

September / October 2013



The MONTHLY MEGAPHONE

Lake of the Woods • The Glen • Greenwoods • The Grove

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

Dear Campers,

Can you believe the summer is already over? We hope you are all happy and back to school...already counting down to Summer 2014! Many thanks to all of you and your families for making the summer of 2013 such a HUGE success and being a part of our camp family. We hope that you came home from camp with new friends, fantastic memories, and a multitude of new skills and interests!

As the leaves begin to 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 have now opened up spaces to new families, and many age groups are beginning to fill. If you haven't already re-enrolled, please submit an enrollment form to our winter office. You can find our forms on our website at www.Lwcgwc.com. If you have any question, please don't hesitate to call us at 847-242-0009.

Warmly,

Dayna Hardin and Dana Kite

Dayna & Dana



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SCOPE SWIM-A-THON

This summer, many of our Lake of the Woods, Greenwoods, Glen and Grove campers took to the water and swam laps for SCOPE in our Annual 2013 Swim-a-Thon!

SCOPE (Summer Camp Opportunities Promote Education) is a non-profit organization that enables under-privileged children to experience the wonders of overnight summer camp! Our very own Dayna Hardin and Dana Kite sit on the board of directors for SCOPE Midwest, and it's an organization very close to our hearts.

In total, **354** campers participated in our 2013 swim-a-thon events, swimming **11,280 laps**! That's over 140 miles!!!! Through online donations from our wonderful camp families and friends, we raised **\$6,681.00**, which enables SCOPE to send **13** children to participating camps within the Midwest!



WHAT'S NEW FOR 2014

We are so excited to tell you about what is new for Summer 2014!!!

We are excited to introduce our brand new **MUSIC STUDIO**. It will include a keyboard class, vocal class, and full recording studio!!

CAMP EVALUATIONS - SUMMER 2013

Thank you for spending summer 2013 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. Thank you for your continued support! Here's what some of you had to say about your camp experience:

Please describe your child's experience last summer:

"Priceless first camp experience, thank you!"

"My daughter loved the camp and everything about it! She came home more grounded, mature and happier then when she left."

"Each year, we think it can't get better and each year we are blown away that the experience tops the year prior!"

"Loved that he made friends that he felt close enough to call 'best.'"

"Best summer of his life. Started the summer as a kid, came out a man..."

In your view, what makes Lake of the Woods and Greenwoods "Lake of the Woods and Greenwoods"?

"The variety of activities, including all the water/lake options... and of course, the wonderful camaraderie between the staff, counselors & campers. All the 'team' activities keep everyone involved & included making a wonderful camp family!"

"The campus and facilities are wonderful but it's the people that make the experience outstanding."

"Lake of the Woods is the place that it is because of the people who run this camp. Buildings are buildings, a lake is a lake, but a feeling is built by people!"

"LWC is a camp that cares about the campers AND the parents. It kind of reminds me of Disney World - Everyone who works there is happy and helpful at all times."

"The positive outdoors all around camp environment, filled with rituals that the campers love and count on year after year. The emphasis on community that the campers feel."

"The uniqueness of the experience. Other camps offer similar activities, but the quality of the programs, staff, communications and photography are at a whole other level. This is a first rate operation."

Important Notes... For Our 4 & 8 Week Families

LAKE OF THE WOODS & GREENWOODS

REUNION INFORMATION FOR 4 & 8 WEEK CAMPERS

Save the Date

2013 CHICAGO AREA CAMP REUNIONS

Saturday, November 23, 2013

1st Session: 12:00-1:30 pm

2nd Session: 3:30-5:00 pm

The Double Tree Hotel
9599 Skokie Blvd., Skokie, IL 60077
(Corner of Skokie Blvd. and Golf Rd.)

Camp Dates for Summer 2014

FIRST SESSION

June 16 – July 12

SECOND SESSION

July 14 – August 9

FULL SESSION

June 16 – August 9

FAMILY CAMP

August 10 – August 15

Happy Birthday!

