

# The Arts Camp of New England at Med-O-Lark



## REUNIONS, REUNIONS, REUNIONS

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Calling all Campers!!!

We at Med-O-Lark have decided that the year is simply too long. 365 Days?!? 12 whole months? Are you serious? How on earth can we be expected to wait that long before getting back together with all of our camp family?

Our first approach was to lobby to have the year officially shortened, but that produced problems throwing off the seasons and all. And while a 180 day year (the initial pro-



posal) sounded fantastic, it would have put camp starting right in the middle of winter, which created problems with the lake being frozen and all. And while we tried, congress didn't really go for it either...

SO, we decided that the next best thing would be to get everyone together in some of the big cities for some time visiting with camp friends and staff. That's right everyone...

**IT'S REUNION TIME!!!**

So come on down, in Boston, Chicago, and New York City to enjoy pizza, pasta and desserts while reliving summer memories with our slide show.

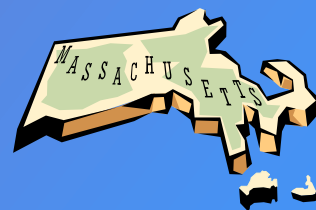
For any questions and to RSVP, please contact Scott or Missy at 1-800-292-7757, or [missy@medolark.com](mailto:missy@medolark.com). And be sure to check out the Reunion Flyer on p6!!!

Can't wait to see you there!  
-Jody Moser, editor



### Inside this issue:

- Totally Rockin' New Programs—By Your Choice!
- VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!
- Camper and Staff News
- New Haven, IN
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- Countdown to Next Summer!
- Camp's Coming!



## *It's Time To Vote!!!*

Since last publication, we have heard from a number of you concerning the new 40th Anniversary Program to be added next summer, and now it's time for *everyone* to cast their vote!

On page two you'll find the top three responses which we've heard from everyone, so check out the ideas, decide which one you think would be best, and make your voice heard.

### **VOTE EARLY, AND VOTE OFTEN!!!**

Voting is easy!, Just send an email with your choice and the subject "MY VOTE" to [imagine@medolark.com](mailto:imagine@medolark.com)!!!

## *It's Time To Vote in The Biggest (Non-Competitive) Contest EVER!!!*

So as you all now know, Med-O-Lark is turning 40 next summer!!! Dedicated to bringing you new and exciting programs every summer, in honor of this major milestone in the camp's history, we have decided to implement a major new program in the summer of 2007. For the last two months we've been gathering input from campers, and we now have the top three choices compiled: The Circus Trapeze, The Climbing Wall, and The Rockin' Skate Park. So now, IT's TIME TO VOTE!!!



*The Circus Trapeze*



*The Climbing Wall*



*The Rockin' Skate Park*



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Now, it's your turn to help determine the future of programming at Med-O-Lark. And it's easy! To cast your vote(s), just send an email with the subject "MY VOTE" and your choice in an email to [imagine@medolark.com](mailto:imagine@medolark.com). We're really hoping to hear from everyone, so that we can have a truly democratic community decision, so hop on the computer and send us an email!!!

Then stay tuned to **iMAGINE** where we'll announce the winner within the next two months!!!

## *Campers Already on Board...*

Since last month, camper enrollments at Med-O-Lark have *exploded*. The following campers love Med-O-Lark so much that they have joined the ranks of enrolled campers for the summer of 2007, in December of 2006! We're impressed! And word was that at the time of press, even more of enrollments were streaming into the camp office at a steady clip! So get your forms in, and then we can list YOU in next month's issue of **IMAGINE!** Camp is closer than you might think! As we say, "Don't delay! Sign up today!"

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Sign-up  
today!"**

*The following CAMPERS have already signed-up for the summer of 2007! Have You???*

