

## Leadership:

Director **Tim Curtis** was raised at Journey's End, which was founded in 1939 by his maternal grandparents. He graduated from Earlham College, and was an administrator for many years at Monteverde Friends School in Costa Rica. He and his wife, Helena Guindon, a professional artist, returned to Journey's End year-round in 2010, after being here each summer since 2003. Their two sons, Silvio and Tulio, are now in college.

Each year we hire an Assistant Director. This young adult is a role model and mentor for younger staff as well as support to the Director.

**Kristin Curtis** co-directed Journey's End for many years with her late husband Carl, Tim's brother. A Guilford College graduate, she has lived year-round at Journey's End since 1984, and continues to oversee off-season operations of the farm and camp, together now with Tim and Helena. Her three adult sons, Jason, Ira, and Andy, remain involved as well.

All three directors play an active role in the everyday life of the camp.

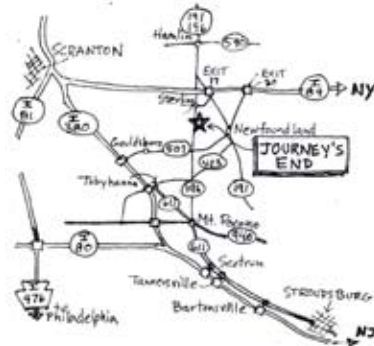
## The Rest of the Staff:

Each summer additional staff members are hired including a full-time nurse, cook, maintenance director, 10 counselors (18+ yrs old) and 4 counselor helpers (16 – 17 yrs.) Many staff members are former campers or counselors, though we welcome applications from all. Several counselors are certified lifeguards, and many have ARC first aid and/or CPR training. We seek to hire staff who are creative, caring, just, dedicated, fun, and who will be good role models for children. Two farmers are on staff year-round, operating a CSA at Journey's End during the growing season.

*"Sarah had a great summer. I think the camp is her own special place...is having a positive effect on her self-confidence. When she returned from camp there wasn't anything she could not do...a more positive attitude..."* (Parent—Harrisburg)

## Location:

Journey's End Farm Camp is in northeastern Pennsylvania just outside the village of Sterling. Driving time is 3 hours from New York City and 2 hours from Philadelphia. It is approximately 4.5 hours from Washington, D.C.



## Directions:

- From I-84: Take Exit 17 to PA Rt. 191 north to PA Rt. 196, then south 2.5 mi. We are located 1.2 mi. south of **Sterling, PA** on Rt. 196, and 15 mi north of Mt. Pocono.
- From D.C. & MD: Take interstates/Beltway I-495 to I-95 north, to I-695 north (Baltimore), to I-83 north to PA near Harrisburg; then I-81 north to Scranton, then I-380/84 east to Exit 17. (See above)
- From Philadelphia: Take I-476 north to I-80 (Pocono Exit), I-80 east to Exit 293 for I-380 North toward Scranton, 6 miles to Exit 8 Tobyhanna. Right on PA 423 north through stoplight, follow turns, continue about 4 and a half miles to where PA 423 intersects with PA 196 north. Turn left and follow PA 196 about 8 miles. Journey's End is on the right (blue farmhouse) in a valley between 2 concrete bridges.
- From NY/NJ: I-80 W to Exit 293 – I-380 North – toward Scranton (follow directions above from Phila.)



# Journey's End Farm Camp

a Friends camp  
for children and families of all  
backgrounds



For 34 boys and girls ages 7–12  
and  
NEW! Family Camp Program

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Journey's End Farm Camp combines the warmth and safety of a good home with a wholesome program guided by a caring staff and planned for and with the children—an enjoyable balance of work and play that builds confidence, self-esteem and friendships, and teaches responsibility and self-reliance skills while allowing freedom and room for individual growth. Journey's End was established in 1939 and has been operated by the Curtis family at its present location since 1960.

## What Is Journey's End All About? Animals and Nature

- feeding calves, pigs, chickens, goats, rabbits, donkeys and alpacas
- milking a cow
- collecting eggs
- room to play and explore the creeks, woods, hayfield, fern patch
- berry picking, fishing, finding Whale Rock

## Fun and Games

- full-camp outdoor games each evening
- swimming, singing
- soccer, Frisbee, "Survival"
- woodworking, ceramics, macrame, tie-dye
- creating entertainment

## Community

- birthday celebrations
- sleeping under the stars on overnights
- cookouts, campfires, storytime
- Living at the Tipi (3 days for motivated, responsible campers w/staff)
- Secret Pals
- Journey's End Camp Fair

## Farm Time

- walking a calf or a goat
- raking hay in the hayfield
- 'sweep and mop'
- harvesting fresh vegetables and fruit
- weeding the garden

