



Chris Thurber Workshop *Plug In To The Positive*

Tuesday, July 8, 1:30-4 p.m.

Camp Wawenock, Raymond



Turn the tables on traditional thinking about how you bond with campers, manage their behavior and tap their potential. This workshop will challenge you to move forward with a courageous and fundamentally different approach to achieving greatness as a youth development professional. Human beings are wired to detect differences, which means we notice when things go wrong. But when that negative mindset anchors relationships at camp, it hinders happiness, creativity and friendship.

Positive psychology is a cutting-edge approach that offers new pathways to optimal functioning and expert leadership. Participants will leave with a new mindset and plenty of practical take-home activities to help campers behave well and feel great. (See Attached Flyer)

10th Annual Camp Spelling Bee-Don't Miss It!

Wednesday, July 16, 9:30 a.m.
Portland Racket and Fitness Center
(off Jetport Exit 46 of Maine Turnpike)
2445 Congress St., Portland, ME



All Proceeds to Benefit
Maine Summer Camps.
Norway Savings Bank will again
generously match all entry fees.

To Sign up call Bob Strauss, Camp Wigwam, 207.583.2300
or MSC at 27.518.9557 (See Attached Flyer)

MSC Fall Board Meeting and Fellowship

Wednesday, September 17



Migis Lodge, South Casco, ME

10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m

NOON: Cookout provided by
Migis Lodge

Junior Maine Guide Program

The 2014 Junior Maine Guide Testing Encampment (Level 3) will be held:

- Monday, July 21, 2014 – Friday, July 25, 2014
- Stephen Phillips Preserve, Oquossoc (Rangeley), ME

Directions are available from the MSC Office.

Testing candidates attend this week with their camps. Contact your camp for details about their participation in the 2014 encampment.

President's Column



Andy Lilienthal

What is in a name? What images does a name conjure up for others? How does it affect our fates? At times, personas or businesses are seemingly perfectly aligned with their name. In other cases, names are changed to “protect the innocent” and meet the evolving reality. However assigned, names mean a lot and they affect both consciously and unconsciously how people view and relate to them.

As MSC has evolved, so has our name. Most recently, the MSC board voted to adopt changing our name from Maine Youth Camping Foundation to Maine Summer Camps. Why? Because in a nutshell, our old name did not adequately reflect the work we do to promote and enhance the summer camp experience in Maine. “Youth Camping,” “Foundation.” These were terms that were relevant in the day they were hatched yet no longer seemed to fit the current day understanding of MSC’s mission. How refreshing that at our core, MSC is open enough to change when needed while keeping our eye on the core organizational mission.

As the camp industry evolves, we strive to keep step, and there are exciting feats ahead. New online features, cutting edge educational sessions and vibrant discussions on what horizon to strive towards are all things you can look forward to in the year to come.

For now, have a fun, wildly successful summer and see you at our Annual Summer Meeting at Camp Mataponi on June 6!

The 2014 Directory of Maine Summer Camps is available. To request a copy, contact the MSC office at camps@mainecamps.org

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Dispatches

Summer 2014

MSC Sustainability Committee Update

The MSC Sustainability Committee convened in May. It is a great time for camps to be pushing sustainability concerns back up their priority list. Not only is sustainability and the growing impact of climate change increasingly present in the media and society as a whole, but MSC recently welcomed a new business member, "Green Camps Initiative" (GCI) on board.

GCI is working towards many of the same long term goals MSC's Sustainability Committees have been working towards - a set of benchmarking tools, a comprehensive list of resources, marketing tools for camps, sustainability audits, and real ways to save and even make money.

Every Maine camp stands to benefit by joining GCI and utilizing the depth of resources membership allows. Maine camping as a whole will also benefit from more Maine camps joining. We will be looking for feedback from member camps in the fall, and we will have a chance to help shape the direction a potentially national sustainability movement takes.

If you would like more information, and would like to join, please visit greencampsinitiative.org. Also, if you are interested in furthering the goal of sustainability in Maine camping, please email Matt Pines at matt@teencamp.com for more information about joining our committee.

Watch for the New Parents Section on MSC Website

This summer we will be adding a separate Parent Section to our website. The new section will include useful articles ranging from questions to ask when searching for a camp to homesickness issues. These articles will be updated on a regular basis. There will also be a quarterly electronic newsletter posted here. The Parent Section will be home to a new category of Business Sponsors who provide services that will help families plan their trips to Maine. These sponsors will be divided into categories such as accommodations, restaurants, outfitters, excursions, transportation, and attractions.

