

Fall 2023

The Lindenmere Connection



A Letter From The **GARFINKELS**



Dear Kids, Parents and Family,

As the leaves change and the days become shorter, we think of warm, sunny days spent together at camp. The campfire songs, laughter-filled bunks, and days full of adventure at our majors and minor are still our favorite moments to talk about!

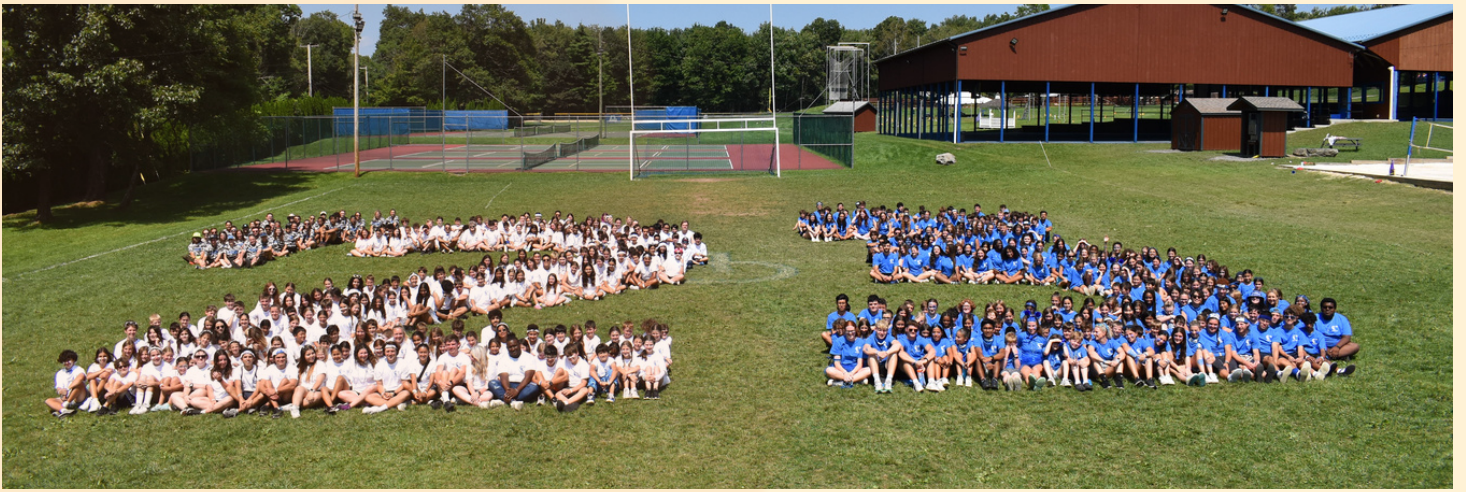
While we may be apart right now, we are excitedly planning for next summer. During our weekly team meetings, we review every aspect of camp. From discussing logistics and operations, to crafting new activities and revamping our favorite camp traditions, Summer 2024 is certainly going to be the BEST SUMMER EVER!!!

We've also heard countless stories about the friendships that blossomed at camp, and it warms our hearts to know that these connections continue to grow and thrive even outside of our grounds. It's a testament to the incredible bonds that are formed in our Lindenmere community, bonds that go beyond the summer months!

As the phrase goes... We live 10 months for 2! We cannot wait to reunite our camp family! Until then, stay safe, be kind to one another, and know that, near or far, you are always a part of our Camp Lindenmere family!

With Love,
Mitch, Hayley, and Kyle Garfinkel





SUMMER 2023 RECAP

What an amazing summer it was – Summer 2023 will definitely go down as one of the best summers in Camp Lindenmere history. The weather was not really on our side - with a lot of rain and very hot temperatures - but we had a blast anyway. We sang ("one more song!") and we danced in the Dining Hall. We played on the fields and in the water. We created in the Art Center, Rock Shop, Media Center, and Rec Hall. We explored the beautiful Pocono Mountains. We tumbled, we climbed and we flew. We were very busy this past summer!

Camp was buzzing from morning until night. We enjoyed our Majors in the morning and Minors kept us busy in the afternoon. The fun continued into the night with awesome Evening Activities, Canteen, Campfires, Dances, Name That Tune, Minute to Win It, Pool Parties, Bananarama, S'mores and PANIC!, Casino Night, Senior Camp College League, and so much more! Of course, we can't forget Kangaroo Court.

Thursday Trip Days off camp were amazing! Our smiles spread to: CamelBeach, Mountain Creek, Dorney Park, Hershey Park, Bowling, Trampolining, and the Scranton Railriders Baseball Game, just to name a few!

Our LT's (Leadership Training program) ventured off to California in the First Session and our Senior Campers visited Boston in the Second Session. These overnight adventures for our oldest campers were fantastic and the memories made will last a lifetime.

