

MASCOT TIMES

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CAMP EXCLUSIVE!

A special, short
publication written for
you by Sunny the Bear,
Chip Chip the Chipmunk,
Lupi the Bear and
Moxie the Moose!

**HANDS UP!
GO CAMP SUNSHINE!**

Get to know the four Camp Sunshine
Mascots and what they have been up to
these past few months!

Editor's Note

Moxie the Moose is Camp Sunshine's newest mascot, having only joined the Camp community in January 2016. Moxie's favorite part of Camp is traveling around to every polar dip each winter to encourage and cheer on polar dippers.



While the Camp Sunshine staff has been working remotely these past couple months, the four Camp Sunshine mascots (Moxie [me!], Sunny, Chip and Lupi), have been holding down the fort here at 35 Acadia Road!

We've been lonely, but we've been keeping busy and we've been hard at work putting together our very own magazine for your reading enjoyment.

Most of the mascots we know (with the exception of our good friend Lagoon the Dutch Angel Dragon) are unable to speak to anyone who is not a fellow mascot. Since it's impossible for us to communicate verbally with you, it's unlikely that you'll ever be able to have a conversation with a mascot to learn more about us.

With that being said, we thought we'd use our free time wisely and take this opportunity to tell you a little more about ourselves and explain why Camp Sunshine is so special to each of us.

We hope you enjoy this exclusive look into our lives and hope it brings a little sunshine to your day.

MOXIE THE MOOSE

Editor-in-Chief

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We Want To See Your Favorite Mascot Photos!

Do you have a favorite picture you've take with us at Camp? We want to see it!

We miss our Camp friends and would love to see your favorite photos that we have taken together over the years!

You can email your photos to events@campsunshine.org or share them with us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/campsunshine1984) or tag us on Instagram (@GoCampSunshine).

Your photo may be chosen to be featured in an upcoming social media post! #HandsUp #GoCampSunshine



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THE IMPORTANCE OF CAMP TRADITIONS

Tips and tricks on how to carry on your favorite Camp Sunshine traditions at home.

By Sunny the Bear



Some of the most memorable parts of any Camp experience are the traditions. From walking through our three front doors, the time-honored "Hands Up" dance and wish boat ceremonies, to pots and pans parades and the Camp Sunshine clap before each meal, Camp Sunshine has as many unique traditions (if not more) than any other Camp.

Although we are unable to meet in person this summer; we invite you to honor your favorite Camp traditions and carry them on at home.

Make a digital wish boat, perform "Hands Up" as a family, write a postcard to a Camp Friend.

Our friends on the Camp staff are using this time to brainstorm and create ways for our community to stay in touch this summer. We hope to have more to announce about that very soon!

Be sure to follow Camp Sunshine on Social media for fun Camp activities you can do at home.

There is also a page on the Camp Sunshine website dedicated to special digital activities. These activities include Camp Sunshine coloring pages, word games, arts and crafts projects and Camp videos!

If you're looking for ways to raise money for Camp Sunshine during this time, we have teamed up with our good friend Andy the Armadillo from Texas Roadhouse to create our first-ever Spread the Sunshine Virtual Run/Walk!

You can choose to sign up for Chip Chip's one-miler, Sunny's 5k, Moxie's Half Marathon, Lupi's Marathon or the Founder's Challenge, which is a 42.2 mile challenge!

You can sign up online at www.spreadthesunshine.org.

Help us "Spread the Sunshine" June 1-7, 2020! Sign up online at www.spreadthesunshine.org

Get To Know The Mascots

CHIP CHIP THE CHIPMUNK

LENGTH OF TIME AT CAMP

There is actually a story that was recently written about my first trip to Camp Sunshine! You can find a link to it on the Camp website.

FAVORITE CAMP ACTIVITY

Watching the talent show from back stage!

FAVORITE CAMP MEAL

I love Chef Jon's focaccia. <3

ANY HOBBIES OUTSIDE OF CAMP?

I like spending time reading in the Camp library

LUPI THE BEAR

LENGTH OF TIME AT CAMP

My first trip to Camp Sunshine was in 2003. I attended with my friends from the S.L.E. Lupus Foundation!

FAVORITE CAMP ACTIVITY

Greeting families on the first day of Camp.

FAVORITE CAMP MEAL

BBQ day will always be my favorite!

ANY HOBBIES OUTSIDE OF CAMP?

Something I try to do as much as possible is swim.

MOXIE THE MOOSE

LENGTH OF TIME AT CAMP

I'm the new mascot in town! I've only been a part of Camp since early 2016, but I have been loving every second since!

FAVORITE CAMP ACTIVITY

I love going to polar dips! During session, my favorite activity is playing a round of mini-golf with friends.

FAVORITE CAMP MEAL

PJ breakfast! Is there really anything better than waffles and ice cream for breakfast?

ANY HOBBIES OUTSIDE OF CAMP?

Running on the treadmill in the Sports Center!

Q&A: SUNNY THE BEAR

LENGTH OF TIME AT CAMP

I am so fortunate to have been a part of Camp Sunshine since the program began in 1984! It has been a joy to see it grow and develop into what it is today.

FAVORITE CAMP ACTIVITY

My favorite Camp activity is the pots and pans parade!

FAVORITE CAMP MEAL

Salad bar! Chef Jon and the food service volunteers always keep it well stocked. I especially love the "Camp ranch!"

ANY HOBBIES OUTSIDE OF CAMP?

I enjoy doing arts and crafts when we're not in session. In fact, during quarantine I made each of my fellow mascots friendship bracelets.





We hope you have enjoyed this very special edition of Mascot Times!

The Camp staff will be back in the office on **June 1st** and we can't wait!

Even though we don't plan to put together another issue of Mascot Times anytime soon, this has certainly been a fun adventure! We are looking forward to staying busy this summer, making fun videos for you and helping the staff plan new ways for our community to stay in touch.

Although many things are uncertain right now, we know without a doubt that we miss you and we'll continue to be here for you.

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- Sunny, Chip Chip, Lupi & Moxie



*A retreat for children with life-threatening illnesses and their families
Casco, Maine*