

GLOUCESTER MUSEUM SCHOOL

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2010 Season is Here! Help us to further reduce our Carbon Footprint! Your Camp Brochure is now available online @ www.gmscamp.org

Look What We did last summer!.. Project Adventure Camp season 09 Was a terrific year of summer camp with record numbers of campers enjoying the natural beauty and adventures of Cape Ann. We had full enrollment for all eight weeks of Jr Sea Camp and Adventure Sea Camp. We continued with our 30 year dedication to dory rowing, rock climbing, marine science, team building initiatives, and experiential ed. Last summer we added several great new curriculum ideas that Jo-Anne and Jeff developed over the winter months, along with Educators



Amanda and Herb. These include the Carbon Footprint accountability program, Seaside Naturalist and extreme tidepooling, Kestrel Ed and edible plants, Vernal Ponds, and Woodland identification, and new and exciting rock climbing venues. We also produced a small marine science field guide to the sandy and rocky shores of Cape Ann, researched, photographed, and hand drawn by Jr Sea campers on Ram Island.

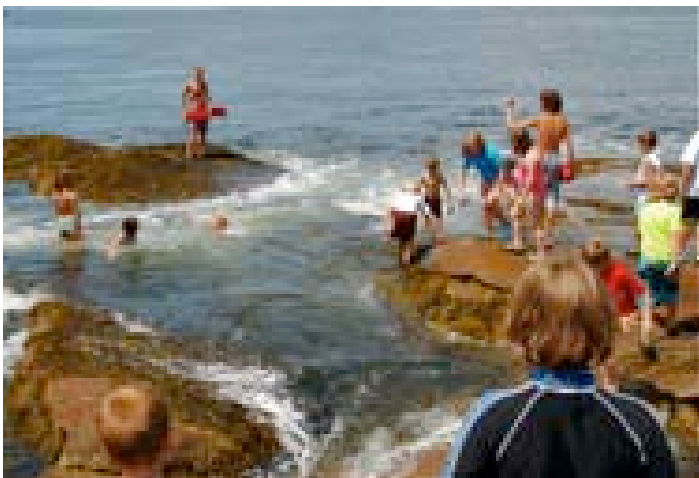


¹Lila Monell of Gloucester taking the BIG LEAP while rock climbing on Thompson Mountain with Technical Climbing Instructor, Herb Stillman, on belay.



Gabby Tucker of Beverly on a technical climb up Red Rock with Climbing instructor Ben Dulong on Belay.

Extreme Tide Pooling is a **BIG SPLASH!!**





TEAM BUILDING



Adventure Sea Camp doing initiatives at Halibut Pt State Park

EXTREME ROCKS!



Adventure Sea Camp rock climbing on Salt Island

This past summer we added veteran Technical Climbing Instructor Herb Stillman to our staff. Herb comes to us with 30 years of expertise and passion within the realms of rock climbing, orienteering, and a vast knowledge of the geology of Cape Ann and the northeast.

This expertise allowed us to branch out and expand on our rock climbing locales and techniques. For the summer of 2009, we worked with Herb to develop our program even further, and we have many new locations to take our youth rock climbing. We have also been investing in new ropes, helmets, shoes, and harnesses.

*****For this next summer we are planning to add two one week intensive Rock Climbing camps!!!**

***** Please go online @ www.gmscamp.org for all dates and details*****

DORY ROWING



TALL SHIP ADVENTURES AGAIN in 2010??
GLOUCESTER MUSEUM SCHOOL – PROJECT ADVENTURE CAMP

Ahoy all Sailors!

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Tall ship sailing involves teamwork, adventure and strength of character. This is the platform off which we will explore the sea around us.

Last summer Gloucester Museum School Project Adventure Summer Camp ran the first Tall Ship Camp in Gloucester History!! For 2010 we are asking for parents to email their interest and if we can fill the ship - we will Sail off with opportunities for campers to embark on a fantastic voyage of discovery, these spaces will be very limited – so please email ASAP.

As the ship sails from Cape Ann, campers will spend their days and nights aboard the Tall Ship – Spirit of Massachusetts - actively involved in sailing the ship where they will be encouraged to realize their interdependence with the vessel, the natural environment, and each other.

The wind and weather will dictate the itinerary, and many places we explore together.– from the eel-grass beds of Gloucester Harbor, to Isles of Shoals, or Stellwagen Bank, Salem Sound, Boston Harbor Islands, or Cape Cod.

