Guest Manual
Then Jesus said, “Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.” - Matthew 11:28

Welcome to Little Eden Camp

We are delighted that you have chosen to come and enjoy camp this year. We know that some who come to Little Eden are indeed weary and carrying heavy burdens. Our desire is that your week at Little Eden will bring you physical rest, spiritual and emotional renewal, and that God’s Word will minister to your body and spirit, bringing true rest! Little Eden staff members are here to make your stay pleasant and enjoyable.

Little Eden strives to be a loving community that welcomes old and new friends alike. Please extend Little Eden hospitality to any campers who are new this week and make everyone feel welcome!

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To help make this week enjoyable for all, please observe the following:

- A week before the start of your week of camp you should be receiving an email with a link to pre-register for your visit. If you have not taken advantage of this opportunity, please be sure to complete a Registration Form and return it to the office no later than 3:00 PM Sunday. (Registration Forms are located outside of the office in the Lodge).
- Please make sure young children are supervised at all times; especially around the lake, lagoon, streams and busy Portage Point Drive. For sanitary reasons and out of consideration for others, young children should not go through the food line unattended.
- Out of respect for all, please observe quiet time between 11:00 PM and 8:00 AM (between 10:00 PM and 8 AM by the Lodge Guest Rooms). Parents, please help your children follow these quiet time hours as well.
- Please dress modestly for all camp activities and as you travel from your lodging to the camp beach.

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Before Departing Camp

- Please pay your bill in the office no later than 12 noon on Friday. Family Camp will be ending at 9:00 AM on Saturday.
- Thank you for helping prepare the camp for the next group of campers! We ask that you do the following before departing:
  - Wash all the dirty dishes and put them away
  - Wipe out/off the microwave, refrigerator, stove top and coffee maker (including grounds basket)
  - Sweep out and/or vacuum cabin/lodge room
  - Take out the trash
  - If you wish to recycle, please bring your recycling to the recycling center at the Onekama Township Hall parking lot located at 5435 Main Street, Onekama
  - If you leave before Saturday morning (e.g. some time mid-week or Friday), please call the office to let us know your unit has been vacated. Feel free to leave a message if no one answers
- Please note that a $200 cleaning fee will be assessed for cabins or rooms that were not cleaned or where carpets or floors were soiled. Additional fees will be added if the fire extinguisher is discharged.
General Camp Information

Meals:
The menu for the week is included in this manual. Please register for all camp meals you will be eating when you pre-register or on your Registration Form if completing one after you arrive. Additions and subtractions can be made on the Meal Sign In/Sign Out Sheets located on the bulletin board across from the office at least one meal in advance. (Exception: You must sign in or out for the Thursday evening grilled chicken no later than noon on Wednesday.)

Instead of asking for volunteers at each meal, we are asking that all campers take a few minutes and clean up after themselves.

Please:
★ Return all dishes, utensils, cups and trays to the dish window.
★ Pick up or vacuum up any food, napkins, etc. spilled on the floor/deck. There is a hand vacuum by the wooden sculpture in the dining room and a broom with a dust pan by the return window.
★ Wash your table and wipe up any spills/messes on your chair or booster seats. There are soap/sanitizer buckets with wash clothes located in the dining room and on the deck.
★ Straighten your chairs and put away any booster seats used.

Lost & Found:
A Lost and Found box is located outside the Lodge on the lakeside deck.

Keys & Hot Plates:
Keys are available in the office with a $10.00 refundable deposit. Hot plates are available for use in your cabin for a $5.00 fee per week.

Firewood:
Firewood is available behind the RV sites for $20/half-cartload (pictured here to top of front bar) and is self-service. Please pay at the office.

Mail:
Outgoing mail may be placed in the mailbox located by the Lodge front door by 11:00 AM daily.

Bedding & Towels:
Bedding may be rented for $15.00 per one set of sheets with pillowcases. Towels may be rented for $3.00 per bath towel, or as a set (washcloth, hand and bath towel) for $7.00.

Boats & Jet Skis:
Portage Lake as well as Lake Michigan are patrolled regularly by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the United States Coast Guard and the Manistee County Sheriff. Generally, they are targeting reckless operation. Please be courteous on the lakes and make sure you have your boat properly equipped for the state of Michigan. Re-fueling while your boat is in the water is not allowed by Onekama Township (please see the bulletin board in the lobby for a more detailed explanation). A copy of the Handbook of Michigan Boating Laws and Responsibilities is available online.

Maintenance & Miscellaneous Items:
We now have a digital work order form. Scan the QR code on your fridge to let us know of any maintenance issues that arise during your stay. If you do not have a smart phone, stop by the office to notify us.

Please help keep Little Eden looking nice by:
1. Spot cleaning spills or telling us about spills, so they can be given immediate attention.
2. Putting recreational equipment away when finished using it.
3. Picking up litter as you walk the campground.

Activity Schedule:
Please see page 4 of this manual.

