

CEDAR CHEST - FALL 2011

HELLO THERE

It's time for the first edition of the Cedar Chest. Everyone is back at school and camp is being prepared for the off-season. We are busy making plans for the 2012 season, which will be awesome!

We would very much like to hear from you during the year. Not only do we enjoy hearing from you but we also like to print your news in the Cedar Chest. It is a great way to let all your camp friends know what you are doing. As well as sharing news, we also like to print any articles and stories you have written and would like to have in the Cedar Chest so if you have something to contribute, just send it to us.

We look forward to hearing from you.

FATHER & SON WEEKEND

Our annual Father & Sons Weekend was a great success. We enjoyed a wonderful weekend with over 60 campers sharing Camp with their dads. The two-man Father & Son tubing was a big hit, and continuing the greatest streak in modern sports history, the counselors won the father/counselor softball game for the 58th straight year!

HENRY HACKER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

After camp, we ran our annual camping experience for inner city at-risk campers. We were able to extend the opportunity to even more children this year and had a total of 100 boys and girls. We would like to thank all the counselors, nurses and kitchen staff who stayed to make the experience so special for the Hartford Police Athletic League. The children enjoyed everything from the waterfront and archery to the zip line and arts and crafts. Everyone, staff included, had a great time.

BOB'S NOTEBOOK (OUR CARETAKER)

We have been busy fixing things up and getting camp put away for the winter. We have to drain all the water out of every sink, toilet, shower and water fountain in camp so they don't freeze and break the pipes in the winter. Everything will freeze around here including the lake! The lakes up here freeze so much that people drive trucks on them. You are not allowed to ice fish on our lake however so that keeps the fishing great the rest of the year.

There have been a number of different animals around camp. The foxes are back, and some wild turkeys have been spotted too. No moose yet, but we hope to see some soon!

BACK TO SCHOOL

(Re-printed from previous editions)

The beginning of school is often the most important time of the year, because it is during this time that the foundation is prepared for the entire year.

Try hard to pay close attention to everything that is said in class, and keep up to date on all of your assignments. Don't let yourself fall behind in any subject, and try to do a little extra work if you have time.

Reading is very basic and very important for all schoolwork. Make an effort to do some reading every day, and try to improve your vocabulary, not just by memorizing words, but by reading good books and learning new words from them. Read for school, and read for pure enjoyment. That is a great way to learn.

There is a vast difference between homework and studying, and it is important to learn the difference. Homework is usually some daily assignment that can often be done in school during study periods or can be done at home. It is based on current work being learned. Studying, however, is never finished. Studying is that extra effort shown by reviewing and remembering. Try to develop good study habits. Study hard and we hope you all have a great year in school.

LOST ITEMS

If you have any clothes or equipment that belongs to someone else, please send it on or contact the camp office so we can get the item back to their rightful owners. Thanks in advance for your help. We have already sent out all labeled items that were recovered at camp.



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NOTES AND COMMENTS

As we mentioned at the beginning of the Cedar Chest, we always like to hear from you, we will print your news here.

Jason Tanenbaum has been in touch. Sue spoke with **Jake Wakoff** the other day. His family will be spending the rest of the year in London! **Robin Crawford** has been in touch recently, as have **Jeff Robbin** and **Kathleen Maher**. **Brendan Carlin** has been working at the same local food pantry as Sue, Adam and Molly this fall. **Andrew Martin** has kept in touch this fall, as has **Raef Rothschild**. Raef has had a big fall. He recently attended a Bucket Head concert, played his first official "gig" on the guitar, and read the Torah blessing at Rosh Hashanah services. Way to go **Raef! Maggie, Molly and Emma Ward** stop by when they can, as does **Kathleen VonEuw**. Kathleen has been working hard and has three jobs! **Jason Levine** has been playing a lot of basketball this fall. **Michael Abeshouse** has written, as has **Max Pava**. Sue saw **Andrew Bronstein** and **Adam Sawyer** in the same day last month. Adam is playing a lot of golf this fall. **Clay Hedges** called the other day to check in, as did **Blake Nachman**. Blake is really enjoying school. **Michael Dornetshuber** has been in touch; he is working really hard to get ready for basketball season. We hear from **Anne Gallagher** regularly. She is working hard in Chicago, and living with **Sammy Wolf! Jake Block** has written. He is spending his entire freshmen year of college with the Young Judea program in Israel! **Reed Stiller** was recently named the Vice President of his class. Congratulations Reed! **Gerald Davis** has been in touch. He is enjoying his time coaching at football at Central Missouri. Our best wishes go out to **Noah Lemley**. Noah broke two bones in his ankle playing soccer this fall, but hopes to be ready in time for basketball season. Feel better Noah! **Spencer Spahr** recently got together with his bunkmates **Jacob Angstreich** and **Jake Giefman**. They had a great time seeing each other outside of camp. **Jake Greenberg** is hard at work in Law School, but recently made it to Chicago, and met up with **Max & Sam Elrad, Noah Quinn** and **Jamie Swimmer**. We heard from **Zach Novick** one day. He is in touch with a lot of camp

