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★ A NOTE FROM MARK AND LAURA ★

We Are So Lucky To Have Each Other

December started out like it has for the past 12 years, with our annual camp reunion. As always, it was a great day, with wonderful spirit and excitement. It is always awesome to see each other, and re-connect after a few months away from each other. Seeing all the happy faces of campers and parents as they enter New Rock City is a sight we hold close all year long. We are all truly lucky to have camp in our lives.

As the events later in the month turned to the terrible tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut, our thoughts and prayers immediately flood to those families and that community so horribly affected. After having a chance to reflect on these events and how it has affected so many throughout all of our communities, our thoughts go to how lucky we are to have one another. Camp is the most unique place - it is safe, secure, and a place everyone feels "at home". The environment is so critical for children as their world becomes more complex all the time. Camp is a place they can take healthy risks, and "be themselves" without judgment. These events affect everyone differently, but for those of us who work so closely with children, it is even more

profound. We feel great knowing that what we do each summer is so important in the world and to the campers who grow up with us through the years. We are so lucky to have the opportunity to pour "good" into the world. Our terrific and committed staff understands this wonderful gift they have been given, and now more than ever we all recognize the importance.



With Love, Mark & Laura

We make it a habit of thanking you all for the gift of your children on a regular basis. After these events our gratitude feels deeper and more important than ever before. One of the things we are looking forward to is getting back up to Rock Hill, and getting the chance to impact our campers in a positive way, and let them feel safe, secure and "at home." We are so lucky to have each other.



**Follow Us in Social Media -
You Might Just Be Surprised
at What You See...**

Over the past few years we have made a much great attempt to use the common social media sites to keep us all connected throughout the entire year. Our Iroquois Springs **blog, Pinterest, Facebook and Twitter pages** are active places to see "behind the scenes" things that are happening - check these regularly for seasonal pictures of camp, camper's sightings and gatherings, and special notices. In fact, if you are having a camp sleep-over or special event, send us a picture, and we would love to post it for everyone to see.

Don't miss out; make sure you join us in cyberspace today - your best way to keep up with everything having to do with Iroquois Springs.



BOYS SIDE STUFF WITH JOSH

The responsibilities of working at Iroquois Springs are awesome. I did a quick math problem and figured out that you, the

camper, spend almost as much time in camp during one summer than all of the hours you spend in school during the school year. 180 school days at 6 hours per day equals 1,080 hours spent in school vs. 42 summer camp days at 24 hours per day equals 1,008 total hours spent in Rock Hill. I frequently argue that the lessons learned in camp are just as important if not more important than some of the lessons learned in school. The independence that is gained while being a camper at Iroquois Springs will only push you to achieve to your best ability while at school. The camaraderie that is created while hanging out with your bunkmates can only inspire you to be a better friend and family member at home. Having the opportunity to try new sports or act in the camp play for the first time will hopefully inspire you to try new activities while not in camp. The lessons you learn in camp and the friends that you make are lifelong. That is what is so precious about Iroquois Springs.

Watching friends reunite at the reunion is one of my favorite parts about that day. Many of you arrived at the reunion after a fun sleepover with your friends. I am sure you were all up real late laughing as you were telling those stories that start with, "Do you remember when..." "Wasn't it funny when..." or "I really miss it when we..." These are the memories and good times that bond us all together. For those of you who could not attend the reunion we certainly missed you and hope all is well. We always talk about brotherhood on Boys Side and I am thankful that you all take this mission seriously. Your parents all seemed so proud of you at the reunion. Not only saying how much you loved camp this past summer but also how well you guys are doing in school. Like I said, the lessons learned in camp help you to become a better person for the rest of your life.

I am looking forward to switching my sweaters for t-shirts and my boots for flip-flops. Trust me---Nobody wants to be in Rock Hill more than I do. I come back for the friends, laughs and especially all of you. Let's all start our countdown until the first bus rolls into Iroquois Springs for the summer of 2013.

Josh

GIRLS SIDE GAB With Rosie

GOODMORNING GIRLS SIDE!!!

I cannot wait to start my day like that again. It hardly seems possible that January has almost ended and only five months remain until the 2013 Iroquois Springs buses come up Bowers Road and pull into camp. I always consider the camp reunion our halfway point and camp just feels that much closer. It was so great seeing everyone. I loved hearing how well your school year is going and how hard each and everyone of you are working. I used to love going to my camp reunion and reconnecting with all my friends and counselors. It was something I looked forward to as soon as I got home. I could tell by your faces that you were just as excited. I see myself in so many of you.