Little Eden is a Christian family camp with a rich history. Use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, illegal drugs, or any other harmful substance or offensive behavior inconsistent with Christian teaching is prohibited. Fireworks and pets are also prohibited on camp grounds. We encourage you to honor the legacy and purposes of Little Eden Camp in all you do together as family and friends this week.
2023 Quilt Raffle

Donated by Cynthia Denlinger

$10 for 1 ticket - $25 for 3 tickets

Winner will be drawn on September 14, 2023
Little Eden Camp
Activities Schedule - Summer 2023

Saturday
8:30 PM  Meet & Greet at the Lakeside Fire Ring • Free kettle corn for all who attend

Sunday
10:30 AM  Galilean Worship Service at the Waterfront • Bring your own chair, blanket or towel to sit on
All Day  Activity • Tournament sign-ups on Lodge Activity Board
8:00 PM  Hymn Sing

Monday
9:30 AM  Morning Devotions • Lodge Chapel
9:30 AM  Morning Games for Kids • Meet at ball diamond
10:00 AM  Tournament Brackets Posted • Arrange your own playing times
8:00 PM  Evening Worship • Lodge Chapel

Tuesday
9:30 AM  Morning Devotions • Lodge Chapel
9:30 AM  Morning Games for Kids • Meet at ball diamond
8:00 PM  Evening Worship • Lodge Chapel

Wednesday
9:30 AM  Morning Devotions • Lodge Chapel
9:30 AM  Morning Games for Kids • Meet at ball diamond
8:00 PM  Evening Worship • Lodge Chapel

Thursday
9:30 AM  Morning Devotions • Lodge Chapel
9:30 AM  Morning Games for Kids • Meet at ball diamond
7:30 PM  Volleyball • Camper Champion versus Little Eden Staff Team
8:00* PM  (*Starts after staff volleyball game)
          Talent Show • Lodge Chapel

Friday
9:30 AM  Morning Devotions • Lodge Chapel
9:30 AM  Morning Games for Kids • Meet at ball diamond
1:30 PM  Children’s Activities
- Sailboat Races • Meet at Bridge by Craft Building
- Scavenger Hunt • Meet on Lodge Lakeside Deck
- Kid’s Olympics • Meet on Lodge Lakeside Deck

Saturday
9:00 AM  Camp concludes

Snack Shop—We’re serving it up each day at 2:00 PM & 8:45 PM!
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For dietary information & ingredient lists, please see Food Service Ingredient List book provided at camp or contact the Food Service Director at kitchen@litdeeden.org or 231-889-4294, Ext. 302.

**Meal Prices:**

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**2023 Resource Personnel**

**Genesis Week — Jason Nussbaum**

Jason and his wife Jaimie live in Tulsa, OK, with their son Faxon and their daughter Addison. They have also opened their house and family to an Oral Roberts University student, Jade Gonzales. Jason is the son of Steve and Cindy Nussbaum, and grandson of Claire and Lu Nussbaum. He serves in full time ministry as a director at Victory Bible College. He is passionate about discipleship and raising up the next generation of Kingdom Leaders! As a “lifer” here at Little Eden, he is excited and honored for the opportunity to be the resource person this week.

**First Family Camp — Bill Holsopple**

William (Bill) Holsopple from Archbold, OH, is married to Beth (Waidelich) Holsopple. Bill is pastor of Lick Creek Church of the Brethren, Bryan, Ohio and also part-time for Sauder Manufacturing, Stryker, Ohio. Bill and Beth have three adult children - Bekah, who is here on staff at Little Eden, Daniel, and Hannah who is married to Todd Nauveau and have one daughter Aubree. Bill has served over the past several years as resource person for family camp weeks. Bill enjoys teaching and getting to know others as he serves here.

**Christian Fellowship Week — Cal Emerson**

As a pastor, Calvin Emerson has spent his retirement writing books to help Christians experience a greater JOY in this life. He loves to make people laugh and to encourage them spiritually with the simple truths from God’s Holy Word. He finds it is so gratifying to see people experiencing those “a-ha” moments. His six books are written for the people in the pews. Cal didn’t become a Christian until he was thirty-one and didn’t go into the ministry until he was forty years old. He then stayed at his only church for twenty-eight years. Prior to the ministry he had two exciting careers, his favorite being an Adidas sales rep for the state of Michigan. He found it hard to leave that profession but found God’s calling to become a pastor way too exciting to ignore.

He loves people and desires to help them discover the unique position in life God has created them, alone, to fulfill. He also thoroughly enjoys Little Eden Camp as this will be his eighth year as a resource person.
**Home Builders Week — Tim Miller**

After 19 years of barbering in Goshen, IN, Tim answered the call to pastor and he and his wife, Kathy and their family moved to Michigan's Upper Peninsula and have been serving at Christian Fellowship Church ever since. A year ago, CFC opened up the Family Worship Center using an abandoned Family Dollar Building and, as a result, are seeing God working in amazing ways.

Tim has a passion for music & worship as well as encouraging the CFC family to live Biblical, purpose-filled lives and to "Be the Church" whenever and wherever they find themselves. He also continues to barber in a local shop one day a week and enjoys playing guitar, spending time in the woods and with his dog Sadie.

Kathy has her own cleaning service and calls herself a "professional volunteer and event planner" for the church, school and community. They both love spending time with their six grandchildren as well.

Tim & Kathy look forward to spending time the Little Eden family.

**Christian Business & Professional Week — Scott Yoder**

Scott has served in pastoral ministry since 1998 and has been the Senior Pastor at Crossroads Church in Plymouth, IN, since 2010. He enjoys working alongside others to pursue making disciples who make disciples of Jesus. Scott is a graduate of Moody Bible Institute and Bethel Seminary San Diego (M. Div.). He has participated in numerous short-term mission trips and believes in both the local and global influence of the Church. Scott enjoys sports of all kinds and conversation with friends over a good cup of coffee. His true desire is to help people learn, live, and give God's Word. He married his wife, Kelly, in 1995 and they have six children — two of whom are married — and one grandchild.

**Second Family Camp — Sarah Short**

Sarah was born and raised in Archbold, OH, where she still lives with her husband, Ryan. They have two phenomenal adult sons, a wonderful daughter-in-law and an energetic little dog.

Sarah's day job is working in customer service at a local seed company. When not answering phones and taking seed orders, Sarah enjoys running, biking, watching tennis and football and hanging out with her family.

