

SHEPHERD OF THE OZARKS



A MOUNTAIN RESORT RETREAT CENTER  
AN OUTREACH OF SHEPHERD MINISTRIES  
NEAR HARRIET, ARKANSAS

# Summer Intern

Information / Application Packet

## **Who is Shepherd of the Ozarks?**

Shepherd of the Ozarks (SOTO) is an outreach of Shepherd Ministries. SOTO hosts and fully programs 7-9 weeks of Family Camps and 3 weeks of Disadvantaged Youth Camps. In addition, SOTO hosts rental groups which are church camps, retreats and family reunions. These rental groups are supported by the SOTO staff in their programming and activities.

## **Why be an Intern at SOTO?**

You will learn new skills from camping professionals, be part of a team and receive valuable experience in a ministry setting. Once trained, you will be the leader in your area of service, leading people of all ages. You will have an eternal impact in the lives of the campers as you are a part of a week that will change their lives.

You will meet hundreds of new people from all over the country and will form friendships and life-long relationships, especially with the other interns who serve with you.

You will receive a substantial financial gift at the end of the summer from the guests you serve. These gifts are given through the SOTO 501©3 organization and are divided equally among the interns according to the number of days served.

You also have the opportunity, if you desire, to raise summer mission support funds from your family/friends through the SOTO 501©3 organization. 100% of funds raised are tax deductible and go to you. None of the funds you raise go to the SOTO overhead expenses of record-keeping and receipting.

Students with a Camping Major may be eligible for a summer intern scholarship and/or course credits. Please contact your school's financial aid officer for details.

## **What do Interns do at SOTO?**

Being an Intern at SOTO can be described in two words: LEADER and SERVANT. Interns will lead all of SOTO's activity programs. These include horseback rides, facilitating the high ropes challenge course, wilderness paintball and leading hikes. As the leader of your program area, you will make sure it is safe for participants as well as have the privilege of leading your group in a Spiritual application and prayer before each session.

Interns also serve the directors in food service, maintenance and technical support...in general, serving in the total camping experience.

Interns meet regularly for discipleship training to stay grounded in God's Word and have fellowship with each other. There's a lot of fun interacting with the guests and each other not only during the activities, but also during days off.

Interns receive free room and board. The meals are fabulous including prime steak every week. You'll get to perform in a skit, lead dancing, participate in a camp fire, go canoeing on the buffalo, swim, fish, hike, explore caves and lots of other fun stuff.

**To be an Intern at SOTO you must meet the following qualifications:**

Love God and be a growing Christian.

Be available for either six or twelve weeks of summer camp, including staff training (to be specified at a later date).

Be at least 18 years old and a high school graduate. Jr. Interns must be in high school and fill out the same application. Details given upon request.

Be self-motivated with an outgoing and fun personality that doesn't hesitate to put others first and consistently demonstrates a servant's heart.

If you meet these qualifications and would like to be a part of the Summer Intern Staff at Shepherd of the Ozarks, please fill out an application and send it to the address below.

SOTO Intern Application  
Shepherd of the Ozarks  
PO Box 10  
Harriet, AR 72639

If you have any questions, call Michelle Tucker at 870-448-3242 or e-mail [soto@shepherdoftheozarks.com](mailto:soto@shepherdoftheozarks.com).

check out our website [www.shepherdoftheozarks.com](http://www.shepherdoftheozarks.com).

# Shepherd of the Ozarks Intern application

**Personal Information:** (please print or type)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sex: M F

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

College or Current Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Health Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_ Policy \_\_\_\_\_

**Education:**

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date/Current Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_

College \_\_\_\_\_

College Major \_\_\_\_\_ Year Completed as of June \_\_\_\_\_

**Employment:**

1. Employer Address and Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Major Responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

2. Employer Address and Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Position/Major Responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

**Reference:**

Please list the names, addresses and phone numbers of three references outside of your family. Please include, as a fourth reference, your pastor or youth pastor.

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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3. \_\_\_\_\_

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4. \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please answer these questions on a separate sheet of paper.**

Why do you want to be an Intern at SOTO?

List your gifts, abilities or skills you would like to use at SOTO.

When and how did you become a Christian?

What does it mean to be a Christian and how would you explain the plan of salvation to a SOTO guest? Please use Scripture verses.

Describe how you are presently involved in your local church.

Describe how your relationship with Christ has been this last year. Rate on a scale of 1-10 with 10 being the most desirable.

Have you ever been accused or convicted of sexual or physical abuse?

Do you abstain from the use of illicit drugs, tobacco and alcohol?

Please add any comments you would like SOTO to know in regard to your application.

Please include a recent photo of yourself.

Please rate the following:

1 - Extremely like  
2 - Somewhat like  
3- Neither like nor dislike

4 - Somewhat dislike  
5 - Extremely dislike

\_\_\_ Teaching small children

\_\_\_ Leading small group discussions

\_\_\_ Playing paintball

\_\_\_ Playing a musical instrument

\_\_\_ Running a cash register

\_\_\_ Using hand tools

\_\_\_ Helping prepare meals

\_\_\_ Doing landscaping

\_\_\_ Going for long walks

\_\_\_ Teaching people how to work together

\_\_\_ Rock climbing

\_\_\_ Being outdoors

\_\_\_ Problem solving

\_\_\_ Working with your hands

\_\_\_ Playing games

\_\_\_ Working with your mind

\_\_\_ Reading a book for pleasure

\_\_\_ Learning new things

\_\_\_ Surfing the internet

\_\_\_ Singing in a choir

\_\_\_ Horseback riding

\_\_\_ Managing a store

\_\_\_ Caring for small animals

\_\_\_ Waking up early

\_\_\_ Making announcements in front of large groups

\_\_\_ Staying up late

\_\_\_ Typing a letter

\_\_\_ Getting to know new people

\_\_\_ Climbing a tree

\_\_\_ Sharing your testimony

\_\_\_ Playing frisbee golf

\_\_\_ Throwing a party

\_\_\_ Organizing a desk

\_\_\_ Babysitting

\_\_\_ Decorating a display table

\_\_\_ Helping someone overcome a fear

\_\_\_ Fixing things

\_\_\_ Hiking

\_\_\_ Being behind the scenes

\_\_\_ Being on time