



## Maine Summer Camps Spring Workshops and SYSCO Food Show at the Cross Insurance Arena April 26, 2016, 11:00 am

### 11:00 Workshop I

Carlton Gardner, Compliance Section Team Leader for the DHHS Drinking Water Program, and Tom Bahum, Training Specialist from the Maine Rural Water Association (MRWA), will co-present a workshop covering the new maintenance and testing regulations (April 2016) for camps that operate small public water systems. This workshop will be geared toward camp owners and directors.

### 11:00 Workshop II

ReVision Energy will present “Solar Energy for Maine Summer Camps.” Overview of solar technology and how it works to reduce net electricity consumption through utility net metering. System finances will be discussed for “non-profit” and “for-profit” camps including installation costs, tax credits, depreciation, grants and Power Purchase Agreements. Case studies will show how existing summer camps have already benefited from solar energy. Don’t miss this opportunity to learn more about the economic and environmental benefits of solar power!

### 12:15 SYSCO Annual Food Show



### MSC Business Members Facebook Page



This spring we are launching a new Facebook private group for our business members only. We will use the group to keep our business members



informed about the latest happenings in the world of Maine camps. We will also use this platform to announce upcoming events and to solicit feedback from our business members. BUT it only works if you become a member of the group! Please email Ron Hall at [camps@mainecamps.org](mailto:camps@mainecamps.org) to be added to the group.

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# President's Column

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*Andy Lilienthal*

As the bulbs emerge and the leaves on the trees burst forth, I am reminded of life's warmth and feel the energy of the spring season. Life titillates and I stand in wonder at the churning, pent up energy from the long winter actualizing in myriad forms. There has been a mantra playing in my head

since the last days of fall and as spring shines on me the mantra becomes louder, "A child's job is to play, A child's job is to play, A child's job is to play....."

Where did this line come from and what does it mean? I suspect it arose from my own dialectic as my sons, ages 13 and 7, emerge into their own selves and I am increasingly cognizant of my role in helping them to become caring individuals that can successfully navigate the world. Concurrently, I am both reading and hearing about a raft of research examining the value of children being outdoors and playing freely. Not surprisingly, the research has shown a strong direct correlation between children spending more time outside and playing in non-supervised ways and decreased levels of anxiety and depression, increased creativity and a greater ability to successfully navigate among peers.

Like many of you who enjoyed similar freedoms, I still clearly remember playing after school with friends and exploring the undeveloped fields in the hills above my Virginia home. The wonder of finding a box turtle walking toward a small pond, playing pick-up football after school and arguing with my best friend over a call, only to reset the next morning as we walked to school. These were keystone days and events, and to a great degree formed the basis of my values and sense of the world.

As we know, many children no longer enjoy such freedom. Outside unstructured play has dropped dramatically and the area that kids roam has shrunk from a magnitude of miles to feet. Ironically, decades ago both medical professionals and parents knew that being outside and playing with other kids was good for children. This notion, lost among the haze of pharmacology's influence, two working parents, societal fear, and changes in education among other factors, has created a sort of epidemic that leaves children less happy, parents more worried and camps squarely on the right side of the issue.

So, as the countdown to summer kicks into high gear and we enroll campers, hire staff, order stuff, paint, repair, clean and review the lists that it takes to ensure our summer communities, it is important to remember that for most of us, no matter our mission within the mission, the fundamental essence of camp is that we work with children so that they develop through play.

Children need the camp experience as much, or more, than ever. We, as youth development professionals, are in the unique and enviable position to provide children with the opportunity that is fast disappearing in the rest of their lives. We all know it is not easy, and as we bring people together for the summer, may play, fun and camaraderie be in the top and front of our minds. It is important for us as adults and even more critical for the children and families we serve.