The primary purpose for the new Parent Section is to provide potential camp families with an abundance of information to help convince them that Maine is the place for children and parents to spend the summer. We also want to create reasons for potential camp families to visit the Maine Summer Camps website often.

We have the lofty goal of getting fifty new business members to become sponsors this coming year. If you know of a hotel, restaurant, outfitter, etc. that you think might benefit from the exposure to thousands of camp families traveling and vacationing in Maine, please encourage them to contact the Maine Summer Camps office for more information, or you can email their contact information to [Ron Hall](mailto:Ron.Hall).

Passages & Milestones

Louise LaBlavier Henderson passed away on May 24th in Connecticut after a long illness. Louise grew up in Darien, CT. She attended the Thomas School in Rowayton, CT prior to attending Wellesley College, from which she graduated in 1955. Subsequently, she received a Master's Degree in history from Stanford University. Believing in young people and their abilities and aspirations, Louise inspired hundreds of girls at the Castilleja School in Palo Alto, CA, the Chapin School in New York City and the Sunset Hill School in Kansas City, MO where she was Headmistress for 5 years in the 1960's. She shared her passion for and knowledge of history for many years. She also was the College Guidance Counselor at the Chapin School for over 25 years.

Louise was also a camping educator. Her mother's family owned and directed Camp Arcadia in Casco, Maine. Louise was a camper at Camp Arcadia for many summers and became a counselor, Head Counselor and a Director with her sister, Anne Henderson Fritts. Anne's daughter, Louise Fritts Johnson, is currently a Director, assisted by her sisters and brother.

A memorial service will be held at St. Luke's Church, 1864 Post Road, Darien, CT on September 27th at 11:00 o'clock. Contributions in her memory may be made to the Camp Arcadia Scholarship Foundation, Friendship Fund, PO Box 158, Casco, Maine 04015 or The Chapin School, 100 East End Avenue, New York, NY 10028.

Welcome New Business Members

GREEN CAMPS INITIATIVE: Contact: Danny Sudman, Ex. Dir, 12021 Cherry St., Los Alamitos, CA 90720. Email: info@greencampsinitiative.org, 704.450.1901. *GCI provides camps with resources and support to implement sustainable initiatives. Outcomes = Education, Environmental Stewardship and Economic Savings.*

HYATT PLACE PORTLAND-OLD PORT:

Contact: Deborah Roberts, Director or Sales, 433 Fore Street, Portland, ME 04101 Email: hyattplaceportlandme@gmail.com, 207.775.1000. *Situated in the heart of the Old Port. 130 distinct guest rooms which include balcony suites, sitting 7 stories high.*

MIGIS LODGE: Contact: Jed Porta, General Manager, PO Box 40, South Casco, ME 04077. Email: migis@migis.com, 207.655.4524. *Maine's premiere Full American Plan Resort has been hosting generations of families since 1916. Rates include all meals and use of the resort's activities.*

What's In a Camp Name?

What do you think of when you hear the name Camp Wigwam? What comes to mind is a picturesque lake with a campfire and a wigwam tent alongside. Wrong. How about Camp Encore Coda? That is really a puzzle. Maine Summer Camps has asked its member camps to share the history of their names with you. Some are obvious, some are not, but all of them are interesting!

When Jean McMullen purchased ALFORD LAKE Camp in 1962, she thought it the easiest of camp names. Having just left Wyonegonic after 15 years (which she learned to spell by singing a certain ditty) it was apparent that Alford Lake Camp was named for the lake that it is on. The lake is as beautiful as any in Maine.

BIRCH ROCK Camp. When William and Onie Brewster walked through the pastures and the maple grove on the side of McWain Hill and looked out over the lake, they were enchanted. At the shore, where they happened upon a graceful white birch tree growing on top of a huge boulder-the birch on the rock- they knew they had found a home for their sleepaway camp in Maine.

Despite the sundry interpretations in circulation, the only reasonably substantiated meaning of CHEWONKI is “big mooseback ridge” from the Abenaki, Che (“big”) + adowakeag (“ridge or mooseback”). Of course, this fits the geography of Chewonki Neck perfectly!

Camp ENCORE CODA was originally Camp Encore (for boys) because it was an “extra performance” (as in a concert encore) for Jamie Saltman’s parents, after the “main event” of their long teaching careers. They added CODA to the name in 1970 when they added girls, which was a surprise to them. A CODA is a surprise turn in a piece of music.

