

CEDAR CHEST - FALL 2009

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 2010 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 had it not been for a rainout, the counselors surely would have won the father/counselor softball game for the 56th straight year!

HENRY HACKER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

After camp, we ran our annual camping experience for inner city at-risk campers. We were to extend the opportunity to even more children this year and had a total of 80 children. We would like to thank all the counselors, nurses and kitchen staff who stayed to make the experience so special for the boys and girls from 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.

OFF-SEASON WORK AT CAMP

Bob and his crew have aerated, sliced and seeded almost everywhere and are watering like crazy. Keeping with Cedar tradition, we have also planted a number of trees and more plants in several places. The fall has been beautiful at camp and the fields are back in great shape.

Bob and his maintenance crew will be busy through the off-season working on improvements and additions to our facilities. We will keep you up-to-date with all their hard work as the off-season continues.

VIDEO YEARBOOK

Andrew Pava is working on the video yearbook and is going through lots of tapes to review and edit. 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 2009 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!!!

BACK TO SCHOOL

(Re-printed from previous editions)

The first few weeks of school are often the most important 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. He has spoken with a number of Cedarites this fall, including **Matt Cherry** and **Mikey Blatt**. **Ethan Kimmel** is off to a great start at school. **Jesse Robinson** visited Boston recently. He is really enjoying his new job in Chicago, and was able to have dinner with **Sammy Wolf**, **Will Greenberg** and **Jeff Lee** while in town. **Joey Brodsky** recently had to miss some school after suffering a bad concussion in soccer. Hope you're feeling better **Joey!** **Tomasz Porozynski** has written, as have **Mike Dunlap**, **Mitch Powell** and **Kevin Taggart**. **Jonathan Schafer** is playing a lot of soccer these days, as is **Max Meyer**. **Jeff** recently ran into **Greg Rogers (Henry & Ben Rogers' father)** while in Providence. Both boys are doing well. **Ben** recently got together with **Mark Libowitz** and **Alex Taub**. **Kirsty Millner** is back home in England, as is **Harry Beenham**. **Kirsty** is spending the fall working at a fish restaurant. **Ted Andrew** has kept in touch, as have **Jacob Diamant** and the **Sloan brothers, Luke & Chet**. We see **VJ Gibbins** a lot these days now that he is working in Boston. **Mat Freid** and **Abbey Smith** also moved to Boston. **Abbey** just got back from Scotland, where she and **Chris "Hawk" Davis** went to visit **Kevin Taggart**. **Jake Marrus** has been in touch. He recently got together with **Drew Beller**, **Jack Kimmel** and **Mattson Rosenbaum**. **Ben Klau** recently had his adenoids removed to keep him healthy all winter and SUMMER. Feel better soon **Ben!** **Tom Guernier** has written, as have **Aga Grajek**, **Christian Pena** and **Kane Munday**. **Mike Dornetshuber** has been in touch. He has been playing a lot of basketball, helping a boy with Downs Syndrome play soccer and was recently inducted into the Junior Honor Society. Way to go **Mike!** **Griffin Harris** is doing well, as is **Kathleen Maher**. **Kathleen** has just moved out to Colorado. **Jake Wakoff** has been playing a lot of soccer this fall and sees **Spencer Olesky** often. **Scott Cohen** has also been in touch with a number of Cedarites this fall. Sue spoke with **Noah Quinn** one day when he was home sick from school. **Noah** came to Boston recently and saw **Max Hooker**, **Ethan Meyer**, **Andrew Shapiro** and **Justin Snider**. We hear from **Tremaine**

Skeen, and **Anne Gallagher** regularly. **Hayden Katz** recently won his league's SuperBowl, and says this past summer's football staff is to thank. **Raef Rothschild** writes often. **Alec Musinsky** has been playing a lot of football. **Andrew Pava** and **Sammy Wolf** visited Columbus, Ohio recently and went to an Ohio State game with **Jason and Jake Block**. They also saw **Celeste Redman**, who just traveled around Europe with **DeeDee Turner**. **Max Solodar** has written. He had a great football season and saw a lot of Yankees games this fall.