The crew of ten are educators as well as sailors, so our ongoing learning discussions run the gamut of leadership, cooperation, marine science, weather, ships systems, engineering, navigation, sail theory, maritime and local history, life aboard a tall ship, and even how a cook provisions for a multi day voyage for 30 persons.

No sailing experience is necessary, please email for info, and interview times.

GMS TALL SHIP ADVENTURE CAMP (Possibility?)

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There is nothing so fun and refreshing on a summer day

Swimming and enjoying the quarries after a good long orienteering hike through Dogtown!



OUR COMMUNITY

Gloucester Museum School remains invested in helping and team building within many facets of the Cape Ann Community. We continue to foster a deeper appreciation of our maritime heritage, outdoor/experiential education, marine science education, and environmental stewardship - through our continued work with local Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Gloucester Maritime Heritage Center, The Clam Shack at the High School and all the local schools. Jim Schoel continues to provide his Experiential Ed wisdom to the students at the High School, and we continue to donate our four Red Dorries, Lifeguards, and The Siren Song to the Gloucester maritime Heritage Center. We offered organic gardening to the fifth grade as a pilot program and we have volunteered to teach the O'maley sixth grade students to row dorries in the past years.

Empowering girls in The Great Salt Marsh!

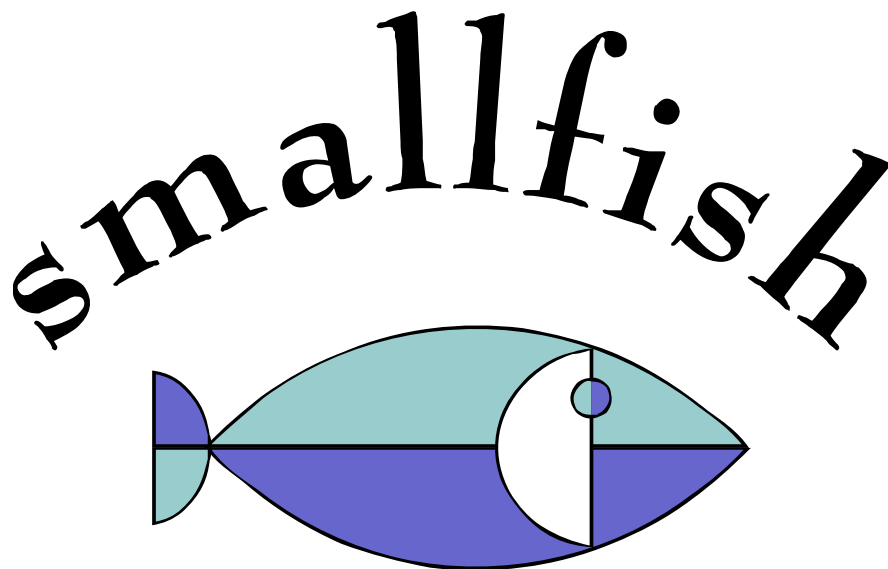


Rick Roth and Jessica Kagel with Cape Ann Vernal Ponds and Kestrel Ed at GMS with their vernal pond friends and snake show



OUR NEIGHBORS

SMALLFISH



WEB DESIGN for us small fishes

GMS is very fortunate to have Board member and community volunteer extraordinaire - Steve Brettler as our neighbor and first choice in web design.

Steve has volunteered to design and build our website, and we are proud to have him on our team. Steve is also a Camp Uncle.

Please e : steve@smallfish-design.com with any ideas you may have to further our mission.

SIGNS-UNIQUE



Tricia O'Neill is a camp Auntie and Great Friend!!

Signs Unique caters to the sign and lettering needs of a wide variety of individuals and businesses in the greater Cape Ann area. Combining both hand lettering and computer generated vinyl lettering we are focused on complete customer satisfaction, and are equally responsive to a full range of clients irrespective of your job size or type. We enjoy working closely with our clients, involving you in the design process to the extent that you desire. We are available to perform your job either on location or at our sign studio, either way, you will find us flexible to work with.

Contact Tricia at info@signs-unique.com.

ARTIMUS ART



Preserving kids' creativity.

This year Jr Sea Camp parent Dana Hostage is our choice for preserving the loving memories we create daily with our children. Dana is a busy Mom, Wife, and very creative small business owner here in Gloucester.

Contact Dana at dana@artimusart.com

ALLEGRA PRINTING

We hope that you all noticed the fantastic new brochure that you received last spring.

The superior job of printing, sorting, and folding was done by our very own neighbor and local Camp Dad - Jeff Hostage of Allegra printing. jeff@allegraboston.com

The layout & design were done by Jeff Crawford (teacher and photographer/graphic design) jeffcrawford@mac.com