

# LUTHERAN HILLS - LUTHERWALD - LAKE LUTHER

LUTHERAN OUTDOOR MINISTRIES INDIANA-KENTUCKY INC.

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## Over 600 Volunteers Participated in Camp Service Projects in 2015 We Love Our Camp Volunteers!

Providing "opportunities for service" is a core value of LOMIK's mission.

Our volunteers do a lot—from general camp maintenance (painting, splitting firewood, spring cleaning, landscape work) to off-site projects that benefit the surrounding communities.

In 2015, over 600 volunteers participated in 15 service opportunities at Lutheran Hills, Lake Luther and Lutherwald, including:

**Pigeon River Clean Up.** A crew of 8 high school and college volunteers collected over 100 lbs. of trash along a 5 mile section of the Pigeon River in Steuben County in July.

**"Back To School Day" School Supply Give-Away.** Lake Luther partnered with Project HELP, Thrivent Financial, Walgreens and other Angola businesses to provide basic school supplies to needy families. 32 current/former camp staff and friends of Lake Luther gathered to serve nearly 400 kids from 4 school districts.

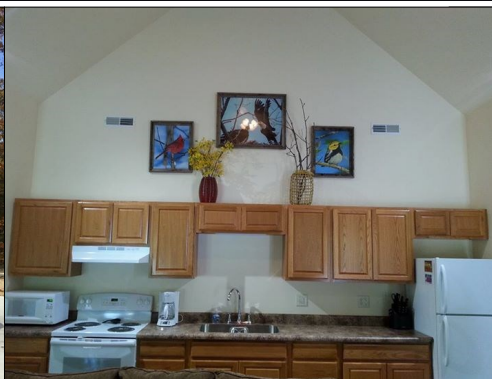
**Youth Cabin Roof Replacement.** Over a dozen volunteers put a new metal roof on the Redeemer/Hosanna cabin at Lake Luther in early September.

Want to join us at a LOMIK camp service day in 2016? Find the complete list of camp service projects and dates at our website: [www.lomik.org](http://www.lomik.org)



## New Retreat Campus at Lutheran Hills

# "Bear Creek Village" Project Update



"Bear Creek Village" at Lutheran Hills officially opened this fall with the completion of the second retreat cottage made possible with a generous gift from Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Indianapolis. The Bear Creek Village facilities are open year-round. Each spacious cottage houses up to 8 people complete with kitchen, dining and meeting areas, 4 bedrooms, a bathroom and a shower room. The construction of a 3rd cottage will begin shortly.



## Ensuring A Strong Future For Camp Ministry **LOMIK "Named Endowment" Q&A**



### What is a LOMIK Named Endowment?

It's a gift of \$10,000 or more, invested and managed by Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Indiana- Kentucky, that provides annual income for camp ministry. Essentially, it's a gift that keeps on giving.

### Why is the gift "Named?"

Because the endowment gift is established:

- in memory of a friend or family member
- to honor an individual
- as a family project with the intent to add to the principal going forward
- to fund a particular camp program
- to fund camp maintenance at a particular camp or camp building.

### Who have been honored with Named Endowments?

Five people have been honored or memorialized to date:

- Jim Greener, volunteer Lake Luther maintenance worker
- Pastor Fred Hanes, responsible for the 1949 Lutherwald property purchase
- Pastor Tom Herbon, longtime supporter of Lake Luther
- Bishop Jim Stuck, upon his retirement from Indiana-Kentucky Synod
- Pastor Rod Willeke, upon the 50th anniversary of his ordination

### So a Named Endowment is given for a SPECIFIC PURPOSE?

Yes. LOMIK currently has 12 accounts with a value of \$185,500 in protected principal. Six of these endowments provide CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS, three provide a GENERAL GIFT to LOMIK, two provide support to CAMP PROPERTY, and one was established to support a CAMP PROGRAM (Reading Camp).

### Instead of establishing a Named Endowment myself, can I contribute to an existing one?

Yes. A gift of any amount can be added to an existing Named Endowment.

### Where can I get more information?

Contact LOMIK Director Mark Radloff at (260) 667-7750 on how to establish a "Named Endowment" as a family project or to honor a pastor, friend or family member.



## Our Camps Play An Important Role **Raising Up Leaders For The Church**



If ministry is about relationships, we have to credit the success of our summer camp ministry at Lutherwald, Lutheran Hills and Lake Luther to our college-aged staff.

They come from different places and attend different colleges, but they have these things in common—a love of the Gospel message and a desire to work with kids in the outdoor setting. This high-energy, enthusiastic group is carefully selected and work as a team to give guidance and special attention to the children in their care.

We are thankful for their faith, dedication and good work. They make the difference.

