



JANUARY 2026

SHADY OAKS CAMP

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

*New Year...
Same Camp
Spirit!*

2026



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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!

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.**





GIVING TUESDAY

2025 RESULTS ARE IN!

Our Giving Tuesday campaign on December 2nd was a tremendous success, raising over \$5,000 in support of Shady Oaks Camp. We rely on the generosity of our community to continue providing meaningful, inclusive experiences for our campers throughout the year.

Special recognition goes to Camp Director Karen Keller Horning, whose Giving Tuesday videos beautifully captured camp life and highlighted 79 years of Shady Oaks' impact!

There are many ways to continue supporting Shady Oaks year-round. Every gift, big or small, helps sustain our mission and the campers we serve.

WAYS 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).



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.

GIVING TUESDAY DONATIONS

Lois Bentley

Nancy Bongiorno

Charlene Brozas

Julie Burroughs

Dunne

Marlo Cohen

Lynn Dennis

Julie Donahue

Cyndi Drew

David Easter

Ben Ficke

Jack Gaworski

Tracy Gehrke

Lisa Gename

Lisa Gilmore

Gemma Gray McGrath

Karen Horning

Greg Keller

Heidi Lange

Diane Lichner

Lori McAleavy

Alan Meekma

Sheila Newcomb

Colleen Nowak

Rob Piotrowski

Mary Pisano

Terrence Pisano

Melissa Pryor

Shane Ramsey

Lisa Schott

Gemma Smith

Vivien Smith

Jeffery Stevens

Candice Viverito

Vanessa Zahora

Zezulka Family

DECEMBER SUPPORTERS BEYOND GIVING TUESDAY

David Easter

Masterson Family

William Moreland

Greg Schilling

Kandy Waldie

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 !

**WISH YOU
ALL THE BEST**

**16TH ANNUAL
SHADY OAKS CAMP
DINNER DANCE FUNDRAISER!**

**Bringing the
Magic of
Broadway to
Homer Glen!**

**Dinolfo's Banquets
14447 W. 159th Street, Homer Glen, IL**

**Doors open at 6 p.m.
Preview Silent Auction Items & Raffle Baskets**

**6 - 7:00 p.m. | 7:00 p.m.
Open Bar | Family Style Dinner**

**Tickets are \$85/person
To purchase tickets, contact Sallie at
708-404-1172 or sallie.hoekstra@yahoo.com**



FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2026

**Family-Style
Dinner**

Music & Dancing

Games

**Raffles/
Silent Auction**

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT SHADY OAKS CAMP.

**SHADY OAKS CAMP IS A NON-PROFIT, 501(C)(3) SUMMER CAMP FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.
FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT WWW.SHADYOAKSCAMP.ORG OR SCAN THE QR CODE.**



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DINNER**

**DINOLFO'S
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HOMER GLEN, IL**

FREE PARKING!

YOU COULD WIN:

1ST PLACE - \$2,500

2ND PLACE - \$1,000

3RD PLACE - \$500

1 RAFFLE TICKET - \$10

3 RAFFLE TICKETS - \$25



To purchase tickets call Mary Pisano at
708.912 1341 or send an email to:
agnesmpisano@hotmail.com



All proceeds benefit Shady Oaks Camp. Shady Oaks Camp is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) summer camp for individuals with disabilities. For more information, visit www.shadyoakscamp.org or scan the QR code.



Tentative 2026 Camp Dates

Session I: June 15-June 26

Session II: June 29-July 10

Session III: July 13-July 24

Session IV: July 27-August 7

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.



**ALL MEMBER MEETING
DURING SOC'S HOLIDAY PARTY
SATURDAY, JANUARY 10 | 12 - 3 P.M.**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13 | 5:30 P.M.
(VIRTUAL DURING WINTER MONTHS)**

OVERDUE

2025-2026 Camp Dues are now payable.

**\$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.



**THANK
YOU**
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