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May, 2023

### It's time to register for Summer Camps!

The Camping and Retreat Committee is busy working on all the fun adventures for each camp. Now all we need are the campers! Send in your registration forms as soon as possible. Remember, scholarships are available if needed.

**Adult/Child Camp—June 8-11**

**Junior Discovery Camp—June 11-13**

**Sewing and Crafters Day Camp—June 12-15**

**Family Camp—June 16-18**

**Creative Arts Camp—June 18-24**

**Quilting Camp—August 8-11**

Registration forms can be found at [www.sodcob.org](http://www.sodcob.org) or contact your church office.

### Volunteers are Needed for Summer Camps

Volunteers are still needed for Summer camps. Counselors for Junior Discovery camp and Creative Arts camp are needed as well as help in the kitchen and bible study leaders. If you are interested please contact Charlene Foster at 937-833-3336, [charbyclark@aol.com](mailto:charbyclark@aol.com) or Carrie Drees at 937-564-7346, [cdrees23@gmail.com](mailto:cdrees23@gmail.com).

### You are invited to a Zoom Evening with the Women of SOKD District

Please join us via zoom on April 28th at 7:00 PM for an evening of study, music, and prayer. We invite you to "show & tell" us of any object that reminds you of one or more fruits of the spirit. Go to the district website to request a link for the zoom event and/or download a flyer with more information.

### Volunteers needed for 2023 Annual Conference

The Southern Ohio/Kentucky District will serve as the host district to the 2023 Annual Conference. It will be held at the Duke Energy Center in Cincinnati, OH. As you can imagine, many, many volunteers will be needed as we serve our sisters and brothers from around the world. Volunteers are needed in many different areas such as unloading supplies off of the truck; ushering; registration, helping with children and youth activities; and more. If you would like to join in as a volunteer to assist the Annual Conference staff in welcoming our delegates and attendees, please visit the district website and complete the online form to give us your information. You will be contacted by the appropriate coordinator.

### Turning Swords into Plowshares: The Story of the Seagoing Cowboys and the Heifer Project

All are invited to the Trotwood Church of the Brethren on May 21, 2023 from 4-6 PM for a presentation of *The Seagoing Cowboy* with Peggy Reiff Miller. Through historical images and verbal presentation, she tells the story of World War II ships and the lives of many men transformed into vessels of peace through the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration and Brethren Service Committee and its Heifer Project program.

### Southern Ohio/Kentucky Disaster Ministries Updates

**Volunteer Now!** – May 7-13 S. Ohio/KY BDM will be working on tornado recovery in Dawson Springs, KY. There are openings for three volunteers on this crew. Other opportunities are June 4-10, July 9-15, and September 10-16. Transportation, housing, food, and tools are provided. To volunteer call/text Burt Wolf at 937-287-5902 or [SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com](mailto:SouthernOhioBDM@gmail.com).

**CDS Workers Serve** – Children's Disaster Services (CDS) has recently had two deployments. Two S. Ohio/KY workers went to Marble Hill, MO, the site of an EF2 tornado on April 5. Another team of CDS workers, including one volunteer from our district, worked in the Little Rock, Arkansas area. Here a series of three tornadoes hit the area on March 31. Both teams set up childcare centers in a MARC (Multi-Agency Resource Center). They cared for children, providing a safe and comforting place where children can play and receive emotional support while their parents/guardians are working with the available agencies to obtain needed assistance.

**Sewing Bee/CWS Prep** – On Saturday, May 27 at 9:00 AM a Sewing Bee/Church World Service (CWS) Prep will be held at Eaton Community Church. Sewers need to bring a sewing machine to make school bags for CWS. Non-sewers will prep items for school kits and hygiene kits. All are invited to bring a sack lunch. For more information contact Barb Brower at 937-336-2442.

### Save the Dates!

Sat., August 5 – Ice Cream Social, Happy Comer COB, 4:00 – 7:00 PM  
Sat., August 19 – Golf Scramble, Beechwood Golf Course, 8:00 AM

*For more information on what is happening in Southern Ohio as well as more details on these events contact your church office, email the Southern Ohio/Kentucky District ([sodcob@brethren.org](mailto:sodcob@brethren.org)) or visit our website: [www.sodcob.org](http://www.sodcob.org). In addition to this publication, we also email a monthly newsletter. To request a newsletter simply email your request to the same email address. If you would like to add your event to either the website, this publication, or the monthly newsletter please email your information to [sodcob@brethren.org](mailto:sodcob@brethren.org) **before the 15th of the month.***