

# **Grains of Sandy Fall 2024**

You can tell when it's the end of the summer by the way the sunlight changes as it makes it's way through the leaves at Sandy Island. Now of course that it's November and we are heading into the darkest night of the year it's dark so early it makes me want to curl up in bed at 6pm! But the light at Sandy is pretty spectacular and I am drawn to it like a moth to flame.

We had a successful post season at Sandy with several groups and 2 fantastic weddings. While we closed camp for the season marking the end of the 125th camping summer, Sandy Island is always open in our hearts. So as the nights get darker, and the days get colder just remember there are memories to hold on to that can always warm you up!

With love and best wishes for a family filled holiday season, Leea Regan – assistant director Sandy Island Family Camp

## 125th Anniversary Gala

By all measures the 125th Anniversary gala was a complete success! It was a fantastic way to close our 125th camping season. It was an evening of dancing, laughing and connecting with many of our favorite people. Campers from ALL weeks were represented and many of the staff (old and new) were in attendance.

Congratulations to the winners of our auction items: Matt Jago, Emily LaFleur, Laurie Moskow, Kate Weinstein, Harold Sparrow and Mary Wendall!

Click <u>here</u> to see photos from the gala or to add your own!



We have created a 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book with SO much history and lots of photos. This is definitely a keepsake you will want to have! Order your hardcover book <u>here</u> for \$45 including shipping

## Menagerie

On Saturday October 5th Tuftonboro fire burned Menagerie to the ground. The burn was used as a training exercise for the department and as a means for Sandy Island to demolish Menagerie in preparation for a new Menagerie to be built this spring. We are grateful to our staff and the Tuftonboro fire department for facilitating this project!

If you would like to make a donation to assist camp with the rebuild of Menagerie click <u>here</u>.









### 2025 Calendars

2025 calendars are available now! \$20/ each plus \$5 shipping, multiples can be ordered in one order.

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If you are looking for a way to support Sandy Island during this holiday season check out this <u>document</u> which outlines our major projects and goals for camp.





Our love and prayers go out to the Todaro Family. Carole, her husband Nate, and the whole Todaro Family have been essential to the YMCA of Greater Boston Camps. We are so sorry for your family's and our community's loss. You and your family have been such incredible role models to all of us.

Read more about Carole here

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