

Camp White Meadow

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From the Director's Chair:

Hi, my name is Jonathan Roman and this is my seventh year working at camps, my sixth at Camp White Meadow. I spent four years as a third and fourth grade counselor, bus counselor, and soccer specialist here before being the supervisor for the 4-Day Teen Travel Group last year. Before that, I was also a lifelong camper at the Meadow. It is great to see camp from this different perspective, and I am working hard to keep this place as great as it has been the past few years.

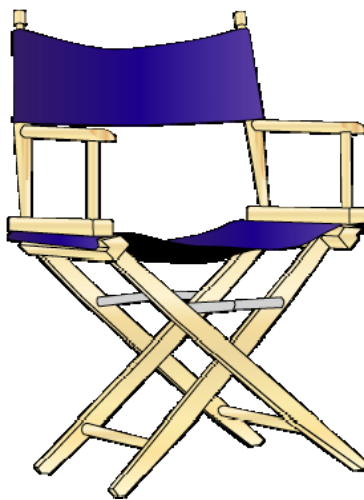
The balls are blown up, the grass is cut, the pool is filled, the sun is shining, the hikes are ready, the campers are smiling...and WE'RE OFF. What a great start to the summer 2007 season! It took a few days, but all of our new staff and campers are into the normal routine here at the Meadow. Thank you all for being so helpful and flexible so far this summer, we are looking forward for another great seven weeks after this one. During our first day, each group came up with names for the summer. I am pleased to introduce:

Wiggly Worms: Pre-K & K
Golden Dragons: 1st & 2nd
Fast Fig Newtons: 3rd & 4th
We've Dropped Our
Socks: 5th & 6th
Sprinkle Bubbles: 2-Day
Teen Travel
Silver Monkeys: 4-Day
Teen Travel

Please remember there is no camp on Wednesday, July 4th. On Tuesday, wear your

red, white, and blue as we celebrate. Picture Day is Thursday, July 5th for all groups; camper shirts will be distributed that morning and will go home with the campers that day. Once again, we appreciate all of your positive support this summer.

-Jon



CIT Program:

Hi, My name is Alex Meiseles and this is my fifth summer here at camp as a counselor, but my first as a Programming Coordinator. I will be working with our CITs and planning Theme Days. This fall I will be a junior at the University of Maryland, where I am double majoring in Political Science and Economics. I am looking forward to an exciting summer!

This first week the CITs have already planned a Theme Day successfully. They brainstormed and set-up the activities that the entire camp enjoyed on "Up, Up and Away! Superhero Day!" They have also been working in groups, with

Eliza helping our in Pre-K & K, Gina and Sara spending time with 1st & 2nd, Tom and Erica working with 3rd & 4th, and Ray and Jay assisting the 5th & 6th, group. So far the CITs have been really enthusiastic, and seem ready to enjoy a summer full of experience and great fun!

-Alex

Hi, my name is Eliza. I went to camp for 11 years. This year I'm a CIT. I am going to be in 10th grade at Morris Hills High School. I am very excited about working with the kids.

Hi, my name is Gina. I'm in the CIT program at W.M.L. I have been going to camp here for many years. I am very excited for this summer. I can't wait to meet all of you and your kids!

Hi, my name is Sara. I have been going to camp since 3rd grade. I am in the CIT program. Right now I am working in the 1st & 2nd grade group. I am very excited about the summer.

Hi, my name is Tom Smith. I have gone to camp for eight years. I look forward to working as a CIT this summer. I can't wait to have a fantastic summer with all of the kids at camp.

Hi, my name is Erica Krouse. I have gone to camp since I was in 2nd grade. I am looking forward to working as a CIT this summer. I have to have a great summer.

Hey, my name is Ray. I am going to be a sophomore at Morris Hills High School in the fall. This is my 10th year at camp, but my 1st year



working here. I am very excited to work here.

