

EAGLE HILL

*News from
the Nest*

A Newsletter for the Camp Eagle Hill Community

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summer

Fall 2009

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"Whose birthday
is it Marc?"

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Are you signed
up for 2010?



Reflections from the Summer of 2009

Jesse Scherer - Camp Director



It's hard to believe that another summer has come and gone, the 47th in Camp Eagle Hill history. My life has returned to Westchester County (where we operate our off-season office) and my wife and I are busy once again with our children and another school year. The camp routines of cabin cleanup, meals, shower hour, evening activities and canteen, have been replaced by other daily routines, as time slowly begins to move toward another summer at camp in 2010.

The crisp and beautiful weather in the fall allows me the opportunity to spend a good deal of time outdoors, enjoying many wonderful events and holidays with my family and friends. It is also a great time of year for reminiscing on the summer just past, trying to call to mind the many people with whom the summer was shared and the many activities that made this past summer so special for all who participated in the Eagle Hill experience in 2009.

I enjoyed a great summer at camp this year and I know that so many of you did too.... Despite the treacherous downpours and rainstorms, I found this season's program to be a very busy, challenging and rewarding one for camper and staff member alike. The additions of both our new dance studio and cooking area added tremendously to the level of activity in Little Red. The creation of a new Technical Theatre area was another source of excitement from this past season and the return of the woodworking shop to our program was a great addition to an already fortified arts program in the barn and at the arts end of camp. Our revamped Evening Activities schedule, a renovated trips schedule, some tweaking with the daily Program and in particular, the changes to the Sports Program for our older campers, all contributed to a great activity packed summer! Equally important however, were the contributions made by one of the finest staffs assembled in recent Eagle Hill history. From top to bottom, the staff of 2009 was filled with a group of hard working, caring, talented and dedicated people who truly made this past camp season "unforget-

table"... I won't soon forget so many of the times where staff made its impact on the summer of 2009. Perhaps two of the more memorable highlights of the summer for me, came during the second half of the camp season when our staff in total, participated in costume in a rousing rendition of a "Halloween in August" night. This was followed a few nights later by a Musical Review filled with both staff and camper in full participation together as one large cohesive group. The finale of the show joining the entire cast on stage singing "Seasons of Love" was a fitting end both to the show and the kind of summer experience had at Eagle Hill in 2009.

Let's keep the momentum going.... Stay in contact with your camp friends. Tell your relatives and friends at home about the great time had in 2009. Tell all of them to join us at camp for the upcoming camp season of 2010!!! There will be new and exciting things planned along the way leading up to next summer. We will be putting together a staff and group of campers that will, as difficult as it will be to attain, rival the likes of those with us in 2009.

Campers, push your parents to get you enrolled for 2010 now. It will give you a tremendous feeling to know that you are ready to join us once again and can now look forward to all of the fun in store for you at Eagle Hill in 2010.

We'll be in contact with you throughout the year. For now, please send our warmest regards and wishes to everyone for a great school year! Be well and have fun!

Jesse

Camper, Staff, & Alumni News



Congratulations to '09 staff member, **Aubrey Uelbelhor** on her recent engagement. Rumor has it, the feature dessert at her wedding will be sno-cones. **Sofia and Christina Irigoyen** took a family vacation to Portugal where they enjoyed surfing and relaxing on the beach. **Scott Caravello** выключатель на язык матери Россией. (We understand that Scott has not yet defected to Russia.) **Robert Levine** was accepted as the youngest member of his youth orchestra, where he plays the trombone. **Irina Feig** will be performing in her school's production of Les Miserables.

In Alumni news, **Margo Schepart** has rediscovered her love of cooking and is requesting any interesting recipes you think she might enjoy. She is available on Facebook. We would like to welcome the following Alumni who have recently joined the CEH Facebook friendship group: **Brian Parness, Amaury Sabran, Sara Halper Hopple, Laura Boxer Reich**. Are you a friend of CEH? If not, join our Facebook group, we are now a large group and growing each day!

