

CAMP HAPPENINGS!

Dear Campers,

It's hard to believe during these cold, snowy days, but SPRING is almost here! Before you know it, the temperature will rise, the sun will be shining, and camp will be just around the corner!



We are counting the days until we are back in Decatur!

PACKING LISTS: We know many of you are starting to get things ready for your time at camp. We will be sending out the camp catalog in mid-March. You should have received an email with information about our new clothing outfitter, Amersport, with a link to their website. We have also posted the packing lists on our camp website www.LWCGWC.com under "ENROLLED CAMPERS AND FAMILIES" and then "CAMP CLOTHING."

PARENTS: In mid-March, you will receive the MEDICAL PACKET, and at the end of March, you will receive the FINAL MAILING PACKET, which contains general camp information as well as your child's activity selection forms, and everything else you need to help your family prepare for the summer. As always, if you have any questions about anything, please don't hesitate to call or email us. We are happy to help!

ROOKIE CAMP AT GREENWOODS

JULY 10-12, 2015

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 real Greenwoods campers!



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 great evening programs - all while making new friends!

Air-conditioned coach transportation is provided to and from Greenwoods from the Chicago area at no additional charge. Tuition: \$425, all inclusive.

SAVE THE DATE - ANNUAL SCOPE BENEFIT

SCOPE stands for Summer Camp Opportunities Promote Education. SCOPE is a non-profit organization that raises money to send less fortunate children to not-for-profit camps throughout the Midwest. In 2007, **DAYNA HARDIN** and **DANA KITE** along with other camp directors in the Midwest partnered with SCOPE New York to launch SCOPE-MIDWEST in an effort to provide a summer camp experience for underserved children in our communities.



FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2015

"All You Need Is Camp!" at 7:00 pm VIPER ALLEY, Lincolnshire

STAFF SPOTLIGHT



WELCOME TO OUR GROVE CAMPUS DIRECTOR AND OLDER DIVISION LEADER



We are so excited to welcome **MIKE BILLINGSLEY** back to camp as our Grove Campus Director and Older Division Leader. Mike spent 5 summers at Greenwoods camp from 2002-2006. He started as a tennis and flag football instructor, moved up to director of team sports for two summers and was the program director at Greenwoods camp in 2006. Mike grew up in Louisville, KY and currently lives in New Albany, IN. He graduated with a Bachelor's degree in political science from Spalding University and went on to complete his Master's in education. He has been teaching civics at Fairdale High School in Louisville for the last 10 years. When not teaching, he enjoys spending time with his wife, Erin, and his two beautiful

children, Thurgood and Harper. Thurgood will be joining us a camp for his first summer as a Grove 1st session camper and can't wait! Mike also sponsors the jiu jitsu club at his school and holds a 2nd degree blue belt under Master Pedro Sauer. He enjoys playing tennis, teaching self-defense and jiu jitsu, coaching his son's little league team and spending time with his family. He is looking forward to making his way back to Decatur for an amazing summer!

WELCOME TO OUR MIDDLE DIVISION LEADER AT THE GROVE CAMP



We couldn't be more excited to welcome back twenty-one year old **MAX HARDER** from Michigan. Max was a Grove counselor and fishing instructor last summer, and he is looking forward to heading back to camp as our Middle Division Leader overseeing our 6th and 7th grade cabins. Currently, Max is studying pre-law and communication at Michigan State University. He spends most of his free time up in northern Michigan hunting, fishing, and canoeing. When he's not in the outdoors, he enjoys working with high school leadership development programs, making sure student councils and honor societies are able to fulfill their duties while also having the fun they deserve. After leaving Michigan State, he plans to take some time to travel Europe. Visiting

his close friends from Lake of the Woods and Greenwoods while experiencing the world doesn't seem like it could get much better! Once he returns to "real life" he'd like to find himself at Vanderbilt University earning a dual graduate degree in business and law.

We want to introduce you to our very talented staff that we have hired so far for 2015! We will have a full list of all our staff on our website along with more detailed biographies and pictures once camp starts in June.

