

ICFC 2014



Back Bay Bilge

(Or, what's around the point in the Back Bay?)

From Dan & Nancy Abramson:

The Abramson's are ready for summer! Daniel and Robert are finishing up 4th and 1st grades, and keep us busy with school activities, sports, and Scouts. They have also kept us busy with a never-ending assortment of random medical ailments, including but not limited to Lyme Disease, mono, broken foot, adenoidectomy, chipped permanent tooth, and sampling various ways to patch a head wound. Robert, our resident expert, says that staples are the preferred method over glue and stitches, just in case you were wondering. Fortunately Social Services hasn't come calling yet... We look forward to being in Camp the end of July through the first week in August, overlapping with Stronach and Creighton cousins.

From Stewart & Donna Alexander:

Stewart, Donna and family will arrive at ICFC around June 14 and depart around June 22. We are so looking forward to relaxing, fishing and spending time with our grandchildren.

From Cynnie Anderson & Jerry Rampelberg:

Cynnie Anderson & Jerry Rampelberg will be in camp the first 2 wks and most of the summer :-)
Looking forward to seeing many of our ICFC family who can do the same!!!

From Duncan & Janet Anderson:

It was a busy off-season for the Andersons with Christmas on the Keys, Red Sox spring training ball in Ft. Myers, and fun at the Sony Open (Key Biscayne), the Barcelona Open, and the Madrid Open tennis tournaments. Kristen will be attending graduate school in the UNC-Chapel Hill MBA program in the fall. Courtney is finishing a spring semester in Madrid, Spain, and will again be in the Iron Girl Triathlon and the 90-mile Adirondack Canoe Classic race in August, and will continue on her bike race team at Hamilton College. Courtney will spend the summer in DC completing a congressional internship. Duncan is busy at work, but playing a lot of tennis. Janet is working but managing to play as much bridge as Baltimore has to offer! We will spend the summer on Nantucket and will make the trip north to see everyone at camp!

From Manly & Cathie Applegate:

Cathie & Manly are looking for skates and hockey sticks to bring into camp this Memorial Day. The family plans on summering on the bay from June 30th-July 7th. Oscar and Alfred are looking forward to seeing their buddies on the hill: Sam Fritz and Landon & Caroline Alexander for some swimming, picnicking and we can't forget "frogging!"

From Annie Bergland:

I was a participant in a Girl Party in March, the weekend of the Board meeting. Robin Anderson and I stayed with Molly Steffey and Tally Sloan came for dinner. Lots of stories, laughter, and wine ensued but we were all in bed by 11:00-what a bunch of swingers. At the end of April I visited George and Wendy Galleher. We had dinner with Chris Crawford, and Linda (Schroeder. She is a grandmother but looks as fabulous as ever) and Larry Hewitt. Billy and Berta Schroeder came by too. The main reason for the visit was an astounding wildflower hike in Tennessee. Wendy and George have been pilgrims for many years and finally I made time to join them. I hope I can go back next spring. It was wonderful having a little bit of Iron City during the long winter.

I hope to be in camp for the Semi-annual meeting and the week after when the girls and all their buddies plan to be there, too. I can't wait to see the higher water-maybe I will actually drive my boat, but then again they keep moving the rocks around.

From Todd & Beth Boak:

Beth and Todd are coming up twice. We are bringing up Elsie to work June 19, then coming up with Courtney August 4. Courtney is going to the University of Wisconsin - La Crosse to swim

Loren, Charles and kids along with Jody and Bill are coming up August 6.

Scott, Kate and kids are coming August 8.

From Dick Boak & Susan Ellis:

Dick, Sue, Emily and Grace Boak are headed out west to Montana and Wyoming this summer to see Glacier National Park (before it all melts) as well as Jackson Hole and Yellowstone. As a result, we might not make it to ICFC this summer, but if that's the case, we will surely miss seeing all of you."

From Joe & Allie Bonidy:

Bonidy's are good! We will be there Aug 2-9!

From Braden & Monica Boucek:

The Boucek's are doing well! Shepherd is about to finish a great year of Kindergarten. He is playing baseball and really enjoying it (Braden is really enjoying watching him too) Gracie Belle has been doing ballet and has her first recital coming up in May.

Monica went down to only working part time starting last January and has loved the ability to spend more time in the kids' classrooms, on field trips, at activities etc. Barbara and Bob are back in Nashville too and we have enjoyed spending time with them and having them as part of our activities. Braden still is working at the US Attorney's office and it is going well.

We have a family wedding (on Monica's side) the last weekend in July. Gracie Belle is the flower girl and Shepherd is the ring bearer, or as he says the Ring Master. This will impact our normal ICFC trip a little. We are currently hoping to come up the first full week in July.

