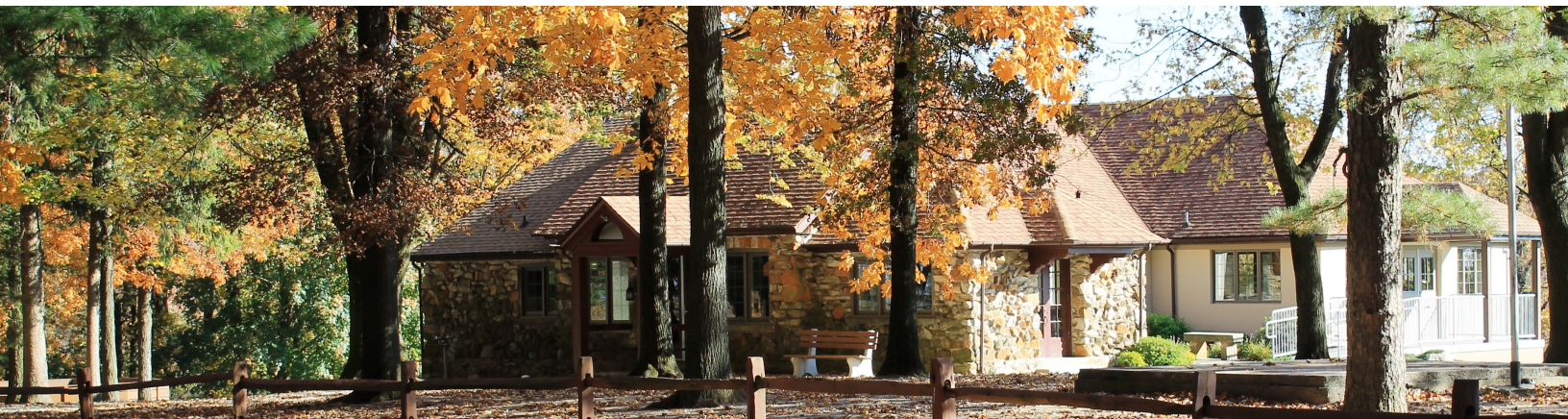




THE SOUTH MOUNTAIN YMCA CAMPS ARROWHEAD

FALL 2016



The Mountain By Moonlight!

October 14, 15, 21 & 22 6-9 pm

We are excited to announce ***Mountain By Moonlight***, our family-friendly haunted hayride and Halloween event designed for pre-K, elementary, middle-school students and their families.

Our featured event, the ***Haunted Hayride***, is a 25-30 minute ride through the wooded Cameron Estate braving an over-run prison, psychiatric hospital, zombies and a family of Sasquatch. For those less daring, we also offer a non-haunted hayride to Cushion Peak.

Join us for a spook-tacular time on the mountain! This community event includes:

- Haunt-Free Hayrides
- Haunted Hayrides
- Carnival Games
- Glow-Zorbing
- Glow Stick Zip-Lining
- And Much More!

Gates open at 5:30pm and close at 9pm. Activities begin at 6pm and will run until 10pm. Parking is FREE. Refreshments will be available at our concession stand, and prizes are awarded at our ticket booth. Tickets for activities are \$1 each, 12 for \$10 and 25 for \$20. Visitors can purchase them at the gate, or in advance from the Camp Office. For more information, call **610-670-2267** or check out ***The Mountain By Moonlight*** event page on Facebook.

To volunteer for this event, contact **Michele Reinert** at **610-670-2267** or **mreinert@smymca.org**.

2016 Fall Festival

Join us on **October 30 from 2-4pm** for a South Mountain YMCA Camps' Autumn tradition: our **FREE FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL!**

Experience the *magic of our mountain!* Bring your family and we'll provide the fun. Climb the tower, shoot an arrow, roast a marshmallow, ride in the wagon and more! ***This event is FREE and open to the public and runs RAIN or SHINE!***

We are pleased to announce and welcome our newest Community Corporate Partner, Grove Dental Group.



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September 19	19th Annual Golf Classic
September 21	Home Schoolers Big Day Out
September 23	Guided Night Hike
September 25	Adventure Daze Climbing Tower & Zipline
September 30	Parents' Night Out, Kids at Camp
September 30	Women's Wellness Weekend begins
October 2	Women's Wellness Weekend ends
October 2	Adventure Daze Archery
October 7	Guided Night Hike
October 14 & 15	The Mountain by Moonlight
October 21 & 22	The Mountain by Moonlight
October 21	Fall Family Camp begins
October 23	Fall Family Camp ends
October 23	Adventure Daze Climbing Tower & Zipline
October 26	Home Schoolers Big Day Out
October 28	Parents' Night Out, Kids at Camp
October 30	Fall Festival

Visit us online at smymca.org

The Arrowhead

is a publication of the
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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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Many Thanks to the *Rentokil* Volunteer Group

We'd like to give a great big camp shout-out to the team of volunteers from Rentokil that braved the heat, humidity and thunderstorms to make new picnic tables and benches for our many programming areas.

