



SPRING 2011 EDITION

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A NOTE FROM MARK AND LAURA

Let the countdown begin... summer, here we come!

Anyone who spent this winter in the northeast knows this was a winter to forget – we are no different. Besides leaving the cold, snowy and dreary days of winter behind us, we most look forward to the summer because we get to spend the summer in Rock Hill with all our campers and staff members. We just can't wait to get up to camp and gear up for another amazing summer together. In fact, we often day dream in the winter office of the day the camp buses pull up Bowers Road and pull into the main driveway of camp – let the fun begin.

This is the time of the year that gets us most excited (besides summer)... at this point, we have about four weeks before the office officially moves up to camp and we settle into our summer home. It's the time of the year we speak with staff on a daily basis, put some final touches on the program, the menu, cabin placement, orientation and on and on. It's what we live for! The rush and excitement of getting camp prepared for another amazingly memorable experience is like nothing else you can describe.

Recently, we participated in our annual camp conference – a three day “camp” for camp directors, where we get to learn from one another, network and find out about some new products for the camp industry. At the conference, one of the themes for this year was about the great things camp teaches youth. In particular, camp is so much more than hitting home runs, swimming laps and being the lead in the musical production – the real essence of camp is about the “life-skills” campers learn about how to navigate through the world when they mature into adulthood. Studies show people who went to camp are more prepared for a college experience, more prepared for work environment, etc. In short, camp helps to develop many of the tools we all need to survive in the world without our parents – what a great gift campers get each summer – besides the activities, friendships and memories, which we all know are such a part of the Iroquois Springs experience.

Since the countdown is officially begun, we need to get back to work getting ready for summer 2011. We really cannot wait to see everyone and get the summer off to a great start. Here's to counting down to July 2nd! See you there.

*With Love,
Mark and Laura*



Countdown To Camp

★ 62 days ★

From May 1st

BOYS SIDE STUFF

with Josh Bogard

I would first like to welcome all of our new camp families to camp and welcome back our returning families. In just a few short weeks, we look forward to starting our 11th season at Iroquois Springs. You will be glad that you chose to spend your summer with us. There is so much going on here in preparation for your arrival. The cabins are being swept out, the sports equipment is being placed around camp, the aqua playground is being inflated and your counselors are packing their duffle bags. The program department has begun to schedule your activities and the wood for your opening night camp fire is being collected. We have added many new theme and dress-up days to enhance this year's camp experience as well. These Special Events are always a hit and this year will be no exception. I look forward to wearing my crazy hat as well as my costume for backwards day to morning line-up.

I hope that many of you do not mind getting dirty. I mean, that's what camp is all about, right? We are going to have the first ever Boys Side Rest Hour Sloppy Twister Tournament this summer. If you do not mind getting messy, this is the tournament for you. Get ready for the sloppiest hour of the summer. If you think that you can be the Boys Side Rest Hour Sloppy Twister Tournament Champion this is an event you will want to participate in. More details are on the way.

I would like to welcome Sean Kelly, Taylor Bennett and Jacob Lewis to the Boys Side Group Leader Team. Sean and Taylor are Iroquois Springs veterans and I can't wait for them to share their talents with their divisions. Jacob has a wealth of camp experience to bring to Iroquois Springs and is eager for the summer to start. I also want to welcome back Gary Ross, Drew Dalton and Josh Nathan to Boys Side. I am looking forward to all of the GL's having the opportunity to share their love for camp with all of you and your counselors. We have a nice amount of returning counselors and a great group of new staff for this upcoming summer. This summer is certainly going to be top notch.

In a few short weeks, we will all be coming together again for another summer. I look forward to having our new campers experience the awesomeness of a summer at Iroquois Springs. I can't wait to see all of our returning campers make new friends and enjoy their favorite activities as well. There is way less than 100 days until we are back at camp doing what we love... cheering in the dining hall, hanging out with friends and living it up at Iroquois Springs.

Until then,
Josh



GIRLS SIDE GAB

with Rosie Bogard

GOOD MORNING GIRLS SIDE!