PROGRAM	CAMP	DATE	<h2 style="text-align: center;">2016 RETREATS &amp; SPECIAL DAYS</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">For full details.... <a href="http://www.lomik.org">www.lomik.org</a></p>
<b>TOBOGGAN RETREAT</b>	Lutherwald	Feb 27-28	A Saturday mid-afternoon through Sunday morning retreat for middle school and high school youth groups and their adult sponsors with tobogganing at nearby Pokagon State Park, hosted by members of our summer camp staff. <b>\$35.</b>
<b>CHILDREN'S DAY</b>	Lutherwald Lake Luther Lutheran Hills	June 11 June 11 June 11	An OPEN HOUSE for the entire family that introduces youngsters and parents to camp by giving them a half-day (10:00 am – 2:00 pm.) camp experience that includes lunch. Kids are divided into age groups and get their own camp counselor for the day! <b>FREE</b>
<b>"RUN FOR THE HILLS" 5K RACE, FUN WALK &amp; BEAR CHASE</b>	Lutheran Hills	June 26	A fundraiser for Lutheran Hills on Sunday morning at 9:00 am just prior to the BBQ. Categories: 5K competitive race, 5K fun run, 5K fun walk, Kids "Bear Chase." The run takes place on the Lutheran Hills trail system. Overnight housing is offered.
<b>FAMILY DAY &amp; OVERNIGHT</b>	Lutherwald	July 9	Beginning at 11 am on Saturday, a full day of family activities led by our summer camp staff—canoe trip, swimming, games, hiking, arts & crafts, evening campfire program. Includes lunch and dinner. Overnight accommodations are available for those wanting to stay over and attend the next day BBQ. <b>\$20 adults / \$10 kids</b>
<b>SUNDAY BBQ</b>	Lutheran Hills Lutherwald Lake Luther	June 26 July 10 July 17	The annual summer Sunday morning gathering begins with worship at 10:30 am followed by the BBQ meal served 11:30 am—1:00 pm. <b>\$8 adults, \$5 children.</b>
<b>LAKE LUTHER FEST</b>	Lake Luther	July 22-24	A Friday evening to Sunday morning weekend program for families, middle school and high school youth groups and their adult leaders. Groups and families "camp out" for the weekend at Lake Luther's comfortable campground area, have full use of the camp and attend stage performances all weekend at NO COST. <b>Meals \$5.</b>
<b>FALL RIVER RUN</b>	Lake Luther	Sept 25 Oct 2	We offer 2 leisurely Sunday afternoon canoe trips for couples, families or youth groups on the Pigeon River on a peak color fall weekend. It's a 2 hour trip of easy paddling. <b>\$20.</b>

PROGRAM	CAMP	DATE	<h2 style="text-align: center;">2016 SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">See complete list.... <a href="http://www.lomik.org/volunteerp">www.lomik.org/volunteerp</a></p>
<b>END OF WINTER WORK DAY</b>	Lutheran Hills	Saturday March 19	Celebrate the coming of spring with a Saturday at Lutheran Hills getting the camp open after a long, cold winter. We begin at 9:00 am and finish with lunch at 1:00 pm.
<b>ELIZABETH MUNDROFF GIVE BACK DAY</b>	Lutherwald	Saturday April 16	This spring work day is for all ages (9:00 am-1:00 pm) to get Lutherwald ready for summer. Projects include indoor spring cleaning, painting and carpentry projects, camp store setup and yard work. The day is sponsored by Thrivent. Lunch is provided at 1:00 pm.
<b>LL SPRING WORK DAY</b>	Lake Luther	Saturday May 7	A Saturday work day for all ages (9:00 am-1:00 pm) to get Lake Luther ready for summer. Projects include indoor spring cleaning, painting, light carpentry, and camp store setup. The day is sponsored by Thrivent. Lunch is provided at 1:00 pm.
<b>LH SPRING WORK DAY</b>	Lutheran Hills	Saturday May 14	A Saturday work day for all ages (9:00 am-1:00 pm) to get Lutheran Hills ready for summer. Projects include cleaning, painting, light carpentry, camp store setup and yard work. The day is sponsored by Thrivent. Lunch is provided at 1:00 pm.
<b>PIGEON RIVER CLEAN UP</b>	Lake Luther	Monday, July 25	Last summer we collected 100 lbs. of trash along a 5.5 mile section of the Pigeon River, a major recreation waterway in northeast Indiana that we use for a number of camp programs. Join us for breakfast at Lake Luther at 8:00, we'll provide lunch on the river and be done by mid-afternoon.
<b>BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES GIVE AWAY</b>	Lake Luther	Wednesday July 27	Join us for 8:00 am breakfast at Lake Luther before we head to the Angola YMCA to set up for distributing school supplies to kids from needy families in the Steuben County area from 1:00-4:00 pm. Lunch is provided.
<b>LL ROOFING DAY</b>	Lake Luther	Saturday September 10	We'll be putting a metal roof on the Lake Luther Staff Cabin. We'll begin at 9:00 am and be done by lunch time at 1:00 pm. Don't like being on roofs or ladders? No problem. We have plenty of other jobs you can help with.





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