



THE FALCONER

"Fun for Now, Skills for Life"

Winter 2008

REGISTRATION NEWS

Camp is filling quickly per usual this time of year but there is still room for you to join us for a fabulous summer. If you've already registered, look for your name on page 3. If not, send in your registration papers soon!

This is the best time of the year to tell your friends about Falcon and have them visit us at a camp fair or receive some information (there is time for most of you to join us this year). You are welcome to call or email us anytime to see what is available.

Many of our new campers come to us after hearing about Falcon from our camp families. Think about who might make a good bunk mate, who lives on your street, or in your afterschool groups and teams. Wear your Falcon clothes and talk about camp. You will be pleasantly surprised by the number of people who want to know how you have so much fun in the summer.

Camp Fair Schedule

We have already completed the first half of our camp fair travels with trips to Squirrel Hill in Pittsburgh; Beachwood, Solon and Westlake in the Cleveland area, and the Franklin Park Conservatory in Columbus. There are still several fairs to attend so if we are in your neighborhood, come visit us and bring a friend! Wear a Falcon shirt to show everyone you are part of Falcon, too! If you know of any events where we might take part in your community or school, please let us know.

March Camp Fair schedule:

SportsOhio Summer Camp Expo
Field Sports at SportsOhio
Dublin, Ohio
March 9 1:00pm-3:30pm

Olentangy Summer Activities Expo
Olentangy Orange Middle School
Columbus, Ohio
March 11 5:30pm-8:30pm

GEAR Summer Camp Fair
Sycamore Community School District
Business Club of Montgomery
Cincinnati, Ohio
March 14 9:00am-1:00pm

Summer Camp & Activities Fair
Chagrin Valley Athletic Club
Chagrin Falls, Ohio
March 15 10:00am-2:00pm



Happy Anniversary!

Falcon Camp is celebrating our 50th anniversary in 2008 so hurrah for us! There will be some special celebrations this summer and a few gatherings throughout the year and we'll let you know details as they get planned. We are

very proud of our traditions and the strong reputation we have developed over our 50 years. Later this month, we'll start with a short history of Falcon and a series of remembrances on Falcon's web site. We'll track down Falcon alumni, reprint newsletters from different decades, share your favorite Falcon memories and more as we show the best of Falcon to all of you.

From the Director

It has been an absolutely hectic winter for us this year. Busy as is typical with phone calls, receiving applications, camp fairs and all the other things that go into our winter season. Add into the mix having the outside of our house redone, traveling frequently to see our son Cas in his first year of boarding school, preparing for our daughter Hannah to graduate from college (and find a job!), and it seems like it should still be sometime in December.

Without a doubt the most time consuming and difficult task we've dealt with this winter is to select our CIT's and our summer staff. We had more CIT applications than ever before and there was no way we could accept all who applied. There really were some hard decisions to make and we are proud of the young people who were accepted and share

in the disappointment of those who were not. It is not easy to tell someone who has been with you at Falcon for years that they will not be with you in the 2008 summer.

That difficult decision process continues with our Junior and Senior staff as we are still making our final selections. To give you an idea of the situation, we have 23 male staff candidates *with Falcon experience* for 16 positions. There is not quite as much of an issue with the Female staff but still we have more than we can accept. Included in the process is to make sure we have the proper number of experienced staff in all of Falcon's activity areas. Our search for the best staff also includes applicants from outside our Falcon group as we are always looking for new ideas and skills. We have long felt that each year it is important to have a few new faces and the added diversity of international staff to help keep us fresh and creative.

This is a good problem to have even if it is not an easy one. The large number of applicants from our own Falcon family tells you how much Falcon means to the young people who want to continue to be a part of camp and give back some of what they have been a part of over the years. We will begin announcing our staff on the web site starting next week. Returning campers and especially new families can be assured that our staff will be qualified, ready, excited and prepared to give our campers the best summer ever.

Dave & Emily

"Fun for Now, Skills for Life"

Our new motto exemplifies what Falcon means, what our goals are and what we want to accomplish at camp. The fun part for campers is now and immediate. In the process of that fun, we are teaching skills that last a lifetime. These learning skills include activities such as archery, an appreciation of nature, sailing, horseback riding and more. They also include the important lifetime learning of social skills, making friends, being a part of and belonging to a group, role models, values and making responsible choices. *Being a Falcon camper means learning how to lead your own self as a first step toward learning how to lead others.*

How great is it to be able to accomplish all of these things in the middle of having so much fun! We're already getting stir crazy in the office and camp is still a few short months away. A summer at Falcon truly is a wonderful experience and we are delighted so many of you are joining us again in 2008.

New Technology Is Coming Soon to Falcon

We are now in the building process of a totally new Falcon web site that will be technologically current and easy to navigate. Online applications, staff blogs, a camp safe mspace/facebook type area, alumni section and more. Some of us who are dinosaurs (Dave) will have to learn a whole new way of doing things but it sure looks like it will be exciting.

