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2021

Getaway Season!

In response to COVID-19, our staff and board have been working hard to figure out how to turn retreat season into a reality. Cue this year's [Getaway Season!](#)

What's the difference?

Typically, Retreat Season features 4 volunteer families who serve 3 guest families at each weekend retreat. Each guest family only gets to attend a BH retreat ONCE in their lifetime unless they snag a last-minute booking or are drawn in the annual BH2 raffle.

Getaway Season will have 3 volunteer families serving 2 guest families. Guests will select their favorite activities and have all of the time in the world to enjoy a quiet weekend away as a family. Our priority for Getaways is to provide our guests with the long-awaited opportunity to take a relaxing, family vacation.

Additionally, because these Getaways won't be structured like a typical retreat, any NEW guest who attends this season will still be able to attend a regular retreat in the future.

[Learn more!](#)

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2004



2020



2021



A Fresh Coat of Paint

New year, New Experience

With last year's retreat season on hold, we have been taking advantage of the time to add exciting new experiences and upgrades to the camp! Like...

- Outdoor, installed **pergola** to provide additional shade
- ADA accessible **picnic tables**
- Added professional **landscaping** around primary activity areas
- Expanded and replaced **splash pad safety surfacing**
- Installed new interactive and sensory-friendly **splash pad features**
- Expanded and replaced **fire pit** area

A Big Hug and A Thanks!

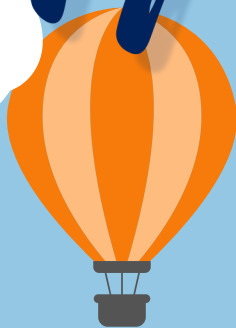
All of these features will be up and ready to rock by the time Getaway season starts this year! We couldn't have these incredible improvements without the help of the following organizations:

- WHAS Crusade for Children
- Independent Pilot's Association
- Ray & Kay Eckstein Charitable Trust
- The King's Daughters and Sons Foundation of Kentucky



TO NEW Heights

2021 Spring Campaign



\$15,000

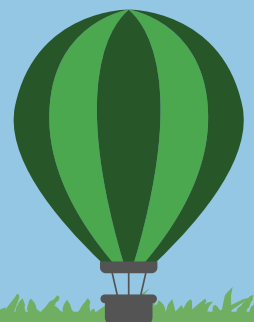
When is it?

This year's campaign will run from **May 17th through May 31st**. You will be receiving more information both in the mail and in your inbox when the time comes! We hope that you will consider partnering with us and getting involved!

Why do it?

After a year of us all staying safe at home and doing our part to get through this pandemic, it's time for an ADVENTURE! When you become a Barren Heights Booster or increase your current monthly gift, you can enter to win a **hot air balloon experience** by Images Aloft Ballooning, **skydiving experience** by Skydive Cincinnati, OR a "surprise" land excursion for those who prefer to say grounded.

Learn more
about the Campaign!





UPCOMING

Spring Events



Women's Paint Spot Party

Tuesday, April 27th @ 6:30 PM - Paint Spot St. Matthews

Ladies, join us for a fun, free night of creativity and community while we paint pottery together!

Family Work Day

Saturday, May 8th @ 9:00 AM CST - Barren Heights Retreat Center

Do you have a particularly handy skillset or just want an easy way to volunteer with us? Head down to camp and help us complete some basic projects before Getaways begin!

Women's Hike & Picnic

Saturday, May 15th @ 11:00 AM - Tom Sawyer Park

We're headed to Tom Sawyer Park in this women only event to "hike," enjoy the fresh air, and have good company. Lunch provided!

Marshall's Campfire Concerts

Thursday, May 27th @ 7:00 PM - Facebook Live

Back by popular demand, the talented Marshall Fall will be hosting his Facebook Live concert series once again!



Past Winter Events



Women's Breathe Retreat

Our moms got together at the retreat center to enjoy 24 hours of rest, relaxation, and restorative time to connect with themselves after the crazy year that was 2020!

Grow Your Marriage Retreat

With the team at Growing Your Marriage, one of Barren Heights' partner organizations, 6 couples were able to head down to the retreat center to recalibrate their marriages. The couples studied some light curriculum, played fun games, and, most importantly, went home with some new tools to continue to grow their marriage from home!



Family Movie Night at Cinemark

At the Cinemark St. Matthews, we rented out multiple theaters so our families could watch Kung Fu Panda and SING! in a sensory friendly environment while still providing a family night out on the town! We had an absolute blast over popcorn and snacks!

Men's Axe Throwing Event

For the second year in a row, a whole squad of dads joined together and turned into lumberjacks for a night! Unfortunately, their axe-wielding Cinderella stories had to come to an end when the event was over, but some gentlemen took home the gold for having the best axe throwing skills!





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