



**WINTER 2008
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A NOTE FROM MARK AND LAURA

It was so great for us to see everyone at the camp reunion – it was our best turnout we have had in the eight years of Iroquois Springs history and the buzz and excitement in the room was second to none. We hope you have had a chance to take a look at the video yearbook and slideshow and relive what was an amazing summer for all of us.

In our house we could barely sleep the night before the reunion, and the excitement that morning driving up to New Rochelle was overwhelming – we all felt that for that period of time, even if it was only a few hours together we were back in camp and the spirit, friendship and connection we all have together was back – amazing how camp has this incredible effect on so many.

As we watched both campers and parents reconnect with one another after a few months, it is hard to truly describe the essence of camp until you experience it. It's not words that can describe it – it's smiles, laughter, hugs, winks and a feeling that we are all part of something.....something big – that something is the Iroquois Springs community that we are all an integral part of - something that we all created together.

We are counting down the days until we move back up to camp and get another season rolling. Before you know it, we will be together again in Rock Hill.

We wanted to take this opportunity to wish all of you a wonderful holiday season, one filled with joy, good health and happiness from our family to yours.



*With Love,
Mark and Laura*

Countdown to Camp
178 days
from Jan. 1

BOYS SIDE STUFF with Josh Bogard

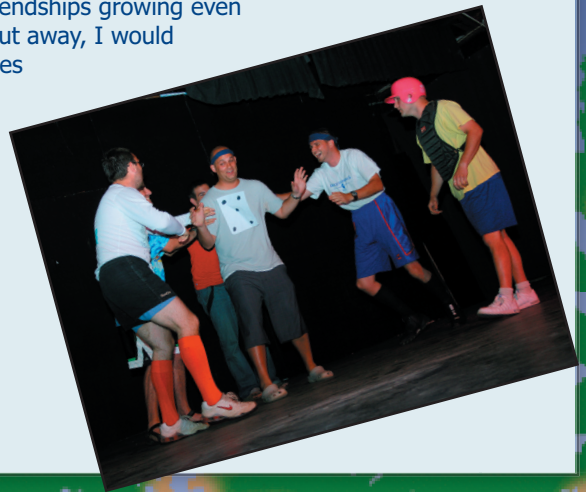
It certainly seemed to me that a great time was had by all at the reunion! The camp reunion is always one of my favorite days of the winter because we get to see so many old friends reunite. Watching many of you come with your pillows and overnight bags from your sleepover party always brings a smile to my face. We always say that your camp friends are your closest friends and you guys continually prove that. I know that two hundred days may sound like a long time but we will be back in Rock Hill before we know it.

As always, I enjoy hearing all of your favorite memories and funny stories from the summer. I heard some great memories about all of the fun times you had with your bunkmates and counselors. It was also awesome to see so many of our campers' siblings hanging out with us as well this year. You guys are going to make great campers in the near future. It is always great to hang out with your friends and I look forward to your friendships growing even stronger this summer. As the winter begins and our shorts and t-shirts are put away, I would like to wish everyone an enjoyable holiday season. I look forward to the buses pulling into camp and starting another summer at Iroquois Springs. The summer of 2009 has new and exciting things in store for all of us.

On another note, it was certainly great for Rosie and I to share our great news of having a baby with everyone. Your warm wishes and genuine caring about us is what makes Iroquois Springs such a special family. We look forward to being in camp with Baby Bogard this summer and in the years to come.

Until then, study hard and do all your homework.

Josh



GIRLS SIDE GAB with Rosie Bogard

It was great seeing everyone at the camp reunion. It made me even more excited for this upcoming summer. We have so much to look forward to as the cold, winter months approach. I know I am looking forward to warm weather, evening activities, sports, girls side, trips, S'MORES and more.

I loved hearing all your camp memories and how often you think about camp and get together with your camp friends. It was so exciting to see all the JC's walk around the reunion with all of you; they were so excited to see you. As we plan for next summer, I will make sure to continue focusing on making Girls Side the place to be in 2009. We will have even bigger and better Big/Little sister events, more exciting line-ups, and of course our divisional activities will continue to grow. Whether this is your first time at camp or your sixth summer at camp, Iroquois Springs is a magical place where you will continue to make lasting friendships, experience new activities, and collect a lifetime of memories. I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year...and let the count down begin....and remember continue to be nice to your family and friends...A smile goes a long way...

Stay warm during these winter months...before we know it you will hear me reminding you to put on sunscreen a million times a day...

Rosie



NOTES FROM BUBBA'S CLIPBOARD

Another reunion has come and gone, but the memories we all shared, the smiles, hugs and excitement will stay with us forever. The cold winter is upon us now, but knowing that another summer at camp is not too far away helps to warm our bodies as we look forward to another summer filled with new friends, memories and great camp experiences.

