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SUMMER 2017



Mark Your Calendars for Alumni Reunion Day 2017

We hope you'll attend Alumni Day for an afternoon of fellowship and fun. Join us on **June 17th** from 3-8 pm and rekindle the *fires of friendship*. Whether you'd like to see if you "still have it" on the archery and trap ranges, or you simply want to hike the grounds and relive the good memories, you are welcome on the mountain.



At 5pm we will host a special dedication ceremony to celebrate the completion of renovations to our pool. The day will conclude with dinner at the dining hall, a brief chapel ceremony, and a campfire at the Council Ring. Please contact Camp to RSVP with Michele at *mreinert@smymca.org* or by calling *610-670-2267*.

Save the Date for the 20th Annual SMYMCA Golf Classic

The 20th Annual SMYMCA Golf Classic presented by Good Life Financial Advisors will be held on Monday September 18th at Galen Hall. For their registration fee golfers receive a lunch buffet, 18 holes of golf with a cart, and a raw bar & steak dinner at Camp. Non-golfers are welcomed to purchase a ticket and attend the raw bar and dinner.

Proceeds benefit the South Mountain YMCA Camps' Annual Campaign Reach Out For Youth (ROFY). ROFY provides scholarships for deserving children to attend summer camp and outdoor education programs. Have fun for a great cause! Attend our 20th Annual Golf Classic at Galen Hall on Monday September 18th. Don't delay, register today.

Sponsorships are still available, contact

Michele Reinert,
Director of Development,
at **610-670-2267** or **mreinert@smymca.org**for additional
information.



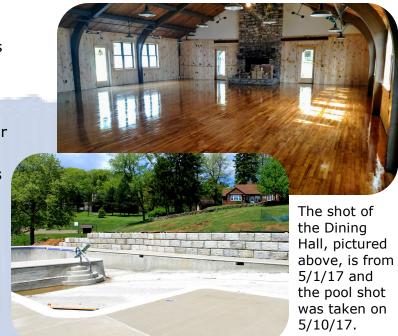
Greetings from our CEO, Nathan Brant

Greetings From the Mountain!

We are gearing up for the summer and are so excited to share our first wave of improvements with our campers and their families. Dining Hall renovations are nearly complete. This summer we open our new kitchen and invite our visitors into an air conditioned hall on those hot summer days. At the new pool, featuring a zero-entry design, our campers will encounter old favorites like our slide and climbing wall, and will have new opportunities for summer fun on our diving board or playing in our spray features.

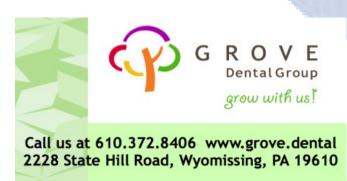
I hope each of our alumni will visit us on 6/17/17 for our Alumni Homecoming event. We can't wait to show you the progress on the mountain.

Keep the Fires Burning!



Save the Date for our First Annual Camper Parent Gala!!!

Mark your calendars, on Saturday August 5th, South Mountain YMCA Camps will host our first Camper Parent Gala. We hope you can join us for a night of food, fellowship and fun. The evening will include a silent and live auction and dinner. A number of the auction items will have a special twist courtesy of our summer campers!!! This is an event that you do not want to miss. All proceeds will benefit our annual Reach Out For Youth Campaign providing camper scholarships to children, families and schools that otherwise would not be able to experience camp and all that it has to offer. Keep an eye out for additional details and an invitation to follow.



South Mountain YMCA Camps Wish List

Do you have any of these items that are no longer of use to you, or that you would like to purchase for Camp? Call the Camp Office (610-670-2267) about tax deductible donations to your favorite YMCA Camp!

- Pick Up Truck
- Cargo Van
- 2 Golf Carts
- 2 Utility Carts
- Arts and Craft Supplies
- New or Gently Used Costumes
- Soccer Balls and Basketballs
- New Canoes

Labor Day Family Camp September 1st — 4th

Start a new family tradition and join us for Family Camp on Labor Day Weekend. Bring the whole family for a fun, relaxing weekend on the mountain! Develop strong family bonds during this special time away from the hustle and bustle of the everyday world as you enjoy a camp experience everyone will remember all year long. Let us do all the cooking and cleaning while you enjoy quality time with your kids. "Camptivities" are scheduled throughout the day so that your family members can participate as much, or as little, as they like. There are plenty of things to do for both the young and young-at-heart. Evenings are filled with themed all-camp programs. Past family camps have included hiking, field games, challenge course, archery, climbing tower, live reptiles, outdoor skills, arts & crafts, a square dance, a luau...and that's just the beginning!

Fees include beautiful surroundings, friendly staff, hearty meals, opportunities to make new friends, and create family memories that will last a lifetime. Come stay in one of our beautiful cabins for a memorable weekend on the mountain.

Many of our families have been making this a family tradition for decades. Start your new family tradition this year with Labor Day Family Camp.

For additional information, or to register, contact Greg McCrohan, Outdoor Center Director, at **610-670-2267** or via email at **gmccrohan@smymca.org.**



First Annual Military Benefit Ride

On Sunday May 14th South Mountain YMCA Camps partnered with Raymour & Flanigan to host our first Motorcycle Benefit Ride for military kids and their families.

Registration took place at Raymour & Flanigan on Snyder Road in Reading and the riders enjoyed a 45 minute ride via a scenic route to the South Mountain YMCA Camps. All riders received a kickstand pad courtesy of Classic Harley Davidson and a tote bag and refreshments provided by Raymour & Flanigan.

The ride was promoted and led by the Outsiders MC club. We appreciate their guidance and generous contribution. Upon arrival at camp all riders enjoyed a buffet style lunch courtesy of The Smoke Haus and enjoyed the musical entertainment of the incredible TJ Bebb!!





We were able to raise over \$2,500. All proceeds from the event benefit the South Mountain YMCA Camps military family fund providing camper scholarships to families from all branches of the military, including the reserves. These camper scholarships are used to provide a week of overnight resident camp to children ages 7-15, a week of day camp for children ages 6-14, or a family camp weekend to a deserving military family.



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June 17	Alumni Day
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August 5 Camper Parent Gala
August 25 Guided Night Hike
August 30 Home School Big Day Out

September 1 Guided Night Hike

September 1 Labor Day Family Camp begins
September 4 Labor Day Family Camp ends
September 13 Home School Big Day Out

September 15 **Guided Night Hike**

September 18 **20th Annual Golf Classic**September 23 **Volunteer Work Day**

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We love to hear what's going on with alumni, campers, staff and friends of camp. We want to share your graduations, weddings, and birth announcements. We continue to appreciate your support and input.

Send any information or story ideas to:

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