

# THE IROQUOIS SPRINGS TIMES

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# A NOTE FROM MARK AND LAURA We cannot wait for June!

Happy New Year! It felt so amazing to welcome in 2021 for all the obvious reasons, but as the ball dropped in Times Square, the overwhelming sensation came over us – finally we are in the year that camp will happen! We have never been so eager for June to arrive, so we can be back with all our campers for our 20th anniversary summer.

The countdown towards the best day of 2021, when the buses roll into camp, and summer '21 will be here. We are proceeding at full speed, completing the amazing new theater, hiring another exceptional staff to work alongside the many seasoned veterans, and planning many new programs.

As we navigate together through this unsettling time, we send you our best wishes for good health and safety. We also would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your unwavering support of and loyalty to Iroquois Springs. The important role camp plays in all of our lives have never been clearer. The in-person socialization and formation of lifelong friendships, independence and selfreliance, responsibility, resiliency, and respect for others are the character traits we talk about every day at camp.

We have been so proud of all our campers, who have endured more than anyone should throughout these last 11 months. Everyone has been affected in their own way, but we have heard countless stories of how everyone is adjusting to a new way to learn at school, connect with

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camp friends, celebrate special milestones and pass the time until we are back at camp in June.

We are proud to share that our enrolment is almost full for 2021, and we will be shutting it down shortly so we can focus on further planning for camp this summer. Take a look at the "roll call" of the campers who will be part of this special summer together. Thank you for the continued support and spreading the word about Iroquois Springs.

Personally, these past 11 months have allowed us to reflect on so many things and appreciate so many of the small and little things we all take for granted. As the saying goes **"the sweet isn't as sweet without the bitter"**. We think it's safe to say that after these 11 months, this summer couldn't look any sweeter. Every day that goes by is one day closer to us all being together "back home".

We have to go and continue to figure out how to fit 2 summers worth of fun into this summer – can't wait to see everyone soon!

With much love (and some fist bumps)



With Love, Mark & Laura



#### Hello everyone!

Happy New Year - we are getting closer to opening day and **I JUST CAN NOT WAIT**! We need summer more than ever. **I MISS YOU ALL SO MUCH**. When I sat down to write my article for the newsletter, I couldn't help but think about my own students. Right before winter break started, I sat down and wrote them an email. I found myself repeating what I said to them as I was writing to you, so I figured, why not just send you a copy of the letter that I sent to all my students back in December.



#### Dear (Student),

#### WOW! HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO MY CREW! YOU DID IT! WE DID IT!

I am so very proud of each and every one of you. I know that this year feels so strange in so many ways. The pandemic has created enormous challenges for all of us. Whether we met in my office or on Zoom, NOTHING FELT THE SAME! I know that many times, we talked about missing **NORMALCY**, and other times, we just talked about getting through the year day by day.

We are all craving life, especially school to be the way it was pre-COVID; however, we have also learned and gained so much during this difficult time. I have noticed that many of you have started building skills and mindsets that will help you thrive after high school. You are learning to set goals and focus on learning outside the traditional classroom. You've learned all these skills with the daily challenges such as, wearing masks, sitting in front of the screen and behind plexiglass, learning how to use WebEx, Schoology, etc.

Please know that your effort, motivation, confidence and courage to face this pandemic have not gone unnoticed. Part of my job is to help students prepare for life after high school. For those that thrive on structure, I know that this year has been tough; however, many of you have learned to take breaks when you need them, and you created workspaces at home that work for you. Many of you are able to stay motivated and focused, and I know that many of you are trying your best.

Many of you have stressors that makes learning at home more difficult. Please know that I am aware of that. So many of you miss social interactions with each other. I know that many friendships start just by sitting next to someone in class. We will get there soon. Keep participating in class and continue to maintain the friendships that you have (safely). You are all learning many life skills during this time that will help you with life after high school. **Stay positive, stay strong, be kind and be brave! You got this!** 

So, while you are home...Enjoy the holidays with those you are celebrating with. Eat good food, get enough sleep, exercise, read and unplug as often as you can! Listen to music and do some of the things you love.

I am proud of you and we will see each other after the New Year – Happy, Happy Holidays! Mrs. Bogard

I feel like I could have written this letter to each and every one of you. Please know how proud I am of all of you. You are all **ROCKSTARS**. Now let's talk about all the things that I am excited for! I cannot wait to see each and every one of your FACES. I cannot wait to meet all the new campers on Girls Side. I cannot wait for line-up, fuzzies, rope burn, Girls Side swim and more! I cannot wait to hear all about your adventures this year. I cannot wait to watch new friendships develop. I cannot wait for campfires, lake parties and the color run. I cannot wait to see all of our returning staff members and meet our new ones. I cannot wait for color war, college days, evening activities and more! There is just so much I cannot wait for. I **CAN NOT WAIT FOR SUMMER 2021.** 

Enjoy the next couple of weeks. Stay **strong** and **brave** and of course **KIND**! I love you and miss you all. To all the parents, guardians, first responders, health care workers, educators, scientists, researchers, volunteers, out there and anyone I may have forgotten sending you much love, a huge round of applause and a **BIG THANK YOU**! Thank you to everyone who has kept wearing a mask (even when it is annoying) and to everyone keeping a distance from others as hard as it may be. I am especially **THANKFUL** for all of you. We are in this one together, we are getting closer to normalcy and I appreciate you all.