From Jake & Lori Brown

After a long winter, we are thankful for spring and look forward to a joyous summer. The Brown family will be in camp July 12-26 with children Jacob, 12, Jorie, 10, and friends Julie and Dave Citron and their children, Samantha, 14, and Charlie, 12. Jacob will be heading to Camp Hurontario for the first time in August. We are excited to see you on the Bay!

From Bob & Tracy Bushkoff:

The Bushkoff family has finally made our plans to visit ICFC. Jessie will be working on staff again this year and is very much looking forward to her summer on the bay. Tracy, Becca and I will be in camp July 16 thru July 27th. Look forward to chilling on the bay. Rah Rah Ray!

From Caitlin Chapple:

Caitlin is still trying to figure out her plans, but Ben, Sharon, and Bennett will be in camp the last week of July for Sharon to attend the meeting (now accepting applications for margarita drinking uddies). Ben and Sharon have of course been fine tuning their tennis game and are eagerly awaiting the ICFC season. Caitlin is still enjoying herself in sunny Boulder, Colorado and her promotion to spa supervisor at the St Julien Hotel and Spa. Bennett graduated from Hendrix College this year with a major in Theatre and minor in English. He concluded his university career participating in a play written especially for the school that his parents were able to attend.

Rah Rah Ray we hope to see all y'all on the bay!

From Todd & Kathy Chapple:

Our lives are particularly crazy these days as I have taken a new job! We will be in Canada for 10 days or so the week of July 20th. Oliver got his boating license in April and cannot wait to get up there to drive the small wood boat! He thinks we should stay a month or so... Henry graduates next week and will be at the University of Colorado next year. Hannah just finished a huge choir concert and starts auditions for "The Wizard of Oz". All fingers crossed for her would be appreciated! William will start high school in the fall - Crazy! He will be playing soccer all summer in preparation for tryouts this fall. Todd and I are trying to keep all the balls in the air...we seem to be dropping quite a few these days! Looking forward to relaxing on the bay... see you all soon!

From Scott and Deirdre Childs

Scott, Dee & Hattie Childs will be delivering Brody to camp for his second summer of staff duty on June 21st with plans for another stay in mid-July and again, just after peak in August. Brody is wrapping up his sophomore year in good form at Pomfret School and Hattie is looking forward to summer after a great year at Rectory. Both are busy on the lacrosse fields this season with Dee and Scott enthusiastically cheering them on! Looking forward to strolling down the boardwalk, relaxing on an island and meeting friends, both new and old this summer! See you on the Bay!

From Rip & Cathy Collins:

The BIG news - we bought the Fritz's Boston Whaler!!!! Now for our arrival in camp: Cathy will come Memorial weekend, to learn to drive the boat, June 22-27th, and July 10- Aug. 1st. I am very spoiled this year and get to spend lots of time on the bay. Rip will arrive July 10-Aug. 1st

Megan has a real job now as the Marketing Coordinator for the Crested Butte Mountain Resort in Crested Butte Colorado, so we are not sure if she will make it to camp this summer. She is going to Hawaii for 10 days in late May to visit a friend. She also spent 3 weeks at home skiing her home resort Alta. Rip got a promotion this year after 30+ years at Alta. Along with a bit more responsibility and new title he still makes the runs smooth for everyone. Jennifer is attending the Community College here in Salt Lake and is working hard taking care of infants, which she loves, at a preschool. She and her boyfriend went to Arizona for a visit. She is the only one in the family who has made it to the Grand Canyon. She also traveled to DC for the Cherry Blossom Festival and to visit the Bushkoff family. We are hoping she makes it to camp for a week or so but are not sure. My mother Ina Sable will be coming up for 10 days sometime in July.

I have been doing a bit of traveling this past year. Rip and I are off to Chico Hot Springs in Montana for some R & R. We are also going to Red Rocks in June to see James Taylor. Life in a nut shell

From Chip & Michel Crawford:

Chip and Michel will be in camp for a week or so over Memorial Day and from late June through July 19th. Chip will be in camp from late August through the month of September, while Michel will be in camp for two weeks in late August early September. Shannon and Mira Borrego will be with us for a week in early July. The Strickers will be in camp a few weekends during the summer (TBD). Chip is mostly rehabbed from a total hip replacement. The cause of the hip injury was a flash dance with Moe at Anthony Dion's wedding in September of 2013. Rah Rah Ray!

From Fred & Sophia Crawford:

Fred and Sophia Crawford look forward to being at Iron City from the first weekend of August until the end of camp. Alis, newly moved to Vancouver, BC, expects to join them for their first week; David, still in Somerville, MA, hopes to be there as well.

