

# The Horseshoe Review

CAMP HORSESHOE FOR BOYS

SPRING 2010



## Letter from Jordan

### Greetings Horseshoe Families and Campers,

We cannot wait to see the buses roll into camp and have you guys run thru the "Horseshoe Staff Gauntlet" to tip off the summer of 2010. In less than 2 months we will all be together again at The Shoe!!

The improvements made this past winter are exciting! The new "**Field of Dreams**" is fantastic. Whiffleball leagues and kickball await. Who will be the first to take one deep and put it over the "Green Monster" in left field? Wait until you see the **Putting Green** and **Sand Bunker** for our golfers! There are sure to be lower scores on the golf courses this summer. New **Weight Lifting equipment**, more **Ping Pong** tables,

added **picnic tables** for outdoor meals and lots of new **drinking fountains** are a few. With the arrival of **Brady Giles** this fall, a new cabin for the **Giles family** was a must. We can't wait to introduce Brady to the the Horseshoe Family.

Things are very busy in the Shiner household. In addition to making plans for the best summer yet, we have spent the winter seeing new and old families around the country. We have more boys coming from all over then ever before. We have been fortunate that many of you have spread the good word about Horseshoe.

This summer we have boys coming from literally every corner of the US and the World! Here is where we have campers from this summer: **Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia,**

**Illinois, Kansas, Massachusetts, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oklahoma, Wisconsin, London, England and even Waga Waga, Australia (near Sydney)** It makes for a special environment when you have a chance to meet and make lifelong friends with people from all over.

Last month Kevin and Michelle went to the Tri-States Camp Conference in New Jersey, where they heard many professionals speaking on all different aspects of camp. Fran and I have gone for years and wanted to have some of our other leaders at camp get a chance to learn and experience this truly amazing camping atmosphere. They came back with some great

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new ideas for programming this summer.

As you will read later in the newsletter, our staff is "off the charts" this summer. We have an unheard of number of returning counselors. These guys are kind, spirited, great guys who make excellent role models for our boys. We also have a strong group of new guys. Fran and I were in London to recruit staff in February and hired some fantastic, skilled guys. As of today, with more returnees possible, we have 49 guys who have been on the Shores of Lake Snowden before!



Camp is truly an anomaly in the world we live in today. It is a place where kids can be kids; where they can learn to solve problems on their own, make life long friends, and live in a caring and safe community. We feel so fortunate to be able to provide a haven for your boys to just be boys!

Have a great rest of the school year.

## Jordan



# Kevin's Corner

I am always rummaging for a reason for you to read my article. While I am coaching small fry games, out to dinner with family and friends, or even at the grocery store, questions about the summer of 2010 are being asked. What is Theme Day this year? Who are the T Hunt Masters? What new programs and trips are we going on?

I just can't get away from all of the camp questions.

Truth be told, I am the one asking the questions to the kids, talking about it with family and friends, and parading through the grocery store looking for the next "Best Hot Sauce Ever Made" for the campers in the mess hall.

HOWEVER, many of my questions are irrelevant without one major question being answered... Which staff will be coming back to make the summer of 2010 the best summer The Shoe has ever had.

And now, your starting lineup for Camp Horseshoe...

Lead Staff: Passionate Cougar- **Alex Glabman**, Noble Spirit- **Ari Rubin**, Stallion Chieftain- **Josh Cowin**, Bobcat Chieftain and Waterfront Director- **Shane Marks**, River Chieftain/ lifeguard- **Andrew (Holzy) Holzman**, and last but certainly not least, Storm Chieftain- **Michael (BLOOMER) Bloom**.

Third year as staff, been with us since the beginning in 2004: Ski instructor and barefoot specialist- **Nick Korn**, Laughing Hawk- **David Lederer**, Proud Wolf- **Brian Malkin**, Courageous Hawk- **Zack Malkin**, Loyal Sage- **David Topel** and All Night Treasure Hunt Master - **Josh Och**.

Veteran staff: Basketball Coach- **Gil Degand**, Head of Hockey- **Jake Krengel**, and Mandalin/ Uke extraordinaire, all around good guy- **Brian (Katz) Katz**, Boundary Waters leader- **Stu Clarke**, Mr. All Over the Place- **Ki Shin**, Computer specialist- **Simi Wang**, secret weapon from the summer class of '08- **Joe McClaren**, Expert Marksman and baller- **Yishai Friedlander**, and Climbing Guru- **Iain Abernathy**.