Love Rosie :)

- REMEMBER ·

### The Value of **Quality Instruction** at Camp

At Iroquois Springs, we pride ourselves on providing your children with a fun, safe environment for them to develop life- skills, such as independence and confidence, to build strong relationships with both friends and role models, and to engage in a variety of activities that challenge them cognitively and physically.

As a camp we are passionate about giving children the opportunity to engage in diverse activities, which is why we offer everything from soccer and basketball, to ceramics and woodworking, to fencing, rock band, and digital media. No matter the activity area, our focus is on providing children with the highest quality instruction.

Our program philosophy has always focused on participation and skill development while having fun. To this end, we feel it is important for children to participate in every activity camp has to offer, which we achieve through the balance of bunk-assigned periods each morning and an afternoon of two camper-selected electives. Thus, campers have an enriching, wellrounded camp experience that allows them to have a great time playing, creating, and exploring in many different activities. To maximize their experiences, we have become more intentional and focused on the quality of the instruction in the activities that we offer so the campers have the opportunity to improve existing skills or learn new skills.

What does quality instruction mean in our program areas? It is having the appropriate balance of play and instruction, age and skill appropriate drills/projects, and the ability to keep the program area evolving and fresh with new and creative ideas. While our activity specialists may be great players or practitioners in their chosen specialty, this doesn't always easily transfer into being a great coach or instructor. Thus, during our staff training and throughout the camp season, we work closely with our activity specialists to teach and coach them to consider and use these factors when they are planning their drills/projects prior to the children's arrival.

What does quality instruction look like in our program areas? It looks like 13-year-old boys working with the You Build It specialist, as he introduces the Marble Tube project. A project that involves collaboration, problem solving, and creativity to build a structure using everyday household products that will allow a marble to navigate from the top to the bottom. It is a fun, challenging project that engages campers cognitively and kinesthetically, but one that looks different when introduced to 13-year-olds and 10-year-olds. While the older boys are allowed more independence, the younger boys would be provided more detailed parameters and extra hands-on assistance from the instructor, so that not only are they learning, but succeeding.

It also looks like 9-year-old girls at tennis, after a fun engaging warm-up, practicing their forehand shots using small-handled, light rackets, playing on a smaller court with mini-nets, and using large, soft tennis balls. All of these age-specific tools and strategies are in place to help campers succeed in the goal of improving hand-eye coordination through the forehand shot, and because they are in place the probability of success improves. Success means confidence and enthusiasm boosts, which can be seen as the girls cheer for each other and get high-fives from the instructors.

With the direction and guidance of our activity directors and program team, similar results can be witnessed throughout activity areas in camp: campers, guided by activity specialists and supported by cabin specialists, engaged in developmentally appropriate skill-based learning that allows them to achieve and grow while having the times of their lives with their best friends. There is no doubt that this is the true value of the camp experience at Iroquois Springs.



# **NOTES FR**

The start of a New Year is always a welcomed change, but this year, it takes on a bit of a different meaning. The turning of the calendar has such significance to many of us on a personal level in our everyday life and camp is certainly no exception. It provided a new outlook, a sign that things are going to get better, and a return to "normalcy" is on the horizon.

Amoy Ellis

Omar Israel

William Ford

Yve Fouladi

Jessica Fuller

Maren Gandu

Erin Johnson

Aleksandra Knezevic

Noa Katz

Joe Fowler

I am sure in the last year or so you have all said to yourself at some point or another, "how did we get here" or "why can't it be like it used to be." I don't need to be the one to tell you that patience is key or that time will heal our wounds, but what I want to tell you is that camp is going to be the shining star at the end of a long road that will welcome you back to a place that allows us to just smile, simply to enjoy one another and allow us to take a deep breath and embrace every moment we will have together as a camp community.

The start of a New Year also marks the time of year that our talent search officially is kicked into high gear, and we literally search the globe for folks who want to share in the Iroquois Springs experience. The tremendous amount of work that goes into finding true difference makers is a task that we don't take lightly. In fact, we know that the choices we make now, will ultimately help to shape a campers upcoming summer and possibly future summers, so we understand the significance of putting in the time now to pay dividends in the future.