friends. Best wishes to **Samson Weiner**. Samson recently suffered a hairline fracture on his foot. Get well soon! Congratulations to **Jake Cohen** on his recent Bar Mitzvah. Jake was lucky enough to share the weekend with **David Blum, Gavin Gartenberg, Raef Rothschild, Andrew Settleman**, and of course, his brother **Eli Cohen**. We saw **Kieran Mahaffey** out trick-or-treating. Kieran was an airline pilot!

TRIVIA TIME

Sports Quiz

1. The historically futile Detroit Lions started this season 5-0. When was the last time they started with a 5-0 record?
2. St. Louis' own David Freese won the NLCS MVP and World Series MVP this year for the World Champion Cardinals. Who's the last player to win both MVPs in the same year?

Cedar Quiz

1. The summer of 2011 marked only the second time that Color War broke in the morning. When was the first time?
2. The 15 year olds won a number of big tournaments this summer. Can you name them all?

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to former Cedar camper **John DiBartolomeo**. John, a junior at the University of Rochester, has been named to three separate pre-season All-America teams for the 2011-12 season.

Congratulations to former Cedar camper **Ben Bloom**. While most of us have been enjoying the NFL's return from our homes, Ben is on the sidelines with the Dallas Cowboys, as a first-year defensive assistant.

Congratulations to long-time counselors **Erica Battit-Fullerton** and **Dave Fullerton** on the birth of their beautiful baby girl, Julia.



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****WEDDING BELLS****

A special congratulations to our dear friend Jason Block. Over Labor Day Weekend, Jason married his long-time girlfriend, Talie Amar Block, in their hometown of Columbus, Ohio.

The entire Cedar Family wishes Jason and Talie nothing but love and happiness in their future together.



VIDEO YEARBOOK

Adam Krol is busy putting on the final edits to the Cedar video and it should be out early this year. In the next issue of the Cedar Chest, we will be able to let you know when we expect it to be complete.

WEBSITE

Be on the lookout for the 2010 Log as we continue to update the website (www.campcedar.com). We will be rotating new pictures in from time to time so keep checking to see if your picture is up there!!!

CAMP CHAMPIONS CELEBRATION

On November 2, 2011, Cedar was proud to be a part of the first annual "Camp Champions Celebration" at Fenway Park. The event helped raise money so that at-risk youth can enjoy the same summer camp experience we're fortunate enough to enjoy year-after-year. Jeff helped chair the event as an ACA board member, and a number of Cedarites past and present, alumni and parents, helped put the fundraiser together, as guests, donators and organizers. The night was a big success and we are so proud that Cedar and our extended camp family helps lead the way in community service activities!

THE BAD JOKE CIRCLE

(Sorry in advance!)

What kind of fish performs surgery?
A sturgeon!

Why didn't the brain want to take a bath?
It didn't want to be brainwashed!

What do you call a Tyrannosaurus under a lot of stress?
A nervous rex!

How are eyes and schools similar?
They both have pupils!

What does a peanut say when you crack it?
"Help! I've been a salted!!!"

EDUCATIONAL WORDS OF WISDOM

"Minds are like parachutes; they can only function when they're open."
- James Dewar

"Education is nothing more, nor less, than learning to think!"
- Peter Facione

"An investment in knowledge pays the best dividends."
- Benjamin Franklin

TRIVIA TIME ANSWERS

Sports Quiz

1. The last time the Lions started 5-0 was in 1956 ago, in the midst of a 5-year period where they 3 won league championships, their last in 1957. They have not won since. Good luck Motor City!!!
2. Philadelphia's Cole Hamels won both awards in 2008.

Cedar Quiz

1. The summer of 2003.
2. Archery, Baseball, Basketball, Climbing, Golf and Lacrosse!

KEEP IN TOUCH

Remember you can contact us by e-mail at campcedar@aol.com. We love to hear from you so drop us a note and let us know what you are up to. We hope you all have a great winter. Be well!