Specialty staff: Trip Leader and workhorse- **Dan Kirkpatrick**, Video specialist- **Jen Urbaniak**, Security and shuttle driver- **Nadav Barzalai** from Israel, and last but not least, Miss I Can Do it All, outdoor adventure, Horseshoe Review and solo survival lead- **Zoe Engel**.

Last year's JC's, (The Passion around Camp): **Benny Blackman**, **Alex Gordon**, **Tyler Litke**, **Danny (Diesel) Malkin**, **Alex Rosenberg**, **Alec Wise**, and back from a summer off, **Jeremy Rosenfeld**.



Kevin's corner continues...

## WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE FORESTERS...

**Brandon Nasatir** won a gold medal in the Maccabi golf tournament.

Congratulations to **Danny Stiefel** on becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

**Justin Happ** had his bar mitzvah in October with his two sisters. (He is a triplet) He has started practicing for his baseball league, the Buffalo Grove Bearcats. He also has completed the Woodlawn Middle School basketball season as well. Looking forward to camp in a few months!

**David Kaplan** is playing travel hockey for the HP Falcons. He traveled to Israel with his family to celebrate his bar mitzvah. While in Eilat, he had dinner with former She counselor Eitan Pillersdorf.

**Adam Wrobel** celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on December 12th.

**Ben Kohl** is starting point guard for Georgetown Day School's 7th grade basketball team.

**Jonathan Ruby** celebrated his Bar Mitzvah Jan 30th

**Joshua Ruby** (future horseshoe camper) is playing Highwood Small Fry.

**David Greggott** passed on the stoplight to his cabin at **Adam Shaw's** Bar Mitzvah in November and had a great time catching up with his buddies from Chicago. He met up with his counselor Cole after watching Cole and his teammates from Radford try to win one against number 1 KU in December, unfortunately Radford lost but visiting with Cole after the game was an awesome experience, he even introduced us to a few of his teammates after the game. David became a Bar Mitzvah on January 23rd

From St. Louis... **Tyler Bernstein's** buddies came in town for a hockey tourney a few months ago and spent a few days hanging out here. It was so great....they were such nice kids and their Dad's were great too (**Marc Noeh and Noah Winston**)....it was great to meet a few of the boys :) they text all the time and cant wait for next summer :)

While **Jared Siegel's** family was on a cruise this winter vacation, they stopped at the famous Dunnes River Falls in Ochos Rios, Jamaica. It is a very difficult waterfall to climb up and their entire family was heading to the base of the waterfall with a very large tour group. As they were stepping down the staircase out of nowhere a voice yells out "Jared Siegel" a young man comes over and gives Jared a quick hug and went on his way up the staircase they were heading down.....Jared's parent never even caught a glimpse of this guy, but Jared told them it was **Tyler Litke**. His counselor from Forrester F last summer!!!!

**Ben Sacks** is playing point guard for both 6th grade HP giants and Highwood Small Fry Gold team. He had a great Football season, played Flanker and Corner back.

**Jacob Foos** made the 6th grade Stevenson HS feeder basketball team.

**Danny Foos** is the starting point guard for his Aptakasic Jr.High school team. Danny also made the Bantam Select Ice Dogs hockey team.

**Brandon Grant** is playing on the Highwood Heat this year, and will be playing in Orlando in April. After that, Travel baseball starts.

**Andrew Cohen** is playing Lacrosse and wrestling in Little Giants as well as gearing up for his Bar Mitzvah next December

**Daniel Cohen** is wrestling Varsity as a sophomore and is 8-5 at his wrestling weight of 145 (not so good at 152 where he is 0-4)

**Simon Shindler** is playing for the Deerfield Warriors Feeder Basketball Team this season. Hoping to get a cast off his wrist at the moment!

**Jake Bauer** became a Bar-Mitzvah on January 23rd!

**Alexander Amiel** toured Israel for two weeks never taking off his Horseshoe sweatshirt!

**Jacob Swartz** learned how to short-line barefoot water ski over Winter Break in Florida. He's looking forward to skiing around the lake this summer.

After the Horseshoe reunion, **Mitch Siegel, Ben Sachs, Eli Malkin, Henry Hughs and Matthew Baum** hung out at Northbrook Court besides the basketball court thats their favorite hang out.

**Jason Lansing** is currently playing basketball with the Chicago Hi-Five League and the Chicago Small Fry League, where he plays on the same team as **Mitch Siegel**. His flag football team won the Championship and he played the position of quarterback.