## Providing a Unique Experience!

- you can be yourself & be welcomed
- dedicated counselors
- good food, hugs, and maple syrup
- "Zero Waste"
- woods, pastures, streams and gardens

*"It makes me feel independent"*

*Vicky – age 8*

*"I've been there before and I love it. There's no fighting, no arguing, everybody's friends."*

*Daniel – age 10*

*"The lifestyle makes me think differently"*

*Eli age 11*

## What is a typical day at camp like?

7:00	Wake-up & Animal Chores
7:45	Table-setters bell
8:00	Breakfast
	Dorm work
	Morning Meeting
	Farm Time
10:30	Assembly – singing, choose activities
	Morning Activities
12:15	Table-setters bell
12:30	Lunch
	Rest hour
	Swimming – at the pond
4:15	Assembly – snack, choose activities
	Afternoon Activities
5:45	Table-setters bell
6:00	Supper
	Animal Chores
	Game Time
	Story Time
9:00	Bedtime



*"It was the best time of my life!" Daryl–Philadelphia*

## What is Morning Meeting?

Like a Quaker meeting, we gather every morning on the back lawn, in the woods, or in another special place for a little quiet time. Typically led by a staff member, it is also a time to share insights about our community, the farm, and the world. Spirituality at J.E. has a universalist nature, with reverence for all creation and recognition of the inner light in everyone.

## Why Journey's End?

For 70 years, we have seen the wonderful effects that J.E. has on children. With the farm as our core, we do more than provide a fun experience. We also help our campers gain a greater understanding of who they want to be, how their actions impact the world, and what they are truly capable of.

Time and time again, we hear from parents how much their children have grown over just one summer at Journey's End. Some people call it "J.E. Magic," but we believe that these changes are brought about simply by being a part of our loving community and experiencing the joy of farm life.

So don't be surprised if your child teaches you about zero waste, or knows all the words to "One Tin Soldier," or volunteers to weed your garden. Just hope they don't demand that your next family pet be a milking cow.

*"Journey's End is home. Being a part of J.E. has changed my life, in so many ways, for the better." (Gina, former camper/current counselor)*



## Who comes to Journey's End?

Campers are from a variety of backgrounds, mostly from the urban and suburban areas of New York, New Jersey, Philadelphia, and D.C., but also from small towns and cities, rural areas and occasionally foreign countries. We actively seek diversity as a fundamental need to foster cultural and social understanding and communication.

*"Thanks for offering (him) one more summer with a bit of the outdoors & peace . . . and all the singing..." (parent, D.C. area)*

## Session 1 (2 weeks):

- Haying
- Strawberry season
- Girls' & boys' tipi trips
- June berries in the Hayfield
- The woods are still filled with birdsong

## Session 2 (3 weeks):

- Garden will yield greens, beans and/or peas
- Cherry season
- Haying
- Blueberry season begins
- Girls' & boys' tipi trips
- Camp fair for local community

## Session 3 (2 weeks):

- Garden yields sweet corn, tomatoes, basil
- Digging potatoes
- Wild blackberries
- Girls' & boys' tipi trips

**Special Days** may occur in any session:

- Hike Day
- Dirt to Dinner
- The Global Village
- 2 Day Long Hike
- Peace Day
- Chicken Appreciation Day

**Please visit our website for current session dates.**

**Financial aid is available for children who are well-suited to our program, where money is an issue. Please inquire.**



For More Information Please Visit Our Website  
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*sketches by Katharine Dodge*



## Family Camp (1 Week):

- Monday to Sunday
- Spend a week on a beautiful, 215-acre family farm in the Pocono Mountains
- Get outdoors and experience farm life
- Learn about sustainability and simplicity
- Bring your family or be a part of ours!

## What's Different about Family Camp?

Although Family Camp follows roughly the same schedule as Farm Camp, it offers age-specific programming during the morning activity period to help meet the needs of the varying ages present. This is a great time for campers to bond with their peers and experience the farm and the workshops at their own level. Plan to enjoy such activities as:

- Gardening
- Metal working, Woodworking, Ceramics
- Special Guests
- Building Projects
- Nature Immersion
- Improv Comedy
- Simple Living
- Farm Harvest
- Sap House tour
- Journey's End Farm history

Family Camp is also a great time for children to "try out" Journey's End with their family to see if it's the right place for them!

Special Discounted Rates For Families Willing to Share Living Quarters or Bring Their Own Tents!

*"Definitely the most relaxing vacation ever. I come home completely refreshed. Quality time with my own family as well as with other adults and children." (Dave Harvey, Family Camper since 2005)*