



# The Moccasin



A seasonal newsletter from YMCA Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya

Greater Green Bay YMCA

We build strong kids, strong families, strong communities.

Fall 2004

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## 2005 Summer Registration

### Give Camp for the Holidays?!?

It is hard to believe that we are already planning for the 2005 Summer Camp Season, but it is true! The programs and dates have been set and we are busy preparing for our registration season to begin. **2005 camp registration will begin on December 1, 2004.** Look for your brochure in the mail in November and for updates on our website too. Early registration is important for some of our more popular programs such as wilderness trips and specialty camps. Build the rest of your summer plans around the "Place of Friends" and register early! Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya will start our summer season on Sunday June 19th and run for 8 weeks, with the exception of the fourth of July week when there will be no programming.

Start planning now for your 2005 summer camp fun!

# THANK YOU



# 2004 STAFF

Thank you to our talented and dedicated group of Camp Counselors and Program Staff for contributing their enthusiasm and positive role modeling to our campers. We were successful in providing a safe, fun, and caring environment for the campers at the "Place of Friends". We wish you all a wonderful year and hope to see you back at U-Nah-Li-Ya in the future. Great job and thanks for the memories!

Top L-R: Kathleen, Ryan, Neal, Mark V., Melissa, Erin, Kristin, Dustin, Becky, Nancy, Laura, Jennifer  
 Bottom L-R: Mark G., Aaron K., Alex, Carrie, Curt, Kylie, Molly, Norm, Kim, Julie  
 Standing L-R: Aaron R. & Brandon

# Kathleen's Korner

Greetings from Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya!

I hope that all of our summer campers and families have had a happy and healthy fall season. The summer of 2004 was a time of great friendships and memories made at the "Place of Friends"! Our campers had a fun and safe camp experience whether it was through our resident camp, specialty camps, trips, or leadership program. The camp counselors were a truly amazing group full of energy and commitment, and of course the campers were a joy to work with. Some of our new camp program offerings like our Adventure Trekkers program and Pack 'N Paddle trip became an instant hit and will become a permanent part of the menu of summer programs for children. We truly have something for everyone and every age.

Thank you to all of you for making this experience possible for your camper. We understand how busy families are throughout the summer and that camp requires a commitment of your time, money, and trust. Summer camp is such an important and memorable part of growing up. We are proud and grateful to be a part of it for each camper. Share the stories of your Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya experience with your family and friends. You are our greatest cheerleaders and we appreciate you spreading the news of Camp and all that it has offered your camper.

I look forward to seeing all of you next summer or at one of our Winter Programs!

Kathleen McKee, M.S.W.

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## FEEDBACK FORUM

Thank you to the over 200 families who completed a summer program evaluation. We value your input, suggestions, and praise for our programs. Without your feedback we would be unable to continue our excellent offerings and improve upon any weaknesses.

Here are the highlights from the 2004 evaluations. . .

- ◆ 96% were highly satisfied or satisfied with the Camp Program
- ◆ 97% were highly satisfied or satisfied with the Camp Staff
- ◆ 98% were highly satisfied or satisfied with the Overall Camp Experience

Top 3 values of summer camp:	
#1	Having Fun
#2	Staff
#3	Program Content

### From the Parents:

An experience of a lifetime! Overjoyed to say the least. He learned a lot of outdoor skills, participated in all the fun of Camp at night! Campfires, songs, had an excellent counselor and gave him a broader view on life and what's out there!

Had a great experience—very positive and accomplished the self-esteem/independence goals we had hoped for

She loved it! Staff made everything fun. Wonderful enthusiastic staff.

It was the best camp she'd ever been to and she wants to go back every year!

It was an outstanding experience that will live in her heart throughout the year, filled with memories that will last a lifetime!

Very positive and energetic atmosphere

### From the Campers:

**I learned to respect everyone and have fun!**

**I learned that ferns sink dreamboats**

**I learned that everyone is equal and should be treated that way**

**My least favorite thing was leaving**

**I learned how to be a leader and at camp you can be yourself and I love that!**

**HOT OFF THE PRESS: NEW CAMP WEBSITE COMING IN NOVEMBER - [WWW.CAMPUNALIYA.ORG](http://WWW.CAMPUNALIYA.ORG)**

## Come Play In Our Wonderland At Winter Camp for Kids: December 28th-30th

What a way to get a dose of the "Place of Friends" during one of its most beautiful and fun-filled seasons! Spend part of your holiday break at Camp, catching up with summer camp friends and counselors, making new friends, and taking part in winter fun. Activities include snowshoeing, ice skating, sledding, cross country skiing, camp games, ice fishing, boot hockey, campfires, and winter fun with friends.



WINTER CAMP (Ages 8-13)  
December 28th-30th

\$125 YMCA Members

\$135 General Public

This 3 day, 2 night program includes round trip transportation from Green Bay, lodging, 7 meals, programming, and equipment. We hope for snow, but even without it's a go! Call Camp to register 715-276-7116.

## 2004 TEEN SKI TRIP

**Get away this winter break!**

Bring on the slopes and trails with 3 days of winter extreme fun. Spend time at Camp enjoying winter activities such as cross country skiing, sledding, ice skating, snowshoeing, boot hockey, and more! On the 29th, we trek up to Ski Brule for a day of skiing the slopes, and return to Camp for an evening campfire and sauna. This 3 day, 2 night program includes round trip transportation from Green Bay, lodging, 7 meals, program, and day trip to Ski Brule with lift tickets

Teen Ski Trip December 28th-30th for teenagers 13-17 years of age

Program Fee: \$175 YMCA Members

\$185 General Public

Equipment rentals: \$18 for skis and boots

\$33 snowboard and boots

Call the Camp Office for more information or to register: 715-276-7116

## Teen Leaders take a different kind of hike ...for a great cause and camp

On September 26<sup>th</sup> several YMCA Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya leaders took the opportunity to support campers whom they have never met, from a camp they have never attended. The camp is called Camp Heartland and the campers who attend are children who are in some way affected by HIV/AIDS. The Camp Unie Teen Leaders raised over \$800 to help send Camp Heartland campers for a week of fun and friendship in Minnesota.

All in all, the leaders learned a lot about giving that day. Not only did they give of themselves by participating in the walk but from their hearts so that children can attend this amazing camp and create their own camp memories, as our Teen Leaders have at Camp U-Nah-Li-Ya.

**Way to go Camp Unie Leaders!**



From left to right: Teen Leadership Director Julie Witczak with Teen Leaders: Beth Riggio, Liz Ziner, Stephanie Harrill, Katie Hutjens, Pam Desotell, & Keith White. Pictured with Camp Heartland Founder and Director Neal Willenson on the far right.



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## 2004-2005 Calendar of Events



Winter Camp for Kids  
Teen Ski Trip  
Father-Child Weekend  
Winter Family Day  
Winter Family Weekend  
Adult Winter Play Weekend  
Father-Child Ski Weekend  
Maple Sugar Festival Open House  
Father-Son Weekend: Session I  
Father-Son Weekend: Session II  
Summer Kick-Off Open House  
Summer Camp  
Father-Daughter Weekend: Session I  
Father-Daughter Weekend: Session II  
Father-Daughter Weekend: Session III

December 28th-30th  
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January 7th-9th  
January 22nd 9AM-4PM  
February 5th-6th  
February 12th-13th  
February 18th-20th  
March 19th 10:00AM-1:00 PM  
May 20th -22nd  
June 3rd-5th  
June 15th 5:00-7:00 PM  
June 19th-August 19th  
September 9-11  
September 16-18  
September 23-25