

## **Camp Lawrence Chatter**

Fall 2018



## Notes from the Camp Director...

I hope everyone is having a wonderful fall! I cannot believe it's been a month and a half since camp ended. I hope everyone is keeping in touch with their Camp Lawrence friends, telling their friends and family about the wonderful time they had this summer and remembering to uphold the core values from camp: Honesty, Responsibility, Respect and Caring.

What has happened since you all left: The day after Boy's Camp ended, Family Campers rolled in for a beautiful nine days. We had a very full camp with lots of families. For those of you that don't know, Family Camp is very similar to Boys camp except families stay in the cabins. It was great to have Dan Morton, Jon Rubin, Andrew Fumarola, and Tim "Jeeze" Jaroche back for Family



Camp this year. Some of you might remember them from last year or the year before. It was great to have Ethan Champagne (2018 4th session) with his family, Robby Swan (2018 4th session) along with his family and Sean Miranda (2018 2nd & 3rd Session) with his sister join us for family camp. Robby did an amazing job wake surfing behind my boat and showing some other family campers how it's done.



After Family Camp: I was lucky to have Ethan Kurinsky, Shawn (the cook), Ryan Kell (one of the White Walkers in game of thrones and also our head boat pilot), Jerry and Lisa help out all of September. Almost every weekend of the month we had a group of people out at Camp Lawrence. Colin Spring (2018 3rd and 4th session) joined us on the 3rd weekend in September with his swim team Crimson Aquatics. September was a busy month at Camp Lawrence.

The summer of 2018 was another fantastic summer at Camp Lawrence. Except for...my Orange and Gray losing streak continues, the forth consecutive year I've been on the losing team for Orange and Gray. I might be going for a record of consecutive loses. I hope everyone got a chance to rekindle their camp friendships this summer and also start new ones. I want to thank you all for making this summer a superb one for me. It has been great getting to know so many of you over the past four years, I cannot wait for summer 2019.

Updates on staff and campers: Matt Corsetti has been busy in his spare time announcing Football games on the radio in New Hampshire, if you want to listen to his awesome broadcasts you can hear him on WKXL out of Concord, NH (1450am and 103.9fm). After his games on Friday or Saturday Matt often comes and joins me at Camp. Soren is doing well, after camp he did a little traveling, he is currently back in Denmark, he sends his and Mathias's (2017 Staff) best regards. Jack Spicer is enjoying being back in Texas, he is trying to convert to being a Long Horn. Chris Wildman has been working hard at Syracuse this fall but has managed to have a little fun. Ryan Kell is back in Northern Ireland and gearing up for filming the final season of Game of Thrones. Ethan Kurinsky is still helping me at camp but will be leaving in November to be a ski instructor in Colorado. Cody Ross (2015–17 Staff) loved his first summer as the director of Camp Otter (MVYMCa's day camp), he is now back working at the Lawrence YMCA running teen programs. I get to work with Cody once a week running the Merrimack Valley Delegation of Youth & Government. If anyone lives in the Merrimack Valley area, is in grades 8–12 and is interested in a really fun program based on government email me at cseifert@mvymca.org or Cody at cross@mvymca.org.

Meanwhile, I hope you all think about and share your favorite things about your time at Camp Lawrence this summer. Challenge yourself everyday to frame everything you say in a positive way. Be a true Superhero by: going out of your way to help someone, giving an honest compliment to someone you aren't friends with, or even just saying hi to someone new in your school. Be a Champion that stands up for the good. It only takes a moment of your time to be kind!!

All my best wishes for you and your families! Sincerely,



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## **DON'T FORGET:**

Registration for the 2019 season has begun.
If you haven't registered already, register online or call the Camp Office at 978-975-1330 before it's too late!

If you are interested in hosting a Camp Lawrence Reunion for returning, new and prospective campers, please contact Charlie Seifert at cseifert@mvymca.org. Host families receive a special gift, and attendees, who bring friends interested in camp, receive camp store credit. Contact us today for more information.