



Marcy Burr

12 Years, Crafts Director

I am going to be a senior at the University of Minnesota in the Design School. I have been on crafts as a skill at camp for 5 years. It is my favorite place to be at camp because of the traditions that are rooted with the Craft Porch. This summer I hope to carry on these traditions while bringing new and exciting activities to the skill.

Allyson Green

First Year, Wilderness Skills Area Director

Although this is my first summer at camp, I've been at Minikani serving as an Americorps member since September. I'm originally from Baraboo, graduated from Calvin College in Michigan, spent a year serving and doing environmental work in rural southwest Virginia, and I've finally made my way back to Wisconsin to experience Camp. Working with school groups throughout this past year has given me a chance to get to know all the little wonders in the habitats at camp, and I'm excited to help cultivate curiosity, and instill a sense of wonder as my staff and I explore the outdoors with campers this summer.

Ursala Neuwirth

12 years, OLT Director

I am currently a senior at Dickinson College majoring in Spanish. I just got back from a year abroad in Malaga, Spain and am eager to be a part of the OLT Program. I cannot wait to work with the OLTs who represent the future of camp! My favorite thing about camp is campfires, and this summer I want to sing at one.

Grace Edquist

13 years, Explorer Counselor

Hi there! This is my third summer as a counselor here at Camp Minikani. I am from Cedarburg and graduated from Divine Savior Holy Angels High School in 2008. Currently I am majoring in Journalism and Communication Arts at UW-Madison. At Camp, I love teaching nature and camp crafts as part of the Wilderness Skills staff. Outside of camp I have taken up DJing on my college radio stations. I'm pumped for summer 2010!

Kara Gritzmacher

11 years, Explorer Counselor

This is my third year being a counselor at Camp. I am super excited to be a part of the Explorer Unit and to go on the amazing trip. I am from Whitefish Bay and am currently a student at UW-Madison in hopes of becoming an elementary school teacher!

Amanda Hendrickson
12 Years, Explorer Counselor

I am from New Berlin, and I attend UW-Oshkosh where I will be a junior majoring in elementary education. My favorite thing about Camp is all of the energy that everyone brings to each day and the relationships that are built while at Camp. One thing that I am really excited for this summer is to be in the Explorer Unit going on trips!

Catherine Kistler
12 years, Explorer Counselor

I am from Whitefish Bay and currently attend UW-Madison. I am majoring in Biological Aspects of Conservation and hope to attend PA school after graduation. As a part of Waterfront Staff, Lake Amy Belle is one of my favorite places at camp. This summer I am very excited for trips to Rhinelander and getting a chance to explore the Northwoods!

Sarah Whaley
11 Years, Explorer Counselor

I am from Whitefish Bay and currently attend UW-Madison. I am majoring in Biology but am looking into special education. I play club rugby and hope to bring the sport to the Gun and Run skill area. This summer, I am super excited to go up north on the new Explorer trip to Rhinelander.

Grace Blumberg
9 Years, 1st Year Counselor

I grew up in Whitefish Bay and will be a sophomore at the University of Dayton in the fall. I am majoring in Middle Childhood Education. My favorite thing about camp are the friendships that are created.

Erin Barragry
9 Years, 1st Year Counselor

I am an elementary education major at the University of Minnesota. I love playing board games and swimming. My favorite thing about camp is the sunset over lake Amy Belle. As a camper, my favorite thing about coming to Camp Minikani was experiencing the friendships that are created here.

Sarah Burton
12 Years, 2nd Year Counselor

What's up Minikani friends?!? I'm so excited to be back for my second year as a Minikani counselor. I can't wait to meet all of my campers this year, continue wandering through camp's Pine Forest, and going on cabin campouts. My favorite part of camp has always been the genuine friendships that are developed in camp's welcoming environment. In fact, many of my best friendships were made here at camp, and I hope to foster these friendships among my campers this summer. Aside from daydreaming about summer, I spend my school year as a sophomore at Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska (Holla, Bluejays!).

Morgan Cox

12 Years, 2nd year Counselor

Happy summer! After finishing my first year at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, I am very excited to be back at Camp Minikani once again. One of my favorite things to do here at Camp is to go on nature hikes and explore new areas of Minikani. I love bringing my cabins to Echo Point on Mud Lake because it is breathtaking and fun to yell silly things. Between the songs at dinner, going swimming in the lake and making crafts on the craft porch, there is just too much that I am excited for in Summer 2010!

