided and will continue to provide for years to come.



Remember and Honor Your Loved Ones

PR ANTHONY J SCHNECK ORDAINED 6/10/1995 THE SPIELER FAMILY PRAISE THE LORD ST. PETERS EVANS CITY IN HONOR OF BARRY NELSON'S RETIREMENT BILL SWEENEY CONFIRMED IN CHRIST KOBY KOVACS 2013

Bricks are a perfect way to remember a loved one, honor a special occasion, or show your support to our mission. Your name or message can be engraved on a brick and will be placed in the brick walkway called "Friendship Way". Bricks start at \$50. You can purchase bricks quickly and easily at www.lutherlyn.com/bricks.

Dear Lutherlyn Family,

I have found that retirement is a bit disorienting. A bit of advice I was given during my final days working at camp was that you can keep track of the days (sort of) if you remember that the thick paper comes on Sunday.

It's a bit like that. No deadlines. No recurring projects, events, or meetings. No months-long run up to summer camp. No routine. So I find that it is suddenly November and I have been retired for three months and that the delightful going away party in August seems a long time ago. Yet it also still warms my heart when I think of it and that opens the door to remembering any number of random and wonderful memories of people and special moments during my time at Lutherlyn.

It's been a great run. Lives were touched. Minds were challenged. Growth happened. Friendships were forged. Adventures unfolded. And the Spirit of God blew through it all, enhancing, enlarging, expanding and deepening each part of it.

August 21st was an overwhelming, humbling, memorable, affirming day together remembering what we shared in that special place with so many amazing people.

To all who made that day happen, to all who came to participate, to all who sent cards, to all who offered kind words or roasty ones, to all who were present in thought, to all who contributed to the "Africa Graduation Travel Fund," I say, "Thank you."

It is moving and gratifying to hear that your work has touched lives and given life. Mostly it is humbling...and a solid reminder of the power of the Holy Spirit who blows with such power and persistence through Lutherlyn and the people who gather there.

Until we meet again, if you mess up with the bread...please leave it where it is, and may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

Randy

INTERIM DIRECTOR

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. It is my pleasure to introduce to you the Rev. Don Hayn, who has been hired to be our Transitional Interim Director. Don comes to us highly recommended after years of serving Lutheran congregations, nursing homes, and camps. Most recently, Don helped Bear Creek Camp (an ELCA camp in eastern Pennsylvania) navigate through a transition that has put them on solid ground and successfully moving into the future.



Don began his professional life with a Big Eight accounting firm before going to seminary and beginning his life of service to the Church in the abovementioned ways. Don has a love for Christ's church in all of its expressions, but especially camps; that comes through when you talk to him. Don is married to Peggy (Ferri) Hayn, who was a Lutherlyn staffer many years ago. They have three adult sons and six grandchildren. They currently reside in the Allentown area. Don will continue to live in Allentown and will travel to Lutherlyn for 10-12 days/month.

Don will be working through the Lutherlyn Board of Directors and a board-appointed task force to work on specific goals identified by the board. The goals are: financial viability and sustainability, mission, and marketing. He will be helping with tasks connected to these goals with the overarching goal of helping Lutherlyn during this transition to position ourselves for providing Life-Changing Adventures in Faith for many years to come. Deb will continue to run the day-to-day operations of the camp and will be working closely with Don during this transition, as will the rest of the staff.

Don will begin his work in earnest after the first of the year but will be here for a few days in November and December to get himself acquainted and acclimated with the board and other key members of the Lutherlyn family. Don's e-mail is: execdirector@lutherlyn.com.

I want to take a moment to thank Theresa Schroeder and her interim director search group—Pastor Kirk Bish, Elinore Kneidinger, Mary Hetrick and Pastor Brian Bennett, for their excellent work in the process that led us to Don. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me at board@lutherlyn.com.

Peace,
Rev. Joel A. Benson
President, Lutherlyn Board of Directors

Lutherlyn sends out a monthly e-newsletter through Constant Contact. If you are not on our e-mail list and would like to receive a monthly update from camp, please visit www.lutherlyn.com. There is a box on the front page of the web site that says "Join our Mailing List". Please submit your e-mail address there and you will be added to our e-mail list. Each monthly newsletter includes upcoming events, photos, and news from camp!



STAFF NOTES:

Andi Dunmyre joined the full-time staff in February as the Development Director. Andi may be new to the full-time staff but she isn't new to camp. Andi was a camper for many years and her parents have both been on staff at Lutherlyn in the past. Andi comes to Lutherlyn from the banking world and brings with her many skills and talents that make her a great fit for the Development Office. Welcome home Andi!



Eric (Site Manager) and Missy Roehling welcomed future camper, Joshua Channing Roehling, to the world on February 24th, 2016. Congratulations Eric & Missy!



Chris Piatt joined the Lutherlyn staff in February. Chris is the hard-working "camp ranger"; he does some of everything! Chris can be found working in the kitchen, facilitating the ropes course, teaching environmental education, helping the maintenance staff, and working at the equestrian center. Every task is done with a smile on his face and an awesome attitude! Chris was a camper growing up. Welcome back Chris!

Lutherlyn has over 3,000 "likes" on Facebook! Check out Lutherlyn on Facebook for the daily "Past Photo of the Day" and the most current happenings at camp!