On behalf of our campers, staff and Board of Directors thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedules and braving the elements to spend an afternoon volunteering on the Mountain.



Left to Right Top Row: Wade Whitman, Judy Black, Terri Duca, Susan Stubbs standing Larry Walker, Dave Fisher-
Sitting left to right: Paul Essek, Ed Swanson

If you have a group of people that want to make a difference, have we got the right opportunity for you!!! Working with our Volunteer Coordinator and Facilities Director we'll determine a list of projects that best meet the interests of your volunteer group while at the same time helping us to maintain and improve our camp facilities.

Please contact **Michele Reinert, Director of Development**, at **610-670-2267** or **mreinert@smymca.org**. Each volunteer applicant will need to fill out an application/background check. Applications are available at the camp office.

Women's Wellness Weekend Sept. 30 — Oct. 2

Wishing for some downtime and chance to recharge? Treat yourself to a weekend on the mountain for all women ages 18 and better. Enjoy wellness workshops and speakers intermixed with fun and exciting camp activities. Check-in on Friday night, get settled with friends in our beautiful log cabins, and join us for Dinner in our Dining Hall on Friday night. We'll wrap up our first night with a campfire and some entertainment and launch into an entire weekend of keynote speakers and workshops designed just for you! We take care of everything so you can enjoy a weekend playing, laughing and learning with both old and new friends.

Date: September 30—October 2, 2016.

Arrival is between 4—6pm on Friday and departure is on Sunday at 1:00PM.

Lodging: Guests stay in modern log cabins that can accommodate up to 14 people. Cabins are adjacent to centralized shower houses.

Meals: Our culinary staff will prepare nutritious meals for your stay. Coffee/Tea, beverages and snacks are available all weekend. We can accommodate special dietary needs.

Cost: \$160/person for full weekend or \$85 for Saturday only. Bring your friends! If you register with five friends (for a party of 6) you will receive \$25 off per person. Massage will be available at an additional fee paid to the Masseuse (Rates to be determined). Financial Assistance is available. For additional information or to register call Camp at **610-670-2267**.



Workshop Topics and Activities May Include:

Chair Massage, Meditation, Yoga, Reiki, Dance, Tai-Chi, Zumba, Reflexology, Genealogy, Crafts, Drumming, Basket Weaving, Jewelry Making, Naturopathy, Cooking, Nutrition, Aromatherapy, Women's Health, Work and Life Balance, Personal Finance, Stress Management, Climbing Tower, Zip Line, Archery, & Campfires.

Register Today for Fall Family Camp

Friday October 21 — Sunday October 23

Let us do all the cooking & cleaning while you explore, learn & have outdoor fun with your family during a beautiful and relaxing fall weekend. We offer a wide variety of activities for all ages run by trained, adult staff. Programs may include: fishing, sports, climbing, boating, nature walks, crafts, dances, carnivals, archery, campfires, and more!

\$110 for each adult (12+), \$100 for each child (ages 4-11), with children 3 and under free. In addition, there is a \$60 cabin fee which will reserve an entire cabin for your group of 4 or more. If your party is below 4, or you choose to waive this fee, you will be placed in a cabin with another family. These fees cover 2 nights lodging, meals and staff led activities. Participants stay in our beautiful log cabins that sleep up to 14 people. We have 4 Villages with 6 cabins per Village, as well as clean, modern bathhouses! Enjoy delicious meals prepared by our culinary staff in our historic dining hall.

Check in between 6-8pm on Friday.
Check out is after lunch on Sunday.

For additional information or to register please contact **Amanda Griffith**, Youth and Family Director, at **610-670-2267** or via email at **agriffith@smymca.org**.



In Loving Memory of Emily West Platt

Emily, a Camp Conrad Weiser Alum, was a lifelong educator, most recently teaching Visual Arts at Littleton High School for the past 14 years. She served as an inspiration and mentor to all throughout her career, including being named the 1995 Connecticut State Teacher of the Year.

Emily is survived by her husband of 31 years, Michael Platt. In addition, she is survived by sons Ryan and Don Pentz of Lancaster, PA; grandchildren Marcus, Kayla and Manny Pentz; brother Don West and his wife Cindy May of Westminster, MD and their children Justin, Derek and Danielle May-West. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother Ivan.

Emily lived life with a rare passion and brought unconditional generosity, respect, love, empowerment, and support to all who knew her. This spirit lives on in a generation of students from Littleton High School. She embraced the creative and not so creative, the calm and the crazy, the doers and the dreamers, the shy and the strong, the careful and the care-free, and the class that had a bad name. She embraced it all with a smile.

"Help others! Make this your every day habit - no matter what it is (big or small). Don't do it because you want acknowledgement, but because it's the right thing to do. This will make me happy and proud! Be kind and tolerant of everyone! You never know what someone is going through or how they're feeling or why. Don't judge - show kindness and compassion. This will also make me happy and proud! Do this often enough and long enough to make it part of who you are." - Emily West Platt



Michael & Emily Platt