



GAZETTE

at Lake of the Woods Camp for Girls and Greenwoods Camp for Boys

CAMP HAPPENINGS!

Campers-please share this newsletter with your families, as there is a lot of information they will want to know.

Dear Campers,

Can you believe the summer is already over? We hope you are all happy and back to school...already counting down to the summer of '12! Many thanks to all of you and your families for making the summer of 2011 such a HUGE success and being a part of our camp family! This past summer, we had our biggest sessions at both The Glen and The Grove, and we welcomed **330 new campers**. We hope that you came home from camp with many new friends, fantastic memories, and the knowledge of so many new skills.

As the leaves fall, and the weather becomes colder, let's remember the beautiful sunny, fun-filled days at camp with our friends! It's normal to be "camp sick" this time of year, but just remember that the fall and winter will fly by and before you know it, you will be packing your duffels to head back to camp.

ENROLLMENT REMINDER: We still have spaces available in both sessions for most age groups at The Glen and The Grove. However, spaces are filling up fast, so please submit an enrollment form to our winter office if you have not yet re-enrolled. You can find our enrollment forms on our website at www.Lwgcgwc.com. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call our winter office at 847-242-0009.



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Important Camp Dates for 2012

- FIRST SESSION GLEN..... Monday, June 18 - Saturday, June 30
- SECOND SESSION GLEN..... Monday, July 16 - Saturday, July 28
- FIRST SESSION GROVE..... Tuesday, July 2 - Saturday, July 14
- SECOND SESSION GROVE..... Monday, July 30 - Saturday, August 11
- FAMILY CAMP..... Sunday, August 12 - Saturday, August 18

A WALK DOWN MEMORY LANE



On those days when you are missing camp, think back on all of the things you learned, all of the friends you made, and all of the fun you had. Here are just a few special memories from summer 2011...

Color Days, Dancing With the Staff, "We are table #1", The Dunes, Formula K, "Burn that Rope," Carnival Night, dunk tank, cabin activities, pool parties, campfires, s'mores, more s'mores!, capture the flag, Friday night pizza, cabin cookouts, rest hour leagues, canteen raids, lots of stars in the sky, tubing, GAGA, the "Ninja", Ga-Ga King, World Records,...and so much more!



FAMILY CAMP



Experience the magic of summer camp with your family! Relive your days as a camper or try summer camp for the very first time. It's a week filled with amazing activities for the whole family to enjoy. Fill your summer vacation with new adventures and thrills by taking advantage of our exceptional facilities. Family camp dates are from Sunday, August 12 to Saturday, August 18. Go to our website at www.LWCGWC.com to find an enrollment form and all the information you need. Here's what some of our families had to say about their experience at family camp last summer:

WHAT WAS THE BEST PART OF YOUR WEEK AT FAMILY CAMP?

"Hanging with the other families that we have gotten to know over the years, and watching my kids (and us) interact with the staff."

"The staff, the patience of the waterski instructors, my kids' smiles..."

"Trying new activities and watching the pride on my children's faces as they accomplished new feats."



SAY CHEESE



If you have any great pictures from last summer that you'd like to share in our newsletters, please email them to

Amy@lwcgwc.com so we can

feature them in our Glen and Grove Gazette throughout the year. Also, we know that many of you travel throughout the year, and we want to see your photos from all the exciting places you've visited! Send us a photo of you on your vacation in your camp T-shirt or sweatshirt, and we will try to publish it in our next newsletter. Try to be standing in front of a statue, famous street, monument or sign so we can tell where you are in the picture. Pack your camp clothing and get ready to "Say Cheese!"



GABI, BRADY AND KEEGAN L.

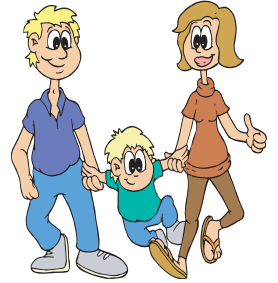
show off their surfing skills at Universal Orlando!

BECAUSE OF CAMP...

All summer long we talked about how powerful the camp experience can be for each and every camper and staff member who is lucky enough to spend part of their summer in Decatur, MI. Throughout the year, we want you to share with us the impact camp has had on you. It can be a story, or just a sentence, but please share your "Because of camp..." with us. Email Amy@Lwcgwc.com "Because of Camp..." and we will be sure to feature your feelings about camp in our next month's Gazette. We can't wait to hear all the exciting and positive things you have to say about the power of camp!

Parent Evaluations

Thank you for spending summer 2011 with us! Our goal is to provide the highest quality of service to our campers and their parents. It is through your feedback and input that we can continue to improve and make changes to better meet your needs and to make camp the best place possible for your children. Thank you for your continued support. We will update you in future issues of the Gazette on new and exciting things coming to The Glen and The Grove for next summer. Here's what some of you had to say about your child's camp experience:



PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR CHILD'S EXPERIENCE LAST SUMMER.

"(She) had a great time. She is growing more confident and I think camp has a lot to do with that."

"His first time at away camp and it was a very positive experience. He loved everything about the camp."

"Both of my boys love camp. They would rather be at camp than any other place on earth!"

