

Camp
Luther

Beacon
2015

*A Love That
Never Ends*

70th
year!

*You shall love the Lord your God with all
your heart, and with all your soul, and with
all your might.
-Deuteronomy 6:5*

Monday, June 22nd

Director's Digest

And it begins..... Today is the first full day of the 70th edition of Camp Luther. Back in 1946, three Lutheran pastors started Camp Luther. Though much has changed since then (it was two weeks long, it was only for children from 4th thru 10th grade, you started every day with group exercise and a swim (brrrrr)) much has remained the same (the three programs (juniors, intermediates, and seniors), it's still held at Camp Caesar (the staff is all-volunteer). Thousands upon thousands of campers have come through the gates and because of the work started by those three pastors, many lives have been changed for the better. They truly made a difference.

Mark Twain once said, "The two greatest days of your life are the day you were born...and the day you find out why." Today is a new day with new friends and new opportunities. Get out there and embrace it, enjoy it, and experience it! Make a difference. And maybe, just maybe, somewhere along the way, you'll find your "why".

Mizpah,

Mike
(aka Calvin)

Today's Theme: Abraham

Genesis 17: 1-8

17 When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to him and said, "I am God Almighty[a]; walk before me faithfully and be blameless. 2 Then I will make my covenant between me and you and will greatly increase your numbers." 3 Abram fell facedown, and God said to him, 4 "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You will be the father of many nations. 5 No longer will you be called Abram[b]; your name will be Abraham,[c] for I have made you a father of many nations. 6 I will make you very fruitful; I will make nations of you, and kings will come from you. 7 I will establish my covenant as an everlasting covenant between me and you and your descendants after you for the generations to come, to be your God and the God of your descendants after you. 8 The whole land of Canaan, where you now reside as a foreigner, I will give as an everlasting possession to you and your descendants after you; and I will be their God."



Weather Outlook

Tuesday:

High Temperature: 87

partly cloudy with scattered
thunderstorms in the
afternoon and evening

chance of rain 80%

**Don't forget your rain
jacket or umbrella!**

Archery · Soccer ·

Sports'

Badminton · Kickball · Gaga ·

Special Events!

Juniors & Seniors:

**Boating & Fishing – meet on the
Basketball Court at 2pm**

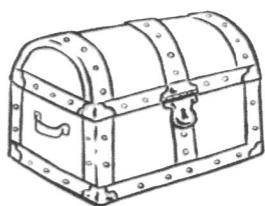
Intermediates & Seniors:

**Cornhole Tournament – sign-up in
Lower Burton, starts at 2:30pm**

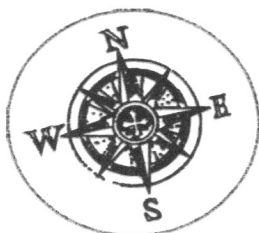
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· Boating & Fishing · Cornhole · Archery ·

Get your game face on!
Tonight, each program will be
competing in the annual Camp
Luther Olympics! Don't forget to
wear your old clothes and get ready
for a fun, messy filled night!



*Congratulations to
Erin & Robbie's
cabins for being the
first ones done in
the Intermediate
Scavenger
Hunt last
night!*



Join the Camp Luther Choir!



The Camp Luther Choir will meet to
practice at 2:30pm in Upper Burton on
Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday.



See the Music Team if you have any
questions!

The numbers are in!

Juniors	43 girls + 29 boys = 72 campers
Intermediates	51 girls + 39 boys = 90 campers
Seniors	35 girls + 48 boys = 83 campers
Staff	87
Total	332 happy campers!

Emily Klemm

Emily Klemm was a camper for the past nine years, and is a first year staffer, serving as a Junior Counselor. She is so excited to be at

Camp Luther with the Juniors this week! She will be a sophomore at the University of Kentucky this coming fall and is studying Community Leadership Development! Emily is excited to be on Staff with her two sisters - Yes, they are the first Triplets to be on camp staff!



A sports management major from Bowling Green State University is joining our Sports' Staff after being a nine year camper. Lindsay Klemm is ready to take on sports this week after volunteering at Super Bowl XLIX! She is ready to influence the lives of others and continue the tradition of passing "IT" on!

Allison Klemm

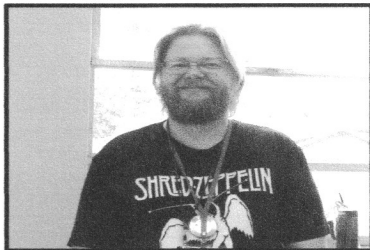
Allison Klemm is back at Camp Luther as a first time staffer as an Intermediate counselor. She is from Charleston, WV and is now a sophomore at Slippery Rock University in Pennsylvania. She

is studying Early Childhood Education and Special Education along with Elementary School Math and Middle School Math.

