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*Creating spiritually healthy New Testament congregations  
who covenant & network together to further the Kingdom of God*

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## Fervent Prayer and Funds Needed for Nigerian Brethren



It is difficult to put into words the many acts of violence and persecution that our EYN (Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria – the Church of the Brethren in Nigeria) brothers and sisters continue to experience. Reports continue to be shared by our denomination of the abductions, destruction of homes, businesses, and churches, and killings of members of EYN.

In early April, former missionary Monroe Good spoke with EYN President Rev. Samuel Dali, who reported these statistics. He said, "So far, because of this persecution, 12 churches, and 2,500 homes have been burnt or destroyed. And over 400 members killed and 17 kidnapped."

Then came the April 14 abduction of over 200 teenage girls from a school in Chibok, Borno state, in northeastern Nigeria. Many of those girls were from EYN families. This tragedy happened on the eve of the departure of Church of the Brethren General Secretary Stan Noffsinger and Executive Director of Global Mission and Service Jay Wittmeyer, who had been in Nigeria attending the Majalisa (Annual Conference). At the conclusion of the conference Rev. Dali said of Stan and Jay's visit, "We now are certain that the Brethren family around the world walks with us. We are not alone."

Other forms of solidarity have been a gift of \$25,000 from the Emergency Disaster Fund channeled into the EYN Compassion Fund, which supports Nigerian Brethren who have lost a family member, home, or property due to the violence. The fund was started by Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria as a mechanism for Nigerian Brethren to demonstrate mutuality in support of one another. Another effort was through our denomination's Office of Public Witness encouraging advocacy through contacting senators and the State Department to put pressure on the Nigerian government for a peaceful release of the girls and to improve security in the future. Mission workers Roxane and Carl Hill also have assisted and observed EYN members aiding families affected by the persecution through distribution of food and clothing and shelter.

In May, Monroe Good corresponded with EYN Chibok District Secretary Rev. Bitrus. He was very grateful for all the prayers made on their behalf. And he was glad to hear about all the support and caring given from all over the world. He said, "Since the news of our girls being kidnapped is now known around the world, all this violence may soon change and come to an end."

The recent Majalisa, or Annual Conference, theme was from Exodus 3:7 "I have heard their cries of distress." If you or your congregation feel led to respond, funds can be sent to the Global Mission and Service Office, 1451 Dundee Ave. Elgin, IL 60120, earmarked "EYN Compassion Fund." Or give online at [www.brethren.org/EYNcompassion](http://www.brethren.org/EYNcompassion). We know our God is great and "hears our cries," so continue to lift those fervent prayers.

*Carolyn Fitzkee*

*District Global Mission Advocate*

## What's New in the District?

### *New District Facebook Page*



Find us on Facebook and 'like' our page to receive updates from the District. Invite others too! The direct link to our Facebook page is:  
[www.facebook.com/AtlanticNortheastDistrict](http://www.facebook.com/AtlanticNortheastDistrict)

### *Newly Licensed Ministers*

**Timothy Fisher**, Chiques  
**Michael J. Hess**, Chiques

### *New Members*

**Drexel Hill** - *Reaffirmation*: Peter Leahy

**Florin** - *Letter*: Larry Holingshead; *Reaffirmation*: Lucille Hollingshead

**Harrisburg First** - *Baptism*: Carmen Barreto, Kiersten Reeser; *Reaffirmation*: Lynda Singleton

**Hatfield** - *Letter*: Clay Moyer, Linda Moyer

**Indian Creek** - *Reaffirmation*: Lorena Eichhoefer

**Lampeter** - *Letter*: Vanessa Bohannon; *Reaffirmation*: Terianne Edwards, Melissa Feeney

**Lititz** - *Baptism*: Renaye Hilt, Samantha Johnson; *Reaffirmation*: Gail Reed, Joy Slavin

**Midway** - *Baptism*: Monica Arnold, Brenda Burkholder, Jake Landis, Moriah Long, Troy Longenecker, Howie Young; *Letter*: Becky Balsbaugh, Marlin Bollinger, Jerry Burkholder, Amanda Harmuth, Chris Harmuth, Dianne Maguire, Doug Maguire, Carolina Shirk, Nathan Shirk, Bill Snavelly, Jake Walmer, Rose Walmer, Wally Walmer, Betty Jo Wick, Don Wick; *Reaffirmation*: Amy Boyd, Brian Boyd