MALE COUNSELORS

Ross "Simmy" Simpson - England - Swimming **Michael Baruch** - Illinois - Swimming

Louis O'Connor - Australia - Swimming

Duncan Steencamp - South Africa - Car

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Alex Scott - England - Windsurf Jake Foster - England - Sailing Joe Carroll - England - Sailing Michael Faulty - Australia -Waterski Ryan LaRouche - New Zealand -Waterski

John Ruel - Australia - Waterski

Nick Lewis - North Carolina - Head of Basketball

Tom Hardy - England - Tennis Alex Foley - Illinois - Tennis Simon Winrow - England - Tennis Daniel Leibovitz - Illinois - Climbing Avery Enevoldson - Texas - Climbing Danny Marsh - England - Climbing

David Bell - Illinois - Climbing

Ashley Brown - England - Climbing Director **Jonathan Solan** - England- Riflery

James Lingham - England - Rocketry

Eric Hemmle- Wisconsin - Male CIT Director/Football
Andy Kaufmann - Illinois- Program Assist/Sailing
James Cavanagh - California- Lifeguard at waterski

Liam Hrehorow - England - Soccer

Bryan Trego- Wisconsin - Baseball/Softball

Eric Futak - California - Archery **Ben Apter** - Illinois - Archery

Dominic Clarke - England - Outdoor Living Skills (OLS)

Daiyaan Rhoda - New Zealand - Videographer

Jordan Kimbley - England – Guitar **Gavin Welch** – North Carolina - Guitar **Billy Miskimmin** - New Zealand - Songwriting/ Beat Production

Andrew Schaul - Australia - Fishing/Computers **Eric Umans** - Illinois - Fishing

FEMALE COUNSELORS

Kate Brown - Australia - Swimming
Maddie Manassa - Illinois - Swimming
Hannah Goodbar - Illinois - Swimming
Megan McClement - Minnesota - Swimming
Kathryn Douglas - England - Swimming
Leah Butler - Illinois - Canoe/Paddle Boarding
Caitlyn "Caity" McGinty - Georgia- Paddle
Boardina

Jordyn Davidove - Illinois - Canoe Amelia Slotky - Illinois - Waterski

Jessica Lombardozzi - Australia - Waterski

Isabel Glass - Illinois - Waterski
Paige Anderson - Florida - Waterski
Alecia Low - Australia - Waterski
Katie Crabtree - Indiana - Waterski
Rebecca Bell - Illinois - Sailing
Dana Becker - Illinois - Sailing
Emma Raccuglia - Colorado - Sailing

Heather Trudgen - New Zealand - Sailing

Daniella Creaney - England - Digital

Photography/Media/Newspaper

Jorunn Gluyas - England - Horseback Riding

Director

Grace Hall - England - Horseback Riding Abby Henderson - England - Horseback Riding Maddy Walker - Tennessee - Horseback Riding Katherine Butler-Dines- Indiana - Horseback Riding **Laure Renard** - France - Horseback Riding **Elisabeth Moore** - Michigan - Hip Hop/Jazz/Ballet

Kate Oxler - Kansas - Hip Hop/Jazz/Poms **Rebecca Taylor** - Australia - Gymnastics

Kaytie Rivkin - Illinois - Drama **Kelsey Treon** - Michigan - Drama

Lindsey Wasserman - Illinois - Jewelry/Crafts **Katie Capp** - Illinois - Arts and Crafts/Acting **Avalon Troiola** - Kansas - Arts and Crafts

Blaire Kelley - Florida - Arts and Crafts

Gabby Stieglitz - Illinois - Outdoor Living Skills (OLS)
Bridget Corna - Ohio - Outdoor Living Skills (OLS)

Morgan Eisenstein - Illinois - Cooking Sarah Watters - Scotland - Tennis Rebecca Hartnett - Australia - Tennis Ceri Millen - England - Vocals/Keyboard

Amelia Page - New Zealand - Vocals/Keyboard

Jessica Eagles - England - Climbing Becca Olderman - Illinois - Climbing Lynn Seman - Michigan - Climbing Tonia Bartlett - Missouri - Climbing Danni Skyes - England - Volleyball Bex Lillyman - England - Archery

Sydney Oberholtzer - Illinois - Archery/Lacrosse

Mary Penniman - Massachusetts - Riflery Hannah Bradley - Michigan - Riflery

Ruby Schneider - Illinois - Riflery

Sarah Donne - Australia - Basketball/Team Sports Marika Holloway - New Zealand - Volleyball Haley Umans - Illinois - Health Center Assist. Anna Kinzie - Indiana - Cross Country/Yoga Emma Lichtcsien - Illinois - Animal Care