Leonardo Da Vinci, an artist and scientist, was the inspiration for DAVINCI EXPERIENCE SCIENCE & ART Camp. This camp provides hands-on experiences that combine science and art and outdoor activities to teach children skills and an appreciation for the world around them.



FLYING MOOSE LODGE was established in 1921 and the founders wanted a name easily remembered and pronounced. There was a mountain two hills over named

Flying Moose Mountain, having been named by an inebriated farmer who chased a moose out of his garden to the top of the mountain. When he got to the top the farmer couldn't find the moose and proclaimed that it had (obviously) flown off the top into the valley below. The founders of the camp decided it would make a great camp name too.

GANDER BROOK CHRISTIAN Camp's first location was in Jackman, Maine, in a fishing camp, overlooking Wood Pond, directly next to Gander Brook. When they moved to their present location in Raymond, they retained the name.

GIRL SCOUT Camps:

Camp SCULKIT was named for the two Girl Scout Councils that bought the land with cookie money in 1950: Scouts of Eliot and Kittery. Camp KIRKWOLD was named for owner Ms. Kirk, who had run the camp since 1938 as private girl's camp Merrywold. She gave the camp to the local GS councils in 1951, and they re-named it Kirkwold in her honor. Camp PONDICHERRY was the winning entry in a Girl Scouts' naming contest for their new camp in 1969. The original name for much of present day Bridgton was 'Pondicherry,' believed to have been named in tribute to an admiral who fought in a battle in Pondicherry, India. It was common among youth organizations in the early 1900's to create names that sounded like Native American words. Combining some of the major camp activities, Nature, Arts and Swimming, created a name for Camp NATARSWI.

Peter Kassen at HIDDEN VALLEY Camp wrote to us and said, “I think we're an easy one...”

KIEVE (kee-ave) is a Celtic verb which means to strive in emulation of, to work hard to acquire skills, knowledge, and attitudes from others so as to improve yourself.

KAMP KOHUT'S name comes from our founder, Dr. George Alexander Kohut. Dr. Kohut brought boys from New York City to Maine to experience life in the outdoors and the rest is history.

The name MANITOU was derived from the Algonquian words Kitche Manitou for “Great Spirit”...a “Great Spirit” that inhabited all living things as well as lakes, rivers, ponds, oceans, the sun and moon. When Uncle Joe Nathanson got together with Aunt Sis and Uncle Henry Marcus in 1946 to buy the land that became Camp Manitou, they were told by locals that the site used to be inhabited by the Abenaki and Penobscot tribes. A little research brought them to their god, Kitche Manitou, which was abbreviated to Manitou for brevity and so we could have a coherent Fight Song and Alma Mater. At least that's what I'm sticking with now.

MECHUWANA: MECHU - Methodist Church; WA - Native American term for creator; NA - Nature. Developed in 1938 by a group of middle school campers.

MEDOMAK means “land of many alewives.”

What's In a Camp Name? continued

Camp MICAH is named for Milton Tatelman, who passed away many years ago. The Mi was for him. Micah was chosen for that reason and for the Prophet Micah's words: "What God requires of us... Only this- to do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with you, God. Micah 6:8. And also, while building the camp it was necessary to blast the ledge which spread chips of Mica, the element, all over the camp.

MODIN takes its name from "Modi'in" (pronounced mo-de-een) which is the name of the biblical town where the Maccabees—the central characters from the story of Hanukkah—resided.

NASHOBA is a word of many meanings. When applied to the Nashoba Praying Indian Village, it means the Place Between the Waters. These titular waters were Nagog Pond and Fort Pond, where our first camp was created. When we moved to Maine and purchased a camp that was no longer in operation we named it Nashoba North, as we were heading north from our homelands.

Camp NEOFA gets its name from the first letters of each word of the founding corporation - North East Odd Fellows Association.

NETOP (nee-tope) is a word from the language of the Etchemin Indian tribe, meaning "friend".

O-AT-KA is Algonquian for "Clearing in the Woods." Ironically we see this word in businesses going westward from Upstate New York to Wisconsin...an interesting anthropological study of the movements of people and language.

Camp OWATONNA was formed by a group of men who attended camp ROPIOA (Reflection of Perfection is Our Aim) in the 30's and 40's. This group then came up with the idea to buy their beloved camp that had changed ownership a few times while they were summering (mid '50s) in a Minnesota town called Owatonna. This town of Owatonna was settled by the Dakota people of the Sioux tribes along the Straight River. In this Siouan language, Owatonna means "Straight as an Arrow." To this day Camp Owatonna's motto is "Straight as an Arrow" which is applied to the character and outdoor education that the camp is so highly committed to.

