

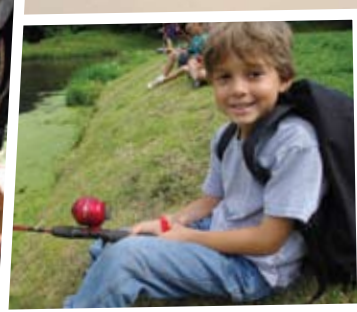
ADVENTURES AWAIT

YMCA CAMP WEONA
SUMMER 2011



WHERE ONLY GOOD PREVAILS

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YMCA CAMP WEONA

Come spend the summer at resident YMCA Camp Weona and discover what dreams are made of in a place "where only good prevails." With over a century of camping experience, and built on the Christian heritage of the YMCA, we value honesty, caring, respect, and responsibility.

YMCA Camp Weona offers both traditional and high adventure activities. Horseback riding through the forest, kayaking under the blue sky, making new friends, singing by the campfire, jumping into the refreshing pool, learning how to set up a campsite, fishing at the lake; each day is full of adventure.

YMCA Camp Weona serves children 7 to 17 years old with exciting summer camp options for one, or two or more week stays.

Campers return home with increased self esteem, friendship building skills, and the ability to make good decisions on their own. You'll find that your child will become better at meeting and getting to know people and will learn to take positive risks at learning new things.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

At YMCA Camp Weona, we believe that every child should have the chance to experience camp. The YMCA Strong Kids Campaign provides financial assistance to families within our community who are in need of financial support and may not have the ability to pay the full fee.

Financial assistance is determined based on a thorough review of an application and a personal interview with the applicant. Assistance will be granted on





the basis of financial need resulting from low income, emergency expenses or other circumstances that inhibit an individual's ability to pay a prescribed fee.

As part of our mission, we teach campers responsibility with an opportunity to **Earn Their Way to Camp**. Campers may choose to pay for part or all of their camp fees through the annual YMCA Camp Candy Sale which runs from January through July.

LEADERSHIP/STAFF

We pride ourselves in selecting staff that are role models of honesty, caring, respect, and responsibility. As a result, the YMCA Camp Weona culture

and setting are safe, fun, and enriching physically, emotionally, intellectually, and spiritually. We recruit from local high schools and colleges, as well as all over the country and around the world.

All staff participate in an intensive week-long residential training that includes safety management, working with children in group settings, leading activities, camp policies and procedures, and child abuse prevention. Necessary staff members are lifeguard, CPR, and first aid certified as well as other nationally-recognized certifications.





HEALTH & SAFETY

YMCA Camp Weona takes the health and safety of our campers very seriously. We have a 6:1 camper-to-leader ratio which assures close supervision of all activities.

During the summer session a full-time health officer lives on site and a physician is on call 24 hours a day. Also, YMCA Camp Weona is certified by the New York State Health Department and has periodic inspections throughout the summer.

YMCA Camp Weona is accredited by the American Camp Association (ACA). ACA is a non-profit organization that member camps join voluntarily. For nearly two decades, YMCA Camp Weona has been a member of this organization and on a semi-annual basis is visited by ACA, which verifies that we are maintaining over 300 standards of operation in camping. These are industry standards and recognized by the government.

YMCA CAMP WEONA IS A "GROUP WORK" CAMP

At YMCA Camp Weona, our rustic cabins provide a home for small groups of no more than 12 campers who live together and attend daily activities as a group. Cabin groups are made up of either boys or girls entering similar grades and registered for the same camp program. Groups of 8-12 campers of similar gender and age attend daily activities together as a cabin with their leaders. The intention is to foster a "family-like" atmosphere within the group.

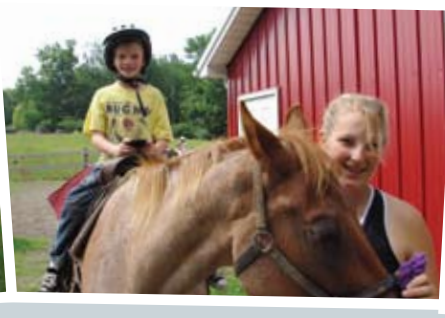
MENU

Our back-to-basics menu is prepared each day in the dining hall. The YMCA offers items that children enjoy in their daily life that help sustain the additional energy needed during long days at camp. Our food service staff prides themselves on the fact that there are no trans fats in our meals. Special consideration is given for children who have allergies or prefer a vegetarian option.

