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THE SUMMER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

The cold and colors of winter are steadily fading away as the signs of spring are popping up all over. This means the summer season is almost upon us! All of us in the Winter Office are feeling more and more excited for the summer as every day passes. We hope you, too, are getting excited for your time at Camp Lincoln or Camp Lake Hubert this summer. We have a lot planned for you already, so please read on to learn about some of them. Special Day descriptions are included, along with Rally Day themes, and the list of the LTs for 2015. We have many more fun things planned for you, so be ready for some good surprises upon arrival.

Once again, there are many updates going on at camp this off-season, including the biggest update of them all... The gutting and rebuilding of Camp Lincoln's kitchen! Once completed, this \$800,000 project will bring the Lincoln Kitchen forward almost 80 years to today's modern structure and appliance standards. While we are sad to see the 1937 baker's oven (with its 864 cookie cooking capacity) depart, we will thoroughly enjoy the speedy and feature-laden oven taking its place. Camp Lake Hubert's updates include a new

storm shelter building on the Lower Athletic Field, upgrades to some of the staff housing, new horse shelters, and more. Please look for details on these updates within this Railsplitter.

As you continue to read on, you will find a list of all the campers who have signed up for this summer so far. Please check to see which of your friends are coming back to camp. Are some of your friends from home missing out on the Camp Lincoln or Camp Lake Hubert experience? You can always Booster them, by telling them about camp, or by asking us to send them our brochure and DVD. Fabulous prizes await our 2015 Booster Club Members!

I hope you enjoy this Spring Railsplitter! We are excited about this coming summer, and hope you are as well. We look forward to seeing you at Camp Lincoln and Camp Lake Hubert very soon!

CHILDREN – INSIDE AND OUT

Dear Parent,

Welcome to a new chapter in the life of your family! I say this because when a child goes off to camp for the first time, everyone in the family grows from the experience, not just your courageous camper!

You already know that camp presents a tremendous opportunity for your child to widen horizons, make new and lasting friends, and discover new strengths. After all, you wouldn't be considering

camp if you didn't think it would add substantially to your child's growth and development. And although camp can help your child learn a better backhand in tennis, acquire a stronger stroke in swimming, or improve a skill in just about any physical endeavor, the true payoff of camp will be apparent when your child comes home more self-reliant, self-sufficient, and self-confident. What a gift to give to your child!

So even though you know about all the social and emotional benefits that a quality camp experience can bestow on your child, don't be surprised if as a parent you have mixed feelings about

this blessing. Most parents do! After all, nothing takes more trust than giving your child over to the care of other adults. Finding this trust, letting your child see that trust and letting your child go off on his or her own adventure with your blessing takes courage! It is also why I say you, as a parent, will grow from the experience of camp, too!

So take comfort in knowing your child is about to enter a safe place that will help him or her widen horizons, develop greater coping skills, and become more resilient—just as it will you!

In admiration, Bob Ditter



A LETTER FROM OUR NEW CL ASSISTANT DIRECTOR!

My name is David Benson and I am beyond enthused to be the New Assistant Director at Camp Lincoln! I grew up in Apple Valley, Minnesota, before receiving my Bachelors in Management Communications from North Dakota State University in Fargo, North Dakota. Go Bison! I spent my youth attending the Voyagers Lutheran Ministry Camps in the great northwoods of Minnesota.

My camp career began as a young counselor spending summer on the waterfront of a sleepaway camp in Maine. After my summers in Maine, I returned to the Twin Cities for a career with the YMCA of the Greater Twin Cities as an Aquatics Director. I shortly became “camp sick” and longed for more summers of fun and friendship, so I packed my bags and moved to Orange Park, Florida, to serve as the camp director of a summer day camp and to oversee all year-round operations. I am also an American Red Cross Lifeguard Instructor Trainer, and a Stand Up Paddleboard Instructor by the American Canoe Association.

I am excited for the opportunity to work with the entire Camp Lincoln and Camp Lake Hubert Team and Community. Northern Minnesota has always been a special place with positive memories from my childhood. I am excited to be able to share my passion for the great northwoods, pristine lakes, and summers at camp!

Being my first summer at Camp Lincoln, I am excited to be able to experience the traditions that this community has established. I look forward to having the same feelings as the other first year Lincoln Campers. We are in it together, guys!

