

Official Newsletter of Camp Duffield

# THE OUTPOST

December 2023



Wishing you a Merry Christmas from your friends at  
Camp Duffield!

Duffield is an exciting place to be! So many stories to tell. People with vision and hope, coming together to provide a place where children can laugh, play, sing, grow in faith and make lifelong friends! Have you ever driven slowly down the dirt road with your window rolled down listening to the breeze sweeping through the pines with anticipation? We all have memories and stories to share. We welcome you to create memories with us next summer!!

Save these dates! Summer Camp 2024

Challenge Camp  
Children's Science Camp  
Children's Music Camp

July 7-13  
July 14-20  
July 21-27

Children's Impact 716 July 28-Aug 3  
Night Owls July 28-Aug 3  
Annual Meeting Feb 7



Summer 2023



Challenge Camp



Night Owls

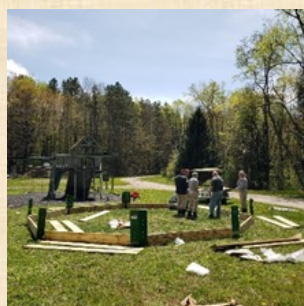


Children's Camps: Music, Science, Impact 716





Duffield has had a busy year! In addition to our summer camps, people from throughout WNY have participated in our Duffield sponsored Youth & Women Retreats. We've also had a variety of rental groups~ Families, schools, churches such as Westminster Presbyterian Church, West Falls Lutheran Church, Bread of Life, Burmese Indigenous Christian Fellowship, Coronation BVM Roman Catholic Church, Wesleyan Orchard Park Church and organizations such as Do Over Dog Training, Earth Spirit, and the national group Man Up To Cancer have held their events at Camp Duffield. Our 2024 calendar year is starting to fill up with rentals. We encourage you to reach out and secure your rental dates ASAP!



**Camp Improvements!** Special thanks to our dedicated volunteers and AmeriCorps, we not only worked through our yearly maintenance of the camp but forged ahead to clean and mark trails throughout the property and waterproof all the ramps with non-skid paint and made many other improvements to the camp.

Last year, the campers asked for a gaga pit, so AmeriCorps not only built us a gaga pit, but a 9-Square-in-the-Air Game as well. Both were full of action this summer!

**Special thanks to:**

~the volunteers that showed up on our Spring And Fall Workdays to clean up, get equipment ready for the next season, split wood, and so much more.

~Tom Bardo for the new signage around camp!

~The fine gentlemen that quietly show up at camp to make repairs throughout the year when no one is there. We are grateful for all you do.

We continue to look for volunteers to help out as summer staff, to help with marketing and fundraising, and to help on workdays.

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We are tremendously grateful for the many donations we have received this past year. With your gifts, we can provide camperships, programming, property improvements and much more. Many thanks to:

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Please join us as we begin our capital campaign. We are raising funds to renovate some of Duffield's buildings and improve accessibility throughout the camp. Duffield continues to grow with your support.

**Camp Duffield's 2024 Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 7, 2024 at University Presbyterian Church at the corner of Niagara Falls Blvd. and Main Street in Buffalo.**

**5:30 pm appetizers and conversations**

**6 pm dinner, free to all who attend**

**7 pm formal business meeting at 7 p.m.**

**RSVP 716-440-9833 (Pat) or email us at [contactus@campduffield.net](mailto:contactus@campduffield.net)**