From Jeff & Heather Firestone

Stephen has been studying economics at the Universidad Católica in Valparaiso Chile where recently historic wildfires overran many of the crowded hilltops that ring the seaside city destroying more than 1000 homes and raining ash on the city for two days. He is staying with a host family and is playing on a local American style football team along with the host son. Stephen explains that his Chilean teammates are very enthusiastic and athletic but sometimes a bit confused about the rules. Andrew is completing his freshman college year in Austin and is enjoying both exploring the town and helping build to homes with Habitat for Humanity on weekends. He took his father's car back to school one weekend and Jeff has not seen it since. Gracie pours herself into schoolwork, sports, and club soccer, and seems to have little time for the small annoyances such as sleep. Her high school lacrosse team won the Division I state championship in May, and her ECNL club soccer team will face stiff competition at the nationals held in Seattle in June.

Jeff and his brother Cal felt they had to experience a bit of the record Georgian Bay ice conditions this spring. Mo guided them on snowmobiles from Moon Falls through camp and down to Midland and back. He kept the clueless pair of southerners safely away from the deadly thin ice stretches where water runs hidden just below the surface and would happily eat snowmobiles and Texans. The dining hall chimney toppled over right after their visit. Both keep insisting it wasn't their fault – that chimney had it coming anyway.

Heather and Jeff visited Stephen in Chile and were only disappointed to not experience one of frequent minor earthquakes as was promised. On the other hand, we were a little relieved to not experience one of the larger ones with accompanying tsunami like the magnitude 8.2 that hit to the north shortly before arrival. We should be in camp late in July through early August.

From Paul & Sara Fritz:

All the Fritz's eagerly await returning to camp. Katelyn and David will make the first visit over Memorial Day weekend. A second visit will hopefully occur mid June. Paul, Sara, Sam, and Leah plan to be in camp for July 4th and a few days after. Sam looks forward to seeing friends on the hill and exploring new fishing spots with Uncle David. Leah looks forward to swimming and arts and crafts. David saves all his vacation time for the Bay, so he'll be back in August and September without a doubt.

From George & Wendy Galleher:

George and I will be in camp the last two weeks in July and then will return for a week in September. Lauren, Bill, Will and Graham will join us for about 10 days in July. We will miss Elizabeth and her crew but they are coming east in June for a wedding. We all will gather in CT for 5 days and then they will fly back to Charlotte with us. We will squeeze in a trip to the beach while Elizabeth does some work in Wilmington. They just bought a house in Bend, OR so now begins another adventure for them! George and I have been lucky as we see both families frequently! Can't wait to be on the Bay!

From Cal & Sally Garwood:

The Garwood/Hamilton/Tarlton Family had a very productive year adding 2 new grand babies to the Clan. James Dudley Hamilton (JD) was born on October 14, 2013 to Katie and Kollin, making Ella (2) and Baxter (7) proud sibs. Our newest (5th and final!!), Alexandra (Alex) Tarlton was born 2 weeks ago on April 29 in Geneva, Switzerland joining Big Sister Anneke (almost 2) in working diligently to make sure their parents, Dessie and Dudley Tarlton, never know a full night's sleep again!

Cal and Jeff (with Mo as their guide) took advantage of Georgian Bay's record snow and ice this March by sledding (snowmobiling) all over the Bay from the Marina to Midland (Ontario, NOT Texas!) The Brothers had a blast and want to make it an annual adventure, ice permitting! They have incredible videos which we'll put up on the website as soon as Orson Welles finishes editing them!

We will be in camp from July 30-August 11. The Hamilton's - all 5 of them- will join us Aug 4-11. As the title of that Rock and Roll documentary a few years back stated - "It Might Get Loud"

From Hart and Amy Goodrich:

Elisa Del Valle graduated with her Master Degree in Communication and Business Entertainment with honors from the University of Southern California.

From Rob & Alison Heath:

We are happy to report that Erin will be spending another summer working on staff, this time as one of the coordinators. She is teaming up with Mei Raley, so the dynamic duo is back! Alison, Rob and Steven are planning to get up for the final week of camp, so we will be ready for some Canadian weather after a long hot Florida summer.

From Brian & Leslie Huber:

The Huber's plan to be in camp from July 30th - Aug 10th. As of now, it is unclear whether Leslie will be able to come this year, but we certainly hope so. Both the boys are doing well, although Campbell is currently recovering from his 6th broken arm – we are hoping he will be all healed up by the summer. Jamie has already been talking about all the fish he plans to catch this summer- clearly he takes after GranJack in that regard. We are looking forward to seeing everyone and being back on the Bay!

From Jack & Russell Huber:

Jack and I are looking forward to two visits to Iron City this year. We will be in camp June 22 to July 12 and enjoy both Eric's party and the lobster adult dinner. We will return with the Brian Huber family July 30 and stay until August 13. Good friends, Jeb and Eleanor Stewart, will visit us in camp after Brian and family leave, and they are looking forward to seeing this place that we have told them so much about. We know they will enjoy experiencing the camp and meeting all of you who will be there then. Can't wait to get back up there. Rah, rah, ray!!

