### THE SOUTH MOUNTAIN YMCA CAMPS

# **ARROWHEAD**

■ Summer 2013 ■







# REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP TODAY!!!

Bynden Wood Day Camp is limited to 96 children per week this year, but there are still a few spots available each session. In Camp Conrad Weiser, there are still a few beds available in all sessions this summer. Call today to reserve your space 610 -670 –2267!

Bynden Wood Day Camp starts at \$165 per week & Camp Conrad Weiser starts at \$485 per week.

### **SUMMER FUN RAFFLE**

Tickets are now available for this year's Summer Fun Raffle. First place prize is a choice of a Two-Week Session of YMCA Camp Conrad Weiser or a Mountain Bike courtesy of The Crank; second place prize is the choice of a Family Camp Weekend for four or a kayak from Perception Kayaks; third place prize is the choice of a One-Week Session of Bynden Wood Day Camp or a two-person tent from Cabela's.

The proceeds of this year's raffle will help send deserving children to Camp Conrad Weiser. Tickets are \$10 and the drawing will be held August 16, 2013 at 5:30 PM. Contact the camp office to purchase your tickets (610-670-2267).

# 2013 REACH OUT FOR YOUTH CAMPAIGN

What makes our South Mountain YMCA Camps unique? Is it the programs we offer or the location we boast? Absolutely not. What makes us unique is that every child can enjoy our camps regardless of a family's ability to pay our fees.

Since their inception, Camp Conrad Weiser and Bynden Wood have provided high quality programs and facilities that can compete with any private camp in the country. Our promise to provide day and resident camp programs for all children in our community has defined us. This year the need is greater than ever, and we hope you will find it in your heart to make a donation to our *Reach Out For Youth Campaign*. Please help us reach our goal of raising \$141,700 to provide camperships to deserving children and youth groups. In addition to providing summer camp scholarships, this campaign helps keep our Outdoor Education programs affordable for schools. *Please use the enclosed envelope to help us continue our mission of changing lives one camper at a time*. We thank you in advance for your generosity.



In 2012 South Mountain YMCA Camps was able to provide over \$127,000 in camp scholarships. This included 215 overnight campers, 39 day campers and 8 outdoor education groups.

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#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

June 1	International Celebration & Dinner
July 27	Alumni Day/Anniversary Celebration
	(65th for CCW & 30th for SMYMCA)
August 23	Parent/Child Equestrian Weekend begins
August 30	Labor Day Family Camp begins
September 15	<b>Cushion Peak Trail Challenge</b>
September 23	16th Annual Golf Classic
September 27	Women's Wellness Weekend begins
October 20	First Responder Family Fun Day
October 25	Fall Harvest Family Camp begins
October 27	Fall Festival at South Mountain YMCA

Join us in celebrating 65 years of Camp Conrad Weiser and 30 years of South Mountain YMCA Camps!!!

Camp Conrad Weiser Registering Now Bynden Wood Day Camp Registering Now Summer Riding Lessons Registering Now THE ARROWHEAD is a publication of the South Mountain YMCA Camps.



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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Email: <u>yeamps@smymca.org</u>

Please take a moment to register on our alumni page.

Visit us on the web at www.smymca.org



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### 16TH ANNUAL SMYMCA GOLF CLASSIC

The 16th Annual Golf Classic will be held on September 23rd 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, riding lessons, and outdoor education programs.

*Have fun for a great cause*! Attend our 16th Annual Golf Classic at Galen Hall on September 23rd. Contact

Michele M. Reinert, Director of Development at

**610-670-2267** for additional information and to register.

Tickets for Golfers: \$150 Dinner-only Tickets: \$35



### REGISTER NOW FOR RIDING LESSONS AT DUBERSTEIN EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from June 11 through August 15 At 5:30PM and 7:00PM

Private (\$35), and group lessons with 3 or more riders (\$25) are available for beginner, intermediate and advanced riders. Ages 7 to adult. Please contact Sue Williams at <a href="mailto:swilliams@smymca.org">swilliams@smymca.org</a> to register early for Summer Riding Lessons.

