



Island Laker April 2012



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Dear Island Lakers



Spring is in the air! As summer approaches, excitement builds! Our countdown until opening day of camp is now in the double digits (Yay!) and we CANNOT WAIT until we see all of our Island Lakers, old and new, at our home-away-from-home for yet another fantastic, super-duper, magnificent, amazing summer. Are you ready? We said ARE YOU READY?!?! This summer is shaping up to be another spectacular one and we can only hope that you are as pumped up about it as we are.

Campers, we know some of you are so excited to read your newsletters each month that you forget to share them with your parents. Please remind your parents that they need to read everything we send, including these newsletters. If they don't read our literature, they will miss important details, dates, and deadlines. Even returning families should read all of our mailings because we always have new information to share with everyone. With that said, we have a job for you, our campers, right now. Please go and find your parents to ask them if they have filled out and mailed us your transportation, profile, and medical forms. We understand that many of you have not yet had your physicals and your medical forms will not be completed just yet, which is ok. However, if your parents have not yet filled out your profile and transportation forms, please remind them to either fill out the forms mailed to you in your folder or go online to your "My CampMinder" account to do so. If you and your parents choose the online forms, just follow our directions in the opening letter enclosed in your folder, or just read our "Forms, Forms, Forms" section on the next page for more details. We recommend that you assist your parents, if they choose to use the online forms, to make sure they log on and fill them out properly, since we know how 'tech savvy' your generation is. Once you've accomplished this mission, your job will be complete and you will successfully earn an "A" on your Island Lake report card!

Now, some bad news. We have been unable to find a circus director for the summer so we will not be offering circus.

APRIL FOOLS! GOTCHA! Kim will be back!

I guess we had better get back to work now. We can't wait to see you all this summer, so start packing!

Fondly,

Bev, Mike, Matt, Wendy, Trip, Dustin, & Craig



Forms, Forms, Forms

All Island Lake families should have already received their camp folders in the mail. If you have not yet received your folder, please call or email us in our winter office and we'll be happy to mail you a new one. There is a great deal of important information in this folder that is vital to preparing your child for a successful camp experience. Please take some time to read everything thoroughly. Additionally, we cannot emphasize enough the importance of filling out the forms in a detailed, timely manner. These forms provide us with extensive feedback regarding your child. The more you provide, the more our staff can learn about your child ahead of time in order to provide him/her with a safe and successful summer.

Transportation, Medical, and Profile forms need to be completed by May 1st. These forms are necessary for us to finalize plans for the summer. If you have any questions or need any help filling out your forms, you can always give us a call in the winter office at 914-796-6060 and we'll be happy to help you!

Remember that you can now fill out your Profile and Transportation forms through our website. We encourage you to use this system rather than filling out the paper forms. If you have not already done so, please go to islandlake.com, click on "Parents" and then "My CampMinder." You will be prompted to enter your email address. Then click on "Retrieve password." We recommend you then change the password to one you will remember. (If your children are returning campers, we suggest you use the same password that you use to access our summer photos and to send emails to your children.) This will then give you access to the Profile and Transportation forms.

The image displays three sequential screenshots of the Island Lake website's parent portal, with red circles and arrows highlighting key navigation elements:

- First Screenshot:** The main navigation menu at the top. The "PARENTS" link is circled in red, with a red arrow pointing to a larger "PARENTS" button in the top right corner.
- Second Screenshot:** The "Welcome to Parents" page. The "MY CAMPMINDER" button is circled in red, with a red arrow pointing to a larger "MY CAMPMINDER" button in the top right corner. Below it, the "Log In" link is also circled in red.
- Third Screenshot:** The login form. The "Email Address" field is circled in red. Below it, the "Password" field is circled in red. At the bottom right of the form, the "Retrieve password" link is circled in red.

Wendy Has Just Moved

Wendy recently moved from Boca Raton to Parkland, FL so her work number has just changed. Please make note of her new phone number in your camp records, especially if your child is a flying camper.