We also had special on-camp days. We participated in our second annual LindenCup (Mario Bros. themed!) and celebrated our third annual Linden5K where we raised funds and awareness for SCOPE, a terrific organization which sends underserved children to camp across the United States. Our Theme Days saw us dressed in our favorite jerseys, tie dye and pajamas. We pretended we were twins, on a safari and in the Wild Wild West. We had BBQs and Ice Cream Socials on the back patio of the dining hall and in the grass.

And, of course, right before the Summer of 2023 came to a close, after a few amazing Fake Outs, Color War broke with a Silent Disco in the Rec Hall. Three days of spirit, sportsmanship and competition took place. Color War sing left us arm in arm with our best friends. Summer 2023 was definitely one for the books!





Summer 2023!









Bring on

2024!!!



Fall Foliage Recap

Back Together!

On October 1st, we welcomed back our campers, their families and also many new future camp families to our annual Fall Foliage Festival. It was a beautiful day, with the sun shining and warm air. In fact, it was so warm that the chocolate we put out for S'mores melted on the serving platter!

Our inflatables were in constant use throughout the day with the addition, this year, of the inflatable axe-throwing installation! Pumpkin Bowling, Pumpkin Tic Tac Toe, Ball in a Bucket and Pumpkin Ring Toss, were set up in the Circus Pavilion along with our Big Straw Chair to take a group photo or to just sit and relax with friends.



Prizes & Arts Projects

Congratulations to Carlie C. who was the winner of the "Guess the Number of Candy Corns in a Jar." Carlie guessed that there were 682 candy corns in the jar; the exact number was 681! DL Rebecca won the Staff Pumpkin Carving Contest. Congratulations to you both!

This year's art project was a huge success. We saw everyone's creative side come out as they decorated painted wood slices from tree branches. If you enjoyed it, you can definitely do [THIS](#) craft at home.

Fall Foliage Fun

Our chefs treated us to a wonderful BBQ meal, which we enjoyed in the Dining Hall and outside on the back patio and at the picnic tables. We also enjoyed caramel apples with lots of toppings and the cozy campfire with s'mores!

Of course, the day would not be complete without some new CL swag! A Camp Lindenmere water bottle filled with candy and something special (hat, gloves or scarf) to keep us warm and cozy this winter! We hope everyone had as much fun as we did at Lindenmere's Annual Fall Foliage Festival!





Thank you for making each summer so special for me. I am grateful for the time spent with family and together as a Lindenmere family. I am grateful everyday for the good health and happiness of our camp community.

-Mitch Garfinkel

There is nothing more special than having our own special camp community at Lindenmere to be a part of each summer. I am thankful that we get to share this together year after year!

-Hayley Garfinkel

I am thankful for being able to return year after year to my summer home with so many amazing campers and the best team around. **-Kyle Garfinkel**

I'm thankful for my Camp Lindenmere Family! I feel so blessed to be able to work all winter long to create magical memories for all of our campers and counselors.

-Wendy Berliner



It is such a privilege to be able to share the summer with so many wonderful campers, their families, team members, and loved ones in such a beautiful setting that is, Camp Lindenmere. I am so thankful to be able to run it back year after year creating fun new memories with each and everyone one of you. Enjoy your time with your family. **-Elliott Roberts**



I feel very blessed to have found a summer home at Lindenmere. Thank you all for making me smile each and everyday! **-Jo Gamble**

I'm so thankful for spending 7 of the greatest weeks with all of you each and every summer. Camp is the only place we can plan and enjoy all of these crazy and wild activities and I can promise you we have plenty more to come!