In my spare time, I enjoy spending time on the water, playing frisbee, playing with my dog, Malcolm Gladwell, books, and rooting for the Minnesota sports teams.

See you all this summer!

RALLY DAY DANCE THEMES

Decked Out ‘N Denim

June 27th

DENIM is the new plaid, right? During this summer’s first Rally Day Dance, we want to see you showcasing your best dance moves while wearing your best denim threads. Jean jackets, jorts, denim shirts, denim skirts, and denim vests are all acceptable attire for this festive occasion. In fact, the more denim pieces of clothing and accessories you wear, the better. It is time to break it on down while you are all decked out in denim!

I Can’t See You!

July 26th

Alright Ladies and Gentlemen...last year we brought you a Caped Crusaders themed dance during 2nd Session. This summer, we are going to amp it way up with a unique theme that only you can pull off. Your task is to show up ready to bust a move dressed in tons of camouflage, hence the unique name for our dance! Each of you should strive to be so well covered in camo that you are unrecognizable by your camp friends. Take some time to craft your most creative outfit and perhaps, you might not be seen by anyone all night. Hey! Where did you go?



LINCOLN AND HUBERT TRIP OFFERINGS

Each year, Camp Lincoln and Camp Lake Hubert provide exciting ways to leave camp and explore the great wilderness that Minnesota has to offer with a number of unique adventure trips. With trips ranging from two-day overnights, to five-day/four-night trips, campers of all adventure levels will have a chance to get down to the nitty-gritty and enjoy the experience of rustic camping.

New this year, Camp Lincoln will adapt its Trips Program to accommodate those campers who wish to spend more time at camp, while also allowing campers who cannot get enough of the trips to choose more tripping options! It is really the best of both worlds.

Boundary Waters Canoe Trip

Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness (BWCAW) has one million acres of wilderness, with over 1,000 lakes and streams, and over 1,500 miles of canoe routes. National Geographic called the Boundary Waters one of the top 50 destinations to see in a lifetime. In other words, a trip you do not want to miss.

Rock Climbing

Go rock climbing and hike to the 60-foot high Falls of Baptism River, experience the overlooks at Shovel Point, or repel down to inland lakes only accessible by foot. No rock climbing experience necessary! Instruction will be provided by knowledgeable and experienced climbing guides. Campers will learn basic rock climbing skills and climb the cliffs at one of Minnesota's amazing state parks.

Gooseberry Falls

Come geo-caching (like a high-tech treasure hunt) and hiking along the Upper, Middle, and Lower Falls of the Gooseberry River. We will also visit an ancient lava flow, learn how to make some delicious backcountry food over the fire, and of course, stargaze in the evening. You do not want to miss these spectacular waterfalls!

Sea Kayaking

The freedom and excitement that sea kayaking on Lake Superior offers is something we are thrilled to share with you! Campers will learn about and actively incorporate equipment, paddling techniques, navigation, on-water safety, and camping from sea kayaks. The itinerary will allow time to explore the natural features and cultural history of the Apostle Islands. This trip is suited for all skill levels.





CAMP LINCOLN LTs

Colin Campbell	Washington, D.C.
Sander Davis	Oyster Bay, NY
Alex Dickey	Mission Hills, KS
Michael Hamilton	Prairie Village, KA
Duncan Harry	Omaha, NE
Alan Horstman	Chanhassen, MN
Jake Jones	Kansas City, MO
Henry Kane	Tulsa, OK
John Kapples	Wellesley, MA
Seth Madson	Golden Valley, MN
Tom Solano	Akron, IN
Ian Stokes	Carbondale, CO
Roman Stuart	Edina, MN
Fritz Swearingen	Bettendorf, IA
Adam Ungvarsky	Lincoln, NE
Teja Upadhyaya	Woodbury, MN
Matthew Watowich	Houston, TX



CL SPECIAL DAY THEMES

Cotechella

June 18th and July 17th

Have you ever heard of Bonnaroo, Firefly, Tomorrowland, or Ultra? These music festivals have nothing on Cotechella! By combining the best parts of our traditional carnival extravaganza with Firewatch, the Alaskan Hummingbird Preparations, and musical entertainment, Cotechella will surely not disappoint. Curious as to whom our special guests will be? You will just have to wait and see!

