



Upcoming Events

- *Board Meeting*
Sun. March 10th
1pm-4pm
- *Tag Days*
Fri. April 5th
Sat. April 6th
- *Windy City Poker*
Thur. April 18th
- *5th Annual Dinner Dance*
Fri. April 19th
6pm

Director's Corner

HOWDY ALL,

Spring has sprung! As we enter March and the weather starts to warm I can't help but feel excited, and a bit overwhelmed by the thought of the 2013 camp season. There is so much to do and just not enough time to do it. By the end of March we will start having volunteer groups out doing cleanup and getting the grounds and buildings ready for the smiling faces of the campers and staff. We will also be having a camp cleanup day on Saturday, May 18th, so mark your calendar now. :) Thanks to Bill from Bratcher Midas, we will have some yummy food for all our volunteers! Now on to some more pressing matters. If you have not contacted me about camp time dates, please do so now. Remember, since we are a 1:1 camp I have to staff accordingly and can't finish unless I know how many campers are attending camp. On that same note, Thanks again to the extreme generosity of the Corcoran Foundation, if you know of anyone who is interested in coming to camp this summer for the first time, we will have a few scholarships available for new campers. Interested parties can contact Scott for more information. Also, please remember to mark your calendars for April 19th for our 5th annual dinner dance. Kathy has once again planned a great evening of fun, food, and entertainment so get your tickets now. Well, friends in 3 short months we will be splishing and splashing, singing and dancing, so think warm thoughts and I will talk to you soon!

Good Times,
Scott Steele
Executive Director



Happy
St. Patrick's
Day
&
Happy
Easter

☘ Condolences ☘

Our condolences go out to Mary Pisano and her family on the passing of her nephew. Our thoughts and prayers are with Mary and her family during this time of sorrow.



☘ Volunteers Needed ☘

We will be having our first **Tag Days** of the year on **Friday, April 5th & Saturday, April 6th** at **Walt's** in **Tinley Park, IL** from **9am-5pm**

If you're interested in helping for five hours or just one, please send Scott and email at soc16300@sbcglobal.net

☘ Info from the Treasurer ☘

Camp time deposits are now **PAST DUE**. If you have not already done so, please send in your deposit to secure your child's camp time. Camp time **WILL NOT** be guaranteed unless a deposit is received.

All monies raised for the 2013 camp season **MUST** be in by **March 31, 2013**.

Any money raised after April 1, 2013 will be credited towards the 2014 camp season.

A camp statement will be mailed out by April 15, 2013 and **all camp money is due by June 1, 2013**.



☘ 2013 Camp Schedule ☘

Session I: Monday, June 17th – Friday, June 28th
Session II: Monday, July 1st – Friday, July 12th
Session III: Monday, July 15th – Friday, July 26th
Session IV: Monday, July 29th – Friday, August 9th
Session V: Monday, August 12th – Friday August 16th (Day Camp)

Sessions I, II, III & IV

Campers arrive **NO EARLIER** then 9:00am on Monday and depart **NO LATER** then 6:00pm on Friday

Session V

Campers arrive **NO EARLIER** then 9:00am and depart **NO LATER** then 4:00pm

A 25% deposit of your total camp time must be received by Shady Oaks Camp on or before February 28th in order for your camper to attend camp.

Campers attending for 1, 2, 4 or 6 weeks will **NOT** be able to choose their sessions. They will be assigned sessions depending on availability. Requests for sessions can be made but will not be guaranteed.



∞ Fundraisers ∞

Shady Oaks Camp

Cordially Invites You to our
5th Annual Dinner & Dance
Celebrating

MARDI GRAS



\$75/person or \$65/person for a table of 8 or more
for tickets contact Kathy (815) 955-7394

FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH 6:00PM

Ruffled Feathers Golf Club
1 Pete Dye Drive, Lemont, Illinois

Dinner Dance Raffle Tickets are now available

Tickets are **\$10.00** each

Prize includes; **2 roundtrip airline tickets & \$500.00 cash**

Drawing will be held **Friday, April 19th** at our 5th Annual Dinner Dance
(winner need not be present)

If you would like to buy or sell raffle tickets please contact
Kathy Borello at kathyb@wenetwork.com or 815.955.7394



Remember parents; selling raffle tickets will be applied towards a 50/50 camp time split.

All monies turned in by March 31st will be applied to camp time for 2013.

Any money turned in after March 31st will be applied towards camp time for 2014.

