



WINTER 2012 EDITION

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A NOTE FROM MARK AND LAURA

It was great seeing everyone at the Camp Reunion on December 4th. It was clear we had our best turnout ever, having people travel far and wide from places like Colorado, Florida, Maryland and Pennsylvania, as well as a few surprise guest staff members who couldn't stay away. We always ask ourselves... how great it is to be able to experience all the "camp energy" again....so many of us together again in one place just having a great time, and reliving the memories and rekindling the bonds and friendships that exist "only at camp". There really is nothing like the spirit and energy the Iroquois Springs gang can create....it truly is contagious. We are all so lucky!

When we returned home from the reunion, we ran to the TV to put the 2011 video yearbook into the DVD player, popped some popcorn and sat together and watched what was another terrific summer together. Our eyes opened wide and our smiles filled our faces as we watched and reflected on all we accomplished together in 2011. It was amazing to watch that DVD and see all the things that happened each day; to watch friendships form, activities flourish; the staff who cares for us, and the spirit that grows daily is what it really is all about. What a great summer!

We also took a breath and looked back at what has been ELEVEN incredible years of Iroquois Springs, since we bought the camp. It is hard to believe how quickly the time has passed. We have seen so many of our campers and staff grow up before our eyes. We are so proud of Iroquois Springs, eleven years later. Iroquois Springs has become an amazing community of campers and staff who respect and care about one another and look forward to returning to Rock Hill each summer more than almost anything else. Our reputation of taking great care of our campers and providing an incredible experience with our mature, well-trained staff has been unsurpassed. This is no small feat, and it happened because we have had the most wonderful camp families and staff members out there, who have believed in what Iroquois Springs is all about - Thank you!

We are proud of the top-notch facility that camp has become, with every cabin newly renovated, a new dining room, new health center, new administration building, new ball fields, renovated theater, field house, movie theater, dance studio, etc.- Iroquois Springs has really taken off!

Most importantly, camp is about the people, and we are so proud of our campers, who have really grown in so many other ways, they are more self-confident, they are better friends, or better siblings or better children, and they are better people because the camp experience helps them to develop themselves and take risks in a warm, supportive, caring environment with staff that is there for their challenges and triumphs. What a great eleven years it's been and we can't wait for the next 20 to see where it all goes! Thanks for being a part of it!

Wishing everyone a wonderful holiday season, and a very Happy and Healthy New Year.

*With Love,
Mark and Laura*



Countdown To Camp

★ 150 days ★

From February 1st

BOYS SIDE STUFF

with Josh Bogard

I woke up today and put on my sweater, hat and gloves and thought, "Can't it just be summer already?" With camp starting in less than 200 days I know that we will all be back together in Rock Hill before we know it. The camp reunion was a blast, but it's only a small taste of what is in store for the summer of 2012. I am continually impressed by the true friendships that have been created as a result of our time at Iroquois Springs. Watching boys and girls of all ages run across the room to hug and high five each other was a pleasure to watch at the reunion. You all had great stories to share about camp and everything that has happened since. I had such a great time listening to all of you. The constant theme in all of these stories was strong friendships. I hope that you guys all make time to see each other over the next few months and share your favorite memories of the summer of 2011. Gaining true friends that you trust and that can trust you is something that should not be taken for granted and I love that we all get to experience this together.

I want everyone to remember the last night of camp that we spent down by the lake. We spoke about friendship, commitment, memories, leaving your comfort zone and then sang the 2011 alma maters. Iroquois Springs is the place where all of these wonderful experiences happen and this year's alma maters certainly expressed these themes in their lyrics. These songs come on the radio and I am immediately brought back to our magical place in Rock Hill. This is what is so amazing about Iroquois Springs. The experiences that we create, share and laugh about is something that nobody can ever take away. The memories bring us right back to the patch of grass on which they took place. These memories are ours and they should always be cherished.

Boys side is looking strong for the summer of 2012. We have a strong amount of returning campers and a nice bunch of new campers as well. I look forward to all of us hanging out together during this upcoming summer. Your Group Leaders and counselors are already working on new events for our side of camp that I will share with you in our next newsletter. All I can say is... Sharpen your football combine skills and begin to prepare your Facebook messages for line-up because the summer of 2012 will be here before we know it. I am counting down the days until I can gas up the grill and start barbecuing already.

