

Bair Lake Bible Camp — Spring 2011

Onward & Upward



Winter Blitz Retreats

We had a great time tubing, playing in the snow and fellowshiping with High and Middle School students.

"Bair Lake is a fun leaning experience that will bring you closer to the Lord. I learned that it's not about, 'Who Am I?', but should be, 'Who's am I?'"
— Jessi



"This was a life changing weekend. You see God's word in a new perspective, to take with you forever."
— Emily

Scrapbooking Retreat

The annual Scrapbook retreat found our scrappers diligently working on their projects. The highlight though for many was, "Spending time with friends." Plan now to join us next year for this, "Great weekend, relaxing and refreshing!"



Beyond 12500

Executive Director Bob Tissot has had the opportunity to share at many different venues this year. We praise God for his faithfulness.

"Thanks again for coming down to Camp Peniel this weekend and allowing God to use you for His glory. I appreciate the time that you spent with me talking for a few minutes and for the wisdom that you gave me during that time. There were areas of my life that I wasn't even thinking of as being unholy that God pointed out to me, thanks for talking about the hard things."
— Travis



Purity & Holiness



A record number of students joined us for the Purity & Holiness seminar this spring.

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Join over 1500 friends who have enjoyed staying connected, hearing about and having a voice in God's work at Bair Lake.



Maureen Bair Lake is a great place to learn and grow closer to God.

👍 Jen, Sammi, Justin and 20 others like this.



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A WORD FROM THE Executive Director



The parents sat there with stunned looks on their faces. "Mine had 1500 in her first month." Others said, "750, 900, 1200, and 500". What did they all have in common? It was the number of text messages sent by their sons/daughters in their first month of ownership of this revolutionary means of communication. Don't get me wrong. I use it. As a matter of fact I had a whopping 32 text messages last month! The problem is that it can be an 'easy' way of expressing ourselves and an avoidance of a need to have a face to face conversation.



A few weeks ago a camper approached me at the end of her weekend experience at Bair Lake Bible Camp. With a huge smile on her face, surrounded by three other young ladies, she said, "I was afraid to come here this weekend. I didn't know anyone, and I was afraid I would be alone. Instead I have met lots of new friends and am coming back this summer to see them all again. Thanks for having Bair Lake. I needed this weekend!" It was a great reminder that we need to create excellent



Cabin Renovation Update

The bathhouse renovation continues after an unexpected pause, all systems are again on track for a spring completion. Many thanks go to all who have been involved in this project.

The snack/shop expansion, completion of cabins 11 and 12, and swimming pool renovation will complete the cabin complex project.



opportunities for youth to engage with each other on a face to face level.

The 2011 theme addresses the need to have face to face time. Camp is an excellent opportunity to come away from the day to day schedule, and develop relationships based on faith, hope and love. It creates a time where lasting relationships are formed, the chance for deeper conversations to take place, and yes, to find out that a face to face encounter is more meaningful than any electronic communication that exists. In a recent weekend a parent approached me and said, "I can't believe how excited my son gets when he comes to camp to see his friends." Our prayer is that thousands of people will grasp the opportunity to come face to face with Christ, their friends, and their 'friends to be' this summer. It is a privilege to watch relationships develop that have depth and commitment. Hope to see you this summer!

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Bob Tisso, Executive Director



In Memory of

Karen Adam
Agnes Bomgaars
Marilyn Southland

Through the love and concern expressed through a memorial gift, Bair Lake can continue to touch lives for Jesus Christ.



NO ONE DENIED

Bair Lake's commitment is that no camper will be denied the privilege of camping based upon cost. It has been our way of throwing our arms open to those in need.

Annually, about \$25,000 in camper scholarships has been given. One of my favorite lines from a scholarship recipient was, "I got Jesus this week." He didn't get all the terminology the way we like it, but praise God, he got Jesus. With the challenge of today's economy, our scholarship funds are at an all time low, and requests at a high.

Please join with us in prayer as we seek to minister to those in need, and consider your part in providing a life changing experience to those in need. Our God is the great provider!



MEN'S RETREAT — April 30-May 1

Mark your calendar for a weekend of spiritual challenge, crazy fun, some relaxation, and of course...STEAK! View highlights of 2010 on facebook.



The Bair lake Staff Welcomes... Renee and Nola



Renee Wenger is from North Carolina and has served in food service at Honey Rock and at the New Tribes base in London. We are excited to welcome her as the interim food service manager.

Nic (Program Specialist), and Beth Harris welcome Nola Ryann, born March 17.



Spotlight On Service

Carl Welborn has become a very familiar face to the Bair Lake crowd. A student at U of M Dearborn, Carl volunteers for many of our retreats and event. His love for the Lord and desire to serve is inspiring to all.



Couples Retreat Oct 7-9



Come enjoy a refreshing weekend with your spouse. Be intentional with your time through purposeful activities, challenging seminars and meaningful personal time. Have fun, laugh while doing high ropes together and reminisce each evening over your own personal campfire. Special meals, great recreational opportunities and even a little romance will be sure to make your weekend one to remember.

More information available at www.blbc.com

Day Camp

Daily 9-4 program available for 4 weeks.



Trina We signed our son up at the last minute and you were so accommodating. You made it so easy! Thank you.

SIGN KIDS UP FOR DAY CAMP (FREE TIME FOR MOM)

Family Camp

Bring the entire family over the 4th or for Labor Day weekend.

RV's welcome, or stay in Bair Lake lodging. The choice is yours.



Summer Camps

Camps for students entering 3rd grade through college.

Visit www.blbc.com for more information.



Ben it's gonna be the best summer ever.

Morgan, Steve, Rayan and 15 others likes this.

SIGN UP FOR CAMP!

Welcome New Board Members

Patty Clouse and Lana Barnhisel.



Summer staff positions and volunteers

Looking for something meaningful to do with your summer?

Consider Bair Lake. We are currently hiring college students for the summer to serve as counselors, lifeguards and support staff.

Application online at www.blbc.com. Volunteers also welcome for weekend and full week opportunities.

View additional photos from Bair Lake events at www.blbc.com, in the photo gallery

Invest in BLBC as a part of your giving.



Ready for a face to face encounter? Plan now to attend camp this summer. Register by May 1st for best price. Look for your brochure in the mail or visit www.blbc.com to register.

Guest Groups

Bair Lake is happy to host any size group from 5 to 250, (families, schools, youth groups, scrapbookers, and more) A wide array of lodging and activities are available, but also opportunity to be still and quiet. Call Adam at 888-899-7712 to book your group today.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Men's Retreat	April 29- May 1
SWATT	May 1-6
Christians in Training	June 19-25
Juniors One	June 26-July 2
Rookie Camp 1	June 26-June 29
Rookie Camp 2	June 29-July 2
Day Camp 1	June 27-July 1
Family Camp	July 3-9
Sixers	July 10-16
Day Camp 2	July 11-15
Middle School Classic	July 17-23
Day Camp 3	July 18-22
Teen Classic	July 24-30
Juniors Two	July 31 - Aug 6
Day Camp 4	Aug 1 -5
Middle School ATAC	Aug 7-13
Youth Week	Aug 7-13
Labor Day Family	Sept 2-5
SWATT	Sept 11-16
Women's Retreat	Sept 23-24
Couples Retreat	Oct 7-9
Purity & Holiness	Nov 18-20