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It's Going to be an Amazing Summer!

Registration for Camp COMO is open

[Stonington, CT] - The Stonington Community Center's (COMO) summer programs are now open for registration and as always, it's guaranteed to be a phenomenal summer! The COMO's summer offerings include athletic camps, S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math), camps, leadership opportunities, traditional day camps and Preschool Explorers. Families can create a camp day based on their needs as Camp COMO offers half-day, full-day and extended day camp options for children entering kindergarten through seventh grade.

Camp COMO, a state licensed child care program, spans the entire COMO campus as campers play on COMO courts and fields, plant and harvest in the children's garden, learn and experiment in the MakerSpace and create and imagine in the pottery studio. Camp COMO is led by qualified and caring staff and all participants have a blast as they discover, and explore at the COMO.

"My daughter never wanted to go to camp until this year. We signed her up for a week half day and by first-day pick-up, she begged to stay all day all week! Needless to say, she ended up doing four and a half weeks the entire summer and then brought her little brother along! Counselors are amazing and great role models for the kids!" said one Camp COMO parent.

The COMO offers exciting recreational, pottery and STEAM camps as well so that kids can explore specific interests and passions. This also gives parents the option to complete their child's day camp experience by adding these on to their day camps at a discounted price. COMO pottery camp add-ons are a great way for youth to catch learn the basics of ceramics and create clay masterpieces in a pottery studio. Youth who want to try a new sport or polish their existing skills before the next school year can sign up for COMO athletic camps such as basketball, flag rugby, field hockey, soccer and more! Summer tennis clinics will provide youth the opportunity to play on the newly remodeled COMO courts!

Preschool Explorers, for ages 3 to 5, is all about exploring, socializing and having fun. The COMO's caring and qualified staff inspire little explorers to build, learn, laugh and discover. Slots fill up quickly and include full-day, half-day, and before/after care options for two, three or five-day per week enrollment. The COMO preschool is a state licensed program with the additional distinction of being an accredited program by the National Association for the Education of Young Children- a recognition bestowed on less than 10 percent of childcare centers and preschools.

Young teens and high school students looking to develop leadership skills can apply for the COMO's Junior Leadership Program. This year-long program instills personal and civic responsibility, shapes character, and shows young role models how they can lead by example.

And it's not just all fun for the little ones- the COMO offers tennis clinics, lessons and programs on decoTurf courts with nationally-ranked racquet pro, Jerry Albrikes, as well as 6v6 soccer. Be sure to also check out beach passes to duBois and Sandy Point.

For more information about COMO Summer Camps or to register, visit www.thecomoo.org/summer/ or stop by the COMO at 28 Cutler Street, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

About The Stonington Community Center

The Stonington Community Center, fondly known as the COMO, was founded on April 1, 1946, as a nonprofit with the goals of strengthening families and community. The first COMO programs included high school aged basketball, junior baseball teams, arts and crafts classes, teenage weekend dances and more. Over the years the COMO's 16-acre campus has grown to include its own classrooms, Thrift Shop, four decoTurf tennis courts, art and pottery studio, annex, paddle tennis facility, and soccer fields. The COMO provides a wide range of educational, enrichment, athletic, family and community partnership programs throughout the year. Located at 28 Cutler Street, the Stonington Community Center has become an irreplaceable part of the Stonington community, serving countless children and families of the surrounding areas, regardless of financial need. For more information visit www.thecomoo.org.

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