All the best, **JOSH**



GIRLS SIDE GAB

with Rosie Bogard

Hope everyone is doing well. It was so great seeing everyone at the camp reunion. Hope you had as much fun as I did. I used to love going to my camp reunion. It was something I looked forward to as soon as I got home from camp. I loved reconnecting with all my friends and counselors. This year, I was so proud to hear how everyone was doing in school. Enjoy the rest of the school year, continue to do the best that you can do and please remember to always BE NICE.

As I was driving home, I was thinking about how lucky I am to be able to go back to camp every summer and relive some of my fondest camp memories. Much of your school year is jam packed with studying, after school activities, computers, cell phones and more. There is something to be said that we get to spend our summers enjoying the outdoors, playing sports, learning new skills, participating in arts and crafts, cooking and more, and of course making new friends. We are so lucky that we get to spend our summers at Iroquois Springs. During this holiday time, it is important to remember how fortunate we all are. There are many kids out there that do not get the same opportunities that we have, so remember how lucky you are that you get to spend your summers at camp. This time of year, I find myself remembering how fortunate I am to have such a great family, a job I love and I get to spend my summers with you. I hope that everyone is doing well and had a great vacation. Happy New Year!

"Together we can change the world, one good deed at a time."

Happy New Year Everyone!
ROSIE

NOTES FROM BUBBA'S CLIPBOARD



We all love to see those familiar faces on day # 1 when we step off the bus and enter the gates into camp.

Whether it's old friends or returning staff, there is a comfort in knowing that some of the same people are back to share in the magic that makes Iroquois Springs such a special place in all of our hearts.

Here is a list of the staff who have already said "yes" to returning to camp in 2012:

Leigh Aicher	Phyllis Dodd	Albert Kadosh	Leah "Aquatics" Sider
Melanie Bergstedt	Ffion "A & C" Evans	Ron Kestenbaum	Zach Sider
Ari "Soccer" Bisk	Warren Famiglietti	Evan Kopf	Corey Sider
Karen Blitz	Yve Fouladi	Wesley Laga	Scott Silverman
Josh Bogard	John "The Baker" Fountain	Scott Luchs	Jonathan Simpson
Rosanne Bogard	Michael "Midge" Francis	Scott Lybarger	Jannie Slone
Lori "Cooking" Bright	Lauren Gerber	Ellen "Program" Mager	Perri Spector
Jeff "Baseball" Caspi	William Gladstone	Robyn Martin	Andrea Spector
Geraldine Catania	Jessica Glaswand	Elisabeth Maurer	Allen Talansky
"Media" Matt Cavagnaro	Esta Greenstein	Nicole McDonough	Sheila Talansky
Kevin Chason	Colin "Colio" Hamilton	Fred Miller	Ben "Theater" Theobald
Marcy Cohen	Don Hamlin	Bonnie Miller-Ethe	Brendan "Security" Thomas
Adam Coopersmith	June Hartman	Matt Morris	Paul Titley
Andrew Cowan	Tara "Fitness" Hartman	Ana Orozco	Anya "A & C" Tucker
Richard Dacher	Edward Hill	Marton Retvarl	Hollie Ware
Drew Dalton	Jessica Hirschhorn	Alex Reyes	Phelim White
Allison Davis	Sarah Holzberg	Luis Rodriguez Vargas	Larry "Lah" Wilensky
Steve "Athletics" Davis	Harry Hughes-Davies	Leonardo Colmenares	Evan "Tennis" Williams
Erman Demirci	Gina Xiao Jing	Stacy Rozansky	Jenna Wollin
Kerim Dere	Logan "Basketball" Jones	Jack Sanders	Dylan Young

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 am sure you will all agree, we are headed for another awesome summer with happy campers and great staff!

Looking forward to sharing another great summer together soon!