Eden Abramowitz	Jenny Davis	Allison Hauser	Molly Leigner	Julia Novey	Nina Schatz
Jason Aerni	Lucy Davis	Syd Held	Brian Lemke	Eliza Oler-Epstein	Zoe Schneider
Nicole Aguiar	Rebecca Day Rothfeld	Grace Hodges	Sebastienne Leo	Ben Oppenheim	Jesse Schreck
Emmy Akers	Camilla Daza	Aara Holtzclaw	Ben Lerner	Abby Orobono	Chana Schroff
Talia Arnow	Molly Desmarais	Olivia Holtzman	Nina Lerner	Marina Orruela	Ryland Scott
Rae Axner	Batuhan Deveciogullari	Dede Huber	Emma Lesser	Junes Ossman	Taylor Scott
Julia Bank	Victoria Dey	Leon Husock	Betsy Levine	Elisa Pabon	Cathy Sellier
Michelle Bank	Sasha Dominguez	Kate Jansen	Kelly Levine	Jessica Passman	Scotia Seto
Will Barnard	James Donnelly	Sarah Johnson	Michelle Levy	Kiernan Pazdar	Jacob Shanbrom
Marta Basanez de la Rica	Livia Downs	Gail Kaplan	Robyn Levy	Juliana Pepper	Tate Shepard
Sophie Belanger	Julia Dubin	Lily Kaplan	Rachel Liberty	Julia Perelman	Leah Shorser-Gentile
Rebekah Benjamin-Pollak	Samantha Dubrow	Rachel Karp	Anna Liebling	Alex Perlman	Greta Shwachman
Aria Benzaquin	Carlton Duffett	Anna Kasok	Mateo Lopez-Castillo	Hannah Peters	Emma Simmons
Michaela Bergman-Turnbull	Katherine Eger	Andrea Kates	Cailyn Ludwig	Zoe Petryk	Julia Sklar
Sarah Berkowitz	Evelyn Elgart	Olivia Kates	Devin Ludwig	Eric Pettinato	Hannah Slater
Camille Biancheri	Daniella Emanuel	Jesse Katon	Emma MacDonald	Abby Placik	Alexandra Smith
Elizabeth Blank	Javier Estevez	Lydia Katrin	Jordan Machlin	Madeline Placik	Nicole Snapper
Katie Blank	Rachel Farmer	Kristi Katz	Lauren Mackie	Jesse Pollak	John Snouffer
Margaux Blank	Ariella Fishkin	Hannah Kaye	Joshua Mann	Lena Porell	Mollie Solon
Sarah Blank	Grant Fishman	Gabriela Keane	Gina Mannarino	Caroline Posner	Danielle Sorcher
Arielle Blumenthal	Lillian Fishman	Linnea Kilpi	Alli Marbach	Jacob Ready	Matthew Spencer
Corey Blumenthal	Sara Flamm	Emma King	Abby Margolis	Cyrus Ready-Campbell	Ali Stagnitta
Chloe Blumer	Ari Fodeman	Alix Kirschner	Maddie Marino	Allison Reiner	Gabriel Staton
Gabrielle Bodzin	Lauren Fodeman	Remy Kirshner	Paige Martin	Lauren Reiner	Sophie Staton
Emanuela Boisbouvier	Victoria Frey	Emily Knox	Sonia Marton	Katie Reisman	Tilman Stehnikuhl
Marissa Borselli	Thomas Friedlander	Michael Koenig	Margot McKelvie	Lea Renaud-Cloutier	Samantha Stern
Ian Bowen	Caroline Friedman	Kristen Koerber	Madeline McLeod	Claire Resnick	Remy Stern-Beckerman
Jeremy Bowen	Yonit Friedman	Hannah Kojm	Claire McRae	Zoe Resnick	Paulina Sterpe
Nicole Braun	Chelsea Fusco	Kendall Kolenik	Pollie Mendel	Lindsay Richmond	Katherine Stevenson
Ashley Braunthal	Rebecca Galanti	Nora Koppelman	Jordyn Meyerson	Emily Ringel	Michal Swerdlow
Daniela Brenner	Barbara Gimbel	Guy Kozak	Marie Mignon	Analise Rode	Tara Talland
Ben Caine	Livia Gisbert	Daniel Krack	Zoe Mikhailovich	Leah Rosenbaum	Davis Thal
Emma Cameron	Thais Glazman	Alexandra Krakoff	Wendi Miles	Morgan Rosenberg	Emilie Trehu
Lizzie Campbell	Allie Glickman	Jake Kuhn	Alexis Miller	Sammy Rosenberg	Nicole Uhr
Caroline Charendoff	Erica Gold	Abigail Kukura	Marina Millison	Katherine Rosengarten	Joana Urtasun
Emma Charno	Wendy Goldman	Julia Kurtz	Kayla Moller	Lilia Rubin	Blair Valentino
Matthew Chisling	Benjamin Goodwin	Hannah Lacy	Michele Moses	Lucy Rubin	Nicole Walsh
Courtney Cohen	Sarah Gord	Jeanne LaGasse	Jamie Moskowitz	Daniel Rubinstein	Emma Weinstein
Madeleine Colis	Joe Gordon	Jimmy LaGasse	Elaine Murphy	David Rubinstein	Rachel Weiss
Emily Conner-Simons	Ian Grandjean	Raymond LaMotta	Luke Naji	Joshua Sacks	Sharon Weissburg
Julia Coppelman	Julia Gron	Hannah Landis	Celeste Nash	Mara Sahleanu	Wyatt Welles
Conor Coughlin	Lucie Hajian	Stevie Lane	Phoebe Nathan	Rebecca Saltzman	Anna Wender
Michael Coughlin	Rachel Hamilton	Jennifer Lang	Sydney Neustadt	Alejandra Samon	Hannah Wilcox
Jackie Daniel	Billyskye Handel	Jackie Lebovits	Miriam Niedergang	Jaime Samon	Charlotte Wirth
Julien Darmon	Casey Handel	Emma Lee	Chloe Nordlander	Cristina Sancho	Abby Wolf
	Emma Harris	Alana Leider		Camille Sarraute	Jessica Zellner-Kline

