



LIONS CAMP BADGER

Operated by the Empire State Special Needs Experience, Inc.

CAMP CORNER

Campers are excited about our summer CAMP AT HOME program. Thanks to many generous donors, we were able to provide this at no charge to our 2019 and registered 2020 campers! Each box includes both hands-on and virtual activities for our campers to enjoy.



Lions Camp Badger provides Camp at Home in 2020

When we think of summer, our minds conjure up images of cookouts, parties, swimming, and enjoying the great outdoors. The necessary restrictions on these activities have made 2020 a year unlike any other. Sadly, one of the things that had to be cancelled this summer was Lions Camp Badger's overnight camp for kids and adults with disabilities.

located in Spencer, and offers a wide range of programs that are typically enjoyed by many people from our area and across the state.

Since the campers could not come to camp this year, the staff and volunteers from Lions Camp Badger decided to bring camp to them! Thanks to many generous donors, Lions Camp Badger's "Camp in a Box 2020" was offered free of charge to

all 90 registered campers from the past two years.

The box included a wide range of activities, including the fixings to make s'mores, tie dying, several crafts, games and books, a surprise gift, and a camp t-shirt.

All in all, over 1,500 activities were assembled to include in the boxes. Added to that were greetings and tutorials from staff, and pre-recorded performances from many who took the time to create something special and fun.

The activities in the box were organized to simulate seven days of camp, and they were delivered to campers in early July.

In a press release, a spokesperson for the camp wrote, "A special thanks goes out to our many individual and corporate donors, several Lions Clubs and the Trips Youth Bureau for their financial support in order to make this happen." Lions Camp Badger appreciates the efforts of Susquehanna Printers, Greg Neff, Inner Lighthouse Theater, Twilight Alpaca, Corning Lions Club, Candor Girl Scouts, Waverly Library, and Fodge-Nichols Lions Club for donating time and talents to make Camp in a Box 2020 so successful.

Camper Troy Lobdell is excited to see what's inside his Camp in a Box. Provided photo.

The Lions Camp Badger board game is a hit with camper Melanie Grasi. Provided photo.



2020 Super Raffle:

Don't forget to send in your tickets for our 2020 Super Raffle. There will be 10 winners of \$1,000 each. We've had winners from all across the multiple. The drawing has been extended to Labor Day.