Camp News



Each winter we are faced with the task of prioritizing new ideas and projects for our camp facility and program. While some of these projects include building new facilities, like the Dance Studio we built last year, others are not quite as glamorous or for that matter, visible in nature. We are currently working on the task of updating the camp's water system.

While our current system has treated us well throughout the history of the camp, our growing needs have pushed us in the direction of installing a new and more modern system. We are expecting and hoping that the upgrade in the system will bring an improvement in the delivery of water throughout many parts of our camp facility.

Camp Essay By Laura Fertile

They say "home is where the heart is," and at age seven I found home on White Oak Road. Camp Eagle Hill is a mixture of love, adoration, laughter, friendship, and tearful goodbyes.

I never thought two months spent away from home could impact someone so drastically, but seven years later I still feel the effects of camp. Every time I hear the alma mater, I remember the days I spent learning and growing at such a beautiful place.

It would be impossible to capture every moment that shaped me and every memory that will forever leave imprints on my heart.

My first summer spent at Eagle Hill taught me the true meaning of friendship. I was in a bunk with girls I had never met before, and I spent every day and night interacting, playing, caring, and learning with them. Instantly, I learned that my only child ways from back at home would easily disappear. A sisterly bond of sharing clothes, telling secrets, and racing to the Dining Room was formed within the first week's time. My usual shy, quiet character seemed to stay back in the city while an outgoing, excited version of myself adjusted to my new found friends.

It was the first time that I ever completely trusted another individual who wasn't my parent. Because of the long hours spent together, there wasn't an emotion that slipped by unrecognized by a friend. I felt secure and safe knowing that I'd have someone who was always there for me, whether it was for a scraped knee, a lost tooth, or a homesick night.

Camp also allowed me to try things I never would have had the opportunity to try back in the city. I remember walking up to the campsite to stay over night for the first time. Fully engulfed in the wilderness, I enjoyed the smell of the burning wood from our campfire, and loved the taste of the delicious roasted marshmallows.

We were a tight knit family, and the only thing that mattered were the songs we sang together, the pictures we took, and the memories that still make me smile. The happiness brought to me by my camp experiences showed me how simple it was to be pleased. I didn't need my favorite television show, my air conditioner, or even my soft comfy bed. All I needed was the love of the people around me, and a chance to experience things.

This past summer I was able to give back to the amazing place that taught me all these lessons. I was

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a camp counselor for the youngest girls. As soon as my campers arrived, I was instantly reminded of my first year at camp. The campers were all so young, innocent, and open to whatever came their way. Ambitious to start their summer, I lead them on a journey that they will hopefully never forget. Still learning myself, I was able to provide an experience for them as well.

I was impacted through my own experiences, but even moreso through the experiences of the new generation, privileged enough to receive just as much as I had growing up at Camp Eagle Hill. With every smile and laugh, I knew I was a part of making a child's sum-

mer unforgettable. It is a privilege that I will never take for granted. If I had not taken the risk of leaving the comfort of my home so many years ago, I never would have found the place where I really belong.

Camp Eagle Hill is more than just two months away from normalcy, it's a place to experience new things, meet new people, form new friendships, and most of all, figure out who you really are. I have taken all of this and more away from my experiences there. As you enter the Dining Room there is a quote that says, "One summer in every child's life should be unforgettable," and mine certainly were, and will continue to be.

EXCELLENCE AWARDS

JUNIOR GIRLS DIVISON

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| All Around Camper | Emily Greenstein |
| Outstanding Athlete | Maayan Dadosh |
| Outstanding in Tennis | Callie Schaeffer |
| Outstanding in Skills | Kayla Hazard |
| Outstanding Swimmer | Shivani Mody |
| Outstanding in Dramatics | Morgan Schnetzer |

INTER GIRLS DIVISION

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|--------------------------|-------------------|
| All Around Camper | Olivia Brand |
| Outstanding Athlete | Carly Rovner |
| Outstanding in Tennis | Emilia Dyczewska |
| Outstanding in Skills | Casey Hellman |
| Outstanding Swimmer | Gabriella Jimenez |
| Outstanding in Dramatics | Zoe Patterson |

