

Family Camp's A Hoot

GLHF hosts its inaugural Family Camp

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Great Lakes Hemophilia Foundation hosted its inaugural Family Camp on September 30-October 2 at Camp Matawa in Campbellsport, WI. Camp Matawa is located in the Kettle Moraine State Forest and offered a beautiful fall landscape for this weekend of fun.

In an effort to get a true taste of the summer camp experience, families immersed themselves in authentic camp activities like canoeing, hiking, archery, arts & crafts and rock climbing. Families were also seen bonding over hot chocolate and marshmallows by the fire and clinging onto each other on a wild wagon ride, all beaming from ear to ear of course!

Although disguised by all the fun and games, Family Camp is designed to prepare families that have a child with a bleeding disorder for the "true" summer camp experience and help them gain comfort in sending their child away to camp. At summer camp children begin to gain independence through self infusions and care, learn new skills, engage in healthy lifestyle activities and bond with other children facing the same issues they do. Family Camp is the first step along the way to summer camp and all that is offered there.

GLHF is already looking forward to the next Family Camp in 2012! Please contact Karin, at the Foundation with any questions about camp at 414.937.6782 or kdaniels@glhf.org. We hope to see you at Family Camp in 2012. It's a hoot!