This is the time of year that staff recruiting is turned into high gear. We are busy searching high and low for outstanding staff to come and share the magic Iroquois Springs offers us all. But, before we hire our new staff, we try to bring back as many old faces as possible. Here is a list of staff that have already told us they will be returning to camp for another great summer in '09:

Emily Ackroyd	Marina Ferreira	Logan Link	Mike Sapia
Heather Adams	Sarah Fitzgerald	Lucas Loya	Levent Selekoglu
Danielia Barron	Kimberly Foley	Scott Lybarger	Leah Sider
Taylor Bennett	Krista Follett	Daniel Lybarger	Benjamin Simon
Melanie Bergstedt	Yve Fouladi	Robert Maes	Emily Smith
Ari Bisk	Dylan Frand	Ellen Mager	Gabrielle Spector
Josh Bogard	Danielle Giglio	Melissa Mann	Andrea Spector
Rosanne Bogard	Lindsay Goldberg	Nicole McDonough	Sheila Talansky
Zachary Brailey	Ethan Greenberg	Brendt Mendelblatt	Paul Titley
Matt Cavagnaro	Kathleen Greene	Benjamin Merritt	Anya Tucker
Lori Chaytor	Esta Greenstein	Fred Miller	Ender Ulu
Zachary Clark	Colin Hamilton	Joshua Nathan	Miriam Upshall
Maria Cuomo	Laura Hernandez	Allison Organ	Simon Wade
Drew Dalton	Jessica Hull	Bridget Owen	Jenna Wallshein
Steven Davis	Christopher Johnson	Gabrielle Peyton	Vanessa Warren
Cynthia Dickson	Albert Kadosh	Lindsay Reid	Larry Wilensky
Anna DuBose	Sean Kelly	Chris Rhead	Evan Williams
Jae Dunphy	Ron Kestenbaum	John Riskas	Emily Young
Hamish Elliott	Daniel "CJ" King	Samantha Romoff	Rachel Zeiger
Warren Famiglietti	John Korevec	Samantha Rosenstock	
Brianne Ferguson	Starr Lederer	Gary Ross	

We still have a long list of staff that have said "maybe" for next summer, they still need a bit more time to make a decision, however I know from experience, the list above is sure to grow. I know you will all agree, we are headed for another awesome summer with happy campers and great staff!

Enjoy the holiday season and stay warm – looking forward to sharing another great summer together soon.

Bubba

REUNION RECAP



The 8th Annual Camp Reunion was marked once again with great success. We had another incredible turnout and were so happy to see campers and their families who made the trip from as far as Colorado, Florida, Pennsylvania and Maryland to share the morning with camp friends. Watching many of you come in with your overnight bags from your sleepover the night before brings back such great camp memories. It almost makes you feel as though we were all back in Rock Hill together for the start of another great summer.

Speaking of great feelings, what could be better than walking through Fun Fuzion and seeing the look on each one of your faces when you had the chance to reunite with your camp friends. For that moment in time, it makes us all realize that we are so lucky to be able to experience camp and have the opportunity to do something so special each summer.

I think you will agree, Fun Fuzion seems to be an awesome venue for our reunion each winter. The pictures say it all! Make sure you take some time to visit the Iroquois Springs website and check out all of the great pictures from the reunion.



MEDIA MATTERS

Even during the winter, the I.S. Media Department is hard at work, making improvements based on your feedback from last summer. The 'e-mail blasts' we introduced last year turned out to be a big hit, with over 400 people signing up to receive notification when new pictures and videos were posted.



One thing a lot of people asked for was an easy way to save your favorite pictures, and to be able to share those with family and friends. Well, we're happy to announce that starting next summer, you can do just that. It's called I.S. Summer Site Favorites, and we think you're really going to like it. You can try it now by going to the Summer Site, and clicking on "My Favorites" on the top of the page. Try it out and let us know what you think, by sending your feedback at media@iroquoissprings.com.

We have a few other surprises in store, so look to the Spring newsletter for more exciting announcements!

FOOD, GLORIOUS FOOD

Super Seniors & CITs - We know with a later curfew you can get hungry at night and sometimes you would like some late-night eats – not just snacks at the canteen, but FOOD. This summer our plan is to have some late night snacks - things like pizza, wings, nachos, etc. served at the dining room a few nights each week. This is a special treat, something reserved for our super seniors and CIT campers! It will become a camp tradition for summers to come – something all our younger campers can look forward to.



So a few nights each week – hang out with friends at the dining room, eat some treats and socialize a little before heading back to your cabin for the night. We are excited about this and think this is something our oldest campers have been asking for over the past few summers – we don't have a teen lounge, but now campers can hang with each other and get something to eat.