May this summer at camp be the best summer of your life, and I hope you have fun doing it.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Andy Lilienthal". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

# Don't Miss It!

## MSC/MYCA Annual Meeting June 10, 2016 Fernwood Cove, Harrison



This is an open invitation to MSC camps, business members and individual members to attend the MYCA/MSC Annual Meeting on Friday June 10th at Fernwood Cove in Harrison.

9:30 Coffee

10:00 – 11:45 MSC and MYCA Meetings

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Optional tour of Fernwood Cove with focus on their infrastructure



## Dr. Chris Thurber Workshop July 12, 2016 at 1:30 Camp Wawenock

Mark your calendars to send your 1st and 2nd year staff to

Camp Wawenock on July 12th at 1:30 p.m. for an informative and engaging mid-season training by Dr. Christopher Thurber! This year, Chris will focus on *Truth and Consequences: Shame-Free Behavior Management*. This interactive workshop will challenge your staff to explore the limits of their own honesty, as well as devise graceful, instructive methods for helping their campers tell the truth when it counts. Their new skill set will help decrease gossip, enhance sportsmanship, and forge closer relationships at your camp. Don't miss this valuable training opportunity for your staff!

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Spring 2016

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Reminders:

- ❖ Camps are asked to have 2 chaperones with each age group.
- ❖ Camp shirts, if available, should be worn by all participants.
- ❖ Drinks and snacks will be provided, lunches should be packed.
- ❖ An outdoor recreation area will be available for campers before and after they compete.

Two NEW word list resources are listed below, but others are available:

**Scripps Spelling Resources:** <http://iss.schoolwires.com/domain/4368>

**Word Lists for different grades:** <http://www.spelling-words-well.com/spelling-bee-word-list.html>

**Questions? Please call Bob Strauss @ (207) 583-2300 or email him at [wigwam@maine.com](mailto:wigwam@maine.com)**

**Directions:** The Center is near the Maine Mall/Jetport area. From Maine Turnpike Exit 46 turn left onto Jetport Rd. At light, turn left on Congress St/ ME 22. Continue approx 2/10 miles to 2445 Congress St, to The Racket & Fitness Center. If you get to the CineMagic Theater you have gone too far. Center Phone: 207-775-6128.

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# Awards and Accolades

## Spring 2016

### MSC's Jack Erler receives the Special Recognition Award from the American Camp Association



The Special Recognition Award honors groups, organizations, or individuals for their efforts to promote camp with a profound significance on a national level. Jack Erler, Esq., accepted the Special Recognition Award at the National ACA Conference in

Atlanta, GA. For more than forty years Jack has represented youth camps in all aspects of their operation. His work advising, representing, and lobbying for the Maine Youth Camp Association has been extensive within Maine, the New England region and on a national level. Most recently Jack consulted with ACA New England and the national ACA on commercial motor vehicle regulations as applied to youth camps.

A Standards Visitor, ACA Member, and recipient of the ACA New England Community Honor Recognition and the Halsey Gulick Award for distinguished service to the organized camping movement in Maine and New England, Jack has been connected to camp for more than 65 years as a camper, counselor, activity director, unit director, and assistant camp director.

### Maine Summer Camps Receives Community Honor Award at 2016 ACA New England Conference



This award is given for outstanding contributions to organized camping or to ACA New England. It should be presented to individuals, groups or organizations that

may or may not be members of ACA in order to recognize their support of quality camp experiences.

Due to the tireless effort by Maine Summer Camps to align itself with partners such as ACA and ACA New England, Executive Director Ron Hall, Counsel Jack Erler and the supporting cast continued to educate and guide camps through the confusion of the elevated level of interest in camps regarding enforcement of federal transportation law. Today the success story is complete. The interpretations pushed onto Maine camps last year are gone, and all camps across the country are now exempt. Maine Summer Camps played an integral role and camps in New England and across the US have benefitted.

Congratulations to Maine Summer Camps for standing up for member camps in Maine and in effect for all camps across the country.