**Ross Agin the Boss** is playing Deerfield Travel Hoops, Small Fry Hoops, and just getting started practicing for the 12 Red Deerfield Travel baseball team. Over winter break Ross also had a blast skiing at Wilmot with family and friends.

**George Victor** had a mini-reunion with **Miles Rich** in Aspen, where they had a ball skiing together and hanging out.

**Hugh Camiener** came in 2nd place in the international squash tournament in Detroit and Cleveland.

**Zach Gray** is swimming on the Hurricane Swim Team in Buffalo Grove again this winter. He is also playing Park District Basketball

**Joey Zamost** will be playing Baseball for the North Shore Baseball Academy Baseball team this spring and will be heading to play in a baseball tournament in Cooperstown NY.

**Jacob Pinsel's** spring AAU basketball team won 2nd in the state of IL and will be going to Virginia this summer for the AAU nationals.



## KEVIN'S CORNER CONTINUED...



Adding to all of these returning staff men and woman will be our biggest and strongest group of JC's yet: **Andy Abrams, Michael Bernstein, Robbie Deutsch, Simon Engel, Dany Epstein, Jacob Fishbein, Mitchell Hammes, Jake Kalmin, Cody Koress, Tyler Max, Mikey Pollack, Alex Rush, Jared Saltzberg, Jacob Serck, Jared Smith, Justin Spitz, and Blake Willerman.**

The Usual Suspects from the previous years:  
Head RN- **Michelle Reavis**, Camp Nurse- **Susan Day**,  
Athletic Trainer and wrestling aficionado- **Jason Day**.  
The one and only **Big H, Bill Engel, Chris and Casey Giles**,  
and the best new addition to Camp Horseshoe for the  
summer of 2010...**Brady Giles!!!**

Beyond this incredibly experienced and enthusiastic staff is a group of first year counselors from all over the country and world. From skiers and trippers to soccer and basketball players, this will be our most well rounded staff yet.

LASTLY, I assure you there is a Mystery Box with a veteran counselor or 2 , maybe 3 who will be on hand that have not been mentioned here. Who might they be???????

### Kevin

#### From the desk of a Horseshoe Freshman....

When I think of summer, I think of one place, Camp Horseshoe. Camp has been my home for the past 5 summers and it is the only place where every moment I am there I am at complete and total peace with myself. When I'm at camp, there are no rules, there are no parents, and there is absolutely no stress. During the year there are few times I can say I am not stressed about one thing or another, but at my summer home away from home all stress vanishes and turns into one big cloud of satisfaction.

Each year I take a six-hour bus ride up to Rhinelander Wisconsin and as I look out the window at the familiar pine trees, I am truly happy and I feel my body flow with anticipation for our arrival. We all live in cabins with about 12 kids in each. I sleep in a top bunk normally and the people I love constantly surround me. The atmosphere around camp is like nothing you have ever felt in your life. Everyone is always pumped and ready for the new day. There is so much positive energy that to surround yourself in it everyday is an incredible feeling. In one day you can go from being rivals with a person in an intense sport to sharing your life stories with him around the campfire at night. The friendships that I

make at camp are unlike any other. When you live with a person and experience things with him at camp that you wouldn't normally experience at home it tightens the bonds between you and you become surprised by how much you care for your cabin mates.

At camp you have the chance to do some incredible things that you otherwise wouldn't get to do. My favorite thing to do is go water skiing. The first time I went was my second year of camp. The feeling of getting pulled by that boat and standing on water for the first time is indescribable. The feeling of accomplishment is overwhelming and to do something like that, to even have the chance to do it is amazing. Another thing that I learned at camp was how to fence. Fencing is basically fighting with swords, a skill that one would not normally acquire if they were living in Northbrook. I really enjoy the intricate hand movements it takes to block a blade from hitting your chest and feeling of being able to say, "Ya, I know how to sword fight" is really cool.

While sitting in my bunk on the last night of camp, I had a lot of time to think, think about my life and to think about how lucky I was to have camp. It was during this reflection period that I realized how much camp really meant to me. It was not only the place I went for the summer, it is and always will be, my home.

