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OVERLOOK OVERVIEW



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From the Director's Desk:

During the time of Thanksgiving, as we move towards the New Year, we often reflect on the events of the previous year. At Overlook, we have seen new adventure buildings built, made progress on Faith cabin renovations, and hundreds of children and adults have spent time away with God on this Holy Mountain. It is a blessing to witness God moving here at Camp as people spend time in prayer and Bible stories come to life.

I am amazed, time and time again, by the gifts that come to us from the friends of Camp Overlook. Your generosity provides necessary funds and makes a way for us to continue this holy work. As you look at the past year and give thanks for God's abundant blessings, I hope you prayerfully consider including Overlook in your year end giving. We have big plans for continuing God's work in the year to come. I am thankful for all your continued support in what God is doing among us.



Help Wanted:

Overlook is in need of another skilled cook to provide meal service to the many groups who come to find God on the mountain. A full weekend on both sides of camp can require 4 to 6 separate kitchen shifts and call for the talents of multiple cooks and servers.

The Overlook family already employs numerous gifted cooks but we will need a couple more to fully staff our upcoming retreats.

Scheduling is very flexible and work is mostly concentrated on weekends. This is a great "second job" for school cafeteria staff, nursing home kitchen staff, or other cooks looking for some extra income.

Walk to the Manger and Family Winter Soiree

SATURDAY, December 16th, let us bring the story of Christmas to life for you and your family! As you arrive at camp, the Roman soldiers will direct you to the census-takers in Bethlehem. You'll be recruited by a shepherd to help find some missing sheep, but your mission might get side-tracked when angels appear to tell you the Good News. The crisp night air will be filled with the sounds of the stable animals as you search out the holy family and find the precious Savior. Continue your journey past three kings and help point them toward the treasure they seek.

Adventures begin continuously between 6 and 8pm and last roughly 35 to 40 minutes. Participants should wear sturdy shoes and all children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. This experience is **FREE** and is our Christmas gift to our community!



Want to continue your Christmas experience? After your journey through Bethlehem, bring the whole family to stay in a room at Blessings Lodge (4 twin beds per room, feel free to bring what is needed for additional children to sleep on the floor). Enjoy cookies and hot chocolate while we share in Christmas songs and games around the table. A pancake breakfast will be served Sunday morning. You'll be on your way by 9am. Register online. **\$75 per room and breakfast for the whole family.**



Valentine's Dinner

February 10th, 2018



Treat your special someone to a wonderful evening out at the *Café Lodge le Blessings!* The evening will begin with hors d'oeuvres at 5 pm. Dinner will follow at 5:45 pm:

- Salad**
- Soup Dejour**
- Lasagna (meat and veggie)**
- Bread**
- Tiramisu**

And Dinner Entertainment!

Dinner for two: \$40

After dinner, there will be a short devotion and some Valentine's games as only Overlook can do.

Childcare is available from 5 pm to 8 pm. \$10 per child will include a pizza dinner and snacks. (The childcare area will be located in the lower level of Blessings Lodge)

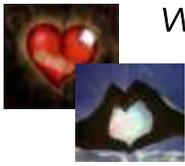
Register online at www.campoverlook.org

Upcoming Events:

Wounded Hearts		
Healing Love		Dec 1-3
Walk to the Manger		Dec 16
Family Winter Soiree		Dec 16-17
UMM Retreat		Jan 5-6
Emmaus 4th Day	Men:	Jan 26-27
	Women:	Feb 2-3
Valentine's Dinner		Feb 10



Visit us Online!



Wounded Hearts, Healing Love

December 1-3

**TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO
REGISTER FOR THIS EVENT!!
DON'T DELAY!**

Have the circumstances of life returned you to singleness, perhaps through separation, divorce, or death.

Plan now to join us for a special time apart with other singles as we explore the trials, the hurts, and the loneliness of being single again, and search for the road leading to healing and wholeness.

\$105.00 per person (some financial assistance available). More info and registration found online at:

www.campoverlook.org

You will make some wonderful new friends, but the weekend is not a time to seek or start new dating relationships.

Coming together to love All God's Children

The first weekend in November, we had the awesome honor of showering Christ's unconditional love on 12 children of incarcerated parents. 9 mentors and additional staff volunteered 46 hours of their time to provide supervision, attention, and support to our campers. When it looked like our available funds to provide a meaningful experience for the children was in short supply, a number of groups and individuals stepped up to bridge the gap. Last minute transportation was provided to a camper in need.

Our sincerest thanks to everyone who played a role in this special ministry. The children who attended were greatly blessed and it was all because of YOU!

A special thank you to Jan Humphries who rallied the ladies of St. Paul's UMC (and a friend or two) to prepare beautiful, hand-made, one-of-a-kind quilts for each child.



*St. Paul's UMC blessing the quilt
for All God's Children*

Paul Bunyan Day Success!!

Thank you so much to the dedicated servants who braved the cold and helped us with cutting, splitting, and stacking wood for building heat, campfires, wood stoves, and more! We couldn't do it without you!



Thank You!

We are so grateful for the many individuals and churches who contribute financially to the ministry of Overlook! We couldn't do it without your help!

Tim and Ann Armentrout
Dale and Mary Borrer
Janet Davis
Laura Douglass
Recordo and Crystal Ford
Jan Goodrow-Humphries
Adrianna Johnson
Betty Phillips
Michael Resan
Diane Robey
New Hope UMC
Columbia Furnace UMW
Mt Crawford UMW
St. James (Pleasant Valley) UMW

Gifts in Memory:

Jack Robey
(from Joseph and Kathy Amend)

**Men's/Women's
Emmaus
4th Day Renewals**
Jan 26-27 (M) &
Feb. 2-3 (W), 2018



For women and men who have previously participated in the 72 hour "Walk to Emmaus", how have your Fourth Days been? Have you had some "ups" and "downs"? Could you use a little "shot in the arm" to remind you of, and renew you for, following God's call? Most of us do, and this weekend is just for you...and for God!

The retreat will capture some of the elements of your Emmaus walk. There will be three new talks on life in Christian Action by lay persons who have previously shared talks on an Emmaus weekend. Spiritual Directors will lead you in creative and inspiring worship, and there will be plenty of music to let your hearts and voices soar. But, most powerful of all, as we fellowship together and spend time in prayer, we will be fellowshiping with God!

***NOTE - The first weekend is for men Only, the second for the women Only!**

\$65 per person. Register by Dec. 29th and save \$10!

Final registration deadlines:

Men- January 12th

Women - January 19th

Save the Date
and invite a
friend!

January 5-6, 2018

Annual Tri-District
UMM Retreat

at
Blessings Lodge

Registration open online!



Merry
Christmas and
Happy New
Year!

From the Overlook
Family to Your
Family!