

The Seed

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LUM Camp 2018 – *Let Your Light Shine*

The families served by Lafayette Urban Ministry have been invited to sign up their children for [LUM Camp 2018](#) — a life changing experience.

LUM Camp is a four-day, overnight summer camp for boys and girls ages 8, 9 and 10 years old. LUM Camp teaches our campers that learning is fun, while creating a safe & caring environment. LUM Camp is one of the best and most well-respected, overnight summer camps available. Nearly 85 children will attend during the first week of August at the beautiful Hanging Rock Camp in Warren County.

At [LUM Camp 2018](#), the campers will hunt for fireflies, sing around campfires, play flashlight tag and enjoy a grand fireworks display on the last night of camp! They will be led by an outstanding staff of camp counselors and camp staff. The campers will participate in morning chapel, nature hikes, arts and crafts, boating and campfires. Hard work, collaboration, good listening skills, respect for differing viewpoints and successful problem solving will all be modeled through thoughtful, fun and engaging activities.

LUM Camp is a scholarship-based camp. LUM only invites children whose parents are not able to pay for the \$150+ per child cost of most other summer camps.

LUM Camp staff members will teach our campers about the science of light.

This year's theme is...*Let Your Light Shine!*

Our campers will meet scientists and educators from Purdue University who get the campers excited to learn the answers to these and countless other questions:

- Why are some stars red and some blue?
- Which light bulbs use the least amount of energy?
- What causes lightning to flash and thunder to clap?
- What are ultraviolet and infrared light?
- What makes a cat's eyes shine at night?
- Can you see the Northern Lights in Indiana?
- What causes a red sunset?
- How does a prism work?



Won't you please consider a gift of \$150 to send a local child to LUM Camp 2018?

- **\$300 will allow two** children to attend
- **\$450 will provide three** camperships
- **\$75 will provide one-half** of a campership

Be a part of shaping the futures of these local children by offering them the gift of LUM Camp 2018 today.

Mail in your donation using the enclosed envelope or donate online at www.lumserve.org/donate.

LUM Camp Counselors Needed

LUM Camp Counselors are needed for our week-long, overnight camp program for low-income children from 8 to 10 years old. Volunteer camp counselors must be at least 18 years old, enjoy working with children, attend the entire week of LUM Camp from **Monday, July 30** at 11 a.m. to **Friday, August 3** at 4 p.m., and attend the Orientation Meeting on **Thursday, July 26** at 7 p.m. For the LUM Camp Counselor application and additional information, go to www.lumserve.org/lum-camp.



LUM Summer Learning Program Has Begun



Each year at this time the LUM childcare programs transition from after school care to full-day summer childcare. LUM [After School Program](#) concluded another successful year, and the LUM [5th Quarter Summer Learning Program](#) sessions have begun.

The LUM 5th Quarter is offered Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., and includes active learning, crafts and recreation, free lunch, and study trips.

The summer childcare program is dedicated to closing the academic achievement gap for this group of students.

Once the school year begins again in the fall, these students who typically struggle academically will be better prepared than their peers because of 5th Quarter's focus on enriched and experiential learning.

If you wish to support the LUM 5th Quarter Summer Learning Program — you may make a monetary donation, sponsor a field/study trip and/or volunteer.

For more information, go to www.lumserve.org/5th-quarter/, or call or email Amanda Bajzatt, LUM youth programs director (765-423-2691 | abajzatt@lumserve.org).

Meet the LUM Summer Teachers

LUM is thrilled to announce the summer teachers for the 2018 LUM 5th Quarter Summer Learning Program.



Renu Bhatia grew up in Indore, India and now lives in West Lafayette. She earned a BA in sociology from Sophia College in Mumbai, took several classes at Purdue, and is a Certified Pharmacy Technician.

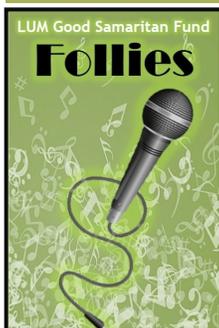


Danny Pollitt is from Peoria, Illinois and lives in Lafayette. He has a Bachelor's from Purdue in Social Studies Education, with minors in History & Political Science.



Derrick Williams-Bacon is from West Lafayette. He earned a BS in Organizational Leadership & Supervision and a Master's in Technology Education, both from Purdue.

LUM Follies—Raises Over \$14,500



The 7th annual [LUM Good Samaritan Fund Follies](#) was a lovely evening and all in support of emergency financial assistance for local families.

The LUM Follies stage show wowed the audience, and the meal was delectable. LUM Follies guests bid generously on an exciting variety of Silent Auction baskets and made specific donations using the Butterfly Tree (community needs with donation amounts). At LUM Follies 2018, more than \$14,500 was raised for emergency aid — making this year's LUM Follies one of the most successful.