## *Staff on Board*

Catherine Adler-Josem	Leslie Dorcus	Pamela Irving	Alison McRae*	Liron Shtauber
Harry Alper	Kasey Eaton	Tim Johnson	Ken Merrifield	Jody Simonton
Naomi Alpert*	Mor Fireizen	Mya Kagan	Amelia Miller	Ashley Travis
Laurel Ames*	Billy Flynn	Dasan Kanthapillai	Jody Moser	Missy Vigue
Carol Anne Anderson	Anna Foreman	Jonathan Kebe	Amanda Moskowitz*	Sofia Volpe
Jennifer Audet	Josie Gates	Allison Kessler	Alysia Perez-Hall*	Megan Walsh
Christine Barclay	Tom Girard	Barbara Kirshner	Molly Porier	Eric Walters
Jamie Beja	Hollie Groome	John Krause	Lyndsey Read	Amy Weiks
Staci Best	Matt Grossman	Laura Langberg	William Ridgley	Alexandra Wohler*
LeVar Carter	Kate Grudichak*	Judith Lanza	Keith & Maureen Robinson	Rebecca Zich
Julie Chapman	Kathy Harriman	Tracy Lord	Ali Ross	Gretchen Ziegler
Marty Christie	Travis Henningfield*	David Love	Shawn Sanderson	Bryan Zimmerman*
Karen Cohen	Diane Higgins	Pat Manley	Beth Scott	
Gabriel Craig	Celeste Hofland*	Erica Maust	Buford Scott	
Johanna Danielsson	Dave Hurley	Jennifer McMahan	Michael Shaughnessy	*Denotes RC

## *A Little Birdie told me...*



It seems everyone's been traveling lately, and all around the world, Med-O-Larkers are getting together to reminisce about all the fun times at camp!!!

Over the holidays, *Katie Blank* and *Jen Lang* met up in California and had a blast! Also recently, *Anna Foreman* and *Rebecca Zich* took London

by storm, spreading Med-O-Lark magic across the great English city.

We have also received word that *Harry Alper* has taken on an incredibly ambitious undertaking. He's building his own wooden kayak!!! If you want to keep up on it, there's a blog in the making, which is appropriately located at [www.harryalper.com](http://www.harryalper.com). And the last we heard, he's planning to bring the kayak to camp for all to see! Good Luck Harry, we can't wait to see the results of all your hard work!

Congratulations are also in order to *Cat Adler-Josem* and *Harry Alper* who recently learned that they each been accepted early-admission to their top choices for college! Way to go!

Finally, we send our very best wishes to Med-O-Lark's own twirling instructor, *Diane Higgins*, who is leaving shortly for a major twirling competition at Walt Disney World with 4 twirling teams includ-

ing 17 Main-E-Acts and 36 parents and siblings. Good luck to everyone twirling!!!

Remember, we want to include *you* in the next issue of **iMAGINE**. So let us know what's up! Just drop an email to Jody at [imagine@medolark.com](mailto:imagine@medolark.com).



## Med-O-Lark Around the World!!! - New Haven, IN



This month our Med-O-Lark banner made its way to Moser Park in the tiny city of New Haven, IN!