Sharon Cross

12 Years, 2nd Year Counselor

GU-tentag! I'm from Fox Point, Wisconsin but I attend Oberlin College in Ohio. I plan on majoring in History with a minor in Environmental Studies. My favorite thing about camp is being able to strengthen the friendships I've developed from past years. My goal for the summer is to help my campers form similar lifelong friendships.

Susan Krecji

12 Years, 2nd Year Counselor

Hello all, my name is Susan Krecji, and I am very excited to be in Minikamp and the Girls Unit this summer. I am from Milwaukee and will be a sophomore at Boston College where I am a double major in Economics and Human Development. This summer I am looking forward to teaching skills on the waterfront. My favorite part of the camp day is singing songs after dinner, but I especially enjoy taking my cabins into Pine Forest—the most peaceful point in camp. This summer I hope to help my campers learn to love camp in the same way I do!

Lauren Schoendorf

10 Years, 2nd Year Counselor

I attend Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska and see Camp Minikani as my summer home. Every school year I look forward to the time when I can be reunited with some of my best friends while creating memories for kids next to the beautiful Lake Amy Belle. Camp is a place where I feel most like myself, and I make it my goal to make an environment so that my campers can feel the same way! I love enjoying the summer weather at Camp Minikani and cannot wait to meet my campers of Summer 2010.

Molly Springer

12 Years, 2nd Year Counselor

I'm from Brookfield and I currently go to Purdue University where I major in genetics. I love to travel and can also be quite crafty. Every year I look forward to coming back to camp to make more goofy and lifelong memories. I hope my campers can walk away with the same fulfilling experiences I have had here.

Claire Aasen

13 Years, 1st Year Counselor

This is my second year on staff, and I'm so excited for this summer. I recently graduated from DSHA and will be attending Bowdoin College in the fall. I keep coming back to camp because of the amazing people and opportunities I have to challenge myself. This

summer I really want to help my campers to form close friendships and feel united as a group.

Lizzie Altschaeffl

14 Years, 1st Year Counselor

I am a recent graduate of Brookfield Central High School , and I will be attending Boston College in the fall. I am from Brookfield, Wisconsin and currently live in Oconomowoc. This will be my 14th summer at camp, and I can't wait to take on my new role as a counselor. My favorite part about Camp is building new relationships every year, and this summer I can't wait to work on the waterfront and get to know all of my campers.

Leah Harari

10 years, 1st Year Counselor

I grew up in Madison and will be a freshman at NYU next fall. I come back every year because of the friends and memories I connect with and to see and help kids make these same bonds. I have high hopes for Summer 2010 and can't wait for it to begin.

Catherine Schumacher

9 Years, 1st Year Counselor

I'm from Wheaton, Illinois and recently graduated from high school. I will be attending Indiana University in the fall. My favorite thing about Camp is Lake Amy Belle because of all of the memories I've had in or around the lake. My main goal for the summer is to have my campers love their time at Camp as much as I do.

Maggie Shanahan

10 Years, 1st Year Counselor

I graduated from Brookfield East High School, and I will be attending the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities in the fall. My favorite thing about Camp is the lifelong friends you make in and out of your cabin. I also love the different skills offered here, especially Adventure Challenge! My goal for this summer is to encourage every camper to be proud of themselves and help them have an amazing camp experience.

Carly Shanley

8 Years, 1st Year Counselor

I am a sophomore at the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, and I'm from Whitefish Bay. I love coming to camp every summer because I have made so many wonderful friends, and I love being part of the fun and creativity at Camp Minikani. This summer I hope to get a perfect score on the disc golf course.

Sydney Stein

11 Years, 1st Year Counselor

I am from Whitefish Bay and will be a freshman at UW-Madison this fall. My favorite places on Camp are the lovely Norris Field and, of course, the enchanting Lake Amy Belle where I spend all of my skill time. My goal for this summer is to create a unique, strong relationship with all of my campers. I love working and goofing around with kids and can't wait for a wonderful Minikani experience this summer!

Natalie Sperling

7 Years, 1st year Counselor

I am from Mequon and just graduated from Homestead High School. I enjoy playing and coaching many sports including basketball and volleyball. I love coming to camp because of the friendships I've made and the unique experience camp provides. There is no other place in the world that is comparable to camp. I'm excited to achieve my goal of making a difference in the lives of each camper and give them the same experience I had at camp.

Kaitlin Theder

11 Years, 1st Year Counselor

Hi! I'm Kaitlin! I grew up in Whitefish Bay, and next year I will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Go Badgers! I had a great senior year studying, playing soccer, and singing; but all year I've been looking forward to camp! I love all of the long lasting friendships I've made at Camp Minikani as a camper and a counselor in training, and now I can't wait to give more campers the same amazing experiences I had at Camp!

