

Mark Walker

Food Service Director August 1996

Background:

I grew up in Boynton Beach, FL, but came to Franklin, NC with my family during high school. A veteran of four years in the Marines (where I was in “spy” school!) I have traveled and worked many kinds of jobs (including a stint in Michigan as a resort restaurant chef!) Also, I’ve acquired many great skills along the way as I can do electrical work, carpentry, painting and even some plumbing.

For the last 4 years, I have been The Mountain's Food Service Director; I have tried to significantly increase the nutritional quality, presentation and tastiness of Mountain meals while at the same time managing annual increases in food costs keeping them well below marketplace averages.



What attracted you to The Mountain?

I answered an ad in the newspaper during summer camp.

What would you like to accomplish in your work at The Mountain?

Honesty in the world

About your family:

Susanne and I were married here on The Mountain in 1997. We have two sons, Lincoln and Logan (and a baby girl on the way). We also are family to an ever-changing assortment of dogs and cats.

What do you find most important in life?

Keeping my sense of humor – always smiling! Being with my boys, camping, scouting, playing. Being unusual and unique – having people like me.