



THE SOUTH MOUNTAIN YMCA CAMPS ARROWHEAD

Winter 2017



2017 On-Line Holiday Auction

With the holiday season quickly approaching we have the perfect opportunity for you to do some shopping and support a great cause—all at the same time. From November 13th through December 17th SMYMCA Camps will be hosting our annual **On-Line Holiday Auction**.

There are a variety of items and packages to choose from ensuring that you can find something for everyone on your holiday list. A majority of the items donated were provided by local businesses and vendors.

All proceeds from the On-Line Holiday Auction will support our annual Reach Out for Youth Campaign and Military Family Fund providing camper scholarships for deserving children. Start bidding today, check out all the items at: <https://www.charityauctionstoday.com/auctions/2017-smymca-on-line-holiday-auction-3278>



2017 SMYMCA Holiday Social

You are cordially invited to join us on Thursday, **December 7th** at **6pm** at the **Canal Street Pub** for our association's Holiday Social. The program will include a greeting from our Board President, Adrian Grieve, as well as recognizing **Reverend Thomas Reinsel** with a presentation of our 2017 **Harold L. Schappell Lifetime Achievement Award**.

The Holiday Social is an excellent opportunity to catch up with camp family and friends. Board Members, Alumni and Friends of camp are encouraged to attend and bring a guest, the cost is \$20.00 per person. We hope that you are able to join us for fellowship, food and a look forward to 2018. Please RSVP to **Michele Reinert** by **December 1st** at **610-670-2267** or at mreinert@smymca.org.



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Mark Your Calendar!



November 1	Early Bird Registration begins
November 13	On-Line Holiday Auction begins
November 17	Guided Night Hike
December 7	SMYMCA Holiday Social
December 17	On-Line Holiday Auction ends
December 31	New Year's Eve Lock In

[Visit us online at smymca.org](http://smymca.org)

Shop For Camp!

**Please think of South Mountain YMCA Camps when
you shop on Amazon. Go to
<http://smile.amazon.com>.**

**When asked to select the charity you want to support
select *South Mountain YMCA*.**

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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
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Capital Campaign Progress Report

We hope you've had the opportunity to visit Camp this year. So much has changed as we've tackled several large construction projects, but we hope it still feels like home when you visit.

While the new pool was open for the first day of Bynden Wood Day Camp, work continued on the pool straight through the fall. The filter work was completed, the pool basin plastered, and the pool deck concrete was poured by June 1st. Temporary shade structures were erected on the sun deck, now named **Kula Korner**, during the first week of summer camp. The installation of the retention wall (seen in the background of the top-most pool picture), was completed in early July. Soon after, the new fence installation was wrapped up. New lighting for night swims was completed in late July, and the final **Aqua Bright** coating was applied to the pool basin in early October after we had closed the pool for the year.



Anyone who visited us over the summer knows the Dining Hall was the greater of the two construction challenges. While we had the hall itself open for the first day of Camp Conrad Weiser, the project was months behind schedule and the kitchen did not open until mid-July. Our Dining Services team worked out of a kitchen trailer unit for almost 5 weeks this past summer and were thrilled to finally get back in their kitchen space. Many thanks to both the Facilities and Dining Services teams for their hard work and sacrifice. In addition to the kitchen and dining hall renovations, we opened the **Pantano Patio** this summer. This outdoor dining and program space was used extensively this year.

As we wrap-up Phase 1 projects on the Dining Hall, we are looking forward to Phase 2 (new addition with bathrooms), **and we need your help!** If you are able to make a donation, or would simply like more information, contact **Michele Reinert** at **610-670-2267** or **mreinert@smymca.org**.

Tis' the Season!

The South Mountain YMCA Camps 2017 Year-End Appeal

During this time of year most of us begin to think about family gatherings and holiday parties with friends, we look forward to a new year filled with new opportunities. While we reflect on the passing year and the blessings that we are thankful for, it's also a time that we think about those that are less fortunate.

A YMCA camp experience can have a profound, positive and lasting impact on campers, unfortunately not every family can afford to send their children to camp. Since its founding, South Mountain YMCA Camps has provided an environment where youth can develop the important values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

Today, more than ever, kids need the opportunities for growth offered at camp and your contribution makes this happen! Your gift will be used to provide support for children whose families could not otherwise afford to send them to camp. ***Please consider SMYMCA in your year-end giving. Your contribution will make a difference in the life of a child!***



Give Your Child The World International Camper Exchange Program: Germany 2018!



In 2018, SMYMCA will continue an over 65-year tradition of international camper exchanges with a four week excursion to our partner YMCA in Hannover, Germany. International Camper Exchange Program (ICEP) campers will travel, under the capable supervision of a South Mountain YMCA leader, and will participate in a two week International Summer Camp at beautiful YMCA Camp Abbensen for fellowship, activities and international understanding. A one week homestay with a screened and approved YMCA family, as well as a one week tour of Germany.

This program is limited to 12 campers ages 13—15. An application and interview are required. To apply please contact **Cory Evans, Camp Conrad Weiser Director**, at **610-670-2267** for additional information.