Allison is loving being able to experience and pass "IT" on in a whole new way at her "Home away from home!"

Lindsay Klemm

David Seaks



Dave Seaks has returned to camp as a Senior Camp Counselor. Dave was a camper for 9 years and is very excited to be back for CL's 70th year! Along with two of his children, he joins his father, Pastor Seaks, and is very proud to be part of three generations at camp this year. He lives with his wife Justina, daughter Izabella, and sons Zachary and Axel in Colorado Springs, CO.



Liz Boord

Liz Boord is new to Camp Luther as part of the Functional Staff in the Medical Cabin. She is a registered nurse on the behavioral health unit at United Hospital Center in Bridgeport, WV.

She lives in Kingmont, WV with her husband Marvin (former camper), daughter Maria (current camper), and son Ian (future camper).

This is a new experience to her, so be patient with her as she learns the routine. She enjoys reading, crocheting, and napping. Her home church is St. Mark's in Clarksburg.

What's Cooking?

Monday Dinner:

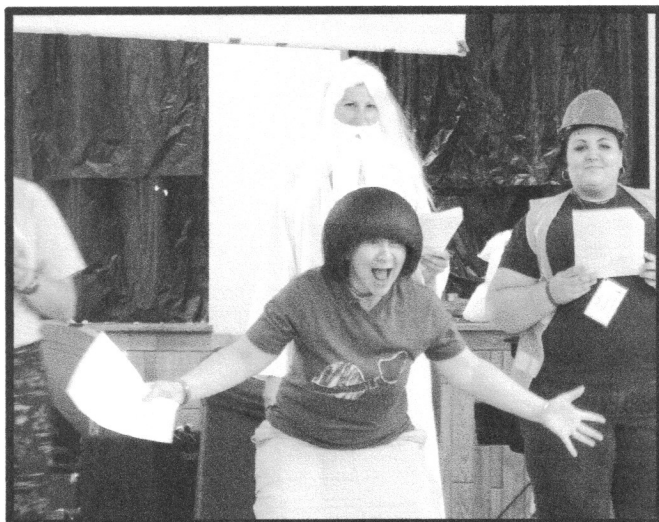
salisbury steak, potatoes,
corn, rolls

Tuesday Breakfast:

scrambled eggs, bacon,
biscuits, fruit, juice, milk

Tuesday Lunch:

pepperoni & cheese
pizza, salad



Camp Luther Mouse

What a beautiful morning here at Camp Luther! I heard some great camp songs last night and this morning, like "I get down; He lifts me up!" You campers even remembered the motions! Oh, how I love, love, love camp music! And I overheard someone say this is the 70th

year? How can that be? Am I really that old?? I'm not sure which program had more fun last night. Juniors, is everything AWESOME? Thanks for sharing those cool world records KS. I saw that LW finally learned how to make a bed in Oaks this morning. Did I see JP trading candy for flashlights? And who is Barbara?? I kept hearing about her in Frontview, but couldn't find her. CM sure does like to clean up Whipporwill. Hmmm. I saw the Intermediates running around camp having a scavenger hunt along with their counselors. I'm glad they couldn't find me! RG's cabin had great team work! Does intermediate counselor KS love BM? How are the bathrooms in Sladsides working today? RS tested them out! I hope all the boys remembered to bring their sleep boxers. PM – which lady are you going to choose for the dance? GB – nice hands! Pour little Newt! Intermediates – no running! Just walk with emphasis! AH – telling stories even in your sleep? Lower Rustic – got the camp funk so soon? HJ – do you really not know how to whisper? Who fell out of bed, multiple times, in Upper Mountain Rest last night? Did junior counselor EB sleep right thru his kid's wake up this morning? KEV – do you like #2 as much as we do? Everyone poops! Hey Dawn – it's Jeff! JR – breaking wind? SS – why was Dean TR singing, "I'm a Little Tea Pot?" Does everyone like a little sewage with their 4-square? EO made a new friends. Dean RC – why you gotta be so rude with your umbrella? Cherry churros anyone? Those freshman seniors are sure big! What happened since they left Intermediate Camp? They look older than some of the senior seniors. Were they showering in the middle of the road too last night? I've been scurrying through some of their bags – woahhh chubbies! There has been some beautiful music coming from the top of the hill – thanks HR! I've noticed the soap in Lower Maples has been gone since Saturday? Really fellas? I snuck in on a secret meeting last night. Apparently, there was a vote and only RC is allowed to have a roly chair in the "O." Minutes and all were documented by the Synod Secretary. It's getting intense in there!