

THE FALCONER

Winter 2017

2017 Camp Fair Schedule

We will be attending the following camp fairs this year and hope you will stop in to say hello. Bring a friend who is interested in camp and you will both receive a limited edition Falcon Camp T- shirt. We'll also be happy to meet with families personally or in small groups at a place of your own choosing and convenience.

Cincinnati Family & NKY Family's Summer Camp Adventure Fair

Blue Ash Recreation Center Saturday, February 11 10:00am—3:00am

Worthington SWEPP

The Shops at Worthington Place Sunday, February 12 12:00pm – 3:00pm

Worthington Kidsfest

Worthington Recreation Center Friday, February 17 5:00 – 8:00

Summer Camp Convention

Solon Community Center Saturday, February 25 10:00am - 3:00pm

Columbus Parent Camp Expo

The Shops at Worthington Sunday, February 26 12:00pm – 5:00pm

Lakota's Summer Fun Fair

Lakota East High School Monday, February 27 6:00pm—8:00pm

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Lakota West High School Wednesday, March 1, 2017 6:00pm—8:00pm

Pickerington Summer Camp and Activities Fair

Heritage Elementary School Tuesday, March 7 6:00pm — 8:00pm

2017 Westerville Summer Expo

Westerville North High School Wednesday, March 8 5:30pm—7:30pm

Olentangy Camp Expo

Olentangy Orange Middle School Thursday, March 9 6:00pm – 8:00pm

New Albany Kidsfest

Philip Heit Center for Healthy New Albany Thursday, March 9 5:00pm — 8:00pm

Miami Valley Camp Fair

Wright State University Saturday, March 18 11:00am – 2:00pm

Cincinnati Parent Camp Fair

Web Extreme Entertainment Center Sunday, March 19 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Most of the camp fairs we are attending focus on central Ohio. This is not by our design but by parent groups who are interested in helping their communities learn more about summer opportunities for their families. If you know of any events in other places, please let us know. We would also be pleased to help you create one in your neighborhood or school if you have any interest.

From the Director

We did it Again!

Once again, Falcon was visited by the American Camp Associa-

tion this past summer to be accredited as an ACA camp and once again we passed our accreditation visit with flying colors. The ACA asks that we do not discuss any scores from the visit because of

the possibility that they might be misinterpreted and as a visitor myself, I understand and agree with that. So I will not reveal our score except to give you a hint: we didn't fail any of the more than 300 standards that the visitors examine. That would be zero wrong if you get the hint... You can see our certificate on the wall in the health center when you come to camp.

At the annual ACA Ohio conference in January, Falcon Camp received an award for Program Excellence from the ACA Ohio Council of Leaders.

This honor was given to us partly because of the quality of our

program design and opportunities for campers to learn but also because of the respect given to the excellence of our staff training and the work we do in making sure our staff provides the highest levels of care and

> teaching for our campers. The award is an honor we take seriously and I believe it is an honor to have the respect of your peers in whatever work you do. We have high expecta-

tions for our staff but it only works if we provide them with the necessary training and assistance to know their jobs and be able to reach those expectations. Nici Mahen deserves a huge shout out for the outstanding work she does with our

LIT, CIT and Jr Staff programs as well as oversight of our entire staff. We spend large amounts of time in the off season learning and reaffirming that the teaching

American Camp Association Ohio

Presents the

Program Excellence Award

To

Falcon Camp



methods we use are best practices and stand the test of time.

We are proud of the recognition and do our best to serve our campers, families and our staff with the highest standards.

I received a thank you and a gift at the same conference for serving on the board/council of leaders for the past 23 years. As my last term ended in January I decided it was time for someone else to take over the position of public policy chair and spend the volunteer hours involved so I am no longer on the Council of Leaders. I will still maintain an active role in watching over issues involving the health and safety of children, still be a visitor to accredit camps and still maintain an active role in the ACA but it is time for some of the younger folks to become more involved. I expect to spend some of that extra time in the summer being more active with our own campers and staff, and some of that time over the winter spending time with my granddaughter Sloan. Emily and I are pretty happy being grandparents!

Summer is coming soon,

Dave

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Giving back to the Community

Earlier this year Falcon donated a two week session to the United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Cleveland fundraiser and to the Shaker Hts. Historical Society 'Shakers and Movers' fundraiser. We will also be donating a two week session to fundraisers at Laurel School and at the Lawrence School later this winter. If you want to donate to a good educational cause and win a two session at Falcon, bid often and bid high! We are pleased to help contribute to worthy causes throughout our communities and would be happy to consider others in the future.



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We welcome the following campers to Falcon for the summer of 2017!!

