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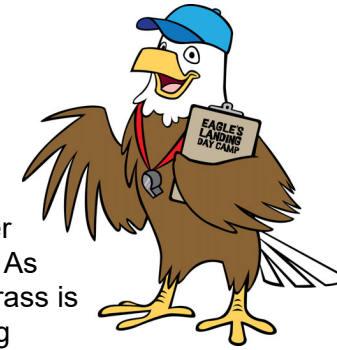
THE GOLDEN EAGLE

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"Watch your children soar"

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From the Directors:



Can you believe that camp starts in 55 Days?!? The weather is getting warmer and the fun is about to begin. As we write this newsletter the grass is being cut, the bunks are being painted and supplies are being ordered. If you haven't seen camp since our end of summer celebration then you won't believe the changes! We're putting the finishing touches on the tennis courts and our **brand new softball and wiffle ball fields**. We've planted over 4,200 lbs of grass seed to make sure we have the best fields in all of NJ. We also removed the winter covers from all four pools. There's so much preparation required every year that it takes 5 people a full week to get the pools ready for our campers.

We have lots of new programs and activities scheduled for this year and we want to give you a "sneak peek" into our **2013 Summer of Extraordinary**. We'll tell you everything when we see you on June 23 when you and your family join us for this year's **Spring into Summer Celebration** (save the date - more info to come!) We're also excited for Special Days this year.

Are you looking forward to **Action America Day**? You'll get to meet some real American heroes from the police and fire departments and the marines! Or will it be **Holiday Hulabaloo** where we mix up all the holidays and get to do some of our favorite holiday activities. We have lots of surprises up our sleeve so keep your eyes wide open this

summer!

As of today, camper groups and vans are almost full. We have a few spots left so spread the word! If you haven't enrolled yet, **DON'T WAIT!** If you know any families who are thinking about coming to **Eagle's Landing**, please let them know that there are only a few spots left! We've found in the past that some families wait until the last minute and we would hate to turn anyone away.

As a reminder, please log in to your CampInTouch

account and submit your Health History and Camper Profile Forms as soon as possible. You'll also find copies of our Camp Calendar, Parent's Handbook, Camp Menu and other forms you'll need this summer. If you have any problems with your account please contact the office so we can help you.

As always, **we thank you**, our families, for sharing your summer with us. We know that your children are your most precious possessions and we take great pride in ensuring that they come home everyday **happy and feeling good about their day**. We also want to thank the families that have referred other campers to us. Your **"stamp of approval"** means the world to us. We are super excited to see you all soon!

- Ruth Ann and Barry



Please note:

Bus information will be emailed home one week prior to camp. Your bus counselor will stop by to drop off a camp backpack and introduce him or herself to your child during the week before camp

starts. If you are driving to camp then you can pick your bag up at the camp office starting mid-June.



Reminder: Health History & Camper Profile Forms are Due!
(A doctor's signature is **not** required)

Please Help Us!

Our Specialists are gathering supplies for this summer and they're asking for help from our camp families. Please save the following items and drop them at camp or call us for a pick up! *Thank you!*

Paper towel tubes
Plain metal cans
Cardboard-12x12
Candy wrappers
Soda tabs
Magazines
Arizona Ice Tea bottles

Bottle Tabs
Ribbon
Juice Containers
Fabric Scraps
Clear jars with lids
Old denim jeans

Camp starts in 55 days!

(Are you ready to pick your electives? Who want to visit the new Bake Shop for cupcakes??)



Watch out Broadway for our Eagle's Landing Stars!

Calling all actors and actresses! The Eagle's Landing players are holding auditions for our summer shows during pre-camp. This years shows are:

Grades 6-9 will perform *Dear Edwina*
Grades 3-5 will perform *American Idol Hits*

We will be holding auditions for campers entering grades 6-9 on Monday, June 24 and Thursday, June 27 from 6-8 PM at camp (you can come to either one). The Audition Form will be available in your CampInTouch account after June 1. Please fill out the form and either mail it to camp in advance or bring it with you the night of the audition. The shows will be performed during week 8 and you have to be enrolled for a minimum of 6 weeks (including week 8) to be a part of the show. We'll see you at auditions ready to sing, dance and act your hearts out. Each person who auditions will be required to read a short monologue and sing a section of your favorite song. We hope you have those dancing shoes ready!

The Official ELDC Clothing Store

Have you ordered your official Eagle's Landing Clothing yet? Check out www.ICraveCamp.com and click Eagle's Landing on the top left of the page. We have everything from sweatshirts, tie-dye tees, yoga pants and so much more! **We have a special 20% discount for all of our Eagle's Landing Families!** Use the coupon code **EAGLE** at the checkout to receive your 20% off! Shipping is free if you'll pick up your order at camp. All you have to do is place your order and pick it up at Eagle's Landing when its ready!

