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Our household has always been hardliners when it comes to dinnertime because we have always been firm believers in the importance of eating together as a family every night. To this end, we have always worked really hard to ensure that our sacrosanct family dinners stayed intact. Despite guitar lessons, soccer practices, basketball practices, horse riding lessons, and a rigorous play date schedule, we have always maintained the integrity of that family dinner. (Really??? PLAY DATE??? Who on earth came up with that goofy name? I don't know about the rest of you, but I am SO sick of having to purchase flowers and candy for my nine year old to bring over to her friend's house for an afternoon of listening to music, dancing and make believe....)

It is, after all, at family dinners when everyone connects and converses in natural and comfortable ways. It is, after all, at family dinners when the details of our children's lives are shared with us in a much more effective way than the banging-one's-head-against-a-brick-wall script that so many of us have perfected into Oscar worthy performances of genuine parent/child interaction. "How was school?" "Fine." "What did you do at school?" "Nothing." "Nothing? You did NOTHING at school? Really? Not one thing?!" "Yeah...nothing." It is, after all, at family dinners when we get a chance to discuss current events in the world and our feelings about them. It is, after all, at family dinners when vacation, weekend, and life plans get hatched and fleshed out. It is, after all, at family dinners when families happen.

Last week though, we finally gave in. With our sons' separate basketball practices, and Josie's riding lesson painfully spaced throughout the evening, the possibility of sitting the whole family down for dinner would not be possible before 9:00 PM. And given the fact that Josie goes from one of those adorably cute Mogwai creatures into the most horrific of Gremlins if not fed before 6:30, (I apologize to those of you that are unfamiliar with the 1984 classic Gremlins....trust me....the transformation is terrifying on many levels.) we chose the safest plan....a split dinner. And with that, our fantasy about maintaining the idyllic family dinner went the way of the Dodo. Last night we did, however, force the issue a bit and had the entire family sit down together for the second seating. Admittedly, it was tough to convince my nine year old of the psychological benefits of our sitting down together at the dinner table for a second time. (The Mogwai's skin was visibly bubbling....we decided NOT to give her a bath last night!) While it was not a perfect solution to the loss of the family dinner, it generally worked towards the same ends.

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NEWS OF THE CAMP FAMILY



It is with great pleasure that I get to let the camp family know that Jeremy Nordin-Berghuis will be the Program Director for the 2016 summer! Jeremy couldn't be more excited and all of us in the office are equally excited for him. Jeremy has run our target shooting range, directed the arts and craft shop, and been waterfront director and the director of family camp. He's more than ready to make this transition. What this also means is that I (Fornear) will be making the transition back to our wilderness tripping program. I was a trip leader for many years way way back in the early 90s, was the assistant trip director for a summer and then the trip director for many years when I began working full time back in 2004. Needless to say I'm excited to move back down into the basement of the Big House for the upcoming summer. I assure you that all canoeing trips will have plenty of fishing gear packed out for our boys to catch some whoppers this summer on trail!

As for the rest of the winter in the Duluth satellite office, everything is going well. I just returned from a quick weekend trip to St. Louis where 8th grader, Ethan Kalishman, assisted me in selling camp at a huge camp fair. Ethan's ready for the reunion tour! Veteran tripper, Jamey Sharp, visited Duluth two weeks ago and we were able to get out on the fat bikes for some really sweet single track trail riding on the snow. I really wish I could offer that to our campers during the summer as winter mountain biking is a ton of fun!

The off season is quickly coming to an end as Adam Kaplan is wrapping up the reunion tour solo. Thank you to everyone who has joined us thus far, and we hope to see the rest of you on the final leg! I will once again need you to email, call or snail mail me your news for future Arrowheads. So send me that news! 'Til next time, enjoy the day and get excited for the upcoming summer!

IT MAY INTEREST YOU TO KNOW that in Minneapolis, **Brett Schoppert** is playing a homeless person, a thug and Gordon in the play *Rent*. **Graham Brimmer** continues to stay busy swimming through the winter. **Eli Striker** is a midfielder for the St. Paul Blackhawks soccer team and runs track. **Maximus Kennedy** is playing basketball this winter. In Chicago we learned that **Matthew Garchik** is a small forward for his basketball team at Parker. **Simon Mann** has been skiing out west this winter. **Josh Marcus** has become an expert with the rubik's cube...maybe we'll see that this summer. **Andrew Bahn** has been staying active playing soccer. **Peter Kallos'** basketball team is 6-2 and he is also playing indoor soccer.

IN THE BIBS AND DIAPERS DEPARTMENT: It's a boy, **Theodore Frederick**, for Emily Farris and **Kyle Hopkins** (KC '02-'06,'12). It's a girl, **Olivia Sara**, for Marissa and **Kevin Cole** (Cleveland/Boston '86-'92,'94-'95).

