

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



REUNIONS, REUNIONS, REUNIONS

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Calling all Campers!!!

IT'S REUNION TIME!!!

Based on the success of last year's reunions, we are expanding our reunions to include our first-ever reunion in ATLANTA, GA!!!



Reunions are an excellent opportunity to see old friends from camp AND connect with other MOL campers that are in your area that you might not know about!

So everybody come on down, in Boston, Chicago, ATLANTA, and New York City to enjoy pizza, pasta and desserts while reliving summer memories with pictures, movies, and music from last summer!

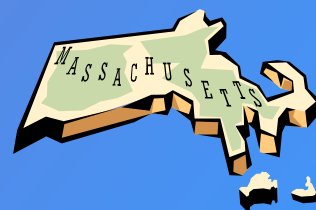
This year's **New York City** reunion will be **November 10th**, and Boston's reunion will be on **December 1st**. The **Atlanta** reunion will be in **November**, and the **Chicago** reunion will be in **January**. Please stay tuned



to *iMAGINE* for upcoming announcements on the final dates!

For any questions and to RSVP, please contact Scott or Missy at 1-800-292-7757, or missy@medolark.com.

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



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A Totally Updated Art Barn at Med-O-Lark

Every year after camp ends, a flurry of activity begins at Med-O-Lark as we begin to prepare for the upcoming summer. As you are reading this, the Art Barn is undergo-

ing a complete overhaul, with new furniture, lighting, cabinetry, and seating!!! Where rough-hewn beams meet high tech and state-of-the-art, the new Art Barn is set to become

one of the greatest spaces in camp. Do you have any ideas of what should be included in this new space? Then drop us an email at imagine@medolark.com!!!

Remember this???

The picture you see is a portion of a picture from last summer. Each month this year, we will be bringing you a memory clip like this one from last summer's activities.

It is up to YOU, to try to figure out what it is, and to tell the story behind the picture. Then, the following month we will announce the true identity of the picture, along with the winning camper who identified it first.

And here's the key! The first person to identify the picture will be featured in



their own spotlight article in next month's edition of iMAGINE! Think about it, a whole article just about you!!!

So if you want the world to know a little more about you, and have a chance to tell the Med-O-Lark community everything you always wanted about yourself, get thinking about this picture!

When you think you know the answer, drop an email to imagine@medolark.com, and you could win your own special profile story!!!

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

exhibition 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 members of the Med-O-Lark Community!

But how do I do this, you ask? It's easy! Just email Jody at imagine@medolark.com with your news!



We're always looking for your news!

This Month's Featured Artist: Arielle Blumenthal

Each month this year we plan to feature the work of one of the many artists in the Med-O-Lark community. Whether you are a sculptor, singer, author, or painter, we would love to include samples of your work in iMAGINE this year. If you have pictures of any of your work, or can email anything you have written, please send it along to Jody at imagine@medolark.com, and next month you could find yourself right here!!!

This month's contribution is a poem that was written by LIT Arielle Blumenthal, about her experience at camp, and the thought of having to say goodbye. It was shared at the final campfire, and placed in the LIT 2007 time capsule, but before it was locked away for the years, a copy of it was generously shared with us.. Please enjoy!



Nerves and emotions running through my
veins
Anticipation increases my pain
My heart rate will not slow
I can even feel it pumping through my toe
The only way to fix this
Is punching something with my fist
Or listening to the beat of a good song
Only hoping I don't get the words wrong
Well there is another thing
Just going back to my summer fling
It's a 4 week long relationship
Where friendships never rip
We call it our second home
Where personalities can roam
We can discover but not (clear throat) explore
And everyone is adored
It's a place I'm afraid to leave
Because here I always achieve
There are so many people from everywhere
And every year a carnival fair
The people here are so kind
This place isn't just mine
I share this place with everyone
Otherwise it wouldn't be as much fun

The last night is filled with sorrow crys
As though everyone is about to die
It is the time we least desire
Surrounding each other at our last camp-
fire
Looking around
Smiles turn to frowns
To think this could be my last year
Always brings me to tears
But the I realize
The burning passion (inside) will never
die
Med-O-lark will always be alive
Just someplace deep inside
To the people gathered around me today
This is all I have left to say
This summer's been great
We will always be remembered because it
is our fate
This summer's been fun
And believe me I don't want to be done
It is time to say goodbye,
And thank you for a fantastic summer ride

Always,
-Love-
Arielle

A little birdie told me that...