I cannot believe in just a few weeks we will all be at Girls Side line up. I cannot wait to start my day with all of you. Ladies – wait until you see our group leader line-up. We truly have a dream team on Girls Side this year. I cannot wait for everyone to meet Amanda Ross; she is a new edition to our GL team. She comes with a ton of experience, great ideas and a lot of enthusiasm. Returning to camp, we have Krista Wells, Robyn Martin, Daniela Barron, Bridget Owen and Ashley Kinsella. WOW – now that is a team! The Group Leaders are all very excited to meet our new campers and see our returners for what will truly be another amazing summer. As the weather gets nicer, I automatically start thinking about camp. I cannot wait to see everyone opening day. I am excited for all of the exciting events that you will be participating in, some old and some new.



The spirit at camp is contagious and before you know it, you will be cheering in the dining hall and on the fields. You will be at our opening day campfire, followed by the Staff Talent show the next night. You will be reuniting with your bunkmates and meeting new ones. The countdown has begun...

For all of our new campers, I cannot wait to meet you and share my love for camp with all of you. I am looking forward to seeing you in May. For all of our returners... WELCOME BACK and get ready for Summer 2011...

Enjoy the rest of the school year, continue to do the best that you can do and please remember to always BE NICE. On Girls Side (and of course at Iroquois Springs), we all treat others the way we want to be treated!

"It's nice to be important, but it's more important to be nice."
~Author Unknown

**See you very, very soon!!!
Rosie**

NOTES FROM BUBBA'S CLIPBOARD



Is it really spring time... seems like there was snow on the ground just a few days ago. This time of year for me is always what I love best. The warm weather starts to make a return, days feel much longer, you can see the outdoors just come back to life, but most of all, you know camp is just around the corner. Of course, for most of you, the thought of moving to Rock Hill is still a couple of months away, but for me, it is just days away. Early in May I move up to camp and have the chance to see camp take shape for the coming season. Welcoming some of our earliest pre-camp staff, working with our rental groups, watching our projects take final shape or simply enjoying just being at camp is something I truly look forward to every year around this time!

Moving to camp has different meanings for everyone. For some it's the place that you feel like your reuniting with family, for others it's the chance to meet new friends, but for all of us, it's an opportunity to be in a place we love, a place that makes us all feel great inside and most importantly, a place where we feel welcome and safe. No matter what meaning camp has for you, we know this summer is going to bring many smiles and laughs, great memories and maybe even a few tears (happy ones of course), but most of all, camp is a place to be yourself, a place to grow as a person and a place to be who you want to be... we can't wait to see you!

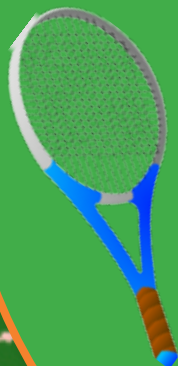
I know you will all join me in welcoming back our returning campers and staff and of course open our arms wide to welcome so many new campers and staff to the Iroquois Springs family. Something tells me this summer is going to be an awesome one. We always manage to top the previous summer and I know this season is no different. I can't wait to see you all as you enjoy

**See you soon,
Bubba**



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROCK HILL?

Just a quick update on the progress we are making in Rock Hill. The Main Tennis Courts have been completely removed and the new courts are in the process of being constructed. This new centerpiece of camp is going to be awesome. Complete with new black-top, color coating, fences and more, this new facility will be top-notch to match the rest of the Iroquois Springs facility.



Our Skate Park construction is underway and we are anxiously awaiting delivery of all the equipment. We can't wait to see the truck back into camp as it unloads a huge half-pipe, bank ramp, grinding box and more. This new activity area is sure to be a hot spot at camp.

Of course there is more, but we are going to save that for you when you arrive in July...

DON'T MISS THESE TWO GREAT OPPORTUNITIES!

Back by popular demand, we will once again be offering all campers the chance to participate in our Specialty Sports Clinics in both Soccer and Lacrosse. Recognized as the industry leaders in youth sports training, Coastal Soccer and DLT Lacrosse will once again return to camp to host our 2-day clinics.



In addition, we will once again be offering our Senior Campers / CIT's the opportunity to become certified American Red Cross Lifeguards while at camp. This is truly an incredible certification that you can use for years to come.

