## Newsletter



## A successful 1st summer!

Thank You from the bottom of our hearts for supporting us in our inaugural summer in the Berkshires! The two weeks we spent together in August was full of laughter, fun and community. We swam in the beautiful Lake Ashmere, went bowling, visited museums and performed an original production!





## A Message from Myles

Our inaugural summer retreat on Lake Ashmere was a magical time filled with friendship. A group of support filled the area with light and enchantment. My name is Myles Brawn Husband, one of many individuals that took part in this retreat. I had trepidations when arriving on August 16th, not knowing what was ahead of me. Seeing familiar faces greet me after my three-and-a-half-hour ride was quite settling. The people I saw were, our retreat directors, Maggie, Michael, Keenan, Julia, and their advisor Johanna Romero De Slavy, also known as "JoJo. I also enjoyed seeing friends such as Sue Harrington, Te, and Dr Steven Gardner.

After seeing everybody I knew from the past I was enthralled with love and happiness. The cabins at Berkshire Lake Camp were freshly built and were cozy to sleep in. The first day we swam in our "personal lake". People were splashing, kayaking, canoeing while having a joyful time in the hot summer sun. Our first activity was a talent show that we called "Studio night", a fan favorite activity by community faithful. The acts included songs of "Don't Stop Believing "and a game called "Pie in the Face" by our friend Skye and much more. A group of us then broke off to discuss our retreat's collective future. On our last weekend, our retreat performed an annual play at Williams College which was Michael Leon's Alma Mater. The play was "The Little Mermaid;" filled with friends and family- it was a success. Moving forward, our goal is to stay in the Berkshires and see where the love and community will take us. Any donations to our project would help us obtain our goal. Thank you.

## **How to Support The Ashmere Project**

Make a donation of any size at our website: www.ashmereproject.org

Make an in-kind donation of items we we will need for next summer

- car rentals
- a pizza and/or ice cream party
- costumes, art supplies
- lake/beach toys and/or chairs

Questions? E-mail us at ashmereproject@qmail.com



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