CABIN/BUNK MATES

Campers may request a bunk mate within one school grade of each other, are of the same gender, and are registered for the same program. A bunk mate request is included in the parent pack and must be returned three weeks prior to attendance. Requests made after the three-week deadline may not be honored. In order to promote inclusion within each cabin, only one bunk mate request per child will be honored. (Bunk mates must be reciprocal





– ex. John picks Tim and Tim must pick John.) Groups of four or more may be split to promote new camper inclusion.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Building on the tradition of “super” leadership, the YMCA believes in growing our future leaders as well as enhancing our teen population’s skill base. Leaders in Training (LIT) is geared toward teens who are ready to test their leadership skills while working with younger campers.

All LITs must demonstrate the YMCA’s core values, have a service mentality, and strong desire to learn and grow leadership skills. Participating as an LIT may count toward high school community service hours for graduation.

First Year LIT

A First Year LIT is a person who has not attended camp before as an LIT. They must be at least 14 years of age, entering 9th grade, and have not attended any training event prior to camp. First Year LITs traditionally attend for two consecutive camper sessions. LITs advance to second year upon recommendation from the LIT Support Staff.

Second Year LIT

A Second Year LIT is a person who has been an LIT before and has been recommended to advance by the LIT Support Staff. They must be 15 years of age, entering 11th grade, and may also attend one of our volunteer events prior to summer camp at YMCA Camp Weona. Second Year LITs traditionally attend for two consecutive camper sessions. LITs may advance to third year upon recommendation from the LIT Support Staff.

Third Year LIT

A Third Year LIT is a person who has graduated from the LIT program, has a recommendation from a member of our LIT Support Staff, fills out a job application, undergoes an interview, demonstrates exceptional skills in our LIT program, and is at least 16 years of age. Third Year LITs attend for three consecutive sessions.





"YMCA Camp Weona was super fun. I loved the rock climbing, swimming, the food, and the counselors. I liked the Weona experience through and through."

DAILY SCHEDULE

7:30 am	Rise & Shine
7:50 am	Morning Watch
8:10 am	Round Up
8:15 am	Breakfast
9:00 am	1st Program Rotation
10:30 am	2nd Program Rotation
12:15 pm	Lunch
1:15 pm	Cabin Clean Up/Rest
2:30 pm	Skill Track 1/Cabin Swim
4:15 pm	Skill Track 2/Cabin Swim
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 pm	Evening Activity Prep
7:30 pm	Evening Activity
8:30 pm	Closing Circle
9:15 pm	Cabin Reflections
10:00 pm	Lights Out

WHAT WILL CAMPERS BE DOING?

The activities listed below can be enjoyed by campers based on age and availability:

CABIN ACTIVITIES	SKILLS TRACK	WEEKEND CAMP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horseback Riding • Swimming • Kayaking/Canoeing • Archery • Rock Climbing • Fishing • Arts & Crafts • Field Sports • Outdoor Climbing Tower • Indoor Climbing Wall • Camp Outs • Campfires • Skits, Plays & Dances • Games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kayaking/Canoeing • Archery • Rock Climbing • Mountain Biking • Fishing • Arts & Crafts • Digital Photography • Field Sports • Drama • Horseback Riding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ropes Course • Swimming • Kayaking/Canoeing • Fishing • Outdoor Cooking • Tent Camping • Ultimate Frisbee



FIRST CHANCE CAMP

ENTERING GRADES 2-7

YMCA Members: \$310 Non-Members: \$375

For the younger or first-time camper who wants a taste of what camp is like – this is the session for you! The YMCA believes in progressive and age-appropriate camping and this is a great way to see what it is all about. Children will enjoy a week of traditional activities like swimming, canoeing, arts & crafts, archery, campfires, horseback riding, and much more! Make new friends and memories that will last a lifetime.

