

SMCA



**BECOME A
MEMBER OF**



**THE SOUTHERN
MENNONITE
CAMP
ASSOCIATION**

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Why Should I Become a Member?

You are a partner in a service organization whose purpose is to provide a unique ministry "...an extension of congregational life". Your real benefit is knowing that you are a partner in a ministry that provides the opportunity for people to "come with Me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest" - Jesus (Mark 6:31). Sharing God's love through service by providing an environment to experience Jesus Christ is what Lakewood Retreat is all about.

The Board does determine, from time to time, certain privileges members do enjoy. Attending the annual SMCA weekend event on a donation basis is a time for fellowship and keeping up with what's happening in Lakewood's ministry.

*Come and see
what God is doing at Lakewood.*

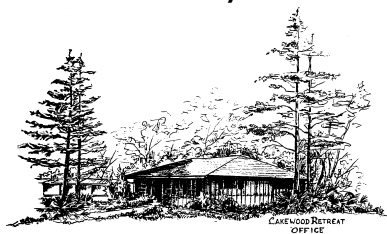


Southern Mennonite Camp Association's Story

The SMCA began February 3, 1965, with the signing of the Articles of Incorporation. Since that time the reality of the vision for Lakewood Retreat has blessed the lives of hundreds.

There were 14 members by the end of the first year. That number has grown to include membership from Mennonites and friends in Florida and from other states.

Lakewood Retreat has developed into the retreat and conference center it currently is by the efforts of its membership to maintain, expand, and promote the facility.



What Does Membership Mean?

A commitment to the development and ministry of Lakewood Retreat.

Financial assistance for capital expenditures and debt retirement.

Sharing of time and skills.

Sharing the good story of the ministry with others; recruiting new members, staff personnel, and campers.

Supporting and utilizing the facilities.

A sense of responsibility for its success.

Providing moral and prayer support.

How Do I Become A Member?

Membership is open to persons who are members of the Mennonite Church, or other congregations, and are in agreement with the Associations standards and objectives.

Individuals and families are encouraged to be involved in this effective and meaningful ministry. Membership applications are approved by the Board of Directors.

Membership is available in three categories:

Life requires an initial fee of \$500.

Annual requires a fee of \$50.

Family requires a fee of \$200. (5 yr. term)

All memberships share the same benefits,

Click here for an SMCA membership [brochure and application](#) or call our office at 352-796-4097 to have one mailed to you. Checks may be made payable to Lakewood Retreat. We value your partnership in this ministry.