Both programs are available to eligible campers at no additional cost – make sure to enroll for the Specialty Sports Clinics through our “Parent Dashboard” and keep an eye on your inbox for lifeguard information as well.



**American
Red Cross**

A SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT DENNIS



As many of you know, Dennis McGinnis has been our facilities director since the start of Iroquois Springs 11 years ago. Dennis has single-handedly built camp into one of the top camp facilities in the entire northeast. Since the day we met Dennis 11 years ago, we knew he would be the person to take care of the camp all year long. Dennis has worked tirelessly and his expert craftsmanship shows in everything he does and we are forever grateful for everything he has done. What has stood above everything is his love of Iroquois Springs and the care he takes in everything he does. He cares deeply about the experience our campers and staff has each summer.

In the middle of the winter, he is up at dawn to plow snow and shovel roads. He anticipates things that we may not have thought about. We all enjoy all the facilities and building that he has helped to create and make safe for our use.

One of the many qualities we admire about Dennis is his “smarts”. In anticipation of one day looking to slow down his work load, Dennis was smart enough to hire his son Tim, who has now been with us for several years – carefully watching and learning from Dennis, the fine art of taking care of Iroquois Springs. We are in very, very capable hands with Tim – he has learned his craft well and even has brought some new things to Iroquois Springs since he has been with us. As Dennis starts to wind down his time at camp, we wanted to thank him for everything he has done. He is not the type of person who will be looking for this praise, but it is very well-deserved. THANKS!





ANNOUNCING 2011 EXPLORERS CAMP!



Come explore the world of overnight camp!

Explorers: Future campers who will be entering the 2nd through 5th grades in September 2011. The program is strictly limited to 24 boys and 24 girls.

Dates: Saturday, July 30th at 11:00am until Sunday, July 31st at 4:00pm

Program: Get a chance to explore what an Iroquois Springs camper enjoys each day throughout the summer. This is a terrific way to discover what Iroquois Springs is all about before the 2012 summer. You will be instantly transformed into an Iroquois Springs camper for life! This unique, well-rounded program centers around each camper gaining independence and confidence by learning to give and take in the camp setting.

Cost: \$150 per camper, including transportation and t-shirts. This will be credited towards any camper who enrolls for camp in 2012.

Call the camp office for registration details or enroll on-line at:

<http://www.iroquoissprings.com/explorers>

Don't forget to say hello to all of our Explorers from last summer who have decided to return to camp for a full session this summer - we are so proud of you all!

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

We are thrilled to welcome the following new campers to the Iroquois Springs family!

Adriel Aiach
Zachary Blicksilver
Alessandro Cipolla
Danielle Feldman
Ethan Frey
Jack Garbus
Samantha Garbus
Caroline Gerla
Griffin Goldstock
Philippe Halaban
Kacey Hamlin
Jake Henkin
Sam Henkin
Danielle Jacoby
Emily Knobloch

Paris, France
Sands Point, NY
Milano, Italy
New York, NY
Larchmont, NY
Valhalla, NY
Valhalla, NY
Mamaroneck, NY
Liberty, NY
Livingston, NJ
Ossining, NY
Holmdel, NJ
Holmdel, NJ
Briarcliff Manor, NY
Frankfurt, Germany

Danny Kosofsky
Lilian Krumholz
Dylan Leipzig
Parker Leipzig
Ryan Lessing
Jacob Lustig
Jonathan Mandelbaum
Guido Meazza
Lizz Meyer
Alena Nitti
Lauren Peacock
Jesse Popper
Lily Rodino
Maya Theodoros
Miles Theodoros

Great Neck, NY
Frankfurt, Germany
Upper Saddle River, NJ
Upper Saddle River, NJ
Great Neck, NY
Westport, CT
New Rochelle, NY
Milano, Italy
Devon, PA
Short Hills, NJ
Livingston, NJ
Rye Brook, NY
Livingston, NJ
New York, NY
New York, NY

