

Fall 2017 / Denton Wesleyan Camp

# CampNEWS



## Mark Your Calendar

Men's Retreat  
**9/29-30**

Creative Retreat  
**10/27-29**

Beautifully Brave Ladies Retreat  
**11/10-11**

Cabin Winterization Deadline  
**11/15**

## 2018

Kids Camp  
**6/26-30**

Jr High Camp  
**7/9-14**

Sr High Camp  
**7/16-21**

Family Camp  
**7/27-8/5**

## What a GREAT summer!

By Holly Sorrells

We have come to the end of a very exciting summer! We had some TERRIFIC camps! Kids Camp and Teen camp both had growth in their numbers -- we really provide some top notch camps--well done leaders! We also welcomed many new FIRST time groups to our campus for their own retreats. We had many ethnicities and denominations visit our camp for the first time-- and they so loved it here. Christians need a place like this camp where we can come away from the craziness and come into His presence! What a treasure we have! We are so blessed to be a part of this ministry!

## Family Camp 2017- *Come To The Table*

Our staff really pulled together and with God's help we all "came to the table" ready to hear from the Lord and the result was such a great camp!

We had amazing speakers in Dr. Amanda Drury and Dr. Jim Lo! Pastor Chris Wood along with the Calvary Wesleyan worship team did a wonderful job leading us! We were so blessed! We welcomed new staff to our team this year: Megan Todd in Family Activities, Lori Richard in Cleaning, and April Perna in Kids with Water Fun and



## *A Special Thank you!*

This summer yet again, a very special couple takes the long trip up from Florida and spends it here at Denton Camp! Charlie and Peggy Matthews have loved this camp for countless years and even in their golden years continue to show their passion for this camp!

**Mr. Charlie** can run circles around men half his age I think! He spent the entire summer power washing the camp buildings as well as the private cottages making this place sparkle! He also made sure all of our outside trash containers stayed empty, helped keep the grounds clean and takes care of our tractor! These are the jobs that seem to go unnoticed--yet if it didn't happen we would certainly notice; because he works so hard-- camp looks great! We just want to say a HUGE THANK YOU to the Matthews for their faithful service! You are loved!

## **Family Camp Continued ...**

Agnes Serrato stepped up as Assistant Director and did an AMAZING job! Brenda Prettyman decided to retire as our cashier -- THANK YOU for all your years of service, Mrs. Brenda! Our entire staff was so awesome and made everything run so smoothly! Thank you team--I am beyond blessed to have you!

## **SOME STATS**

This year our average attendance increased to 383 people! Many of you have asked if we made our offerings budget this year and we are pleased to report we took in \$39,589.47 of our \$40,000 goal-- *Thank you!!*

We brought lots of new things to the table this year! We accepted credit cards for the first time as well as offered a punch card to help purchase items at our snack shop, store, and coffee shop without carrying cash. We took the office on the road and Agnes did a fantastic job helping take care of business more conveniently.

Our Ladies Luncheon turned into a Tea Party and we held a Lego lunch for the guys at the same time-- feeding 350 people altogether! Thanks to Jen Boland of Perspective Painting Parties, we held a Family Arty Party and FILLED the Crowder Center with members of every age working together to make some wonderful art --and even better memories!

What an amazing fun time where we came together all with the purpose of taking time out of the hectic every day to enjoy some time *together at the table* as families-- and with our Lord. Remember to take that time every day as God longs to spend that time with you!

***I can't wait 'til next year!!***



**Arty Party**



**Cornhole  
Tournament**

*“we will share a meal together as friends.”*

## **Come To The Table**

Look I stand at the door and knock, if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in and we will share a meal together as friends. – Revelation 3:20



# Hands & Feet // Serving the community



Saturday morning Sept 16<sup>th</sup> we were so honored to have Christian radio station 88.7 the Bridge partner with our ministry to bring the community in to serve by working at the camp.

We had almost 80 volunteers (many who had never even heard of our camp and what we do!) paint benches and picnic tables, stain decks and the gazebo, landscaping including trimming bushes, installing landscaping ties, pulling weeds and cleaning the fence, paint a cottage interior, paint the inside of the ladies shower house, and hugely prepare our Lakeside building for His Hope Haven to move in by painting and cleaning and moving many bunk beds,!

