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ANOTHER SUMMER OF FUN AND ADVENTURE

HELP US WELCOME CAMP TIPP'S NEW DIRECTOR!

Greetings! I am Richard Basnett (better known as Bas.) That's one S... I'm not a fish! I started my camping career in 1985 as a volunteer for a week of Outdoor Education while I was a student at Hocking Technical College. I had never considered camp as a career choice until that week, but I was hooked. I have spent a good deal of my adult life working in camp in some fashion and loving every minute of it.

The best part of my life is my family. My wife Jennifer is a very talented musician. She's been playing the piano since she was 8 years old -- I'm convinced that if it has strings, she can play it. We have four great kids: Emilee (19), Eryn (17), Aimee (13), and Andy (12). As a family we enjoy singing together, whether at church or around a campfire. I am partial to the ukulele myself and enjoy sitting on the porch and strumming. You just can't feel bad with a uke in your hands! I also enjoy singing Barber Shop. I'm excited to reconnect with the guys from The Schoenbrunn Valley Barbershop Chorus!

I love the outdoors. I have spent many years teaching environmental science and leading nature hikes for the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Subjects such as wild edibles, tree identification, wild flowers and general outdoor living skills are some of my favorite. Bird watching is beyond a favorite -- it is my passion! Ohio is one of the best birding states in the U.S. and I can't wait to see what is in store this spring at Camp Tipp! Camping, fishing, hiking, backpacking, hunting, if it gets me outside and with good people, you can count me in.



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61 SUMMERS OF FUN

Help us build excitement for our 61st summer at Camp Tipp! Like and follow us on social media and share your favorite memories with us... Be sure to tag us too!

Don't forget... our Program Guide is available at ycamptipp.org!

WHY DO YOU LOVE YMCA CAMP TIPPECANOE?

"I had no idea how much I would come to love seeing the "Welcome to Fun and Adventure" sign." -Tom Turnbull, Camp Tipp Alumni

"I started ranch camp at Lazy-T in '68 where I fell in love with camp. I loved camp so much I even spent summer of 1998 as camp nurse! The total freedom to be accepted as myself, flaws and all, is what camp meant to me." -Margie Weaver Serri, Camp Tipp Alumni

"I was a teen camp counselor in 2007. I loved it so much that I decided to become a high school teacher! That summer was one of the best of my life!" -Laura Waymack, Camp Tipp Alumni

ENJOYING THIS ISSUE?

Feel free to share this month's newsletter with your friends and family who might also love to stay in the loop with Camp Tipp!

QUESTIONS OR IDEAS?

Contact Hannah Westfall, Communications Coordinator, at hwestfall@ymcastark.org

GEARING UP FOR SUMMER 2019

SAVE THE DATE FOR SPRING FAMILY CAMP!

Join us in the rolling hills of Ohio on Mother's Day Weekend for a classic camp experience. Activities include archery, bb's, tie dye, canoeing, kayaking, pontoon rides, fishing, creek hikes, campfires and a Mother's Day draft! Horse rides will also be available for \$10.

Member: \$75 each for first 2 family members, \$50 for each additional

Non-Member: \$95 each for first 2 family members, \$60 for each additional

May 10-12 | Registration is now open! Call Hannah Westfall at 330.499.2587 ext. 115 or Amy Ropp at 330.499.2587 ext. 138 to register.

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 10-12:
Spring Family Camp

June 9:
Summer 2019 Program Begins

August 9-11:
Alumni Reunion



ALUMNI REUNION!

Reflect on your meaningful camp experiences.

Remember your favorite camp activities, traditions, and adventures.

Reconnect with your camp friends and enjoy the fun and magic of camp.

Spend the weekend at Camp Tippecanoe and celebrate our 61st summer of Fun and Adventure! Enjoy the camp grounds and reflect on the rich history of camp with other alumni. You'll be able to soak in the sun on Lake Clendening, hike camp's beautiful trails, and make s'mores over a campfire.

Fee: \$55 including food, lodging, and activities

August 9-11 | More details and registration TBA

ARE YOU AN ALUMNI?

Join our alumni list and stay in touch, learn about upcoming events, stay informed on current projects, and support YMCA Camp Tippecanoe!

If you'd like to be added to our Alumni List, please email ycamptipp@ymcastark.org with your name, current address, phone number and number of years spent at Camp Tipp!

CAMP TIPP: A CAMP THAT GROWS WITH YOU

Older campers can experience a different level of camp because Teen Camp evolves with you! Opportunities are endless if you come with an open heart, inquisitive mind and a thirst for adventure.

Whether it is Rangers Camp, Ridge Camp or Expeditioners, campers will get outdoors, make new friends, and challenge themselves with new experiences!

More details and Program Guide available at ycamptipp.org

NOW HIRING FOR 2019 SUMMER SEASON AT CAMP TIPP!

Want to spend your summer at Camp Tipp, giving back to the next generation of campers?

Job listings are now available at ycamptipp.org! We will be hiring for the following positions:

- Food Service Coordinator
- Food Service Staff
- Summer Camp Counselors
- Equine Riding Instructors
- Program Director
- Waterfront Director
- Lifeguards
- Nurse



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