



HOME OF EMPIRE STATE SPECIAL NEEDS EXPERIENCE, INC.

The Board of Directors of the Empire State Special Needs Experience (ESSNE) at Lions Camp Badger is pleased to tell you that the service we provide is alive and well. This past season has been one of progress and change. Our programming is in the midst of change. While we did not have a school program this year we did host several sessions of programming including three sessions of Project New Hope designed to aid returning soldiers in their process of getting back to their every day life. Circle of Life, a camping program for pre-teens and teens with diabetes, held their first and second weeks of camping with us. Both of these programs have been able to fit well within our facility and are looking forward to growing with us next year. We are planning to have a four week camping program for special needs children starting in late June next year. This program will be centered on the camping experience with reinforcement of transitional skills as these young adults prepare to venture into the real world.

As the first Multiple District 20 project, serving students from every district in the state for over 25 years, the support of the Lions and Lions clubs is desperately needed. Your club support of Lions Camp Badger continues to help us maintain the buildings and grounds of your camp. We hope that this campaign does not diminish those club donations. We are asking you, individual Lions, to help us in supporting the programs your Lions Camp Badger provides. While the campers do pay for their stay, we are in need of your support to continue to maintain your camp so that we can continue to provide programs for special needs campers. Some of the capitol expenses we need to address include a new roof for the dining hall at \$25,000.00, swimming pool repairs at \$5,000.00, electrical updates at \$6,600.00 as well as many more updates to all equipment. As you can see the list never ends. Your support, both volunteer and financial helps us to ensure that we can provide the type of summer camp that will have a lasting memory for those "We Serve."

Your financial support is needed to continue to grow our programming to provide our services, to children across New York State, that are in need of our unique style of camping experience.

Lions Camp Badger continues to look and plan for new ways to serve Multiple District 20. The future is bright as your Board of Directors reviews and searches for new ways to use this amazing facility. We recently adopted revised by-laws that set up a way for every District to be represented. Your District Governor has been given the challenge to fill two positions from each district to represent them on our board. Hopefully, this will aid in bringing new ideas that we can pursue. As you can see there are many ways to help in making your Lions Camp Badger a success.

Please join with other Lions from across MD-20 to help us meet the goals that are being developed for your "Lions Camp Badger!"

Put donation in envelope, tear away at perforation, moisten glue strip and mail.



The young adults that benefit from our programs truly appreciate your support of their future!

LIONS CAMP BADGER



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Lions Camp Badger will be providing a summer camp atmosphere for young adults with special needs. The program will be reinforced with transitional reinforcement as these campers get ready for the every day world. We will also play host for Circle of Life Camp which is designed for teens and pre-teens with Diabetes.

In order to continue to provide this experience we must, as Lions, continue to support the camp so that we can continue to provide these services.

Your support provides the funds to keep the buildings and grounds in the shape required to provide a unique camping experience. Your Board of Directors is making every effort to ensure our camp survives. With your help we can make that a reality.

Enclosed please find my donation for the success of Lions Camp Badger.

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