**Myerstown** - *Baptism*: Abigail Bender, Austin Liskey, Rebecca Wolfe, Alicia Yoh; *Letter*: Ali Bender, Andrew Bender, Christa Bender, Beth Faehling, Dave Faehling, George Wolfe, Mary Wolfe; *Reaffirmation*: Carl Hower, Gloria Hower

**Richland** - *Baptism*: Chris Canamucio, John Myer, Sarah Myer

**Wilmington** - *Baptism*: Brett Kauffman



**Marissa June**, daughter of Christopher & Janelle Shelly. Chris is a licensed minister from Lampeter CoB.

**Garrett David**, son of Adam & Katie Ulm. Adam is Pastor of Youth & Young Adult Ministry at Mechanic Grove CoB. Garrett is also the grandson of David (Pastor of Mount Zion Road CoB) and Lori Ulm.

## DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2014



### Important Dates:

**District Conference** - October 4, 2014

### Sectional Meetings:

Lancaster – September 9 @ 7:00 PM

Parker Ford – September 17 @ 7:00 PM

Hershey Spring Creek – September 18 @ 7:00 PM

### *From the District Conference Moderator...*

My family planted a large garden when I was growing up. I remember the work: making long, straight rows, dropping the seeds one by one, weeding again and again and again, picking, hulling, and husking. My brothers and I may have complained a bit, but our parents made us aware of a clear purpose – to grow and preserve vegetables that would feed our family for an entire year. The garden was a family project, and we were united by clarity of purpose. There was also joy in the possibilities the garden afforded: sunny days spent outdoors, laughter and jokes as we worked together, and a bountiful harvest of the best peas, limas, corn, and tomatoes that I have ever tasted.

As we anticipate District Conference on October 4, consider both purpose and possibility.

#### Purpose

*OUR VISION: Creating spiritually healthy New Testament congregations who covenant and network together to further the Kingdom of God.*

District Conference is a “family project.” Pray that our time together will “feed our family for an entire year.” Planning and implementing District Conference require much work done by both staff and volunteers, work that has great value as together we partner with God in “Building up the body of CHRIST.” We live our vision.

#### Possibilities

*Inspiration* – Bible study by Mark Wenger, message by Paul Munday, music and worship, prayer, renewed energy, focus upon “Building up the body of CHRIST”

*Information* – meaningful reports and updates that show Christ’s work in and through our district

*Connection* – conversation, laughter, sharing ideas, encouragement, lunch

*Preparation* – attendance at sectional meetings with opportunities for questions and discussion, prayers for the conference and its leaders, prayers for district ministries and staff

Possibilities that we imagine are only the beginning. “Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.”

Ephesians 3:20-21

*Sherry Eshleman, Moderator*

## Youth & Young Adults



Please pray as we reorganize for the 2014-2015 year. Pray for discernment for those of us in leadership as we choose the new Youth Cabinet and create the calendar of events for the JH and SH youth of our district.

A great big thank you to these youth cabinet members who are graduating; Noah Baliles (Indian Creek), Nate Dum (Hempfield), Savannah Myers (Little Swatara), Morgan Rice (Hempfield), Sarandon Smith (Palmyra), and Alex Troxell (Hempfield). There will be more about them in the next edition of the newsletter. We will also reveal the new Cabinet for 2014-2015!

### Mark your calendars!

SH Fall Event (hopefully a corn maze and more!), October 4, 2014

JH Retreat at Camp Swatara, October 24-26, 2014

SH Retreat at Camp Swatara, January 16-18, 2015

More events and more details to come!