### Sarah Seaward honored at the 2016 ACA New England Conference

The Distinguished Service Award is the highest honor given by ACA New England. It is awarded to an individual who has given outstanding leadership and service to ACA New England for at least 10 years. It is easily recognized that no other award would do justice to the magnitude of this nominee's contributions.

Sarah Seaward is the director/owner of Camp Nashoba North and an active volunteer in her community as a conservation commissioner for Littleton, MA and human and animal care-giver for the Red Cross and the US Humane Society. Sarah has served ACA, Inc. for over 25 years as a member of the board development committee, member of the council of delegates, and as chair of the awards committee. Her work on the national level has been of great value to our relationship with ACA, Inc. On behalf of ACA New England, Sarah has served as the camp fair co-chair, CIS task force member, nominations chair, board member and vice president, public awareness chair, services chair, and has been a Standards Visitor since 1989.



Previously Sarah received an ACA New England Special Recognition Award in 1997, an ACA National Service Award in 2005, and ACA New England's Meritorious Service Award in 2010.

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# News and Reviews-Sustainability

## Spring 2016



Over the past 7 years Fernwood Cove has invested in many green initiatives to reduce Fernwood Cove's carbon imprint. These initiatives include the installation of solar power, upgrading old incandescent, fluorescent and CFL's to LED lighting and by installing automatic occupancy light sensors.

In 2010 Fernwood Cove installed its first 20 kilowatt solar array using Revision Energy. After the initial consultation with Revision Energy we chose to install a free standing fixed array. It was to cover approximately 70 percent of our annual electrical use. This was true when we initially installed it; however, our electrical consumption increased as we continued to improve our facilities by constructing new buildings such as culinary arts, fabric arts and more.

So, in 2012, Fernwood Cove installed its second 20 kilowatt solar array using Field Electric. This installation was in conjunction with building our new Assembly Theater Hall. From the onset of planning this building we had decided to install a roof mounted array on the south facing perspective. The angle of the building was intentionally placed to maximize the sun exposure for the roof mounted array.

Over the years we have found that our fixed freestanding solar array produces more solar energy and is easier to maintain. During the winter the snow slides off on its own; however, our roof mounted solar array needs to have snow removed often. We have both arrays professionally cleared annually by a window washer to help maintain the efficiency of the arrays. Other than this they have both been very low maintenance with little to no problems.

Our experience with Central Maine Power and its net metering contract has been tiring and difficult. It seems that their billing system is not updated to account for energy credits so they have to manually input these credits into a spreadsheet and onto your bill. During each billing cycle we receive a spreadsheet with an overview of our energy credits. Our bills need to be reviewed monthly to ensure we are receiving our credits, and that they are being distributed among our other metered accounts.

In the spring of 2015 we were informed about an Efficiency Maine rebate initiative to assist small businesses to upgrade existing lights and light fixtures to LEDs. "LEDs can reduce lighting energy costs 65 percent compared to halogens. LEDs can reduce maintenance costs too: the average life of an LED is over 25,000 hours, meaning fewer bulb replacements" (from the Maine Efficiency website.) We worked with both Gilman Electrical Supply and Field Electric to replace 100 percent of our lights to LED's. After rebates at the time we received back 70 percent of the cost of the project.

Over the years we noticed particular lights always being left on both during the day and at night; as you are probably well aware, mostly during the summer months. So to combat this unnecessary electrical use we installed automatic occupancy light sensors. These are relatively inexpensive switches that turn on when there is movement and not enough natural light and then turn off once there is no movement in the room. We have installed these in rooms such as our office photocopy room, office bathrooms, dining hall and assembly hall bathrooms, the barn, and maintenance shop.

We are hoping with the implementation of all these electrical saving initiatives and the installation of our solar arrays we will be able to cover 100 percent of our electrical use. With further education of our staff and a collective effort to be aware of our electrical consumption it is very possible.

Please feel free to reach out to Jim Gill or myself if you have any questions.