The summer of 2021 will not only be a special celebratory summer of our 20th Anniversary, but it will also be the culmination of the waiting game we all play between summers, and this is no different for staff. For so many, the summer of 2019 was an incredible experience, and the itch to get back to camp and continue where they left off is an insatiable desire, something we all know too well. We have said it before, but what truly makes camp the special place it has become are the people who fill its gates each summer. Staff are asked to put aside their personal needs and continue to give of themselves in a way they make have never experienced before. That passion, that desire, that connection is what bonds campers to staff. With such a strong bond, we are always asked by returning campers, which staff will be coming back from a previous summer, because just like staff who can't wait to see the campers on opening day, we know the feeling is mutual. We are proud to say, that although the wait was longer than expected, we are thrilled to welcome back the following staff to camp:

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Andie Abrams Ana Alicea Harriet Ayling **Carson Bennett** Ezra Berkowitz Allison "Allergies" Berman Aixa Martinez Bidot James "Div" Blackburn Richard Blackburn Diana Blank Josh "JB" Bogard **Rosanne Bogard** Lori "Cooking" Bright Sarah Bush Francisco Cajigas Ravon Carrillo Thomas Chason Lynn Cicco James Clayton Rebecca Cohen Jose "Tony" Cruz Renata Cseko Stephanie Daich **Robyn Dalton** Anna Davies **Evan Dowers** Sarah Eickmeyer

Cici Koueth Peter Erdi-Krausz Gergely Kovacs Warren "Wazza" Famiglietti Gabrielle Krumper . Wesley "DJ" Laga Olivia Lieberman Hannah Fouladi Jordyn Lieberman Rich Lippmann Wojciech Listo Raymond Lubus Diana Luna Arredondo Jodie Gilfillan Vanessza Malmos Monique Grabham Mike "Baseball" Martin Karolina Grychtol Chris Martin Colin "Colio" Hamilton Christian Rosa Martinez Morgan Hickey Jesus Martinez **James Higgins** Luis Velez Martinez Alexandra Hochstedler Julio Martinez Carrillo Millie Rose Hogman Brianna McCormack Keisha Hooper **Tim McGinnis** Anthony Johnson Lauren Mchugh **Ciaran Miles** Nicholas Jordan Matthew "Mo-Mo" Morris Jaimee Kastler Sarah Newfield Alyssa Pavlu Matthew Kelsey Zach Pelzer **Katherine Kerr** Isabel Pergande

**Claire Rosenberg** Dylan "Frand" Savage **Chris Scharbow** Irwin "Athletics" Schtierman Damaris Scott Nicole Scott **Keith Sheiner** Ami Sheridan Leah Sider **Emily Staub** Shari "Camp Mom" Steinert Emma Stevenson Dawid Swietochowski **Rebecca** Taylor **Roy Thomas Eugene Titus** William Walter Romina Wancier Robin Wenczl Larry "Lah" Wilensky Nathan Yzaguirre Samantha Zaintz

Donna "DP" Poole

**Ciaran Quigley** 

Nathan Rogers

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While this list is quite impressive on its own, it will certainly grow as some of our staff who are still on the "maybe" list solidify plans and arrange for their summer to be spent in Rock Hill.

By the looks of it, we are going to have another incredible group of "difference makers" this summer. Thank you in advance to our staff who have committed to providing our camp community with an incredible summer together! RIIKKA

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



### BOYS SIDE STUFF

Normally the first Sunday in December is reserved for the camp reunion. Like many of our favorite activities and events, our reunion needed to be put on hold. Not having the camp reunion reminded me how we have all had to sacrifice so much just to keep each other safe. Smaller holiday gatherings,

school from home in some form, missed proms, cancelled sporting events, friends who are ill and the feeling of being distant at times from the people we should feel closest to are some general themes I hear when talking to my students in school. There is no secret here. We all know that we have missed out on a tremendous amount in 2020. Please know that I am not complaining about what we have had to sacrifice but am taking this time to acknowledge your strength and courage. You have had to adapt to a new world, and you did it overnight.

You are all witnessing a lesson that you did not sign up to learn. Let's all take a moment and appreciate what we do have. I am a big fan of finding the silver lining in a dark cloud. I have fortunately spent more time with my family since March than I could have ever expected. Sometimes I feel like I was just a kid and can't fathom how fast my childhood went. Having more time with my family is something that I will cherish forever. I am sure your families feel the same way about being with you during these trying times. I have also connected with nature in a way that is refreshing, uplifting and rejuvenating. In our fast-paced world of cars, buses and airplanes it feels uplifting to go for a hike on a trail in the woods or a bike ride in a park. Not having many places to be has afforded me the opportunity of walking a little bit slower and enjoying the moment. A lesson I hope to carry with me in the future as the pace gradually picks up. The smell of fresh air seems a little sweeter these days for me. I am seeing more families outside spending time together and children using their imagination in ways that has been lost to cellphones and video games.