WHAT DO YOU LIKE BEST ABOUT LAKE OF THE WOODS AND GREENWOODS FAMILY OF CAMPS?

"Honestly, it's that it goes beyond the child's experience. You go above and beyond to help the parents cope as well which is so nice."

"It allowed my children to experience America as they live in Asia. It also taught them to indulge in outdoor summer activities such as water skiing and volleyball, which they might not other experience."

"That my boys feel like they "belong."

GO AHEAD AND BRAG... ABOUT YOURSELF!

Every summer we get to watch many of you learn new skills and accomplish new things. We don't get to see you during the school year but would still love to know about all the wonderful things you achieve when you are not at camp! Maybe your sports team won a championship; maybe you won a spelling bee or chess tournament...it's okay to brag every once and while! Email us at Amy@Lwcgwc.com and we will do the bragging for you ☺!

Congratulations to **Margo W., Sydney D.** and **Sabrina S.** for their parts in the November performance of The Wizard of Oz at Kids Stage in Northbrook. Margo is Dorothy, Sydney is Toto and Sabrina is the Wicked Witch.

Good luck ladies!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY CAMPERS!



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Natasha P.....	9-1
Morgan G.....	9-1
Madison S.....	9-1
Joey M.....	9-2
Jonathan B.....	9-2
Emily S.....	9-2
Alexa W.....	9-2
Sarah R.....	9-3
Katie R.....	9-3
Jim H.....	9-4
Robbie W.....	9-5
Alexa W.....	9-6
Josie R.....	9-6
Eleanor D.....	9-6
Mason G.....	9-6
Keegan L.....	9-7
Josh L.....	9-7
Hunter L.....	9-8
Emily M.....	9-8
Brodie F.....	9-9
Rachel S.....	9-9
Alex D.....	9-9
Michael D.....	9-10
Kate B.....	9-11
Emily C.....	9-12
Geoffrey G.....	9-12
Megan T.....	9-12
Allison M.....	9-12
Katie K.....	9-13
Alex L.....	9-13
Derek B.....	9-14
Gabe H.....	9-14
Hannah V.....	9-15
Quinn H.....	9-15
Laini W.....	9-15
Nick G.....	9-17
Brooke V.....	9-17
Alex K.....	9-18
Hannah E.....	9-18
Cammy C.....	9-19
Simon R.....	9-19
Jessica F.....	9-20
Katie H.....	9-20
Chasey D.....	9-20
Ariel G.....	9-20
Daniel P.....	9-20
Ethan Y.....	9-21
Ava L.....	9-21
Audrey K.....	9-21

Emma S.....	9-21
Jordyn P.....	9-22
Mcayla F.....	9-22
Christian R.....	9-22
Emily E.....	9-22
Michael S.....	9-22
Florence S.....	9-23
Kevin C.....	9-23
Joe L.....	9-24
Nina P.....	9-25
Max R.....	9-25
Nicholas O.....	9-26
Hannah R.....	9-27
Leah S.....	9-28
Robert S.....	9-28
Miles G.....	9-29
Carly P.....	9-29
William G.....	9-29
Madyn L.....	9-29
Emma T.....	9-29
Lynley E.....	9-30
Morgan B.....	9-30
Emma L.....	9-30

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Sam N.....	10-1
Michael R.....	10-2
Christina P.....	10-2
Matthew N.....	10-2
Barbara S.....	10-4
Lauren C.....	10-4
Ashley G.....	10-4
Mark O.....	10-4
Annie M.....	10-5
Haley U.....	10-6
Jenna R.....	10-6
Tyler K.....	10-6
David B.....	10-7
Griffin G.....	10-7
Cora S.....	10-8
Amalia O.....	10-8
Eli R.....	10-8
Sarah M.....	10-8
Joseph S.....	10-9
Emily L.....	10-9
Ben T.....	10-9
Jake M.....	10-10
Hannah P.....	10-10
Amanda T.....	10-10
Jake S.....	10-10
Rahul M.....	10-12

Jeffrey E.....	10-12
Madison I.....	10-12
Olivia V.....	10-13
Sam H.....	10-14
Haley P.....	10-15
Nick B.....	10-15
Burke V.....	10-15
Maggie S.....	10-16
Kenneth Z.....	10-16
Laura C.....	10-16
Ryan C.....	10-16
Sam B.....	10-17
Robert M.....	10-17
Maggie O.....	10-19
Istvan R.....	10-20
Adam B.....	10-21
Jennifer G.....	10-22
Laure R.....	10-22
Alex G.....	10-23
Aaron E.....	10-23
Spencer R.....	10-25
Zach L.....	10-26
Santino A.....	10-27
Julia M.....	10-27
Emily K.....	10-28
Tommy S.....	10-29
Alix P.....	10-29
Zachary K.....	10-29
Lois B.....	10-29
Sebastian R.....	10-30
Skylar Z.....	10-31

STAFF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Justin Levin.....	9-5
Dayna Hardin.....	9-7
Tyler Kleist.....	9-7
Katie Simeon.....	9-9
Jonny Thurston.....	9-10
Rachel Slotky.....	9-11
Regina Steigerwald.....	9-12
Clare Florida-James.....	9-14
Dana Nawrocki.....	10-1
Brenden Giffel.....	10-5
Laura Carmichael.....	10-22
Stephanie Merrell.....	10-22
Katie Kromelow.....	10-23
Megan Clancy.....	10-26

CAMP QUIZ



Each month in our newsletter we have a camp quiz contest.