From Jaime & Misse Hugessen:

The Hugessen's have had a busy year. Richard gets the award for the most exciting year. After spending the summer working in Bolivia and trekking through Peru, he spent the fall living and volunteering in Nicaragua. He is now very proficient in Spanish. In January he left for Southeast Asia where he joined a 9 week expedition of young adults 18 to 24, and travelled through Thailand, Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam. At the end he travelled independently for another 3 weeks adding Malaysia to the countries visited. This month he is off to hike the Appalachian Trail for 5 weeks following in Chas Stewart's footsteps. He'll be a camp counselor for the summer before heading off to university. He's had a remarkable year!! As my mother says, it's tough to be Richard!

Jeffrey and Michael have been busy at school with volleyball, basketball and skiing/racing on the weekends. Jeffrey is now on the school golf team. He is very excited to be on staff this summer. We've been trying to get him to practice his serving skills at the dinner table. Michael will spend the summer at a variety of different camps kayaking and playing basketball. Jaime and I have been busy working trying to afford all of Richard's travel. We look forward to having our turn soon!

Winter has been far too long and thoughts of being at Iron City soon is a big relief. See you on the Boardwalk!

From Reece Jenkins

I relocated to Africa from Tokyo at the beginning of the year. I have been temporarily based in Johannesburg, South Africa for the past few months and am planning to move up to Nairobi later in May where I will be working across East Africa with Ernst & Young. I am planning to be in camp the first week of August for the Hootenanny.

From Wally & Laura Jenkins:

Our summer schedule is such that we almost need to contract with a professional to keep us organized. Fortunately, after months of spreadsheets and organizational charts, we finally have a somewhat set schedule. Of course, receiving highest priority will be our trip to ICFC which will take place June 30 to July 11, give or take day or two (final negotiations are still taking place). My mom will be joining us for another memorable time at our beloved ICFC. In addition to trips to Rehoboth Beach and Maine, with a few day camps thrown in for good measure, Lilly (age 11) will be attending her first traditional overnight camp in August at Camp Wohelo in Raymond, Maine. She is extremely excited! Rumor has it that Laura and Kate (age 9) will be engaging in their own "camping experience" that will focus on fashion merchandising during Lilly's absence. Hope to see you on the Bay/Dock/Boardwalk/Dining Hall.

From Bruce Lawson:

As I know many of you can relate, it has been a long and cold winter here in Toronto. Thankfully, Spring seems to have finally arrived, albeit several weeks later than normal. Despite the cold, it has been a busy time between work, travel and Iron City responsibilities. I am grateful to all of the members who participate so actively in our Club! As always, there is always work being undertaken behind the scenes. I'm excited that in just over two weeks from today (May 6), I will get to see some of our fellow Iron Citizens for Memorial Day weekend and kick off the approaching summer on the Bay!

Work travels this winter have taken me to Halifax, Ottawa, Edmonton and Banff. I've also been to Pittsburgh for the March Board meeting, skiing in Colorado for a long weekend, and Florida for a week in April, where I began my training for a 2-day, 200 km (120 mile) charity cycling event from Toronto to Niagara that will take place in early June. While I enjoy cycling, admittedly I'm a fair weather cyclist – and conditions for training locally in the past weeks have been less than ideal. I'm hopeful with Spring's now apparent arrival, this means that I won't freeze as I set forth on the road.

I expect to be up at camp regularly throughout the summer, and look forward to spending as much time on the Bay as possible!

From Donald & Lorraine Lawson

Lorraine & Donald have had a very good year. We spent November and then mid- January to mid-April in Florida. We were home for the giant ice storm that devastated trees and caused major power outages around Christmas, but missed the balance of the brutal winter. Good weather, enough golf, bridge and good friends, plus some time with Alice Jane Jenkins made for a very pleasant winter in Naples.

Following two weeks at home to complete income tax returns, lots of laundry, and repacking, we were off to Lima, Peru to start a two week cruise through the Panama Canal, with stops in Ecuador, Costa Rica, Belize, and Guatemala. We were part of a group being escorted by one of our favorite Bridge Directors, so there were a few bridge lessons and games en route. Unfortunately, the return home date will preclude attendance for the Memorial Day Weekend opening of camp.

We will spend about two weeks in camp in each of July and August. July time will coincide with Alice Jane, Wally and his family. The August time will start July 30 in order to be in camp for the Rock Walk with Nick Eyles. We expect to stay until to the 13th in order to attend the Paddle Dinner.

From Nate & Nicki Lusk:

We'll be up August 1-10 and we can't wait to get little Henry up on the bay for his first time!