RUNOIA is an Abenaki Algonquian word for "harmony"!

The Camp SUNSHINE name is designed to reflect a "warm, bright, fun place," while at the same time being a retreat for families having to deal with the challenges of having a child with a life threatening illness, giving the sense that we are "providing a ray of hope."



The word TIMANOUS is the Native American (probably Abenaki) nickname given to Luther Halsey Gulick, the founder of the camps, by campers back in the early days (early 1900's). It means "guiding spirit." Apparently, everyone had a Native American nickname and a symbol back then. His wife, Charlotte Vetter Gulick's name was "Hiiatini" which translates to "life, more abundant life."

WAVUS (wah-vus) was a revered legendary chief, who with his people inhabited the point at Wavus on Damariscotta Lake long ago.



WAWENOCK is the name of one of the subgroups of the Penobscot tribe, located in what is now Maine. The name Wawenock means "round island" in the Penobscot language. The Wawenock people were hard-hit by European diseases and merged into other Wabanaki groups of Maine, where their descendants still live today.

The name of Camp WAZIYATAH is based on the Lakota Sioux name of Waziya (the North Wind), bringer of winter, and guard of the Dancing Sky (Aurora Borealis). Waziyatah means northward and our nickname "Wazi" was the name of the first great Lakota shaman or wizard.

In 1942, Joe and Fran Weene purchased Camp Weyou Wega, a girls camp that began in 1922. The Weene's made WeyouWega a boys camp. They renamed the camp after their sons, Kenneth and Larry, and added their last name Weene to create the present name of WEKEELA.

Camp WIGWAM was founded in 1910 by Abraham Mandelstam and Arnold Lehman. The origin of the name is really hard to say. As it turns out, Little Archie (of Archie comic book fame) went to Camp Wigwam, as did the fictional Jerry Stiller character from King of Queens. But why two young Jewish entrepreneurs, at the turn of the 20th century, traveling from New York to the wilds of Maine chose Camp Wigwam? It was their choice and it has flourished for over 100 years!

WINNEBAGO is a Native American tribe that originally hails from Illinois. It is a mystery why Winnebago's owner chose the name. The word Winnebago means "the land of stinky water" in the Winnebago language.

The founders of WOHELO Camps, Luther and Charlotte Gulick, each designed a triangle symbol. Luther's was Body-Mind-Spirit, which was then used by the Y.M.C.A. Charlotte's was WORK-HEALTH-LOVE from which we get Wohelo.

It is thought that WYONEGONIC means "long lake" in the Penobscot language.

Camp Trainings

Wilderness First Aid and First Responder

Camp Arcadia-Casco, ME

June 7-8 Wilderness First Aid and CPR; \$240 w/lodging. WFA only: \$190; CPR only: \$50.
FMI and registration: laura.monica@camparcadia.com, (804) 346-5082

Camp Agawam-Raymond, ME

June 7-8 SOLO Wilderness First Aid/ Wilderness First Responder recertification. \$180/commuter; \$200/resident; \$15/WFR recert. \$35/AHA Heartsaver CPR.
FMI and Registration: Karen Malm 207-627-4780 or mander@campagawam.org

Camp Winnebago-Fayette, ME

June 17-18 SOLO Wilderness First Aid; \$165 w/lodging
FMI and registration: Andy Lilienthal andy@campwinnebago.com or (207) 767-1019

Camp Winona-Bridgton, ME

June 11-12 **OR** Wilderness First Aid w/Wilderness Medical Associates
June 14-15 \$195/\$215 w/lodging
Register:http://winonacamps.com/pdf/14_Training_Clinic.pdf (207) 647-3721

Camp Wyonegonic-Denmark, ME

June 16 First Aid and CPR AHA Certification; \$65
Register: <http://wyonegonic.com/contact-us/certification-trainings/>, (207) 452-2051

Girl Scouts of Maine-Bridgton, ME

June 10-11 **OR** ARC Wilderness Remote First Aid; \$200 w/lodging
June 16-17
FMI and Registration: http://www.girlscoutsofmaine.org/camps/certification_clinics.html or info@gsmaine.org, (888) 922-4763