Hi, my name is Jason. I am going to be a sophomore at Morris Hills High School in the fall. This is my first year as a CIT, but I have been a camper since 3rd grade. I am looking forward to working here this summer.

From the Fields:

Hi, My name is Ali Koot and I'm the new athletic coordinator at camp. This will be my 4th summer at camp, and I'm very excited to be working with all of these great kids. I recently moved to Charleston, S.C. where I attend the College of Charleston as a psychology major. Of course, I couldn't stay away from "The Meadow", so I'm back once again for another great summer.

This has been a great first week for everyone on the playing fields. Pre-K & K tested their memory and kicking skills this week with a game of "lions & giraffes soccer", and really impressed me. Meanwhile 1st & 2nd learned some skills for playing a successful game of kickball, and even played a small game. On the softball field 3rd & 4th practiced grounders, throwing techniques and their batting. Later in the week they played some basketball games in the shade like knockout and around the world. 5th & 6th grade played a variety of sports this week including softball and basketball, while practicing their badminton skills. Luckily this week the 2-Day Teen Travel found some time to play a game of lacrosse with me and as

always with them, it was a competitive but fun game.

-Ali

Boating & Nature:

Hello, my name is Bruce Rhinesmith; I am the Boating and Nature specialist. I am very excited to begin my eighth summer at Camp White Meadow. During the rest of the year I am a physical education teacher at The Wilson School in Mountain Lakes and a softball coach at Kent Place School in Summit.

The first week of camp started out with some fantastic boating adventures. They included catching SIX turtles in one morning with the 5th & 6th grade group. On the hiking front the 1st through 6th graders hiked at the Tourne County Park in Boonton. I'm looking forward to a really fun summer at the Meadow in 2007!

-Bruce Rhinesmith

Creative Corner:

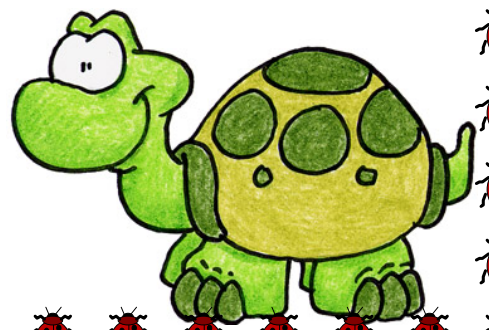
Hi Everyone! My name is Paige Bank. This is my sixth summer working here at camp, but I have been a camper here since I was 4-years-old, so something like 17 years. I started our with the 5th and 6th graders, moved on to the 4-Day Teen Travel, and now I am co-directing the Arts & Crafts Program with Allison. In the Fall I will be a senior at the University of Hartford, where I am studying secondary English education and music. I am looking forward to an OUTSTANDING summer with all the campers!

Hi, my name is Allison Richardi. Welcome to another

fun-filled camp season. I am very excited to begin my first summer at Camp White Meadow teaching Arts & Crafts. I am a new graduate of Montclair State University with a degree in music education. I will begin my first year teaching elementary music in Chatham in September. I look forward to sharing my love of the arts with all of our campers through both Arts & Crafts and music during our club times.

The first week of camp was fantastic for Arts & Crafts! We've dived into the paint, pompoms, pipe cleaners and feathers in order to create many different projects in each group! The Wiggly Worms and the Golden Dragons have created Stamp Art and Masks while The Fast Fig Newtons have painted some wonderful looking Tote Bags. We've Dropped Our Socks created Gods Eyes Medallions and The Sprinkle Bubbles painted Yo-Yo's.