The best part is that 100% of the proceeds

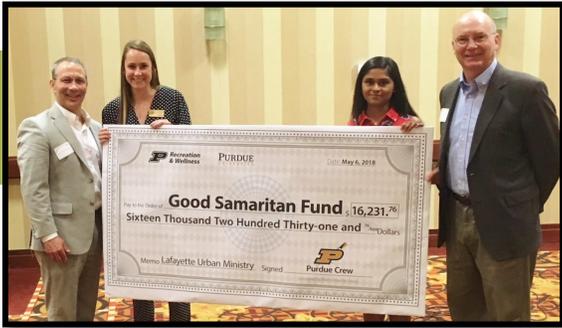
from the LUM Good Samaritan Fund Follies go to the LUM Good Samaritan Fund.

If you missed this year's LUM Follies and still wish to make a difference by making a donation to the Good Samaritan Fund, use the enclosed envelope or give online at www.lumserve.org.



Gifts to LUM

Purdue Crew Gift



The Purdue Crew Team raised \$16,231 for the LUM Good Samaritan Fund through the 9th annual Purdue Row-a-Thon event which took place on February 17 at the local shopping mall. This is the single largest gift to the LUM [Good Samaritan Program](#) again this year.

The “big” check was presented to Joe Micon, LUM executive director, at their end of the year banquet in May.

{Pictured L to R: Mitch Nettesheim, Purdue Recreation senior associate director; Hannah Stefanik, Purdue Crew president; Apoorva Setlur, Purdue Crew officer; and Joe Micon.}

If you wish to donate to the LUM Good Samaritan Fund, go to www.lumserve.org/donate.



CDBG Grants for Shelter

Lafayette Urban Ministry has been recommended for two significant Community Development Block Grants from both the City of Lafayette & the City of West Lafayette.

LUM has been recommended to receive \$17,590 to support the work of the LUM [Emergency Shelter](#) (\$6,340 from West Lafayette and \$11,250 from Lafayette).

Thanks to David Heckert, LUM Emergency Shelter director, for his work on these grants.

CDBG is an important resource for local governments in their efforts to provide both transitional and permanent housing, as well as supportive services, to families and individuals experiencing homelessness. This grant money will be used to support our homeless clients.

If you wish to donate to the LUM Emergency Shelter, go to www.lumserve.org/donate.

LUM Program Stats

Impact in 2018—So Far

During the first four months of 2018, Lafayette Urban Ministry services have touched the lives of **2,418 households** through one or another of our 16 programs. Families were strengthened, and children were educated. Some LUM program details are as follows:



STRENGTHENING FAMILIES

Emergency Shelter for the homeless—323 individuals were provided overnight accommodations 4,331 times. The average guest utilized LUM’s shelter 13 nights during that time frame.

Good Samaritan Fund—\$34,837 in direct cash assistance was provided to 454 households.

Haircuts—60 individuals received free haircuts.

ID Clinic—65 individuals were served.

Immigration Clinic—38 individuals were served.

New Opportunity Fund—7 individuals received grants to move into their own homes.

St. John’s/LUM Food Pantry—2,208 households were served.

Tax Assistance Program (free income tax preparation for low-wage workers)—522 tax returns filed from mid-January through mid-April. Tax refunds and credits totaling \$406,444 were returned to those households — an average refund of \$1,736 per household. The average annual adjusted gross income for those served by the program was \$20,502.

Winter Warming Station—132 individuals used the Winter Warming Station for a total of 485 visits.

SUPPORTING CHILDREN

5th Quarter Summer Learning Program (started on May 29) — 45 children are currently enrolled.

After School Program—66 Kindergarten through 8th grade students participated in the program during the 2017 - 2018 school year, which ended on May 25. Homework assistance, tutoring, reading and academic enrichment programs helped our students to do better in school.

LUM Camp—90 children, 40 counselors and 25 program leaders will be in attendance at this overnight summer camp for children (8 to 10 years old) during the first week of August.



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Return Service Requested

LUM Events — Save the Dates

Hunger Hike



Join us in the Fight Against Hunger — locally, regionally & globally — by participating in **Hunger Hike 2018**. Event details are as follows:

- ◆ **Hunger Hike 3K Walk**
Sunday, September 16 at 2 p.m.
Riehle Plaza, Lafayette
- ◆ **HH5K Run**
Saturday, September 15 at 9 a.m.
Celery Bog Nature Area, West Lafayette

Hunger Hike offers many ways for individuals, churches, groups, organizations, teams, families and companies to raise funds to fight hunger. You may **walk** in the traditional Hunger Hike 3K Walk; **create** a Team — raise funds as a group; **make** a donation online; **support** a Team; **become** a Corporate Sponsor; **run** in the HH5K Run. Hunger Hike benefits Lafayette Urban

Ministry Food Programs, Food Finders Food Bank, Inc. and St. Thomas Aquinas Haiti Ministry. Find everything you need to start fundraising on the Hunger Hike website — go to www.hungerhike.org.



LUM Immigration Clinic Fundraiser
Thursday, November 8 | 5:30 p.m.
Lafayette Brewing Co., Lafayette



Thursday, November 22 | Noon-2 p.m.
Central Presbyterian Church, Lafayette



Thursday, November 22 | 8 a.m.
Celery Bog Nature Area, West Lafayette

Join LUM online