Color Wars I

June 25th and July 24th

Let the games begin! After last summer's additions and a few new twists for 2015, Color Wars Part I is destined to be a hit with campers and staff. All will heed the call of their Color Wars Team at the Breakout Fire, pull their team to victory as RED challenges BLUE in Team Tug-O-War, and chant as loud as possible in the Color Wars Songfest 2K15. Your mission is to help your team gain the lead for Color Wars Part 2. May the best team win!

Extreme Dream

July 2nd and July 31st

Have you ever awoken from a good dream and not remembered where you were? We are hoping to keep you guessing during this action packed day as we take it to the extreme in 2015. You may think you know, but really, you have no idea. You will just have to wait and see as you and your cabinmates attempt to complete different activities and decipher a variety of clues to figure out your destination. A bit of advice... DREAM BIG!

Color Wars II

July 9th and August 7th

Back and better than before, this age-old camp tradition has competitively matched the RED TEAM against the BLUE TEAM. The 2014 Color Wars Relay Races concluded with tense finales, but THIS is a new year. Each summer brings new campers, larger events, greater excitement, more fun, and a new champion! Men of Camp Lincoln, get ready to help lead your team to victory and to carry out the expectations left for us in Brownie Cote's Personal Diary!



CLH SPECIAL DAY THEMES

Sports Mania Day

June 18th and July 17th

It is going to be a BALL!! We will “kick off” the day with fun-filled sports competitions for the whole cabin. Whether in the water, on land, or in the sand, this day will be a buzzer beater and a crowd pleaser! Please feel free to suit up in your favorite sports uniform or team swag.

Blue Jeans and Country Dreams

June 25th and July 24th

Get out your cowgirl hats, jeans, boots, and flannel shirts, and we will “stirrup” some fun. Saddle up for a good time with Firewatch, Funkhana on horseback, carnival games, and square dancing! Cowgirls galore and a whole lot more. Giddyup!

Do It Yourself Day

July 2nd and July 31st

Imagine, create, and construct to make your own cabin DIY Day. Your cabin group will get to pick the activities that you do and food that you eat! There will be plenty of DIY activities and projects from which to choose!

Rock 'N' Roll Color Wars

July 8th and August 6th

While Green Team and White Team are rockin’ the friendly competition, we are going to be rolling with some music! Just a little twist on the best special day EVER! Team color assignments will be decided at camp and every camper will get a shirt to wear for their respected teams.



CAMP LAKE HUBERT LTs

Claire Abbott	Oklahoma City, OK
Kiira Antenucci	Evergreen, CO
Avery Apostle	Santa Rosa, CA
Isabel Ashley	Topeka, KA
Courtney Bagg	Brentwood, CA
Barbra Bathke	Mendota Heights, MN
Kat Bogursky	Edina, MN
Jenny Bond	Cranbury, NJ
Jeanne Anne Bullington	Dallas, TX
Margot Cammon	Saint Louis, MO
Kimberly de la Garza	Monterrey, MEX
Makalynne Dyer	Fort Collins, CO
Bekka Falkers	Tipton, IA
Maya Frazier	Elkhorn, NE
Isabel Hasselbalch	Lincoln, NE
Grace Hayes	Wilmette, IL
Laurel Hettinger	Weston, MA
Sally Kingman	Plymouth, MN
Hannah Klein	Minneapolis, MN
Frannie Knaggs	Austin, TX
Liz Landefeld	Seattle, WA
Amelia Lochhead	Evergreen, CO
Sage Lochhead	Evergreen, CO
Sarah MacKenzie	Englewood, CO
Blair Mannis	Lake Forest, IL
Georgia McGill	Dallas, TX
Anna Milliken	New York City, NY
Mary Mondanaro	Iowa City, IA
Laine Raish	Columbus, OH
Sarah Sant	St. Louis, MO
Summer Schuster	Lake Forest, IL
Lauren Steel	Santa Ana, CA
Elena Taeyaerts	Chicago, IL
Allie Tarry	Charlotte, NC
Abby Tekiela	Victoria, MN
Ellen Vroege	Deephaven, MN
Megan Whitney	Inver Grove Heights, MN
Hannah Woulfe	Houston, TX
Jenna Wyman	Glencoe, IL



UPDATES AT CAMP

- Waterskiing at Lincoln and Hubert was such a big hit this past summer, that we added another ski boat to the fleet! Get ready to tear up the wake!