We would like to ask everyone to please save your toilet paper rolls, paper towel rolls, emptied and cleaned plastic milk jugs and water bottles, as well as baby food jars. We will be asking everyone to bring his or her recyclables into camp within the next few weeks. All of these common products can be used to create SUPER



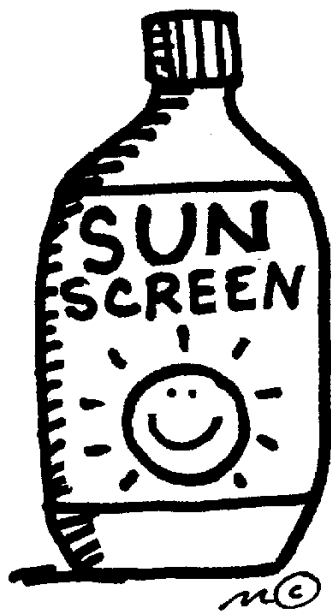
projects at Arts & Crafts. Thank you all for helping us make this a successful camp season!

-Paige & Allison

Health Check-Up:

Hello Everyone! My name is Nick Klepetz I am the Camp EMT. I currently volunteer my time in East Hanover First Aid Squad. Over the past two years I have been involved in 250+ calls. I greatly enjoy what I do, and giving back to the community at the time of need is so important.

On another note, everything at camp has been running very smoothly and there have been no major injuries. However, I do have two major concerns. After reviewing the forecast for the week, it is extremely important to pack a frozen water bottle for your son or daughter. Extremely hot temperatures dehydrate children at a much faster rate than it does to adults. Heat related incidents could become extremely dangerous if not dealt with properly!



Secondly, please review with your with your children the application of sunscreen. Recently, I have had many campers visiting me for sunscreen in their eyes. All of the sunscreen products carry harmful ingredients, and when sprayed/rubbed into eyes can cause complications. I wish all the parents and campers a happy summer, stay safe & in the best of health!

-Nick

From the Pool:

Hi, my name is Teigan. This is my third year working at Camp White Meadow. My first year I was a Pre-K and K counselor and last year I taught swim lessons as well. I also have been lifeguarding at the lake for about 3 years. I have lived in White Meadow Lake my entire life and now I am going to be entering my 3rd year at West Virginia University.

Hi, my name is Kat. This is my second year working at camp. I taught lessons with Teigan last year and loved every day of it. I have been lifeguarding and teaching lessons at the lake for the past 3 years and live in the lake as well. I am going to be a junior at West Virginia University this coming fall.

This week every grade took their swim tests up at the pool and were put into their swim lesson groups. For 5th and 6th grade we have the Dolphins and the Sharks. For 3rd and 4th grade we have the Frogs and the Fish, and for 1st and 2nd grade we have the Starfish and the Seahorses. By the end of the week each group

had started to work on their backstroke and participated in relays and games up at the pool.

-Teigan & Kat

Wiggly Worms (Pre-K & K):

Hi, my name is Barb Katz and welcome to the 2007 camp season! I am very happy and excited to return as the Pre-K & K supervisor. This will be my 7th year working with our youngest campers. Our groups name is the "Wiggly Worms". During the year I am a first grade teacher at the Wilson School in Mountain Lakes. I live in White Meadow Lake with my three children. Here at camp we look forward to an awesome summer filled with exploration, adventure and lots of good times!

What a fun-packed week we had at The Meadow. We were busy making yummy fruit-look necklaces, got cooled off on a fun wet and splash mat, we painted during Arts & Crafts period, we played kickball and soccer. We even had time for swimming lesson and a free swim. Another highlight of the week was boating with Bruce at Beach Three. Let the good times roll...Remember July 3rd is Red, White and Blue day.

Until Next Week,
-Barb, Molly, Sarah Rachel & Liz

Hi, my name is Sarah Goldberg. I attended County College of Morris in Randolph for two years. I plan to continue going to CCM for two more years then graduate in Spring 2009. My major is teacher education and a minor in history. I enjoy working with



little children. I have volunteered at my Temple's religious school as a teacher's aide for Pre-K through 1st grade. I also volunteer at the local hospital in Morristown.

Hi, my name is Molly Lasicka. In the fall, I will be a senior at Granada Hills High School, in California. This is my second year working with Pre-K & K, and I am excited for another great summer!