Keeley Wallis

9 years, 1st Year Counselor

I was born and raised in Whitefish Bay, and I will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison next fall. I am super excited to be a Badger and to study engineering. This summer I am looking forward to the many fun theme and Unit days, as well as teaching Wilderness Survival skills. See you at camp!

Rachel Whaley

9th Year, 1st Year Counselor

Next year I will be a freshman at University of Wisconsin Madison and I plan to major in psychology or early childhood education/development. The reason I come back to camp every year is because I love every part of it: the fun activities, the spirit, the friendly and respectful people, the unity throughout camp, and fostering the development and growth of values in young children. This summer, I hope to provide children with an amazingly fun experience that allows them to make new friendships.

Maggie Aasen

9 Years, LTIII

Hi there! This year, I will be part of the Waterfront staff here at camp. I'm a senior at DSHA. I'm extremely excited to be at camp this summer. My favorite part of camp as a camper was making good friends with my cabin-mates and learning new skills. See you at camp!

Elizabeth Amherdt

8 Years, OLTIII

I live in Wauwatosa and this year I will be a senior at DSHA. I love movies, hiking, dogs, and campfires. I love the camp's rustic atmosphere and all of the skills. My goal for

this summer is to let my campers have great memories that they will remember when they are my age.

McKenna Kohlenberg

9 Years, OLTH

Hi, I'm McKenna Kohlenberg and I'm in OLTH. I have been attending Camp Minikani for 9 years and next fall I will be a senior at Divine Savior Holy Angels High School. At school, I am involved in Latin Club, Model United Nations, and Debate Club. I enjoy playing with kids, animals, and having fun and camp! My goal for this summer is to provide a great experience for each camper I have!

Savannah Armstrong

9 Years, OLTH

I am going to be a senior at Whitefish Bay High School. Throughout my high school career I have been interested in theater and painting. When thinking about college, I hope to pursue a major in the medical/psychology field. My favorite thing about Camp is the freedom to feel like an individual while still feeling comfortable and having fun. I believe all kids should be able to feel comfortable at camp because we truly love and accept everyone here. My goal for the summer is to make each one of my campers experience the best summer they could ever have. My favorite place at camp is the lake or Adventure Challenge area.

Katie McGuire

5 Years, OLTH

I am going to be a senior at Pius XI high school. I run cross country and play soccer. My favorite thing about Camp is evening activity. My goal for this summer is to be a positive role model and to give kids an opportunity to have a great camp experience.

Mallie Carroll

8 Years, OLTH

I am going to be a senior at Dominican High School in Whitefish Bay—the town I've lived in my whole life. This is my first year as a staff member in cabins, and I am so excited to have my own campers. My favorite part of camp is Lake Amy Belle. When not at camp, I love playing volleyball and soccer. I hope to provide the most memorable and exciting experience for all of my campers this summer.

Kelsey Corrigan

11 Years, OLTH

Hi, I'm Kelsey and I love Camp. When I'm not here, I live in Whitefish Bay and attend Whitefish Bay High School. I like soccer, my siblings, and Cabbage Patch Kids. My goal for the summer is "No regrets!"

Macz Norton

7th Year, OLTH

Hi! My name is Macz, and I live in Whitefish Bay. Next year I'll be a senior at DSHA where I play field hockey and lacrosse with the Brookfield Club Team. I love the spirit,

enthusiasm, and energy at camp, and I'm excited to join the staff and meet all the campers! This summer, I'm excited to encourage campers to reach their goals in Adventure Challenge. Get pumped for Summer 2010!

Mary Traudt
8 Years, OLTIII

I'm from Shorewood, and I will be a senior at Shorewood High School this fall. I run cross country and play soccer for Shorewood. I love the friendships that you build at camp and all of the new opportunities available here. This summer, I am excited to be a part of the staff and teach Gun and Run skills. I am looking forward to getting to know all of the campers and helping them reach their goals.

Lauren Roskos
7 Years, LTIII

I just finished my junior year at Pius XI High School where I ski race and take acting classes. I am excited to finally become a member of the Minikani staff and already love the unity present between everyone involved in Camp. My goal for this summer is to get over my fear spiders.

Kelsey Strobe
9 Years, LTIII

I live in Whitefish Bay and will be a senior at Divine Savior Holy Angels high school. I have been coming to camp for 9 years, and I am very excited to be in a cabin this summer as a co-counselor. I enjoy Irish Dancing, which I did for 10 years, and spending time at my lake house on Elkhart Lake. My favorite part about Camp is the lifelong friendships I have made and will continue to make. This will be a great summer!

