

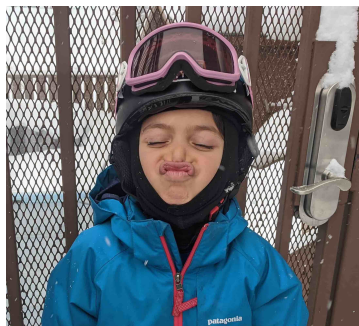
New Board Member Chimes in about Summer Camps

Stephanie Gomolka March 2, 2020 :

For many families, including mine, the longer days and warmer temperatures also elicit a sense of panic. While we are now comfortable in a monotonous routine of dropping off and picking up at our local elementary, we also know summer is right around the corner. This causes disruption in the daily and weekly routine. I personally know I have to keep my 9-year old in a routine, keep him busy, and make sure that he is being challenged year-round.

There are a handful, or rather bucketful, of choices your family may be considering this upcoming summer. When we started looking for camps 2 years ago, I was overwhelmed by the choices, and honestly did not know what camps offered good programming, and which camps were excellent. I found the Evergreen Audubon camp circumstantially, and boy am I glad I did. This will be year number 3 for us, and it is the only camp that my son asks about and is excited to attend. This has become his home, where he has others that think and are interested in similar topics in nature.

Thanks to Dina, the Camp Director, he has developed a deep interest in both waterfowl and native plants. He has been teaching me about these topics, and together we have built on that knowledge that began at Evergreen Audubon. The smaller camp size and small camper to adult ratio allow each individual child to explore their own interests.



Stephanie's son Kieran

"It's a fun camp, you get to do a lot of projects and you are able to go outside, take a hike and climb around on stuff. They teach you a lot. My favorite birds to look for are the Tree Sparrow and the Chickadees. I like to look for edible plants, I think they are cool. The Audubon Camp is my favorite camp." Kieran G.

If you have any questions about the camp or after school programming, please feel free to contact me, [Stephanie Gomolka](mailto:Stephanie.Gomolka@evergreenaudubon.org) – a recent addition to the Evergreen Audubon board: socialevents@evergreenaudubon.org.