Beigette Gill, Fernwood Cove Director/Owner.

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# News and Reviews

## Spring 2016



### Maine Summer Camps January 2016 Winter Workshops and Business Networking Event

This year the MSC winter workshops and business networking event took place at the Italian Heritage Center (IHC) in Portland. Almost 200 people participated in part or all of the day's events. The day started out with a meeting of the MSC Board of Directors. This was followed by two workshops. The first workshop focused on new possible destinations for wilderness trips and ways to make these trips safer. Maine Huts and Trails, Maine Island Trails Association, AMC, Maine State Parks and Public Lands, Delorme (Garmin) and Summer Camp Supply were presenters. The second workshop was made up of three mini workshops involving Maine Master Naturalists, Trout Unlimited, and STEM in camps.

During the workshops 65 MSC businesses set up their booths. This was followed by a lunch served by the Italian Heritage Center. For the next two hours staff from more than 70 camps networked with all of the vendors. Post event responses from our vendors were excellent. We have already booked the IHC for next year's business networking event which will be held on January 24, 2017. The day ended with the Mega-Raffle and over 40 people departed with great gifts that were donated by our business members. Congratulations to Linda Suitor who won the grand prize of 3 days and 2 nights at Ocean's Edge, a Migis Hotel Group property.

Sponsors for this event were: CIEE, VIP Bus and Tours, Chalmers Insurance Group, Acadia Insurance, Blast Party Rentals, Funtown/Splashtown, Key Bank, Great Northern Docks, and Migis Hotel Group.



### Camp Fair March 2016

Once again MSC had an incredibly successful camp fair on March 20 at the East End Community School in Portland. We had 74 camps present who met with many of the 600 people in attendance. Thanks to all of our volunteers and to East End Community Center. Ziggy's Food Truck also had a very busy afternoon. Next year's camp fair will be held on Sunday, March 19, 2017 at the East End School.

### Nominations for the Halsey Gulick Award and The Dedication to Camping Recognition deadline is May 1, 2016

Halsey Gulick Award: The rich history and heritage of summer camping in Maine has not only produced generations of happy and healthy campers, but has also provided our amazing industry with quite a few memorable and extraordinary individuals. There are personalities who stand out, who are difference makers, who, through their work within MSC, live up to the ideals, the leadership, and the ingenuity of Halsey Gulick himself.

The award is given to one recipient each year and has been given since 1982. It is awarded in person at the MYCF and MYCA Annual meeting (June 10, 2016) and is kept CONFIDENTIAL until awarded. Anyone may make a nomination and the nominee need not be a member of MYCF. See the nomination form and a list of past recipients of the award on the MSC website at: <http://mainecamps.org/about-us/our-mission-values/awards/>

"Dedication to Camping Recognition" is designed to recognize people with a long tenure in camping (25 years or more). They are listed on a special section of the Maine Summer Camps web site, announced at the annual meeting, and sent a special certificate. This is not an in-person award, but rather a way to keep a permanent record of the large number of people who have dedicated their lives to Maine youth camping. Many camps give out the recognitions at their own camp awards ceremony. A Nomination form is available on the MSC website at: <http://mainecamps.org/about-us/our-mission-values/awards/>

To send your nominations, or for questions, contact Bobby Strauss at [wigwam@maine.com](mailto:wigwam@maine.com), 207-583-2300 (Chair of Gulick Awards Committee).





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Salt Pump also offers in-house school break and summer camps.



# News and Reviews- Awards

## Spring 2016



### Camp Susan Curtis Wins National Award for Program Excellence

“It is at Camp Susan Curtis that economically disadvantaged Maine youth realize they HAVE potential. Without it, they probably never would,” commented one Maine public school educator about the impact of Camp Susan Curtis and the Susan L. Curtis Charitable Foundation.

