

The Goonie Gazette

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We build strong kids, strong families, strong communities.



The leaves are beginning to change.

FUN FALL FACTS

Pumpkins are a fruit.

Pumpkins are 90% water.

Leaves change colors when they lose chlorophyll due to shorter fall days.

There are no words in the dictionary that rhyme with orange.

Pumpkins can be orange, white, green or blue.

The World Record for the largest pumpkin is 1,689 pounds. The largest pumpkin pie was twelve feet in diameter. Mmmmmmm.

FEATURED PROGRAM

ETC Service Corps – Coed, Grades 8-11, July 10-24, 2010

In 2009 the ETC Service Corps campers volunteered twenty hours towards various environmental organizations in northern New Jersey. The campers volunteered with Americorps, The Nature Conservancy, Conserve Wildlife of NJ, Mohican Outdoor Center, Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and New Jersey Fishers. Projects ranged from learning about water quality, removing invasive plant species such as autumn olive, re-building a firering, building and installing two bat boxes on camp property, and setting up cameras to get photos of large and endangered New Jersey wildlife such as bears and bobcats. Join us for the ETC Service Corps in 2010.



Don't forget to...

- send in your registration for 2010 before the October 31, 2009 deadline to get your free sweatshirt.
- Sign up for the Winter Reunion before it fills



Have a super hero kind of October!

**2 MONTHS
UNTIL THE
WINTER
REUNION**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Family Harvest Day – October 25, 2009

Join us on Sunday, October 25th from 1-4pm for our Family Harvest Day. Enjoy a day of beautiful fall colors and fun activities at Fairview Lake YMCA. Activities will include a hike to the ridge, arts and crafts, archery, apple cidering, boating and a spooky swamp walk. The cost is \$10 per car. Just show up and enjoy camp in the fall.

Family Camp – October 30 - November 1, 2009

Family Camp allows you to build fantastic family memories while having a blast at camp. There will be plenty of indoor and outdoor activities to enjoy such as hiking, boating and candle making. We hope you can join us, and all the other families, for an action packed weekend! It is a great time to introduce a friend to camp. This Halloween weekend fills up quickly so register today by calling 800-686-1166.

Intergenerational Weekend – November 21 – 22, 2009

Enjoy an amazing winter weekend, in our winterized cabins, celebrating the special connection between grandparents and grandchildren. There will be a variety of active and passive activities in order to enrich all aspects of these special relationships. You will: create a family tree, learn how to orienteer, and listen to stories around the fire after creating the fire from friction! Join us as we help cement lifelong memories. If the celebration is not complete without a parent, bring them along! To register, visit our website or call us at 800-686-1166.

Winter Reunion – December 27 – 29, 2009

Mark your calendars. The Winter Reunion is Sunday, December 27th – Tuesday, December 29th. Get ready to enjoy 3 days of reliving camp memories, making new ones, and enjoying Fairview in the winter. Bring friends! To register, visit our website or call 800-686-1166.



CELEBRATE OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Christian Acosta, Kayla Bacquie, Johanna Baeyens, Christopher Banka, Brandon Blanchet, Alexandra Blanchet, Max Bogusz, Brigid Boll, Gwen Boros, Marcello Brattesani, Pedro Carmenate, Elliot Chiger, Chrissy Connelly, Latoya Crawley, Julia Crowther, Al-Qahhar Dailey-Ewen, Dana Davitt, David Dawson, Kristye Deter, Andrew Dietz, Erica DiScala, Robert Dorbecker, Justin Dow, Kirsten Eversen, Shannon Faulds, Peter Franco, Paulina Garmendia, Jody Giani, Jessica Gorrell, Nicholas Hamel, Evan Harris, Eli Husiak, Ava Jones, Natalie Joyner, Rachel Katz, Raymond Katz, Amanda Kerr, Emma Kubert, Sophie Lambert, Jessie Linnett, Jack Lipkin, Sam Ludwig, Evan Mack, Riley Mack, Natalie Marshall, Dominick Martino, Declan Martins, Cameron Matos, Jacob McHale, Lily McHale, Alexander Meisel, Kevin Mercer Jr., Kate Michaelson, Peyton Miller, Jax Miranda, Evan Modirian, Joshua Nieman, Stephanie Ollom, Ben Opatut, Kit Opatut, Amber Pace, Aidan Perret, Anthony Phillips, Anthony Phillips, Abby Prokop, Angela Rallo, Anastasia Ratti, Sarah Richardson, Erica Rivera, Rebecca Rodriguez, Miranda Rowe, Ryan Ruhl, Roxane Salleme, Alexandra Scordato, Jessica Seamon, Joseph Shanaphy, Grace Shin, Daniel Szallai, Dean Terrell, Maria Vazquez, Nyla Valez-Mack, Ruslan Vernon, Wanyoike Wainaina, and Jack Walker.

The YMCA is the local charity of choice. Financial assistance is available because at the Fairview Lake YMCA no one is turned away due to their inability to pay.