From Andy & Mary Ann Martin:

It's a cold, blustery day in Colorado as I'm writing this. We're just beginning to get green so it seems amazing to think that ICFC is not far off. Also, as I'm writing this, Andy is in the "wine country" leading a Vermont Bike Tour. Guess who was staying in the hotel where he was with his tour guests...none other than Kathy and Gary Johnson! It IS a small world!! The "wine country" is his new Go-to tour these days although he will also lead one or two in the Colorado mountains this summer. He continues with his Dairy Queen business and Dusty is one of his best employees! He's also busy working on getting homes re-modeled in Pittsburgh.

Just had Maggie and Zach, along with Dusty for dinner on Sunday. Maggie continues to teach 3rd grade literacy but might be most passionate about teacher effectiveness which takes up half of her day...helping all teachers to grow and improve. I won't be surprised to see her open a charter school in a low-income housing project in Denver in the not-too-distant future! I had a ball teaching Yoga for a 6 week session in the fall to her 3rd graders – priceless. Zach is on his way in a sales career with a company called D2xchange. He sells a variety of software programs, many having to do with "the cloud" and that's about all I can say about that! He just moved into his own apartment near downtown Denver, not far from Maggie. We had a blast getting him set-up and making runs to IKEA. He also manages to have fun playing co-ed softball and basketball in the evenings! (And he got in a bit of skiing!) Dusty has been an incredibly busy junior with all of his advanced classes, working at Dairy Queen, going to State in DECA, playing basketball and just living the life!! He can't wait until he heads up to ICFC!!

I continue to battle away on the tennis courts. The winter was filled with lessons and drills! (Andy wonders when I'll be done with lessons!!) This spring and summer I'm going to play in a variety of different leagues. But even more fun than that, I'm working at Athleta. I've always loved retail sales and this combines well with my love of sports. This has long been a catalog company but has recently opened retail stores offering upscale work-out and casual wear. They also do a variety of philanthropy activities, including the support of a 5K race this past week-end which Maggie and I ran in, in the cold and sleet, to support pediatric brain cancer research through the Morgan Adams Foundation. I work with a really inspiring group of women that have health and fitness in their top goals. I'm also still chipping away at my Yoga Calm certification. For you shoppers, I think I'm going to bring another batch of Bead for Life beads to camp with me. I love these beads and this philanthropy that benefits women living in extreme poverty in Uganda. It's a fun and inexpensive way to help out these women. We managed some fun travels this year, as well as welcoming the Irishes to Vail for a few days of skiing.

Our ICFC plans aren't fully developed but we will probably arrive around mid-July and stay through to the 7th or 8th of August. Dusty will come with us and Maggie and Zach are hoping to fly up for the 1st week of August.

For any "early" campers I want to let you know that my nephew, Robert Ranseen (my brother John's son) will be working on staff this year along with my niece, Emily (Peter Martin's daughter). Please give them a warm Iron City welcome! Both are really nice kids and, of course, I want them to have a great experience working and living in Iron City.
See you soon...on the dock!

From David & Karen Mills:

The Mills have been on the move again. Karen and David recently purchased a condo in an 1850 Gothic Revival manor in Hamilton Ontario and moved in at the end of March. Finally, they have a place with sufficient space for Karen's shoes and David's toys. We have yet to work out how to change light bulbs in fixtures 20 feet above the floor. David's books on the Dakar and on Chile have been released and he is making the rounds of speaking to groups about his adventures. His interview on the CBC (radio) was well received and his hour long conversation on Wheelnerds.com proved that he can act as a straight man against even the goofiest interviewers.

Karen spent early May in Copenhagen and Berlin on a tour studying sustainable building and development with some of Canada's top real estate people. It was an incredible trip which allowed a break from the interminable Canadian winter. With Ben stepping into his role as Vice President of the firm, she can book off time without any worries. We had a terrific winter with family and friends visiting Chile in the early part of the year and a quick trip to see Jordan in London. Karen is excited about his participation in a competition to design work for a Sri Lankan mining company (expecting discounts on sapphires!!!!). Sarah is in yet another renovation so we enjoy having her visit with her partner Brandon (one of Canada's top chefs- from Toronto's famed Bar Isabel). Brandon has yet to visit ICFC so he will be in for a treat. Talia's work graces the yearbook cover and I look forward to seeing what she will do this year. Jordan's partner, Clemens (poor boy) has yet to visit Canada.

We plan to start our Iron City excursions at Memorial Day.

From Chris & Terri Modic:

The Modic's plan to be in camp July 5-19th. Walker and Travis are attending their third consecutive World Cup, this summer being held in Brazil and are uncertain whether they will be in camp. Walker's wife, Laura and their daughter, Ardenne (09/23/2014), will be with us on Monague Island. Blaire and Katie, and newly arrived son, Henry (04/27/2014) also anticipate spending time on Georgian Bay. It should be interesting with two grandchildren under the age of one as company. We are keeping our fingers crossed that Jordan's post graduation options will allow him to spend quality time with his new niece and nephew.