Sarah has a passion for encouraging others in their walk with God, whether through workshops, seminars, preaching or casual conversation. She enjoys hearing people's faith stories and seeing how God has worked in their lives. Sarah has served as part of the pastoral team at Inlet Mennonite Church and is currently filling the pulpit for pastors who need a Sunday off. She has studied at Winebrenner Theological Seminary and Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. She has preached at various local churches, offered workshops locally and at Ohio Conference's Annual Assembly, and has led retreats. Sarah enjoys writing dramas and monologues for use in worship.
Farmers Week — Ryan Harker

Pastor Ryan is the Lead Pastor of West Clinton Mennonite Church in Northwest Ohio. Ryan loves helping people get to know Jesus and grow as disciples. Ryan holds a Bachelor’s degree in Philosophy & Religion from Truman State University and a Master of Divinity from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. He loves teaching and preaching the Bible, working with his hands, doing anything outside (especially tending to his many farm animals), reading, and spending time with his family. He and Brenna are the parents of Benjamin, Junia, and Anna.

Rest & Relaxation Week — Jeff Polen

Jeff began his journey with Jesus at the age of 21 after he was radically saved from a life of alcoholism and vain pursuit of fame through country music. Jeff and his wife, Jodi, were married in 2003, and surrendered their lives completely to Christ, becoming missionaries for Youth With A Mission (YWAM) and serving overseas in the nations of Turkey and Egypt. In 2006 Jeff accepted a position of Youth Pastor and Music Director at a church in Ohio, where he served faithfully for nearly a decade, equipping and challenging the students and congregation to reach their world with the GOSPEL. Jeff and Jodi now focus full-time on the Jeff Polen Music ministry, a ministry dedicated to pointing others to Jesus Christ through music, preaching, teaching, and training. Jeff and Jodi have five wonderful children: Taylor, Abigail, Piper, Elijah and Eden.

R & R II/Home School Week — Tyler Hartford

Originally from Maine, Tyler spent many summers at his family’s camp and as a camper and counselor in a variety of YMCA and church camps. Even now, when Tyler, Genessa and their family want to get away, it usually involves pilgrimages to bodies of water and walking a slower pace in nature. Six of their children, Kyrie (17), Brayson (15), Brannen (13), Bretton (12), Laken (10) and Lina (10) are very excited to be at Little Eden this August. Their oldest Cadence (19) will be in her second year at Bethel University (Mishawaka, IN).

Tyler pastored at Pleasant View Church (Goshen, IN) for 14 years, and is now the Director of Church Leadership for Evana Network of Churches. While he has a passion for teaching the Bible and pointing people towards Christ, he also believes nature is saturated with the general revelation of God. He deeply enjoys “chasing God’s glory,” the life-giving journey of having one’s eyes, ears and all the senses open to creation’s beauty and the Creator who stands behind it all.
Golf & Fellowship Week - Gail Shetler

Gail Mann Shetler is a graduate of AMBS with a Master of Arts in Christian Formation with an emphasis on teaching the Bible. Gail’s passion and call is teaching the Bible to adults. As an active member of Silverwood Mennonite Church in Goshen, IN, she teaches an adult Christian education class and has written and taught all-congregation studies on a variety of subjects from Bible 101 to Worship to Creativity. In addition, Gail has been a teacher’s guide writer for the Salt And Light Adult Bible Study published by MennoMedia. Little Eden has been a yearly highlight for Gail since she was 9 years old. Gail enjoys reading, swimming, golfing, and taking birding trips with her three siblings. Gail’s immediate family includes Byron, Lavonne and Gregg, Jacob and Abby, and Anna.

Quilt Week - Cynthia Denlinger

Cynthia Denlinger is from the Millersburg, OH area. A Little Eden regular, she has attended Family Camp with her husband, Clarence, for years, and our Quilt Week since 2003. In 2020, she graciously took over as resource person when Carolyn Snyder retired and has been our Quilt Week resource person ever since. Cynthia makes beautiful quilts, including the one being raffled in the Little Eden Office this year.

GOLF Coupons

PINECROFT GOLF COURSE
8260 Henry Road
Beulah, Michigan 49617
231-882-9100

CHAMPION HILL GOLF COURSE
501 North Marshall Road
Beulah, Michigan 49617
231-882-9200

Chestnut Hills Golf Course
7700 Glovers Lake Road
Bear Lake, Michigan 49614
231-864-2458
10% Discount Card available from Little Eden Camp Office
Pay at Golf Course
Each summer, Little Eden relies heavily on our summer staff—in fact it could be said that **Little Eden wouldn't be Little Eden without our college kids!** From its early beginnings, Little Eden has provided summer opportunities as well as leadership training to young adults who need a summer job. Over these many years, the college staff have brought energy and enthusiasm to the camp, but more importantly, they have come with hearts dedicated to service.

These quality young people do not come to Little Eden Camp because of the wages we pay; most could have had a job elsewhere this summer for a higher rate than they will receive at camp. Little Eden also provides room and board during the summer for our college staff and a few perks on the side—like one of the most pristine environments one could hope for in which to work and play! Upon summer's end, college staff receive a scholarship check made payable to their specific institution or college loan organization. This check is made possible solely through the willingness and generosity of you, our summer guests.

Money for the Scholarship Fund is obtained from donations designated to the Scholarship Fund at the Little Eden Camp Office any time throughout the week, as well as through snack shop proceeds and Sunday morning’s offering.

