

# Biroca Quarterly

Birch Rock Camp Community Newsletter

Winter Issue

January 2009

# Birch Rock's Road Calendar to date: COME VISIT WITH US!

**January 29** <u>Weston Gathering</u> from 7pm – 8:30 pm at the Robbins Residence in Weston, CT.

**January 31** New York City Gathering from 5:30 pm -7:00 pm at the Herzig Residence in New York, NY.

February 7 <u>Birch Rock Winter Wonderland</u> <u>Brunch</u> from 10am-12noon with Rich and Mike in Brewster Lodge in Waterford, ME.

**February 8** Portland Camp Fair from 1pm-3pm at the Wyndam South Portland Hotel in South Portland, ME.

All Birch Rockers and their friends are invited to attend any of our gatherings.

PLEASE RSVP if you can attend.

### How You Can Help!

There is no advertising greater than Word of Mouth, and we truly want & need more campers for a full camp this season! Please be your town's BRC Ambassador. Tell everyone you know about the value and magic of Birch Rock. We appreciate any prospective campers you feel would enjoy BRC! Thanks for your promotion and support!

#### It's Going To Be An All-star Program This Summer



We are really thrilled with the talented and dedicated staff who will be instructing activities this summer. In addition to many of our veteran counselors returning, we are delighted to have six teachers who will be sharing their expertise and knowledge with YOU and the entire camp community. Here they are:

Sue DavisArtMike DavisMusicTracy GoodwinLibraryJon GoodwinNatureThomas JoyceWoodshopRyan MasseyCampcraft & JMG

In addition to our teachers, we will also have our Program Director Mark Sutherland helping with Canoeing and our Head Counselor Mike Nordblom leading Archery. Having these experienced individuals around campus will also help the younger staff with lesson planning and implementation, etc. We look forward to an incredibly strong program in 2009.

#### **Happy Birthday**

January 3	Peter Brewster
19	Jake Cohen
29	Jonathan Tuffy
30	Nathan Howard

February 2	Noah Keates
6	<b>Curtis Whiting</b>
7	Will Alexande
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21 Connor Kelly22 William Francis26 Joe Ingraham

March	2	Chris Rios
	5	Nick Davis
	8	Kyle Perkins
	8	Olin Hanson
	9	Gabe Dreyer
	9	Jake Cahill

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  13 Trevor McLaughlin
  21 Alexander Schaedel
- 24 Ben Cole30 Max Naipier-Kane



#### **Maine Wilderness Adventure**

This summer's Maine Wilderness Adventurers, so far:

#### **Doug Miller, Trip Director**

Eli Brewster Ben Foley
Will Manning Alex McLaughlin
Jimmy Scanlon Curtis Whiting

We still have two more openings for this program. The program is for fit boys ages 14-15 and is certainly open to boys outside of the Birch Rock community as well.



#### Chief's Cabin Construction

Waterford – Alan Hill and his crew seem to be moving at a pretty good pace and hope to have the new building finished by the end of February. We look forward to having the Art Room and Program back on campus

In the next few weeks we will be updating the progress of this project with new photos. Please remember to visit <a href="www.birchrock.org">www.birchrock.org</a> every once in a while for updates on the project and other camp news.



BRC's Charlie MacDonald on the new insulated porch of Chief's

## Who's Back?!!

Campers Signed Up for 2009:

Curtis Alexander Cape Elizabeth, ME Will Alexander Cape Elizabeth, ME **ISRAEL** Zach Bamberger John Berman Philadelphia, PA Ryan Boothby Brewer, ME Will Brewster (CIT) Concord, NH Eli Brewster Concord, NH Peter Brewster Concord, NH Peter Burke Naples, FL Matt Burke Naples, FL Jake Cahill (CIT) Hopkinton, MA Henry Cleaves South Portland, ME Nick Cogswell Barrington, IL Jake Cohen (CIT) Darien, CT Zach Cohen Darien, CT Ben Cole Wayland, MA Hayden Dann Chevy Chase, MD Nick Davis Auburn, ME Caleb Davis Auburn, ME Alexander Dowd Evanston, IL Dylan Dresher Newton, MA Gabe Dreyer Newton, MA Jack Duggan Weston, CT Ben Duvall Newton, MA Patrick Felsher Greenbelt, MD Ben Foley Bowdoinham, ME Jamie Foley (CIT) Bowdoinham, ME William Francis Vienna, VA Sherborn, MA Nate Geremia Spaulding Goetze Englewood, CO Jeremiah Goodwin Hebron, ME Matthias Goodwin Hebron, ME Henry Gunderson New York, NY Matt Guttman (CIT) Berwyn, PA Nick Hall Cumberland, ME Cape Elizabeth, ME Olin Hanson Gordon Hargraves Concord, MA James Hastings Weston, CT Grant Headrick Burlington, VT David Herzig New York, NY Ben Howard (CIT) Scarborough, ME Nate Howard Scarborough, ME