We are pleased to see how many of you took advantage of our early registration in November and December. Applications and inquires are being received almost daily right now. We are looking forward to an excellent summer with a smiling camp full of returning campers joined by our new campers for their first experience of "coming home for the summer!" If you are not on this list we hope to see your name on here soon. The summer of 2017 is going to be great fun and you won't want to miss it!

Brenden Albrecht Xavier Arnold *Elias Beckeman Kai Berkner Luke Borchelt Helen Breen Sasha Brennan Rachel Broihier Camille Brommers **Ethan Cairns** Caroline Cannon Katherine Cassese Theodor Castle Jonah Chapman-Sung Oscar Chapnick Cameron Christian Lindsay Christian Tanner Christian James Cofer *Ellie Crema Alina Dean Reilly Dean John Deering Caleb Erdman Allie Fahev Luke Farrall Kate Faxon *Jordvn Feldman *Maria Froehlich Rilev Ghosh Henry Gilmore Kendal Harris Sarah Hatem

Joshua Hertz Jake Isoniemi Isabella Issa Catherine John *Danny Kaperak Drew Landers Sadie Landry Abigial Lauretig *Rebecca Lee Dakota Lillev Alan McCartney Madison McCartnev Stephen McCartney Lainey McCloskey Sam McGough Annie Melaragno Max Melaragno Megan Miller Colin Novak Casey Roufs Kaden Runge Abby Rutherford Caroline Schiele Marshall Schiele *Julia Schueler Tatum Shepardson *Scott Siegel Nolan Sindelar Wyatt Sklarin Aiden Slawson *Audrey Stankunas Joseph Stebbings Sarah Stebbings Thomas Stebbings

Genevieve Steffv Nadia Steffy Henry Stuyvesant Ted Śtuyvesant *Evelyn Tochtrop Graham Torok Simon Tropper Stephanie Tropper Reece Turner Sasha Turner *Roberto Washington *Marlon Washington Jr Alexandria Waters Zoe Waters *Alexander Watren *Garrett Watren Elizabeth Watson Violet Webster Harrison White Sydney White *Kallie William Victoria Williams Helena Wilson **Hunter Wilson** Gustin Wingfield Jacob Wingfield *Lucca Wingfield *Zella Wingfield Rose Zeldin Margaret Zirwas Susannah Zirwas Zoe Zoller

*denotes new camper

Welcome Gift for Registered Campers

Last year we started a tradition of sending a welcome gift to our campers as they registered. This year we will be sending Falcon beanie hats to keep your heads warm and to look good at the same time. Those of you in cold weather states will find good use for them and those of you in warm weather states can wear them to make a camp fashion statement. Wear them with pride and send us a photo of you in your beanie — or use your imagination and show us your creativity. Tell your friends that the only way to get one is to join us at Falcon this summer!

See you soon -

Mae Lee Held

Dave, Nici and all the staff



2017 CITs

We are pleased to announce that the following outstanding young people have been selected to be Counselors In Training for the summer of 2017. This is their first big step in the process of learning how to be a Falcon Camp counselor. We expect to add one or two more CITs later this spring and will announce those names as they are selected.

Grace Gilbreath of Cincinnati, returns for her 8th year at Falcon.

Miranda Gutter of Powell returns for her 2nd year at Falcon.

Ricky John of Aurora returns for his 4th year at Falcon.

Halley Masaryk of Shaker Heights returns for her 7th year at Falcon

Abby McCartney of Highland Heights returns for her 9th year at Falcon.

Samantha McLaughlin of Westerville returns for her 4th year at Falcon.

Thomas Rodrigues of Cranberry Township returns for his 5th year at Falcon.

William Sherman of Pittsburgh returns for his 9th year at Falcon.

Parker Zerick of New Albany returns for his 7th year at Falcon.

Congratulations to our 2017 Class of CITs!

Cool stuff for Alumni too!

We don't want to forget our alumni as we head out to the camp fairs and start to get excited about the upcoming summer. Here's a special beanie hat just for alumni! Same hat as the campers but different color with alumni printed down the side of the logo. There is only a limited number of these printed so you'll need to be one of the first 50 alumni to contact us. Email Office@FalconCamp.com with this information:

Name and mailing address Years at Falcon Favorite Memory

Be one of the first 50 alumni to respond and get your free Falcon hat. Armand Holmes has the first one so there is only 49 left!

2017 Falcon Camp Calendar

Two Week Sessions June 18 – July 1

July 2 – July 15

July 16- July 29

July 30 – August 12

Four Week Sessions June 18 – July 15

July 16- August 12

Six Week Sessions June 18 – July 29

July 2 – August 12

Eight Week Session June 18 – August 12

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Falcon Young Adventure Camps: Special One week intro camps for boys and girls ages 6-9.

July 30— August 5 and August 6 — August 12.

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