Tax ID Information

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

For All Horse Lovers! Unique facts relating to horses:

1. It is impossible for a horse to break it's collarbone because horses do not have collarbones.
2. There is a "Zorse" in a German safari park. This 4- legged animal had a zebra for a mother and a horse for a father. "Eclipse" is the only one of it's kind, with stripes on his head and rump while the rest of his body is white.
3. Horses should drink water when they are thirsty. Horses do Not have to be cooled down to consume water. That is just a myth.
4. The vibrissae are the long whiskers around the horse's muzzle. They are very sensitive to the touch and help the horse figure how to locate objects they cannot see, such as food.
5. Technically a horse is not called a "horse" until they reach their fifth birthday. Until then they are called fillies or colts.

We welcome the following girls to Horse Lover Camp for 2008:

* denotes new camper

Sarah Beck*
Roberta Blaho
Amy Burte
Melissa Condon
Emily Coonfare*
Meridith Foster
Tricia Gerber
Monica Giorgio*
Taylor Hood
Sharon Kelly*
Zoe Mack
Megan Mathur
Amelia Murray*
Jessica Pariscoff
Juliana Pawson
Laurie Perrin*
Christina Robb
Ashley Sartoris
Lauren Vargo

Many of the girls are signed up for multiple weeks, but there is still room to sign up for Horse Camp.

We welcome the following campers for the summer of 2008. *denotes new camper

Nick	Albaugh
Rae	Alwes
Nina	Appasamy
Jack	Arenberg*
Quincy	Atkins
Spencer	Atkins
Pedro	Aviles
Pablo	Aviles
Emily	Bailey*
Bric	Bain
Fiona	Barbagallo
Kaylie	Benson
Zoe	Berns
Adam	Blasinsky
Haley	Bogomolny*
Rebeka	Bolinger-
	Blenman
Craig	Boyd
Austin	Bronstein
Carly	Broome
Natalie	Broome
Dean	Carlson
Josephine	Celeste
Beth	Cheverine
Robin	Cohen
Evan	Cooper
Alexandra	Cowens
Brendan	Crowther*
Brian	Crowther*
Emily	Cullen
Erin	Cullen
Jordan	Daus*
Zoe	Davidson
Katie	Deagan
Sydney	Doerge
James	Dunn
Jenny	Edelman
Rachel	Elson
Anna	Faxon
Emma	Ford
Jamie	Foti
Jenna	Foti
Kaitlyn	Garner
Jack	Gilmore*
Graham	Gobieski
Lena	Goren

Max	Graman
Martin	Harrison
Settie	Harrison
Alex	Harrison
Andrew	Healy*
Tim	Heckler
Lizzie	Henry*
Chris	Hole*
Jacob	Honick
Taylor	Hood
Mary	Huerta
David	Hutchinson
Chad	Kamen
Samantha	Kamen
Halle	Kaplan
Karen	Kaplan
Michael	Kaufman
Robbie	Kaufman
Lauren	Kennedy
Rachel	Kennedy*
Brian	Kess*
Erika	Kess
Laurel	Kinman*
Mira	Klein
Isabelle	Klump
Andre	LaRue
Paul	LaRue
Lauren	Leizman*
Liz	Lewis*
Jenny	Listinsky
Alexandra	MacGregor
Collin	Marvin
Ian	Maurer
Carolyn	Maurer
Jason	Mauro
Jordan	Mauro
Anthony	Mauro
Stephanie	McAllister
Emily	McCartney
Carrie	McCartney
Cece	Mercer
Nikki	Mercer
Christina	Moore
Katelyn	Moore
Gabrielle	Moss*
Christina	Myslinski
Leanne	O'Neill

Christina	Petrelli*
Julianna	Petrelli*
Megan	Pfefferl
Ben	Ritts*
Nina	Rodrigues
Sammie	Rosenthal
Spencer	Rosenthal
Lexi	Saltzman
Eden	Saltzman
Ben	Saylor
Zack	Schenk
Amanda	Schenk
Drew	Schlachter*
Izzy	Schlachter*
Matthew	Schultheiss
Sears	Schulz*
Ben	Schumann
Evan	Schumann
Sophie	Schwartz*
Julia	Schwieterman*
Marcia	Schwieterman
Stephanie	Sexton
Molly	Sords
Ethan	Sprunger
Jordan	Sprunger
Jessica	Stahl
Cameron	Stewart
David	Streicher
Meghan	Surges*
Calley	Thompson
Madison	Thompson
Ellery	Thompson
Joey	Tichinel
Emma	Vance
Max	Wayne
Hannah	Wayne
Ashley	Weeks
Sarah	Weeks
Julia	Weil*
Julian	Weinberg
Jessica	White
Sienna	Zeilinger
Amanda	Zeilinger*

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.

2008 DATES

Eight Week Session

June 22 – August 16

Six Week Sessions

June 22 – August 2

July 6 – August 16

Four Week Sessions

June 22 – July 19

July 20 – August 16

Two Week Sessions

June 22 – July 5

July 6– July 19

July 20 – August 2

August 3 – August 16



Falcon Young Adventure Camp: 6 and 7 year olds boys and girls
August 3 -August 9 and August 11 -16

Horse Lover Camp: One week sessions June 22 – August 16



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