Many of you have become young entrepreneurs or volunteers. Many of these homegrown businesses have helped support the safety and health of our front-line workers and people in need. When times are tough, the Iroquois Springs family shows that we rise up. The positivity I feel while on a zoom with staff or campers makes me sure that we will be back and better than ever in 2021. I am not sure what camp will look like next summer, but I do know that it is going to be filled with some of the best humans on this planet. Difficult times show us the real face of people and I cannot wait to see all of your smiling faces in a few short months. Watching all of you grow from year to year is the best part of my job. I CANNOT wait to see how much more grown up you all look after two years!!! Watching you put the lessons learned in camp into action has certainly been one of the most rewarding aspects of 2020 for me. I hope that we can all look on the bright side of life and keep being the positive people that I know we are.

I can smell the campfires, taste the s'mores and hear the splashes in the pool. Soon, it will all be for real. I wish you all a safe, rewarding and peaceful 2021.

All the best, **TOSH** 



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We are thrilled to welcome the following new campers to the **Iroquois Springs Family** (since our last newsletter)

**Dylan Canfield Jordan Sanders Stella Burns Patrick Tyrone Clarke** Ava Hart Lila Male Ava Mandel **Gabby Pollack Billy Slawe Dotty Slawe** Brandon Tibaldi Jace Ulloa Luca Zuniga Noah Zuniga Nikolay Ustimenko **Amberly Kurns** Alexandra Goldberg **Emmett Ulloa Aiden Frank Alice Frank Caroline Minor** Rodrigo De Los Santos Woodcliff Lake, NJ Mimi Zlotnik Samuel Zlotnik Sasha Zlotnik Ellen Zuckerbrod Jonah Lebowitz Iyla Dell'Aquila **Hailey Farber Charlotte Madigan** Elina Kamensky **Lily Meyers** 

**Glen Rock, NJ** Millburn, NJ New York, NY Lincroft, NJ Wantagh, NY New York, NY Westfield, NJ **Plainview**, NY Bryn Mawr, PA **Bryn Mawr, PA** Melville, NY **New York, NY** Port Washington, NY Port Washington, NY Moscow, Russia Roy, UT New York, NY New York, NY Summit, NJ Summit, NJ Alexandria, VA London, England London, England London, England Stamford, CT **Boca Raton, FL** Demarest, NJ N. Potomac, MD **Cold Spring Harbor, NY** Port Washington, NY Chappaqua, NY



THE WINTER

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 camper to correctly name the exact location of the "Winter Arrow" will win a prize for their bunk this summer. Remember to give a detailed description of why you think the "Winter Arrow" is there when you respond.

# FAVORITE RECIPE FROM

### **Chocolate Crinkle Cookies**

### **INGREDIENTS**

1 CUP UNSWEETENED COCOA POWDER 2 CUPS WHITE SUGAR ½ CUP VEGETABLE OIL 4 EGGS 2 TEASPOONS VANILLA EXTRACT 2 CUPS ALL-PURPOSE FLOUR 2 TEASPOONS BAKING POWDER ½ TEASPOON SALT ½ CUP CONFECTIONERS' SUGAR

#### DIRECTIONS

#### STEP 1:

In a medium bowl, mix together cocoa, white sugar, and vegetable oil. Beat in eggs one at a time, then stir in the vanilla. Combine the flour, baking powder, and salt; stir into the cocoa mixture. Cover dough, and chill for at least 4 hours.

#### STEP 2:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Line cookie sheets with parchment paper. Roll dough into one-inch balls. Coat each ball in confectioners' sugar before placing onto prepared cookie sheets.

#### STEP 3:

Bake in preheated oven for 10 to 12 minutes. Let stand on the cookie sheet for a minute before transferring to wire racks to cool.

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

#### Here is Clue #2:

....and the bright morning sun sparkled over Hobbyville. Anticipation was growing close by. Groups from several camps had already arrived. Meanwhile, over at U-Build-It, members of bunks B-15 and G-14 were each serving up teams of miniature superheroes as quickly as possible. The action figures were made out of whatever materials the campers could find and had to meet certain quality standards set forward by their group leaders. First bunk to 21 action figures of sufficient quality wins, provided they won by at least 2. Otherwise, the bunk match continued quite close to their objective....

### TECHNOLOGY & ELECTRONICS UPDATE

We wanted to remind you that our Parent Dashboard has many features for families needing quick and easy camp information such as the ability to:

- Schedule Phone Calls (available in the spring)
- View daily pictures and videos (Camp Today)
- Allow other family members to view pictures and email your camper (my account / extended family)
- View Packing List
- Email your camper
- Sign-up for pre-packaged medication
- Complete required forms
- Print statements

- Add a new credit card
- Make a payment online past invoices

While on the Parent Dashboard, don't forget to "opt-in" to our text messaging service which will allow you to stay on top of all the latest and greatest news coming from camp!