SUMMER 2012 PROGRAM PREVIEW

Did you say hypnotist or magician?...well, this summer; we have a surprise for you. We have seen Brad come to camp and absolutely amaze us with both his hypnosis



show and his magic show, but trying to choose one over the other is always so difficult, so get a load of this. For the first time ever, Brad Henderson will be at camp 2 times this summer and will be spending one entire day running **MAGIC WORKSHOPS** for the Iroquois Springs campers. You will have an opportunity during your elective time to spend an entire period with Brad learning some really cool magic tricks from a true professional. Of course, an evening together watching staff on stage under hypnosis could not

be passed up either, so Brad will be at camp to bring down the house once again with an awesome evening performance. We know these are two programs that will certainly draw some attention this summer.

Of course, with the success over the last 2 summers with our Specialty Sport Clinics in soccer and lacrosse, we will once again be offering these programs at no charge to campers who would like to take their game to the next level and participate in a two-day clinic with top trainers in both sports. We are also hard at work trying to add one more clinic to the mix and will tell you more about it in the next newsletter. Enrollment information will be emailed in the spring time with further details on this summer's offerings.



We truly believe that one of the unique parts of Iroquois Springs is the diversity of our program...there is something for everyone. We are already hard at work trying to think outside the box and finding ways to add even more to our vast array of choices. Could it be a rock band or jam session, maybe Pilates or yoga, how about video production and editing, what do you think? If you have any ideas of new programs you would like to see added to camp, send us a quick email at summers@iroquoissprings.com, we would love to hear from you.

THE I.S. BLOG!

We are excited to be able to offer our Blog on the Iroquois Springs website. The focus of our Blog will be to provide new and important information to parents about camp life, child development, and topics that are all about parenting in the 21st century. We will also occasionally, bring you some inside looks at what happens in the camp office in the off-season, new construction projects or just plain fun stuff about camp.



For the last few months, in preparation for launching this new blog, we have found a variety of articles from experts in various areas to present some new information to you. We think we have found some terrific stuff, and look forward to your input and feedback. Our blog will be authored by Robin Wenczl, who has a masters in counseling and had worked at the American Camp Association (ACA) for several years - she knows camp, and knows what parents are looking for. Her professional focus at the ACA was to help guide parents as they choose a summer camp experience for their children. Most importantly, Robin is a parent of 3 young children, and she can't wait to share with you some of her findings.

Check out the Iroquois Springs blog at:

<http://iroquoissprings.blogspot.com/>



CONGRATS TO SOME VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE

We have some very exciting news to share with you about some of the staff at Iroquois Springs. Let's give a big Iroquois Springs congratulation to Gary Ross and Bridget Owen, who have recently been married. After meeting at camp and dating for several years they decided to get married. Gary works at camp full time as our staff recruiter and as a group leader in the summer, while Bridget was a group leader and our tour director this past summer. We are so happy for you both.

More great news... Josh and Rosie, our wonderful and dynamic boys and girls head counselors are expecting their second child in the spring. We are so excited to be able to welcome another new camper to camp this summer! Olivia cannot wait to be a big sister, and she is excited to welcome her little brother or sister into the world of Blue and Gold! Josh and Rosie are wonderful parents and are so excited to be expanding their family - and we are too! It is always great to have another IS baby at camp.



WINTER REUNION RECAP

The pictures here say it all! Another incredible reunion filled with happy faces and great stories. Thanks to everyone who made the journey from near and far to be with us and relive camp for just a few hours together at Fun Fuzion.

Make sure you take some time to visit the Iroquois Springs website and check out all of the great pictures from the reunion.



JANUARY

Sara Tesser	1
Alec Ash	2
Julia Coughlin	2
Spencer Carus	3
Jonathan Kopf	4
Gabriel Golombek	5
Mollie Wolfe	6
Griffin Schwab	7
Nicole Eisenberg	9
James Gorayeb	9
Carly Orent	9
Zachary Schiffman	10
Amanda Wiseltier	12
Hannah Luchs	13
Brandon Nimberger	13
Sydney Carus	14
Samantha Zaintz	14
Josh Carus	18
Marlon Dixon	18
Melissa Holzberg	18
Casey Peacock	18
Lauren Peacock	18
Rebecca Wallenstein	18
Paula Weissenberg	18
Tyler Pollack	19
Rylee Dubrow	20
Danielle Feldman	20
Benji Stoll	20
Halle Goldberg	23
Samantha Einiger	24
Celia Ginzburg	24
Alyssa Kopf	24
Jessica Zodicoff	24
Jake Atlas	25
Eden Schumer	25
Lola Berger	26
Ruby Berger	26
Rachel Dickson	26
Brian Pfeffer	26
Brooke Rose	28
Jamie Goldstein	29
Adam Hershaft	29
Jason Hershaft	29
Dean Koenig	29
Jackie Pollack	29
Samantha Atlas	30

