

EAGLE HILL *News from the Nest*



A Newsletter for the **Camp Eagle Hill** Community



Winter 2009

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EAGLE HILL IN WINTER: by traci finkel

The two hour car ride felt the same as it always had, the excitement rose as Laura, Franny, and I saw all the familiar signs and buildings that told us summer was finally here. Seeing Holy Cow and Sal's Pizzeria, all the memories of the past 12 summers of my life came rushing back. As we turned onto White Oak Road and saw the sign pointing us to the greatest place on earth, I couldn't help but drive faster toward the entrance of camp. Finally The Lodge came into view and my heart was beating out of my chest. I parked the car and we jumped out, screaming and taking pictures. We were finally back at camp! There was only one problem, it wasn't summer, there was snow on the soccer field and the lake was iced over. The silence all over camp made things even weirder. Perhaps maybe if we went down to Big Red and opened the doors we would hear the screams of all the campers playing games. We just wanted to see what camp looked like during the year, but what we got was so much more than that. It didn't look anything like the place where we had grown up, had made the greatest memories and met some of the most amazing people.

We walked around camp for a while, revisiting all our favorite spots and reminiscing. However, as we sat on the logs at the climbing tower, I realized all the moments I was thinking of were from this past summer, which confirmed the fact it was the best summer of my life. I know that I made the best of my summers at Eagle Hill, and I wouldn't be who I am today without all the people I met there and all the things I learned. After we left our mark in the snow with our snow angels and snowman, we got back in the car and drove away, off to Holy Cow to enjoy our last taste of Elizaville in the wintertime before returning home. Although I know the snow will melt, our footprints and snow angels with it, I know that the mark we left there and the mark it left on us will never fade. Camp Eagle Hill truly is the greatest place on earth, a place where friendships are made, memories are created, and laughter is always heard. I hope you never take your experiences at camp for granted. After all, 12523 are more than just numbers, they are home.





A Word From Jesse

Hey Folks! We hope you had a happy and healthy holiday season. With the start of a new year, we wanted to send out this abbreviated newsletter to keep you posted on the happenings in and around CEH.

With the postponement of last month's reunion, we have a pretty busy couple of months ahead of us. We have several reunions in store. Plus we have now stepped up our staff recruiting operation.

In addition to all this, we also have our continued construction projects at camp. The architectural phase of renovations to Little Red are complete and we are set to get underway with construction.

By the time you read this, we also hope to have our new video complete and posted to the web site. Since many of you are on the video, we know you will be excited to check it out.

Lastly, I would like to re-welcome those alumni that are receiving this newsletter for the first time. Our alumni is the source of our tradition and pride and we are proud that our recent efforts to reestablish continued contact has taken off with such interest. Please note that we have also created a page for alumni on our web site where you can update us on the happenings in your life. These will be shared in future editions of this newsletter.



WE WELCOME YOU TO EAGLE HILL...!



Robert Levine
Max Levine
Emily Greenstein
David McClaren
Blair Sabol
Jorge Moreno
Maria Llompart
Annabel Oursler
Lila Oursler
Ella Rubin
Callie Schaeffer
Emma Kahn
Tristen Hoffman
William Stamberg
Sarah Stamberg

Robert Garrett
Mayaan Dadoash
Noah Dadoash
Jeremy Chemama
Skyler Sugar
Zoe Scheinberg
Shera Weintraub
Leah Edelstein
Jordie Gerstman
Paige Kasick
Rafa Manzano
Asis Kaiffer
Monica Barnils
Sabrina Rundel
Jimmy Colby

JANUARY

- 3 Adam Spiegel
- 3 Rachel Paroff
- 4 Alex Spyropolous
- 5 Melissa Duggan
- 6 Claudia Pare
- 9 Sergii Moroz
- 10 Yeon Jin Kim
- 11 John Catapano
- 15 Patrick Murphy
- 17 Amber Marcus
- 19 Theo Iervolino
- 20 Melissa DiBuono
- 22 Chris Dayaramani
- 23 Clayton Crouch
- 23 Jordan Speranza
- 26 Carly Skulnik
- 27 Kayla Hazard
- 29 Costanza Zeni
- 29 Vitoria Zeni
- 29 Jonah Biblowitz

FEBRUARY

- 1 Zachary Santo
- 1 Sam Ellis
- 1 Marc Green
- 6 Bryan Halpern
- 6 Natalie Papayannoulis
- 7 Andrew Burford
- 8 Lucas Della Bella Paroff
- 9 Ethan Rosen
- 10 Stacy Leinfus
- 13 Damian Catapano
- 14 Erica Silbiger
- 15 Rachel Fasanello
- 17 Hannah Duggan
- 17 Gabriella Jimenez
- 18 Jessica Zekus
- 20 Billy Witrock
- 20 Kelly Taylor
- 21 Erika Duggan
- 22 Haleigh Robinson
- 22 Cameron Robinson
- 23 Cameron Abron
- 27 Ben Blaustein
- 28 Edouard Elsztein