In order to benefit from the Scholarship Fund, the following criteria must be met:
1. Employed at Little Eden Camp as full-time summer staff for a minimum of 30 days
2. Enrolled in college or a similar program (trade school) sometime during the nine months following employment at Little Eden Camp

As a staff, we say **thank you** for prayerfully considering a donation this week to the College Scholarship Fund. If, at this time, you are unable to make a donation, please keep the summer college staff in your prayers along with the following institutions they attend: Belmont University, Cedarville University, Goshen College, Hesston College, Indiana Wesleyan University, Jefferson State Community College, Northern Michigan University, Owens Community College, Spring Arbor University, Trevecca Nazarene University, and University of North Carolina Pembroke.

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### Meet the 2023 Little Eden Summer Staff

**Abraham Cadillo Quispe**
Yokohama, Japan
Hesston College - Business
2nd Summer on Staff

**Favorite Little Eden Memory:**
Serving campers and enjoying all of the nature at camp.

**Favorite Bible Story:**
*Jacob wrestled with God*

**Interesting Fact:**
I am Peruvian, but I have never been to Peru.
Hannah Frey
Sylvania, Ohio
Indiana Wesleyan University - Nursing
4th Summer on Staff
Attends Rest & Relaxation Week (22 Years)

Favorite Little Eden Memory:
Watching the sunsets with my fellow summer staffers

Favorite Bible Verse: 2 Samuel 22:3
“The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation. He is my stronghold, my refuge and my savior—from violent people you save me.”

Interesting Fact:
I am learning how to play the guitar this summer.

Jenna Yordy
Nashville, Tennessee
Just graduated from Belmont University - Global Leadership Studies + Teaching English as a Second Language.
4th Summer on Staff
Attends Second Family Camp (Her whole life)

Favorite Little Eden Memory:
Singing with my family in the talent show

Favorite Bible Verses:
“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.” “Matthew 28-30

Interesting Fact:
Anna He
Guangzhou, China
Cedarville University
2nd Summer on Staff

Favorite Little Eden Memory:
Watching the sunset with friends and jumping off the pier!

Favorite Bible Character:
My favorite Bible story is Esther. She is brave and cool. She trusts in God and has faith in Him. She knows what she wants and what she needs to do. She walks in God's way.

Interesting Fact:
I love music, sports and arts. I like to watch movies, dramas and anime and I like to read books. I like to spend time with my friends. I like to try new things and get to know more about God.

Rebekah Holsopple
Archbold, Ohio
Spring Arbor University - Psychology
3rd Summer on Staff
Attends Farmers Week (Since, literally forever! :)

Favorite Little Eden Memory:
Anytime spent with the summer staff where some deep conversations happen

Favorite Bible Verse:
Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here I am - send me!" ~Isaiah 6:8
This verse serves as a great reminder to follow and listen to God's calling on our lives.

Interesting Fact:
I can make a duck call using my hand

Pablo Sanchez
Argentina
Goshen College
1st Summer on Staff

Favorite Bible Story:
Jesus' sacrifice on the cross: from Judas' decision to Jesus' Resurrection

Interesting Fact:
I played on the Argentinean National Team for Badminton.
Ashton Sauder
Birmingham, Alabama
Jefferson State CC - EMT and Paramedic License
Alabama Fire College - Firefighting
1st Summer on Staff

Favorite Little Eden Memory:
Dan, Micky and Sunni Grater taking Kayden, Landon and me to jump off the pier for the first time

Favorite Bible Verse:
I love Joshua 1:9
Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

Interesting Fact:
I was able to swim by myself at 4 yrs old.

Kayden Sauder
Birmingham Alabama
Jefferson State CC - Culinary & Hospitality
1st Summer on Staff

Favorite Little Eden Memory:
When we have fun together at Lake Michigan

Favorite Bible Verses:
My favorite verse is John 3:16—how God created the world and how he cares about us

Interesting Fact:
I was adopted in 2012! I love to go on bike rides and to run.

Justus Schroeder
Houghton Lake, Michigan
Northern Michigan University—Wildlife and Fisheries Biology
1st Summer on Staff

Favorite Little Eden Memory:
Coming to high school camp as a camper and meeting new people

Favorite Bible Verses:
My favorite verse is Ephesians 4:32.
Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Interesting Fact:
I love to go camping and kayaking.
Jenae Sears
Bradford, IL
University of North Carolina Pembroke - Elementary Education
1st Summer on Staff
Attends Home Builders - for as long as I can remember

Favorite Little Eden Memory:
Winning the counselor hunt in boys and girls camp, my cabin found almost everybody!

Favorite Bible Verses:
*Rise up; this matter is in your hands. We will support you, so take courage and do it.*—Ezra 10:4
It is such an encouraging verse, sometimes we need to get over fear and just stand, have courage and do it!

Interesting Fact:
I love musicals and drama!

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Trevor Short
Archbold, Ohio
Owens Community College - Nursing
2nd Summer on Staff
Attends Home Builders Week (His whole life)

Favorite Little Eden Memory:
Rock climbing with the staff for staff outing

Favorite Bible Verses:
*Psalm 23*

Interesting Fact:
I’ve been to five different countries

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Alexa Yordy
Nashville, Tennessee
Trevecca Nazarene University—Communications and Sign Language
1st Summer on Staff
Attends Second Family Camp (Her whole life)

Favorite Little Eden Memory:
Grandpa taking me on jet ski rides

Favorite Bible Verses:
*Psalm 121*

Interesting Fact:
I love to go stargazing in the Bowl.
Board of Directors:
- President: John O’Neil
- Vice President: Andrew Blodgett
- Treasurer: Cal Britsch
- Secretary: Angie Clendening
- Fifth Member: Julia Wyse
- Sixth Member: Dan Sauder

