

Grains of Sandy

Photo credit: Jim Hession

A word from our Assistant Director, Leea Regan...

The dappled light in August marks the change in the summer for me. As a former week 8 camper; the air, the breeze, the smell and the light here on the island are a familiar childhood memory. It's a happy kind of sad as we get to the end of our summer season. We've had our summer fun and now we must return to the real world. As you re-enter your daily lives, I hope you will all hold on to the wonder and joy of our Sandy Island community.



photo credit: Katie McPeak



The week 5 Bobsey triplets!



Photo credit: Ryan Firenze



photo credit: Molly Fubel



Week 8 project champions!

Campers Emily and Michael Cain came to the office at the beginning of week 8 and offered to help repair the stage curtains in the lodge. There were 2 split seams that needed mending.

The plaque in the lodge states that the stage curtain donation was made in memory of Henry J. Ramsey who was a Sandyite from 1942-1953. Henry met the Ritz girls while working at a munitions plant in NJ during the war and came up to Sandy with his family. Henry was the grandfather of Diana O'Hara (weekender and week 6 & 7 camper). Diana's grandmother, Dorothy Giles and her second husband donated the money for these curtains. It gives Diana and her family great joy to see these curtains still hanging after all this time.

Thank you, Emily and Michael, for giving your time and talent to this special project!



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We started in May...



we hit a bump in the road...

NORTH DOCK

On August 17th work on North Dock was complete!



It's been 4 years since the Sophie C, a US mail boat, has been able to dock at North Dock due to the instability of the pilings. On Saturday August 19th the Sophie C docked at North Dock and a small group of young gremlins (children of staff) were able to go aboard the boat and purchase ice cream. On Monday August 21st week 8 camper Ann Manney was the first person to send a postcard off the island on the Sophie C this year!



We are grateful for the YMCA of Greater Boston Capital funding, the Wolfeboro Dock Company for the great craftsmanship, and especially the financial contributions from the families below that made this project possible.

- In Memory of Chuck Flanagan:
 Bill Flanagan and Aspire Sustainability LLC
 Cathy Flanagan and Andrew Flint
 Jane Flanagan
 Miles Flanagan
 Alan Flint
 Frances Tobin
 Ginsburg Family in memory of Dr. Richard "Rick"
 Ginsburg
 Becca Thomases & Kyung Sin Family

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"In 19 years, this staff takes the blue ribbon for always being quietly, smoothly, on task: sweeping, setting up, clearing away, responding cheerfully to campers..."

-anonymous camper

We had so much fun with you all this summer! From our Staff family to you, our Sandy families, we wish you a super year! See you next summer!