-Lewis Gardner

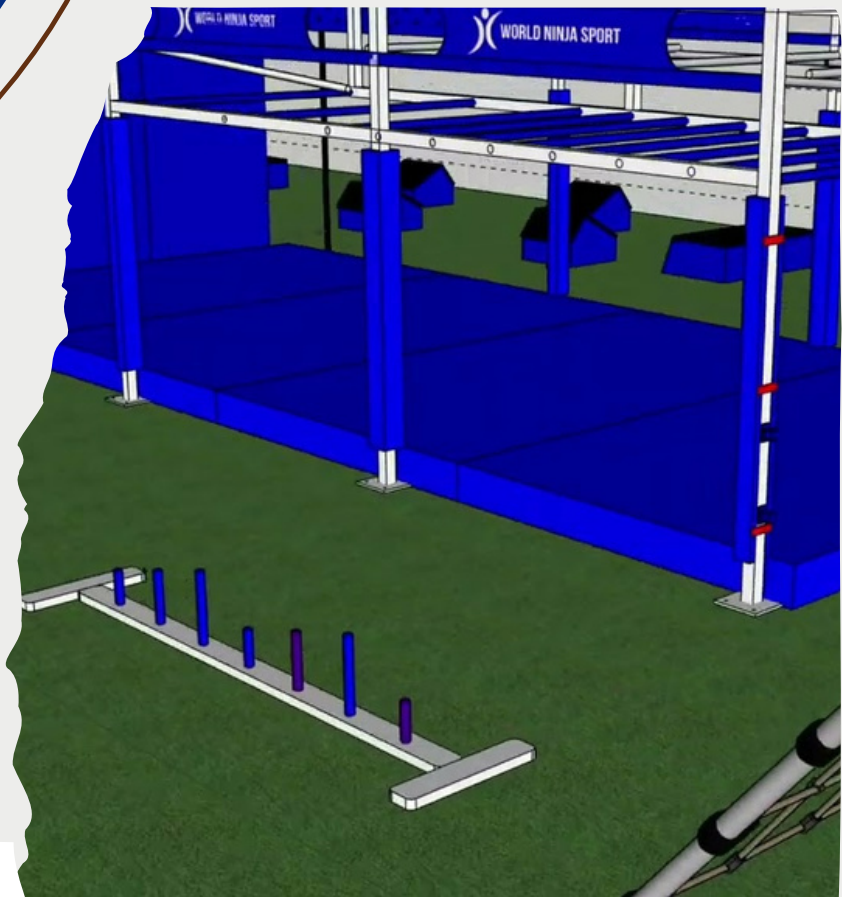
I am thankful for many things in life. From being able to work with a wonderful team, to being able to see the trees change color for the season, more importantly; I am thankful that I am able to have a choice. I get to choose to have breakfast for dinner, stay up late to watch the sunrise, and even get to choose my activities of the day. Just like at camp" **-Edvin Cabrera**



WHAT'S NEW FOR 2024?

Did somebody say Ninja? This summer at camp you can put all your skills to the test on our new Ninja Warrior Course. Swing, jump, and climb your way through this course and finish with your best Ninja pose!

NINJA WARRIOR



GOLF!

This year, we will be introducing our first stage of Golf. We will be planning on expanding the program as we continue with our developments in the summers to come.



**... Stay tuned for even more updates coming soon in our
Winter 2024 Newsletter!**

NO BAKE PUMPKIN CHEESECAKE



Ingredients



8 servings



15 minutes

Biscoff cookies, or gingersnaps

Unsalted butter, melted

Softened cream cheese

Powdered (confectioners') sugar

Pumpkin puree

Vanilla extract

Pumpkin pie spice

Whipped topping such as Cool Whip

+ **Eight Dessert Cups / Glass Jars**

This delicious no bake recipe is a wonderful addition to the Thanksgiving table & it can be put together a day ahead of eating! We recommend that you serve it with homemade whipped cream or cool whip and caramel sauce for an extra treat!

This recipe is a little longer than previous years so please click the button below to access the full recipe and instructions!

[**CLICK HERE FOR FULL RECIPE**](#)

LIVING 10 MONTHS FOR 2!

CL Updates:



Grant Garrison
Programming

This past summer was such an adventure! I met so many new people and amazing friends that I can't wait to see again! In the meantime, I'll be continuing my education back in Texas and counting the seconds until camp. I can't wait for round two this summer!



Hannah Sharpe
Theater / Pianist

Since life at camp, I have traveled to a few states in America. After returning back home, I am back at college to continue studying Journalism at University of Galway. I am now in my second year working towards going on a placement/year abroad next year whilst working part-time in retail. I have also visited some of my camp friends in other cities and spent time catching up with them!



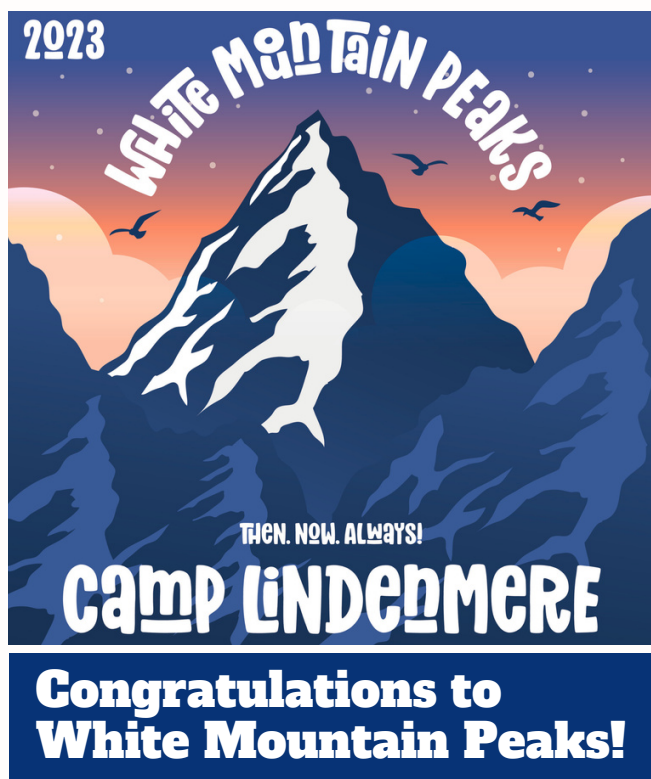
Alex & Rebecca
Head Chef & Division Leader

