

Our large Dining Hall, which is the only original building when the camp was founded in 1949, is also used for activities on the unfortunate rainy days.



The Virginia Elks Youth Camp participates in the Summer Food Service Program for Children, sponsored by the USDA (United States Department of Agriculture). Our great cooks provide excellent meals and can accommodate any special dietary requirements.

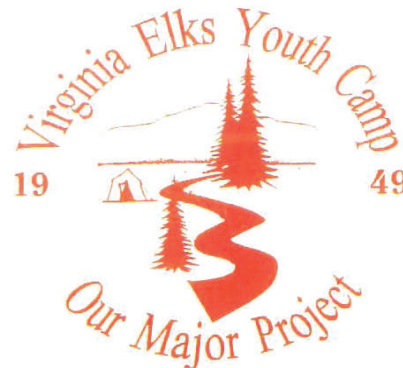
A trained staff of approximately twenty-five (25) handles the administration and programs. This staff includes Camp Director, Assistant Director, Programs Director, Waterfront Director, Arts & Crafts Counselor, Nature & Science Counselor, Cabin Counselors, and Infirmary Nurse or EMT. The camp is also served by a licensed physician whose office is local and available if needed. In case of serious illness or accident, the Allegheny Regional Hospital is nearby in Low Moore, and a camp vehicle is always available to take campers to the doctor's office or the hospital.



All campers live in cabins and sleep on bunk beds with mattresses. Bedding is available at the camp, but personal sleeping bags and pillows are recommended. Each cabin is under the supervision of a cabin counselor, with each cabin holding no more than eight campers. Two large bathhouses are located near the cabins, and good personal hygiene habits are stressed and are a daily part of the camp program. At full capacity, the camp cabins can accommodate 104 campers weekly.



For more information, contact your local Elks Lodge whose phone number can be found in your phone book.



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The Virginia Elks Youth Camp is one of two Major State Projects of the Virginia Elks Association. Thirty-two (32) Elk Lodges located throughout the Old Dominion, plus the Elks National Home located in Bedford, recruit and pay for the campers from their communities.

The camp has been in continuous operation for over 60 years, and is for deserving girls and boys of the state of Virginia. The camp is nonsectarian and operates without regard to race, national origin, sex, or special needs. The camp is proud to be an accredited member of the American Camp Association (ACA) and its Camp Director is a member of the Virginia Section of the ACA.

Campers range in age from 8 to 13, and they attend for one full week ... Sunday through Saturday. The first three weeks of camp are for girls and the last three weeks are for boys.

The 137 acre property is located in Millboro, VA (north of Clifton Forge) on the Cowpasture River, in the beautiful mountains of the Alleghenies.



Wide ranging activities provide for a fun filled week at the Virginia Elks Youth Camp ... all of which are under the close supervision of qualified staff members.

All campers have a great chance to bring home awards, great memories, and new friendships!! Ribbons are awarded for "Land Olympics" and "Water Olympics" activities. The Arts & Crafts Director plans and assists campers with many different and exciting activities which also may be brought home. The "Outstanding Camper" plaques are awarded each Friday evening.

Weather permitting, practically all activities are of the outdoor type. Basketball, softball, archery, volleyball, soccer, shooting range, camp-wide games and races keep the youngsters busy from early morning until lights out at 9:30.



Quite different from the modern swimming pool, the Cowpasture River is fed by cool, sparkling mountain streams and is of sufficient size to make swimming a challenge as well as a pleasure. All campers are given a swimming test upon arrival and our beach area is roped off according to ability. Additionally, the "buddy system" is strongly applied.

Fishing, canoeing, and tubing are also a part of the Aquatics Program.



A challenge ropes course, which promotes teamwork and cooperation, is an important part of our camping program. Campers learn to work together and strengthen communication skills as they negotiate this low level, fun activity.