APRIL

Danielle Moskowitz 1
 Liana Sasloff 1
 Sydney Abelow 3
 Brooke Arnold 3
 Lindsay Kantor 3
 Mollie Keller 3
 Chase Kirshner 3
 Bailey Levin 4
 Matthew Orfinger 4
 Larsen Talmadge 4
 Brandon Bessen 6
 Amanda Cohen 7
 Giulia Dal Pont 7
 Julia Bretschneider 8
 Sasha Clarick 8
 Rachel Mann 8
 Eli Wiener 8
 Dylan Sturdevant 9
 Chloe Greenstein 10
 Hannah Leshman 10
 Danielle Jacoby 11
 Gabi Sheybani 11
 Matthew Gillam 12
 Jenna Greenstein 13
 Jenna Kirsch 13
 Nicole Hirsch 14
 Emily Karmel 15
 Olivia Rosner 15
 Lauren Zolit 15
 Tess Condron 16
 Ilana Cooperman 16
 Jenna Montag 16
 Matthew Sanders 16
 Bethany Sattler 16
 Ben White 17
 Alexander Hellman 18
 Camryn Silber 18
 Zachary Silverhardt 18
 Chelsey Cohen 19
 Jack Garbus 19
 Kacey Hamlin 19
 Aidan Gross 20
 Jessie Levy 20
 Olivia Stack 21
 Taylor Rosenberg 22
 Maxence Mahe 23
 Allie Mollo 23
 Dylan Seymour 23
 Jennifer Lessick 24
 Julia Burk 25
 Allison Levy 25
 Annie Radin 25
 Alina Tucker 25
 Danielle Carley 26
 Gabrielle Deutch 26
 Ali Luchs 28
 Jamie Lerner 29
 Carli Mager 29

MAY

Jordan Heinlein 1
 Samuel Orlin 1
 Cayla Bamberger 2
 Olivia Coughlin 2
 Emily Pacicca 2
 Eric Maurer 3
 Alexander Bondorowsky 4
 Emma Lubrano 4
 Rachel Leibowitz 5
 Mason Kleiner 6
 Jonathan Mandelbaum 6
 Ryan Levy 7
 Hannah Nassau 7
 Jamie Dugal 8
 Elise Masters 8
 Rachel Fein 9
 Daniel Hug 10
 Allie Pollack 10
 Matthew Santola 10
 Lindsey Scheiner 10
 Jamie Warrack 11
 Mark Schachter 13
 Alexandra Rood 14
 Emma Schorr 14
 Jason Vitrit 15
 Abigail Lustig 16
 Matthew Bretschneider 17
 Jacob Lustig 17
 Troy Stein 17
 Thomas Chason 18
 Jessica Miller 18
 Malcolm Pakola 18
 Kaitlyn Dugal 19
 Emma Kops 19
 Ryane Lake 19
 Morgan Sturdevant 19
 Daniel Cohen 20
 Olivia Mayo 20
 Olivia Stupp 21
 Katharine Berman 22
 Danielle Kroll 23
 Alyson Givre 24
 Nicholas Kestenbaum 24
 Julia Spenser 24
 Zachary Silverman 25
 Ryan Abfier 26
 Daniel Hold 26
 Carly Polkowitz 26
 Abigail Saltzman 26
 Charlotte Saltzman 26
 Amanda Werman 26
 Jenna Grossbarth 28
 Michael Grossbarth 28
 Isabella Beltran 29
 Jamie Berkenblit 29
 Benjamin Chason 29
 Jillian Cohen 29
 Samantha Morton 29
 Cara Raderman 29

