

Hello Campers!

Are you excited to soak in the magic of camp one more time before winter? There's something about the changing of leaves and the coziness of fall that makes camp even more special this time of year.

First let us introduce ourselves - We are Annie Ozsaydi (she/her) and Spring Beinema (she/her). Annie is an elementary music teacher. She is a former camper of Arts Alive and Manitou Island camps, as well as staff member and counselor. Annie loves to be outside, sing, and eat s'mores - all of which she plans to do at our fall homecoming weekend! Spring is a former camper and staff member as well. Her favorite camp as a teenager was the Manitou Island overnight camp and her favorite role on staff was Nature Education Director. She loves spending time in the quieter areas of PL, such as Edna's Point and the chapel on Manitou Island.

Fall homecoming weekend will be an opportunity for us to cozy up next to the fire, chill with our friends, and take in all the last bits of camp we can before the long nap of winter. We will be gathering at the same time as the Maine Conference United Church of Christ Annual Meeting and will be joining them for worship on Saturday afternoon and for fellowship and meal times throughout the weekend.

Some things to look forward to:

- Campfires! S'mores!
- Ping pong!
- Games!
- Friendship!
- Boats boats boats! (Weather permitting, we will have the opportunity to take the canoes out for one last paddle about the lake before moving them to their winter home.)

Important times to note:

Drop off will take place at **5pm on Friday, October 18th.**

Pick up is at **1pm on Sunday October 20th.**

What to pack:

- Lots of layers! (This means multiple tops and bottoms. Remember that if something gets wet it will take a while to dry, so having backup clothes is a must!)
- Warm jacket
- Waterproof jacket
- Warm pajamas
- Bathing suit/clothes to wear while boating
- Warm sleeping bag (If you get cold easily, perhaps bring a couple extra blankets.)
- Pillow
- Personal hygiene supplies
- Flashlights
- Book/Journal

Peace and Blessings,
Spring and Annie