## ENROLLED CAMPERS FOR SUMMER

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Hayden Abfier **Ryan Abfier** Aleeza Ali Dara Alperstein **Remy Alperstein David Anderson** Sophie Apple Sydney Apple Eduardo Arturo De Los Santos Ryan Attman Samuel Attman Sydney Attman Caitlin Azzara Caroline Azzara Loghan Baeker BLEBRARI Eden Baer IS in 2021 Elle Baer Sophia Bahiri Alana Bardavid Reese Bassett Tyler Bassett Alexa Bassuk Jonah Bassuk Julia Beida Lucy Beldner Jake Bell Samantha Bell Aryana Berger Jonah Berkowitz Molly Berman **Reese Berman** Ethan Bernstein **Taylor Bernstein** Theo Berson Luke Betlow

SUMMER

Laura Bialek Kylee Bijari Skylar Bijari Eli Bitman Grant Bitman Leo Blank Aidan Blom Chloe Blom Olivia Bogard Tyler Bogard **Riley Bordetsky** Eliza Brabants Madeline Brabants **Campbell Breen** Maren Breen **Reid Buckley** Samantha Buckley Audrey Bunan Stella Burns Natalie Camps **Dylan Canfield** Luca Cavallo Joanna Chertoff Alexia Cicco Kyle Cicco Ashley Clarke Patrick Tyrone Clarke Abigail Cohen Avery Cohen Ian Cohen Jillian Cohen **Riley** Cohen Elizabeth Cohn Chase Collazo Chloe Collazo Maren Comey Casey Conklin Jason Cook Hudson Crotty Madeline Crotty Luca Curcio IS Lily Cutri Cameron D'Giff Dylan D'Giff Isabella Daich Robert Daich Rodrigo De Los Santos Iyla Dell'Aquila Sophie Demarco Gracyn DiGiacomo Parker DiGiacomo Alexa Dobstaff Jonathan Dobstaff Jordyn Doischen Carlo Dolgetta Alivia Donaldson Maxwell Dugger-Ades Keira Eckhardt Isabelle Ehrlich Henry Eickmeyer

Levi Eickmeyer Gabi Eimbinder Auggie Eisenberg Gracie Eisenberg Fallon Elgart Josh Engel Sydney Engel Hope Esposito Hailey Farber Hanna Federman Lea Federman Sadie Fink Deana Finkelstein Jessica Fitzmaurice Sydney Fraley Aiden Frank Alice Frank Samantha Frank Keira Frech **Bryce Freed** Kiva Frenkel **Charlie Friedland** Lila Friedland Sam Friedland Daniella Friedman **Greyson Fuller** Tyler Gallow Tv Gandv Alexandra Garcia Aaron Gilbert Mariela Ginzburg Emma Glaser Samson Glick Hadley Godwin Hudson Godwin Dani Gold Payton Gold Scarlett Gold Alexandra Goldberg Sasha Goldberg Jake Goldenberg Zachary Goldenberg Evan Goldstein **Taylor Goldstein** Henry Gould Lily Gould Hannah Greenberg Maya Greenberg Sydney Greenberg Evan Greenleigh Micah Grobler **Braedon Gross** Jane Grossman **Reid Grossman Alexis Handler** Marielle Handler Ava Hart Sean Hart Emma Hasson Saige Hasson

Lillian Heard Dylan Hecht Lexi Hecht Emily Heller Noa Herman Olivia Herman Ava Herzog Jack Herzog Jordan Herzog Hailey Hirsch Jaiden Hirsch Madison Hirsch Zachary Hirsch Jacob Hook Joshua Hook Abigail Hooper Annalise Hooper Elijah Horowitz Jack Horowitz Maya Horowitz Lexi Horvath Ella Horwitz Zoe Horwitz **Corey Jacobs** Sydney Jusko Jackson Kajiwara Zachary Kam Elina Kamensky Charlie Kaminsky Brett Kaplan Jenna Kaplan Remi Karp Sydney Karp Vivian Kashdin Gavin Keller **Evelyn Kelly** Vivien Kelly Harper Kelsey Simon Kelsey Lily Keltz **Piper Keltz** Samuel Keltz **Rachel Kershner** Jonah Kleinman Samantha Kobel Lila Kokalas Vivien Kokalas Halle Kraus Hannah Krauss Harper Krauss Winter Krosney Jace Krupitsky Jorin Krupitsky Nate Kulish Amberly Kurns **Caroline Landesman** Ben Lange Madison Lange Chloe Lashins Ryan Lasky

