Victorious Volunteers
By Gail Truax, Assistant Camp Director

When we think of the term, “Volunteer” our minds and hearts rejoice. The same emotion is repeated when we consider the word, “Victory”. Victory means success. A volunteer is someone who spends unpaid time doing something to benefit the environment or someone. The success of Camp Victory is contingent on our valuable volunteers.

Thankfully, thousands of valuable volunteers visit Camp Victory yearly to freely give of their time and labor. Volunteers arrive to be counselors, painters, pie bakers, shelf builders, Board members, leaf rakers, wood choppers, cleaners, roofers, office assistants…using their talents to contribute to the magical adventures continually experienced by our special campers.

The actions of volunteers are priceless. “Volunteers do not necessarily have the time, they just have the heart”- Elizabeth Andrew. Volunteers are committed and compassionate. We are fortunate to witness their strong work ethics. We notice their leadership and communication skills. They are expert team workers. Volunteers at Camp Victory cultivate life-long friends. They are patient, eager to take initiative, think creatively and are selfless. “You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give”- Winston Churchill.

The world is a better place because of volunteers. At Camp Victory, we have the very best! There are no words to properly thank you for being a part of the Camp Victory community, but we truly thank you for humbly giving of your time. “Volunteerism is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote every day about the kind of community you want to live in.”- Marjorie Moore.

It’s not the money, it’s not the fame, and it’s not for any personal gain
It’s just for love of fellow man
It’s just to lend a helping hand
It’s just to give a tithe of self
That’s something you can’t buy with wealth
It’s not the medals worn with pride
It’s just the feeling deep inside
It’s that reward down in your heart
It’s that feeling that you’ve been a part, of helping others far and near
That’s what makes you a Volunteer!
-Author Unknown

Fall 2020 volunteers from West Pharmaceutical Services, Inc. and Leadership Lycoming
Bergerstock Family Donates New Sign

Work is complete on the installation of our beautiful new sign, showing the way to Camp Victory. In the spring of 2019, there was a strong wind storm/tornado that blew through the Greenwood Valley and blew down our sign along Route 254. We are fortunate to have amazing friends in Dave and MaryBeth Bergerstock... they wanted a way to pay tribute to their son, Michael and decided that erecting a new sign for Camp Victory would be a fitting memorial. This beautiful new sign will show the way to Camp Victory to all of our special campers and their families. Thank you so much to the Bergerstocks for this very special gift to Camp Victory. We’re sure Michael would be honored.

In Memory of Janet Bloom - An Original Pie Lady

The “Pie Ladies” from Greenwood United Methodist Church have been bringing mouth-watering, delicious pies to Camp Victory every Wednesday for more than 20 years for our campers. And, our campers really look forward to these scrumptious desserts! Our good friend, Janet Bloom, was one of the original ‘pie ladies’ for Camp Victory and she felt a strong affinity for supporting Camp Victory and our special campers.

Janet was an extraordinary woman who was loved by all who had the good fortune to know her. She always put others first, loved with her whole heart and lived by the Golden Rule. Janet dedicated her life to serving God, caring for others, and practicing kindness. This is why she loved baking pies for our campers - it was part of who she was – spreading kindness and baking yummy pies to our special campers.

We were so fortunate to have known Janet, she will be missed by everyone at Camp Victory.

2020 Camp at A Glance

The Millville Lions Club received a $5,000 grant from Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Service Foundation to purchase this bicycle/wheelchair combo called “The Duet” for our campers. Camp Victory is grateful for many years of generous support from Lions Clubs.
Join us for an online auction fundraiser with bidding February 1 – 8

www.campvictoryauction.org

Prizes include a stunning handmade quilt, a Pocono vacation stay, David Armstrong art, Vera Bradley bags, Shop-Vacs, a Coach bag, flowers every month for a year from Pretty Petals & Gifts by Susan, a beautiful silver necklace from Petro’s Jewelers, a Camp Victory catered picnic and overnight stay in the treehouse, a golf gift basket, Knoebels tickets, a wine gift basket, an overnight and dining package from The Inn at Turkey Hill and Turkey Hill Brewing Company, Kalahari tickets, gift cards to your favorite stores like Target and Walmart, gift cards for services from Bastian Tire & Auto, and lots more!
Turkey Hill Brewing Company in Bloomsburg and Old Forge Brewing Company in Danville have collaborated on a special brew called “Crazy Squirrel” in honor of our extremely enthusiastic mascot Scamper. The brewing companies will donate a percentage of the proceeds to Camp Victory while supplies last. Crazy Squirrel is a German Alt Bier (old style brew – malty ale) that is perfect for cold weather so stop in either location today to enjoy a delicious brew with your meal. Cheers!

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We strive to keep our mailing list current. If you would like a change in your listing or to be removed, please let us know.

A copy of the official registration and financial information can be obtained from the PA Department of State by calling 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

2021 schedule
The realities of 2021 are still uncertain but we are always hoping for the best and to see our beloved campers very soon!

Project Beacon Easter Seals . . . . . . . . April 9-11
Club Lily Easter Seals . . . . . . . . . . . . April 16-18
Lions Leadership . . . . . . . . . . . . . . May 14-16
Camp Courage . . . . . . . . . . . . . . May 21-23
CampEmerge III . . . . . . . . . . . . . . May 29-30
CampVision . . . . . . . . . . . . . . June 4-6
Club Lily Easter Seals . . . . . . . . . . June 6-10
Camp Little People . . . . . . . . . . . . June 11-13
Camp Cranium . . . . . . . . . . . . . . June 13-18
KDKC . . . . . . . . . . . . . . June 19-25
PA Vent Camp . . . . . . . . . . . . . . June 26- July 1
CampEmerge . . . . . . . . . . . . . . July 3-4
Camp Kydnie . . . . . . . . . . . . . . July 3-9
Camp Dost . . . . . . . . . . . . . . July 10-16
Camp JRA . . . . . . . . . . . . . . July 17-23
Camp Spifida . . . . . . . . . . . . . . July 24-30
CampAbility . . . . . . . . . . . . . . July 30-Aug 1
Camp Hero . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Aug 1-6
Camp Echo . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Aug 1-6
Camp Energy . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Aug 7-13
Camp Discovery . . . . . . . . . . . . Aug 14-20
Club Lily . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Aug 22-26
Dr. O's Victory Ride . . . . . . . . . . Aug 29
CampEmerge II . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Sept 4-5
Appreciation Day . . . . . . . . . . . . . Sept 12
PA Vent Retreat . . . . . . . . . . . . . Sept 17-19
Spifida Retreat . . . . . . . . . . . . . Sept 24-26
Camp Courage II . . . . . . . . . . . . Oct 8-10
Club Lily Easter Seals . . . . . . . . . Oct 15-17
Project Beacon Easter Seals . . . . . Oct 22-24
KDKC Teens . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Oct 29-31
Parent Bereavement Retreat . . . . . Oct 30
Club Lily Easter Seals . . . . . . . . Nov 19-21