From Susan Kinnear Neul:

After being homeless since June, I finally moved into my new house in Plymouth MA at the end of December. The house is a cottage in the woods on the edge of a pine ridge with five other cottages nearby full of wonderful neighbors. I have a screened porch which may or may not survive three dogs when they see squirrels outside the screens. Stacy is a junior at St. Paul's, studying hard and playing hard (soccer, ice hockey, crew). Stephanie is a junior at Williams. She had ankle surgery in December but recovered sufficiently to once again row for Williams in the Spring season currently underway. She scheduled the surgery around a trip to Denmark in late November to visit a Williams classmate Matt on a semester abroad in the same program as Stephen Firestone. Stephen and Matt were fantastic hosts.

Many of you may be aware that under the sponsorship of the Communications Committee, Bruce Anderson and I are producing an updated ICFC photo album complete with family trees provided by our historian Sophia Crawford. I know that sending photos to me is not on the top of anyone's to-do list but maybe you can move it up one or two places. We will have a "staff photographer" available every week in camp. Free books will be given to the first families who send in all their photos. At this point, the Heath clan is at the front of the pack. But a huge thank you also goes out to Cary Reed, Tallie Sloan and Eric Williams for their rapid response. I have done several similar books for the Madison YMCA and I work with a fantastic printer so the printed quality is going to be excellent AND reasonably priced. You are also going to love the book in ten years when you admire how young you looked.

From Kent & Amy Patton:

Bill and Sue Sager will be in camp at the beginning of the summer with the rest of the Belmore-Sager-Patton-McFadden crew. Kent and Amy Patton come in early with staffers Katie and Lilli Patton and Alyce McFadden, and the rest of the family will join them the week of June 28 to July 4.

From Cary & Richard Reed:

We plan to be in camp this summer from June 28th - July 5th, and then back again in August for approximately 2 weeks. All is well with the Reeds. Bennett, Rosy and Mac are living in Pittsburgh, while Carly returned to Bogota, Columbia in January. She will be back, however, in time to make it to camp in August. Dad is living in his home at Longwood and very much enjoyed his trip to camp last summer. After this long winter, we are more than ready to wend our way northward!!!

From Billy & Berta Schroeder:

We hope to see many of our ICFC family and friends in early-July when we return for our annual summer trip! Billy and I are busy with work but enjoyed a late Fall trip to ICFC with Ted and Darcy Branch (awesome time punctuated by a flight around the Bay on Georgian Bay Airways on an absolutely picture perfect day), and a Spring Break trip with Maggie and her roommate to Jamaica. We stayed at a great place recommended by Aubrey Sipe (Jakes Resort). It was a great trip with the right mix of activity and, doing nothing at all but contemplating life from the comfort of a beach chair. Can't wait to go back!

Maggie is heading into her junior year at Christopher Newport University (VA) and enjoying school, college life in general and, her sorority (Gamma Phi Beta – the same as her Nana and Great Grandmother!). Besides attending a couple of short summer sessions for school in May and June, she was invited to try out for Busch Gardens (Williamsburg, VA) Irish dance show (“Celtic Fyre”) at Christmas time as a “sub.” She made the cut and is dancing quite a bit – totally thrilled to be performing with a stellar cast (former leads of Riverdance and Lord of the Dance – like a dream for her). We saw her in the show over Mother's Day weekend and it was really well done! Samantha Scott came to see her perform on a recent school trip which was a really fun surprise for Maggie! Love that ICFC network!

Our extended family is doing well - Nancy is busy volunteering with the Lioness Club; leading her book club and visiting her children, grandchildren and great grand children – including the newest addition – William Carter Ward (he'll be called “Carter”) and born May 12 to Melissa (Diebold) Ward and Carter Ward (Melissa is the eldest daughter of Billy's sister – Linda). We hope everyone is well and look forward to seeing all of you soon, in our most favorite place on the Bay!

From Alex & Cris Scott:

The Scott family enjoyed a music cruise this past winter, and had some other fun travel. We look forward to seeing ICFC friends in early July followed by another trip in late July and early August (when we will have a full house). Happy to have the coming of higher water, which we hope leads to a summer of NO BOAT REPAIRS !! Also hoping the ice is out by late June so swimming will be tolerable!!

From Dave & Emily Scott:

Dave and Emily moved to Pittsburgh last May. We are loving our new house in Point Breeze, and we're lucky to see many ICFC people very often! Emily started a new job at Carnegie Mellon University this past September and Dave enjoys working with all the Scotts at Center Associates. We are looking forward to being on the Bay for the first week in August.