# Happy Birthday Campers & Counselors...

## February

- 1 Danny Mass
- 3 Svetlana Ezovskikh
- 3 Tyler Turchin
- 4 Ross Agins
- 5 Zach Gray
- 6 Charlie Saslow
- 7 Harry Pollans
- 10 Sam Lasin
- 11 Charlie Ginsburg
- 11 Jake Segal
- 12 Eli Golden
- 13 Eli Malkin
- 13 Charlie Skurie
- 14 Michelle Reavis
- 14 Ari Rubin
- 15 Cole Greenberg
- 15 Aidan Wise
- 15 Sam Zack
- 16 Justin Jacobs
- 16 Brad Levine
- 17 Evan Kugelman
- 17 Sam Mogul
- 17 Miles Rich
- 21 Geoffrey Lasin
- 21 Jordan Samson
- 22 Jared Smith
- 23 Jonathan Koenig
- 24 Andy Levitz
- 25 Jennifer Urbaniak
- 26 Tyler Litke

## March

- 1 Danny Foos
- 1 Max Kalter
- 2 Daniel Cohen
- 2 David Lederer
- 2 Jacob Serck
- 3 Mac Manion
- 3 Ari Patterson
- 5 Josh Handelman
- 5 Cody Koress
- 5 Zach Ofner
- 5 Zachary Schwartz
- 6 Oliver Ginns
- 8 Jono Gruber
- 9 Jared Gupta
- 10 Jack Goldman
- 11 Brandon Zeidler
- 15 Mikey Gutman
- 16 Jason Baer
- 20 Cody Weiss
- 21 Benjamin Kohl
- 21 Joey Smith
- 21 Jeremy Wise
- 22 A.J. Gilbert
- 22 Brett Moss
- 24 Jared Saltzberg
- 25 Josh Cowin
- 25 Adam Serck
- 26 Matthew Barigazzi
- 29 Jake Dahl
- 29 Brian Schneiderman
- 30 Max Bunzel

## April

- 2 Jacob Pielet
- 2 Samuel Polisner
- 3 Johnny Felsenthal
- 3 David Topel
- 4 Danny Spitz
- 5 Rafi Wasserman
- 6 Andy Abrams
- 7 Marc Noeh
- 10 Joshua Sherman
- 10 Danny Smith
- 11 Alex Parmacek
- 11 Aviv Wolf
- 12 David Gordon
- 12 Justin Navarro
- 13 Ryan Golde
- 14 Jared Siegel
- 15 Matthew Noskin
- 16 Mary MacCready
- 16 Henry Valier
- 18 Jonathan Chaikin
- 19 Tatiana Babaeva
- 19 Noah Schreiber
- 20 Shale Levy
- 20 Adam Rabushka
- 22 Miles Baker
- 22 Jeremy Weiland
- 23 Nathan Korn
- 23 Joshua Pascal
- 24 Brad Fiedler
- 24 Matthew Karasick
- 24 Joey Shapiro
- 27 Brandon Krawitz
- 28 Gavin Hilder
- 28 Nathaniel Karbank
- 28 Justin Korn
- 28 Will Morton
- 28 Zach Rudd
- 29 Jonathan Prigal
- 30 Cooper Bluhm
- 30 Jake Kalmin

## May

- 1 Zoe Engel
- 2 Brett Bauer
- 2 Josh Epstein
- 3 Tristan Reynolds
- 4 Zach Kalter
- 5 Ben Goldman
- 6 Mikey Pollack
- 7 Dan Kirkpatrick
- 8 Danny Kelleher
- 10 Jared Korn
- 10 Riley McLeod
- 11 Jeremy Allen
- 11 Jeremy Sernick
- 12 Jonny Raab
- 12 Jacob Wolkoff
- 13 Josh Riskind
- 14 Jeff Mutchnik
- 16 Gavin Greenberg
- 16 Benjamin Sibul
- 18 Zach Keeshin
- 19 Zak Lieberman
- 20 Torey Broderson
- 21 Ty Broderson
- 22 Jordan Salesin
- 22 Blake Willerman
- 23 Mason Rosenberg
- 24 Gantsetseg Chuluungerel
- 25 Benjamin Xilas
- 26 Michael Bernstein
- 26 Andrew Linton
- 27 Zachary Kohn
- 27 Frazier Robbins
- 28 Joe McLaren
- 29 Alexander Amiel
- 29 Will Helfand
- 30 Daniel Weiss



# Important Notes for Parents...

- If you haven't already, it's time to make Visiting Day Reservations! Here are favorites close to camp!

Friday, July 17-Saturday, July 18

A list of some favorites can be found on our website in the Directions to Camp section of the Current Campers & Families tab or contact the Rhinelander Chamber of Commerce at [www.rhinelanderchamber.com](http://www.rhinelanderchamber.com)

- Final payments were due by April 1st.

- All paper and online forms were due April 1st.

- Please mail or fax all forms to our winter address:

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- Copies of the Parent Handbook and all forms can be found on our website in the Current Camper section.



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