February 22-24, 2021 2021 ALLEGHENY SECTIONAL







"You answer us with awesome and righteous deeds, God our Savior, the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas." (Psalm 65:5 NIV)

In the midst of uncertainty and the challenges we have all faced over the past year, it can be easy to feel discouraged, disappointed, and even defeated. But we must remember that we have hope regardless of life's circumstances because of God our Savior! Our hope is not measured by the ups and downs of life. Our hope must be in Christ. With hope in the Lord, we maintain a confident and trust-filled expectation that God will keep His promises. His greatest promise of all is the eternal life He gives us through Jesus. He is the hope of all the ends of the earth and we get to know Him and proclaim Him! As we trust in the Lord and build our hope on Jesus, our hope can overflow both to those that we serve with and to those that we serve. Join us as we consider the theme "My Hope Overflows."

We invite you to come to the Allegheny Sectional at White Sulphur Springs on February 22-24, 2021. Our desire is that you will be refreshed and encouraged as we are reminded about the hope we have in Christ. The conference combines spiritual encouragement, educational experiences, and fellowship with like-minded brothers and sisters in Christ. Opportunities await you to learn and grow, to be refreshed and energized, and to build up others even as they encourage you through our time spent together. The conference will have a different dynamic this year due to the ongoing limitations of today's COVID environment. But we look forward to being with you just the same. Keep an eye out for ongoing updates and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Joseph Preston Director of WLD Ranch Section President





Dr. Ed Huntley

Born in Warren, PA in 1947, Ed Huntley came to faith in Christ as a child in the Federated Church of East Springfield, PA. He is a graduate of Houghton College (B.A. in Philosophy), Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (M.Div.), and Fuller Theological Seminary (D.Min.). Ed served as Program Director of WLD Ranch from 1968 to 1973. After serving as Pastor of the First Evangelical Free Church of Phoenix from 1975 to 1984, Pastor Ed returned to the Federated Church of East Springfield, PA where he served as Associate Pastor (1985-1993), then Senior Pastor (1993-2014), and now continues to serve as Associate Pastor (2014-Present). He is married to Connie and their son Seth serves on the Board at WLD Ranch.



For those who choose to gather for the Sectional

(February 22-24), please be sure to read the expectations of our host camp regarding their COVID-19 response plan. You can read it at the registration page:

https://www.whitesulphursprings.org/event/ccca-allegheny-sectional-2021/.

HEADSTART: Burnout Prevention

The past year has been anything but normal. For most it has been a year filled with change, disappointment, difficult decisions and taking on of extra responsibilities. Camp professionals frequently live their lives with little margin, but for many, 2020 has shrunk that margin even further. This workshop will explore some of the unique factors that can lead to ministry burnout, address ways to prevent burnout and provide resources and help to those who may find themselves already burnt out.

Speaker:

Rachel Scharff, MS

Foundations Christian Counseling Services Program Director/Counselor

Rachel has been serving with Foundations Christian counseling Services for approximately 5 years. She is a counselor and also currently serves as the Program Director. She works with individuals, adolescents and couples and feels privileged to walk alongside others and to help them to grow in their relationship with God in the midst of their suffering. Rachel also served at a camp and conference center for 8 years as an outdoor education instructor, expedition specialist and day camp program manager. As a counselor and former full-time camp professional she understands burnout and the importance of self-care. She lives in the Poconos with her husband and enjoys getting outdoors whenever possible.

Please register today!



To register online, go to: https://www.whitesulphursprings.org/event/ccca-alleghenysectional-2021/

To request a printable registration form, contact Joseph Preston at joseph@wldranch.com.

Register before January 31 to save on the registration fee.

Due to COVID limitations, we have made the difficult decision not to provide childcare or a children's program this year. Parents, if you bring children, you will be responsible for supervising them since there is no childcare provided.