TEEN GIRLS DIVISON

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| All Around Camper | Jillian Speranza |
| Outstanding Athlete | Katie Puhala |
| Outstanding in Tennis | Marcy Pleener |
| Outstanding in Skills | Madison Abrams |
| Outstanding Swimmer | Aude Roussel |
| Outstanding in Dramatics | Irina Feig |

SENIOR/ CIT GIRLS DIVISION

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|--------------------------|---------------------|
| All Around Camper | Emily Glickman |
| All Around Camper | Hannah Duggan |
| Outstanding Athlete | Sofia Irigoyen |
| Outstanding in Tennis | Lainey Hellman |
| Outstanding in Skills | Emily Glickman |
| Outstanding Swimmer | Alexandra Schnetzer |
| Outstanding in Dramatics | Kaitlyn Herman |

JUNIOR BOYS DIVISION

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|-----------------------|-----------------|
| All Around Camper | Luca Caviezel |
| Outstanding Athlete | Jack Brand |
| Outstanding in Tennis | Yash Mody |
| Outstanding in Skills | Alex McIntosh |
| Outstanding Swimmer | Louis Patterson |

INTER BOYS DIVISION

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| All Around Camper | Jake Alben |
| Outstanding Athlete | Eric Spyropoulos |
| Outstanding in Tennis | Jason Levin |
| Outstanding in Skills | Zach Santo |
| Outstanding Swimmer | Thomas Tobin |
| Outstanding in Dramatics | Noah Steinberg |

TEEN /CIT BOYS DIVISION

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| All Around Camper | Jason Halpern |
| Outstanding Athlete | Sam Ellis |
| Outstanding in Skills | Joel Goldstein |
| Outstanding in Tennis | Jason Annunziata |
| Outstanding in Tennis | Evan Abouaf |
| Outstanding Swimmer | Robert Levine |
| Outstanding in Dramatics | Max Alben |
| | Scott Caravello |

MALE STAFF

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| All Around Counselor | Louis Rolfs |
| All Around Counselor | Noah Fried |

FEMALE STAFF

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| All Around Counselor | Dana Weisenfeld |
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SEPTEMBER

- 2 Dana Weisenfeld
- 2 Paige Kasick
- 3 Christian Ramirez
- 5 Monica Barnils
- 5 Tristan Hoffman
- 6 Paul Rothberg
- 6 Lucia Bernar
- 8 Laura Scherer
- 9 Brandon Kisberg
- 10 Deborah Altaras
- 13 Gavin Sussman
- 14 Jorge Moreno
- 14 Aude Roussel
- 19 Deisy Linares
- 20 Lina Johansson
- 22 Michelle Kornrich
- 22 Christina Frohlich
- 26 Christine Catapano
- 26 Skyler Sugar
- 28 Lila Oursler
- 28 Natalie Sargeson
- 28 Corrine LeVine
- 30 Casey Hellman