CEDAR ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

A number of Cedar Alumnus have been popping up in the news these days, everywhere from New York to Hollywood. They include:

Jonathan Karp: Jonathan is currently the Editor-in-Chief and Publisher at Twelve, a publishing company responsible for the late Ted Kennedy's memoir, "True Compass." In the coming months, Twelve will be churning out books on topics ranging from the Navy to Alex Rodriguez to the common cold.

Peter Orszag: Peter has skyrocketed his way to the top of American politics over the last few years. Currently serving as President Obama's Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Peter is the youngest member of Obama's cabinet. In these tough times, Peter is doing his best to help fix the Federal Budget and aid our economy.

Andrew Sorkin: Andrew wears many hats these days, but is best known as the chief mergers and acquisitions reporter for the New York Times (where he wrote his first article at age 17!). In addition to his work at the Times, Andrew is the founder and editor of DealBook, a financial news service, has a new book entitled "Too Big to Fail" about the Wall Street Financial Crisis, and is a frequent television talk-show guest, appearing everywhere from "Charlie Rose" to "The Daily Show."

Evan "Junior" Rodriguez: After sitting out last season as a transfer student, Evan is now thriving as a sophomore tight end at Temple University. In five appearances this season, Evan has recorded eight receptions, two for touchdowns, and has helped the Owls to a 7-2 record (5-0 in conference) and a top ranking in the MAC Conference.

Eli Roth: Eli's name has been hot in Hollywood ever since his horror film, Cabin Fever, hit it big in 2002. More recently, the reigning horror king has decided to take on a new challenge recently: acting. With a prominent role as Sergeant Donny Donowitz in Quentin Tarantino's new film. Eli's future appears to be bright both behind and in front of the camera.

The Cedar family would like to express our condolences to our dear friends Anne Gallagher, Juan Gomez and Bob Thomas who all lost family members this fall. Anne, Juan and Bob are three of Cedar's finest and our hearts go out to them as they deal with this difficult time in their lives.

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E-MAIL ADDRESSES

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.

ANIMALS AT CAMP

Turkeys: The name given to a group of turkeys is a "rafter" although they are sometimes incorrectly referred to as a gobble or flock. They have a distinctive fleshy "wattle" that hangs from the underside of the beak and a fleshy protuberance that hangs from the top of its beak called a "snood." Their wingspan is about 6 feet and they are by far the largest birds in the forest.

TEDDY ROOSEVELT'S WORDS OF WISDOM

"It is hard to fail, but it is worse never to have tried to succeed."

"Courage, hard work, self-mastery, and intelligent effort are all essential to successful life."

"Character, in the long run, is the decisive factor in the life of an individual and of nations alike."

TRIVIA TIME ANSWERS

Sports Quiz

1. Andy Pettite set the record with 18 post-season wins.
2. Currently...no. Could this finally be the year? We'll see...

Cedar Quiz

1. Four: Alex Apple, Mat Freid, Andrew Pava & Jason Tanenbaum!
2. Four: The Greenberg/Moscows, Mahers, Wards & Weisbergs!
3. Way back in the summer of 2004 (coincidentally the last time Pava coached the 15's? I think not...)

BRAIN TEASER ANSWERS

1. The match of course!
2. Tuesday, Thursday...Today and Tomorrow.
3. In order to be in first place, you would have to pass the person in first. If you've only passed the person in second place, then you are now in second.
4. A window!
5. Word Jumble: Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter

BAD JOKES

What does a ball do when it stops rolling?
Looks 'round

What do elephants have that no other animals has?
Baby Elephants

What room has no floors, walls or ceilings?
A mushroom

What has a bed but does not sleep, a mouth but does not speak?
A river

What nut has no shell?
A doughnut

What did one eye say to the other eye?
Something has come between us that smells.

Sorry about those!

Keep in touch send us your news or stories – good luck in school and in sports! We are looking forward to a great summer next year!!

Be well

The Camp Cedar Family