



NOVEMBER 2025

SHADY OAKS CAMP

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

As we reflect on the year, we would like to express our sincere gratitude for being a vital part of our community.

Your support, engagement, and generosity make such an impact for our camp. It is no wonder we have been around since 1947. This long history of being part of a community has afforded us to make a real difference in the lives of our campers and their families.

Thank you for making our community vibrant and alive. We wish you a season filled with joy, peace, and precious moments with loved ones.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Board of Directors



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Thank you for your being part of our Shady Oaks Camp community since 1947!

Your Shady Oaks Seasonal Roundup



Shady Oaks Amazon Wishlist



Support camp with a simple click! Browse our Amazon Wishlist and help us stock up on much needed items.

Visit: <https://a.co/gL61YFa>

Shop & Give Back with iGive



Skip the crowds and shop online this holiday season! When you shop through iGive, over 1,000+ stores will donate a portion of your purchase to Shady Oaks. It is free and easy!

Visit: <https://bit.ly/igiveshadyoakscamp>

New P.O. Box!



Camp has a new PO Box Address. Please do not use the old Tinley park address anymore. You can continue to send mail to camp or use the new address listed below:

Shady Oaks Camp

P.O. Box 2097

Orland Park, Il. 60462-9800

Deck the Halls... at Camp! **HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

All current and former staff, campers, families, friends, and supporters are invited to join us for an afternoon of community, celebration, and a delicious potluck lunch! Once RSVPs are received, we'll follow up with a suggested item to bring. **Please RSVP to Scott Steele no later than January 3rd by sending an email to soc16300@sbcglobal.net.**

Date: Saturday, January 10, 2026

Time: 12:00-3:00 PM

***This gathering also serves as an All Parents Meeting and will be credited for those who attend.**

Shady Oaks Daily Pick 3 Raffle

During **February 2026**, play along with the Illinois Daily Game evening drawing. Whoever has that EXACT number is the winner for that day. The payout is \$100 per day and \$150 on Sundays. Not bad for a \$10 ticket!!

Also, if the same number is pulled during the month (and yes, it happens) you win again! You have to match the numbers in the exact order and not in reverse or any other combination. Example, if 258 is pulled, only 258 wins (not 285, 528, 852 etc.)

We will keep track of the drawing every day. One ticket gives you 28 chances to win!! 1000 tickets will be sold numbered 000-999. **Please contact Mary Pisano for tickets by sending an email at agnesmpisano@hotmail.com.**



Your Generosity and Time Makes a Difference...



THANK YOU

All donations go straight to what matters most: giving our campers unforgettable summers and sustaining the day-to-day operations of Shady Oaks Camp.

All Saints Lutheran Church
Cathleen Adams
Sheila Grant
Debra Grimsey-Bohi
Silvia Sanchez

Inspired to Volunteer?
Have ideas that can help our Camp
Community?
Send an email to
info.shadyoakscamp@gmail.com or
call Scott at 708-932-3776 !

THE GIFT OF TIME: BIG HEARTS, BIGGER IMPACT!

Sam Scapaletto & Maven Pavement Solutions
We deeply appreciate **Sam Scapaletto and the Maven Pavement Solutions crew** for their hard work and generosity. Their **replacement of the blacktop walkway with new concrete** greatly enhances camper safety, especially when storms require shelter inside Ford Hall.



Camp Super Volunteer: Tom Selcke
A special shoutout to our incredible volunteer, **Tom Selcke**, for his generous support, it arrived right when we needed it most.



Camp Manistee Girl Scout Reunion Group
We are grateful to the **Camp Manistee Girl Scout Reunion Group** for their meaningful contributions. We hope your weekend reunion was filled with wonderful memories!



Parkview Christian Church Cleanup Crew
We also appreciate Parkview Christian Church for returning to help with much needed fall cleanup. Your continued partnership means so much!



Tree & Branch Cleanup Team
Hats off to **Jason Galus, Chris Risum, Austin Haslinger, Matas Avizonis, Ron Kmak, and Bob Szajkovics** for tackling major tree work on our grounds. Your strength and teamwork were outstanding!



Tristan's Eagle Scout Project
Our thanks go to **Tristan** and his supporters for creating a new accessible garden through his **Eagle Scout project**. Campers will enjoy fresh vegetables next summer because of your dedication!