White Sulphur Springs is Officers' Christian Fellowship's eastern conference center located in the foothills of the Allegheny Mountains near Bedford, Pennsylvania. We seek to be a caring Christian retreat center, set apart to provide an environment where our guests are refreshed, challenged, and strengthened in their Christian faith and relationships.



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Allegheny Sectional Schedule

See the back page for workshops speakers and topics. (Please realize the list is tentative and may change depending on individual presenter's circumstances. Additional speakers and topics are in process too.)

Sunday, February 21		
6:30-8:30 PM	Registration Open for Cabinet and Early Arrival guests	
7:00-8:45 PM	Pre-Sectional Cabinet Meeting	
8:45 PM	Fellowship Time with Snack	
Monday, February 22		
8:00 AM	Breakfast for Cabinet and Early Arrival guests	
9:00 AM	Registration Opens	
10:00-12:00 PM	Head Start Seminar: Rachel Scharff - Burnout Prevention	
12:15 PM	Lunch	
1:15 PM	Visit with the Cabinet: Welcome, Fellowship, Tour (Game Room)	
2:00 PM	Conference Kickoff	
3:00 PM	Kindred Groups	
4:00 PM	Workshop #1	
5:30 PM	Supper	
7:00 PM	General Session #1: Ed Huntley	
8:30 PM	Fellowship Time with Snack	
Tuesday, February 23		
7:00 AM	Coffee Available	
8:00 AM	Breakfast	
9:10-10:25 AM	Workshop #2	
10:45 –12:00 PM	Workshop #3	
12:00 –2:00 PM	Vendor Hall Open	
2:00-5:30 PM	Free Time (Options TBA)	
5:30 PM	Supper	
7:00 PM	General Session #2: Ed Huntley	
8:30 PM	Fellowship Time with Snack	
9:00-10:15 PM	Evening Fun TBD	

Wednesday, February 24		
Coffee Available		
Breakfast		
Workshop #4		
General Session #3: Ed Huntley		
Lunch		
Cabinet Meeting		

Networking

During the conference, we encourage you to make intentional connections with people from other camps, encouraging each other, sharing ideas, and sometimes getting something awesome for your camp that someone else wants rid of (clearly, they don't realize how awesome it is!). Some of the best networking happens when you strike up a conversation and discover a way that you can encourage each other or share ideas with each other. At dinner on Tuesday, we will have a time of networking where you can tell everyone about your "lightly" used, awesome camp stuff that you want to bless another camp with. Or maybe you will be the recipient of those blessings.

Also, at some point during the conference, we will have a resource swap. Bring a book, tool, or other resource that you have found useful personally or at your camp and plan to give it away at the resource swap.

Workshops will include the following speakers and topics.

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Foundations Christian Counseling	Adverse Childhood Experiences and Help- ing Campers Build Resilience
Foundations Christian Counseling	Microskills for Campers
Foundations Christian Counseling	Supporting the Anxious Camper
Rick Capozzi	Developing Your Spidey Sense: The Role of All Camp Staff in Recognizing Potential Threats
Rick Capozzi	Basics of a Risk Vulnerability Assessment for Your Camp
Rick Capozzi	How to Run a Potential Threat Exercise
Courtney Martin and Nate Marshall	Scripture Memory
John Skaggs	Time Stewardship
John Skaggs	Six Elements of Program
Ed and Connie Huntley	Marriage and Ministry
Donnie Rosie	Telling Your Camp's Story
Dean Christian	Marketing to Parents
Sarah Christian	Sleep Benefits
Sherri Huston	Protecting Your Camp's Religious Freedom
Sherri Huston	Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Your Right to Live Out Your Religious Beliefs
Mark Gray	Working with Excel
Jay Trainer	Youth Ministry with Support Staff: Disciple- ship of Kitchen, Maintenance, and Other Staff
Jay Trainer	Unrestfulness: Mental Health in a COVID World
Jay Trainer	Five Tips for Handling Vocational Transi- tions

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