

Camp Robin Hood

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The Woodchuck

THE OFFICIAL ALUMNI NEWSLETTER OF CAMP ROBIN HOOD

Hello Fellow Alumni!

Did you all make it through the seemingly endless winter? I'm sure you're wishing that you could pack a trunk to head to camp like you did for so many summers! Before I head up to the Realm for the summer I wanted to check in with our alumni and say hello. The last 9 months have been incredible for me in so many ways. I have traveled around the country talking to new parents about our beloved summer home. This summer we'll have over 150 new children come to camp and experience what we all know - the greatest place on earth! Their parents chose CRH for the same reasons your parents did - for the culture of kindness and family feel that exists so strongly at the Realm.

For me, some of the most amazing conversations I have had this year are with the many former campers, many who were campers when I was a counselor, who are now sending their children to camp. Many groups at camp have over 7 alumni kids and that's increasing everyday. They all come to camp proudly wearing their parents old faded shirts while knowing, by heart, every camp song. The look on their faces when I ask about their parents, and call them LIL_____, is priceless.

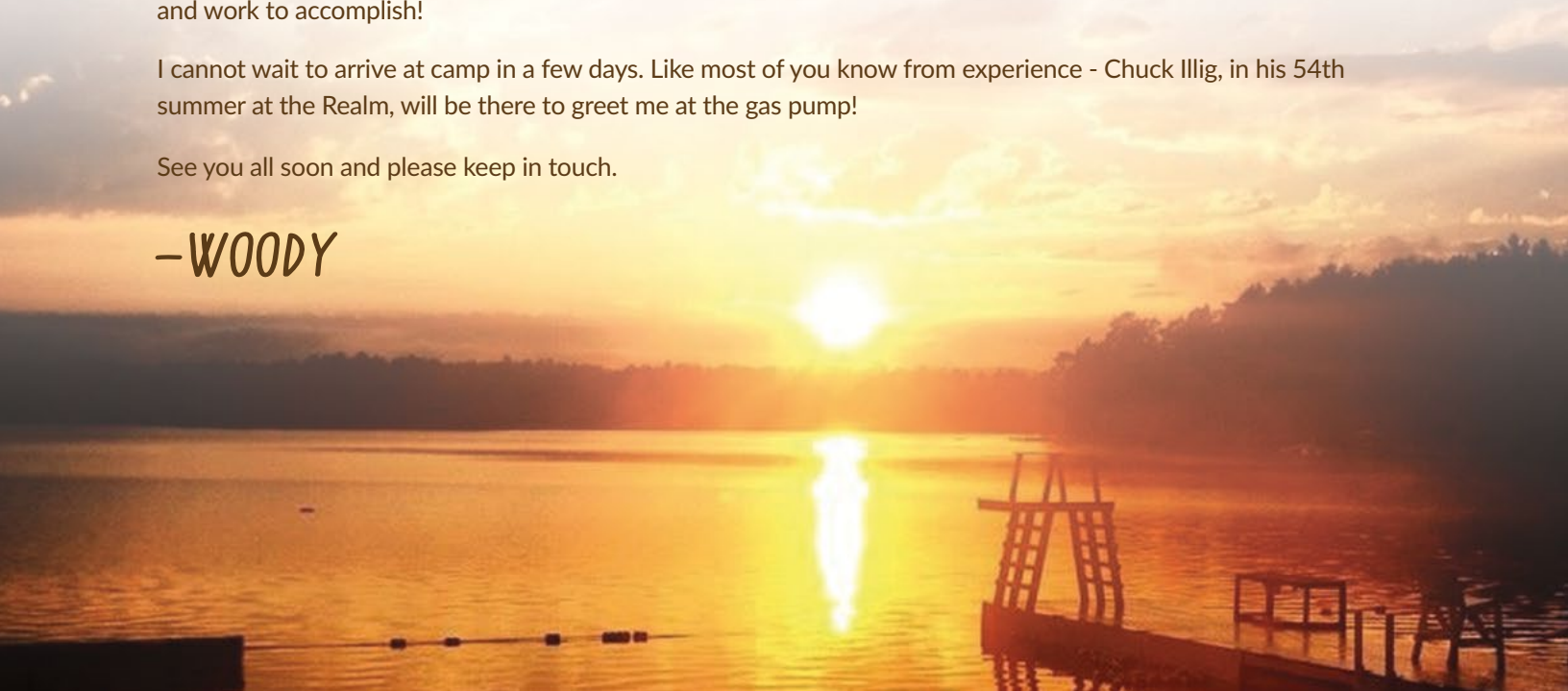
I realize many of you might not be joining us at Parents Visiting Day (yet!) but please stop by whenever you can this summer. The Realm is always open to our alumni! Current campers love to hear old stories and you can see their excitement watching old friends arriving back home together. I can promise you a hug, a good meal, plenty of reminders of your years at camp and the welcome song!