Grounds Committee:
- Chair: Kevin Beck
- Neal Beck
- Mike Bailey

Auxiliary Committee:
- Chair: Patty Beck
- Katie Miller
- Jeri Bailey

Year-Round Full-Time Employees:
- Wayne Faber
- KJ Oom
- Joel Faber
- Scott DeRidder

Local Part-Time Year-Round Employees:
- Heather DeRidder
- Lynda Faber
- Brent Murphy

Local Part-Time Seasonal/On-Call Employees:
- Rochelle Broussard
- Anna DeRidder
- Vawn Kolk
- Kit Pegg
- Doris Peters
- Belinda Smith
- Gloria Sobkoviak
- Mercy Sobkoviak
- John Springborn
- Esther Turek
- Ken Turek
- Rachel Wiens

Summer Staff:
- Abraham Cadillo Quispe
- Hannah Frey
- Grace Gerber
- Wes Gerber
- Ryan Harmelink
- Anna He
- Rebekah Holsopple
- Justus Schroeder
- Pablo Sanchez
- Ashton Sauder
- Kayden Sauder
- Jenae Sears
- Trevor Short
- Alexa Yordy
- Jenna Yordy

Youth Camp Leadership Staff:
- Dan & Micky Graber - Directors
- Galen Nofziger - Director
- Delaney Nofziger - Director
- Gabbi Graber - Director
- Bekah Rees - Worship Leader
- Rachel Frey - Photographer
- Dave Lawrence - Waterfront/Assistant
- Valerie Rice - Youth Camp Coordinator
- Alana Garcia-Remos - Camp Nurse

Youth Camp Cabin Leaders:
- Jay R Allison
- Weston Bontrager
- Kennedy Herschberger
- Emily Litwiller
- Maddie Litwiller
- Madison McClelland
- Nate Otto
- Jordyn Petersen
- Kathryn Roth
- Jaelyn Rufenacht
- Katrina Sahawneh
- Corbin Schrock
- Erik Short
- Sydney Skees
- Mercy Sobkoviak
- Cody Stuckey
- Kyla Wang

And many other volunteers
Emergency Information

An AED (Automated External Defibrillator) is located in the main lobby of the Lodge. Enter the main front door, parking lot side of the lodge. Go through the second set of doors and immediately in front of you is the display case for the Gift Shop. To your left, mounted on the wall you will find the AED.

Telephone Numbers

• Fire/Police: 911
• Wayne Faber, Executive Director:
  231-299-5861 Cell
  231-889-4294 Office
• Munson Healthcare Manistee Hospital:
  231-398-1000
• Walgreens Drug Store, Manistee:
  231-398-0348
• Meijer Pharmacy
  231-887-5210

Directions

Munson Healthcare Manistee Hospital
1465 E Parkdale Ave
Manistee, MI 49660

• Head northwest on South Portage Point Drive towards Onekama.
• Turn right at M-22
• Continue on M-22 to US-31 (Little River Casino at intersection of M-22 and US-31)
• Turn right on US-31
• Drive approximately 2 miles to Munson Healthcare Manistee Hospital on your left
SNACK SHOP
Open Daily:
2 to 3 PM
Candy
Smoothies (except Saturday & Sunday)
8:45 to 9:30 PM
Ice Cream
Candy
Popcorn

CRAFT SHOP
Open Monday through Thursday:
9 AM to 4 PM
Monday - Fleece blankets & pillows
Tuesday - Paracord People & Critters
Wednesday - Tie-Dye
Thursday - Personalized Flower Pots

GIFT SHOP
Open Daily: During Office Hours
Hoodies
Jackets
T-Shirts
Key Chains
Toddler Shirts
Onesies
Dry Bags
Lunch Bags
Sling Bags
Hats
Mugs
Drinking Glasses
Water Bottles
Journals
Logo Golf Balls
Playing Cards

Sunglasses
Stickers
Coasters
Little Eden Signs
Magnets
Pens
Memory Games
Blankets

Earrings
Anniversary Afghans
Stuffed Animals
Enjoy Little Eden Camp All Year

Little Eden Camp
non-summer benefits:

Beautiful fall colors
Salmon fishing

Little Eden’s Scrapbooking Retreats
October 26 - 29, 2023
November 2 - 5, 2023
February 1 - 4, 2024
April 25 - 28, 2024

Victorian Sleigh Bell Parade & Old Christmas Weekend:
November 30 - Dec 2, 2023

Snow Skiing
Crystal Mountain or Caberfae
Cross Country Skiing
Snowmobiling Trails

Free Fishing
June 10 & 11, 2023
February 17 & 18, 2024

Morel Mushroom Festival
May 2023

Sleeping Bear National Lakeshore
Ludington State Park
Traverse City and more!

Take advantage of Little Eden Camp during the fall, winter and spring for:

Family reunions
Family or couple get-aways
Church groups
Small groups
Women’s / Men’s Retreats
Marriage enrichment weekend
Spiritual growth retreats
Youth group retreats
Scrapbooking / Quilting retreats
Mini vacation of rest & relaxation

Area Attractions
Visit www.onekamainfo.com for more information

Shopping
Onekama
Manistee
Beulah
Frankfort

Miniature Golf
Northern Falls Mini Golf - Manistee
Crystal Falls Mini Golf - Benzie

Fish Hatchery & Dams
The Weir Fish Hatchery - Manistee
Tippy Dam - Brethren
Hodenpyl Dam - Manistee River

Theatre
Vogue Theatre - Manistee
Ramsdell Theatre - Manistee
Cherry Bowl Drive-In Theatre - Honor
Lakeside Shakespeare Theatre - Benzie
Garden Theatre - Frankfort