My name is Rachel. I will be going into senior year as an art major. I plan on going to Art College and maybe being an art teacher. This is my first year working at camp but I am sure it will be a very fun summer! All of the children are adorable and I look forward to learning all of their unique personalities.

Golden Dragons (1st & 2nd):

Hello, I am Claudia Armanetti, first and second grade supervisor. I'm new to camp, but not to the district. I have been working in the Rockaway Township schools since 2005 as a Spanish teacher. Camp is great, the kids are having a wonderful time and I am enjoying working with them.

The first and second graders had a wonderful first week. We picked our group name, "Golden Dragons", went on our first hike, did some boating and lots of other fun things. The Golden Dragons were also the first group to earn a star towards an ice cream treat. We are looking forward to our trips in July; Shawnee and Turtleback Zoo. We are also still getting to know each other and hope to keep on learning and enjoying ourselves!

-Claudia, Sabrina, Jason, Eric, Danielle, Christina

Hey, I'm Eric Durkin and I am a counselor for the 1st & 2nd graders. This is my first year here and so far I love it. In October I am going to the Art Institute of Philadelphia for Digital Filmmaking and Video Production. My hobbies are wrestling and baseball. I plan to have a great summer and hope to learn from and teach all of the children.

Hey, my name is Sabrina Orchard and I am a first and second grade counselor. This is my first summer working at camp, but I am a former camper and I have been working with children since I was in 8th grade. This year I will be a sophomore at Bloomsburg University in PA, where I am majoring in elementary education, with a concentration in mathematics. I've been living in WML for 10 years and I love the community and I hope this summer continues to be great!

Hi! My name is Jason Pattis. Next year I will be a senior at Morris Knolls High School. This is my second summer working at camp with the 1st & 2nd graders. I was a camper here from Pre-K to 7th grade and I am hoping the campers have as much fun this summer as I did when I was a camper.

My name is Christina Padilla and I have lived in WML all my life. This is my 3rd summer working as a counselor at camp with the 1st and 2nd graders. I will be a freshman at Johns Hopkins University in the fall but I'm looking forward to a fun



summer working with the 1st & 2nd graders!

Hey! My name is Danielle Idler and this is my first year as a camp counselor. I am 16 years old and I went to camp once in 7th grade. I have lived in the lake since I was three years old. I love working with kids and I have since I was ten. I love working at White Meadow Lake Camp as a counselor. I work with the first and second grader and they are so much fun!

Fast Fig Newtons (3rd & 4th):

Hi, my name is Miss Nancy. This year I am supervisor of the 3rd & 4th or as we are now known as "The Fast Fig Newtons". I have lived in WML for 23 years with my husband Rob and my Son A.J. During the year I teach Early Childhood in Livingston as well as Judaic Studies for 5th - 12th grade.

Welcome to WML Camp Summer 2007! I can't possibly tell you just how thrilled I am to be with all my old campers and how happy they were to see me!! It has been a delight getting to know our new campers. This is a fantastic group of kids. Everyone took a swim test so that during swim we can build on any weak areas. We have been boating with Bruce, playing sports with Ali and can't wait





to do Arts & Crafts with Paige & Allie. On Wednesday we celebrated "Favorite Sports Day" by wearing clothing with our favorite teams on them. This Friday is "Superhero Day"-ask your camper what superheroes they saw!

Until Next Week,
Enjoy the Weekend!
-Miss Nancy

My name is Gabe Daniels, and I have lived in White Meadow Lake my whole life. I was a camper at Camp White Meadow for several years when I was younger, but this is my first summer working at the camp. I am 19 years old, and I will be a sophomore at Rutgers. I am really looking forward to having a great summer!

Dillon will be attending the University of Maryland in the fall. He has lived in WML for 17 years now. He has been a camper for at least 10 of them. He was one of the 1st CITs and this is his 2nd year as a counselor. Dillon loves White Meadow and its campers. He is looking forward to this summer very much.

