



Name: Bryce Caldwell

Number of years at camp: 12

Position: Boy's Unit Director

I'm finishing my degree in art education at UW-Stout. This past year I spent a lot of time in schools with students and displaying my artwork in various galleries. During my free time at camp, you'll most likely find me in lake amybelle or playing a round of disc golf on our very own 9-hole course. This summer I'm really looking forward to seeing how loud all of the guys can do the "Thunderation" cheer.

Joe Springer

11 years

LTIII

I love coming to camp and making tons of new friends. I go to Brookfield East Highschool and plan on pursuing a career in film. I hope to have a ton of fun this summer growing closer with kids and the camp staff.

Ben Edelstein

8 years

1<sup>st</sup> year counselor

I recently graduated for Brookfield Central High School. Next year I will be attending The University of Minnesota to study Business. My favorite part of camp is all of the awesome friends I have made here.

Alex Nitschke

9 years

OLTIII

Next year I will be a senior at Marquette University High School. I'm from Brookfield, WI and am an avid Packer fan. My favorite thing about camp is all of the friendships I've made and strengthened here. This summer im pumped to finally be in cabins leading my own groups of kids. I can't wait to see all of you!

Joe Norton 8years OLTIII

I love camp because all of the great friendships I make along with the fun of the outdoors. I am from Wauwatosa and love all Wisconsin sports teams. I am a senior at Marquette University High School and love any type of service. Basically, I LOVE CAMP!!!

Ciaran Rawlinson 1<sup>st</sup> year at camp 1<sup>st</sup> year counselor

I am from Ireland and have just finished my 2<sup>nd</sup> year of University. I have spent the past 3 summers coaching soccer and gaelic football in Ireland, so working at minikani will be a new experience for me. I am very excited about working with the kids this summer.

Jake Michael 9 years OLTIII

I will be a senior at arrowhead high school nest year. My favorite part about camp is anything on the waterfront. this summer I'm excited for my first time in a cabin and to finally be on staff. outside of camp I am involved in student government and key club. a goal I'm setting for myself is to have everyone know me by name.

Dan Sykora 8 years OLTIII

I am from Chicago, and have proven my dedication to camp by the numerous 2-hour drives I have made over the past eight years. I love sports, Chicago sports. I'm an avid music lover, and I slap the bass in a rock band. I'm also a total nerd. I'm hoping to become a surgeon someday after the 50 years of schooling I'll need. The best part of camp is the friendships that are developed while spending time with your cabin group. My Goal this summer is to have more fun than I have ever had before while staying responsible and safe. I'm looking forward to meet you! Go Bears!

Ryan Wnuk 9 years 2<sup>nd</sup> year counselor

When I'm not at camp, you can usually find at UW-Madison, or in Fox Point where I grew up. I am pumped to be back at Minikani for my second year as a counselor. You'll see me hanging out with the horses when I'm working in the corral.

Ian Harding 7years OLTIII

I am 17 years old and live in Whitefish Bay. I will be a senior at WFB High School. This summer I am really looking forward to developing my friendships with my campers and watching a new generation of kids enjoy Minikani the way I did when I first came here. I am sure it is going to be a great summer!

Sam Henderson 10 years OLTIII

I am a senior at Glenbrook South High School in Glenview, IL. I was originally a resident of Mequon, WI, so I still feel very connected to Wisconsin and the Packers. My favorite thing about camp is that it is an amazing place to come and reconnect with my roots. It is also a place where I can inspire kids to be the best they can be and have a great summer experience. I am looking forward to working in the wilderness skill area a having a great summer. Can't wait to see you!

Sean Gebhard 9 years 1<sup>st</sup> year counselor

I currently reside in Fox Point, WI. Recently, I Graduated from Marquette High School and will be attending Washington and Lee University in the fall. I enjoy playing lacrosse and hockey and love the outdoors, especially fishing. I am excited to be on the AC staff again this summer. Nothing beats the high ropes course and rockwall when it comes to skills at camp. I can't wait to see what this summer has in store.