As I was driving home from the reunion, 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. I started to share some of my camp stories with Olivia. We talked about how I got to spend my summers enjoying the outdoors, playing sports, learning new skills, participating in arts and crafts, cooking and more, and she responded "Mommy, it sounds just like Iroquois Springs". She was so right....I am so lucky that I get to share my camp experience with all of you. We all have so much in common; our closest friends are our camp friends, in just 6-weeks we make memories that last a lifetime, we tried new things that would not be possible anywhere else, we get to be in camp shows, go on trips, dance at DJ parties and more. I started camp when I was 7 years old and I have yet to be home for a summer. My goal every summer is to make sure that each and every one of you has the same camp experience that I had. We are so lucky that we get to spend our summers at camp. As we got closer to home, Olivia said "mommy - I just want to go to my camp home now." Josh and I both responded "me too!"

Before we know it, we will be at our second home. Soon we will be saying goodbye to our homework, our teachers and our school friends. We will turn our cell phones off and get out our stationary and stamps so that we can send letters home. We will be on Girls Side singing, chanting and more. We will be at line up, in the dining hall and in the theatre. We will be at evening activities, Tribals and Color War. We will be learning the new girls side song and meeting our camp sister's. I am getting so excited as I write all of this. However, until then, please remember that we are all very lucky that we get to spend our summers at camp, there are other people out there that are not as lucky as we are. Each and every one of you has the power to make a difference in the world. All it takes is a few kind words and helping someone in need. Every one of us can contribute and make a difference to the world in our own unique way. So go out there and volunteer, help someone less fortunate or find someone that needs a smile, and give them that smile. Whatever you do will make a difference.

"Nobody can do everything, but everyone can do something." - Author Unknown

Iroquois Springs is a magical place where you will continue to make lasting friendships, experience new activities and collect a lifetime of memories. I am so grateful that I get to share this magical place with you. I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

Continue to do the right thing and BE NICE!

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 2013:

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| • Jason "Camp Doc" Abfier | • Lauren Gerber | • Levi "Baseball" Moser |
| • Shawna Adler | • Lindsay Gladstone | • Lisa Nichols |
| • Nicholas Almanza | • William Gladstone | • Stephanie O'Malley |
| • Cem Aytemiz | • Maria Narvaez | • Ana Orozco |
| • Dee Barron | • Emma Goodman | • Bella Pernia Pena |
| • Taylor Bennett | • Colin "TJ the DJ" Hamilton | • Amanda Platten |
| • Diana Blank | • Don Hamlin | • Kayla "Ski" Porath |
| • Josh Bogard | • Tara "Fitness" Hartman | • Jesus Rosales |
| • Rosanne "Rosie" Bogard | • Graham Hines | • Ellen Russell |
| • Lori "Cooking" Bright | • Albert Kadosh | • David Salzman |
| • Sarah Bush | • Elizabeth Katz | • Michael Shaughnessy |
| • Mark Campbell | • Sean Kelly | • Zach Sider |
| • Jeff "Baseball" Caspi | • Chloe Kennedy | • Corey Sider |
| • Geraldine "Laundry" Catania | • Attila Kerekes | • Leah "Aquatics" Sider |
| • Kevin "Camp Doc" Chason | • Ron "Coack K" Kestenbaum | • Scott Silverman |
| • Marcy Cohen | • Ted Kinczkowski | • Jonathan "Archery" Simpson |
| • Rebecca Cohen | • Marilee Klaschka | • Perri Spector |
| • Andrew "Neebs" Cowan | • Morgan Kramer | • Andrea Spector |
| • Drew Dalton | • Wesley "DJ Wes" Laga | • Stacie Svab |
| • Steve Davis | • Sergio Leiva | • Sheila Talansky |
| • Allison Davis | • Scott "Camp Doc" Luchs | • Paul Titley |
| • Nick Dorane | • Duncan "Skate Park" Mackenzie | • Aniko Tonka |
| • Warren "W" Famiglietti | • Ellen Mager | • Anya "A & C" Tucker |
| • Blane Ferguson | • Tommy "Rock Band" Martin | • Anyelith Getial |
| • Morgan Fleener | • Nicole McDonough | • Amanda "Mandie" Wellner |
| • Kristian Foreman | • Patrick Mentry | • Larry "Lah" Wilensky |
| • Yve "Camp Mom" Fouladi | • Fred "The Food Man" Miller | • Sarah Williams |
| • John "The Baker" Fountain | • Bonnie "Camp Doc" Miller-Ethe | • Evan "Tennis" Williams |
| • Michael "Midge" Francis | • Matt "Photo" Morris | • Tammy "Tours" Zornberg |

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! - **BUBBA**

Don't forget to check us out on...





MORE PROGRAMS TO ENJOY...