Cassie Wagner
7 Years, OLTIII

I live in Mequon, Wisconsin and am going to be a senior at Homestead High School. Outside of camp, I work at Martinizing dry cleaners and play rugby. I'm really looking forward to building strong bonds with kids this summer and just having a really awesome time overall. My favorite place at camp is in the magnificent Lake Amy Belle.

Stef Yordan
8 Years, LTIII

I am a senior at Divine Savior Holy Angels and am very involved there. Student government, dancing, show choir, and musicals make up a lot of my life, but service and having the opportunity to return to camp each summer are the most important thing to me. I love the Camp atmosphere and all the fun we have here, and a goal I have for this summer is to make camp as safe and fun as possible for your kids!

Margaret Rau
9 Years, OLTIII

I live in the Milwaukee area, and I love being outdoors. Camp Minikani has been offering me opportunities to learn about and preserve nature. My goal for this summer is to instill a love of the outdoors in my campers and to help them grow as individuals.

Jane Wierdsma
8 Years, LTIII

I am from Elm Grove, and I will be a senior at Divine Savior Holy Angels High School. I love to play field hockey, ski, and pet my dogs. I am super excited for Camp this year, and I am looking forward to making cool crafts and playing tons of games with my campers.

Kasey Gusho
6 Years, OLTIII

I'm originally from Elm Grove and this is my 5th year at camp. I'm going to be attending the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and will be studying architecture. My favorite thing about Camp is the lifelong bonds you make with other campers. My goal this summer is to build the largest lean-to in Minikani history.

Kelsey Gusho
6 Years, OLTIII

Next year I will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison as a Psychology major. I have six siblings and have been coming to camp with my twin sister for the past 6 years. My favorite thing about Camp is hanging out on the Craft Porch and talking with campers. I also love opening and closing campfires. My goal for the summer is to get to know all of my campers well and stay in touch with them after they leave camp.

Annie McKenzie
9 Years, LTIII

I am going to be a senior at Homestead High School in Mequon. I am really excited to be in a cabin with campers this summer. When not at Camp, I am on the gymnastics team at my school, and I used to be a hostess at Maxfields Pancake House.

Megan Cole
7 Years, LTIII

I go to Shorewood High School, and I'm going to be a senior next year. I run cross-country and track I absolutely love Camp. It's one of my favorite places in the world. I'm extremely excited to be an LTIII this summer! My goal for this summer is to be helpful, fun, and exciting for the campers. I want to be the best staff member I can be!

Hannah Harris
First Year, Counselor

I am one of the international staff this year. I'm originally from Scotland. I just finished my first year at university in Glasgow studying politics. I'm really excited to be spending my summer here at camp and meeting all of the lads.

Clare Hennessy
1st Year, Counselor

I am an international staff member from Ireland. I have just finished my first year in the University of Limerick where I am studying law. As this is my first summer at Camp, I am enjoying meeting the other staff members and learning how camp works. My goal for the summer is to become a stronger and more independent person and help kids have a great summer at Camp!

Lisa Peters

2 Years, Resident Equestrian Counselor

I am from West Bend and go to Concordia University. My goal for the summer is to encourage and support every camper to accomplish their goals and have an unforgettable camp experience. I 'm excited for camp to start!

Katie Stenavich

5 Years, Equestrian Day Camp Counselor

I will be a sophomore at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater. I am very excited to be a counselor at Minikani this summer. I'm really looking forward to sharing my love and knowledge of horses with kids, and I hope to make a positive impact on every child I work with. My favorite thing about Camp is that it is a very enthusiastic place, and I couldn't be happier to be a part of it.

Samantha Julien

First Year, Equestrian Instructor

Hello! I have been involved with horses all my life and strive to help any individual learn all they can about horses. My favorite thing about camp is making lifelong friends and one of my goals for this summer is helping each individual succeed in making friends, conquering fears, and meeting their goals.

Andrea Hoffmann

First Year, Intern/Volunteer Coordinator

I am a UW-Whitewater student with an entrepreneurial mind. My favorite thing about camp is the camaraderie of the staff that all share the same goals. My goal for the summer is to make an efficient, well thought out volunteer program that keeps our volunteers happy.

Lauren Dickson

First Year, Equestrian Day Camp Counselor

Hi, my name is Lauren. I am a sophomore pre-medical student at Creighton University. This is my first year on staff at Camp Minikani, and I am very excited to be a part of all of the great things that go on here. My favorite thing about camp is making new friends. I am looking forward to sharing my love of horses with everyone I encounter at Day Camp this summer.