

2008 Camp Activities and Field Trips

Past Excursion Trips

Smokey Mountains, Tennessee
 Civil Rights Museum—Memphis, TN
 Journey through the South
 (Wilson, NC, Charleston, SC and Savannah,
 GA
 Niagara Falls, Canada
 Ground Zero, New York City
 Kittery, Maine
 World Trade Center, NYC
 Boston, MA (Boston Tea Party)
 Liberty Bell, Philadelphia, PA (Liberty Bell)
 Virginia Beach, Norfolk (USS Wisconsin
 Battleship) and Williamsburg, Virginia—
 Ocean City, Maryland
 Harrisburg, PA

Thank you for being a sponsor and helping to take a child off the street this summer and place them in a safe and structure program that will help shape and build character, teach moral standards, strengthen academic skills and offer opportunities and hope.

Camp Hours of Operation

Monday—Thursday

8:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

Fridays 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Breakfast, Lunch and Snacks are provided

T-shirt, Camp Excursion Trip Video,
 PowerPoint Presentation of Camp Activities

and

Camp Activity Book

Ruby Falls, Tennessee



MCI Center—Basketball Game



Naval Memorial Museum



Fun time at the pool



National Art Museum



Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Air & Space Museum



A light of hope serving for 51 years 1957

Mother Dear's Community Center
 467 Florida Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001
 Office and Fax (202) 387-5129
 Email: mother-dears@verizon.net Web site: mother-dears.org

Summer Camp

Where Learning and Fun Begin



Photography Class



Dance



Marian Koshland Science Museum

“Destiny makes us brothers. If you lift somebody up as you go up, we’ll all rise together”

Mother Dear's Community Center Summer Camp

Background

Mother Dear's Community Center, (MDCC) was founded in 1957 by the late Reverend Annie M. Woodridge, (Mother Dear), as an outgrowth of her many years of dedicated community service work. MDCC started as a Grass Root organization and became a 501(c) 3 nonprofit corporation in 1977. For over 50 years, MDCC has stood firm in its commitment to meeting pressing needs of the community, filling in gaps in services to all people no matter what their age, race, creed or religious preference. We serve over 15,000 individuals and families annually through our referral assistance program, hot lunches, monthly food bags and holiday food bags distributions and dinners, clothing and furniture distribution, after school, summer camp, rental, mortgage and utility assistance and other social services.

Mission is to empower youth to provide services that will enhance the quality of life for the local community by not only meeting physical needs, but also helping to promote restoration and dignity to those we serve: homeless individuals, home bound seniors, low-income families, ex-offenders and at-risk youth.

Having 11 biological children and 3 adopted children, Mother Dear's love for children prompted her to start summer outings and events for at-risk and low income children in her neighborhood in the early 1960's. Trips were taken to Hershey Park, Ocean City, New York and other places. Children were taken to Government Holiday parties and special events. Fifty-one years later, Mother Dear's Community Center still provides a viable camp program to low income and at-risk youth living in rural areas of Washington metropolitan area.

We offer campers a balanced educational program with fun activities and an academic curriculum to help build reading, mathematics and writing skills. Other subjects and activities: Creative and Essay Writing, Public Speaking, Music, Dance, Drama, Sewing, Arts and Crafts, Mentoring and Leadership skills. This summer we are offering Ballet and Piano lessons.

Mission for Summer Camp's is one in the same as First Lady, Laura Bush, seeing that "No Child Is Left Behind" and Mother Dear's motto: "Destiny makes us brothers. If you lift somebody up as you go up, we'll all rise together."

Summer Camp

Train Your Children

Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it.

Proverbs 22:6

At Mother Dear's Community Center Summer Camp, we begin by creating a safe and well-supervised environment with skilled volunteers and staff that brings their own expertise, passion, enthusiasm and energy to help stimulate and encourage the campers. We know the uniqueness of each camper and their individual ability to advance academically at a pace that matches their own capability.

Our camp ratio of staff to campers this summer will be 1:2. Campers are exposed to a diversity of people and cultures during our inner-city and out of town travels. Our program help develop the minds of these campers so they will learn how to make better choices and know that there are plenty opportunities in life that are available to them rather than the violence, brokenness and lack of hope that they deal with every day, in school, their home and in the community.

Campers have stated that their experience at MDCC's camp has been one of their most memorable summer experience.

Camp Objectives

Accountability
Responsibility

Leadership and Character Builder

Provide a safe environment

Develop and Encourage Self-reliance, Self-Confidence and Self Control

Develop methods for anger management and conflict resolution skills

Academic Enrichment and Activities

Math

Reading

Writing

Grammar

Arts & Crafts

Sewing

Music

Dance

Mentoring

Educational Field Trips

Sponsorship Application

Name: _____

Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Mother Dear's Community Center is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization and your donation is 100% tax deductible.

Sponsorship is \$600 per child

I would like to sponsor:

_____ One child

_____ Two children

My donation of \$ _____ is enclosed to sponsor a child in Mother Dear's Community Center's Summer Camp Program.

Make check payable to MDCC and memo Summer Camp. Mail to 467 Florida Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001

"Destiny makes us brothers. If you lift somebody up as you go up, we'll all rise together"