Miscellaneous
Bottle House - Kaleva
River Walk - Manistee
Gwen Frostic Prints - Benzie

Ice Cream Parlors
Ice House Ice Cream Shoppe - Arcadia
The Scoop - Frankfort
Cool Spot — Frankfort

Sand Dunes / Hiking / Trails
Sleeping Bear Dunes
National Lakeshore - Empire
Baldy Trailhead - Arcadia
North Country Trail - Manistee River
Nordhouse Dunes - National Forest

Township Parks
Onokama - Village Park
Onokama - Glen Park
Onokama - North Point Park
Onokama - Captain John Langland Park

Lighthouses
Point Betsie Lighthouse - Frankfort
Frankfort North Breakwater - Frankfort
North Pierhead Lighthouse - Manistee
North Breakwater Lighthouse - Ludington
Big Sable Point Lighthouse - Ludington

Museums
Manistee County Historical Museum - Manistee
SS City of Milwaukee Railroad Car Ferry - Manistee Lake
Manistee County Waterworks Museum - Manistee

Fishing Charters
Netminders - Onokama
Sandpiper III - Onokama
Michigan Sport Fishing Co - Manistee
Area Restaurants

**ONKAMA**

**The Glenwood**
440 Main Street, Onkama, 231-839-3734
Distinctive, casual lakeside dining. Featuring fresh fish, steaks, chicken, pasta, locally grown fruits and vegetables and homemade soups. Specialties include almond battered shrimp and bleu cheese filet mignon. Reservations recommended.

**Amigos Mexican Restaurant**
5159 Main Street, Onkama, 231-389-7128
Serving breakfast lunch and dinner.

**Yellow Dog Café**
4850 Main Street, Onkama, 231-508-5008
A community destination for fresh homemade treats, coffees and uniquely delicious sandwiches. Locally sourced ingredients. Open May - November.

**EZ Market**
5357 Main Street, Onkama, 231-389-4514
Providing quick and convenient access to everything from household basics to regional artisan products.

**Lahey's Pub & Portage Point Café & Pizzeria**
8567 Portage Point Drive, Onkama, 231-889-7320
Featuring Sicilian pizza, wraps, hot sandwiches, salads, appetizers and Michigan-made ice cream.

**The Speckled Goat**
Main Street, Onkama
Gourmet ready sandwiches, salads, dips and charcuterie boards. Shaved ice, soft pretzels, candy and desserts. Bath and body, kitchen goods and spices.

**MANISTEE**

**Blue Fish Kitchen**
312 River Street, Manistee, 231-887-4188
American dining in a relaxed atmosphere. Featuring hand-cut steaks, farm-to-table and artisan fare and Great Lakes fish.

**Bungalow Inn**
1100 28th Street, Manistee, 231-723-8000
Cabin atmosphere offering steaks, ribs and fish fry specials.

**T.J.’s Pub**
399 River Street, Manistee, 231-398-9174
A menu offering fresh, local produce and Michigan mace products, including vegetarian and gluten free options.

**Taco 'Bout It Mexican Fusion**
344 River St, Manistee, MI, 231-887-4441
Mexican cuisine to be enjoyed on the river front with outside seating as an option.

**Big Al’s Pizza**
221 West Parkdale Road, Manistee, 231-723-6239
Family owned. Pizza, Stromboli, subs, wraps, pastas, salads, Mexican menu.

**North Channel Brewery**
86 Washington Street, Manistee, 231-299-1020
North Channel’s food menu was carefully crafted to bring something unique to Manistee. Menu available online.

**P & L Sammich Barista**
375 River Street, Manistee, 231-489-8358
Coffee, sammiches, snacks, drinks.

**Fricano’s Manistee River**
440 River Street, Manistee, 231-866-8202
World famous thin crust pizza along with an incredible menu of comfort food, sandwiches and sharables.

**Coffee Shops**

**Goody’s Java & Juice**
343 River Street, Manistee, 231-398-9580
Breakfast and lunch options.

**The Outpost Manistee**
359 River Street, Manistee, 231-398-5556
Featuring locally roasted direct trade coffee, locally grown and blended organic tea and nitro cold brew on tap. Closed Sunday.

**Port City Brew**
309 West Parkdale Avenue, Manistee, 231-887-4482
Offering carry out and drive through coffee, tea, snacks and baked goods.

**Bigbee**
15 Caberfae Hwy Manistee, MI 49660
Drive through offering coffee and specialty beverages.

*Information subject to change. Call before going.*
The Cherry Hut
216 North Michigan Avenue (US 31), Beulah, 231-882-4431
Established as a roadside pie stanc in 1922, The Cherry Hut now serves a full menu featuring American-style food and specializing in cherry pie, jams and jellies.

Cold Creek Inn
185 South Benzie Boulevard, Beulah, 231-882-7282
Porch, planked whitefish, homemade pizza and burgers are featured with a venue just a walk away from Crystal Lake beach.

The Roadhouse
1058 Michigan Avenue (US 31), Benzonia, 231-882-9631
Traditional Mexican food made with fresh ingredients.

L'Chayim Delicatessen
2745 Benzie Boulevard, Beulah, 231-882-5221
House made bagels and pastries, cell meats and salads.

Ursa Major Bistro
245 South Benzie Boulevard, Beulah, 231-383-4250
Coffee bar, breakfast all day, Moomers ice cream, gourmet cookies.

Lucky Dog Bar & Grill
233 South Benzie Blvd., Beulah, 231-383-4499
Serving hot-off-the-grill, hamburgers, hot dogs, house smoked pulled pork and many awesome creations.