RCH Roofing Construction Co. & Richards Building Supply
Immense gratitude to **RCH Roofing Construction Company and Richards Building Supply** for providing a **BRAND NEW roof on Dorm 4**. We would also like to thank **Tri-State Disposal** for generously donating a dumpster for the project. Your generosity ensures our campers have a safer, stronger space to call home during the season.



Our Community in Action: The Magic of Volunteers!



Our busy bees have been hard at work, giving their time and energy to make camp an even better place for everyone!



THANK YOU!



NOT ALL
HEROES
WEAR
CAPES

FROM ALL OF US
AT CAMP, TO
YOUR LOVED ONES
WHO HAVE
SERVED, WE
HONOR YOU WITH
GRATITUDE THIS:

Veteran's Day



The camp community was saddened to learn of the passing of former camper Mike Graver. We recognize the long-standing commitment of his parents, Harry and Virginia Graver, and offer our sincerest condolences to Mike's family and friends.



To our valued staff member, Alfonso Perez Molina, we extend our deepest sympathies on the loss of his brother, Carlos Perez Molina. The entire camp community holds Alfonso and his family in our thoughts of peace during this difficult time.

IN MEMORIAM
Las familias Pérez Molina y Zermelo Galindo participan con profundo dolor, el fallecimiento en San Antonio, Texas de



Carlos Pérez Molina
+11/04/1950 - *24/10/2025
Agradecemos infinitamente todas las muestras de cariño y les pedimos puedan acompañarnos a la misa de urna funeraria presente en su amorosa memoria

el día miércoles 05 de noviembre del presente, a la 1:00 P.M. en la Parroquia de San Francisco en Uruapan, Mich





GIVING TUESDAY

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2ND

Join us for a global day of giving to support Shady Oaks Camp for People with Disabilities. This year, we are working to raise \$20,000 to support our campers and our 1:1 staff-to-camper care. As a private nonprofit WITHOUT state or federal funding, nearly all of our \$600,000 annual operating budget comes from donations and family-led fundraising. Your support makes camp possible for 60+ campers each summer, year after year, decade after decade! As we enter our 79th anniversary in 2026, we are proud to announce that the milestone is only possible because of supporters like YOU. We hope you will be part of this year's Giving Tuesday efforts.

How to Give:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/campforpeoplewithdisabilities/>
- Zelle: 464-243-6242
- PayPal: <https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/9RPNKFUEPUJ3E>
- Website: <https://www.shadyoakscamp.org/donate/>



Zelle



You can also follow us on Facebook and share our mission with others to help spread the word.

All donations are tax deductible (36-2182090).



SHADY OAKS CAMP CORDIALLY INVITES THE COMMUNITY
TO OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISER:

ANYTHING'S PASTABLE

Dinner Party



FOOD.DRINKS.FRIENDS.

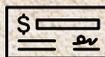
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2025

5:30 - 8:30 P.M.

DINNER SERVED UNTIL 7:30 P.M.

- COST: \$25/PER PERSON
- DINNER INCLUDES: SALAD, BREAD, 2 TYPES OF PASTA, MEATBALLS, SOFT DRINKS. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES NOT INCLUDED.
- PURCHASE TICKETS BEFORE 11/17/25 WITH CASH, CHECK OR ZELLE TO 464.243.6242

TAZZA ITALIAN RISTORANTE
14065 S. BELL RD.
HOMER GLEN, IL 60491



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FOR MORE INFORMATION,
CONTACT: JANET DOUGLAS AT
708.873.0768 OR
MOMANDDAD28@HOTMAIL.COM



ARE YOU INSPIRED TO HELP OR DONATE?

We have exciting news! You can now donate via Zelle! Send your donation to: 464.243.6242

Or scan the QR Code to learn more about ways to make a financial contribution or contact us today!

DONATE ❤️

Shady Oaks Camp is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Shady Oaks Camp is not affiliated with any religion or national organization. Shady Oaks Camp's Federal Tax ID Number is 36-2182090.



THANK YOU 😊

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REMINDER

A reminder that 2025–2026 Camp Dues are now payable.

- ✓ Early-bird rate: \$50, if paid by December 31, 2025.
- ✓ Standard rate: \$100, for dues paid on or after January 1, 2026.

Please note that all current and prospective Board of Directors members must be current with their dues. Membership in good standing is required to hold a seat on the Board and for your loved one to attend camp.

Please mail your dues to:
Shady Oaks Camp
16300 S. Parker Rd.
Homer Glen, IL 60491



BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MONTHLY MEETINGS

TUESDAY, NOV 11, 2025 AT 6:00 P.M.