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2016 ROAD SHOW COMES TO AN END!

Adam Kaplan is ready to head to finish off the reunion season in Alanta! Please contact us at the camp office if we somehow missed you on our invitation list and we'll be sure to get you the details so you can RSVP. Hope to see you there!

City	Dates	Reunion Details
Atlanta	Feb. 9	Greenwald, Tues., Feb. 9, 6:30 PM 6170 Heards Creek Drive, Atlanta

LOOK AT ALL THE CAMPERS FOR 2016!



As the enrollments continue to arrive to our office, we want to keep you in the loop about who is enrolled for the upcoming summer. Listed below are the boys who are currently enrolled. New campers are denoted with an asterisk before their names, while eight-week campers are indicated with an (8).

Parents, you can enroll your campers by heading to the online form at <https://nebagamon.campintouch.com/v2/camper/application/app0.aspx>

3rd Grade Campers: *Oliver Brenner (Chicago, IL), *Noah Horowitz (Chicago, IL), *Sam Montag (Atlanta, GA), *Jacob Rolfe (Chicago, IL), *Kobi Silver (Chicago, IL), *Milo Solomon (Deerfield, IL), *Leo Susser (San Francisco, CA), *Wesley Schwartz (Chicago, IL)

4th Grade Campers: Alexander Averbuch, *Griffin Barnett (St. Louis, MO), Drew Bender, Ethan Blatt, Jasper Braunschweiger (8), Addison Burvall (8), *Mauricio Caballero (Monterrey, Mexico), *Ting Ting Chen (Shanghai, China), Joel Fisher, Levi Gell, *Mark Gingiss (Chicago, IL), *Gabriel Heller (New York, NY), Chase Herbert, Jack Krupnick, Hudson McConnell, *Patrick Meehan (Swansea, IL), Sam More, Jake Novack, Ethan Pearson (8), *Jack Pera (Austin, TX), Owen Rosenthal, *Zach Ruwitch (St. Louis, MO), *Griffin Scissors (St. Louis, MO), Lawson Wheeldreyer, Josh Wells

5th Grade Campers: Sebastian Alderman, *Jake Brown (St. Louis, MO), Michael Cohen (8), *Lucas Daskal (Chicago, IL), *Adam Eberhard (Chicago, IL), Nick Fleisher, Emmitt Gerstein, Jacob Greenwald (Atlanta, GA), Ben Hackney, Thomas Harrison, Jacob Laytin, *Jason Li (Los Angeles, CA), Simon Mann (8), Josh Marcus (8), Nelson Mendels, Ethan Schott, AJ Sherman, Nathan Starhill, Jack Tierney, Steven Weeldreyer

6th Grade Campers: Daniel Armstrong, Benjamin Bakal, *Daniel Barreda (Monterrey, Mexico), Michael Bayer (8), Justin Blumberg, *Bernardo Caballero (Monterrey, Mexico), Jessie Chan (8), Charlie Cohen, Daniel Cohen, Charlie Davis, Ben Effress (8), Nick Friedman, Billy Galpern (8), Jesse Gell (8), Jackson Goldblatt (8), Jack Goodman (8), Jack Gordon, Daniel Heller (8), Matthew Hooper, Danny Horowitz (8), Gabi Huberman-Shlaes (8), Ben Kessler, Harrison Lane, Peter Kallos, Adam Lewis, Miles Lokken, Eli Moog (8), Charlie Peters, Jake Powers, Harrison Reichert (8), Brady Rivkin, Jack Rivkin (8), Ben Shacter, Jason Shacter, Gabriel Sloan-Garcia, Nate Wells, Solomon Wexler, Nate Woldenberg (8), *Noah Yaker (West Bloomfield, MI)

7th Grade Campers: Eli Aronson, John Bellaire (8), Asher Burvall (8), Grady Clark (8), *Jackson Fogelman (Memphis, TN), Noah Frankel, Henry Freilich, Matthew Garchik (8), Owen Goldsmith, Benji Gourdji, Alex Greco, Ben Hanson-Kaplan (8), Oliver Held (8), Zachary Herman, Noah Keim (8), Orion Kornfeld, Andrew Kuria, Owen Marchant, Ben Montag (8), Will O'Brien, John Osburn, Ryan Patterson, Fletcher Redondo (8), Max Rontal, Marc, Rosenthal, Grayson Schementi, Isaac Schiff-Lewin (8), *Sam Shapin (London, England), Sam Shapira (8), Jesse Shapiro, Finn Sher (8), Alec Silver, Owen Stephenson (8), Gavin Stern, Ben Weiner, Ari Weiss, Jed Whalen Stewart, Eli Whiting, Jack Wineman