Hi, I am Jessica; this is my second year at Camp White Meadow. I'm a 3rd and 4th grade counselor this year. In the fall I will be a sophomore



at William Paterson University.

We've Dropped Our Socks (5th & 6th):

My name is Matthew Testa and I am the 5th & 6th grade supervisor. During the year I work as a band director at Stony Brook Elementary School. I look forward to working with all the campers this year!

Hello Everyone! Another camp season has begun and the 5th & 6th grade group is off to a strong start. Our groups new name is "We've Dropped Our Socks"! The kids are keeping busy refining their skills boating, swimming and playing many field sports. This year we are excited to add lacrosse to our list of activities. Our first hike up the Tourne was a great workout, and we look forward to climbing Pyramid Mountain next week! The sun is heating up out there so lets make sure we are keeping cool by getting sun tan lotion on and bringing water bottles every day!

-Matt

My name is Jess Kirsch, and I am a senior at Morris Hills High School. I play field hockey, fencing, and spring track for my school, and basketball and softball for the town. Although this is my first year working at White Meadow, I went to this camp as a camper for about 7 years. I enjoy working with children, especially the 5th & 6th graders. I can't wait for the rest of the summer!

My name is Josh Zuberberg. This is my first year working at Camp White Meadow. I've been a camper here for many years. I know I can do a great job making

your kids summers a very fun filled one! In my spare time I play hockey and tennis. I hope one day to become a gym teacher. I am very excited to be part of the staff and I will do my very best to make this summer special for everyone.

My name is Tom Scott. This is my 1st year as a counselor, although I went to this camp as a camper for 7 years. My interests include music, movies, and baseball. I look forward to getting to know all of the children.

Sprinkle Bubbles (2-Day Teen Travel):

My name is James R. Whitney. I am a physical education and health teacher in North Caldwell and I am a varsity soccer and lacrosse coach in Tenafly and Montclair respectively. I am also a professional soccer trainer. This is my 14th year working in summer camps, but my 2nd here at Camp White Meadow.

The Sprinkle Bubbles have been meeting and greeting this week, even through the thickness of the heat and humidity pouring down on us. We've enjoyed great camaraderie and thrilling sports and games. We're ready for our first off-campus excursion where we will strive to maintain our balance and temperament on the slippery surface of the bowling alley! Happy 4th of July to everyone!

-James, Patrick, Caity

My name is Patrick Maurer. I attend York College of PA and I will be a senior this fall semester. I am majoring in sports management and I am



minoring in human resource management. I hope to become an athletic director when I finally graduate.

My name is Caitlyn Maleck. I just graduated from Morris Hills High School, and I am attending the University of Rhode Island in the fall. I have a dual-major in engineering and Spanish.

Silver Monkeys (4-Day Teen Travel):

Happy Summer Everyone!! My name is Stacy Wahlstrom and I'm pleased to say that I've been given the opportunity to be the supervisor for the 4-Day Teen Travel program. I recently graduated from Marist College with a BA in

psychology and a minor in criminal justice and I am pursuing a Master's degree in school counseling at Montclair State University this fall. This is my 7th summer at CWM, and I look forward to it being a great one!

It's that time again-the first week of camp! We were really glad to see a lot of returning faces, but there were plenty of new ones too. Our 8-week summer adventure started at Lake Wawayanda and we had a blast. The Bronx Zoo was our next step, where we got to see a lot of awesome critters and the heat only made it feel more like a real safari adventure. And just as we

thought we couldn't take any more sun, we found ourselves slipping and sliding up and down all of Mountain Creek. After an entire week of fun in the sun, we wrapped it all up with Superhero Day where each and every one of us got to be super for a day!

-Stacy & Pete

Hi, my name is Pete and I'm a counselor for 4-Day Teen Travel. I'm currently attending SUNY @ Purchase where I'm pursuing a Bachelors degree in Liberal Studies. This is my second year at Camp White Meadow and hopefully I'll be back for many summers to come!