Check out the Youth section under Our Ministries on the District website for more details on all events and as always feel free to email me with questions! [jross@ane-cob.org](mailto:jross@ane-cob.org)

## Nurture Commission

Jess Ross, Director

**SAVE THE DATE:** The new date for the Pouring Life into Ministry Conference is Saturday, November 8, 2014. The Conference will be held at Ephrata CoB with Steve Musser as the keynote speaker. The event will include insight groups and other learning experiences. This will be a great day for pastors, deacons, lay leaders, and all who are interested in ministering. Watch for further details!

**CHILD PROTECTION:** New child protection laws in Pennsylvania will be effective December 31, 2014. The changes make it imperative for churches and schools to review their existing policies and procedures. The Nurture Commission is planning to hold a seminar on this topic for churches in our District. It is tentatively planned for September with final date and details to be determined. Please watch for further information on this important seminar.

### **Leading a Women's Ministry Team**

"Written by women who have had a lot of experience in women's ministry and who are willing to pass it on to the rest of us, this download covers Issues such as vulnerability, having a servant heart, connecting with women on a personal level, and delegating. There is also scriptural encouragement and a plea to learn contentment as we lead. Use this download to evaluate your own motives so that you will not simply do your job but instead make a lasting impact on those around you."

**Leading a Women's Ministry Team** is a resource available to you through the District's subscription to Building Church Leaders. If this sounds like a helpful resource for you, please request a copy from Jess at [jross@ane-cob.org](mailto:jross@ane-cob.org).



# STEWARDSHIP

Kay Weaver, Director

## THE BARNABAS FUND

***The Barnabas Fund Team is now receiving applications!***

**2014 Meeting Dates:** July 28, 2014 and October 20, 2014

**Application Deadlines:** July 21, 2014 and October 13, 2014

The Barnabas Fund has been established to share the blessing of financial resources with those who express a ministry-driven need. The Fund seeks to encourage the ministry of congregations through a grant-based ministry investment strategy that seeks Kingdom-based ministry results through: shared resources, fiscal accountability, ministry planning, and economic partnering.

### BARNABAS FUND RECIPIENTS

Consideration will be given to congregations whose characteristics include:

- A verifiable active outreach ministry
- Located in and serving a community with a significant economically challenged population
- Limited resources due to circumstances beyond their control
- Sizeable community needs that surpass the congregation's ability to respond

There must be clear evidence of Gospel and Mission.

The Barnabas Fund shall not be used to:

- Compensate for poor stewardship practices
- Compensate for deferred maintenance
- Sustain an "inwardly" focused congregation seeking survival

Applicants will be contacted within 10 days **following** the scheduled meeting.

***Please contact the District Office for an Application.***

## Church Development & Evangelism

Don Mitchell, Director

### Drexel Hill Church of the of the Brethren

Birth, death, and new beginnings are part of the very fabric of life. They each involve change, a moving from one phase to another. It's a natural fact in all of life's complexities. Such is the case with Drexel Hill CoB as they prepare to relaunch their ministry on June 8, 2014.

After several years of decline and loss of vitality, Drexel Hill accepted the invitation and the challenge to reinvent itself with new leadership and a new vision for a Spirit led existence in new times.

In April, my wife Belita and I were in attendance with the congregation as they celebrated their legacy of ministry over the past sixty years and began a period of closure in preparation for the relaunch. The moving service with Interim Pastor John Shaffer serving as worship leader, included a time of sharing that brought forth moments of both laughter and tears. Also in attendance were Pastors Jay McCumber of Cornerstone Christian Fellowship and Tim Doering of Parker Ford who will serve as leaders in the rebirth. They each offered words of encouragement and affirmation for what has been and what is yet to come. Elder D. Jay Martin and his wife Julie will move into the parsonage at Drexel Hill and serve in pastoral leadership.

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**Drexell Hill - Continued**

We hope and pray that the new leadership will provide guidance for people to grow in discipleship and service, creating a place of love, compassion, and acceptance. We can be grateful for the cloud of witnesses who have served faithfully in days gone by up until this time.