YMCA-Winthrop, ME

June 15-16 Basic Wilderness First Aid; \$160 w/lodging
FMI and registration: info@maineycamp.org, (207) 395-4200

Watercraft

*ARC = American Red Cross
*FIT=Fundamentals of Instructor Training
*ACA= American Canoe Association

Camp Nashoba North-Raymond, ME

June 13 Stand Up Paddleboard-Instructor Training; \$70
FMI and Registration: nashobastaff@gmail.com or ask for Stacey at (978) 486-8236 (until May 20) or (207) 655-7170

Camp Winona-Bridgton, ME

June 9-10 **OR** US Sailing Counselor \$150; \$170 w/lodging
June 11-12
June 11-12 Safe Power Boating-NASBLA approved; \$175/\$195 w/lodging
June 14-15 Small Craft Safety Basic/Instructor- Canoe, Row, Kayak, Sailing with FIT; \$150/\$190 w/lodging
Register:http://winonacamps.com/pdf/14_Training_Clinic.pdf (207) 647-3721

Camp Wyonegonic-Denmark, ME

June 9-12 **OR** Canoe Instructor-Level I; \$410
June 12-15
June 9-12 **OR** Combined Canoe (ACA) Instructor with Intro; Bob Myron, Instructor; \$460
June 12-15
June 10-12 Windsurfing Instructor w/intro to windsurfing; \$225
June 11-12 Windsurfing Instructor for experienced windsurfers; \$175
Register: <http://wyonegonic.com/contact-us/certification-trainings/> (207) 452-2051

Girl Scouts of Maine-Bridgton, ME

June 13 **or** 14 ARC Small Craft Safety; \$60 w/lodging
or 19 **or** 20
FMI and Registration http://www.girlscoutsofmaine.org/camps/certification_clinics.html or info@gsmaine.org (888) 922-4763

Tennis

Camp Wyonegonic-Denmark, ME

June 10 **OR** Tennis Instructor Workshop with Kevin Vincent
June 12 (USPTA) \$95 w/lunch
Register: <http://wyonegonic.com/contact-us/certification-trainings/> (207) 452-2051

Ropes

Acadia Mountain Guides Climbing School

June 5-7 PCIA Top Rope Climbing Instructor Course, Acadia National Park; \$395
June 5-8 PCIA Single Pitch; \$495
June 10 PCIA Top Rope & Single Pitch Climbing Instructor Course, Acadia National Park; \$150
June 14 PCIA Climbing Site Belayer Course, Orono; \$110
June 14-15 PCIA Climbing Wall Instructor Certification Course, Orono; \$195
FMI and Registration; Jon Tierney, 207-866-7562, climb@acadiamountainguides.com

Camp Manitou- Oakland, ME

June 15-17 High/low Ropes training with climbing tower; \$465 w/lodging
FMI and Registration: mailbox@campmanitou.com, (800) 326-1916

Camp Wyonegonic-Denmark, ME

June 4-6 Low Ropes Facilitator-\$335
June 7-10 High Ropes Facilitator-\$495
June 4-10 Challenge Course Combined-\$695
Register: <http://wyonegonic.com/contact-us/certification-trainings/>, (207) 452-2051

Lifeguard Training and Water Safety

*ARC=American Red Cross Trainings
*FIT=Fundamentals of Instructor Training

Pilgrim Lodge, West Gardiner, ME

June 8-10 ARC Lifeguard Training; \$395
FMI and registration:
<http://www.pilgrimlodge.org/campdetail.php?cid=68> or karen@pilgrimlodge.org (207) 724-3200

City of Portland Recreation-Portland, ME

June 16-19 ARC Water Safety Instructor Training
Course is one day only; various days and times. \$302/
Portland resident; \$332/non-resident. +\$85 materials.
Check website for details. <http://www.portlandmaine.gov/rec/lifeguardingwsi.pdf>
FMI and Registration: clepage@portlandmaine.gov, (207) 874-8456

Camp Winona-Bridgton, ME

June 11-15 ARC Lifeguard Training w/waterfront module (First Aid, CPR, AED for Prof Rescuer); \$275/\$350 w/lodging
June 16-17 ARC Lifeguard w/waterfront module review/update; \$130 w/lodging
Register: http://winonacamps.com/pdf/14_Training_Clinic.pdf (207) 647-3721