This summer will be my first as sole director at CRH, and I am both excited and humbled by the opportunity. I assembled what I know will be a great team to help lead the Realm into its 92nd summer. My job is made easier by the words I read in yearbooks every night of the Directors who preceded me. Like them, one day I will hand the Realm off to a former camper after my time is done but not for many many summers. I have a vision for the Realm and work to accomplish!

I cannot wait to arrive at camp in a few days. Like most of you know from experience - Chuck Illig, in his 54th summer at the Realm, will be there to greet me at the gas pump!

See you all soon and please keep in touch.

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Robin Hood Celebrates Teachers!

Sam Kadis

I am a 3rd grade teacher at a public charter school in Denver, CO. This is my 5th year in the Denver Public Schools. I use my group leader skills daily as a teacher and feel fortunate to work with kids and families in such a meaningful way!

Sam Jonas

The head of boys camp this summer will be Sam Jonas. This will be his 15th summer at camp and is about to finish his first year as a teacher in Chicago. Sam teaches at Catherine Cook School, a progressive, private school located in the Lincoln Park area. As well as teaching 4th grade, Sam also coaches multiple sports. He enjoys getting to know all the students across grade levels and looks forward to bringing his skills to camp!

Katie Kruse

Being a camper, counselor, and color war captain at Camp Robin Hood really shaped my love for working with children. I truly believe my time at camp has led me to be where I am as a teacher. I am in my fifth year of teaching grades K-2 and I currently teach first grade at Growing Up Green Charter School in New York City. I feel so lucky to work at this school because we utilize progressive practices such as Reggio Inspired learning, project based learning and place a heavy emphasis on "green living." This all aligns so much with my philosophy as an educator. In the past, I have taught in Washington, DC and Costa Rica! I am looking forward to many more years in the field of education!

Missy Friedman Werner

I teach 4th grade math and science in a DC public school, serving a community that is predominantly recent immigrants from Central America. I'm currently writing projects for Smithsonian Learning Lab to bring museum resources into the classroom for students in underserved communities, and bring those students into museums.



Congrats!

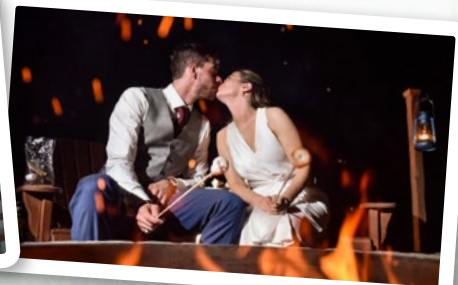
Eliza Stout

Eliza Stout (Scribe of 2006) is marrying a fellow veterinarian, Jonathan Yashari, on the the 2nd day of camp! They met in veterinary school and now live in Santa Monica, California.



Emily Rempell & Charlie Payne

Emily Rempell and Charlie Payne celebrated their marriage on May 26, 2019 in Ringoes, NJ surrounded by an immense amount of Robin Hood love. After a ceremony officiated by Jeff Pratt, they made their entrance to Summer of '69 (White Wheels '99), served green and white jelly beans, played lawn games, enjoyed s'mores for dessert, and of course closed the night out with the Goodnight Song.



Magic in the Trees

FOUNDATION

Robin Hood Alumni Providing the Experience of Camp

As young men and women, camp had a huge influence on our growth as individuals. Affording that same opportunity to others is what motivates this group of Robin Hood Alumni. We value the growth experience that camp provided and strive to provide that same experience to other young men and women.

Since our founding in 2014, we have awarded scholarships each summer to deserving children so they can experience all of the fun, excitement and camaraderie that all Robin Hood campers are lucky enough to enjoy.

In 2018 we sponsored eight kids to join the Realm and our goal is to offer 10 scholarships in 2019!



Green & White Event

JOIN US!

June 22nd, 1-3pm

North Meadow Ball Field #10
Central Park, NYC

Join us for our sixth annual Green & White event. There will be a softball game and picnic along with lawn games and a lot of socializing. All are welcome!

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Tradition Lives On 3 Generations of Campers

Jeff Weiner attended Camp Robin Hood from 1957-1965. When the time came for his children Brian and Erin to attend camp, the choice was clear, they would attend Robin Hood as well. Erin and her brother Brian were campers in the 80's and 90's. Brian's wife Johanna is also a Robin Hood alum. This summer the 3rd generation, Dylan and Benjamin will head to the Realm. Talk about a family tradition!

Does the tradition of attending Camp Robin Hood run in your family? Please share your stories and pictures with us.

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