Since camp has ended, everyone has had a good time resting, and heading back to school.

Jesse Schrek and his family have been enjoying time in the country, and *Harry Alper* has started school in St. Louis, with plans soon to bring some of his Med-O-Lark training and talents to his dorm meetings!

Kaan Aydin spent some time traveling in New York City after camp, and *Andrea Kates* is planning a trip to Boston to visit camp friends!!!

Back in *Maine*, things at Med-O-Lark are just about ready for the upcoming winter months. And while it's very peaceful with the brightly-colored autumn

leaves covering the property, we miss all of your voices and energy at camp!

This is all the news we have for now, but 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.



Guess what I heard...

Med-O-Lark Around the World!!! - Who's Next?



Calling all travelers! Calling all travelers! As many of you know, last year the roaming Med-O-Lark banner began its world travels! It was spotted in the middle of a road in New York City with *Amanda Moskowitz* and *Teddi Josephson*, in an Indiana Park with *Jody Moser* and his extended family, on the ice in wintery Sweden with *Johanna Danielson*, *Anna Foreman*, and *Lyndsey*

Reed, and even on the lush hills of Ireland with *Scott Weinstein*.

While the MOL banner has been resting for the summer (this year summering in Sweden), our banner is currently eagerly awaiting its next departure. And of course, we are all excited to see where it will head next!

We are all thinking that it would be especially cool to see the banner in even more

truly unique places this year. Perhaps alongside the pyramids of Egypt? Or alongside the Ganga in India? Or maybe your heading to Israel? Wouldn't a picture next to the Dead Sea, or near the Temple mount in Jerusalem be amazing? Maybe even on an island in the Carribean?

So everybody put on your thinking caps, and keep Med-O-Lark in mind when you are making your family travel plans! And if you find that 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.

We'll get the banner in the mail to you right away, you'll email us the picture either during your trip or as soon as you get back, and then, who knows, next month, the picture above could be of YOU!

Stay tuned for the next stop!



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Arrival Day is Coming...



Only 277 days until First Session...

Only 305 days until Second Session...

So way back in 1999, yours truly used to teach the Advanced Culinary Arts classes in a brand new kitchen that we had set up in a room that used to house the guitar classes, the right room of the Dacha.

Those of you who were campers first session know this room as the home to Tim & Michelle's class, and second session campers know it as the beloved Mexican Fiesta run daily by the ever talented Sofia.

Pictured at right, you will find the ever-popular Evan Bregman, who hails from Northbrook, IL, whisking the Thai peanut

Blast from the Past



sauce. Anyone remember West's awesome rendition of that Banana-inspired campfire favorite Day-O??? Well West first learned the song from Evan years ago! Evan is currently a senior at USC working his way up in the movie industry.

Also at right (in the hat) is Matt Cohn, native to good old New York City. Matt was a staff member for two sum-

mers after completing the first CIT and RC classes at camp. As a staff member matt taught kayaking and helped teach the ethics classes for our Rising Counselors. Matt is currently a senior at Dartmouth, studying Theatre and Philosophy.

Also in this picture is Hilary Casper (dark hair), who was a camper at Med-O-Lark for many years. Hilary is currently a junior at Bucknell studying International Relations and Russian!

If you know any of the other three Med-O-Larkers in this picture, drop me a line, so we can see what they're up to!