



# Shady Oaks Camp Newsletter

September 2016



## Upcoming Events

• *SOB Meeting*  
*Sun. September 11<sup>th</sup>*  
*12:00pm*

• *All Parents Meeting*  
*Sun. September 11<sup>th</sup>*  
*1:00pm*

• *Board of Directors Meeting*  
*Sun. September 11<sup>th</sup>*  
*2:00pm*

## Director's Corner

Hi Everyone,

Despite the heat, rain and bugs we made it through another successful summer at camp. Our staff have either returned home or are currently traveling this wonderful country of ours. It really puts things into perspective when you think that a lot of our staff save up for many years just to be able to travel and see the US after camp is over. It really makes you appreciate how good we really have it in this country. We as Americans are so preoccupied with who will be our next president, buying the next iPhone or checking our Facebook accounts that we sometimes forget that people are dying everyday just to get a taste of the life many of us in the USA take for granted. Our international staff truly appreciate the experience they get while at SOC and in their travels after camp. It is a profound experience that they will never forget. At SOC racism, bigotry, and hatred doesn't exist. People of all cultures, socioeconomic backgrounds, religions and races work together to ensure every camper will have a summer to remember. If we could apply SOC life to everyday life the world would be a much better place. I feel humbled and blessed to know that we at SOC are doing our part, be it a very small one, to show the world that peace is possible. Every year we send our worlds future leaders back home with the knowledge and skills to make real change, now it is up to them! Enough deep thoughts for this month! Have a safe and happy holiday!

Scott



# Have a Safe Labor Day

# ∞ Fundraising ∞



**Carson's Community Days**  
**Wednesday- Sunday**  
**November 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**

Purchase your coupon booklet for only \$5

This booklet has over \$400 in savings and also includes exclusive web offers!!

If you would like to purchase or sell the booklets please contact  
Mary Pisano at [agnesmpisano@hotmail.com](mailto:agnesmpisano@hotmail.com) or 708. 532. 1916.



# ∞ Volunteers ∞

Carson Community Days will be held this year on  
November 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>.

We are allowed to sell the coupon booklet on site  
At the Orland Park store location.

There are limited time slots available  
And all times to sell must be approved.

Please contact Mary Pisano at 708-532-1916 or [agnesmpisano@hotmail.com](mailto:agnesmpisano@hotmail.com) ASAP if you are  
interested in selling on site so she can reserve your spot.

At the end of the event, if we make the top 25 seller's list we also receive a bonus from Carson!



# ∞ Misc. ∞

Just a friendly reminder for people to join us at the All Parents Meeting on  
September 11<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. You will be eligible for a door prize as well as able to pick  
up Carson Days books & winter raffle tickets. We will also have Baker Square Pie  
cards available and t-shirts from the Open House & SOB RUN for sale.



# ☿ Thank You ☿

Our 13th annual SOB Run was a big success. Despite the threat of rain and mind-blowing heat, we had over 200 bikes and over 100 passengers and made over \$40,000!!!! Thank you to our committee **Mark Laketa, Sheila Newcomb and Mary Pisano** for their hard work in making this year's run one of the best. Also, thanks to all the campers, staff and volunteers who came out to help with registration, raffle ticket sales and check in at the after party.

A special thank you to **Midas of Orland Park-Bratcher Enterprise and Mark Laketa from Tom's Place** for their extremely generous donations as well as **Meijer, Citgo, UPS, Teamsters Local Union No. 731 and Gale Construction Company of Illinois**. We'd also like to extend a big thank you to all of our \$50 Sponsorship Level companies and individuals. The support we receive from our community and friends is overwhelming and wonderful!

Thank you to **Ben Ficke from Signs Unlimited** for donating our sponsor signs for the SOB Run and to **Roxanne from Throwback 2** for her gracious donation.

Of course we want to congratulate the winners of our SOB Motorcycle raffle:

1<sup>st</sup> place (10K cash) -Frank Slykas

2<sup>nd</sup> place (\$2500.00 cash -Jim Szajkovics

3<sup>rd</sup> place (\$1000.00 cash) - Kim Jana





# ∞ Thank You continued ∞

**Ronald Bratko & Charlene Baum** made donations in honor of Bill and Della Lynch who asked for donations in lieu of anniversary gifts. Thank you both and Happy Anniversary Bill & Della!

Thank you to **Russell Dale, Laurie Harff, Gleanor Life Insurance Society of Homer Township Oak Arbor 787 and Grace & Basil Tydings** for their thoughtful donations. Also, a big thank you to **Bob Stahurski from NYCO Products** for his continuing support and donation of cleaning supplies for the summer. You saved us from many messy situations!

Thank you to all the parents who donated to our end of the year staff trip to Six Flags. We went on a perfect day with just a bit of rain. The lines were short and fun was had by all!

Thank you to **Scout Dan Canning** and everyone who came out to volunteer and help him with his eagle project. Dan's project was an extremely labor intensive one that included moving over 100 yards of mulch to redo the playground. It was a lot of work but it turned out great!



## Save the Date - September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 	6	7	8	9	10
11 <i>12pm</i> SOB Mtg <i>1pm</i> All Parents Mtg <i>2pm</i> Board of Directors Mtg	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	



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## Donations

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mail to:

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### 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](http://www.shadyoakscamp.org)

Any additional news or corrections, please contact Michelle at  
mgsteele@hotmail.com or (708) 301-0816.

(Pictures and stories from campers & staff are always welcome!)