From Rob Scott (our new camp poet perhaps?):

No travels of late, except for our Kate,
where SE Asia did beckon; her savings shot, I reckon.
No grandbabies to add, but 2 girls in 2 years is not bad,
maybe try for a boy? 1st one would be a joy.
I'll be up for the start, again in July with Kate I'll depart,
Joanie & family I'm hoping, will find time too for some CAMPing.
Lin and Rik are thinking, of doing late August picnicking,
It's far from a firm deal, but if all goes well, it's for real.
So the winter is past, I wish I could say it was a blast,
But Summer on the Bay is near, now that's a real treat without peer.

From Bobby & Judy Sillers:

Big year for us! Did you ever see the episode of "Everyone Loves Raymond" where Raymond's wife gets so upset about all the wonderful things that OTHER people write about in their Christmas cards that she started telling huge lies in hers?

Well, "Rebecca got a double PhD in her first year in college" [Meaning? – She DID finish her first year @ North Carolina State in Raleigh, and made mostly all A's [at least that is what she said]. She is studying Supply Chain Management in the Textile School... Meaning? You will have to ask her. She had a great year, joined Chi Omega sorority and is working in Dallas this summer.

Judy's wedding planning business, "Park Cities Events" [www.parkcitiasevents.com – Yes, that is a plug, but if Nancy wants me to keep writing this stuff ...] arranged the weddings for Kelly Clarkson and Brandon Blackstock, Kate Bosworth and Michael Polish, and Matt Damon and Luciana Barroso...Meaning? Her wedding planning business is going great guns...She has apparently decided she may go to the dark side [taking up golf] and dotes on our black Lab Riley, WAY more than on her husband. She will spend her normal three weeks in camp in late July and early August. She and Lisie are driving up from Texas to 'save money' [ask them about their stops!].

Scott? WOW, married a beautiful, wonderful, smart, athletic young woman from Dallas [introduced by our current favorite cousin thrice-removed, Beanie Brammer!] and they went to Bora Bora on their honeymoon. Meaning? Just what it says! Judy and I went to *Phoenix* on our honeymoon...what is wrong with this picture? He has changed jobs to another bank, and is gradually having to get rid of all his 'guy stuff' in his house.

Daddy – Still doing mortgages, playing a TEENY bit of golf [mostly to find used golf balls...I found 32 last week, and fell in the creek...], lots of tennis. Still going to lots of movies when Judy leaves me at home on her wedding nights. I am living vicariously through Jake Coyle's job as a movie reviewer! Meaning? Can't wait to see everyone on the dock!

From John & Lisie Sillers:

The John Sillers clan is looking forward to Iron City and slowly making our plans. Judy and Lisie are driving to camp mid-July and will be there until August 9th. John comes up at the end of July and we are still trying to figure out when the rest of the family is coming.

Anna is living in Washington DC and loving living near all of her Sillers cousins. Arthur is still at Reed College in Portland, OR and loves living in the North West. We had a great visit in Portland earlier in the fall and saw Laurel Sager - it was great fun to listen to Arthur, Diehl and Laurel chat about Iron City as we ate our way through Portland and visited colleges with Diehl. High school graduation for Diehl is at the end of May and he is headed to George Washington University in Washington DC where (hopefully) Anna will be there to keep an eye on him! He is excited to be in such a great city and we are thrilled to have two children in the same city.

From Wally & Tallie Sloan:

Wally and Tallie Sloan plan their first arrival in camp on May 20 for a week – let's hope all the ice is gone by then! The way things appear, we may not be doing much swimming until mid August, but at least the water level will be up. We'll be back again mid June, and again around July 4 and mid July, then Mid August, then mid September, then.....

We can't wait to see everyone.

From Kyle & Bryce Stricker:

Stricker summer plans are similar to last year. We will be traveling for the first 3 weeks of July - this year's adventure is Down Under! When we return from Australia, the kids will have a week to recoup from any jet-lag they may have and then they are off to camp. This will be Crawford's fourth year at Camp Hurontario and he is especially looking forward to camp this summer knowing that Jake Brown will attend at the same time. This will be Haven's first year at overnight camp and she is attending Camp Mi-A-Kon-Da. This is a girl's camp north of Parry Sound. We just spent Easter weekend in Pittsburgh with my parents and Haven was so happy to have time with her pal, Caroline Bonidy.

We love our time at Iron City and plan to find time to spend there..hopefully the first weekend camp is open and later in August and likely Labour day weekend. I hope to be there for the annual meeting.

From George & Anne Stronach:

Our year has been uneventful, which at our age can be a good thing☺. We plan to spend a week or so at Iron City between Memorial Day and camp opening. We'll go back to NC to take 5 little boys -and their mothers - to mountain day camp. They went last summer and loved it. Then we'll return to camp in late July to stay while our children and their families are there.

From George & Devon Stronach:

Now that the long hard winter is finally over, we are looking forward to another summer. We will be in Iron City the first week of August. Colin just turned 6 in May and will be in the first grade next year. Thomas is almost 9 and will be in the fourth grade. We can't wait to see everyone in camp!