FEBRUARY

Hannah Fouladi	1
Jack McIntyre	1
Nicole Drayzen	2
Rebecca Simon	2
Zachary Blicksilver	3
Mia Ginzburg	3
Garrett Gold	3
Benjamin Schriever	3
Alison Young	6
Rachel Geffner	7
Jessica McDonough	7
Elena Dal Pont	8
Nicole Rosenzweig	8
Rachel Brenner	9
Sari Sosnick	9
Maya Theodoros	9
Alex Kestenbaum	11
Jack Staub	11
Sammi Rubinstein	12
Ross Brenner	13
Josh Maurer	14
Emily Staub	14
Lauren Rosenberg	15
Ella Kaminsky	16
Jake Lamazor	16
Kellie Spector	16
Zev Hartman	18
Justin Lott	18
Emily Zames	18
Lily Rodino	23
Justin Weiss	25
Jonathan Givre	26
Daniel Hirsch	26
Sammie Spector	26
Sara Lidsky	27
Matthew Newfield	27
Roy Tal Dew	27
Brooke Wallenstein	27
Rachel Wallenstein	27
Any Kornfeld	28
Sarah Wish	28

MARCH

Samantha Kalt	2
Gabriela Parsons	2
Carly Brensilber	4
Austin Forman	4
Emma Lidsky	5
Jason Shackman	5
Sarah Milner	6
Sam Parsons	6
Hannah Barr	7
Josh Radin	7
Zachary Zwerling	7
Egor Kiryushin	8
Adam Golden	9
Olivia Ethe	10
Jessica Ostroff	11
Lauren Tufano	12
Luke Lamazor	13
Melissa Levine	13
Zachary Saklad	14
Alison Meyer	15
Pablo Montes	15
Cole Sussman	15
Dylan Bretschneider	16
Jesse Sattler	19
Samantha Goldstein	20
Nicole Kerman	20
Zachary Seymour	20
Nicole Axelrod	21
Ross Dunayer	21
Willie Nebens	21
Robert Mitchell	22
Kate Klaschka	23
Anna Dal Pont	24
Alison Chafitz	26
Evan Plotkin	27
Lara Bamberger	29
Nicole Newfield	29
Serena Feldman	31

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

WELCOME TO THE FAMILY!

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

(Since our last newsletter)

Rylee Dubrow
Ben Goldberg
Chloe Goldman
Lexie Goldman
Brooke Hirsch
Ella Kaminsky
Egor Kiryushin
Milla Kiryushina
Jane Krauss
Russell Krauss
Alexis Mogensen

Livingston, NJ
Bronx, NY
Chappaqua, NY
Chappaqua, NY
Montebello, NY
Potomac, MD
Moscow, Russia
Moscow, Russia
Westport, CT
Westport, CT
Tenafly, NJ

Willie Nebens
Christopher Patino
Zachary Segal
Alex Shesh
Mollie Sysler
Quinn Wagner
Brandon Weinberg
Emily Zames
Brett Zornberg
Chase Zornberg
Jordan Zornberg

Haworth, NJ
Fort Salonga, NY
Potomac, MD
New York, NY
Short Hills, NJ
Westport, CT
Scotch Plains, NJ
Franklin Lakes, NJ
East Rockaway, NY
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EXPLORERS CAMP 2012

We are proud to announce that once again, we will be offering our Explorers Camp from July 28 – 29, 2012 for campers entering 2nd – 5th grade. Who can forget all of those cute young faces taking part in camp last summer and getting the chance to experience what our traditional campers do each and every day.