Sarah Karmin - Illinois - Waterfront

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

LAKE OF THE WOODS & GREENWOODS

NEW CAMPER PARTIES AND PARENT ORIENTATION

Save the Dates

Lake of the Woods for Girls Wednesday, April 29, 2015 • 6-7:30 pm

Greenwoods for Boys

Thursday, April 30, 2015 • 6-7:30 pm

Both parties will be held at:



Glencoe Park District 999 Green Bay Road Glencoe, IL 60022

Camp Dates for Summer 2015

FIRST SESSION

Monday, June 22 – Saturday, July 18

SECOND SESSION

Monday, July 20 – Saturday, August 15

FULL SESSION

Monday, June 22 – Saturday, August 15

FAMILY CAMP

Sunday, August 16 – Friday, August 21

Happy Birthday!

LAKE OF THE WOODS

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Morgan A., Olivia A., Izzie B., Chloe B., Isabel B., Marina D., Ines F., Maddy F., Abby H., Maureen I., Emma I., Katie K., Bella L., Samantha L., Phoebe L., Stephanie L., Ellyssa L., Rachel M., Olivia M., Abby M., Sophie M., Sarah M., Melissa N., Josie N., Ana O., Abby P., Samantha R., Hannah R., Brooke R., Joella R., Claire S., Poppy S., Haley T., Emily W.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Zoe B., Rachel B., Morgan C., Carly F., Samantha F., Brielle G., Paige G., Priya G., Sammi G., Sophie I., Lindsay K., Heather K., Olivia L., Abigail L.-S., Laney L., Lexie L., Anna M., Samantha M., Sarah N., Maya O., Madison S., Zoe S., Elizabeth S., Bella S., Jenna V., Mia W., Lela Z.

GREENWOODS

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Ryan B., Harris C., Nate C., Patricio C., Zachary C., CJ D., Jack D., Tanner D., Julian G., Ryan H., Zach K., Alex L.-H., Charlie M., Lucas M., Matthew O., Daniel R., Ethan S., Cooper S., Hunter W., Joshua W., Austin W.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Max B., Dylan C., Eli C., Graham E., Benny G., Zachary G., Cooper H., Drew K., Quintin K., Brady L., Lorenzo L., Graham M., Thomas M., Daniel M., Evan O., Nathan O., Zach O., Eli P., Gilbert S., Jacob T.

Important Notes...For Our 2 Week Families

THE GLEN & THE GROVE

NEW CAMPER PARTIES AND PARENT ORIENTATION

Save the Dates

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2015

THE GLEN FOR GIRLS • 11 am-12:30 pm THE GROVE FOR BOYS • 1:30-3:00 pm

Both parties will be held at:



Glencoe Park District 999 Green Bay Road Glencoe, IL 60022

Camp Dates for Summer 2015

The Glen for Girls:

1st Session

Monday, June 22 - Friday, July 3

2nd Session

Monday, July 20 - Saturday, August 1

The Grove for Boys:

1st Session

Monday, July 6 - Saturday, July 18

2nd Session

Monday, August 3 - Saturday, August 15

Family Camp:

Sunday, August 16 - Friday, August 21

Happy Birthday!

THE GLEN

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Brooke A., Mira B., Roberta C., Angel D., Jacqueline D., Vanessa D., Ally F., Peyton F., Julia G., Emma G., Janet G., Danielle G., Carly G., Mia G., Hannah H., Elle H., Adrienne H., Alison H., Lindsay K., Abbie M., Lauren M., Emma P., Sarah P., Cecilia R., Hannah R., Dani S., Emma S.-D., Amina S., Sonja V., Gabrielle Z.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Lyla B., Taylor B., Taylor B., Georgia C., Eliza C., Amelia D., Olivia D., Danielle F., Isabella F., Mariah H., Eden J., Natalie K., Jessica K., Jenna K., Grace K., Grace L., Jasmine L., Antonia L., Leela M., Mary Jane M., Camila M., Grace M., Olivia M., Erica N., Brooke O., Parker R., Alli S., Brigid S., Hannah S., Brooke S., Sara S., Kelemet T., Hailey W., Vivienne W., Bradyn W., Lindsey W., Amelia W.

