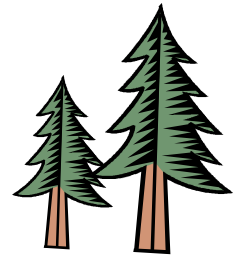


Camp Sargent



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Why Choose Camp Sargent this Summer?

- 1) An abundance of outdoor activities – swimming, boating, arts and crafts, archery and more for kids ages 5-17!
- 2) We provide a safe and healthy experience with a value unmatched—anywhere else in Southern NH. Draft options allow payments to be spread out over time.
- 3) Your child will grow from and treasure the Camp Sargent experience.

With winter finally behind us it is that time of year again when we plan our summer vacations, projects on the house, and of course see what is going on at Camp Sargent for the kids this summer!

If you take a look at the YMCA summer camp brochure (at both YMCA branches and on www.campsargent.org) you will notice some new things for 2008 - an amphitheatre which will house the Performing Arts camps, a larger arts and crafts building, and more field trips and guest demonstrations are planned for the specialty camps this year (see page 2 for more details).

Mighty Mini, Summer Fun and Teen Camp are the traditional camps for children 5-17. They offer a little bit of all the wonderful activities that we think of when we think of camp such as arts and crafts, swim lessons, free swim, archery, boating sports, and camp songs.

Camp Sargent Open House Dates

Sat. May 10th, 1-3pm

Sat. June 14th from 1-3pm

Come see all Camp Sargent has to offer!

*Our address is 141 Camp Sargent Road,
Merrimack, NH*



Ready to register?

Go to the **Nashua YMCA** at 17 Prospect Street or the

Merrimack YMCA at 6 Henry Clay Drive or print a registration form at

www.campsargent.org

HURRY...

SPACE IS LIMITED!

A new year brings a new logo & online merchandise



We are thrilled to unveil the new Camp Sargent logo (see left). The goal of the redesign was to simplify the logo while communicating Camp Sargent's important heritage and YMCA connection. Beach towels, nalgene bottles, visors, lunch bags, hooded sweatshirts, t-shirts and long sleeve t-shirts are available with the new Camp Sargent logo in a variety of colors and youth and adult sizes.

Visit www.campsargent.org and click the link for "Camp Sargent Merchandise" to be taken to The Lifeguard Store, the official vendor of Camp Sargent merchandise. Show off your Camp Sargent Pride!



Greater Nashua

**We build strong kids,
strong families,
strong communities.**

What puts the “special” in Specialty Camps?

Last year Camp Sargent introduced Specialty Camps - one and two-week camp programs that build upon the diverse interests of today’s youth.

Specialty camps are back for 2008 with some exciting new additions! Care was taken to provide the best experience for the campers and a great value for parents.

Visit www.campsargent.org and click on “Camp Brochure” for detailed information about the weeks each specialty camp runs, detailed activities, cost, and more.



Specialty Camp Highlights

- International Sports Camp includes clinics by Nashua Pride players as well as an assortment of non-traditional sports played around the globe (grades 4-9).
- Nature and Exploration Camp participants will get hands-on with map making, science, gardening & more. Museum field trips, woodworking demonstrations and guided tours to Petco for animal education are just some of the highlights to take place (grades 1-6).
- Appreciate the art and history on the bow and arrow and learn archery from certified instructors at the Archery Camp for grades 4-9. Professional archery demonstrations that will “wow” campers take place during some sessions.

Performing Arts campers will take to the stage of the new amphitheater to enhance their acting techniques. Set design, field trips, and a production for family and friends are part of this four week experience for those in grades 1-7.

Teen Camp, Media and Technology and Mighty Mini Discovery Camp are also available. See the YMCA Summer Day Camp Brochure for complete details.



Do you have questions about how Camp Sargent can meet the special needs of your child?

Contact Camp Director, Randy Menken at 603-689-2433 or rmenken@nymymca.org.

Get ready for Friday Theme days by visiting **iParty in Northwest Plaza, Nashua** or **iParty in Manchester**.

Each camper and staff member will be given a discount card good for **15% off their purchases all camp season long!**



A tentative list of Friday theme days is available at www.campsargent.org. Please no toy weapons or inappropriate clothing on theme days.

When you shop at any **Modell’s Sporting Goods** you will save **10%** and be supporting Camp!



Get your coupon at the front desk of the Merrimack or Nashua YMCA and shop at Modell’s Sporting Goods between **May 2nd & May 29th**.

Purchases by YMCA supporters must total \$2,000. Once that minimum has been met, 5% of all proceeds from additional purchases will be donated to Camp Sargent to support a variety of programs and capital improvements.

Calling All Camp Sargent Alumni

The largest part of Camp Sargent's celebrated history are the people, dating back to 1924. From counselors, campers, and administrators, thousands of people have called Camp Sargent home for the summer. We need YOUR help to re-connect with these people!

rmenken@nmymca.org or call (603) 689-2433.

We look forward to reconnecting with you to hear your camp memories and stories of camp, seeing your pictures of camp and especially giving you a tour of the new and improved Camp Sargent!

A date is soon to be announced for the August 2008 event but please keep in mind that even if you are unable to attend we are still very interested in hearing from you!

An August 2008 alumni event is planned, and we'd love for you to attend. To receive information about this free reunion event or to volunteer to help with the event's activities, please email **Randy Menken** at

For future details of the August 2008 alumni event and all Camp Sargent news please log onto www.campsargent.org



New lodge floor & pavilion on the way!

Thanks to a grant from the Samuel P. Hunt Foundation, Camp Sargent will receive additional capital improvements in the spring and fall 2008.

Funds are being used to replace the wood floor of the camp's main lodge. The new floor, in conjunction with other improvements made in recent years, makes this camp centerpiece a place of pride.

The administrative offices, media room, and storage area are all contained within the main lodge. Hundreds of little pairs of feet walk through the lodge each day and this floor replacement is important to ensure their continued safety.

In fall 2008, a new 12 by 20 foot covered pavilion with a concrete floor will be constructed adjacent to the camp's basketball court and playground.

Camp Sargent Trivia

Did you know...

In 1930 the main lodge which was located at the center of camp, was struck by lightning and burnt to the ground.

In 1931 a barn was moved, from the current ball field, to where the lodge was located. The barn was remodeled for \$1,400 and became the new lodge.


And now you know the history of the Main Lodge.



**Be part of the fun at Camp Sargent this summer.
Register today!**

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Camp Sargent Lookout

“Camp Sargent Memories” Written by Joyce Riviere (Camper 1963-1964)

I loved my days at CS and I loved our director, Mr. Cody, and our tribes (I was Hopi and Iroquois), our CIT's (counselors in training), and the camp activities. We got off the bus and the smell of the woods and the pond in the morning was wonderful.... Swim included water skiing (the only time in my life) and canoeing (ditto). We learned to swim and were tested to be sure we really could. We had to swim all the way to the island, through those Lilly pads, which felt slippery on my toes... At the end of each day, free swim, tadpoles and minnows inside the dock, porpoises, etc (good swimmers) on the outside of the dock. The sleepovers were held every two weeks and it was really cool for us little kids. We played Capture the Flag or something like that and it took the whole camp, divided into two armies, red and blue, to play a baseball game...I am so very proud of your efforts in restoring the grounds, revitalizing the program, and allowing kids today to have the life-changing experiences that I had at Camp Sargent.

Warmest Regards,
Joyce Riviere



A new Arts and Crafts Cabin (above) and adjacent pavilion are among the additions to Camp Sargent for the 2008 season.