

## Messinger Woods Internships



We are now accepting applications for our 2010 summer season. Please read the information below and print out the application and mail it to us as soon as possible. You will be contacted for an interview.

### About Messinger Woods:

Messinger Woods is a fully functioning animal hospital that cares for sick, injured and orphaned wildlife. Our “busy season” begins in May and runs through September. This is the time of year when we receive a steady stream of animals in need. The types of animals vary from year to year, so each season is different from the previous one. Our interns begin with basic skills and progress depending on their ability. Students with backgrounds in biology, wildlife management, veterinary medicine, vet technician or environmental education fields would be most suited for this internship. Although we **do** accept applications from any educational field.

### Basic Duties:

- Cleaning and general animal husbandry
- Feeding and preparation of animal diets
- Caring for a variety of sick, injured and orphaned wildlife that are admitted to the hospital

### Qualifications:

- Interest in working with and learning about wildlife
- Must be motivated and have a strong work ethic
- Can work independently and well as part of a team
- Must be in good physical health
- Wildlife rehabilitation experience is helpful, but not required

### Length of Internships:

Our hospital is open from June 1<sup>st</sup> through the end of August. Internships can be for a period of 8-12 weeks, depending on the individual needs.

### Transportation:

We are located in the rural town of Holland, NY. Interns are expected to provide their own transportation to and from the facility each day.

### Work Hours:

Interns are expected to be on time and prepared to work their entire shift for the duration of their internship. We rely heavily on the volunteers and interns to care for the large numbers of animals that come in during the busy season. The welfare of our animals depends on this.

## Messinger Woods Internship Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in:

- Full- time 9:30 am to 3:30pm     Full- time 3:30pm to 9:30pm  
 Part- time mornings                       Part- time afternoons

Days of the week you will be available (please choose one):

- Monday-Friday     Tuesday-Saturday     Sunday-Thursday

Is this a requirement for a school: \_\_\_yes\_\_\_no

If yes, name of institution \_\_\_\_\_ ( if you have specific school requirements/paperwork please be prepared to present these at the interview)

Please briefly describe why you would like to be an intern at Messinger Woods. Tell us what your interests are and how this internship will help with your career plans and what attributes you have that you feel will benefit the success of our upcoming season.

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Please return completed application to the address below:

Messinger Woods Wildlife Care and Education Center  
PO Box 508  
Orchard Park, NY 14127  
(716) 648-8091