LAKE OF THE WOODS

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Abbe B., Alexa W., Alexandra G., Ayla K., Carly A., Cassie P., Daisy G., Daisy H., Daniela B., Danielle D., Dylan A., Emily L., Erika G., Haley K., Jessica F., Jessica G., Jolie C., Julia M., Laney S., Lauren H., Lexi K., Lily P., Lindsey W., Maddie L., Raquel W., Taylor C.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Alix P., Bailey G., Campbell K., Chloe K., Dana S., Gigi W., Hannah K., Helena M., Jennifer G., Julia M., Kayla B., Kylie C., Lauren S., Lauren S., Lauren S., Lexi C., Lucy R., Maggie S., Maite A. P., Mariah B., Mikenzie M., Morgan M., Rachel G., Rebecca G., Sami F., Sarah B., Sharon K., Simone S., Sydney T., Tori G.

GREENWOODS

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Aiden B., Ali A., Ben S., Bobby D., Charlie G., Christian W., Connor D., Daniel K., Ethan S., Geoffrey G., Isaac D., Jake W., Joe L., Keegan L., Michael R., Nate R., Nick G., Owen S., Paul S., Sam D., Seth B., Tyler A., William S., Zach B., Zachary S.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Aaron E., Alex G., Ethan W., Freddy G., Henry Z., Jack F., Jake M., Jake S., Jordan G., Josh E., Leo L., Matthew M., Zachary K.

Important Notes... For Our 2 Week Families

THE GLEN & THE GROVE

Happy Birthday Campers!



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS - THE GLEN

Lily A., Nicole B., Morgan B., Nicole B., Becca B., Caroline B., Ella B., Stephanie B., Eleanor D., Victoria F., Daniela G. Z., Ariel G., Morgan G., Izzy G., Amanda G., Olivia H., Lauren L., Michelle L., Madyn L., Allison M., Marisa M., Ava M., Emily M., Nina P., Lucei R., Sarah R., Josie R., Jane R., Sarah R., Maggie S., Shelby S., Noa S., Isabella S., Alexis S., Emma T., Brooke V., Chloe W., Laini W., Alexa W.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS - THE GROVE

Jonathan B., Kevin C., Mason C., Matthew D., William E., David F., Colton F., Zachary F., Lucas G., Clay G., Alejandro G., Josh H., Billy H., Jim H., Alex K., Jack K., Kevin M., Riley N., Nicholas O., Joshua R., Max R., Kristian S., Michael S., Matthew S., Robbie W., Ethan Y., Keaton Z.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS - THE GLEN

Rachel A., Emma B., Emily C., Lexie C., Hannah C., Genevieve D., Imani F., Halie G., Haley G., Ashley G., Haley J., Emily K., Sara M., Serena M., Maggie O., Haley P., Emma R., Jenna R., Haley R., Sophie W., Maddie W.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS - THE GROVE

Kevin B., Adam B., Nick B., Lois B., David B., Same H., JC M., Pablo M., Matthew N., Michael R., Spencer R., Max R., Tommy S., Jason S., Burke V., Andrew W.

2013 CHICAGO AREA CAMP REUNIONS FOR 2 WEEK CAMPERS



We hope you will be able to join us at our Glen and Grove Chicago Area Reunions. The reunions will take place at Pinstripes on Sunday, November 24, 2013. You will visit with counselors, camp friends, and receive your photo yearbook. It's sure to be a lot of fun!