Five-Day Session Dates

Sunday to Thursday

June 26-30

Aug. 7-11

TRADITIONAL CAMP

ENTERING GRADES 3-10

YMCA Members: \$472 Non-Members: \$499

There is nothing like it anywhere else in Western New York! Enjoy six days of both traditional camp programs as well as high-adventure activities. Choose to participate in afternoon and early evening skill programs. (Consider staying longer with our weekend adventure camps!)

One-Week Session Dates

Sunday to Saturday

July 3-9*

July 10-16

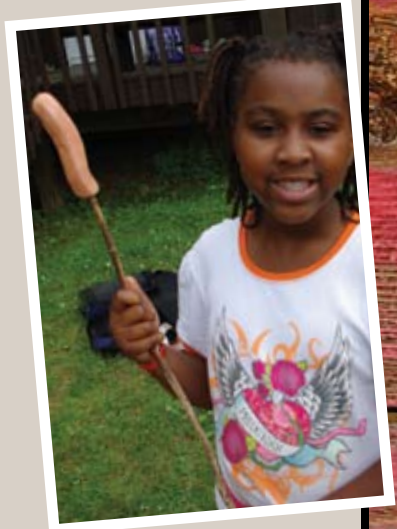
July 17-23

July 24-30

July 31 - Aug. 6

*Call for special pricing.

Two-week sessions available!
Consider staying longer over the weekend and into the next session.



WEEKEND ADVENTURE CAMP

ENTERING GRADES 5-10

YMCA Members: \$80 Non-Members: \$90

Stretch your one-week session into two or more sessions with our weekend camp program. Designed for our seasoned campers who want to stay for a longer session, camp out under the stars at historic Camp Dell, cook over an open fire, and enjoy greater challenges with high and low ropes courses.

Weekend Session Dates

Friday to Sunday

July 8-10

July 15-17

July 22-24

July 29-31

Aug. 5-7

STAY!

Having fun?
Stay for the
weekend!



LAST CHANCE CAMP

ENTERING GRADES 3-10

YMCA Members: \$472 Non-Members: \$499

This is it – the last chance of summer to make memories that will last a lifetime. Come experience our final week of traditional camp with all the options. If you missed out on any of our earlier sessions or want to try out a camp, this is the last time this summer for you to do so.

One-Week Session

Sunday to Saturday

Aug. 7-13



SUPER STAR LEADERSHIP WEEK

ENTERING GRADES 5-10

YMCA Members: \$472 Non-Members: \$499

Come back for an All-Star session that will grow your leadership potential and help prepare you for our LIT program once you turn 14. Designed for those campers who have always wanted to focus on low and high ropes challenges and build leadership qualities.

One-Week Session

Sunday to Saturday

Aug. 14-20



LEADERS IN TRAINING

ENTERING GRADES 9-11

YMCA Members: \$790 Non-Members: \$899

Leaders in Training (LIT) must be at least 14 years old and have a willingness to learn more about leadership and a desire to take a leadership role while at camp. Our LIT program is progressive, and in order to promote leadership, fees are about a third less than the cost of a regular camp session. All LITs will participate in a hands on "Learning Leadership" curriculum. (Service hours may count toward volunteer time for graduation - check with your school counselor.)

LIT I (AGES 14+)

Two-Week Sessions

Sunday to Saturday

July 3-16

July 17-30

July 31 - Aug. 13

LIT II (AGES 15+)

Two-Week Sessions

Sunday to Saturday

July 3-16

July 17-30

July 31 - Aug. 13

LIT III

ENTERING GRADE 11

YMCA Members: \$640 Non-Members: \$725

This multi-session (three consecutive week commitment) program is designed to further Third Year LITs. LITs must be at least 16 years old and undergo an interview and selection process, as well as serve as a leader for part of the summer. (Service hours may count toward volunteer time for graduation - check with your school counselor.)

Three-Week Session Dates

Sunday to Saturday

July 3-23

July 24 - Aug. 13





EASY & CONVENIENT REGISTRATION

Log on to www.CampWeona.org, mail or fax your application along with the required minimum deposit for each session (\$75 for every session).