Arlington, VA Dan Huycke Joe Ingraham Cape Elizabeth, ME Noah Keates Hopkinton, MA Connor Kelly Scarborough, ME Gabe Kolbert Portland, ME Jeremy Lifter New Albany, OH Bruce Manning (CIT) Steelville, PA Will Manning (MWA) Steelville, PA Connor McLaughlin Basking Ridge, NJ Skillman, NJ Alex McLaughlin Patrick McLaughlin Skillman, NJ Trevor McLaughlin Skillman, NJ Anthony Mercedes Bronx, NY Lance Naipier-Kane Milton, DE Max Naipier-Kane Milton, DE Harry Netzer (CIT) Larchmont, NY **Kyle Perkins** Hopkinton, MA **Trevor Perkins** Hopkinton, MA Cumberland, ME Nick Ray Chris Rios (CIT) Weston, FL Hank Robbins Weston, CT Waterford, ME Eli Ross Victor Santiago Brooklyn, NY Cumberland, ME Jimmy Scanlon Alexander Schaedel Cape Elizabeth, ME **Brad Schlauder** Gales Ferry, CT Ben Semmes South Portland, ME Kellen Smith Scarborough, ME Henry Smith Belmont, MA Andrew St. George Philadelphia, PA **Bobby Stafford** Belmont, MA **Edward Stafford** Belmont, MA Jonathan Tuffy Hanover, MA Alec Westbrook Smith River, CA Gage Wheeler Meredith, NH **Curtis Whiting** Brooklyn, NY Nathaniel Young Burlington, VT Burlington, VT **Toby Young** 

Welcome, New Campers!



## What about staff?

We have always been proud of the amazing staff teams we've been able to put together over the years. Here's a list of the current projected staff for 2009:

Joe Cohen Darien, CT Sue Davis Auburn, ME Auburn, ME Mike Davis Sam Deeran Falmouth, ME South Portland, ME Rich Deering Robert Donahue Geneva, IL Tracy Goodwin Hebron, ME Jon Goodwin Hebron, ME Thomas Joyce Tampa, FL New York, NY Zach Lynn Rvan Massev Spanish Fort, UT Mike Mattson Portland, ME Wes McClung Sykesville, MD Ryan McElroen Pawling, NY Doug Miller (MWA) New Orleans, LA Mike Nordblom Groton, MA Sam Rizzotto Albany, ME Cathy Roland Norway, ME Ryan Royalty Groton, MA Cole Schlecht Morristown, NJ Mark Sutherland Durham, NC Alasdair Thornton Westport, CT Robert David Weeks Ellicott City, MD

We will be signing up the rest of our staff in the next couple months, so stay tuned for the next issue of the Biroca Quarterly.

#### **BRC Dates for 2009**

Spring Clean-up Day May 30, 2009 Summer Office Opens June 1, 2009 **Staff Orientation** June 15, 2009 C.I.T. Orientation June 20, 2009 Opening 1<sup>st</sup> Session June 24, 2009 1<sup>st</sup> Visitation Day July 12, 2009 1<sup>st</sup> Session Ends July 18, 2009 July 19, 2009 Opening Day: 2<sup>nd</sup> Session, Cubs, MWA

Annual Board Meeting
Cubs Camp ends

2<sup>nd</sup> Visitation Day
MWA – Returns
BRC for Boys ends
BRC Family Camp
Family Camp ends

August 1, 2009
Aug. 2, 2009
August 9, 2009
August 11, 2009
August 14, 2009
August 18, 2009



Ben will get a fire going for us.