

Parent Newsletter – Nov 2011

Greetings All,

A few items of note for everyone:

The **Annual Turkey Bowl Flag Football game and Pizza Party** will be held at Chestnut Hill Academy (aka SCH) on Friday **November 25 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.** on the fields opposite the cafeteria/gym complex. The indoor gym will also be available for indoor soccer and basketball. The past few years we have had a terrific turnout of current and prospective campers and counselors! Parents: drop off your sons and do some Black Friday shopping in Chestnut Hill! Campers are urged to **bring a friend** who might be a good fit for camp. We always need a new incoming group of campers! We will have pizza and sodas for the boys in the gym. This event goes on rain or shine!

RSVP to:

Matt Scavitto at: mscavitto@thephelpsschool.org

A couple of camp marketing items:

Bill and Katy Miller will be hosting an **Open House in Bronxville** on Sunday December 11. Time to be announced.

If anyone would like to host an Open House please let me know. These Open Houses are, by far, our most effective way to market camp and bring more good families to Tecumseh! We tentatively have some planned in Boston (Hingham) and L.A. We need several in the Phila. area. We will post these events on the web site which we are in the process of updating and adding photos from 2012.

The **new camp video**, produced and directed by our own Henry Roosevelt, is now on the web site home page. If you haven't seen it yet, you are in for a treat! The reviews and the reactions have been fantastic! Kudos to Henry who spent three weeks at camp last summer filming miles of footage and then spending three months editing it all down to a sensational 7 minutes! Turn off the lights and crank up the sound! Feel free to share it with any prospective families! The web site is **camptecumseh.net** – it is also playing on <http://youtu.be/slyklwzmEPc>

The **2012 Camp Tecumseh calendar**, produced again by Nina Talbot, is in full production and will arrive at your home some time in December. It is, I say without bias of course, a true labor of love that Nina devotes over a month to each year. The collages are painstakingly done by scissors and paste (no computer graphics for Nina!) and each page has a theme. Can you identify the theme? Can you find yourself? Can you find Jay Luff? Display your calendar proudly so everyone in your home can enjoy it!! The calendar is dedicated this year to Bob Glascott for his sixty years of service to Camp Tecumseh. From all of us, again, Thank You Bob – and Pat!!

Finally – our **new online registration process** is now up and running on the web site. I encourage all of you to register on-line – even though you may already be a Tecumseh family. The online registration process will automatically put all your current contact info in our database (saves me hours on manually doing that!) and will auto-send you the forms you will need to fill out for the summer. You may use either the credit card or pay by check options. The Early Bird and sibling discounts are in effect again this year, as you will see on the application. The **applications are also under the Parent link** on the web site and certainly you may email, fax or snail mail me an app. if you wish.

It is most helpful for me to know if your sons will be returning so I can begin to hire the staff for 2012 according to how many campers we will enroll. Last summer was a record attendance of over 215 boys and judging from early returns, this summer will break that record! We had a wonderful staff last summer and it looks as though virtually all staff will be returning!! Let's hope that wonderful weather returns also!

Happy Thanksgiving to all from both of us!

Nina and Jim