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. If this sounds a bit familiar, Brad was suppose to be at camp last summer to teach magic, but unfortunately he got sick and could not make it, but he's back on the calendar and we are thrilled to welcome him back to our summer home!

Of course, with the success over the last 3 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. Whether your new to the sport, playing at a high-level or just want to concentrate on an individual sport for 2-days, this is an opportunity you don't want to miss. Enrollment information will be emailed in the springtime 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. Last summer we added rock band, a fitness center, spin and more.....each was VERY successful. As we put the finishing touches on the newly constructed Arts & Crafts building # 3, we are considering many options in respect to the programs that will be offered in this new program area. Ideas are flying all over the office, stay tuned when we unveil exactly what we have in store for you this summer.

THE WINTER ARROW CLUE

As the days grow shorter and the leaves turn beautiful shades of red and gold before making their annual descent to the ground, soon to be covered by winters' snow...there is a hidden arrow waiting to be found....well, figuratively!

In each issue of the Iroquois Springs Times we will present a new clue to the "Winter Arrow's" location. 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 #2:

Able-adolescents walk right past
This journey promises to be quite a blast!
A roller coaster of colors to the mast
Whoa, they sure are traveling fast!

"See my skills", said the Blue to the Gold
Creative, daring and oh so bold!

"It's been done before", said the Gold to the Blue
"Now for something entirely new...."

Here is Clue #1:

"All hands on deck", the captain cried,
"That's an Infinity Blue Whale to catch -
it will be quite a ride!"

From starboard to port the ships
crew knew the way,
Beneath a Golden Eclipse, over a big Blue Wave
and on into the bay...

WELCOME

We are thrilled to welcome the following new campers to the Iroquois Springs Family

• Rachel Barish	New York, NY
• Sydney Barish	New York, NY
• Elizabeth Cohn	Potomac, MD
• Isabella Colarossi	Short Hills, NJ
• Brendan Ehrman	Upper Saddle River, NJ
• Jake Ehrman	Upper Saddle River, NJ
• Ashley Eisenberg	Rockville, MD
• Lauren Fialkow	Scarsdale, NY
• Rayna Hirsch	South Orange, NJ
• Jackson Hopkins	Scotch Plains, NJ
• Samantha Lesser	Plainview, NY
• Tyler Levitt	Westport, CT
• Avery Lieberman	North Caldwell, NJ
• Liam Lind	Roslyn, NY
• Baptiste Meunier	La Tronche, France
• Lila Rokanas	New York, NY
• Ilyssa Siegel	Montvale, NJ
• Pia Stokes	Short Hills, NJ
• Joshua Weintraub	Hartsdale, NY
• Sam Yacker	New York, NY

FAVORITE RECIPE FROM

Kitchen Stadium

Peanut Butter S'mores Cups

Ingredients

- 1 1/3 cups of flour
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1/4 tsp salt
- 1 cup butter (softened)
- 1 cup peanut butter
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla

- 1 egg

- Mini marshmallows

Frosting

- 4 squares unsweetened chocolate
- 1/4 cup soft butter
- 3 1/2 cups powdered sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1/3 cup milk

Directions

Preheat oven to 350*. In large bowl cream together the butter, peanut butter, and sugars. Add in the vanilla and egg. Gradually mix in the flour, baking soda and salt. When well-blended scoop batter into lightly greased mini muffin tins. Bake about 7 minutes. Remove from oven and press 3 mini marshmallows into each cup and put back in the oven for 1 minute. Remove from pan and let cool on wire racks.

Frosting

Melt the chocolate and let cool slightly. Beat together with butter, powdered sugar and vanilla. Add the milk a little at a time until desired consistency. Pipe onto cooled cups.

EXPLORER CAMP

We are proud to announce that once again, will be offering our Explorers Camp from July 27 – 28, 2013 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 2012 will be joining us this summer as traditional campers:

Welcome to the Family:

Sammy Berger

Max Bouchier

Mia Bouchier

Sam Carus

Elizabeth Cohn

Sydney Conner

Cary Drucker

Joshua Feldman

Brayden Fischer

Matthew Fischer

Mason Herman

Hailey Hirsch

Max Kaplan

Mason Kleiner

Jenna Kraus

Miles Leslie

Bennett Levine

Avery Lieberman

Mitchell Meyer

Jared Polvino

Emma Popowitz

Mason Popowitz

Bethany Sattler

Jolie Schoenhaus

Gabe Sender

Arianna Stassa

Mitchell Tesser

Chloe Verch

Kylie Warsaw

Help us spread the word about Iroquois Springs – if you have siblings, friends or family considering overnight camp for the future, tell them about the Explorer Program and encourage them to give it a try.