Send us an email if you have some idea of what you think this should be called – everything at camp has a special name, or if you have some ideas of what you would like to see served at our late night snack – but no sushi!

JANUARY

Justin Schumacher	1
Alec Ash	2
Emily Levine	2
Matthew Morris	3
Emma Schildkraut	3
Michelle Hartog	4
Jonathan Kopf	4
Maleeha Chida	5
Logan Lott	6
Zoe Metz	6
Mollie Wolfe	6
Jaime Kaiser	7
Griffin Schwab	7
Maya Schumer	8
Jordan Drapkin	9
Nicole Eisenberg	9
Katherine Rau	10
Jason Volk	10
Rachel Harmon	12
Jason Travers	12
Hannah Luchs	13
Brandon Nimberger	13
Sydney Carus	14
Michael Roberts	14
Amanda Cappelli	15
Sydney Chason	18
Marlon Dixon	18
Melissa Holzberg	18
Casey Peacock	18
Paula Weissenberg	18
Michael Frank	19
Tyler Pollack	19
Benji Stoll	20
Zoey Michaels	21
Mohona Siddiqi	21
Andrew Silverhardt	21
Halle Goldberg	23
Alyssa Kopf	24
Jessica Zodicoff	24
Jake Atlas	25
Alexandra Berman	25
Daisy Poliandro	25
Eden Schumer	25
Rachel Dickson	26
Brian Pfeffer	26
Jordana Karger	27
Brooke Rose	28
Jamie Goldstein	29
Adam Hershaft	29
Jason Hershaft	29
Samantha Atlas	30
Andrew Fink	30
Justin Diamond	31
Alexandra Katz	31

FEBRUARY

Hannah Fouladi	1
Josh Roberts	1
Matt Roberts	1
Nicole Drayzen	2
Amanda Edwards	2
Adam Hanford	2
Shane Rose	2
Nicole Waxner	2
Kyle Brambani	4
Matthew Milner	5
Nicole Steiner	5
Rachel Geffner	7
Zachary Geffner	7
Jessica McDonough	7
Justin Shulman	7
Loren Spera	7
Logan Grossman	8
Jonathan Stransky	8
Rachel Brenner	9
Ariane Crummer	9
Sari Sosnick	9
Taylor Dworkin	10
Josh Greenberg	11
Alex Kestenbaum	11
Tori Kroll	11
Jack Staub	11
Jake Lynch	12
Jillian Biener	13
Emily Staub	14
Harrison Barr	15
Emma Blancher	15
Julia Dunetz	16
Kellie Spector	16
Andrew Spera	16
Justin Lott	18
Charlie Spector	18
Tobi Charnizon	22
Alexander Krostich	22
Jack Watkins	22
Max Wollman	22
Joshua Beron	23
Jordan Evar	23
Eric Kaufmann	23
Jordyn Cohen	24
Hannah Matusow	25
Daniel Hirsch	26
Sammie Spector	26
Brady Condon	27
Jordan Hirschhorn	27
Matthew Newfield	27
Roy Tal	27
Sarah Wish	28

MARCH

Jacob Levy	1
Ariella Kuhl	2
Gabriela Parsons	2
Ethan Kuhl	3
Carly Brensilber	4
Austin Forman	4
Elayna Barmak	5
Jenna Forman	5
Jason Shackman	5
Hannah Barr	7
Abbi Leighton	7
Josh Radin	7
Silvie Saltzman	7
Spencer Hoddeson	8
Jaclyn Rose	8
Marcy Cohen	9
Paige Kerman	9
Megan Landau	9
Julianne Salerno	9
Lauren Alpert	10
Jackson Berner	10
Jeremy Martin	11
Jessica Ostroff	11
Stephanie Schiff	11
Morgan Ness	12
Lauren Tufano	12
Cory Bierman	14
Julia Deriu	14
Zachary Saklad	14
Sarah Della fave	15
Julia Moss	15
Brandon Schumacher	17
Jeremy Becker	18
Jason Rubenstein	18
Samantha Goldstein	20
Nicole Kerman	20
Zachary Seymour	20
Nicole Axelrod	21
Ross Dunayer	21
Amie Diamond	22
Robert Mitchell	22
Kate Klaschka	23
Anna Dal Pont	24
Matthew Dacher	25
Jenna Wollin	25
Alison Chafitz	26
Sophie Eisenbud	26
Rachel Gutschmit	26
Amanda Steinberg	26
Evan Plotkin	27
Max Watkins	27
Zachary Birzon	29
Nyasia DeWaal	29
Andrew Hochler	29
Matthew Zeiger	29

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

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

Skylar Cooperman	<i>Mendham, NJ</i>
Jared Cooperman	<i>Mendham, NJ</i>
Justin Levine	<i>Rye Brook, NY</i>
Tyler Pollack	<i>Irvington, NY</i>
Natalia Ryzak	<i>New York City, NY</i>
Noah Yahney	<i>Bellmore, NY</i>
Rebecca Millman	<i>Scarsdale, NY</i>
Melissa Levine	<i>New City, NY</i>
Sarah Bernstein	<i>Commack, NY</i>

MEMBERSHIP REWARDS

After working closely with representatives at American Express, we are pleased to let you know that we can now accept AMEX credit cards for your camp payments.