Sam Ouimet 9 years 1<sup>st</sup> year counselor

I am tremendously excited for another summer at Minikani. Camp is an excellent place to make lifelong friends, which is why I keep coming back. This summer I hope to help campers make the types of connections and form unity in each cabin. I am originally from Whitefish Bay and will be attending The University of Arizona next year.

Will Reiland 9years LTIII

I will be a senior at Arrowhead High School where I play varsity hockey and enjoy studying History. My favorite thing about camp is the friendships that I have developed and giving kids a truly great experience. My goal for the summer is to bring out the creative side in kids.

Michael Luckey 9 years 2<sup>nd</sup> year counselor

I first came to camp with my school, then for winter camp, then finally came for the summer. I've been thanking my parents ever since. I was born in Milwaukee but moved to Cedarburg and attended USM, where I graduated in 2009. I'm a student at Georgetown University in Washington D.C., studying Government and Italian. I'm a musical person and love to sing and play the guitar, ukulele, trumpet, and harmonica. At camp I'm on the waterfront staff and I love to boat on lake Amy Belle or to skin dive in it. I'm excited to return this summer and focus on camp's beautiful outdoors; my favorite memories always involve the tranquil woods and the twisting trails.

Chris Davies 1<sup>st</sup> year at camp 1<sup>st</sup> year counselor

I'm an international counselor from England. I have just finished my University course so I am now set to explore the world. This is my first time in America and at Minikani, so I am very excited for the summer camp experience and to share my knowledge and experience with the children.

Aaron Fiss 9years OLIII

My favorite thing about Camp Minikani is that it has turned my life around and has made me into the leader and young man I am now. Last year in high school I was the drum major and captain of the wrestling team. Next year I will be attending Fox Valley Technical College to study commercial aviation. My goal for this summer is to tell my Minikani story and to change kid's lives for the better.

Brian Demet 6 years 1<sup>st</sup> year counselor

I'm from Shorewood, WI and will be attending The University of Minnesota this coming fall. I love to play Ultimate Frisbee and when I'm not at camp I'm either playing at the collegiate level or coaching high school teams. My favorite part of camp is vespers and this summer I plan on having unique and thought provoking vesper moments.

Wyatt Caldwell 13years 1st year counselor

I am from Columbus, WI and just finished up my first year at UW-Oshkosh. I have been coming to Minikani since I was six years old. I enjoy many things at Minikani, but my favorite place at camp is the waterfront of Lake Amy Belle. Outside of camp I enjoy cheering for any and all Wisconsin sports teams.

Kevin Jennings 11years 2<sup>nd</sup> year counselor

I'm coming into camp off of my first year at The Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore. I work on the craft porch and enjoy teaching kids new skills. My favorite place at camp is Mud Lake. In my freetime I enjoy skateboarding, imported tea, 20<sup>th</sup> century literature, and keeping up with reality television.

Ryan Costello 8years 2<sup>nd</sup> year counselor

I am from the Milwaukee area and have been coming to Minikani for the last eight years. I enjoy arts and crafts. You often times clowning around and getting crafty on the crafty on the craft porch. I believe camp is a place where people can let loose and be themselves. This is why I come back year after year.

David Ruiz 10years 3<sup>rd</sup> year

I graduated from Marquette University High School in 2008 and am currently studying English and Psychology at The University of Wisconsin – Madison. Camp is the best time of my very busy year, and I hope to push my own boundaries and skills along with all of my camper's this summer.

John Opgenorth, 10 yrs at camp, LT III

I am going to be a senior at Homestead High School. I am looking to go into History and English in college. I enjoy playing extreme sports, emphasis on the EXTREME. I hope to have my best summer at camp this year.

Sam Smith, 6 yrs at camp. LT III

I attend Arrowhead High School where I will be a senior. I play soccer and plan to major in some area of business in college. I enjoy having fun and love camp

activities. My favorite part of camp is the campfires with all of camp. One goal I have for this summer is to make this a summer to remember.

Michael Rooney, 10 yrs at camp, LT III

Next school year, I will be a senior at Homestead High School in Mequon. At Homestead, I participate in track and am involved in a number of student groups. My favorite part about camp is the friends I have met and the amount of fun I have every time I am here. My goal for this summer is to make a lot of memories with my campers and give them the best time of their lives.

