



## **Celebrate the Spirit of Thanksgiving with Maine Camp Experience's Thanks-GIVING Away Giveaway!**

(November 5, 2018 – Portland, ME) – With Thanksgiving upon us, 'tis the season for giving. To celebrate the spirit of giving back and show thanks for the camp community, Maine Camp Experience (MCE) is hosting its second annual Thanks-GIVING Away. As a part of this initiative, MCE, the community of 30+ premier overnight summer camps and a comprehensive camp-planning resource, is making donations to two organizations that are very near to our hearts – [Camp Sunshine](#) and [World of Change](#) and giving away over \$5,000 in prizes.

### **Prizes include:**

- Grand Prize of \$5,000 toward 2019 tuition at an [MCE camp](#).
- \$250 gift from [Modell's Sporting Goods](#) ®
- **\$150** toward a foodie tour in Portland, Kennebunkport, Bar Harbor, Boothbay Harbor, or Rockland/Camden from [Maine Foodie Tours](#) ®
- **\$100** gift card from [L.L.Bean](#) ®.
- **two tickets** to Treasure Island Performance at [Maine State Music Theatre](#).
- **a dozen** assorted whoopie pies with free shipping from [Wicked Whoopies](#)

All entries must be received by December 5. [Enter](#) now.

Thanksgiving is a time for connections – it is to celebrate and give thanks for our relationships, to take comfort in old traditions and joy in forging new ones, and of course, to enjoy the incredible food. In fact, many of the aspects we love about Thanksgiving are also the very same elements that make camp in Maine so special and cherished. And the emphasis that Thanksgiving places on gratitude – which goes hand in hand with giving back – is particularly important to the Maine Camp community.

Many MCE campers' first encounters with social responsibility and volunteering comes through camp. [MCE camps are involved in initiatives both during the summer and the off-season to help those in need](#), and Maine Camp Experience takes pride in our commitment to service and volunteerism. While this is a value we hold throughout the year, it is something that we place particular value on during the Thanksgiving season.

Wishing everyone a wonderful November and a Happy Thanksgiving to come – and we hope everyone will embrace the holiday spirit and join MCE and MCE families around the world by contributing and giving back to those in need.

Maine has the greatest number of the oldest, most established camps in the country. Each summer more than 20,000 kids from every US state and more than 30 countries abroad spend time at summer camps in Maine.

Maine Camp Experience is a community of 30+ premier camps and a comprehensive camp-planning resource. Maine Camp Experience camps are for children ages 7-17 with sessions from 1-8 weeks in length. Campers unplug from technology, connect with nature, have fun, make lifelong friendships, learn new skills, and gain confidence and independence. They enjoy daily waterfront activity, strong traditions and values, and top-notch activities, instruction, facilities, traditions, and out-of-camp trips. Camps typically run from end of June through mid-August. Some Maine camps offer family camp or camp rentals after the traditional camper season.

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