Sign up now for Pre-Camp 2013!

The first day of camp is Monday, July 1. New for this year, Eagle's Landing is offering an extra Pre-Camp week starting June 24 for families who need coverage. You can enroll for 5 days (Mon-Fri) or our 3-day option (Wed, Thurs, Fri). Pre-Camp Week will be 9am-4:15pm and includes supervision, camp activities, hot lunch, swimming and more! Parents must drop off and pick up their kids since transportation is not available until camp starts. Extended hours are available in both the morning and afternoon. Call the camp office for more information 732-821-9155.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Here are some important dates to mark on your calendar. We scheduled a series of orientations for our campers and parents. You will have the opportunity to meet your camper's Division Leader and ask any questions you may have. Note: the grades below are the grade your child is entering next September.

June 11	Orientation for grades 6-8	6:30 - 7:30 pm
June 11	Orientation for grades 9-10	7:30 - 8:30 pm
June 19	Orientation for Kiddie Kingdom and Miniday (ages 3-5)	5:30 - 7:30 pm
June 22	Staff Orientation	8:30 - 4:30 pm
June 23	Spring into Summer (all ages)	1:00 - 3:30 pm
June 24	Pre-Camp week begins!	
July 1	First Day of Camp!!	
August 5	Family Fun Night!!	6:00 - 8:00 pm

Summer of Extraordinary Calendar Changes!

We made a few changes to our **2013 Summer of Extraordinary** special days calendar and we want to share the information with you. **Picture Day** will now be Monday, July 8 and **Eagle's Landing Spirit Day** was moved to Friday July 12. Rounding out the changes **Dance by the Pool Day** is now Friday July 5. We know that no matter what day it is, this summer will definitely live up to its name of **EXTRAORDINARY!** The camp calendar is available from your CampInTouch account.



ELDC Staff Corner

In each issue we introduce you to some of the fantastic staff who will be working with your children. In this issue we're featuring the largest area in camp, our aquatics program, which is supervised by **Hanna** and **Dara**. Dara has been working at camp for 18 years. During the school year she teaches in a local elementary school. Dara is a Red Cross certified Lifeguard Instructor (LGI) and Water Safety



Instructor (WSI). She is also a Certified Pool Operator (CPO), which means she understands the chemistry and mechanics of commercial pools. Dara loves working directly with the campers and will be in the water every day demonstrating the best ways to learn how to swim. Dara is a mother of two and we look forward to another wonderful summer with her.

Hanna will be co-supervising the aquatics area with Dara. Hanna is a Red Cross certified Lifeguard



Instructor Trainer (LGIT) and a Water Safety Instructor Trainer (WSIT). The "trainer" certifications allow Hanna to personally train and certify every guard and WSI on our staff on how to teach kids to swim. We love having her on staff because each lifeguard learns the same techniques. She is conducts lifeguard in-service trainings throughout the summer. During the

winter Hanna is a senior at Boston University. We currently have over 15 lifeguards on staff and the number continues to grow as more campers enroll. We are thrilled to have lots of returning aquatic staff and a whole bunch of new staff as well. Make sure you reach out to Hanna for your private swim lesson as soon as possible because those spots fill up quickly!

Tools 'n Tech

Campers in grades 3-8 have the option of picking our Tools 'n Tech elective again this summer. For those not familiar with it, Tools 'n Tech gives our gadget gurus the chance to discover what's inside all that electronic equipment. We are accepting donations of electronic equipment (working or not) for the campers to use. We will pick up any donations. Due to potential hazards, we can not accept TVs or CRT computer monitors. Please call us at 732-821-9155.



Private Swim Lessons!

Eagle's Landing will once again offer **private swim lessons** after camp each day, provided by our **Red Cross certified instructors**. Each lesson is 30 minutes and the cost is \$25, paid directly to the instructor. There are both 4:00pm and 4:30pm time slots available and the camper must be picked up after the lesson. A limited number of slots are available on a first come, first serve basis. Please call the camp office at 732-821-9155 or contact Hanna, one of our Swim Coordinators, at Hanna@EaglesLandingDayCamp.com to reserve your spot as soon as possible. Parents are invited to come and watch the lesson after 4:20 pm, so as not to interfere with the buses leaving camp. Hanna will contact you mid-June to confirm your day and time.



Do you have a cute critter you would like to donate or loan to camp this summer for our nature program? If you do, please call the camp office at 732-821-9155.