Making its final stop in the United States before heading abroad, where it will stay for the next several months, the Banner is shown here with

Jody and his family (and James!) together at the park named after his grandfather Norm.

Shown above are (from L to R), Jody, his uncle Jaime, dad Joe, aunt Kathy, cousins Jim and Anna, and his brother Joel. (Dipika and David decided it

was too cold to leave the car). If you are heading someplace in the near future and would like to have the MOL banner travel with you, just drop an email to Jody at [imagine@medolark.com](mailto:imagine@medolark.com) and next month, the picture above could be of YOU!

**Did you know that the famed Gronauer Lock of the Wabash and Erie Canal was discovered in New Haven?**



*The flag of Indiana*

**Did you know that the playwright Jim Leonard, Jr. was from New Haven?**

## Focus on an Activity: Twirling

As our amazing twirling teacher Diane heads to Disney World for a twirling competition, it seems only appropriate to devote a little space to this unique art form available at Med-O-Lark. While the origins of twirling are unknown, it is believed that the Dutch brought a modified version of the traditional Swiss Flag Swinging to Pennsylvania in the early 19th Century. Taking its name from a college in Mississippi, twirling started gaining popularity in the 1930's with the arrival of the Marching Band as a regular appearance in parades across the country. Since that time twirling has spread across the United States and across the world, bringing its unique blending of dance and gymnastics to countless people. So next summer at camp, consider giving twirling a shot! You never know, maybe next year it'll be YOU heading to the national championships!!!

### YOU can be in next month's **iMAGINE**...

We want to hear from YOU! What have you been doing? Where have you traveled? Did you get together with other Med-O-Larkers somewhere?

Maybe you have a piece that was featured in an art exhibi-

tion at school. Or maybe you performed in a school play or Musical. Maybe you even have formed your own band, or joined a dance company.

Whatever it is, we want to know so we can spread the good news among the mem-

bers of the Med-O-Lark Community!

But how do I do this, you ask? It's easy!

Just email Jody at [imagine@medolark.com](mailto:imagine@medolark.com) with your news!



*We're always looking for your news!*

# First Annual Med-O-Lark Reunions

Come and visit with camp friends and staff – enjoy pizza, pasta and desserts while reliving summer memories with our slide show presentation. Share in the excitement of planning next summer, and enjoy an afternoon of fun and friendship! Campers are welcome to attend as many reunions as they would like. For any questions and to RSVP, please contact Scott or Missy at 1-800-292-7757, or [missy@medolark.com](mailto:missy@medolark.com).



## **In New York City**

Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>  
1-4pm

Trattoria Dopo Teatro  
At Times Square  
*please RSVP by February 24<sup>th</sup>*



## **In Chicago**

Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>  
1-4pm

Location to be announced  
*please RSVP by March 3<sup>rd</sup>*

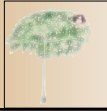


## **In Boston**

Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>  
1-4pm

Location to be announced  
*please RSVP by March 10<sup>th</sup>*





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## Arrival Day is Coming...



*Only 143 days until First Session...  
Only 171 days until Second Session...*

## MORE THAN HALF WAY!!!

While the chilling temperatures across most of the United States make it hard to believe, the days are finally getting longer again. And you know what that means... We have now passed the half way point until the start date of Camp, for *both* sessions!

The picture at right is of the beautiful Camden, Maine as it looks this time of year. While snow now covers Maine, most of the United States is locked into an extreme deep-freeze, and Washington Pond is fully frozen over, Camp is really just around the corner, and will be here before you know it.



But for the moment there are plenty of camp-related things to be done:

**First**, don't forget to vote! We need to hear from all of you concerning the major 40th Anniversary Activity.

**Second**, make your way to Boston, New York City, or Chicago and attend one of the Med-O-Lark reunions! Whether you're a first year camper, or an old pro, reunions are a fantastic way to connect with old friends and make new ones. Come out and enjoy some food and memories!

**Third**, make plans to visit some camp friends! Even if you can't make it to one of the reunions, you can always get together with friends in the area where you live. Med-O-Larkers can be found almost everywhere around the world!

Camp is community, and communities need connections! So make sure you spend this winter keeping up on those friendships you have come to cherish. It takes a little bit of effort, but send some emails and make a few calls to keep in touch. Trust me, it's completely worth it.

But whatever you do, be sure to keep warm!!!