MARCH

- 2 Joey Marchese
- 4 Emily Glickman
- 4 Wai Ki Ching
- 8 Andrew Guerrino
- 8 Charles Rosenberg
- 9 Marina Fortunato
- 10 Keith Amundsen
- 11 Michael Frankel
- 13 Kimberly Ritterbush
- 16 Axelle Zibi
- 17 Clara Torroba
- 20 Lokae Harmon
- 20 Alex Schwab
- 21 Eric Spyropolous
- 22 Joel Goldstein
- 23 Zachary Stark
- 25 Rachel Anunziata
- 25 Rachel Mulfeld-Alfieri
- 25 Robert Levine
- 26 Sara Diamond
- 26 Arthur Vignon
- 27 Rafael Manzano
- 28 Reed Abrams
- 30 Jordan Miller
- 30 Jason Miller
- 31 Adam Grossman

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Staff & Alumni Camper News

After a bit of some investigative reporting, we managed to come up with news that we think you might find interesting. Unfortunately researching our own news tends to limit us to older campers, so we apologize in advance for the lack of coverage of all age groups included in the news below. Remember, you can always submit your news by visiting the camp website at www.campeaglehill.com/campers_newsletter.shtml.

Shira and Jarrod Morris are both playing basketball for Wayne Valley High School. Shira is playing on the Freshman team, while Jarrod is playing Junior Varsity.

Laura Marx recently celebrated her Bat Mitzvah. Among her guests was Camp friend **Carly Skulnik**.

Laura Fertile had an unexpected meeting with **Kaitlyn Herman** as she was leaving the Bay Terrace Movie Theatre.

Josh Papandreadis accidentally lost his cell phone. We aren't sure of the details, but we understand Josh has managed to recover most of the contacts in his address book. We recommend that you give him a call, just to be on the safe side.

Joel Goldstein got a webcam for Hanukkah. If you have a webcam and would like to have a video chat with Joel, he would be happy to tell you all about his holiday vacation.

Jenna Gritser also got some great holiday gifts including a Macbook and the Donnie CD. Hey Jenna, now you can video chat with Joel.

Joey Marchese enjoyed some of his vacation by taking up snowboarding. Maintenance Mike is still holding his breath on this one.

Jackie Santo and **Scott Matus** spent some time together apple picking. They also attended a formal gathering, but it is unclear at this time what the occasion was for.

Adam Grossman enjoyed his vacation in Florida visiting his Grandma. While there, he played golf with his dad and made a trip to Universal Studios.

Natalie Papayanoulis got a new camera for Christmas.

Bryan Halpern had a random encounter with **Jessica Berowitz**. The details of this encounter are still uncertain. However, we did notice that

Brian has his Facebook status as "single". We are again unsure of the events that led to this change in status, but we have launched a full investigation and plan to report our findings in the next edition of The News From the Nest.

Camp News

For Campers currently in 2nd - 6th grade:

A Mini-Reunion will be held at the Sportime USA arcade in Elmsford, NY. It will take place on Sunday, March 8th from 10am-12pm. RSVPs are requested to be made to Stacy Alben by emailing her at CEHREUNION@aol.com.



For Teens (currently in 7th and 8th grade):

The final Mini-Reunion will be our annual overnight Reunion which starts at Nathan's Restaurant in Yonkers, goes up to the Holiday Inn in Kingston, NY near camp and comes back to Nathan's 24 hours later. This great trip includes dinner, a movie, ice cream, pizza, a winter visit to camp and lots of fun! The dates will be February 28th- March 1st. More details will be provided in a separate mailing. RSVPs are requested to be made to Stacy Alben by emailing her at CEHREUNION@aol.com.

Staff Recruiting

Do you know of anyone (18+) that stands out as being reliable, great with kids, and really fun?

As the new year begins, we move into high gear with our staff recruiting. We are pleased to announce that we have many returning staff on board with us for this summer, but we currently have some positions still available including specialty counselors and administrative staff. If you know of anyone that you think would be a great staff member, please let us know. Please also tell them about our website where they will be able to learn about the different jobs and fill out an online application.

CAMP gives kids a world of good.



Camp Begins June 28, 2009
Visiting Day July 18, 2009
Aug Session Begins July 25, 2009

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