Wendy's new work number is 954-688-9527. Of course, she can still be reached at wendy@islandlake.com, as well. You can reach Wendy at this new phone number up until Memorial Day Weekend when she will move up to camp for the summer. Once camp is over, Wendy can again be reached at her 954 phone number for the remainder of the year.

All flying families will soon receive a revised flying letter in the mail with Wendy's new phone number, as well as a reminder to book your child's flights ASAP.

Staff Stuff

In the next few weeks, we will mail important information to your permanent address to help you get ready for the summer. We'll send you links to our website where you will have access to a list of the entire staff and their contact information if you would like to meet ahead of the summer or arrange a carpool to camp. We will also provide you with instructions for traveling to camp by car, bus, or air.

Some of you will also receive a medical form in this mailing. Please fill out this form and return it to us at our winter office as soon as possible.

Several staff members have contacted us to inquire about working pre-camp. Unfortunately, we do not have any more openings left on our pre-camp crew. Those of you who are already scheduled to work pre-camp should plan to arrive in camp on May 27th.

Attention Flying Campers

If your children are coming to camp via the airport, this is important. We must coordinate all of our campers' flights to ensure an easy travel day for everyone. All South Florida campers should travel together on the same JetBlue flights to and from Fort Lauderdale & Newark.

South Florida Jet Blue flights are as follows:

TO CAMP:Fort Lauderdale to Newark

Jet Blue Flight #504

Departs at 9:25am & arrives at 12:15pm

FROM CAMP:Newark to Fort Lauderdale

Jet Blue Flight #505

Departs at 12:59pm & arrives at 3:48pm

For all other flying campers, please contact Wendy prior to booking flights in order to confirm arrival and departure times. She can be reached at 954-688-9527 or wendy@islandlake.com. Please don't wait much longer to book your children's flight. Prices escalate as the travel dates approach.

When booking your flights, please make any necessary "unaccompanied minor" arrangements for both inbound and outbound flights. If your child will be taking the group flight from Ft. Lauderdale on opening day (June 23), then there is no need to arrange for an unaccompanied minor for that trip. We will have a staff member meet you at Ft. Lauderdale airport and fly to Newark with the kids. Please make sure that you do make unaccompanied minor arrangements for the return trip back to Florida.

For all other flights, please make any necessary unaccompanied minor arrangements to/from Newark.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Packing for Camp

This year we will continue to enforce a policy of one-piece swimsuits for girls at the waterfront and around camp. Please understand that this policy is in your daughter's best interest. We ask that you make certain that only appropriate swimsuits are packed. In addition, our hilly, rocky terrain is not suited for platform shoes. For your daughter's safety, please do not send platform or high-heeled shoes to camp. We want to avoid unnecessary injuries.

Cloz Company

Cloz Company will once again handle our clothing outfitting this summer. Remember that there are NO required uniforms at Island Lake. Anything that you wish to order is completely optional and each camper will receive an Island Lake t-shirt upon arrival at camp.

Cloz Company is displaying merchandise at various locations throughout the country for "trying on" purposes. The dates and times for their remaining shows are listed below. If you are interested, please contact the Cloz Company at 773-247-8879 to arrange an appointment.

You may also order your camp clothing, process returns and exchanges, and check the status of your order via the internet on the Cloz website at cloz.com. Keep in mind that all orders are placed directly through Cloz Company, not through Island Lake.

Please remember, orders are custom made and they take time to produce. Ordering early will provide you with the opportunity to make any necessary exchanges before the summer begins.

Morris County

Ramada Inn, East Hanover
130 Route 10 West. 973-386-5622
April 20 3:00pm – 6:00pm
April 21 10:00am – 4:045pm
April 22 10:00am – 4:00pm

Westchester County

Crowne Plaza, White Plains
66 Hale Ave. 914-682-0050
April 15 10:00am – 4:45pm
April 16 3:00pm – 6:00pm
April 17 3:00pm – 6:00pm

Connecticut

Hilton, Stamford
One First Stamford Place. 203-967-2222
April 1 10:00am – 4:45pm
April 2 3:00pm – 6:00pm
April 3 3:00pm – 6:00pm

