

## Become a member.

In 1969 a group of visionaries, many of whom were young parents, banded together and formed Adirondack Mennonite Camping Association, purchasing Beaver Camp and launching 50 years of community impact and ministry. The number of members eventually grew to over two hundred with each new membership providing critical financial support to this fledgling ministry. But even more important, the majority of these members volunteered numerous hours as board members, fundraisers, kitchen & program staff as well as providing the labor to maintain and develop the property. Their commitment helped ensure the success of Beaver Camp.

Membership is still important to the health and continued success of AMCA. It is a way in which you can join in support of the mission of Beaver Camp and Maple Ridge Center. As a not-for-profit organization we are owned by those in our association. By becoming a member you can ensure that the legacy of Beaver Camp continues on. You will also be kept apprised of the needs and activities of both organizations via an annual association dinner and periodic mailings.

Membership is open to any person who is in agreement with the mission and objectives of AMCA as long as they recognize and respect that the association shall function with understandings represented in the Confession of Faith in the Mennonite Perspective.

Becoming a member is simple. Complete the attached application and return along with the one-time \$300 membership fee. If preferred, the fee can be paid in three yearly installments.

We often hear the question "what do I get when I become a member?" You don't really get anything. Becoming a member is a commitment to strengthen and participate in the mission of AMCA for a lifetime. Annually we encourage you to participate creatively and comfortably. Here are just a few ways to do so:

- Provide additional financial support.
- Serve on the Board of Directors.
- Volunteer Labor or In-Kind Services. Maybe you have specific skills you could offer.
- Help with the Beaver Camp Auction.
- Attend and support AMCA sponsored activities.
- Attend the Annual Business Meeting.
- Promote AMCA through your local church, family, friends and community connections.
- Underwrite a program or activity at AMCA.
- Offer continuous, active prayer support for AMCA staff, program and guests.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact anyone at AMCA, Beaver Camp or Maple Ridge. We would be happy to help you! 315-376-2640 office@beaver.camp

## ADIRONDACK MENNONITE CAMPING ASSOCIATION, INC.

**Membership Application Form** 

Any person in good standing and a member of a regularly recognized Christian church, and in sympathy with the objects and beliefs of this organization, shall be eligible for Full membership in the Adirondack Mennonite Camping Association.

Each Full member shall make an initial contribution to the association of a minimum of \$300. Membership certificates shall be issued upon payment of \$100 with the balance to be paid within a period of not more than two (2) years.

Such certificates may be issued either in the name of the member or in the name of the member and spouse as tenants of the entireties. The spouse shall be an Associate member in AMCA. In the absence of a member at a meeting of the AMCA, the wife or husband may serve as proxy if he or she is personally present. Otherwise, Associate members shall not be entitled to vote.

The Membership Certificate shall be non-transferable with the exception that a husband or wife may exercise Associate Membership after the death of his or her spouse.

A Member may be suspended for a period or expelled for cause such as violation of any of the By-Laws of Association. Suspension or Expulsion shall be by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership of the AMCA Board of Directors.

Having read the above conditions of membership, I (we) wish to apply for membership in the Adirondack Mennonite Camping Association.

(Signature)

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(Spouse, if applicable)

Membership Information: (Please Print)

Name(s) as it is to appear on the Membership Certificate:

Complete Mailing Address:		
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Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_-\_Email: \_\_\_\_ Church Membership and Congregation:

Please send this application with a check to: AMCA, 8884 Buck Point Rd., Lowville, NY 13367

## **AMCA Statement of Faith**

- **1**. We believe that **God** exists and is pleased with all who draw near by faith. We worship the one holy and loving God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- 2. We believe in **Jesus Christ**, the Word of God become flesh. He is the savior of the world, who has delivered us from the domination of sin and reconciled us to God by his death on the cross.
- 3. We believe in the **Holy Spirit**, the eternal spirit of God who dwelled in Jesus Christ and who empowers the church.
- 4. We believe that all **Scripture** is inspired by God through the Holy Spirit for instruction in salvation and training in righteousness.
- 5. We believe that God has **created the heavens and the earth** and all that is in them, and that God preserves and renews what has been made.
- 6. We believe that God has created human beings in the divine image.
- 7. We confess that, beginning with Adam and Eve, humanity has disobeyed God, given way to the tempter and chosen to **sin**.
- 8. We believe that, through Jesus Christ, God offers **salvation** from sin and a new way of life. We receive God's salvation when we repent and accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.
- 9. We believe that the **mission** of the church is to proclaim and to be a sign of the Kingdom of God.