JUNE

Skylar Cooperman 1
 Ethan Gilman 1
 Camryn Lessing 1
 Daniel Ross 1
 Griffin Goldstock 2
 Skylar Holden 2
 Aaron Johnson 2
 Danny Kosofsky 2
 Gabrielle Egol 3
 Russell Kleiner 3
 Daniel Berger 4
 Samantha Garbus 4
 Dylan Schorr 4
 Hallie Brown 6
 Sam Parmett 8
 Noah Sokaler 9
 Ben Katz 10
 Merideth Feinstein 11
 Madison Hoffman 12
 Abigail Vetrone 12
 Ryan Lessing 14
 Sarah Bernstein 15
 Meredith Scheiner 15
 Zachary Karger 16
 Alexis Karmel 17
 Rebecca Millman 17
 Skyler Rowe 17
 Harrison Kaiser 19
 Joshua Kestenbaum 19
 Jessie Kirschner 19
 Matthew Kutner 19
 Zachary Saltzman 19
 Andrew Speelman 19
 Christopher Lynch 23
 James Lynch 23
 Abraham Frankel 24
 Abby Johnson 24
 Alexis Moskowitz 24
 Jack Nassau 24
 Ali Greenstein 25
 Jessica Lamazor 25
 Allison Diamond 26
 Jason Katz 27
 Zoe Michaelson 28
 Samantha Orfinger 28
 Jesse Popper 28
 Taylor Sardoff 28
 Jessica Bristow 29
 Samantha Singer 29
 Alessandro Cipolla 30
 Daniel Goldstein 30
 Jenna Trainor 30
 Jack Wilkow 30

**HAPPY
 BIRTHDAY!**

MEDIA MATTERS

Camp is just around the corner, and that means tons of new tech is coming online to keep you connected! By now you've already logged on to our new **Parent Dashboard** to fill out spring forms - don't forget your password, because soon you'll be able to schedule your summer phone calls from the Dashboard too! Check your inbox for more information soon.

The new Iroquois Springs promotional video is finally done and online! You can check it out at www.iroquoissprings.com/video. You might just see you or someone you know! Thanks to all the staff and campers who contributed to help tell the Iroquois Springs story!

DON'T FORGET TO PACK...

Every day in camp should be a special one and we want to make sure you get the most from every experience this summer. While packing for camp, here are a few things not to forget:

- White T-Shirt or Pillow Case to Tie-Dye
- Cloz Anywhere Chair (Available from CLOZ Catalog)
- Crazy / Fun Hat for "Crazy Hat Day"
- Football Jersey for Monday Night Football on Boys Side
- Musical Instrument (if you play one and want to "jam" during camp)
- Halloween Costume (yes, we celebrate Halloween during the summer)
- An Outfit for Banquet Night

Of course, a full packing list can be found inside the front cover of your CLOZ Catalog or on our website.

IROQUOIS SPRINGS ENTERS A TEAM FOR CAMP GAMES FOR A CAUSE - HELP US!

The American Camp Association, New York and New Jersey is excited to announce the first annual Camp Games for a Cause fundraiser. CGC will bring together hundreds of camp alumni and friends that are 17 and older from top camps, to raise money for a wonderful cause.

Proceeds from Camp Games for a Cause will provide low income children with positive summer camp experiences through scholarships, trainings and program support.



Participants will unite with camp friends and compete in a day full of traditional "Camp Color War" type events including basketball shootouts, tug-of-war, sing-offs, wacky relays and much more! Gather your friends for this all day fundraising event filled with games, food and of course, plenty of camp spirit!!!

Help support the Iroquois Springs, Camp Games for a Cause Team and raise money for a wonderfully worthy cause.

Visit www.iroquoissprings.com/campgamesforacause to find out more!



INTRODUCING CAMP NETWORK

We hope you had the chance to tune into the first ever webinar on iroquoissprings.com/tv on April 26th to watch our interactive discussion: "Helping Your Child Have a Successful Camp Experience" hosted by Laurie Oestreich, L.C.S.W. For those of you who might have missed it, please log on to our website to gain access to this great webinar.



The Camp Network was designed to provide informative webinars, articles and additional resources to our camp families as you prepare your children and yourselves for camp. We are committed to "partnering" with you, as parents in any way possible to help you prepare for camp. We think this is a special opportunity and a great way to start that process. Look for more Camp Network happenings in future newsletters and e-mail blasts.

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DATES TO REMEMBER



Office Opens in Rock Hill	Thursday, May 12th
New Family Orientation	Sunday, May 15th
Area Pickup for IS Baggage Service	Sunday, June 26th
Opening Day	Saturday, July 2nd
Visiting Day	Saturday, July 16th
Session #1 Ends	Friday, July 22nd
Session #2 Begins	Saturday, July 23rd
Senior Trip To Boston	Sun., July 31st - Weds., Aug 3rd
Campers Return Home	Friday, August 12th