

# **Mennonite Camping Association**

### 2017 Membership Application

A voluntary fellowship within the Anabaptist tradition of camps, retreat centers, camp associations, and individuals.

#### **PURPOSE**

- ⇒ Since 1960, Mennonite Camping Association has been a clearinghouse for directing and promoting Christian camping among Mennonite conferences and congregations throughout Canada and the United States.
- MCA continues to strengthen an outdoor ministry whose beginnings among Anabaptists in North America date back to the 1920s.
- Membership in MCA provides a united voice for addressing camping concerns to church agencies, and in turn, gives church agencies a channel for relating to the retreat and camping ministry.
- Supplementing local congregational nurture, Christian camps and retreat centers band together through MCA to promote quality spiritual experience in outdoor ministry.

#### MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- Shared promotion of member camps at church wide gatherings (booths at national youth and adult conventions, advertisements in Mennonite publications, etc.)
- Receive a registration discount for the MCA Bi-national Conventions & Regional gatherings.
- Receive a discount on meals and lodging for the Values-based Leadership program at Laurelville.
- Submit to and receive 12 monthly issues of the MCA newsletter, Natural Links, the voice of the association. Articles include: features on sister camps, resources on various aspects of the camp/retreat ministry, calendar of events, job openings and more.
- Participate in an influential fellowship which works toward goals you share and feel deeply about.

#### MCA CONTACT INFORMATION

Andrew Michaels, President 330-683-1246 (Camp Luz) mennonitecamping@gmail.com

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by the Mennonite faith family including:

#### MCA WELCOMES YOUR TAX-DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS

If MCA and Christian camping has touched your life in a special way and you want to see the ministry of camping remain strong and vibrant, we encourage you to consider giving to MCA. For individuals or camps who want a tax-deductible receipt for their donations:

**Canada** – We encourage Canadian donors to make donations directly to a specific Canadian Mennonite camp. Mennonite Camping Association can no longer accept donations through Mennonite Church Canada.

**United States** - Make check payable to **Mennonite Church USA**, designated for Mennonite Camping Association.

Send to: Mennonite Church USA

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Attn: Mennonite Camping Association 3145 Benham Ave., Suite 1 Elkhart IN 46517



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Deadline: Please respond by **February 15, 2017** to continue to receive membership benefits.

Check all that apply. □ Camp/Retreat Membership (complete individual information below) Name of Member Organization: Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ General Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Executive Director: Email: \_\_\_\_\_ United States and Cfleck One \$Affinulal/Fee diperating Budge \$50.000 Memberships Included \$50,000-\$100,000 \$175 US/Canadian Membership is extended to all staff and board \$225 US/Canadian \$100,000-\$500,000 members. \$500.000-\$750.000 \$300 US/Canadian \$350 US/Canadian over \$750,000 □ Individual Membership(s) additional organizational or interested individuals (complete individual information below) \$15 US/Canadian Individual \$12 US/Canadian College and Seminary Students Institutional Membership - \$100.00 US (colleges, seminaries, businesses, etc.) Name of Institution/Individual: Mailing Address: Email: Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Please note: Natural Links, the MCA e-newsletter, will be mailed to the executive director and general camp email at the email addresses given. The executive director is encouraged to disperse each issue to board and staff. Please note: Membership checks should be payable to Mennonite Camping Association. Donations should be payable to Mennonite Church USA and designated for Mennonite Camping Association. Organizational Fee \$\_\_\_\_\_ Donation Enclosed \$\_\_\_ (USA donations to MCA should be payable to Mennonite Church USA; Individual Fees Canadian donations should be sent directly to camps.) Institutional Fees Total Enclosed

\*Fees accepted in either US or Canadian dollars.

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- 1 Please make a copy for your records.
- 2 Mail with check to cover membership fees\* payable to:

Mennonite Camping Association Olivia Bartel, Member Relations Coordinator c/o Camp Mennoscah PO Box 65 Murdock, Kansas 67111