THE LAMP-POST

CAMP NARNIA Newsletter

WINTER 2014

Dear Narnian campers, hear ye hear ye! Six-year-olds and teens, first timers and veterans, crazy and sane, we wish you,

Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!























"I've come at last. She has kept me out for a long time, but I have got in at last. Aslan is on the move. The Witch's magic is weakening."

— Father Christmas,

The Lion, The Witch & the Wardrobe



NEWS ABOUT NARNIA

Over the four years since we re-opened Camp Narnia, the camp has grown and developed beyond our most ambitious hopes and dreams. Through the dedication of our team of volunteers, campers and their families, the camp is off to a great start.

This coming year the magic continues with even more gusto! We are looking forward to another lively summer of adventure and a hint of mystery. While we cannot thank our team of volunteer staff enough for the love they put into their work, there is another group even more dedicated: the campers.

I know I speak for all of us at Camp Narnia when I say thank you for all your support over the years, and that we look forward to sharing a bright and beautiful 2015 season with you. Merry Christmas!

- Joel Rozsmann

















A NEW PROGRAM: ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

We're pleased to announce a new staff role at Camp Narnia this year: Artist in Residence. Each week at Camp we'll have a young artist volunteer their time to add colour and magic to the campsite, costumes and activities.

We already have some exciting applications for this year, but if you know an artist who could help us make Narnia shine, be sure to recommend them to us this summer!









TEENLAND

This year Teenland grew in amazing new ways, and it was an honour to be a part of it. Our teens built a new shortcut path through the woods, set up and used their teen archway, and even founded a sovereign nation. Ok, so we were then re-conquered by Narnia, but that doesn't mean we shouldn't be proud of what we've achieved! As always, Teenland at Camp Narnia is a place that grows year over year with the energy of the teens that come to it. Every year we paint, we dig, we build and we organise to make Teenland better not just for ourselves, but for the next generation. All those Lions and Dwarves turning 13 this year have even more to look forward to than before, and that's exactly how it should be. With the fire ban this last summer, the teens ran

With the fire ban this last summer, the teens ran into one definite need for next year's group: somewhere better to cook! Will it be a bread oven? A cooking shelter? New sinks and countertops for our dishes? You'll need to be there in 2015 to decide, and be a part of making Teenland even greater!









THOUGHTS FROM A LIP

One of the best things about Camp Narnia is that the memories of one summer always last until the next. These memories always bring a smile to my face at unexpected moments throughout the year. For the past two years, I've made some new memories in the LIP program that could last me a lifetime. The LIP program prepares you to become at leader at Narnia and also in your community. It provides you with a chance to develop your organizational and people skills. You get to interact with children of all ages and backgrounds and get many chances to provide that special camp experience (one that I previously had).

This year I really enjoyed decorating for the talent shows and Narnian plays as they are a creative aspect at camp. The program allows you to contribute to the thriving, positive and supportive atmosphere that is already present at camp. After these two years, I feel as if I have made some great new friends along the way! I encourage anyone who is interested in this program to join; you won't regret it! I found it is a truly unique experience that you cannot find anywhere else.

Rheanna Hill





FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Returning campers, and those I have yet to meet, it is time to start daydreaming about the coming summer at Camp Narnia – I know our staff already are! The trees whisper about magical creatures living on property in 2015; a few cute ones, maybe some egg-laying creatures, and others with horns! The staff are lying low and hatching some brilliant plans for this year. What could be up Fiona or DC's sleeve? Perhaps new activities to surprise you with? Or maybe plans on how to dominate at the honourable Potato Game! I know Joel is creating a recipe for the "best new topping" for Crepes on a Shovel. What new things shall we cook up this year? Pie? Doughnuts? Or maybe, just maybe, some double fudge cookies with chocolate chunks...cooked by our magical kitchen fairies? Hmmmmm the food...

I am very happy to announce that I will be returning as Camp Director again this year! I am more excited than ever to be a part of Camp Narnia as it continues to grow. Considering our increase in registrations over the past years, we expect to fill all of our three weeks this year, so sign up early and take advantage of our early bird and sibling discounts! I am excited to announce that this year we will have a new website launching early in 2015. Along with a photo gallery, information on our staff members, and anything else you need to know, we will also have....drum roll please...online registration!

I am excited to meet new campers this year, as I have been remembering the important role Camp Narnia played in my own growing and learning throughout my childhood and teenage years. I look forward to another year of memories created, bacon eaten, and fireballs thrown! I wait, with great expectation, for this summer! And remember, keep the magic alive!

Sam Clinock



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COMING NEXT SUMMER...

Join us in 2015, as we travel back, into lands beyond Narnia, all the way to before the world began, in:

The Magician's Nephew



Once again, Camp Narnia will be open for three weeks this summer. Sessions are:

AUGUST $2^{ND} - 8^{TH}$ AUGUST $9^{TH} - 15^{TH}$ AUGUST $16^{TH} - 22^{ND}$

Register before April 15th and take advantage of our **Early Bird Discount**!

Sibling discounts are also available. Registration opens January 15th. Hope to see you this summer!

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