

SHADY OAKS BULLETIN

Parents Association for People with Disabilities

JANUARY 2013



Upcoming Events

• *Shady Oaks Holiday Party*
Sat. Jan 5th
12pm-3pm

• *Board Meeting*
Sun. Jan 13th
1pm-4pm

∞ Director's Corner ∞

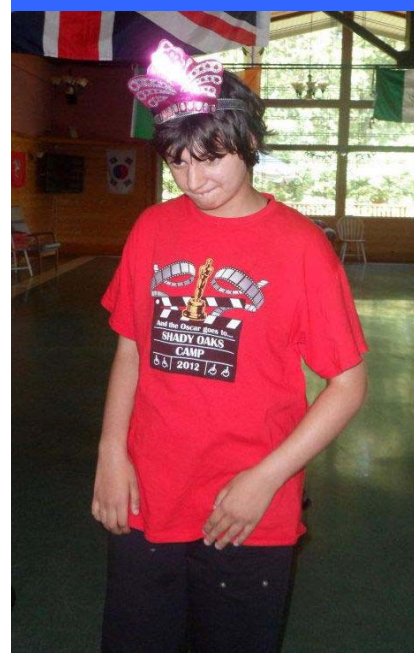
HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE! 2013 is here and officially rings in the start of planning for summer of 2013. I have started to review new staff applications and should be getting returning staff applications very soon. Hopefully we will have another good bunch of returnees to take the lead. As well as hiring international staff, I am on the look out as well for staff from America, so if you know someone looking for a summer job please pass my info on to them.

Besides staffing I am also starting to set up our volunteer schedule for the spring. We are always in need of individuals who have trades skills as well as those who would like to help with camp cleanup and yard work. We will have a lot to do this spring so we can use all the help we can get.

On another note we are currently interviewing for a new camp caretaker. The board and I would like to find someone who is a "jack of all trades" and is not afraid to get their hands dirty. The caretaker has to move out to camp and will get the house, some utilities and a small monthly salary. It is a lot of work and we need someone who is committed to camp and our mission. If you know someone who is looking for a new career path and has the skills we are looking for, again, please pass on my info.

Well, guys I know it is hard to think about camp when it is 25 degrees out, but you can officially start the countdown. It's only 165 more days until we are rocking and a rolling in what I can guarantee will be an unforgettable 66th summer of camp! Hope to see you all at the holiday party!

Good Times,
Scott Steele
Executive Director



Happy New Year

PAST DUE

☞ Dues ☜

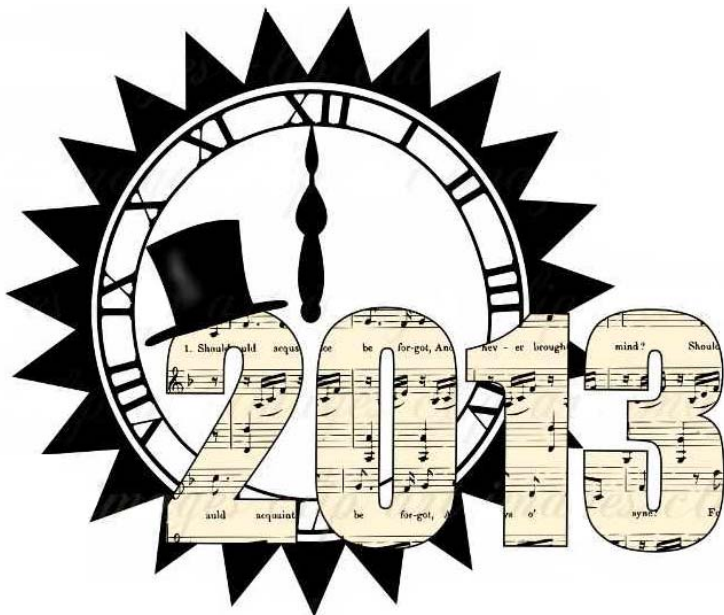
Parents Association membership dues are due now.
They are \$100.00.