Camp Trainings

Camp Wyonegonic-Denmark, ME

June 7-8 **OR** Waterfront Lifeguarding Review; \$130
June 17-18
June 7-11 ARC Water Safety Instructor w/FIT; \$390
June 8-11 **OR** ARC Lifeguard Training w/waterfront module (1st Aid, CPR, AED for Prof Rescuer); \$350
June 13-16
Register: <http://wyonegonic.com/contact-us/certification-trainings/> (207) 452-2051

YWCA of Central Maine-Lewiston, ME

June 7 ARC CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers and Healthcare Providers; \$92 Y members; \$102 non-member
June 9-13 **OR** ARC Water Safety Instructor; \$300 Y members; \$320 non-members.
June 16-20
Registration and information: www.ywcaine.org or (207) 795-4050

Girl Scouts of Maine-Bridgton, ME

June 9-12 **OR** ARC Waterfront Lifeguard; \$290 w/lodging
June 15-18
FMI and Registration http://www.girlscoutsofmaine.org/camps/certification_clinics.html or info@gsmaine.org, (888) 922-4763

Camp Manitou – Oakland, ME

June 14-17 ARC Water Safety Instructor; \$370 w/lodging
FMI and Registration: mailbox@campmanitou.com, (800) 326-1916

Shooting Sports-Archery and Riflery

Camp Winona-Bridgton, ME

June 7-9 Rifle Instructor-Civilian Marksmanship Program; \$170/\$195 w/lodging
Register: http://winonacamps.com/pdf/14_Training_Clinic.pdf (207) 647-3721

Camp Wyonegonic-Denmark, ME

June 11-12 **OR** Level 1 Archery NAA Certification.
June 13-14 Instructor Lucy Morris, NESAS; \$180; \$195 w/lodging
Register: <http://wyonegonic.com/contact-us/certification-trainings/>, (207) 452-2051

Camp Cedar-Casco, ME

June 20 Archery Clinic. Meets ACA standards for archery instruction with Steve Dunsmoor; \$160 w/lunch
FMI and Registration: jobs@campcedar.com or (617) 277-8080; after June 3 (207) 627-4266

Camp Cobbossee-Monmouth, ME

June 14-15 Archery Training; \$125/\$150 w/lodging
FMI and Registration: josh@cobbossee.com

Girl Scouts of Maine-Bridgton, ME

June 10 **or** 12 Level 1 Archery Instructor; Meets ACA standards; \$160 w/lodging
or 14 **or** 16
FMI and Registration: http://www.girlscoutsofmaine.org/camps/certification_clinics.html or info@gsmaine.org, (888) 922-4763

Camp Manitou – Oakland, ME

June 16 Level 1 Archery Instructor; meets ACA Standards; \$185 w/lodging
FMI and Registration: mailbox@campmanitou.com, (800) 326-1916

YMCA-Winthrop, ME

June 20 Level 1 Archery Certification; \$160 w/lunch
June 20-21 Level 2 Archery Certification; \$210 w/lodging
FMI and registration: info@maineycamp.org, 207-395-4200

Trip Leader

Camp Cedar-Casco, ME

June 17 Maine Trip Leader Certification Course-Instructor Ron Furst; \$65 (bring additional check for \$20 for state trip leader permit)
FMI and registration: jobs@campcedar.com or (617) 277-8080; after June 3 (207) 627-4266

Camp Winona-Bridgton, ME

June 13 State of Maine Trip Leader Safety Course; \$60
Register: http://winonacamps.com/pdf/14_Training_Clinic.pdf (207) 647-3721

Girls Scouts of Maine-Bridgton, ME

June 14 **or** 16 State of Maine Trip Leader; \$45 w/lodging
or 18 **or** 19
FMI and Registration: http://www.girlscoutsofmaine.org/camps/certification_clinics.html or info@gsmaine.org, (888) 922-4763

Camp Wyonegonic-Denmark, ME

June 8-10 Leave No Trace/Maine Trip Leader Combo Course; \$125
Register: <http://wyonegonic.com/contact-us/certification-trainings/>, (207) 452-2051

Leave No Trace

Camp Wyonegonic-Denmark, ME

June 8-10 Leave No Trace/Maine Trip Leader Combo Course; \$125
Register: <http://wyonegonic.com/contact-us/certification-trainings/> (207) 452-2051

Pottery & Ceramics

Portland Pottery Studio – Portland, ME

June 21 Pottery and ceramics counselor training \$75/person w/lunch
FMI and Registration: cooper@portlandpottery.com, (207) 772-4334