We know many of our camp families have asked for this service for a number of years and we are thrilled that we have been able to provide this for you. If you would like to change your credit card on file to AMEX, give the office a call and we would be happy to assist you. We also can set you up with our auto-pay system where we can use your pre-determined credit card for all payments.



Give our office a call if you have any questions – we are here to help you.

Senior Trip 2009 - Washington, DC

Senior campers (entering grades 8 – 11) will have the opportunity to enroll for the 3-night / 4-day trip to Washington DC & Alexandria, VA taking place July 26 – 29, 2009.

Our outstanding trip highlights some of these attractions and more:

- Baltimore's Inner Harbor
- Washington National's Game
- King's Dominion
- Smithsonian Museums
- National Monument & Vietnam Memorial Tour
- Ghost Tour in Old Towne Alexandria

Detailed registration and enrollment information will be sent to you separately, make sure to look for it after the New Year.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROCK HILL

It certainly is cold and snowy most days in Rock Hill this time of the year – that is not slowing down Dennis and Tim McGinnis, our facility directors. They get after it every day and the theater is already starting to take shape for its new look for this summer. So far the bathrooms have been renovated and the beautiful knotty pine paneling is starting to go on the walls. When it is complete the theater will be transformed into a brand new facility, complete with brand new professional quality sound and lighting systems, video capability, new ceiling and building lighting. We are excited about having the theater now at the standard of the rest of our facility.

In the spring all our athletic courts will be getting a brand new paint job – fresh color coating and lines on all our athletic courts will make all the courts look sharp and ready for extra-hard play this summer. The spring will also bring new changes to the front of our dining room – new landscaping and pathways to enter the dining room where we will be creating a “grove” seating area in front of the main entrance to the dining room.

We will continue to keep you posted on these projects; perhaps even a few pictures will make its way into the next newsletter.



THE GREENING OF I.S.

This time last year we reported that Iroquois Springs was going to introduce new initiatives to make camp a little greener. We are pleased to share with you what worked and what we plan to implement in 2009. During this past summer, our office used recycled paper to print all of the camper emails which there was more than one or two of. As you may know, our office is a very busy place where a lot of paper is generated so we made a conscious effort to recycle all of this paper. It took a lot of hard work, but our office staff did a great job.

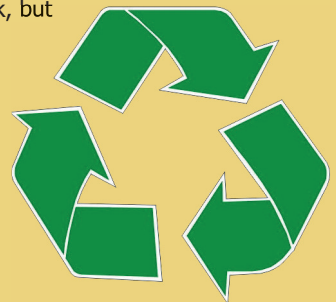
Our food service staff was responsible for recycling all cardboard that came into the kitchen. Feeding so many means lots of boxes, but the staff did a terrific job and a dumpster full of cardboard left camp every week!

In our dining hall we took a giant step in reducing the amount of Styrofoam in camp by replacing the Styrofoam cups with washable mugs.

Finally, we continue to replace our light bulbs with energy efficient light bulbs that will last for many years.

Looking ahead to 2009 we would like to branch out and expand the recycling of paper and other products by using our older campers and CIT's to play a role in introducing new initiatives. We are planning to collect and recycle all of the old camper emails from the bunks and collect aluminum cans at our banquets. All that and more to follow!

It is our feeling that by modeling environmentally friendly practices, our campers will become increasingly more sensitive to these issues and gain an understanding of the importance of protecting our planet through the concept of 'Reduce, Reuse and Recycle'.



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DATES TO REMEMBER



CLOZ Catalog Mailed (Camp Outfitters)	January 15th
Spring Mailing	February 1st
Tri-State Camp Conference (Office Closed)	Tuesday, March 17th to Friday, March 20th
Camper Forms Due	Wednesday, April 15th
Office Opens in Rock Hill	Thursday, May 14th
New Family Orientation	Sunday, May 17th
Opening Day	Sunday, June 28th
Visiting Day	Saturday, July 11th
Session #1 Ends	Saturday, July 18th
Session #2 Begins	Sunday, July 19th
Campers Return Home	Saturday, August 8th