

## Parent Newsletter - January 2011

**Happy New Year** to all! May the summer of 2011 be as beautiful and successful as the summer of 2010!

A few news items:

- the **Open House** tomorrow (Jan 9) at Beth and Bill Pope's in Darien has been **postponed** for a few weeks. I will post a new date on the web site.
- The other Camp fair and Open House dates are all good to go. Please refer any prospective families to come visit us at one of those functions and come join us yourself if can!
- We have two Alumni reunions planned on the **West Coast**: Jan. 27 in San Francisco and Jan. 29 in LA. We also have a camper reunion planned in LA at the Fords on Jan 30!
- The new **Indoors Sports Pavilion** at camp has drawn rave reviews and will be nearing completion in February! The 8000 sq. ft. building has space for 3 basketball courts, volleyball, indoor soccer and lacrosse and the new woodshop is equipped with tools to help make those plaques for the Lodge things of beauty! Check out photos of it on the web and there should be a photo attached. You may have to use the internet to open it.
- We are pleased to announce that the Lacrosse Program will have the services of **Brian Dougherty** and **Eric Gregg** as Co-Heads this summer. Each will take a piece of the summer. Brian was a 3 time All-American goalkeeper at U. of Maryland and has played professionally ever since. Last summer he was the USA's goalkeeper at the World Championships in England! He will be at camp both first and second sessions. Eric played his collegiate lax. at Gettysburg, is the Varsity Coach for St. Joe's Prep in Phila. and is very active with club teams; his own inner-city program, LEAPS, enables kids to use lacrosse as a way to a better education! Both Brian and Eric are CT Alums! They plan to take our boys to play before a Boston Cannons game and we also plan to host a lacrosse tourney at CT during the second session.
- Also joining the Staff this summer full-time will be CT alum, **Blake Stabert**. Blake has worked at camp for many years and adds experience and wisdom to our staff and to the basketball and baseball programs.
- We will have the core of our **staff returning**: Bill Aronson, Pete Shaifer, Paul Poiesz, Mike and Barb Dougherty, the Luff Bros., John and Ellie Smith, Jim Fraser and Bob Glascott, Drew Erickson, Wes Ballentine, Matt Scavitto, Dave Henry, Matt and Meg Birch, Mike and Tiffany Borsch, Kathy Marshall, Mark Daugherty, Rob Waters, to name an illustrious few. We have also signed on some wonderful new counselors and I will post a complete staff list on the web site a bit later on this year.

If you know your son is returning this summer and **you haven't yet registered** (either on-line or the old-fashioned way), I urge you to do so as soon as you can for two reasons:

1. Knowing how many boys will be at camp for each session **helps me** immensely in **hiring staff**.

2. **Early registration discounts expire on Jan. 15.**

We will have more camper reunion events to announce soon: bowling parties, a trip to a 76ers game and more. If anyone would like to organize a little reunion in their home town, let me know!

Best to all for a Happy and Healthy 2011!! Hope you have your 2011 Tecumseh calendar to count down the days to June 26!

Nina and Jim