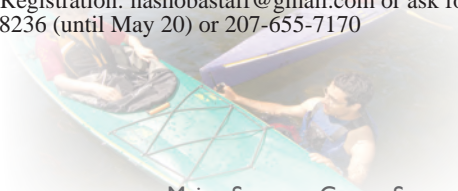
Miscellaneous Camp Trainings

Girl Scouts of Maine-Bridgton, ME

June 9 **OR** Camp Kitchen 101; \$30 w/lodging
June 13
June 18 Camp Training (prep)
June 19-20 Camp Training (overnight) \$25 w/lodging
FMI and Registration http://www.girlscoutsofmaine.org/camps/certification_clinics.html or info@gsmaine.org (888) 922-4763

Camp Nashoba North-Raymond, ME

June 13 What All Horse Handlers Should Know; \$70
FMI and Registration: nashobastaff@gmail.com or ask for Stacey at 978-486-8236 (until May 20) or 207-655-7170



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June 6, 2014: MSC/MYCA Annual Meetings. Camp Mataponi, Naples, ME



Hold the Date!
October 22, 2014

For a workshop with
Rick Stryker

Sponsored by Maine Summer Camps

A National camp expert will present sessions on Principles of Leadership,
Environmental Impact of Daily Camp Operations, and Ask An Engineer.

Location: Acadia Insurance, Westbrook, ME

Calendar of Events

Save the Date!

June 6, 2014, Friday, 9 a.m. Refreshments
9:30-Meeting Begins
MSC/MYCA Annual Meetings. Camp Mataponi, Naples, ME

July 8, 2014, Tuesday, 1:30 to 4 p.m.
Dr. Christopher Thurber Staff Trainings, Wawenock, Raymond,
ME

July 16, 2014, Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.
10th Annual Norway Savings/MSA Spelling Bee, Portland, ME

July 21-25, 2014, Monday - Friday
Junior Maine Guide Test Camp, Oquossoc, ME

September 17, 2014, Wednesday, 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
MSC Fall Board Meeting and Fellowship. Migis Lodge, South
Casco, ME

October 22, 2014, Wednesday
Rick Stryker workshop. Acadia Insurance, Westbrook, ME



Announcing our annual mid-summer workshop with
Dr. Christopher Thurber

July 8th, 2014 ☀ 1:30 to 4:00pm
Camp Wawenock ☀ Raymond, ME

Plug In To The Positive

Plug In To The Positive 1:30 to 4:00 pm Workshop will start promptly at 1:30

Turn the tables on traditional thinking about how you bond with campers, manage their behavior and tap their potential. This workshop will challenge you to move forward with a courageous and fundamentally different approach to achieving greatness as a youth development professional. Human beings are wired to detect differences, which means we notice when things go wrong. But when that negative mindset anchors relationships at camp, it hinders happiness, creativity and friendship.

Positive psychology is a cutting-edge approach that offers new pathways to optimal functioning and expert leadership. Participants will leave with a new mindset and plenty of practical take-home activities to help campers behave well and feel great. The intended audience for this workshop is 1st and 2nd year staff and C.I.T.s who have camper supervision responsibilities.

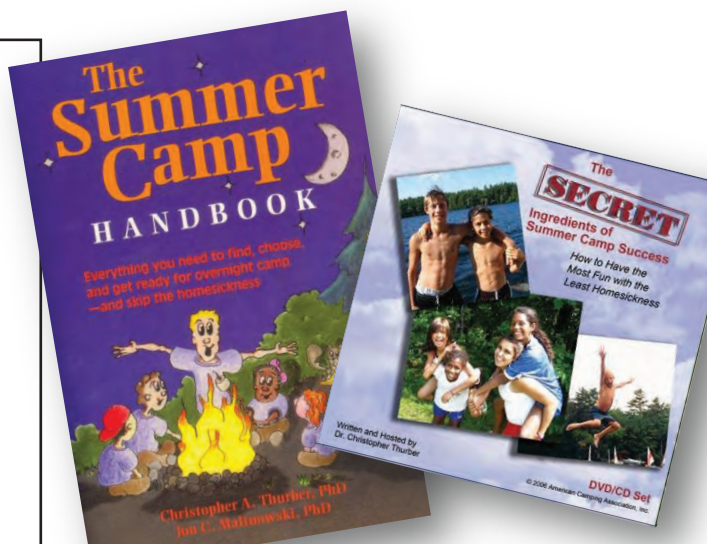
Directions to Camp Wawenock: From points south, head north on Rte 302 and go ~ 2 miles past Raymond. From points north, drive south on Rte 302 and go ~ 5 miles past Naples. Be looking for the “Cry of the Loon” store on the north side of Rte 302 and a sign for “Camp Wohelo” on the south side of the road. Turn south onto Raymond Cape Road. Go about 4 miles on Raymond Cape Road to the Camp Wawenock gate. Park inside. **Camp phone number: (207) 655-4657 Camp address: 33 Wawenock Road, Raymond, ME**

Fee: Maine Summer Camps is proud to offer a reduced fee of \$20 per person for member camps or \$30 per person for non-member camps. Please bring a check to the event, payable to “Maine Summer Camps.”