8th Grade Campers: Andrew Bahn (8), Camden Blumberg, Jonah Docter-Loeb (8), Ben Dubinsky, Dylan Fox, Isaac Frankel, Micah Franzel (8), Elliot Heldman, Jesse Herzog (8), Nate Hohner (8), Jordan (JT) Hornick, Tommy Kagan, Ethan Kalishman (8), Coby Keren, Sebastian Klein (8), Ari Krupnick (8), Ben Lindy (8), Henry Lokken, Jeremy Margolin (8), Isaac Miller, Peter Pfisterer, Ben Platt (8), Sam Reichert (8), Jack Rogen (8), Ethan Rosenberg (8), Ben Serwer (8), Benjamin Sklar, Drew Sklar, Charlie Steinbaum, Henry Susser, Nathan Susser, Oliver Swack (8), Peter Whelan, Sam Whittman (8)

9th Grade Campers: Eli Amshel, Drew Aronoff (8), Drew Balsler, Tommy Bellaire (8), Michael Berler (8), Arthur Brook Young, Alex Buring, Jake Druckman (8), Jason Eisen, Bryce Endrizzi, Andrew Frisch, Matthew Grossman, Andrew Guest (8), Eli Harrison, Eli Hecht (8), Luke Herzog (8), Lenny Kaznachey (8), Ben Lassetter, Zach Lechter, Max Kornfeld (8), Simon L'Tainen (8), Charlie Moog (8), James Myer, Joey Rivkin (8), Chris Rosenthal (8), Brett Schoppert (8), Eli Smith (8), Levi Solomon (8), Conor Tiereny, Harrison Weinstock, Isaac Weiss, Charlie Woodman, Matthew Youkilis, Mauricio Zambrano Diaz

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I will admit, it is with no small amount of sadness that I have given in to the reality of my children's lives becoming so much busier and more complicated, which has necessitated our recalibration (I believe that is the word that politicians use when they mean to say "admission of defeat.") of the family dinner plan. This new reality, while a positive indication that our kids are growing up and pursuing their own interests, is a sobering signal to us that things are changing, and family time is going to be more and more challenging to come by in the years to come...

It was with all of this weighing on my thoughts that I sat down to write my article this month. As is so often the case, as my thoughts turn to camp, I shook my head in disbelief at the genius of the place. (I can say this in good conscience since I was not the designer of the system....far be it from me to call myself a genius. Anyone that knows me knows that I would NEVER do such a thing....) At camp, as at home, mealtimes are really important. Anyone that has ever set foot in the Rec Hall knows this to be the case. Each family meal is evidence of the value of this forced togetherness. Each table filled with a cabin of campers is a microcosm of it working. Looking around, you notice families laughing together, families discussing things together, and, yes, families working through tough times and wayward behaviors together. There can be no doubt that Rec Hall time is a SIGNIFICANT part of every member of our camp family's time at camp. But, here is the genius of the camp setup...you see, at camp, the daily routine is designed so that each camp family cabin eats EVERY meal together...not just a family dinner mind you, but EVERY meal. We never schedule an activity, or a practice, or a play date, or a meeting during a meal. Mealtimes are left alone. While it is possible that this scheduling brilliance was created as a way to simplify things for our kitchen crew, I prefer to believe that this was done, at least in part, with the knowledge and belief that when families spend time together around the table, the roots grow deeper and the connections grow more significant.

As many of you know, I often refer to each summer that we enjoy at camp as a radical utopian experiment in which we strive to create as perfect of a world as possible. Separated from the "real world," we are able to construct our own world where team practices take place separate from meal times, music lessons take place separate from meal times, and meetings take place separate from meal times. Part of our utopia is an acknowledgement that families that eat together are stronger families. Now, if I can just convince the Boise area basketball coaches and riding instructors that this is the case as well, I can bring a little more utopia to Idaho....

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IT'S 2016. DO WE KNOW WHERE OUR STAFF IS? You Betcha!

Back in late 2015, many staff contacted us to say they would like to return. This ensures that we will have veterans in place to lead the charge into another great summer underneath the towering white pines. Many of our key positions have been filled, and cabin counselors and trip staff are coming into the fold.

Here are the returnees for the summer of 2016. We are excited to announce that Alex Gordon will be our Logger Village Director for his seventh year, and that David Sachs will return for his fifth season as the Swamper Village Director. Larry Held returns as the Axeman Village Director for his third season. Everyone should be pleased to hear that Anne Rowe is returning for her 12th season as our kitchen manager. Who's ready for some awesome ribs on PBD! Ann Pellman, Austin Price, Elissa Skaggs and Grant Pearson are all returning to cook up those great meals at the Rec Hall. Linnea Moss will spend another summer as our town driver. Jeremy Nordin-Berghuis returns for his eighth summer. This summer though, Jeremy will be the Program Director. Grant "Shimpkins" Rosskamm returns to camp in a new role as well as the head of CNO. Katie Mahoney joins us for her third summer as our waterskiing specialist. New to camp and the craftshop, Nikita Schwartzman joins us for the summer. Nikita comes from Boise and is really excited for the summer. Amber Burvall returns for her sixth summer as our Nurse. Cathy Fries will be starting her 18th season as the camp housekeeper.