From Kevin & Carrie Sullivan:

The Sullivan's will be in camp late July and early August. Carrie and Abby are hoping to be there the week of July 28th and Kevin will join the week of August 2nd when hopefully the rest of our family shows up! Looking forward to a great summer!

From Jay & Darcy Turner

We are looking forward to our time on the bay this summer! All five of us will be there the 2nd week of July - both with my parents and overlapping for a few days with each of my sisters' families.

From Matt & Lindsay Weissberg:

Matt, Lindsay, Teddy (4) and Mackie Weissberg (almost 2) will be Iron City on the earlier side this summer, from June 28 - July 8, and possibly again for a long weekend in mid-August. We can't wait to get back on the bay. We are very pleased to see spring here in Pittsburgh, especially because springtime means baseball is back! Go Buccos!

From Eric Williams:

I am still thinking about renting an icebreaker going into camp. I will be arriving on Monday, June 23rd and will depart on July 16. After two weeks of paying bills and getting my personal life in order in Pittsburgh, I plan to return to camp. I am not sure of the exact timing because the Sawin cabin will be full, this time with Sawins. Tucker & Veronica intend to be there from August 7 to 16. Bob & Julie and Devon and Daniel have not yet confirmed their plans, but intend to be there in August. But I will be there sometime,

From Tim and Susie Williams:

Most of our family will be heading for ICFC in the week before and after July 4th. Tim and I will be back to overlap with the Sawins the second weekend of August. Can't wait to be back on the bay!

From David & Barbara Wright:

The Wright's have had another busy year. It seems like we were just putting away the boats and now it's time to see which ones are working (probably only the canoes and kayaks! Barbara and David vacationed in Turkey in the Fall. We had fresh fish every day and hope to say the same about Iron City this summer. In February we spent a great week-end with the Sillers in Texas, first Lisie and John in Austin, then Judy and Bobby in Dallas. We spent a lovely evening with Ginny and Don and their grandchildren as well. We are coming up over Memorial Day to get a jump on summer.

We are especially excited that we will all be together in camp. Dave and Lisa and their girls, Katie and Allie, will be up in early August. Katie has just turned 7 and Allie is 2. The girls are so excited to see their friends and Katie has taught Allie the ICFC Rah, Rah, Ray.

Our other news is Henry Lusk (Nikki & Nate) who was born in December. Henry looks forward to entertaining us in the dining hall with others in his age group.

Important Information

ICFC Reservations: Planning for over 5000 camper days and 15,000 meals is a monumental task. It is members' responsibility to communicate plans to the office as soon as dates are known.

A new feature of the ICFC Website is the ability to make reservations for both in and out of season stays by accessing an on-line reservation form (upper left corner on the home page).

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Here is the old reservation form which is still in use:

<http://www.icfc.net/Committees/MemberAndGuest/ReservationAndBillingForm.htm>

You may make reservations by sending an email to ICFC@vianet.ca or by fax (1-705-375-0405)

ICFC Web-site Home Page: [www. icfc.net](http://www.icfc.net)

In addition to the "headline" items which follow, the ICFC web-site is rich with information including the 2014 Events Calendar, currency exchange rates, links to bay area associations and more. You will need the username and password which are on page 6 of the Yearbook.

Changes to Internet Service: The club is no longer able to offer internet access for members. Please see pages 11 & 12 in the 2014 ICFC Yearbook for expanded cellular internet access options. This will require members and guests to make their own arrangements with cellular carrier companies for both voice and data service.

Border Crossing / Passports: What date does your passport expire? If you are not sure, check your passport and those of family members TODAY to ensure their passports do not expire this summer. It normally takes 4 to 6 weeks for a renewal to be processed. Passports are required for all border crossings from the US to Canada – ground or air. http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html

Are you bringing up your kids but leaving a spouse at home? You will need a Notarized letter signed by your spouse giving you permission to bring your children across the border. Some Border Guards are lenient. Some are not. Make sure you are not turned away from the border.

Fishing License / Outdoor Card: In addition to a fishing license, you also need an OUTDOOR CARD. You must have the card with you for a streamlined purchase of a fishing license. All necessary information, including an on-line purchase option, may be found in this web-site:

http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/en/Business/LetsFish/2ColumnSubPage/STEL02_165326.html

Both the Outdoors Card and fishing license may be purchased from Florence Gregoire.

Boat Operator License / Card: Remember to bring to camp your Canada Operator's License as anyone operating a boat will need to provide it to any requesting Government official. It is good for life.

ICFC Family Photo Album – 2014: Coordinated by Susan Neul and Bruce Anderson. So many marriages, births, new members, and of course we all get better looking as time goes by ;). Be sure to submit a recent family photo to Susan

skneul@gmail.com. There will be dedicated photographers in camp throughout the season.

ICFC Communications Committee
Rah Rah Ray!!!