Dane Mantia, 13 yrs, 3<sup>rd</sup> yr Counselor

I am an audio engineering major at Belmont University in Nashville, Tennessee. My favorite thing about camp is the friends I have made and still have today. I went to preschool at Minikani. My goal for this summer is to have amazing Explorer trips in Rhinelander!

Justin Gaworski, 9 yrs at camp, LT III

Camp Minikani has always held a great place in my life. The air at Camp is a great contrast when compared to that of the city. I come back every year for the simple fact that I wish to make an impact on a child's life just as much as my counselors and LTs made on me. Minikani means many different things to many different people, and when we all combine and meet for one summer, we unite as the unit of Camp. This feeling of inclusion and love is what I enjoy most about Camp.

Colin Harari, 13 yrs at camp, Explorer Unit Director

I just graduated from Tufts University with a degree in Astrophysics. This coming September, I will be traveling to Sub-Saharan Africa to work in the Peace Corps. Camp Minikani has been one of the most influential places in my life, and the place I have met some of my best friends to this day.

Madison Mead, 9 yrs at camp, 1<sup>st</sup> year Counselor

This is my second year on staff and I am looking forward to this summer! I am from Whitefish Bay and am going to Marquette University next year. Camp is the highlight of my year, and I have been coming back for so many summers to the great people and fun activities. My goal for this summer is to come up with creative days so that each week is different from the last.

Michael Kushner, 12 yrs at camp, 1<sup>st</sup> year counselor

Camp is definitely one of my favorite places and is always the highlight of my summer. I live in Shorewood, WI and will be attending the University of Wisconsin-Madison as a freshman next year. My favorite thing about Camp is the lasting relationships I have made. They continue to strengthen, and I forge new ones every year. A goal I have for this summer is to excite my campers for all of their activities and the plan creative days.

Dan Thompson, 1 yr at camp, counselor

I am 18 years old and just graduated from Hamilton High School in Sussex, Wisconsin. I am extremely excited to be a part of Camp this year. I will be attending UW-Madison in the fall in the Honors Program and majoring in Biomedical Engineering. I hope to play rugby as well. I plan to make Camp the best it can be for the campers. Can't wait to meet you!

Henri Hessel, 7 yrs at camp, LT III

Next year I will be a senior at Whitefish Bay High School. The one thing I love about Camp is making new friends every year outside of my school. My goal for this summer is to help kids that are new to Camp to enjoy it the same way I did when I was a camper.

Evan Loeffler, 5 yrs at camp, LT III

I go to Marquette High School and love ping-pong. My favorite thing about Camp is the people I meet. My goal for this summer is to be confident. An interesting fact about me is that my favorite athlete of all time is Lance Armstrong.

Joe Alioto, 8 yrs at camp, 2<sup>nd</sup> year Counselor

Originally from Wauwatosa, I graduated from Marquette High School and now attend the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. Outside of Camp, I enjoy nature, skateboarding, cooking, woodworking and the occasional dip in the pool. While at Camp, I work with the esteemed Waterfront Staff, having previously had a two-year stint on the Adventure Challenge skill area. I also enjoy nature hikes, dodge ball and trips to my favorite place in Camp: Pine Forest.

Nate Kohlenberg, 10 yrs at camp, 2<sup>nd</sup> year Counselor

Hello! I am from Elm Grove, WI and graduated from Marquette High School. I just finished my first year at the University of Wisconsin-Madison where I am studying psychology. I am very excited to be back at Camp on Adventure Challenge and in the Boys' Unit. In my free time, I enjoy playing music with my band Fforte Adore, playing volleyball and Frisbee and watching ABC's Lost.

Will Conley, 8 yrs at camp, LT III

I live in Fox Point and attend Marquette High School. In my free time, I play lacrosse and football while I am not at Camp. I love Camp where my favorite place is the lake because it keeps me cool on hot summer days. My goal for the summer is to make the most of every opportunity that I have.