The teacher is one of hundreds across Maine who refer students to the programs of Camp Susan Curtis each year. Her comments were echoed by the American Camp Association at its national conference earlier this month, where Camp Susan Curtis and the Susan L. Curtis Charitable Foundation were awarded one of the association’s highest awards – the Eleanor P. Eells Award for Program Excellence.

The Eleanor P. Eells Award is presented to six nominees nationwide that “create exceptional programming and develop effective, creative responses to the needs of people and society through the camp experience.” For the youth served at Camp Susan Curtis, those needs include bolstering educational attainment,

promoting health and well-being, and supporting the development of life and workplace skills.

“This recognition is a validation of the impact we’re seeing in our youths’ lives,” said Susan L. Curtis Charitable Foundation’s Executive Director, Melissa Cilley. “The programs of Camp Susan Curtis change the statistical trajectory for hundreds of Maine youth each year. We’re proud of our curriculum and of helping our youth beat the statistical odds, and we’re honored to be recognized nationally for our work.”

Youth typically enter the programs of Camp Susan Curtis as early as third grade, many remaining through high school, developing their individual character, self-confidence and many of the skills that are essential to becoming independent, contributing citizens.

Of youth who attend four years or more and complete leadership training, 98.8 percent graduate from high school compared to just 76.9 percent of their like-resourced peers across Maine. With Camp Susan Curtis, almost 8 out of 10 go to some form of post-secondary education. Contrast that to less than half of low-income youth statewide.

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## THE CAMP HISTORY CORNER BY Henry Johnson, Historian

### A Look Back At Camp Tournaments

This Historian honestly has no idea where the concept of inter-camp tournaments in such sports as basketball, tennis, baseball, archery, riflery, soccer, or even steal-the-bacon originated. All I know is that at some point in time during the history of Maine camping, team sport and individual sport tournaments became etched into the landscape of Maine summer camping, and provided a great source of both inter-camp and intra-camp spirit, camaraderie, competition and fun.

I can remember my participation in the first Powhatan Invitational Basketball Tournament which took place in the beautiful indoor gymnasium of Camp Powhatan on Pleasant Lake. Director Joel Bloom was very sensitive about making certain that there was a mix of summer camps--both camps from the local area as well as camps from some distance away. By way of example, Camp Winnebago and Camp Menatoma in 1970 were participants in the basketball tournaments. As the years of the Powhatan Invitational Basketball Tournament advanced, even camps from New Hampshire such as Camp Winaukee accepted invitations to the Camp Powhatan Invitational Basketball Tournament.

Additionally, strong athletic rivals of Powhatan such as Takajo, Cedar and Samoset II made their appearance at the basketball tournament. Interestingly, Camp O-AT-KA from Sebago Lake participated at Camp Powhatan as a general rule in only one sport . . . Powhatan's basketball tournament.

The invitational tournament concept manifested itself in other wonderful settings. I fondly look back on the Camp Takajo tennis and sailing tournaments. I was not a sailor, but friends of mine at Powhatan attended this great tournament. I did participate in the Takajo tennis tournament, enjoying the great spirit of competition.

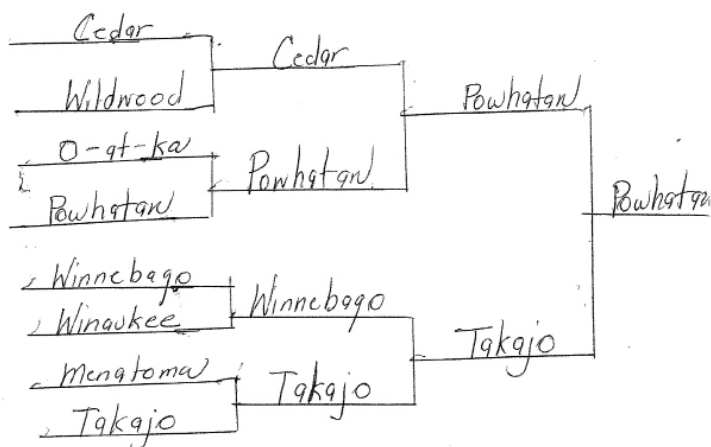
If my memory serves me right, Takajo at one time called their tennis tournament The Tri-State Tennis Tournament, and invited not only Camp Powhatan and Camp Kohut from the local region, but also invited Camp Mahkeenak and Graylock from Massachusetts, and what I think was a camp named Brent Lake from New York State. Camp Takajo was always the perennial favorite and I, as a tennis player for Powhatan,

