



## Camp American Legion Hosted Programs for 2019

### **Our Mission, Vision & Values**

Camp American Legion is a place for Wisconsin Veterans, Military and their families to come together in a safe place, to relax, rejuvenate, and find a commonality with others that have shared life experiences.

***Our Mission:** Helping To Heal - those who served, continue to serve, and their families, through Wisconsin's Northwood's Experience*

***Our Vision:** Giving Wisconsin Veterans the pathway to quality of life*

***Our Values:** Honor and Stewardship*

### **Our Team**

Our team is more like a family. We have a blend of paid and volunteer team members. Many of our team members are veterans or come from military families. Our focus is on serving Wisconsin's veteran and military communities. We believe that we serve the greatest most deserving customer in the world. What we do or how we do it is not nearly as important as "Why" we do it. It is this understanding of "why" we are here and "why" we chose take on this mission that keeps us focused on serving others.

### **Who We Serve**

Wisconsin resident Veterans, Military and their families. Our service in the Military came with many sacrifices. Those sacrifices along with the stressors that can come with the Military life can create scars that may not be seen. Yes we serve disabled Veterans and their families, but we also welcome our actively serving US Military members, their families and families of the fallen.

### **Our History**

Camp American Legion has been operating and serving Wisconsin Veterans, Military and their families since 1925. As our Military and Veterans support organizations evolved, so has Camp. What once was a facility focused on physical rehabilitation services, is now a camp that focuses on health and wellness through the Northwood's experiences. In large part, Camp has been sustained by a volunteer force. It is in that spirit of giving and serving that grew the legacy that is Camp American Legion.

### **Support Our Mission**

Camp is a not for profit organization. All of our operational and infrastructure capital funding is supported by the generosity of individuals and organizations across the state of Wisconsin. It is these individuals and organizations that make up the "Legion Family".

When you choose to support the mission of Camp American Legion you can rest assure, that your donation will go directly into the service mission here in Wisconsin at Camp American Legion.

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

Camp has operated for over 90 years largely in part because of efforts of volunteers. Our volunteers are an important part of Camp team. Some of our volunteers fill long-term seasonal positions and some help on a short term basis. If you are service minded and you are interested in working with Wisconsin Veterans, Military and their families, then perhaps there is a spot for you on our team.

### **Sponsor**

Sponsors of Camp such as our Cabin Sponsors are integral to the success of our mission. Cabin, recreational equipment and vehicle sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information on sponsorship opportunities contact the Camp Director.

### **Calendar of Events**

In late summer / fall of 2018 we began building the schedule for the 2019 Camp season with the intent to finalize the schedule by the end of January 2019. Much of our schedule is consistent with our last season. We are however, continuing to move forward with our strategic plan. In doing so, we are implementing "Emphasis Months" within our schedule. These Emphasis Months, along with our current Special Program weeks will cater to specific demographics of our Wisconsin Veterans and Military.

## **Camp American Legion 2019 Camp Season Schedule**

*Typical weeks are scheduled for guests arriving Monday after 1:00 pm and departing Saturday by 10:00 am. Camp is closed on Sundays unless special programming is scheduled.*

<b>May 1-5</b>	<b>Water Work Crew</b>
<b>May 6-18</b>	<b>Camp Spring Opening Work Week</b> Cabin Sponsors and Work Crews - RSVP
<b>May 22-25</b>	<b>Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training</b> WI Army National Guard & Family Members
<b>May 28-31</b>	<b>Special Programming</b> Program attendees and limited general applications
<b>May 30-June 1</b>	<b>American Legion Post Chaplin Retreat</b> Program attendees only

- June 3-7**                    **Special Programing**  
Program attendees and limited general applications
- June 7-9**                    **Special Programing**  
Program attendees and limited general applications
- June 10-15**                **Women Veteran Week**  
Applications accepted (women only)
- June 17-22**                **Vietnam & Korean Veteran Week**  
Applications accepted (Korean War & Vietnam War Era Only)
- June 22**                    **40/8 Weekend at The Rainbow Flowage**  
Program attendees only
- June 24-28**                **Special Programing**  
Program attendees and limited general applications
- July 1- August 3**        **Open Weeks**  
General Applications accepted

