#### From the Director

I am very happy to officially announce that Tali Cornblath joins our Falcon leadership team on a full time, year round basis. Tali is in her 12th year at Falcon and graduated this past spring from Tufts University with a degree in Drama and Child Development. She actually started her career at Falcon as a Horse Camper all the way from the Chicago area where her family lives. Her rise through all of the staff levels include being a CIT, Jr. Counselor, Sr. Counselor, Drama Director, Creative Arts Director, Hawk Unit Leader, Assistant Program Director and now Program Director. Tali is also a lifequard, a Water Safety Instructor and teaches First Aid/CPR and Life Guarding to our staff and older campers.

She will be living in the Cleveland area so she can be a larger part of our winter efforts to make Falcon the best camp anywhere and to learn more of what it takes to be a professional in the camping field. We are excited to have Tali's skills, enthusiasm and leadership continue at Falcon on an even higher level than before. We welcome Tali to the top leadership team at the premier summer camp in the Midwest!

Dave



### Big Changes for Creative Arts!

Creative Arts added some new technology this summer with the addition of camper and staff podcasting! What is a podcast? It's like a recorded radio broadcast that is available for download online (check out our website!). We had a blast creating original stories, poems, interviews, camp reports and the like. When mixed with some software, these podcasts really came to life! You can download them in mp3 format to listen to over and over. Check out the "Forms and Downloads" page of www.falconcamp.com.

We also launched a YouTube channel this summer: FalconCamp1959. Search for us to see camper videos, clips from our Rachel Marie concert and more clips as the fall and winter progress. Make sure to check back often--or better yet, subscribe.

Upcoming: We are working on creating an online portfolio of all the photography work we did in Creative Arts this summer. Campers made excellent and very creative

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collages based around selfchosen themes at camp. Stay in touch for when those go live!

As always, if you have creative work about camp you want to share with us, get in touch! We love to post, share, and celebrate all our creative campers and staff!
Happy Fall!

Alison

# These are a few of my Favorite... Memories

Because there are 274 days until camp starts next summer, this is the perfect time to revisit last summer's awesome adventures to get us through the cold, campless winter ahead. From Color Wars to flash mobs, we had a fantastic summer!

**WEEKENDS:** Now I may be slightly biased because Senehawk Weekend Events are



my thang, but this year's were SPECTACULAR. And that didn't have anything to do with me. We started with National Championships, where campers were divided into states, made cheers and state flags, and competed at games like

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CornHole and Egg Roll. The next two weeks found us engaged in Color Wars (the outfits from this were truly fantastic), which culminated in an amazing all-camp, super competitive game of Twister. In honor of the end of an (Harry Potter) era, third session brought the great wizard to camp. DumbleDave (or is it Deveydore?) made an appearance, along with many, many others for a search for the Sorcerer's Stone, and the Hallows and Horcruxes. Finally, we all took a trip down memory lane for a Dr. Seuss weekend, populated by Dave in the Hat (DaveCat in the Hat?), Things 1, 2, AND 3, and several other creatures of Seuss-like characteristics. Campers competed in a Seuss-themed Amazing Race and Counselor Hunt. Weekends are part of our SeneHawk competitions, and this year Mohawks dominated during the first four weeks, and



Senecas kicked butt during the second four! Each weekend and SeneHawk event was fun, exciting, and special in its own way, thanks to the staff for giving it their all, and the campers for playing along!

FIELD TRIPS: Even though being at camp is the greatest gift of all, the field trips we get to take are definitely some of the highlights of the summer.

This year we went to fireworks at Atwood Camping Grounds, which was a new experience for everyone (leading to only slight panic and worry by the administrative organizers).



We enjoyed an Elvis Impersonator, saw how the fireworks were set up, and watched a bright and exciting show! We also went bowling three different times this summer--I saw some pretty awesome bowling (everyone else) and some less-thanawesome bowling (myself). During the third session we went to the Carroll County Fair. It was on one of the hottest days of the summer, but we prevailed! We went on rides, played games, and drank TONS of water. Throughout the summer, Horse Camp took several separate field trips, to auctions, to Patty's farm (Patty is the very knowledgeable horsewoman who does much of our horse shipping), and to Dr. Costarella's farm (our vet). On these trips they built a cross country course, rode some new horses with different skills, and bought some new equipment. **THRILLER:** Every other Friday night, we do something called Camper Choice, when counselors dig into their bag of tricks and plan an activity that they wouldn't normally lead. One of the most memorable activities was the creation of a

flash mob. Campers spent an hour and a half with three of our dance-inclined staff members, and created and learned a dance to Michael Jackson's *Thriller*. Later that night (and again the next week!) they "flash mobbed" in formation during snack. It was a great dance, and so fun to watch! When I'm being really nostalgic, I find myself humming, "Cause this is Thrillerrrrr! Thriller night! ..."



All in all, I would say we had a super awesome summer, and these are just SOME of my favorite memories! What are your favorite memories? Tell me about them on Falcon Camp's facebook page!