Register early in order to guarantee places for your staff.

DETAILS & RESOURCES for CAMP DIRECTORS

- ★ The workshop is on **Tuesday, July 8th, 2014**. Please be on time to enjoy the full program. Plan your departure time from camp so that you have time to get a little lost. Tardiness is disruptive.
- For reservations, call **(207) 518-9557** or e-mail: Ron Hall at: camps@mainecamps.org
- Juice, fruit, and snacks will be provided for refreshment during workshops. Wear your staff shirt for easy identification.
- To learn more about Chris, visit CampSpirit.com.
- To subscribe to Chris's online staff training video library, visit ExpertOnlineTraining.com MYCF camps receive a discount!
- To order discounted copies of Chris's DVD-CD set, “The Secret Ingredients of Summer Camp Success,” visit acabookstore.org or call **(888) 229-5745**. Chris's e-mail is: chris@campspirit.com.



Spelling Bee

10th Annual Norway Savings Bank/MSA Spelling Bee

Wednesday, July 16, 2014

Two age groups: • 12 & under • 13 – 15 years
Teams of 5 in each age group
There is no minimum age - Send any number of teams

9:30 A.M: Registration

10:00 A.M: Competition begins, all ages

**The Racket & Fitness Center
2445 Congress Street, Portland, ME**



Entrance fee: \$5.00 per camper

*All proceeds to benefit the Maine Summer Camps association
with the support of Norway Savings Bank*

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

Directions: The Center is near the Maine Mall/Jetport area. From Maine Turnpike Exit 46 turn left onto Jetport Fwy. 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.

To Register: Maine Summer Camps at (207) 518-9557 or camps@mainecamps.org

Spelling Bee – step by step guide and suggested rules for individual contestants

This is a sample format only! You may conduct your camp's eliminations and select your team finalists for the Norway Savings Bank/ Maine Summer Camps Spelling Bee by any method you choose.

Here are some basic rules for classroom spelling bees.

1. The pronouncer announces the word to be spelled. He speaks slowly and clearly, without distorting the normal pronunciation of the word. He uses the word in a sentence and says the word again.
2. The speller listens carefully to the pronouncer and asks for the word to be repeated if necessary.
3. When the speller is sure she understands the word, she pronounces it, spells it and then says the word again. She must say it loudly enough for the judge to hear it.
4. The judge(s) determines whether or not the word was spelled correctly.
5. If the correct spelling was given, the speller remains in the game.
6. If the spelling was incorrect, that speller is eliminated from the game. The judge gives the correct spelling of that word. Then the pronouncer reads a new word to the next student.
7. When there are only two spellers left, if one player misspells a word, the other player must spell that word correctly, plus one more word to be declared the winner of the spelling bee.

Those are really all the rules you need for a simple classroom game. Feel free to adapt to your own situation. We recognize that often the pronouncer and judge will be the same person -- the classroom teacher.

Optional Rules

For older students and for larger spelling bees, such as a competition among several classes or an entire school, it will be helpful to spell out (pardon our pun) such details as:

- In what order students will spell
- Where spellers will sit on stage
- When spellers will exit the stage after misspelling a word
- What time spellers must arrive at the competition
- How much time spellers have to complete a word
- Whether spellers can start over on the spelling of a word

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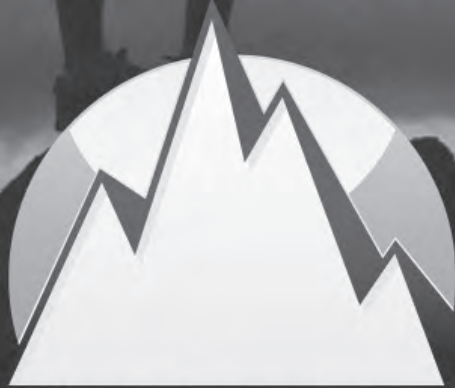
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