SAVE THE DATE - Sunday, November 24, 2013

Glen 1st Session: 1:30 - 3:00 pm • Glen 2nd Session: 4:00 - 5:30 pm
Grove 1st and 2nd Sessions: 10:00 - 11:30 am

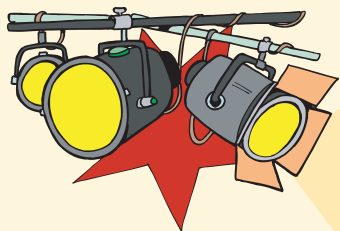
CAMP DATES FOR SUMMER 2014

The Glen for Girls: 1st SessionMonday, June 16 - Saturday, June 28
2nd SessionMonday, July 14 - Saturday, July 26

The Grove for Boys: 1st SessionMonday, June 30 - Saturday, July 12
2nd SessionMonday, July 28 - Saturday, August 9

Family CampSunday, August 10 - Friday, August 15





Staff Spotlight

GAWAYNE COX

We are so excited to tell you about a camp favorite who will be returning for SUMMER 2014!!! Our very own **GAWAYNE COX**, will be back for his 5th summer at camp!! Gawayne is an important part of our land sports tennis staff at camp, as one of our fantastic tennis directors!

"My favorite part of camp is being on the court teaching tennis, watching the kids have fun and improving!"

"The reason why I come back to camp year after year is because of the campers and staff – they are the people that make camp a magical place to be. They embrace me with love, respect, trust and loyalty, and most of all, friendship. Camp makes me feel really special!"

We are thrilled to have Gawayne back for another summer on the courts!



ROOKIE CAMP AT GREENWOODS AUGUST 1-3, 2014

Rookie Camp is a unique opportunity for **boys ages 7-10** to get a taste of overnight camp and see what camp is all about. Boys spend 3 days and 2 nights living like a real Greenwood camper.



Rookie campers are placed in their own cabins with other Rookies around their age and our experienced counselors. The boys participate in a wide sampling of our regular camp activities and have the opportunity to participate in our great evening programs while making new friends.

Air-conditioned coach transportation is provided to and from Greenwood from the Chicago area at no additional charge.
Tuition: \$425.00, all inclusive.

SAM'S CORNER... A Look At The Virtues

RESILIENCE • OPTIMISM • CREATIVITY • FRIENDSHIP • TEAMWORK • CITIZENSHIP • INDEPENDENCE

"Camp is my home away from home." Hearing campers echo these feelings summer after summer is music to our ears. The winter months in our camp office are spent meticulously planning each aspect of your camp experience and nothing is more important to us than bringing out the best in you. Whether you notice it or not, you all change and grow when you're at camp. You grow because you overcome obstacles, conquer fears, and challenge yourselves. You grow because you meet new friends, make laughter a priority, and approach each day with excitement. It's difficult to pinpoint exactly what makes us feel so happy at camp. I believe it's because camp is an adventure, and the best part of an adventure is learning. But what is it that you really learn when you're at camp? Learning at camp is fundamentally different than learning in the classroom. Camp helps develop life skills that will aid you whether you're seven, seventeen, or seventy. These skills are so important that we made them our camp virtues; resilience, optimism, creativity, friendship, teamwork, citizenship, and independence. We'd like to pose a challenge to you: bring the best parts of what you've learned at camp to your life at home and at school. At camp, we talk often about "using the virtues" and we want you to intentionally put these skills in to practice. In each of our next four newsletters, we will investigate two of our virtues and brainstorm ways to integrate them into your everyday life. With any luck, all 12 months of the year will be just as great as the sunny summer days spent in Decatur.



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CAMP QUIZ

BABY KITE CONTEST!

BABY KITE is on the way! With fall well underway, our Associate Director, **DANA KITE**, is patiently awaiting the arrival of her first baby. With an official due date of November 25, 2013, we thought it would be fun to have a Baby Contest!



SO...MAKE YOUR PREDICTIONS ☺

1. What day will Baby Kite be born?
2. Will Baby Kite be a boy or a girl?
3. How much will Baby Kite weigh?



Email your guesses to Amy@Lwcgwc.com. Everyone who guesses correctly will be featured in the next edition of the Monthly Megaphone and be put in a lottery for an iTunes gift card. Good luck!

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 Monthly Megaphone throughout the year. Also, we know 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 gear, and we will try to publish it in our next newsletter. Pack your camp clothing and get ready to "Say Cheese!"



Grove Camper, **LEO G.**, visited Madame Tussauds in London. Here he is next to Emma Watson's wax figure.