*July is "Focus On Families" month... Wisconsin Veterans and Military members with Spouses and/or dependent aged children are encouraged to apply.*

- July TBD**                    **1-121FA Deployment Return Week**
- August 5-10**                **Special Programing**  
Program attendees and limited general applications
- August 12**                    **Camp Closed - Inservice Period**
- August 13-18**                **Special Programing**  
Camp Serenity Families of the Fallen only
- August 19-24**                **Vision and Hearing Impaired Veterans Week**  
Applications accepted from vision & hearing impaired veterans & families - limited general applications accepted
- August 26-30**                **Special Programing**  
Program attendees and limited general applications
- September 3-7**                **Open Week**  
General Applications accepted
- September 9**                    **Camp Closed - Inservice Period**
- September 10-15**            **Legion Riders Fall Ride**  
All Legion Riders & Families invited to submit applications

<b>September 16-20</b>	<b>Special Programing</b> Program attendees and limited general applications
<b>September 20-22</b>	<b>Special Programing</b> Program attendees and limited general applications
<b>September 23-27</b>	<b>Special Programing</b> Program attendees and limited general applications
<b>September 30 - October 5</b>	<b>Open Week</b> General Applications accepted
<b>October 7-12</b>	<b>Open Week</b> General Applications accepted
<b>October 13-19</b>	<b>Camp Fall Closing Work Week</b> Cabin Sponsors and Work Crews - RSVP

### **Camp American Legion Emphasis Months**

#### **July – Military and Veteran Focus on Families Wellness Month**

Military and Veteran families often experience unique stressors that can have a profound negative effect on the family as a whole. Family Wellness Month will focus on providing the opportunity for actively serving Wisconsin Military, Wisconsin Veteran and their families to come together and focus on the health and wellness of the family via outdoor recreational activities and the Northwood's Experience here at Camp.

#### **October – Focus on Strong Relationships (Couples)**

During the fall the trees are putting on a festival of color, the air is fresh, kids are back in school and the opportunity for peace and quiet is in abundance. October at Camp has a romantic feel in the air and what better time for couples to celebrate their relationships. Our Nature trails and local attractions are inviting us to experience new pathways to quality of life.

#### **Special Programing**

Camp is the host to several special programs and events focusing on health, wellness and recovery for Veterans, Military members and their families. As a host organization we provide, lodging, meals, and recreational opportunities in support of the special programs and events.

#### **Korea & Vietnam Veterans Week**

For Veterans who served during either the Korea or Vietnam wars.

#### **Women Veterans Week**

For women Military members and Veterans

#### **Vision & Hearing Loss Veterans Week**

For Military, Veterans and their families that suffer from vision or hearing loss.

### **Wisconsin National Guard Service Member and Family Suicide Intervention**

This is a three (3) day workshop for both the military member and their families focusing on suicide intervention. It provide the tools and skills to be more ready, willing and able to engage someone that may be at risk of suicide.

### **PTSD / Combat Moral Injury / Pain University**

These programs focus on health and wellness living and they fit our mission here at Camp to “help to heal”. The programs help those struggling with PTSD, combat moral injury, or chronic pain. These programs employ holistic and resilience focused skills training and alternative pain management delivered by trained counselors and medical professionals.

### **Recovery, and Homeless Veteran**

These programs work with veterans living with substance addictions or dependency issues and military members , veterans and families who are in a transitional or temporary housing situation, homeless, or at-risk of losing their housing.

### **Camp Serenity**

Camp Serenity is closed to attendees by invite only and is put on by the Wisconsin Army National Guard Survivor outreach Services Program. The program is focused on healing through grief process after losing a family member who was actively serving in any branch of the US military. The families of fallen find peace and safety while sharing their experiences with other families of the fallen.

### **Accommodations & Recreation Opportunities**

Camp is nestled between the shores of Big Carr Lake, Little Tomahawk Lake and McGrath Lake Miles beautiful nature trails on our property ~ Excellent state bike trails within minutes of Camp ~ Family friendly local attractions such as Snowshoe baseball, Waterski shows, flea markets and local shopping ~ Swimming beach, cannoning, kayaking and pontoon cruises ~ On site Craft shop on campus ~ Plenty of wildlife watching opportunities ~ Soon we will be opening Pack-in tent camping

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