We thank Drexel Hill for the devoted ministry to one another and the community-at-large during the past 60 years. Drexel Hill has done wonderful things. God has changed lives, restored hope, and breathed inspiration into the hearts and minds of many who came through its doors.

And so now, as this courageous group of servants look to do a New Thing at this place, at this appointed time, with God's help, let us pray for God's blessings upon them. May God bless the Leaders who have accepted the call to serve in the relaunch. May He bless all those who will come alongside them, so that together, this new venture will indeed become a spiritually healthy New Testament congregation.

**Church of the Brethren New Church Development Conference**

*"I (Paul) planted, Apollos watered, and God gave the growth" -1 Corinthians 3:6*

The seventh biennial new church development conference of the CoB gathered at Bethany Theological Seminary in Richmond, IN, May, 14-17. The group numbered over a hundred and came to share together in worship, prayer, study, fellowship, mutual encouragement, and celebration.

There were 17 attendees from ANE. Some of these participants represented Congregational Life Ministries staff and The New Church Development Advisory Committee.

A highlight for me was the prayer service on Friday afternoon that uplifted established church plants, new church plants, and individuals discerning the call to become church planters. Also uplifted were district leaders and executives as well as lay supporters. Special prayers and acknowledgement were offered for denominational staff responsible leadership development and the church planting mandate. This service was "saturated" with prayer and song, bringing tears of joy and appreciation to many in attendance.

The closing worship on Saturday morning included a panel consisting of Pastors Joel Pena, Belita Mitchell, and Congregational Life Executive Jonathan Shively who each responded to the questions: *"Since the day you heard it here at the conference –*

*What has come to you that is essential for us to thrive as church planters?*

*How can we develop multicultural churches and church plants?*

*What needs to be lifted that has not – or needs further clarity?*

The reflections and comments were thoughtful, introspective, inspiring, and encouraging.

Special leadership for the conference included Annual Conference Moderator, Nancy S. Heishman, who preached at the opening worship service and keynote speakers, Efrem Smith and Dr. Alejandro (Alex) Mandes. Both General Secretary Stanley Noffsinger and Bethany President Jeff Carter brought greetings to the conference and affirmed the work of church planting and congregational vitality as directional goals for our denomination. Photos and highlights are at [www.brethren.org](http://www.brethren.org).

May God continue to bless us in our work of making disciples as we follow Jesus, planting generously, reaping bountifully, toward an intercultural future.

## ~ OPPORTUNITIES ~

### District Women's Camp

All women are invited to attend Women's District Fellowship at Camp Swatara August 17-19. The speaker is Pastor Misty Wintsch of Mechanic Grove CoB. Her theme is "Inside Outside Upside Downside". Come join in the fun of worship, praise, singing, crafts, swimming, hiking and so much more with your sisters in Christ from across the District! Watch your church bulletin for registration information, including Camp fees. Preregistration is required for this event. Childcare will be available for children ages 3-8. Please contact Lynda Jensen at [jens@dejazzd.com](mailto:jens@dejazzd.com) for further information.



### July 4th Community Fun Night Ephrata CoB

July 4<sup>th</sup> Community Fun Night plans have begun. Mark your calendars now for Friday, July 4<sup>th</sup> (rain date July 5<sup>th</sup>) as Ephrata CoB hosts the community in their backyard and shows the love of Jesus to our neighbors.

There will be LIVE music, Pony Rides, Juggling by the DKers, games, spin art, barrel train, inflatables, and much more. Delicious food and milkshakes are available to purchase from the Youth Groups. The fun starts at 5 pm and the fireworks begin at 9:30! Email Linda Fahnestock at [lindafah@ptd.net](mailto:lindafah@ptd.net) for more information. Share our link on Facebook --- July 4<sup>th</sup> Community Fun Night --- with all your friends!