Upon receipt of your registration, a packet containing required health forms and other valuable information will be mailed to you. Full payment is due three weeks prior to camp or your space will not be held if there is a waiting list.

Registrations are on a first-come, first-served basis. Call the camp business office at 716-565-6008 or e-mail camp@campweona.org for availability.

SECOND CHILD PRICING

If two or more children in your family are registering for the same session at the same time, each additional child will receive a 10% reduction on their camp fees. Minimum deposit per child is required.

REFUNDS

All deposits are non-refundable. In case of medical emergency or summer school and only with a physician's or school district written note, will a cancellation prior to camp be returned, less the deposit amount.

Cancellations a week prior to your scheduled session will receive a credit for use later that summer and during available dates. Cancellations less than seven days prior to your scheduled session will result in forfeiture of all fees.

If a camper is a no-show for a registered session, there will be no credit or refund. The camp director reserves the right to dismiss any camper who violates camp rules and policies. No refund will be made in the case of dismissal or homesickness. Please also note that there is a \$20 fee for all returned checks.

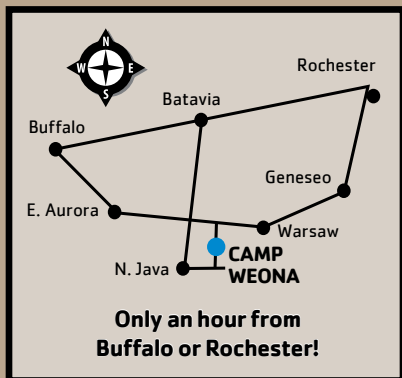
WEB SITE

At www.CampWeona.org you can register, find information, and download camper health forms, parent information packets, and more.

OUTDOOR EDUCATION

YMCA Camp Weona is the perfect site for youth retreats, family reunions, and holiday gatherings. Leave the noise and distractions of daily life behind and escape to a quiet and peaceful place. Nestled on nearly 1,000 acres of woodlands near Warsaw, YMCA Camp Weona has provided more than a century of service to Western New York youth, families, schools, and organizations.

Our outdoor education curriculum is available to public and private schools and our flexible program allows you to mix and match our programs with your own. More information may be found at www.CampWeona.org under Outdoor Ed.



CAMP ADDRESS

4025 Poplar Tree Road
Gainesville, NY 14066

DIRECTIONS TO CAMP

From Buffalo:

- Take I-90 W to NY-400 S
- Take the US-20A ramp toward East Aurora and stay left to go on US-20A
- After 18.5 miles turn right onto Orangeville Center Road
- After three miles Orangeville Center Road becomes Poplar Tree Road
- In a mile you will see the camp on a hill on your left - look for the beige lodge

From Rochester:

- Take I-490 W to the RT-19 exit and make a right toward Leroy
- Turn right onto US-20A
- After five miles turn left onto Orangeville Center Road
- After three miles Orangeville Center Road becomes Poplar Tree Road
- In a mile you will see the camp on a hill on your left - look for the beige lodge

CAMP WEONA OPEN HOUSE & TOURS

No prior registration is necessary, however it is always nice to know you and your family may be visiting. Meet members of the camp staff, tour the grounds, and on some dates you may even have the opportunity to try out some of the activities.

Call or visit our Web site for dates and times. If you can not make those scheduled dates, please call or e-mail the Camp Weona office. One of our staff will be happy to find time to show you around.

FAMILY CAMPS

Would you love to experience the great outdoors with your child? Why not join us for an exciting, fun-filled family getaway on Memorial Day or Labor Day weekend. A YMCA Camp Weona getaway offers you and your family a chance to spend some quality time in peaceful, beautiful surroundings where you can enjoy nature and the company of family and new found friends. Additional days are added throughout the year.

The camp may also be rented by family groups year round. Financial assistance is available for this program. More information may be found on our Web site at www.CampWeona.org.

MEMORIES THAT LAST A LIFETIME

At YMCA Camp Weona, you'll create memories that last a lifetime.

"I had so much fun and the activities were amazing. I would recommend Camp Weona to everyone."

— 2010 Camper



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