Our senior counselors are as follows: Benji Ballin, Adam Schimberg, Zach Stern, Teddy Shapira, Isaac Murray Stark, Sam Lucas, Michael Deutsch, David Woldenberg, Reid Kahn, Max Settineri and Jake Friedman. Our returning junior counselors are Jake Beren, Ryan Zimmerman, Isaac Weiss Meyer and Ian Kuria. Trip staff returners are Lindsay Aronson and Troy Donovan. New to trip staff but not to camp is Graham Strauss, Noah Stein, Louie Bogolub and Jonah Domsy. Ron Gaare returns as a trip driver this summer and Allen Bennett will begin his fourth as the Quartermaster. Adam Fornear returns to the basement of the Big House as the Wilderness Trip Director.

So, as you can see, we already have a wicked sweet staff lined up for the summer. There are also many others that I'm in the process of talking with and will be announced later on!

At Camp

CARETAKER JOE TAKES A RIDE



Winter weather finally arrived in the Lake Nebagamon area at the end of December and has managed to stick around for most of the month of January. The late start to the season did bring us a new record for the latest ever icing over of Lake Nebagamon, which didn't happen until December 27, beating the old record by six days. It was pretty strange seeing open water on the lake for the first time ever on Christmas Day! And combined with last spring's rather early date of April 11 for ice off, the lake went 260 days ice free in 2015 which was a record setting number of days for open water in a single year. With the start of January things have pretty much returned to normal for us on the weather front, though we are still lagging behind in the snow depth column with a mere 8-10 inches of accumulation on the ground. That depth was hard won due to the fact that we have yet to have a snow storm this season that dropped more than 4 inches. We have had plenty of snowy days throughout January but most of those have brought us only a trace to an inch or two of accumulation.

With the return of normal winter temps and the bit of snow that has managed to stay frozen on the ground, the cross country ski season finally got under way this month at camp. I pushed things a bit and went ahead and groomed the bike/ski trail when the first six inches or so of snow cover was reached, and though the depth was half of that under the trees, and even less out on Lorber point, a track was set and I was able to ski camp for the first time on January 6th. I thought the ski season was finally under way even though the base was thin and a lot of roots were showing in the Axemen Village, but I was disappointed when the weather turned super cold on the 10th. With the temperatures that week staying in the single digits, I was stuck inside again, but now the cause was that temps were too cold rather than too warm! I did give it a try on the 16th in -2 degrees, but it proved to be too cold. I was rather uncomfortable and only managed to ski the outer two kilometer loop of the trail system. Two days later the mercury managed to hit ten degrees and we received four fresh inches of snow, and though it took 30 pulls on the starter rope to get my old 1974 Artic Cat snowmobile started in that cold air, I was able to groom the new snow into some nice track and skied for about 4.5 Kilometers later that day, which is just about two kilometers shy of the whole camp trail system. It is amazing how warm ten degrees can feel after a couple of weeks with temperatures hovering around zero and below for highs! Things really turned around the last week of the month. With an additional four inches of snow on the weekend of the 24th, all of the rooted areas were well covered, and with only 15 pulls on the starter rope, the Cat and I laid down the best ski track of the season setting things up for a great Headlamp ski at about 9pm the night of the 26th. With temps at a perfect 20 degrees, I was able to get in 5.5 K of the best skiing at camp so far this season. Skiing camp's trails, or any trail for that matter, with just a headlamp for light is a blast, and I highly recommend the experience to all of you skinny skiers out there. There is a calm that can be achieved when the only thing lit is the trail right before you. Your focus narrows to the sound and rhythm of your skis swooshing on the snow, all distractions of your surroundings fade, and awareness narrows to the exertion of your limbs propelling you onward. In this state, time and fatigue seem to disappear and it feels as though you could ski on forever!

Hoping Punxsutauney Phil sees his shadow next week and we have six more weeks of real winter, it's Caretaker Joe At Camp.

Happy Birthday to our Birthday Crew!

February

1	Larry Held	503 Dartmouth Ave.	Silver Spring, MD 20910
2	Keir Harvey	10 Dorking Grove	Wavertree, Liverpool, Merseyside L15 6XR UK
4	Lenny Kaznachey	3841 Farr Oak Circle	Fairfax, VA 22030
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