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Child Evangelism Fellowship® of Franklin/Fulton Counties

Junior Counselor Training

Any teenager who will have completed 8th grade is eligible to be a camp Junior Counselor.

To be a Junior Counselor though, a person is required to attend one of our training meetings. Below is a list of this year's locations and times:

Thursday, May 7 at 7:00 PM Grace Bible Church Friday, May 8 at 7:00 PM

Chambersburg Bible Church Saturday, May 9 at 10:30 AM at Good News Camp

Call for more information.



Late last year, Pennsylvania State legislators passed, and former Gov. Tom Corbett signed into law, 21 pieces of legislation concerning child protection laws in Pennsylvania.

What this means for CEF: Because these new laws extend to any organization that has a *REGULARLY, SCHEDULED PROGRAM, ACTIVITY OR SERVICE,* and *ACCEPTS RESPONSIBILITY FOR A CHILD,* we fall under these new guidelines.

What this means for volunteers: All CEF volunteers are now required to complete a multi-step screening process set up by the state of PA. We want to stress that CEF already had a more thorough national screening process in place which we will continue to use, but we now must add these additional state requirements.

How you can help: If you are currently serving with CEF in any capacity or plan to serve this year and are over 18, you can start working on the screening process. Please go to our website www.franklincef.com and click on the "volunteers" tab on the left of the home page. It will give you step by step instructions of what needs to be done. If you do not have internet access or printing capacity, please let us know and we will mail you the needed paperwork.

Please note:

- 1. The two state required checks cost \$10 each. If this is a hardship for you to pay, please let us know. You are valuable to us as a volunteer and we'll see that it gets paid.
- 2. The process may be different if you live outside of PA. Please contact us before you start.
- 3. These clearances are transferable. If you have them already from your employment or other volunteering opportunities, we only need a copy in our office. You don't have to do them again.
- 4. We are aware that some organizations have chosen to ignore, postpone, or fight in court these policies. We are closely following this. However, with a July 1 deadline in place, we have no choice but to get started immediately because of the sheer number we must process before the start of camp on June 15.

Camp Whate

The arrival of Spring means it's time to get the camp property ready. We're thankful for some work crews who have already volunteered to come for a day to help us get things prepared. We always have plenty to do to keep them busy.

We're still in need of the majority of the donation items that were printed in last month's newsletter. Please let us know if your church or group is able to collect some of these much needed supplies for camp. These

donations help us keep the cost low for children to attend.

If you'd like to serve at camp this summer, please let us know as soon as possible. We will need extra time this year to process the additional paperwork.

Pictured here are some deer who were looking for food just before the big March snow. We've been seeing a lot of them lately in the woods behind our house.





We'd like to give a special thanks to

Mrs. Doris Albert

for 35 years of faithful service to CEF of Franklin/Fulton Counties as a grader for our Mailbox Club Lessons. Mrs. Albert graded the "See and Do" lessons for our youngest participants in the Mailbox Club. We're grateful to her for this gift of time and this labor of love. Paula Peterson will be taking her place and joining our other two graders, Bertha Thrush and Audrey Golden. We praise God for all of these ladies and their service to the children.



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