THE GROVE

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

William B., Jared B., Kevin D., Clark G., Maxwell K., Jackson M., Maddox N., Neema R., Dylan W.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Kyler D., Veer D., Dakota G., William H., Max K., George L., Ben M., Zachary M., Max M., Logan P., Jacob R., Jack S., Cooper S., Zach W.

GLOBAL APPAREL DAY March 6, 2015

Friday, March 6th was our 4th ANNUAL GLOBAL CAMP APPAREL DAY!

Campers, staff, and alumni participated by wearing their favorite camp attire. We are SO proud of our entire camp family for their enthusiasm and creativity in showing their camp spirit! Please



MIKEL D., AINHOA D., LUIS S., and LOREA V. show their camp spirit in Mexico!

visit the Lake of the Woods Family of Camps Facebook page to check out pictures from all over the world on this amazing day! We were amazed by the overwhelming amount of participation and support from all of our campers, staff and alumni from all over the world. Enjoy

some of our early entries! The winners will be announced in our final newsletter before heading to camp in May.



REBECCA M. shows off her camp spirit on her way to Michigan!

MLK Day of Service at the Highland Park Recreation

Center:

On Monday, January 19th, some of our campers came out to help run the SCOPE booth and spread the word about what SCOPE does to help send underserved kids to not-for-profit overnight camps



throughout the Midwest each summer. It was a great day filled with lot of great service organizations. We are proud of our campers for their help and support with SCOPE and a shout out to **HEATHER K.** for organizing and setting up our booth!

NEW CAMPER CORNER

For many of you, this coming summer will be your first time away from home. Currently, we have **310** new campers coming to camp this summer! We know that you have so many questions about what camp will be like and want you to know that we are here to answer all of them!



Q. What happens if I get homesick at camp?

A. Everyone misses home sometimes, and that is very normal! Even your counselors and your friends at camp might miss certain things from home. All the counselors and directors at camp are there to make sure we do whatever we can to help you feel better and get your mind off of feeling homesick. You should go to your counselors whenever you are feeling down and they will help you find a way to have fun even though you are missing home. Keep in mind that some of our campers who are the most homesick their first year at camp are the ones who continue to come back year after year! It is important for you to know that you are allowed to feel homesick and miss home but still have the most amazing summer!

Q. There are so many activities available at camp! How do I know which ones to choose?

A. One of the neat things about camp is that YOU get to decide what activities you take. In the information packet you will receive at the end of March, there will be a list of all the activities that we offer. You will send your Activity Selection Form to the winter office, and when you get to camp, a schedule with your choices will be waiting for you! If you get to camp and decide you want to try something else, we're happy to change your schedule at the end of the first week. We guarantee that you will get all of the activities you choose. Camp is a great place to try new and fun things that you may not have the opportunity to do home.

"GO AHEAD AND BRAG!"

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. It's okay to brag every once in a while...email us to Amy@Lwcgwc.com and we will do the bragging for you!

We are so excited to brag about **BRIE B.** who has attended The Glen for 4 summers, and will now be a Counselor in Training (CIT) this summer.

Brie was crowned Miss Teen Los Angeles 2015 at the end of February! As a titleholder, she will be making appearances all year long and will be promoting her platform, Literacy & Education. She is heading to Fresno, California in June to compete for Miss Teen California, which is a Miss America Pageant. Way to go Brie!

BRIE B. is crowned Miss Teen Los Angeles!

CAMP QUIZ

In each 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@LWCGWC.com Everyone who guesses correctly will be put in a lottery to win an iTunes gift card. Good luck!

Thank you to **CHLOE Y., STEPHEN K., GABRIELLE G., DOMINIC C., ZACHARY S.,** and **RYAN R.** for sending in their answers to our January Camp quiz. Our winners are **CHLOE Y.** and **DOMINIC C.!!** Congratulations! They will both be receiving an iTunes gift card.

THE MARCH QUESTIONS ARE...

- 1. When is Global Apparel Day?
- 2. Who is our new Grove Campus Director/Older Division Leader?
- **3.** Name three counselors who were hired from England.







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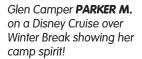
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WHERE IN THE WORLD IS...?



If you have any travel plans, take a photo in your camp gear and be sure to send it to us at Amy@LWCGWC.com. We will share your photo in the next newsletter! Don't forget to pack your camp gear for spring break and SAY CHEESE!







DANI D. showing her camp spirit in Machu Picchu, Peru!

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