

Summer Camp 2018 comes to an End



It's hard to believe summer is already over and the kids are back in school. We had a great camping season, seeing old friends and making new ones. JMA sponsored 11 camps that included 160 children/youth campers, 22 adult campers, plus 40 directors and counselors (a total of 222 people).

Although summer camp is over, that doesn't mean Camp Jo-Ota is closed for the season. We have openings for church retreats, family reunions, group meetings, and more. Consider coming to camp for your next event.

Summer Camp 2019 - Confirmed Camps & Directors Needed

Plans for our 2019 Summer Camps are already being made. So far we have nine camps confirmed (see listed below). We are hoping to add many more to our schedule, but we need your help. We are in need of additional directors to lead camps. Camps can be similar to past camps or a completely new theme. They can be for 3-4 days, 2 days or just 1 day. We would like to be able to offer a variety of camps for our campers to choose from.

Please contact site director, Ann Wood, director@campjo-ota.org if you would be interested in being a director for a camp next year.

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| • Family Camp - May 24-26 | • Faith Treasure Hunt - July 8-11 |
| • Spirit Camp - June 17-21 | • Mom/Grandma & Me - July 13 |
| • Discovery Camp - June 2-6 | • Dad/Grandpa & Me - July 13 |
| • F.R.O.G.s - June 21-22 | • Girls Only Camp - TBA |
| • Camp S'mores - June 21-23 | |



Youth Winter Retreat - January 4-5, 2019

There will be a Winter Retreat for youth at camp for youth, grades 6th-12th, on January 4th thru 5th (check in 5:30 Friday and ends at 4pm Saturday). The retreat will be similar to a mini WOW event for the Mark Twain District youth.

Winter retreat registration cost and details to come soon, please check our website or Facebook page regularly to updates.

JMA Annual Membership Meeting - February 10, 2019

On February 10th at 2 pm, JMA will hold its fourth annual meeting. We will gather at camp to celebrate, worship, fellowship, and prepare for the next 12 months of ministry. The business meeting will include reports from the JMA board president, Tom Lemons, and site director, Ann Wood, as well as an election of three new board members. Nominations for new board members will be accepted from the floor during the meeting. Please plan to attend the annual meeting and renew or start your membership to JMA.



Upcoming Events at Camp



Walk to
Emmaus
THE UPPER ROOM

The Fall **Walk to Emmaus** event for the Missouri East district will be held at Camp Jo-Ota.

- Men's Walk #159 is October 4-7 (Thursday evening thru Sunday evening)
- Women's Walk #160 is October 25-28 (Thursday evening thru Sunday evening)

For more information about Walk to Emmaus, go to our website.

There will be **Lay Servant Training** hosted by Mark Twain District Office on Oct 13th from 8am to 4pm. More information available on the district website.

Youth Winter Retreat, #slowdown2019, will be held January 4-5. For more information please contact Rev. Meghan Riegerix at Bucklin UMC or check the camp website for details.

JMA Annual Membership Meeting will be February 10th at 2:00 pm for current members and any new members wishing to join. Contact camp office for more information.

The 4th Annual **Quilters Retreat** will be held on February 28 thru March 3rd at Camp Jo-Ota. It is being led by Patty Martin and committee. You are invited to come for the weekend or just the day. Meals and lodging are included in registration cost. Registration details to come soon on the camp website.

There will be a **Women's Retreat** May 3-5. Mark your calendars now and look for more information in our next newsletter. Iris Schultz is the contact person if you have any questions about the retreat.

Camp Wish List

A few items we can use at camp:

- Pool chairs, umbrella
- Fishing Poles, reels, and gear
- DVD Players
- 12 ft ladder for dining hall
- Smart Board
- Dehumidifiers

Thank you to our donors

A special thank you to the Vadeloecht family for the new hammocks and the family of Brownlee Williams for the new American flag for this year. Also the family of Mary Alice Mettes for choosing Camp Jo-Ota as a memorial choice.

THANK YOU to the area churches for sending campers from your churches. We appreciate all our camp donors and volunteers for their support during summer camping season and all year long!

Ways you can support Camp Jo-Ota

Become a JMA Member, more information on our website.

Volunteer your time. For a few hours, a few days. We have many projects to be done.

Request we visit your church to talk about the great things that are happening here.

Send your kids to camp or help youth from your community attend.

Donate everyday supplies we use or summer items for next year.

Give a monetary gift to go towards a specific project or the general fund.

PRAY that Camp Jo-Ota continues to share God's love for many years to come.



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