Please note dues **MUST** be paid to be an active member in the association and for your child to attend Shady Oaks Camp. If dues are not paid your child will not be eligible to attend camp for 2013.



☞ Volunteers Needed ☜

*It doesn't matter if you're a group of 1 or 100;
we are always looking for volunteers
to help with various fundraisers & events.
Call (708) 301-0816 or
email soc16300@sbcglobal.net
if you are interested in volunteering!*



☞ Soc Holiday Party ☜

We invite all friends, family & campers to our camp holiday party on **Saturday, January 5, 2013.**
12:00pm-3:00pm

All guests are asked to bring a food item for our potluck lunch.

(NOTE: Attending the holiday party counts towards your general meeting attendance requirements)

☞ Thank You ☜

We would like to thank Dan from Chesdan's Pizza for hosting a wine tasting fundraiser for us. It was good times had by all.

A big thank you to [Bert & Denise Cattoni](#), [Tracey & Pat Gannon](#), [Stephen & Judy Hennenfent](#) and [Marianne Kyler](#) for their generous donations to Shady Oaks Camp.

We would also like to thank the following businesses who participated in the Shady Oaks Leaf fundraiser:

[ABaits](#)-Lockport

[Antonis](#)-Lockport

[Challenge Fitness](#)-Lockport

[Chesdan's Pizza](#)-Homer Glen

[Corwins Pharmacy](#)-Lockport

[Jean Marie Hair Salon](#)-Lockport

[Learning Express](#)-Homer Glen

[Midas](#)-Orland Park

[Midas](#)-Tinely Park

[Midland Federal Bank](#)-Homer Glen

[Mulletts](#)-Homer Glen

[Nick's Barbecue](#)-Homer Glen

[Shooters](#)-Lockport

[Stella's](#)-Lockport



☞ MEMBERSHIP ☜

1. Attend a minimum of 4 general meetings a year
2. Volunteer a minimum of 10hrs per year on various fundraisers that Shady Oaks hosts. (i.e. Tag Day, Poker Run, Dinner Dance)
3. Raise a minimum of \$500.00 (this can be accomplished by selling raffle tickets to a major raffle or by purchasing tickets for our annual dinner dance or any qualifying fundraiser.) For every dollar brought in beyond the \$500 requirement, 50% goes towards reducing your camp fee. \$5.00 an hour can be credited toward camp time for additional Board approved skilled services.

If a member does all of the above, camp fees will be assessed at a reduced rate. If these requirements are not met then a higher camp fee will be assessed. Any money brought in after September 1st will be accredited for the following year.

We need to rebuild our membership and the Board would like to offer a waiver of one (1) year from the mandatory requirements to any family that recruits a new residential camper. The new family/ camper must be able to meet all above requirements for you to receive the exemption.

Save the Date

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 New Years Day 	2	3	4	5 <u>12pm</u> SOC Holiday Party at Shady Oaks
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 <u>1pm</u> Board Mtg at Shady Oaks	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		



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Donations

If you would like to donate to Shady Oaks Camp
Please make checks payable to *Shady Oaks Camp* and
mail to:
Shady Oaks Camp
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You can also donate online through our website
www.shadyoakscamp.org
click the PayPal button



Corporate Matching Grant Program

Several companies participate in matching grant programs meaning the amount of money raised by the individual or a group of individuals is matched by your corporation.

So don't forget to talk to your company's human resources department to see if they are willing to match a donation that you make to Shady Oaks Camp. If so, then spread the word to your co-workers as quickly as you can. Every penny counts!

To view this newsletter & past ones, visit us at www.shadyoakscamp.org
Any additional news or corrections, please contact Michelle at
shadyoakscamp@write.com or (708) 301-0816.
(Pictures and stories from campers & staff are always welcome!)