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Cole Mogensen Jared Morton Olivia Morton Anthony Moustakas Julia Murphy **Owen Murphy** Lexie Music Lily Meyers Jake Nalitt Samantha Nalitt Devon Nassau Logan Nassau Sam Noves **Emily Nudelman** Hudson Oziel Hannah Pacicca **Elizabeth Paisner** Zoe Paisner Aiden Parker Leah Pearl Morgan Penner Hayden Pick Logan Pick Bella Plaut Spencer Plaut SUMMER'S Ethan Plummer Evan Pollack **Gabby Pollack** Jeremy Projansky Madeline Projansky Nicolas Ouemada Gaffier Pedro Quemada Gaffier Jordan Radosti Nathan Radosti Skylar Rand Blake Rappaport Jake Raxenberg Nicolas Rebollar Louise (Loulou) Redmond Thelen Reyes-McRae Sarah Rich Sophie Rich Giancarlo Rinaldi Leonardo Rinaldi **Guy Riskind Bella Roberts** Eli Rosenbluth Sasha Rosenman Olive Rosensweig Emmi Ross Holden Rothschild Willa Rothschild Adelyn Rottler **Brennyn Rottler** Gabriella Ruziecki Lexi Saltzman Jordan Sanders **Emily Sapka** Mateo Schachner Aiden Schames

**Sutton Schames** Brody Scherr Jayden Scherr **Brody Schimmel** Daniel Schnaier Samara Schneider Zoe Schneidman **Taylor Schubach** Julia Schulof Jared Schwartz Justin Schwartz **Riley Schwartz Michael Scott** Alexandra Setton **Emily Setton Robbie Setton** Maren Shapero Chloe Shapiro Fallon Shapiro Lola Shapiro **Sloane Shapiro** Jack Sherman Lucia Shulman IS III 2021 IS Eli Silberman Luca Sillins **Daniel Silver Evan Simon** Jack Sisco Madelyn Sisco **Billy Slawe** Dotty Slawe Ayden Slosberg Madison Slosberg Noah Snyder Sophia Snyder Cavla Solomon Simon Solomon **Eva Spiegeland** Matthew Spina Samantha Spina Sophia Staller Samantha Starrett Danielle Stassa Eli Stein Elle Stein Noah Stein Abby Steinert **Rachel Steinert** Adam Stephan-Gewirtz Alexander Stillman Samantha Stimell Jason Stransky **Robbie Sturm** Harper Taheri Layla Taheri Isabella Tanelli Jack Tavelin Rebecca Belle Tavelin Ethan Taylor Jacob Taylor

Emily Tepp Leah Thomas Brandon Tibaldi Justin Tibaldi Lila Tolchinsky Samantha Tollin Abbie Torrente Madison Torrente Jeremy Tucker Emmett Ulloa Jace Ulloa **Carson Uris** Jonah Uris Nikolay Ustimenko Matthew Ventorino Samantha Ventorino Emma Verch Mia Vergura Sarah Vergura Arden-Love Vimbor Justin Wachen Samantha Wancier **Tyler Wancier** Ava Wand Cooper Warren Abigail Wechsler Harris Wechsler Addison Wein Emerson Wein Leo Wein **Benjamin Weinberg** Ethan Weinberg Lucas Weinfeld Samara Weinfeld Caleigh Weintraub Ellie Weisbrod Eden Weisel Shelby Weisel Matthew Weiser Zachary Weiser **Molly Weiss** Katie Wenczl Ryan Wenczl Alexa Wessner Alexandra Winitch Sage Winters **Oliver Wyatt** Cameryn Wyttenbach Charlie Zirlin Daniel Zirlin Mimi Zlotnik Samuel Zlotnik Sasha Zlotnik Alexandra Zodda Olivia Zodda Mikhail Zoloev Ekaterina Zoloeva Ellen Zuckerbrod Luca Zuniga Noah Zuniga





































































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# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROCK HILL

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For many of us, we associate certain sounds, particular smells and different actions with specific places in our life.At camp, that could not be more true! During the summer months, we all know what camp sounds like, smells like and looks like on a daily basis. Whether it's the sound of laughter, screaming, cheering or music coming from a bunk or an activity area, or the smell of chicken tenders and David's cookies from the kitchen, those are all such familiar characteristics we can associate with our summer home in Rock Hill. But what does camp sound like, smell like and look like during the winter? The scraping of the snowplow on the blacktop as it clears a path from a recent snowfall, the quietness that surrounds camp as you make your way around from building to building and the smell of fresh cold country air is what you can expect throughout the winter in 12775. Of course, we prefer all the "noise", all the "smells" and all the "action" that makes our summer home, the place we love.