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## **Early Registration News**

Dates and rates have been set for the summer of 2012 and you will receive Early Registration information in October. We will be starting registration sooner than we usually do as we have had several requests from returning parents to do so and increased interest from new families. As always, registering early will save you money and guarantee a space in your favorite sessions.

#### Tax ID Information

Our federal tax ID # is 23-2320464. Check with your accountant for child care deduction possibilities.

## We are pleased to announce the Highflyers of 2011:

1 <sup>st</sup> Session	Blue Jays	Kestrels	Eagles	Robins	Cardinals	Hawks
Archery	Maxwell Wayne	Rafael Rodriguez- Sanchez	Jacob Honick			Andrea Farr
Athletics	Phillip Henderson		Jacob Honick Clayton Meier		Alice Castillo	
Canoeing	Maxwell Wayne		Aaron Benjamin	Annabelle Folland	Kate Karstens	Anna D'Alesandro Drew Schlachter
Crafts		Rafael Rodriguez- Sanchez	Spencer Atkins Aaron Benjamin	Jane Berick		Andrea Farr Mary Huerta
Drama	Maxwell Wayne	Brayton Bendlak Thomas Weil	Aaron Benjamin Alden Siperstein	Zoe Doerge Mallory Orr		Erika Kess Nina Rodrigues Eden Saltzman
Riding	Ryan Allan		Connor Packard Jeffrey Rodrigues	Abby McCartney	Kate Karstens Rebeka Bolinger- Blenman	Andrea Farr Settie Harrison
Riflery		Gabe Malik	Aaron Benjamin Brian Kess	Zoe Doerge		Halle Kaplan Nina Rodrigues Eden Saltzman
Sailing	Pierce Bendlak Alex Sharkunov	Brayton Bendlak Gabe Malik	Gavin Markowitz Connor Packard Jeffrey Rodrigues	Zoe Doerge Mallory Orr		Eden Saltzman
Swimming	Ryan Allan Phillip Henderson Michael Sima	Joseph Riordan Rafael Rodriguez- Sanchez Thomas Weil			Alyssa Hertz Erin Iams Yasmin Razmjouei	Emma Markowitz Katie Riordan
Tennis			Ryan Dyke		Rose Schultz	Eden Saltzman
Woodslore		Thomas Weil	Elliot Cooper Dominic Falcone Brian Kess	Annabelle Folland	Rose Schultz	Katie Riordan
2 <sup>nd</sup> Session	Blue Jays	Kestrels	Eagles	Robins	Cardinals	Hawks
Archery	Will Sherman Michael Sima	Maxwell Boise Brian Crowther Paul LaRue	Grant Nassif Columbus Wilson		Lane Chesler Lauren Timm	Shelby Timm
Athletics		Jay Manfredo	Ben Durell Wayne Wilson		Amanda Schenk	Andrea Farr Cecilia Kubu
Canoeing	Peter Breen	Sean Breen	Andrew Byrne Grant Nassif		Katie Sibila Elizabeth Stack Kate Voyzey	Andrea Farr Emily Meister Bessie Toohey
Crafts		Thomas Colucci Joey Tagliavoni	Spencer Rosenthal	Allie Fahey	Lauren Cargal Chloe Schwartz Katie Sibila	Andrea Farr Maddy Masaryk Amanda Zeilinger
Drama	Andrew Goodman	Jonathon Coombs Paul LaRue Jay Manfredo	Ben Durell	Nina Gamboni	Amanda Schenk	Kathy Masaryk Amanda Zeilinger
Riding			Columbus Wilson	Allie Fahey	Lauren Timm	Settie Harrison Emily Meister Ashley Weeks
Riflery	Judah Zdziarski	Paul LaRue	Andre LaRue		Lane Chesler	Kathy Masaryk Jessica Stahl
Sailing	Judah Zdziarski		Stephen Cosco Paul Vandenbroeck	Rosie Fahey Kayla Schwartz		Cecilia Kubu Kathy Masaryk Amanda Zeilinger
Swimming	Alexander Miller	Maxwell Boise Jonathon Coombs Paul LaRue	Justin Burrell-Miller Brian Kess Jackson Shorey	Nina Gamboni	Julia Shorey Chloe Zdziarski	Gabriella Krauss Alexandra MacGregor
Tennis		Brian Crowther	Baptiste Gamblin	Nina Gamboni		
Woodslore		Andrew Vandenbroeck	Derek Butcher Ben Durell Brian Kess	Helen Breen Rosie Fahey	Lane Chesler	

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## Applications and other forms can be downloaded from our website at www.falconcamp.com.

You are welcome to call or email any time you have questions.

### **2012 DATES**

**Two Week Sessions June 17 – June 30** 

July 1– July 14

**July 15 – July 28** 

July 29 – August 11

Summer ...

Four Week Sessions June 17 – July 14

July 15 – August 11

Six Week Sessions June 17 – July 28

July 1 – August 11

Eight Week Session June 17 – August 11



July 29 - August 4 and August 5 - 11

Horse Lover Camp: One week sessions June 17 – August 11



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