wished to avoid playing a Takajo player, at least in the early rounds.

Camp Cedar in Casco, Maine also held, and I know still holds, wonderful basketball tournaments. Cedar featured then, and to my knowledge, still features today, a great indoor gym as well as very fine outdoor basketball facilities. In my years as a 13-year-old, we did not get the opportunity to participate in the indoor gymnasium until the basketball finals as the early rounds of the 13-and-under tournament were played outdoors.

Cedar also sponsored a track and field event which

SAMPLE POWHATAN BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT  
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was generally featured on a Sunday afternoon at Camp Cedar. I got to participate in the little known track and field event of the softball toss, and as I got older, the football toss. More traditional track and field events such as a sprint and a broad jump complemented the track and field event.

For you nostalgia fans, I enclose a typical draw sheet for what would have been possibly a Cedar or Powhatan basketball tournament from the past. I salute the inter-camp tournament concept both as a piece of Maine camping history, and in the evolution of Maine camp history.



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## Junior Maine Guide News

Junior Maine Guide Workshop for 2016 Test Candidates and JMG Camp Staff  
Saturday, July 9, 2016

Camps that are attending JMG Camp this summer are invited to attend a day of JMG awareness at Bryant Pond 4-H Camp. The day will start with a meet and greet of the testers, and followed by four training sessions. The testers will run stations on map and compass, axe and knife work, canoeing, and a question and answer group that will have a tree line and a group encampment set up. There will be an opportunity for questions at this last station. Each station will last about 50 minutes, and then the groups will rotate to the next station.

The testers will explain what they are looking for when they evaluate the candidates in these areas. While the candidates are attending the stations, there will be one or two sessions just for the JMG counselors. The counselors can ask questions about how JMG Camp is run or ask for some teaching suggestions. Plans are under way to have a special speaker make a presentation during the lunch break.

In June registration forms will be sent out to camps that will be participating in JMG Test Camp this summer. Any camps that are running the Junior Maine Woodsman and/or Maine Woodsman programs that would like to send a staff member to this workshop should contact Moose Curtis at [mr.moose675@gmail.com](mailto:mr.moose675@gmail.com) – space is limited.

### Junior Maine Guides Donations

This year JMG has received the following grants and donations:

- \$10,000 grant from Maine Timberland Charitable Trust to provide ten \$1,000 scholarships to be awarded to five JMG campers



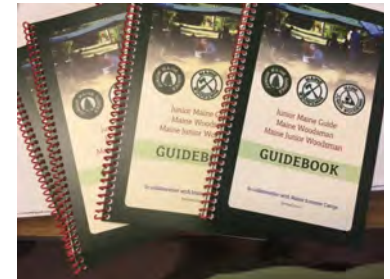
from Natarswi and five from Bryant Pond.

- \$1,000 from Enterprise Holdings to be used for 2016 operational expenses.
- \$1,050 from Camp O-AT-KA and its JMG alumni to purchase Silva Compasses with JMG lanyards that will be given to each JMG testing candidate this summer. Camp Winona has already pledged funds to do this in 2017.
- \$200 from JMG alumna Elizabeth Keith to be used for guest speakers this summer.



The new JMG/Maine Woodsman Guide book is now available. The funding for the book was made possible by gifts from Maine Timberland Charitable Foundation and Maine Community Foundation.