# PARENT/CHILD EQUESTRIAN EXPERIENCE

**Friday, August 23 through Sunday, August 25** Come be a 'barn bum' for a weekend and enjoy lessons, a trail ride, mounted games, grooming, feeding, arts and crafts and more... Open to parents and children of all riding levels. Riders must be at least 8 years of age.

Cost: \$175 per person (includes 2 nights lodging, Saturday breakfast through Sunday lunch).

# JOIN US IN CELEBRATING 65 YEARS OF CAMP CONRAD WEISER AND 30 YEARS OF SOUTH MOUNTAIN YMCA

For 65 years, we have welcomed you to the mountain. We've invited you to share in our *Fire of Friendship*, determined in our belief that every person shares the potential to grow in wisdom, to discover their unique and independent voice, to nurture others and to engage their communities. The fun and challenging programs we have offered have fostered communication, trust, problem-solving and deeper spiritual connections, while preparing young people to lead and be led. The South Mountain YMCA Camps have been more than a series of camping and retreat programs on the mountaintop, they have been a way of life – a philosophy – that has proved exciting to explore and easy to embrace for generations. This summer, we hope you continue to *Keep the Fires Burning* and join us on the mountaintop for Alumni Day on July 27th!

In the summer of 2013, we'll be celebrating the 65<sup>th</sup> year of continuous operation for YMCA Camp Conrad Weiser, as well as the 30<sup>th</sup> year the South Mountain YMCA has operated as an independent YMCA Camp and Conference Center. In addition to being a great opportunity to reconnect with your camp family, it's also a great time to remember our founders and those individuals who have built this camp through their time, talents and treasure.

We hope to see you back on the mountain this year!



Nathan Brant, CEO South Mountain YMCA Camps



To get involved with the **Alumni Day Planning Committee**, contact Nathan Brant at 610-670-2267.

# ICEP (INTERNATIONAL CAMPER EXCHANGE PROGRAM):

The 2013 ICEP program in Spain will be held from June 27th – July 19th, for campers ages 12 - 16. For additional information please call camp at 610-670-2267.

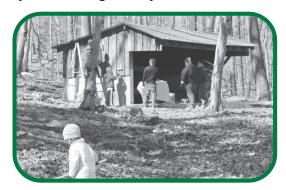
We are hosting campers from both Spain and Germany this summer. Campers will spend two weeks at Camp Conrad Weiser, one week visiting NYC, Philadelphia and Washington D.C. and one week with a local family. German campers will need home-stays the week of July 14th - 20th and the Spanish campers from July 20th - 26th. If you are interested in hosting an international camper please contact Sue Williams, Associate Executive Director, at 610-670-2267 or by email at swilliams@smymca.org.

#### **CARPENTER CARES DAY**

On Saturday, April 6th, SMYMCA Camps was pleased to welcome over 25 Carpenter employees and their family members to the mountain for a volunteer clean up day.

Carpenter volunteers and SMYMCA staff spent the day in Rover's Village which has not been used for over a decade. Together we were able to clear debris, move downed trees, improve the campground, clean out cabins and paint shelters.

A big thank you to our friends at Carpenter for helping to prepare Rover's Village for day and overnight campers.



## SOUTH MOUNTAIN YMCA WISH LIST

Do you have any of these items that are no longer of use to you? Call the camp office about tax-deductible donations to the YMCA!

- 1. Two Golf Carts
- 2. 3/4 ton, 4x4 pick-up truck for program and maintenance
- 3. 2 person or 4 person tents (in good condition)
- 4. 25 hp boat motor for rescue boat
- 5. Costumes (child and adult)
- 6. 7 Passenger Mini-Van or 12 passenger mini-bus
- 7. Computers for Digital Photography and Newspaper programs
- 8. Tennis Balls
- 9. Filing Cabinets