If you wish to enter, answer as many questions below as possible and email your answers to Amy@Lwgcgwc.com. One winner from The Glen and one from The Grove will win an iTunes gift card. Please submit all entries by October 31st.

THE OCTOBER QUIZ QUESTIONS ARE:

1. What is the date for the Chicago Area Camp reunion? Where will it take place?
2. Name one thing that is new for summer 2012.
3. What is the internet address for our camp?

GLEN GROVE GOES GREEN!

At The Glen and The Grove we are committed to doing whatever we can to help the environment. As part of our efforts to be eco-friendly, we are trying to limit the amount of paper mailings we send throughout the year to you and your families. If you prefer to receive an emailed version of the monthly newsletter, please email Amy@Lwgcgwc.com and we will begin sending you newsletters electronically.



NEW CAMPER CORNER

Along with our many return campers, we are always excited to have new campers join our growing camp family. This section of our Gazette features questions we answer for our new campers. If you ever have a question you need an answer to, please feel free to call our office or email Amy@Lwcgwc.com. Chances are, you're not the only one with that question. We may even feature your question in our next issue of the Gazette.



Q. WHAT DO I DO IF I'M COMING TO CAMP BY MYSELF?

A. So many of our campers come to camp without knowing anyone else. It is a great way to meet people that might even turn into lifelong friendships! In the spring, you will get a letter from one of our return campers who will be matched with you as your camp brother/sister. They will write a letter introducing themselves and tell you all about camp. They will also want to hear all about you so when you meet at camp, you will already have a friend. You will also be matched up with a new camper your age so you can write to each other before you get to camp. Another great event we have before camp begins is our new camper party which takes place in the spring. There, you will meet other campers coming to camp for the first time and see a slideshow that shows you all about camp and answers some more questions you might have. We promise that on the first day of camp, you will see many familiar faces!

Campers With Big Hearts



One of the reasons our campers are so special, is their generosity and compassion for others. Many of you go out of your way during the school year to help people who are less fortunate. We would love to hear about how some of you get involved in your communities. Do you help at a food shelter? Do you participate in food or clothing drives? Have you ever chopped off all your hair for Locks of Love? Write us at Amy@Lwcgwc.com and share how you give back to your community. We will publish stories each month about our campers' community service projects. Have a fundraising event that you want people to know about? Send us the information and we will share it with your fellow campers in our next Glen and Grove Gazette.

WHAT'S NEW FOR 2012

We really appreciate all the evaluations we have received back in the winter office. Thank you for taking the time to fill them out. We take your feedback into consideration as we are always trying to make our programs better, hire the best staff, improve our facilities and much more! We will continue to update you in future issues of The Gazette on new and exciting things coming to The Glen and The Grove next summer.

CHECK OUT WHAT'S NEW FOR 2012...

- ✓ Another Gaga pit!
- ✓ Resurfacing the roller hockey/go-cart track
- ✓ Resurfacing the basketball courts
- ✓ Brand new Malibu ski boat
- ✓ Continuing our cabin remodeling and upgrades

ALUMNI INFORMATION



We know that many of your parents and relatives were once campers and counselors at Lake of the Woods and Greenwoods. We are sending out alumni newsletters and planning reunions, and we would love to get in touch with as many alumni as possible. Please encourage your family members to log onto our website at www.Lwcgwc.com to fill out an alumni update form so we can stay connected. Email Emily@Lwcgwc.com with any questions.

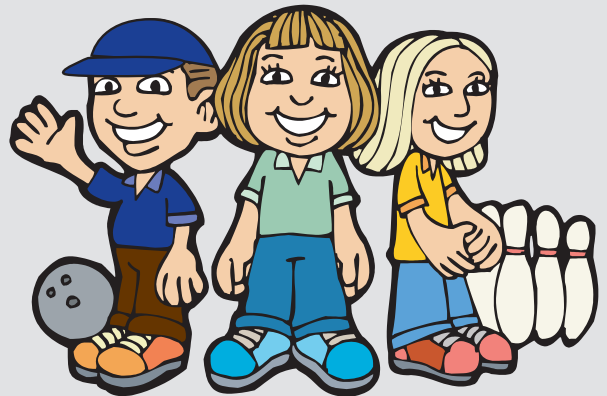
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CHICAGO AREA CAMP REUNION

We hope you will be able to join us at our **Glen and Grove Chicago Area Reunion**. This year, it will take place at Pinstripes on Sunday, November 20, 2011. We will visit with counselors, camp friends, and receive our photo yearbook. It's sure to be a lot of fun! Look for the invitation in the mail and make sure to email your RSVP to Amy@Lwgcwc.com.



Save the Date

2011 Chicago Area Camp Reunion
Sunday, November 20th

PINSTRIPES

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