New York City

Beekman Hotel
3 Mitchell Place (49th St & 1st Ave)
212-355-7300
April 12 3:00pm – 6:00pm
April 13 3:00pm – 6:00pm
April 14 10:00am – 4:45pm

Long Island

Holiday Inn, Westbury
369 Old Country Road. 516-997-5000
April 5 3:00pm – 6:00pm
April 6 3:00pm – 6:00pm
April 7 10:00am – 3:15pm

Natick, MA

Hampton Inn
319 Speen Street. 508-653-5000
April 8 10:30am – 5:15pm
April 9 3:00pm – 6:00pm
April 10 3:00pm – 5:015pm



Congratulations to Wendy! For those of you who did not see it on Facebook, Wendy is engaged to be married. Howie is the lucky guy's name and he and Wendy cannot wait to start spending their lives together. Wendy will still be at camp this summer and Howie will visit at some point. We expect him to get a big ILC welcome when he comes! The Stoltz Family is thrilled for her and are looking forward to the wedding!



WE JUST SIGNED UP!

Allana Alcorn
Mikayla Alcorn
Rebecca Bab
Ian Berkey
Jaret Dan
Reese Dan
Gonzalo Diaz
Jake Ehrman
Tyler Ehrman
Brendan Ehrman
Carly Elkin
Lizabeth Espinal
Tara Feldman
Jason Fields

Marlie Forma
Darren Frankel
Mandy Halper
Mary Francis Howard
Samantha Kany
Brett Kolodny
Emily Levine
Mia McCoobery
Lynzie McGearry
Angela Reyes
Nina Reyes
Leo Rosenstadt
Miles Rosenstadt
Will Rosenthal

Max Rothstein
Jake Rubenstein
Casey Rubin
Kimberly Rupp
Kyle Rupp
Ariella Shvarts
Ashlynn Skrabak
Jason Skrabak
Eric Steinberg
Ethan Turett
Will Turett
Grace White
Ariel Zalesin

FYI



Dustin Stabinski celebrated his Bar Mitzvah back in January and recently sent us this photo. Jason Gold, Gabriel Diamond, Ben Weber, and Dustin had a blast celebrating together!

We also want to say a special mazel tov to Garret Ort who celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on March 31st!

Congrats to Trina Bookman who became a grandmother on March 26. Baby Presley Kate is doing well as are her parents and grandmother.

Happy Birthday April

1 Noah Zucker	11 Emma Distler	Will Turett
2 Georgia Meadow Jordan Ober Spencer Peckman Ethan Zalasin	Frog	22 Jaime Bowen
3 Alexa Bromberg Sam Leifer John Ortiz	12 Naomi Ebenstein Nancy Tice	Thomas Girgenti Amanda Gross Kelsey Wenzel
4 Gavin Rosenberg Ethan Turett	13 Eva Fragner Olivia Fragner Alexa Yablon	23 Reese Dan
5 Kyle Barnett Peaches O'Boyle	14 Courtney Rhiel	Morgan Komara
6 Luke Kovensky Robbie Postal Billie Wynn	15 Benjamin Lipman	24 Griffin Weiss Isabelle C. Weiss
7 Ethan Katsoff Cara Levine Marti Levine	16 Bianca Capstick Allie Hinkel Megan Hinkel Jahan Khan Alexandra Lobel	25 Danielle Gabuzda Chelsea Lehner Evan Rosenberg Jackson Stone
8 Grant Michalk	17 Alex Bloom	26 Jesse McBrearty Stephanie Williams
9 Jason Gold Alaina Helm Ava Helm	18 Jack Lido Madeline Lido Katherine Payne Ariella Shvarts	27 Stacey Bolnick Justine Paolini Casey Rubin
10 Rachel Finkelstein Isabelle Schneider	19 David Kinzelberg	28 Jenna Dahl Eleanor Diamond Alex Ellman Carley Genser Alexander Rice Estella Zacharia
	20 Isabelle S. Weiss Zachary Weiss	29 Chloe Raggett
	21 Jake Gevisenheit Tenley Smith	30 Kaz Brandt