Now, the truth is, it's not complete silence at Iroquois Springs, in the background, you can hear the sound of nail guns, drills and hammers working away in the distance. Our maintenance crew is still busy at work each and every day, finishing the projects we started and working towards the time we can "wake-up" camp and get back to what we do best! Currently, our breathtaking **NEW THEATER** has really taken shape. The interior is just about finished, the final tiling is being installed in the bathrooms, and the new wood floor is about to be installed. The sound and projection system are in, the heat and air-conditioning are working

great and all that is missing is you! As you enter the building, you can't help but to notice the new "Legacy Garden" of brick pavers that make up our expanded patio area between the theater and dining hall. We can't wait for our campers and staff to finally see this masterpiece and have the chance to enjoy so many wonderful memories that will fill it walls. From Color Week Sing to Mock-Rock, Girls Side Sing to Brad Henderson and of course our annual Iroquois Springs Playhouse, we can't wait to unveil the new centerpiece of camp this summer!

As we may all agree (or not), with the circumstances that we have been forced to deal with over the better part of the last year, maybe we have not been as active as we have hoped to be. Well, that will all change this summer. What better way to build your endurance, challenge yourself and conquer even the most obscure obstacles than on the new Ninja Warrior Course!

right next to the awesome Aerial-Tree Top Park and is sure to be the happening place this summer. Complete with 2 Warped Walls, a Jumping Spider, Peg Board, Floating Steps, Salmon Ladder, Cliff Hanger and more, we know you're going to love it. The course is built and ready to go, all it needs is you!

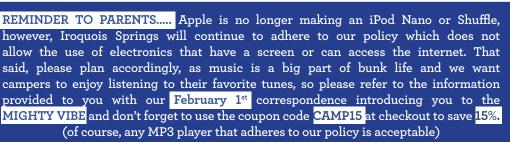
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Our premier facility continues to shine, and we take great pride in making sure we offer the very best and provide the very best to those lucky enough to call Iroquois Springs home each summer. The entire Iroquois Springs team, from our maintenance staff to directors are dedicated to putting forth the best effort possible to continue the great tradition of taking care of campers and staff in a way only Iroquois Springs can! We can all agree, our 20th Anniversary celebration (even delayed by I year) is going to be our best summer yet!

Make sure to continue to follow our social media feeds and newsletters to hear all about what's doing in 12775 throughout the off-season and stay on top of new program ideas and other exciting improvements coming for this summer!









### January

- 2 Gavin Keller
- 2 Ethan Plummer
- 3 Molly Berman
- 3 Abigail Hooper
- 3 Jeremy Projansky
- 3 Evan Simon
- 6 Sophia Snyder
- 9 Jocelyn Levy
- 11 Zachary Kam
- 12 Daniella Friedman
- 13 Corey Jacobs
- 13 Emery Matusow
- 13 Noah Snyder
- 14 Alexa Bassuk
- 14 Natalie Camps
- 15 Ben Lange
- 15 Sage Winters
- 16 Leah Pearl
- 17 Aidan Blom
- 18 Willa Rothschild
- 19 Tyler Bassett
- 19 Ashley Mednik
- 19 Samara Weinfeld
- 21 Keira Frech
- 22 Ella Horwitz
- 22 Brody Schimmel
- 22 Eli Stein
- 23 Jordan Herzog
- 25 Dylan Canfield
- 25 Hadley Godwin
- 26 Greyson Fuller
- 26 Jack Tavelin
- 27 Harper Kelsey
- 28 Jack Horowitz
- 29 Addison Wein
- 30 Aryana Berger
- 30 Elle Stein
- 30 Carson Uris
- 31 Aaron Gilbert

### February

- 1 Rodrigo De Los Santos
- 2 Evan McCauley
- 2 Maren Shapero
- 4 Charlie Lottner
- 4 Brandon Tibaldi
- 9 Sophia Bahiri
- 9 Riley Bordetsky
- 10 Phillip Lederman
- 10 Gabriella Ruziecki
- 11 Adelyn Rottler
- 11 Caleigh Weintraub
- 12 Casey Conklin
- 12 Thelen Reyes-McRae
- 13 Maren Breen
- 13 Simon Kelsey
- 13 Louise (Loulou) Redmond
- 14 Alexandra Lazear
- 14 Alexander Stillman
- 15 Zachary Weiser
- 16 Justin Tibaldi
- 17 Evan Goldstein
- 17 Lexie Music
- 17 Sasha Rosenman
- 17 Ellen Zuckerbrod
- **18 Justin Schwartz**
- 19 Reese Bassett
- 19 Oliver Wyatt
- 20 Chase Matusow
- 20 Arden-Love Vimbor
- 21 David Anderson
- 21 Alexandra Goldberg
- 21 Nicolas Quemada Gaffier
- 21 Pedro Quemada Gaffier
- 22 Alexandra Zodda
- 23 Piper Keltz
- 25 Samantha Kobel
- 26 Ava Herzog
- 26 Leonardo Rinaldi

### EVERYTHING CAMPER

We are pleased to let you know that we are once again teaming up with **Everything Camper** as our clothing outfitter for the summer. We know you are going to love the new styles they offer and great camp gear that will be available for all of our camp families. Make sure to check-out their website at **www.everythingcamper.com** to get a complete packing list for the summer and book **a virtual appointment** at one of their many "roadshows" where campers can see the latest styles and place orders for all kinds of great camp items!