Any Maine camp can request a free copy. Additional copies are available for sale @ \$17 each. If you would like to receive your free copy or place an order contact Margi at [office@mainecamps.org](mailto:office@mainecamps.org)



## Welcome New Camp Members

**Coastal Studies for Girls** Contact: Pam Erickson, 308 Wolfes Neck Rd., Freeport, ME 04032. [pam@coastalstudiesforgirls.org](mailto:pam@coastalstudiesforgirls.org) 207.865.9700. Resident, Private non-profit. Girls.

**Farm Camp LLC** Two locations: Cape Elizabeth Contact: Holly Sheehan 207.518.1779, Wiscasset Contact: Jeanine Bischoff 207.518.3427 [info@farmcampkids.com](mailto:info@farmcampkids.com) Day, Private, COED.

**LL Bean Kids' Camp and Teen Adventures** Contact: Ryan Jaret, LL Bean, 15 Casco St., Freeport, ME 04033. [rjaret@llbean.com](mailto:rjaret@llbean.com) 888.270.2326. Day, COED.

**Sailing Ships Portland** Contact: Alex Agnew, PO Box 517, Portland, ME 04112. [aagnew@navigatorpublishing.com](mailto:aagnew@navigatorpublishing.com) Resident, Private non-profit. Boys and Girls.



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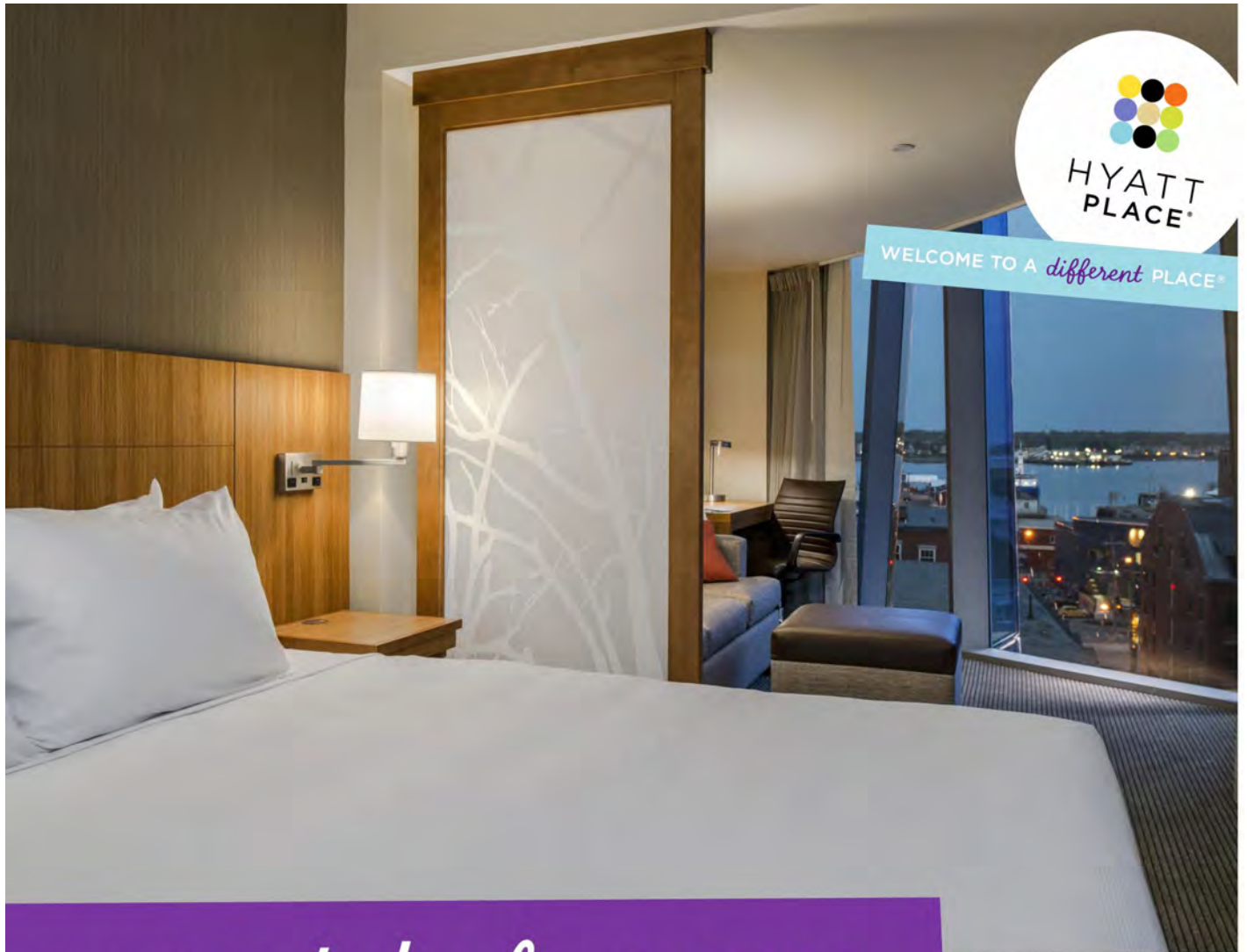
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## New Business Members

