

Summer Newsletter - Session 1

Custom Treehouse Coming Summer 2024!



We recently announced that this fall we are starting work on a real treehouse. Check out some of the prior projects of <u>The Treehouse Guys!</u> Next summer it will be used for bunk sleep outs and other special moments!

Wilderness Trips are Back!



After a few years, we are thrilled to have brought back our Wilderness Tripping Department! This program take small groups of campers into the wild for three days at a time! Our first trip was a overnight camping and waterfall exploring trip in New Hampshire. The crew visited famous NH waterfalls in the White Mountains, including the Flume Gorge, Glen Falls and Arethusa Falls. We currently have another trip camping out at Pawtuckaway State Park. Enjoying some hiking and swimming!



Hotrodicus Supersonicus



Hotrodicus Supersonicus is easily the most notorious evening activities here. It begins with a surprise "takeover" during a seemingly regular game. Our villain Rolo interrupts and threatens to take over the camp. The way to save it? Campers must work together (teamwork!) to figure out how to free their counselors (problemsolve!) who have been turned into 'qarqoyles'. Counselors enter the space



stone-faced, wearing black and covered in paint. This game is so notorious that our campers will often see a counselor wearing black at any given point and ask, "is it Hotodicus tonight?!"

Traditionally, our campers must chase down the gargoyles who are hiding around camp, tag them and carry them to the basketball courts, earning points for how well they take care of them on their journey (this could mean providing them with water or a pillow). In the end the goal is to defeat Rolo Booth and save Windsor Mountain! Campers from all living units and of all ages worked together to successfully win the game and send Rolo away (at least for now,...).

This year the big event was planned by the LITs (Leaders in Training), They did a wonderful job executing and surprising the campers, no easy feat! It was a fun game where campers of all ages and living units worked together!

8th Grade Rafting Trip



Our 8th graders just finished an overnight whitewater rafting trip to Maine! They had a fun and safe trip down the Kennebec river. We haven't been able to do this special trip since 2019 and are thrilled to bring it back.

Upcoming At Camp!

We are officially in our last week of Session 1! We are excited to make some incredible memories with our campers and staff. Here are some of the upcoming events:

- Give Back Day: Campers are split into teams that represent different charities and earn points which turn into real money!
- Drum Circle led by long time staff member Maroghini.
- LIT Graduation. Lots of tears and hugs to come.
- Windsor Gala: An awards night where we get dressed up and celebrate campers.
- Andy Upton: A 5K road race which ends with ice-cream sundaes!

Check out a sneak peek of our 2023 Andy Upton shirts!