### 41st Annual Brethren Bible Institute

Summer Term

July 21-25

Elizabethtown College, Elizabethtown, PA

"So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Romans 10:17

*Sponsored by the Brethren Revival Fellowship*

For registration forms, write to:  
Brethren Bible Institute

155 Denver Road, Denver, PA 17517

### Camp Meeting of the Church of the Brethren

Rhodes Grove Camp &  
Conference Center

Chambersburg, PA

August 23-31

Everyone Welcome



Bible Study Theme: *Adorning the  
Doctrine of God Our Savior in All Things*

Bible Study Text: Titus 2:10b

For more information, contact  
John & Sandy Shelly, 717-375-2510

### Save the date!

### Run/Walk for Peace



When: Saturday, Sept. 20, 10 a.m.

Where: Elizabethtown CoB

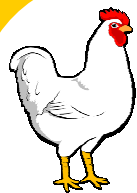
777 S. Mount Joy St., Elizabethtown

Why: Support local peace and justice efforts

Who: Sponsored by ANE District Recreation  
Committee

*Watch for further details!*





## Lebanon Valley Brethren Home Annual Chicken BBQ & Auction

This annual event is scheduled for July 25 & 26. Proceeds benefit the LVBH Good Samaritan Fund. The Friday evening concert features the New Holland Band. Saturday's activities begin with a made-to-order omelet breakfast prior to the Live Auction, a Kid's Area, an Auto and Tractor Show, Kaufman's Chicken BBQ, and more!

## Brethren Village presents The Taylors Sunday, August 17 at 9 a.m.

The Taylors are a family quartet from the heart of North Carolina who are dedicated to stirring up the faith of the Christian community, as well as reaching others with the good news of Jesus Christ through Gospel music.

For more information regarding their performance at Brethren Village, please contact Joanne Stehr, Director of Development, at 717.581.4316.



## District Senior Adult Fall Banquet

Wednesday, October 22, noon

**Yoder's Restaurant**  
(14 South Tower Road, New Holland, PA)

Program: *Ridgeway Brass*

Menu: *Choice of Broasted Chicken or Beef Stroganoff*

Cost: \$16.50



### When?

Tuesday, October 14, 6:00 p.m. (doors open at 5:30)

### What?

Celebrate BHA's 25 years of service to the greater Harrisburg community and raise funds for a future with hope for homeless women and children

### Where?

Sheraton Harrisburg Hershey, 4650 Lindle Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111

### Why?

Join BHA's enthusiastic community of support with a heavy hors d'oeuvres reception, a silent and live auction, and testimonies from women who've found hope at BHA. Concludes with a dessert social at 8:00 p.m.

For further information, email [celebrate@bha-pa.org](mailto:celebrate@bha-pa.org) or call the event hotline at (717) 508-7242

*Presented by Susquehanna Bank*

## GREATER PHILADELPHIA AREA BRETHREN/ANABAPTIST HERITAGE TOUR

**Saturday, September 13, 2014**



Sites to be visited will include:

- ♦ Historic Germantown Avenue including Sauer House
- ♦ First baptismal site on Wissahickon Creek (requires short hike)
- ♦ The "Mother" church in Germantown (museum room & cemetery, including final burial site of Alexander Mack, Sr. & Jr.)
- ♦ Burial site of first American minister, Peter Becker
- ♦ Mennonite Heritage Center at Harleysville & Clarence Kulp Library
- ♦ Coventry area, second organized congregation and site of the first Annual Conference
- ♦ Pricetown Meetinghouse in Berks County
- ♦ Colonial Northkill Amish and Brethren area
- ♦ Soup and Sandwich Lunch is included at Peter Becker Village
- ♦ Dinner on your own at Cracker Barrel in Hamburg

**Bus will Depart:** 7:00 A.M. – Elizabethtown C.O.B.  
7:40 A.M. – Lancaster Shopping Center  
(between Lititz & Oregon Pike)

**Return:** 8:30 P.M.  
**Return:** 9:10 P.M.

**Tour hosts: Ken Kreider, Dave Eller, and Ron Lutz**

**For more details, contact Ken Kreider at 717-367-7622 or [kreiderk@etown.edu](mailto:kreiderk@etown.edu)**

**To Register:** Complete the form below & submit with payment  
**OR** Register online at [www.ane-cob.org](http://www.ane-cob.org) (PayPal or Some Credit Cards accepted)

Greater Philadelphia Area Brethren/Anabaptist Heritage Tour – September 13, 2014

### Registration Form

**Please complete and return, along with the applicable fees, to:**

Atlantic Northeast District Office  
500 East Cedar Street  
Elizabethtown, PA 17022

NOTE: Registration deadline is **September 2, 2014**  
No refunds after this date.