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**Please Note!** The phone number for Salt Pump Climbing Company was printed incorrectly in the Maine Summer Camps Directory. Their phone number is 207.219.8145 and is correct on our website.

## Save the Date!



**July 15 and 16,  
2016**

The Sustainability Committee is inviting camps to participate in the second annual

MSC Summer Earth Day. Camps throughout the state will be organizing events and programming centered around a summer-time celebration of Earth Day on either July 15 or 16 (or both!) Last year's activities ranged from waterfront clean-ups to planting trees. We encourage camps to get staff and campers involved to create a truly impactful event. Don't forget to post images of your projects and activities to the social media platform of your choice, using #MSCEarthDay! Stay tuned for the June newsletter, which will have the official MSC Earth Day theme and activity ideas.

**Friday, April 29, 2016, 8 am to 12 pm**



Dock Construction and Maintenance Workshop  
Great Northern Docks,  
Route 302, Naples, ME.

The presentation will include meeting with engineers on the latest products and methods in dock construction and maintenance. There will also be a tour of their wood and aluminum workshops. 207.693.3770



**MIGIS LODGE**  
*On Sebago Lake*

**Wednesday,  
September 21, 2016**

This fall's MSC Membership meeting will be held at Migis Lodge in Casco. The day starts with a Board of Directors meeting at 9:00 am followed by a MSC membership meeting from 11:00 to 12:15. The highlight of the day will be a Migis Cookout for MSC camps and business members. The perfect way to wind down from a great summer! THANK YOU Migis!





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**April 26, Tuesday- Spring Board Meeting and Workshops at the SYSCO Food Show**, Cross Insurance Arena, Spring St., Portland  
11:00 am. Details page 1

**April 29, Friday- Dock Construction and Maintenance Workshop**  
Great Northern Dock, Route 302, Naples, ME.  
Details page 22

**June 10, Friday - MYCF and MYCA Annual Membership Meetings** - Fernwood Cove. Details page 3

**July 12, Tuesday - Chris Thurber Staff Training Workshop**, at Camp Wawenock - Raymond “*Truth and Consequences: Shame-Free Behavior Management.*”  
Details page 3

**July 14, Thursday** - 13th Annual MYCF Spelling Bee  
- Portland. Flyer page 5

**July 15 and 16, Friday and Saturday - Summer Camps Earth Day.** Details page 22

**July 25 - 29** - Junior Maine Guides Testing Camp, Stephen Phillips Preserve - Oquossoc, ME. News page 19

**September 21, Wednesday-** Fall Board and Membership Meeting. Migis Lodge, Casco, ME.