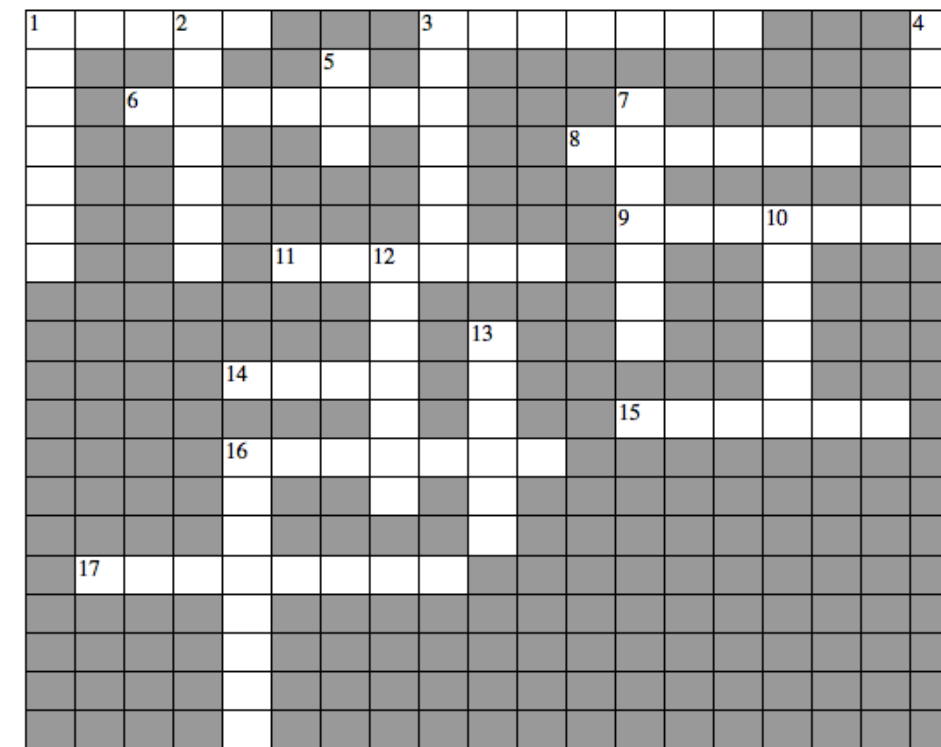
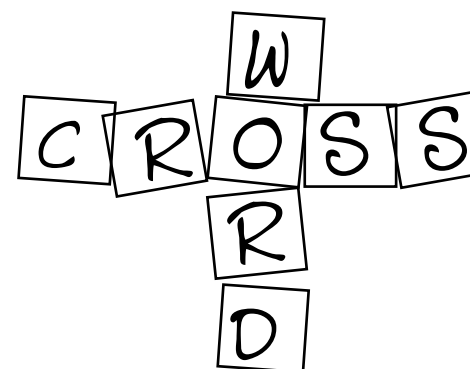
OCTOBER

- 6 Chris Salisbury
- 6 Jordie Gerstman
- 7 Amos Goldstein
- 7 Charlie Goldstein
- 9 Tom Edwards
- 10 Xabier Torralba
- 10 Jake Boehm
- 10 Heather Ruttenberg
- 11 Samantha Klainberg
- 13 Jonathan Correa
- 15 Armen Danielian
- 15 William Sanders
- 15 Kyle Sanders
- 18 Olivia McQuade
- 21 Stephen Boyle
- 24 Thomas Surovec
- 26 Max Levine
- 27 Paul Sodoir
- 27 Costanza Zeni
- 28 Victoria Roche
- 29 Eyan Abouaf
- 31 Alfie Luker

NOVEMBER

- 1 Jillian Belardo
- 1 John Catapano
- 3 Lainey Hellman
- 4 Irina Feig
- 6 Shira Weintraub
- 7 Robert Mayer
- 8 Juan Polanco Toledo
- 9 Alex McIntosh
- 9 Ali Witrock
- 12 Daniel Beregovskiy
- 12 Adrian Torregrossa
- 13 Jack Brand
- 18 Marika Dawkins
- 20 Carl Hood
- 21 Kaitlin Sullivan
- 21 Michael Ciardiello
- 25 Christine Samaha
- 25 Jackson Sanguily
- 26 Shelby Pierson
- 27 Billy Heisler
- 30 Stephanie Erickson

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



ACROSS

1. Name of Bowling Alley; _____ Lanes
3. Sweet Shoppe
6. Popular apparel item of 2009
8. Destination of 2009 Teen Trip
9. Competition with three teams
11. Common word in 2009 Olympic Team Names
14. 2009 Musical; Once _____ a Mattress
15. Favorite Tuesday Activity
16. Carnival Name
17. What time is it?

DOWN

1. Holy Cow Locale
2. Waterfront Activity
3. Bathing suit to many staff
4. Overnight Snack
5. Name of Camp Lake
7. Lower Girls Division (Buildings)
10. Site of Eagle Hill Playhouse
12. Winter gathering of camp friends
13. Full camp relay race
16. Favorite carnival snack



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Camp Begins June 27, 2010
Visiting Day July 17, 2010
Aug Session Begins July 24, 2010

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