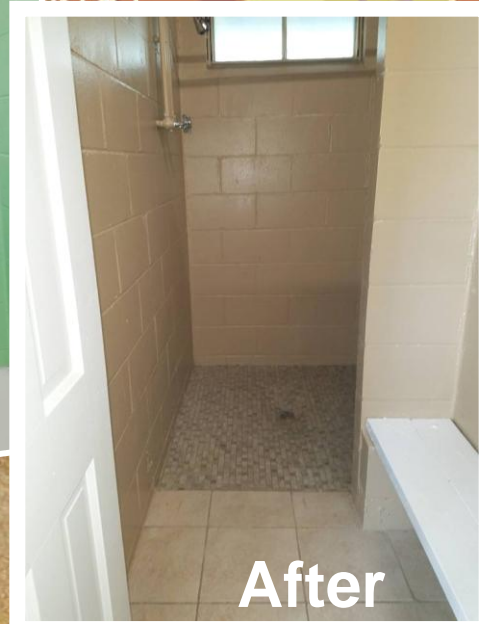
This amazing team of volunteers completed 320 man hours in just 4 hours by coming together! We were so blessed by this event and are now even more equipped to be a blessing others!



Before



After



"TAKING CARE OF OUR CAMP  
BECAUSE OUR CAMP TAKES CARE  
OF SO MANY. MAY TODAY'S HANDS  
AND FEET BLESS TOMORROW'S  
HANDS AND FEET! TEACH THEM TO  
TAKE CARE OF IT NOW  
AND THEY ALWAYS WILL!"  
-FB POST BY JAIME MASTERS



## Upcoming Events



**MEN OF INTEGRITY**  
**Men's Retreat**  
**Sept 29th-30th**

*All New Format This Year!*

**Friday Night Dinner 5:30PM**  
**Friday Night Rally**  
**Saturday AM Devotions**  
**disc golf, canoe races, corn hole**  
**Closing Rally & Lunch**

Register at [www.laurelwesleyan.org](http://www.laurelwesleyan.org)  
or [www.dentoncamp.org](http://www.dentoncamp.org) or  
call Gordy Pusey at 302-629-2039

Speaker - Pastor John Lewis, LaPlata  
Worship - Pastor Chris Wood, Harrington  
\$50 per person includes meals and lodging  
\$30 per person without lodging



*Join us!*  
**Creative Retreat**  
AT DENTON CAMP  
**Oct 27-29** 9pm

Registration is \$80 plus lodging if desired (approx \$15/night)  
Registration includes food, craft space w/ table and chair, amazing fellowship and a relaxing retreat setting!

To register: **Call Tana Kelly at (317) 796-0261**  
Or e-mail: [t4crafts@gmail.com](mailto:t4crafts@gmail.com)

Ladies! Would you love time away, uninterrupted to work on whatever you wanted--while someone else fixes the meals!? Then, you would love our Creative Retreat scheduled for October 27-29!

We have exciting classes planned with skilled instructors; you will each be given personal space to create and you are encouraged to bring things to sell, swap, share.

**Cost is only 80.00** (plus lodging).

**To register contact Tana Kelly:**

**[t4crafts@gmail.com](mailto:t4crafts@gmail.com)**

**or call (317)796-0261**

Starts Friday afternoon; ends Sunday afternoon.

Our theme is 'All Things Christmas!' We promise you will leave in a spirit of Christmas!



**2017 Beautifully BRAVE**

Save the Date!  
**November 10-11**  
Denton Wesleyan Camp  
Denton, Md

"...You've got to have the right strategy because victory don't come by accident.." -War Room

### Ladies, gather your friends for this retreat!

You will want to gather some friends to come experience this amazing retreat with you! This year's theme is Beautifully Broken-- God has purpose in our brokenness (rough times) and makes beauty from ashes! Learn to recognize the devil's tactics and ways to create a strategy of your own!

This is a retreat to help women go deeper with God, focused on the power of prayer, and filled with some pampering and fun too!

**Cost: Early Birds-  
Only \$99 by Sept 30**

including food and dorm lodging  
After Sept 30, cost is \$135  
Cottages are also available-  
but reserve early!

**Register for free at [dentoncamp.org](http://dentoncamp.org)**  
**Or call (410) 479-3361**