

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



Holiday Greetings from Camp!

I wanted to take a moment to wish you and your family a very happy and healthy holiday season. We are so grateful to have you - our campers, parents, staff, alumni and friends - as members of our community. After all, you are what make Camp Burgess & Hayward the magical place that it is.

We are also grateful for the positive, impactful experiences that Camp allows us to provide - the opportunity for campers to connect with themselves, others and nature, and also the values and skill sets we are able to help impart in this unique outdoor learning environment.

In paying gratitude, I also want to extend my thanks to Jessica Williams, for her many years of service as the Hayward Director. We wish Jessie the very best of luck and success in her future endeavors.

Today marks Allie Singer's first day on the job as the new Camp Hayward Director. Allie is from Natick, Massachusetts and has been part of the Camp Burgess & Hayward family since 2003. She has held many roles at Camp Hayward over the years, most recently as the Assistant Director for the past four summers. We are extremely pleased to welcome Allie back to Camp in her new role as Hayward Director!

Bruce Netherwood, Executive Director



The Burgess-Hayward Holiday Merchandise Has Arrived!

Get your order in by December 15th to ensure delivery for the holidays...

[Place your order here!](#)

Adventure Trips

Jim DiCenzo has joined the full-time Burgess-Hayward staff as our new Adventure Trips director! Learn more about Jim, [here](#).

Unique "experiential" gift idea for the teen in your life:

Our **February Vacation Ski and Snowboard Adventure** is fast approaching!

This unforgettable trip to Conway, New Hampshire runs Sunday, February 19th, through Friday February 24th. This program is open to ages 12-17. Rentals and lessons are available for an additional fee. Space is limited. \$785. Financial assistance is available.



Burgess Farm

This spring, we increased the amount of land being used to grow food at Burgess Farm by opening a new field that was last under cultivation 100 years ago! All of the produce grown in this field is dedicated to local food pantries to help address hunger and food insecurity in our own neighborhood. With help from CITs, Adventure Trips participants, and our Outdoor Education staff, this field

grew nearly 500 pounds of organic produce that went to the Falmouth Service Center, who in turn distributed the food into the community. Next spring, we are going to double the size of this production field, doubling the amount of food that we can offer our neighbors in need. [Learn more about the important work being done on the Burgess Farm.](#)

Outdoor Education & Retreat Center

Hiring for our 2017 season is underway! We are seeking applicants who are 21+ and passionate about youth, nature, and teamwork. Our seasonal instructors live at camp March-October and facilitate meaningful outdoor programs that instill wonder, encourage stewardship and cultivate community for people of all ages and backgrounds. If you or someone you know is interested in joining our team please direct them [here](#). Our outdoor Education staff work with a variety of schools and universities, non-profit organizations, corporate groups, scouting groups, and church groups. We provide excellent programming in the areas of team-building, recreation, environmental science, outdoor skills and adventure. [Learn more about our classes, facilities and bookings.](#)





Year-Round Programs

The Burgess & Hayward [Road Crew](#) will be holding its last volunteer event of 2016, on December 11th from 12-2:30! For the third year in a row, the Bourne Community Building will be transformed into the Toys for Tots distribution site for the Town of Bourne. The toys arrive by truck and need to be offloaded, sorted and displayed by age and gender. If interested in attending, please contact [Gabriella Tettelman](#).

Interested in getting involved? [Learn more about our year-round service opportunities.](#)

Friends & Alumni

What does Camp mean to you? How has it impacted your life? What are your memories? We want to know! Send your stories, news, photos and updates to camp@ssymca.org and we'll include them in our newsletters!

Take part in our ongoing alumni discussions on our [blog](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Facebook](#) groups!

Interested in becoming an active member of [The Friends of Camp Burgess & Hayward Council](#)? Inquire with [Meghan Hill](#).

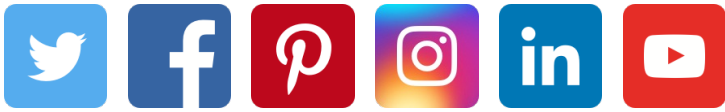


Year-End Giving Opportunities

This holiday season, please consider making Camp Burgess & Hayward your charity of choice! Over 225 children attended our programs on scholarships this year and the need is even greater for 2017. Join us in helping share the *Lessons of Camp and the Lessons of Life*, by making a pledge to our [Annual Campaign](#).



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