CAMP LINCOLN

- Many of you thought camp food could not get any better because it was already so great... Well, it just did! The entire Camp Lincoln Kitchen has been completely gutted, appliances were removed, and it received new floors, walls, appliances, and ventilation! Get ready for better, healthier, hotter, and MORE food this summer!
- Pioneer Cabin received some internal upgrades this winter, providing the entire cabin with new cubbies, LED lighting, and additional power outlets.
- The upper chalet of Bunkhouse Cabin now has brand new cubbies and other small upgrades.
- Marty Gitchell and his crew worked very hard on Lincoln Lodge in the autumn, giving the outside walls a fresh coat of stain, which made Lincoln Lodge look brand new!
- Trips will be going out in style with new dry bags, cookware, and water filters. These will surely make it much easier to enjoy the vast nature reserves that Minnesota has to offer!
- Brand new mountain bikes have been added to make sure mountain biking is, like, totally way more radical, dude!

CAMP LAKE HUBERT

- The Lower Athletic Field now has a new storm shelter building that can be used during inclement weather.
- All of the horses will be overjoyed to see and hang out in their new sun shelter in the Hubert Pasture.
- The basketball/volleyball court area has been landscaped, a new fence will be up, and new hoops installed. Get ready to dunk and spike in even more beautiful surroundings!
- The Health Center received a face lift and a brand new, big deck on the front.
- A new road has been placed to provide cars an easy way to get to the overflow lot on Arrival and Departure Days. No more torn up grass by the tennis courts!
- A new E-scow is joining our large fleet of sailboats! Do you have a good suggestion for its name? Please feel free to send your ideas to Ruggs@camplakehubert.com.





CONTINUING MY CAMP LAKE HUBERT JOURNEY

by Maddi Martini

Camp Lincoln and Camp Lake Hubert were a part of me before I had ever even stepped foot on any camp property. My dad, as well as many of my aunts and uncles, attended camp for numerous summers as campers and counselors, told me many stories. These stories were full of great amusement. I could not help but wonder about the Bog, or the Water Weenie, or Firewatch. The wait to experience these things for myself was agonizing.

Like my dad, my grandparents also attended camp. My grandparents actually met and fell in love during the summer they spent on staff on Lake Hubert. They were married a few years after, giving camp a very important and everlasting place in my heart. My grandma embodied every single one of the Five Core Values. She was fun and she strove for excellence, but most importantly, she knew how to create a nurturing community for all. I am saddened to say that she passed away last summer. She always loved to listen to my sisters and I tell our own camp stories and sing the traditional Camp Lake Hubert songs. I could tell it brought her back to her own Camp Lake Hubert days with her best friends. I loved sharing camp stories and songs with my grandma. Although we are two generations apart, we shared many of the same genuinely amazing experiences. My two sisters, Ellie and Molly, who also attended Camp Lake Hubert, honored her at her funeral with the ever-famous Camp Lake Hubert song, Barges. I followed in her footsteps on the dusty paths of Camp Lake Hubert for four years as a camper, and I am excited and fortunate to have the opportunity to follow in her footsteps once more this summer as a counselor!

After hearing all of the camp stories that circulated through my family, I finally got to experience things for myself.

Camp Lake Hubert was even better than the stories made it out to be. There, I met some of my very best friends, who were then always represented by the tangled mess of bracelets crawling up each of my arms. I learned to overcome strong winds on a sailboat and how to shoot a gun, but more importantly I learned to appreciate everything around me. I learned to embrace the tainted odor of the horse barn, to enjoy waking up with dirt still on my feet proving that I won tetherball the day before, and to appreciate my friends, nature, and all the opportunities around me.

Just like my grandma, I want Camp Lake Hubert to always give me something on which to look back fondly. This summer on staff will surely add many more unforgettable pages to my story at Camp Lake Hubert, filled with more indestructible friendships, rewarding activities, and most importantly everlasting memories. I, like many other returning staff members, am lucky to have a place that makes coming back to Camp Lake Hubert something to look forward to with so much optimism.

Bring on the Summer of 2015!