The Cabbage Shed
198 Frankfort Avenue, Elberta, 231-352-9843
A rambling fruit and vegetable warehouse from the late 1800's is home to serene views, great sirs and superb eats such as blackened fish tacos, char-grilled beef tenderloin filets and chicken rigatoni as well as salads and flatbreads. Closed Sunday & Monday

Arcadia Bluffs Golf Course
14710 Northwood Highway (M22), Arcadia, 231-889-3001
North Course Main Dining Room: Fine dining and an exquisite view of Lake Michigan. Business Casual Attire
North Course Lakeview Room: Casual atmosphere and menu with panoramic views of Lake Michigan; Casual Attire
South Course Dining Room: Comfort cuisine; Casual Attire
Reservations Recommended

Ketch 22 Food Truck
17073 Northwood Highway, Arcadia
Authentic, fresh American cuisine with a creative culinary twist.

The Manitou
4349 Scenic Highway (M22), Honor, 231-882-4761
Upscale-casual restaurant offering seafood, chops and American fare in a cabin-like space with a patio.

The Fusion
300 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-352-4114
Gourmet sushi and Pan-Asian cuisine are the menu highlights of this stylish waterfront venue.

Dinghy's
417 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-352-4702
Easy going diner with a retro décor and booth seating known for smoked meats and American classics.

The Hotel Frankfort
231 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-352-8090
Fine dining with entrees of seafood, beef, pork and lamb offered.

Crescent Bakery
404 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-352-4611
Offering baked goods, sandwiches, soups, quiche.

L'Chaim Delicatessen
325 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-352-5220
House made bagels and pastries, deli meats and salads

Maple & Birch
727 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-399-0399
Fresh fare including modern dishes and ageless classics prepared from scratch.

Stormcloud Brewing Company
303 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-352-0118
Locally inspired food including flatbread, pizzas, appetizers, soups, salads & specialty popcorn.

Port City Smokehouse
1000 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-352-9192
Featuring smoked fish, pate, spreads, jerky, sausage, jams and salsas.

Petals and Perks
429 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-352-4800
Premium coffee drinks, high quality teas, homemade soup and treats.

Vita Bella Italian Kitchen & Market
320 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-399, 0035
Full service dinner menu featuring inhouse made pastas, sauces and pastries which are also sold in the market.

Bella's Café
313 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-651-0895
Quality espresso drinks, fair trade coffee, baked goods and breakfast/lunch items.

Dos Arboles
735 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-651-0895
Mexican cuisine with bright, adventurous flavors and locally grown ingredients.

Cool Spot
306 Main Street, Frankfort, 231-352-7312
Specialty Sundaes, Cappuccino Chillers & Frappes, Hard Scooped Ice Cream, Coolers & Flots, Shakes & Malts, a Variety of Hot Coffees.
Summer 2023 Area Events

Onekama

Concerts in the Park:
7:00 PM Monday nights June 26 - August 14
Onekama Village Park

Onekama Days:
August 4 - 7 at Manistee County Fairgrounds in Onekama

Fireworks Over Portage Lake:
August 7 beginning at dusk as part of Onekama Days

Manistee Days:
August 15 - 19 at Manistee County Fairgrounds in Onekama

Bear Lake

Bear Lake Days:
July 7 - 9

Kaleva

Kaleva Heritage Days:
July 15-16

Arcadia

Arcadia Daze:
July 21-23

Traverse City

National Cherry Festival:
July 1 - 8
Traverse City Film Festival:
July 25 - 30

INTERLOCHEN
Arts Academy

Interlochen Arts Academy offers a wide number and variety of events during the summer. Please visit interlochen.org/concert-and-events to view the schedule.
Nationally recognized trail system through 6 states. The NCT access points are a great spot for hiking throughout Manistee County. Enjoy the Upper Manistee River Trailhead near the Manistee River Trail where you will hike your way through the dense hardwoods high atop the Manistee River bluffs. You can also head down to the Udell Rollways trailhead near Big-M and enjoy a hike through the low flats and rolling hills. For trail and map info visit: northcountrytrail.org.
**St. Pierre Trailhead:** Professionally designed, multi-use trails on the east side of M-22 offer a unique experience for mountain biking, hiking, and trail running.

**Baldy Trailhead:** Hike the trails and enjoy the majestic views from “Old Baldy” - a dune overlooking Lake Michigan. Short, steep climb to the dune.
Little Eden Camp Permanent Holder Policies
Approved by Board of Directors 9/22/2015

What is a Permanent Holder Reservation?

a) A Permanent Holder is an individual/couple guaranteed year-to-year use of a specific cabin, lodge room, or RV site during a particular week of the summer camping season program.

b) The reservation is "permanent" as long as the individual/couple comply with the below stated policies:

Policies that Govern Permanent Holder Reservations

a) Permanent Holders must be members of the Little Eden Camp Association and must pay the annual membership fee of $35.00.

b) Individuals who are Permanent Holders must personally attend camp during their designated week every other year at a minimum. If a Permanent Holder fails to attend two consecutive years, their reservation is forfeited. Exceptions may be allowed due to health or other hardship situations if submitted in writing to the Executive Director no later than October 1 of the year missed.

c) Permanent Holders must attend a minimum of three nights during their week in order to be counted as attending that week.

d) Permanent Holder reservations are granted to an individual/couple and not to any extended family or family unit. Permanent Holders cannot substitute another family member or friend for a particular year’s reservation. Should this occur, Little Eden reserves the right to terminate the permanent reservation.