Windy City Poker Championship Tournament

Kirk Fallah and Fallah Productions will
be teaming up with Shady Oaks and The
American Legion Tinley Park Post 615
Women's Auxiliary to host a

4 day poker tournament on **Thursday**
April, 18th

at the American Legion Post 615 in
Tinley Park.

Proceeds from the Thursday games will
go to Shady Oaks Camp with a
guaranteed profit of \$1500.00!

The more players we have the better our
profit will be. Players can win seats to
the Fri., Sat. & Sun tournaments and a
chance to be on a televised event, as well
as valuable prizes.

Buy-ins from as low as \$10...all the way
up to a \$3,000 televise Sit N' Go, there is
a tournament tailor made just for you!

More information is available at
shadyoakscamp.org.



We will be starting a new fundraiser at the end of February that
will assist parents in raising funds for camp time. Shady Oaks
Camp will provide plastic donation boxes for parents to place at
businesses in their communities. These boxes are specifically for
parents to raise money for camp time.

Fifty percent of all donations collected will go directly to campers' accounts and the
other fifty percent raised will go towards operating camp. This fundraiser, if done
correctly can raise a lot of money for your child's camp time!

In order to receive the boxes parents must follow the guidelines listed below:

1. Because boxes are limited, parents must have location(s) secured **BEFORE** they receive their box. (Good locations include liquor stores, restaurants and grocery stores.)
2. Parents are responsible for checking boxes regularly and sending money to camp. If no money is raised during a one (1) month period from a location, the box(es) must be returned to camp.
3. Boxes are property of Shady Oaks Camp and must be returned to camp if the business no longer wants the box at their location or if the parent decides they would no longer like to participate in this particular fundraiser.
4. This fundraiser will be on going and boxes can be left in locations as long as the business allows.
5. Parents should create a flyer/story about their camper and why they are raising funds to place with the box. Shady Oaks Camp will have some informational flyers about camp for parents to place with their boxes if they do not wish to create their own flyer.



☞ Thank You ☜

We would like to thank again, the employees from the **Dominion Employee Giving Program** who have pledged donations for 2013: **Patrick Chmielewski, Frank Keske, David T. Loy, Gregory Ponto, Kim Vogelsanger** and **Joseph Wood**. Thank you guys again for supporting Shady Oaks Camp for another year!!!!

A HUGE thank you to **Kim LeClair** for designing our new Shady Oaks Camp website. There are a still a few details that need to be tweaked but the new site is up and looking awesome! When you get the chance be sure to check us out at www.shadyoakscamp.org Thanks Kim for all your hard work!



☞ Did you know... ☜

Did you know that building #1 was not built on camp property like most of our dorms? Back in 1973 Marilyn and Bob Harrington (two old time members) were sitting around the table one-morning drinking coffee and happened to see a column in the Chicago Tribune action news. The column was for a builder looking to donate a building to a worthwhile charity. The building was used as their office at a building site and after several charities contacted the builder, the decision was made to donate the building to the Parents Association and Shady Oaks Camp.

On September 29th, 1973 the building was cut into 3 pieces and brought out to camp and placed over a foundation that was built for this purpose. As it was being brought out to camp, local police had to shut down full stretches of road and highways in order for the building to make it to camp safely. After the building was placed at camp it was still in need of some major remodeling and repairs. A charity baseball game at Thillens Little League Stadium in Chicago was held between the Andy Frain Ushers and Usherettes and several local radio celebrities. This game raised \$30,715.57 and building #1 was able to be remodeled. Because of the generosity of the Andy Frain Corporation the building was dedicated and named The Frain Building in 1973.

Now, fast-forwarding 40 years, thanks to three very generous grants from The Baxter Trust and the J Edward Mahoney Foundation in 2010, 2011 and 2012 the Frain building has gone through its second major remodel. Because of the generosity of these foundations and the hard work of many volunteers the Frain building should be around for another 40 years!

The Frain Building has many functions at camp including the office, infirmary, medical office, and male staff house. It will also house our newly remodeled computer lab, thanks once again to the generosity of the J Edward Mahoney Foundation. It is the first building you see and a hub for all things camp! So now you know!

☯ Save the Date ☯

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 <i>1pm</i> Board Mtg at Shady Oaks Daylight Savings	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 St. Patrick's Day 	18	19	20 First Day of Spring	21	22	23
24  Easter 31	25	26	27	28	29	30

☯ 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
16300 Parker Rd
Homer Glen, IL 60491

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@writeme.com or (708) 301-0816.

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

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