Since finishing up at camp with Fall Foliage, we have been adventuring near and far! We drove from New Jersey to Colorado before setting off on a trip to England! We loved getting to visit new places and seeing some of our camp friends along the way!



Paul Chavez
Woodworking/Cosmetology

Right now, I'm back in my hometown in Mexico. I'll be here for the rest of the year and I'm currently studying psychology. I also work as an interpreter for American hospitals and schools, assisting people who don't speak English.



A BREAKOUT FOR THE AGES...

It's safe to say that this year the fakeouts and breakout raised the roof for Color War 2023!

Waldo was around and causing mayhem! We had late-night fireworks at the lake after a campfire, a helicopter that was teasing us using Waldo's poems, a Katy Perry tribute act from our LT's and a firetruck that erupted with water...REALLY!?

This all came before a spontaneous Sunday night Silent Disco that nearly took the ceiling off the Rec Hall!! And so the games began...

Following a closely contested opening night, there was a mere 4 points between the teams before the WHITE team narrowly won in Bucket Brigade to take a 24 point advantage into day 2.

However, BLUE TROPICAL BEACHES came back strong in the Track Meet, Sink or Swim & a very rainy Rope Burn to retake the lead.

But on Day 3, the WHITE team put on a dominant showing in the Apache Relay and the new Showtime event. Sing was close, but they took the victory!

Who will take the crown for
COLOR WAR 2024!?



BLUE: 5268

WHITE: 5560

[Click here to watch our Color War 2023 Recap](#)

COMING 2024!



Senior Camp Adventures

Where will the LTs and Senior Campers be adventuring for
SUMMER 2024?

Exclusive LT 2024 Adventure!

Our LT's are heading to Costa Rica!!

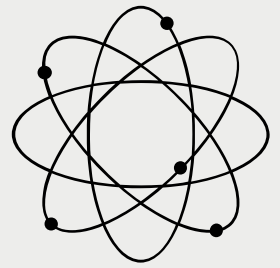
This summer our Session 1 LT's will be flying into San Jose for an unforgettable adventure in a country known for its stunning natural beauty and warm, welcoming culture. Our LT's will experience all the tropical paradise has to offer from pristine beaches to lush rainforests, and from vibrant cities to tranquil villages. Campers will also take on some ziplining, white water rafting and maybe even some snorkeling! All of this will be combined with some light volunteering at an Animal Rescue Center. It really is the trip of a lifetime!



The Seniors are going to Niagara Falls & Toronto!

Our Session 2 Seniors will take a voyage into the falls as we embark on a beautiful boat ride of Niagara Falls before crossing the border into Canada. Arriving into Toronto, campers will explore Kensington Markets and the entertainment district before taking in the stunning views from the CN Tower!

FALL SCIENCE PROJECT



MAGICAL MARBLE CARDS!



Do you like both arts & science? Then this is the perfect activity for you! You will create beautiful marbled paper cards and practice science at the same time! The only materials you need are shaving cream, food coloring, and some sheets of paper. It might get a bit messy, but that is part of the fun!

JoJo: "In the photo above, you see my experiment using gel food colorants and different types of paper. I also got 6 prints from one plate!"

What you need:

- Two large plates
- Shaving cream (not gel)
- Liquid food coloring (at least two different colors)
- White printer paper or cardstock paper
- Medical dropper
- Scissors
- Spoon
- Toothpick
- Jumbo craft stick
- Paper towels
- Spray bottle
- Water

[Click here for full instructions with pictures!](#)

SAVE THE DATE

Winter Reunion 2024:

January 21, 2024 @ Dave & Busters in Woodbridge, NJ

Session 1:

June 23, 2024

Session 2:

July 21, 2024

Session 1 Visiting Day:

July 20, 2024

Session 2 Visiting Day:

August 10, 2024

Session 1 Rookie Day:

July 13, 2024

Session 2 Rookie Day:

July 27, 2024

Spring Picnic 2024:

Join us at Camp on June 9th, 2024 to kick start the summer!



INTERNATIONAL WEAR YOUR
**SUMMER CAMP
T-SHIRT DAY**

NOVEMBER 7th 2023

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