GROUP CONTACT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Tour Fee is \$60 per person. Included is Soup and Sandwich lunch at Peter Becker Village.

\$60 x \_\_\_\_ persons = \$\_\_\_\_\_ **Total fees enclosed**

Please make checks payable to:  
**Atlantic Northeast District**

**PLEASE LIST NAMES OF EACH PERSON IN YOUR GROUP:**

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Chartered Bus Tour Sponsored by Atlantic Northeast District Historical Committee



## Church of the Brethren Night at the Harrisburg Senators

August 23, 2014

Gates Open: 4:30 pm \* 6:00 pm Game Time

*"For where two or three are gathered together in my name  
there am I in the midst of them." -Matthew 18:20*

The Atlantic Northeast District, Southern Pennsylvania District and the Harrisburg Senators invite your church family to a night of fun and fellowship at Metro Bank Park.

Tickets are \$11 and \$2 from each ticket will benefit your church's respective district.

First 1000 fans will receive a drawstring backpack!

Stick around after the game for kids to run the bases!

Questions? Contact Jess Kauffman at 717-231-4444 ext 114 or [jkauffman@senatorsbaseball.com](mailto:jkauffman@senatorsbaseball.com)

**TICKET ORDERS RECEIVED BY AUGUST 12th WILL BE MAILED TO ADDRESS BELOW. OR-  
DERS AFTER THAT WILL BE PLACED AT WILL CALL FOR PICKUP AT THE AUGUST 23rd GAME.**

# TICKETS \_\_\_\_\_ TICKETS AT \$11 EACH, FOR A TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CHURCH: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PURCHASER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS OF PURCHASER: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT TERMS: \_\_\_ CHECK CREDIT CARD: \_\_\_ VISA \_\_\_ MC \_\_\_ DISCOVER \_\_\_ AE

NAME ON CARD: \_\_\_\_\_ EXP: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER ON CARD: \_\_\_\_\_ SEC CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PAYMENT (CREDIT CARD OR CHECK MADE OUT TO HARRISBURG SENATORS)

MAIL ALONG WITH ORDER TO:

ATTN: JESSICA KAUFFMAN:

PO BOX 15757, HARRISBURG, PA 17105

OR FAX TO 717-231-4445



## Camp Swatara News

**GET REAL this year at Camp Swatara!  
Summer Camp and Family Camping Is In Full Swing!**

Summer Camp and the Family Camping Center seasons are here! Campers in 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade are packing their bags for half-week and week-long camping programs featuring crafts, Bible study, nature, hiking, and swimming. Special program options like canoeing on and off-site, cookouts, a trip camp to West Virginia, and creative arts and musical camps are also available. Space is still available in most of our camp programs, so grab your spot today! Children, youth, and adults of all ages can also join us at camp for an overnight stay in a Family Camp cabin or site for tent or RV camping. Enjoy special activities like hiking, movie nights, the barrel train, craft and nature options, Sunday morning worship, and so much more! Come out to Family Camp for the day during the midweek for just \$5 per adult and \$2 per child. You get your own site for the day and can experience all the fun of boating and fishing at the lake, swimming at the pool, playing miniature golf or GAGA ball, and recreation like basketball, volleyball, playgrounds, and the ball field! Don't forget the new opportunity for Day Camp July 22-24 in Family Camp. Campers and families can come in just for the day or plan to stay overnight at Family Camp. Staff-led activities will be provided for registered campers during the day for 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade campers. Find out more, reserve your site, or get registered for camp by contacting camp at 717-933-8510 or online at [www.campswatara.org](http://www.campswatara.org)!