HAPPY Birthday

January

- 1 Sara Tesser
- 2 Alec Ash
- 2 Julia Coughlin
- 3 Spencer Carus
- 3 Chloe Verch
- 4 Max Kaplan
- 4 Jonathan Kopf
- 5 Gabriel Golombek
- 6 Mollie Wolfe
- 9 James Gorayeb
- 9 Carly Orent
- 10 Zachary Schiffman
- 11 Peter Feinberg
- 12 Amanda Wiseltier
- 13 Justin Mizrahi
- 13 Brandon Nimberger
- 14 Beau Brookman
- 14 Samantha Zaintz
- 16 Luke Savoy
- 17 Brittany Davis
- 18 Josh Carus
- 18 Casey Peacock
- 18 Lauren Peacock
- 18 Rebecca Wallenstein
- 18 Paula Weissenberg
- 19 Joshua Buxbaum
- 19 Tyler Pollack
- 20 Danielle Feldman
- 20 Benji Stoll
- 20 Kylie Warsaw
- 24 Samantha Einiger
- 24 Celia Ginzburg
- 25 Eden Schumer
- 26 Lola Berger
- 26 Ruby Berger
- 26 Brian Pfeffer
- 29 Adam Hershaft
- 29 Jason Hershaft
- 29 Dean Koenig
- 29 Jackie Pollack
- 30 Samantha Atlas
- 31 Sasha Fuller
- 31 Jason Raschella

February

- 1 Isabella Colarossi
- 1 Hannah Fouladi
- 1 Jack McIntyre
- 3 Zachary Blicksilver
- 3 Mia Ginzburg
- 3 Garrett Gold
- 3 Benjamin Schriever
- 8 Elena Dal Pont
- 8 Nicole Rosenzweig
- 9 Rachel Brenner
- 9 Jenna Kraus
- 9 Sari Sosnick
- 9 Maya Theodoros
- 10 Ryan Grossman
- 11 Alex Kestenbaum
- 12 Sammi Rubinstein
- 13 Ross Brenner
- 14 Josh Maurer
- 14 Emily Staub
- 15 Emma Blancher
- 15 Lauren Rosenberg
- 16 Morgan Gross
- 16 Ella Kaminsky
- 16 Jake Lamazor
- 18 Zev Hartman
- 18 Halie Jasinover
- 18 Justin Lott
- 20 Ben Tankel
- 24 Jake Bash
- 25 Justin Weiss
- 26 Jonathan Givre
- 26 Daniel Hirsch
- 26 Sammie Spector
- 27 Matthew Newfield
- 27 Roy Tal Dew
- 27 Brooke Wallenstein
- 27 Rachel Wallenstein
- 28 Anya Kornfeld

March

- 2 Samantha Kalt
- 2 Gabriela Parsons
- 4 Carly Brensilber
- 4 Austin Forman
- 4 Max Lasky
- 5 Jason Shackman
- 6 Bruce Dittelman
- 6 Sarah Milner
- 6 Sam Parsons
- 7 Hannah Barr
- 7 Josh Radin
- 7 Zachary Zwerling
- 9 Adam Golden
- 10 Olivia Ethe
- 11 Jessica Ostroff
- 12 Lauren Tufano
- 13 Jordan Gold
- 13 Luke Lamazor
- 13 Melissa Levine
- 15 Alison Meyer
- 16 Dylan Bretschneider
- 19 Jesse Sattler
- 20 Zachary Seymour
- 21 Nicole Axelrod
- 21 Willy Nebens
- 22 Robert Mitchell
- 23 Kate Klaschka
- 24 Anna Dal Pont
- 26 Alison Chafitz
- 27 Evan Plotkin
- 27 Alexandra Sachs
- 29 Lara Bamberger
- 29 Nicole Newfield
- 31 Serena Feldman

REUNION RE-CAP

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.





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Dates to Remember

- CLOZ Catalogs Mailed (Camp Outfitter) - Monday, January 14th**
- Spring Mailing - Friday, February 15th**
- Tri-State Camp Conference (Office Closed) - Tues, March 12th – Fri, March 15th**
- Camper Forms Due - Monday, April 15th**
- Office Opens in Rock Hill - Thursday, May 16th**
- New Family Orientation - Sunday, May 19th**
- Area Pick-Up for IS Baggage Service - Sunday, June 23rd**
- Opening Day - Saturday, June 29th**
- Visiting Day - Saturday, July 13th**
- Session #1 Ends - Friday, July 19th**
- Session #2 Begins - Saturday, July 20th**
- Campers Return Home - Friday, August 9th**