Camp Lincoln Returning Staff

Gilberto Africano	2 years
Donald Allegretti	2 years
Rita Bayer	6 years
Michael Bonfatto	7 years
Alex Compton	7 years
Glen Conbeer	2 years
Chris Dempsey	11 years
Jason Heuer	3 years
Clayton Jacobs	3 years
Richard Jenkins	6 years
Bobby Littman	3 years
Kaleb Maskill	2 years
Pat McGrath	14 years
Diana Newlan	8 years
Arpit Patel	2 years
Marshall Pugh	3 years
Paulina Rico	2 years
Edgar Roque Gonzalez	3 years
Tyler Stoltzman	2 years
Robert Szabo	2 years
Brent Taylor	4 years
Scott Tyreman	2 years
Graham Willer	12 years



REMEMBER TO REGISTER!

If you have not yet registered for the Summer of 2015, but are still considering it, spaces in most sessions are filling up very quickly. Please give us a call today at 800-242-1909, or send us an email at info@lincoln-lakehubert.com to talk to someone about enrolling for this summer. You can also check session availability online at the following link: www.clclh.com/parents/session-availability-traditional-camp. We want to make sure that your camper(s) do not get stuck without a spot for the session of their choice. This summer will not be the same without you!

Camp Lake Hubert Returning Staff

Nora Agoston	6 years
Jade Boulter	3 years
Rachel Brawley	8 years
Adam Campbell	3 years
Hannah Christmann	2 years
Paige Dempsey	2 years
Gayle Ebben	2 years
Silvia Glembova	2 years
Hannah Goblirsch	2 years
Audra Hartwell	2 years
Caitlyn Harvey	2 years
Jennifer Jolley	2 years
Sara Kern	2 years
Rosa Martinez	3 years
Csilla Molnar	2 years
Kirsten Provart	2 years
Steph Robson	2 years
Annie Stewart	3 years
Justine Tramontana	3 years
Andrea Vaquero Chavez	2 years
Jonnathan Vasquez	2 years
Laura Alicia Vazquez Gayosso	4 years
Audriana Vermillion	2 years
Erin Vick	2 years
Haylee Wagner	2 years

SUMMER 2014 VIDEO UPDATE!

Good news! Just like last year, we recently uploaded the 2014 Summer Video onto YouTube so you, your friends, and your family can all relive the Summer of 2014 in the comfort of your own home! This is the same video that we played at the movie showings all over the country. If you missed the movie showings, want to see the video again, or just did not have a movie showing close enough to your home, then you will not want to miss this! Check out this link to watch the Summer 2014 Video and get pumped for the Summer of 2015!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ub2Js822Jq0>

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Core Values

Camp Lincoln and Camp Lake Hubert are committed to character building through five key core values...values that have been a part of our tradition since 1909. These core values are an important part of everything we do, and are central to intentional camping. You can see our values in action, as our campers:



Build a strong community through the give-and-take experiences of living together;



Strive for excellence through challenges and achievements in activities and programs;



Have a lot of fun in a setting that creates joy and laughter with each new day;



Enhance and gain a sense of personal growth and development that comes with new-found independence and developed through the encouragement of caring young adults;



Establish many quality and lasting quality relationships that are made as the cabins work and play together.



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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

The Camp Lincoln and Camp Lake Hubert Booster Club provides a fun way for the camps to recognize and appreciate those campers who refer our camps to friends, family members and neighbors. It is easy to become a member. All you have to do fill out the online Booster Club Form with your friend's contact information.

Once you have completed a Booster Club Form online, you automatically become a member of the Booster Club Honor Roll, and will receive a Booster Club patch and summer chevron. You are also invited to join the Booster Club Party at camp during the summer.

If your friend signs up for camp, you will begin to earn your Booster Club levels and designated appreciation prizes. You are able to move up to two levels each summer.

Booster Club Levels

- Level 1: Engraved Mini-Paddle
- Level 2: Camp Blanket
- Level 3: Fleece Pullover
- Level 4: Camp Windbreaker Jacket
- Level 5: Brand New Mountain Bike

Extra Booster Club Levels

Booster 4 campers in one summer and earn: **Bronze** – \$150 at the camp/online store and \$150 to a store of the camper's choice.

Booster 5 campers in one summer and earn: **Silver** – 5 tickets to a theme park of the camper's choice (up to \$400 value) and a pizza and ice cream party with their cabin.

Booster 6 campers in one summer and earn: **Gold** – FREE camp session and a special day trip with 6 friends (up to \$250 value).

Booster Club Link:

www.clclh.com/campers/booster-club

