

# Grains of Sandy

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

There are so many things I enjoy about being at Sandy. I love the dining hall early in the morning with a cup of tea (I like sitting and talking with staff and campers). I like visiting the waterfront in the late afternoon and listening to lifeguards tell their stories of the day. I like to visit the shop and help service or facilities with any projects they let me do. I like to mix dyes on tie dye day, and I like working in the dish room (these 2 activities let me put my head down and work without talking to anyone). I like cornhole (I am not very good at it, but the vibe is fun)! I like trivia, karaoke, dances and working in the store. I like doing dinner announcements on Thursday and singing "That's Amore". I suspect you all have your own list of things that make you happy at Sandy. This is why we all come back every year. Keep the memories of Sandy fresh in your heart as we enter fall!



**The post season this year has been busy with 2 church groups, a tai chi group and 2 weddings! The Belmont Unitarian Church and Westgate Church were the first 2 weekends of September. The last 2 weekends were weddings!**



We would like to send congratulations to Amanda Lade and Jeff Sullivan (grandson of Nate Todaro) who were married at Sandy on September 23rd. Photo credit: Gloria Bloise Photography

"For 40 years Westgate Church has enjoyed beautiful Sandy Island. This is our favorite highlight of the year! We talk about it for weeks after we return and start talking about it at the beginning of the summer for the upcoming September." - Christina Abel, a member of the Westgate Church



And we wish the best wedding weekend to Brittany Lovett and John Crandall who were married on September 30th!



## NOTES FROM YOUR CAMPER COMMITTEE!!

On September 9th, your dedicated Sandy Island Camper Committee, along with Angelo Firenze and Kate Lemay, met to reflect on the achievements of the 2023 season and lay out our plans for 2024. They noted many "wins" for the summer, created a list of suggestions for next summer, and have a list of answers to many of your questions and concerns. Please read the letter they wrote to all of you included [here](#).



Online Registration is open for the 2024 season, the 125th season of Sandy Island Camping!

After registering, stay tuned for special additional information about this exciting anniversary year!

Everything you need to know about the 2024 Registration Process is available on our website registration page here:

[Sandy Island Registration Information Page](#)

You should have received an email with all the details about registering for the 2024 season. If you did not receive this important email please reach out to [Angelo](#)

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## Shout outs to our end of season staff and amazing volunteers!

At the end of the summer it really does take a village to make things happen at Sandy Island. Weeks 8 & 9 we had a ton of help from North Woods and Pleasant Valley Camp. We are super grateful for the help we received from Beth Dales, director of Pleasant Valley Camp for sending staff to us!



Enjoy photos of a few staff members not usually behind the scenes in the kitchen! This was from Saturday night of Labor Day Weekend. Thanks Team!!



Have you or someone you know considered becoming staff at Sandy Island?

Check out this link to apply to work at Sandy in 2024

[Work at Sandy](#)

We also couldn't have done it without our crew of volunteers! These week 6 campers make the idea of giving back to camp into an artform! Special thanks to Glenn and Alex Scanlon, Robbie MacDonald, Betsy Halbert, Phil Clarkson, Lynn and Mike Perriello and Linda and Bill Gibbons