e) Permanent Holders may voluntarily give up their reservation and transfer the permanent reservation to anyone in their immediate family. (immediate family is defined as parents and children only.) The family member receiving the transfer must have attended a Little Eden summer camp three out of the past six years. If no immediate family member is eligible, the Permanent Holder relinquishes the reservation, and the camp will fill the opening from the upgrade and waiting list.

f) You may not have a permanent reservation for more than one week of the summer. (Exception: the special weeks for golf and quilting are not counted as a permanent reservation.) Existing Holders “as of March 1996) are “grandfathered”, but may transfer only one of their reservations to a single family member.

g) Permanent Holders must keep a $25 non-refundable deposit on account to hold the reservation. The deposit rolls over from year to year.

h) Permanent Holders must inform the camp of their reservation plans by March 1st each year to allow sufficient time for calling people on the waiting list. Permanent Holders who fail to respond by March 1 will be marked as "not coming" and their permanent reservation for that year will be made available for other campers.

i) If cancellation of the reservation occurs after March 1st there will be a $100.00 cancellation fee. If Little Eden is unable to fill the reservation, the Permanent Holder will be responsible for the base accommodation fee.

j) Permanent Holders who become divorced will be responsible to work out an agreement regarding the permanent reservation and notify the camp who will be the contact person for the reservation.

Permanent Holder Upgrade List

a) Permanent Holders may request a temporary upgrade of their facility by submitting a request to the office. Requests for an upgrade are specific to each week of summer camp, and prioritized by the date submitted.

b) An upgrade occurs when one Permanent Holder exchanges their permanent holding for another facility. An upgrade is not adding additional facilities to the present reservation.

c) After March 1 when all Permanent Holder reservations have been received for the upcoming summer, the vacancies for each week are filled, beginning with the Facility Upgrade List. These upgrades are temporary and for the current summer only.

d) Remaining vacancies are then filled by calling the waiting list in priority order.

e) RV Permanent Holders can upgrade to another RV site only and not from an RV site to a cabin or lodge room. RV Permanent Holders can only upgrade to a cabin or lodge room if they are on the waiting list for that specific week and are called about a vacancy at which time they may exchange their site. (RV Permanent Holders can be on the waiting list for their permanent week as well as two other weeks.)
Little Eden Camp Waiting List Policies
Approved by Board of Directors 9/22/2015

Getting on the Waiting List:

There are three qualifications for being on a waiting list at Little Eden Camp:

1. Be 18 years of age or older and personally ask to be on the waiting list.
2. Be a member of the Little Eden Camping Association and pay the annual membership fee of $35.00 to remain on the list.
3. Affirm the mission statement of Little Eden Camp and agree with the stated camp rules and policies.

**Little Eden Mission Statement:** To provide a Christian environment that nurtures and encourages relationships to God and others through fellowship, worship, camping and education.

**Little Eden Rules:**

1. No alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, firearms, fireworks, or illegal/unlawful substances allowed on the campground.
2. Pets are not permitted on the campground.
3. Overnight tenting not allowed on the main campground.

Purpose of the Waiting List:

The waiting list serves two purposes:

1. The waiting list is used each year to fill all available openings for each week of the summer season program. No one on the waiting list is guaranteed a call every year. Calls are made in priority order until the week's reservations are filled. The number of openings each week and the responses ("yes" or "no") determines how far down on the list calls are made.

2. The waiting list is also used to fill open Permanent Holder slots, again in priority order. (See Permanent Holder policies for additional details)

How the Process Works:

Each spring, Permanent Holders must notify the camp by March 1 if they are coming for their week. Each week's openings are then filled by first using the Permanent Holder's Upgrade Listing and then the waiting list for that particular week.

In January people on the waiting list will receive a post card in which they can notify us if they will want a call this year or not.

Calls must be made in priority order. If the person's contact information is not current (wrong phone number, etc.) and the camp is unable to contact the individual, that person will not be called. *(It is the responsibility of each person on the waiting lists to make sure that their contact information is current!)*

Calls to the waiting list are normally made from early April until all openings have been filled for each week. If there is no answer when a waiting list call is made, a message will be left and the camp will continue to call the waiting list in priority order. Reservations are accepted in the order received.

Upon accepting a reservation, a $100 Deposit is required to hold the spot. This deposit will be applied to the bill for the stay at camp. If the camper cancels at any time, the $100 deposit will be lost. If we are unable to refill the spot, the camper will be responsible to pay the base rate less the deposit.
Waiting List Maintenance:

There are three ways to be removed from the list:

1. Voluntarily remove your name;
2. A camper is removed from the waiting list when they become a Permanent Holder for that week. (The exception would be RV Permanent Holders who may want to upgrade their RV site to a cabin or lodge room for that week.)
3. All campers on the waiting list must be members of the Little Eden Camp Association and pay the annual dues. Failure to pay the annual dues will terminate the camper from all waiting lists.

Other Items:

1. Campers can be on a maximum of two waiting lists beginning with Genesis Week through Rest and Relaxation 1. (They can be on additional late summer waiting lists when the camps are not full.)
2. Permanent Holders (except RV Permanent Holders) who are on other waiting lists will not be called unless they are not coming for their normal week.
3. Campers may not substitute another person for their reservation nor can they transfer their spot on the waiting list to another person.
4. Campers may not hold a reservation for more than one week each summer. Exceptions are: those grandfathered in with Permanent Holder status, those attending the Pre-family camp weeks in June or attending the late summer weeks beginning with Rest & Relaxation 2 week. Campers that are guests of others who hold a reservation may attend more than one week.
5. In divorce situations where a couple is on a waiting list, the couple will retain their one spot on the waiting list and it will be their responsibility to work out an agreement as to who will be attending each year and which one will serve as contact person.