### March

- 1 Ethan Bernstein
- 1 Bryce Freed
- 2 Benjamin Metula
- 6 Reid Buckley
- 7 Jessica Fitzmaurice
- 7 Matthew Ventorino
- 8 Aiden Frank
- 9 Dara Alperstein
- 10 Braedon Gross
- 12 Nate Kulish
- 12 Simon Solomon
- 15 Samantha Starrett
- 16 Billy Slawe
- 17 Luca Cavallo
- 18 Harper Krauss
- 18 Adam Stephan-Gewirtz

Alana Bardavid

Samantha Frank

**Rachel Kershner** 

Emily Nudelman

**Olivia Bogard** 

Julia Beida

**Cooper Warren** 

- 19 Ashley Clarke
- 19 Carlo Dolgetta

**Zoe Mitola** 

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### **Camp History and Culture Corner**

#### The summer of 2010 was Iroquois Springs 10th Anniversary Summer, and a six week celebration of the remarkable magic and bonds forged by our camp community and culture. It had blossomed quickly and beautifully in those first ten years. Color Week 2010 was an appropriate capstone of that special summer.

### A WALK DOWN MEMORY LANE FROM 2010

Those who were at camp in 2010 may recall that this was the Sing where we introduced a Theater Entrance Event. For that event alone, Golden Frontier is well remembered! Here, we celebrate the Golden Frontier March: one of the highest scored at Sing over the years. If you know the tune, please sing along....

### **GOLDEN FRONTIER MARCH 2010**

TUNE: "ALL THE SMALL THINGS" BY BLINK 182

AUTHORS: TESS MCINTYRE & PAYGE KERMAN

Gold's here, ready (1) Frontier is coming (1) We're strong, daring (1) There's no comparing (1) Pool, track, apache (1) Catch up, we're winning (1) Spirit. Stays high (1) Hear our, battle cry (1)

We're Golden Frontier

We will be here Staying on top Victory is near

Frontier, you'll see now (1) We'll show you how (1) The gold team surely will come through (1) Destroying hopes and dreams of blue (1) We're Golden Frontier We will be here Staying on top Victory is near

> Moving, forward (1) Blues standards are lowered (1) Gold's creating a new start (1) Achaean will be torn apart (1)

> > We're Golden Frontier We will be here Staying on top Victory is Near

1...2...3... GO GOLD!

### The Forecast Calls for Clearing Skies

To Our Iroquois Springs Family,

As these words are being written, 2020 has drawn to a close, and we all set our sights on 2021.The past year has brought unique challenges to us all at school, work and home. Regardless of where we are in life, our experiences at camp have helped to equip us to persevere in challenging times. The qualities of resilience, kindness, empathy, generosity, and creativity among others. The power of our friendships and our powerful bonds of blue and gold. Our confidence in successfully mastering experiences outside our comfort zones.

We are living through a unique time in history, and we will sail through this turbulence and emerge on the other side. There will be more singing on Girls Side, and it will be more powerful and spirited than ever. There will be more intense Boys Camp knockout tournaments and Monday Night football in our future. And many, many more ten-year dog tags to be hammered onto the very, very special tree by the office. And Carnival.... and Halloween... and so much more! I can't wait to share my next story with you under a beautiful starry sky or meet at the Office Porch for the start of our next Camp History tour.

To quote one of my favorite Alma Mater lyrics: **"The sun will rise again and lead us back home"** 

And....To quote an old Beach Boys song.... **"Keep an eye on summer this year".** 

Yours in Blue and Gold, LAH

Get Well Soon

Sending best wishes to LAH on a speedy recovery from recent surgery, we can't wait to see you at camp this summer.



### **Dates to Remember**

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Spring E-Mailing -	Monday, February 1st	
Camper Forms Due -	Thursday, April 15th	
New Family Orientation -	Sunday, May 23rd	CHLEBRATH
Area Pick-Up for IS Baggage Service -	Sunday, June 20th	
Opening Day -	Saturday, June 26th	IS in 2021 IS
Visiting Day -	Saturday, July 10th	EO P R B
Rookie Day -	Sunday, July 11th	80MMER
Session #1 Ends -	Friday, July 16th	A BRANKE
Session #2 Begins -	Saturday, July 17th	
Explorers Camp -	Saturday, July 24th – Su	nday, July 25th
Campers Return Home -	Friday, August 6th	A
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