We are so happy to report that the following Explorers from 2011 will be joining us this summer as traditional campers:

Ryan Abfier
Alyssa Alperstein
Justin Alperstein
Elana Atlas
Avery Conklin
Olivia Coughlin
Rylee Dubrow
Jessi Finkelstein
Caleb Frey
Jonathan Givre
Julia Glaser
Jane Krauss
Hallie Lancz

Montville, NJ
Reisterstown, MD
Reisterstown, MD
Westport, CT
Livingston, NJ
Livingston, NJ
Livingston, NJ
New York, NY
Larchmont, NY
Melville, NY
Dix Hills, NY
Westport, CT
Potomac, MD

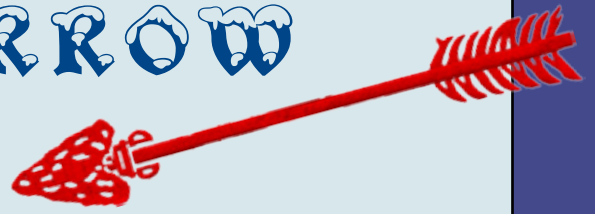
Olivia Lancz
Sara Lidsky
Randi Mendel
Alison Meyer
Willie Nebens
Nicole Newfield
Zachary Ostroff
Jaiden Rowe
Skyler Rowe
Sammi Rubinstein
Zachary Schiffman
Jenna Wiseltier

Potomac, MD
Ringwood, NJ
Cortlandt Manor, NY
Plainview, NY
Haworth, NJ
Commack, NY
Stamford, CT
Millburn, NJ
Millburn, NJ
New York, NY
Irvington, NY
Jericho, NY



THE WINTER ARROW

To date we have had many suggestions as to the location of the arrow, but no one has guessed the correct location just yet. Keep your answers coming, we can't wait to announce a winner to the 1st Annual Winter Arrow Location. Remember, Unlike in Color Week, the "Winter Arrow" can be ANYWHERE in Camp – Indoors or Outdoors, areas both in bounds and off limits. Use your creativity and imagination... you can even search without a counselor.



The first Girls Side and Boys Side campers to correctly name the exact location of the "Winter Arrow" will win a prize for their bunk next summer. Remember to give a detailed description of why you think the "Winter Arrow" is there when you respond.

Send your answers to: summers@iroquoissprings.com and make sure to include your first and last name in the email.

Here is Clue #1:

A stamp of approval is a standing ovation of sorts
A gathering of coins to build the strongest of forts
A prodigious blast from the past from our Casey at the Bat
A slow trot around the bases and a tip of the hat
Noted and shared for all
Elvis Costello paid homage in his special way
For what lies in the shadow of the statue here at Iroquois Springs

Here is Clue #2:

Here today, gone tomorrow?
Day after day, the man with the foolish grin
is keeping perfectly still
Yet spreading the word and muse all around camp
You can hear the waves flow so quickly
traveling at the speed of between the tick and the tock...

CAMPERS FAVORITE RECIPES FROM KITCHEN STADIUM



BLUE MOUNTAIN MILKSHAKE



4 CUPS VANILLA ICE CREAM
4 CUPS MILK
2 CUPS VANILLA YOGURT
4 LARGE BANANAS
3 TSP. VANILLA EXTRACT
8 DROPS OF BLUE FOOD COLORING



Blend all ingredients together in a blender until creamy.
Makes 12 servings.

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DATES TO REMEMBER



CLOZ Catalogs Mailed (Camp Outfitter)	Monday, January 16th
Spring Mailing	Wednesday, February 15th
Tri-State Camp Conference (Office Closed)	Tuesday, March 13th to Friday, March 16th
Camper Forms Due	Sunday, April 15th
Office Opens in Rock Hill	Thursday, May 17th
New Family Orientation	Sunday, May 20th
Area Pick-Up for IS Baggage Service	Sunday, June 24th
Opening Day	Saturday, June 30th
Visiting Day	Saturday, July 14th
Session #1 Ends	Friday, July 20th
Session #2 Begins	Saturday, July 21st
Campers Return Home	Friday, August 10th