### **Golf Fore Camp – July 16<sup>th</sup>**

Camp Swatara will hold its 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Benefit Tournament on Wednesday, July 16<sup>th</sup>! The tournament will be held at the Blue Mountain Golf Course in Fredericksburg, PA with an 8am start time. Proceeds from the tournament and sponsorships benefit the ministry and ongoing vehicle equipment needs at camp. Golfers can play for \$70 per person, which includes greens fee, cart, refreshments, banquet, and prizes. In honor of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, golfers are challenged to contribute an additional \$25 donation. Play is limited to the first 30 foursomes, on a first-come basis. Sponsors at the Hole (\$100) and Tournament (\$250) levels are also needed, as well as prize donations. Additional gifts in honor of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary are welcome too. Golfer registration forms and sponsorship forms are available by contacting the camp office or on the web at [www.campswatara.org](http://www.campswatara.org).

### **Family Camping Center Auction – August 30<sup>th</sup>**

Come enjoy a day at Camp Swatara on Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup> to benefit the Family Camping Center! Great items and gift certificates will be available for auction with all funds benefitting the ministry and facility needs at camp. Delicious foods, creative crafts, and fun family fellowship will be available all day! The children's auction will begin at 10am followed by the main auction. If you have items you would like to donate, please contact the Family Camp Office (717-933-5244) or deliver them to the East Lodge by Friday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. Auction items will be available for preview on Friday night.

### **Ready to Retreat?!?!**

Summer is the perfect season to begin planning for a fall or winter retreat at Camp Swatara! Would an overnight or weekend away be just what your youth group, Sunday school class, church board, or leadership team might need? Camp has space for groups from 10-200 and offers a range of accommodations from bunk bed cabins to the hotel-style North Lodge. Some facilities include kitchens where groups can prepare their own meals or allow our kitchen staff to treat you to some wonderful camp cooking! Every group enjoys access to our beautiful spot at the base of Blue Mountain including hiking trails, the lake, campfire circles, and open fields to run and play. Church of the Brethren groups receive discounted rates. If you're interested in more information or looking at open dates, please contact Joel and Linetta Ballew, Co-Administrators at [administrator@campswatara.org](mailto:administrator@campswatara.org) or 717-933-8510. We're looking forward to hosting you!

## Calendar

### July

- 2-6 Annual Conference, Columbus, OH
- 19-24 National Youth Conference, Colorado State University
- 21 Newsletter Article Deadline

### August

- 17-19 Women's Camp, Camp Swatara
- 23 CoB Night at the Harrisburg Senators

### September

- 9 District Conference Area Meeting, Lancaster CoB
- 13 Historical Committee Heritage Tour
- 17 District Conference Area Meeting, Parker Ford CoB
- 18 District Conference Area Meeting, Hershey Spring Creek CoB
- 20 Run for Peace, Elizabethtown CoB
- 26-27 Disaster Relief Auction, Lebanon Expo Center

### October

- 4 District Conference, Elizabethtown College
- 4 Senior High Fall Event TBD
- 13 Newsletter Article Deadline
- 22 District Senior Adult Banquet, Yoder's Restaurant
- 24-26 Junior High Retreat, Camp Swatara

### November

- 1 District Board Retreat, Camp Swatara
- 8 Pouring Life into Ministry Conference, Ephrata CoB
- 17 District Volunteer Luncheon

### December

- 1 Newsletter Article Deadline



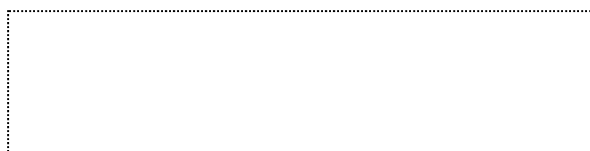
**Deadline for the September/October issue of ANE Today is July 21.**  
Articles may be faxed (717-367-8737) to the District Office or emailed to: Jan Reed at [jreed@ane-cob.org](mailto:jreed@ane-cob.org). When possible, include appropriate logo or other graphic.



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