

ICFC 2018



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

Another summer's coming...and ICFC needs your help getting ready.

- Please remember to give Lisa 4 weeks advance notice of your arrival and departure dates if you are coming pre-season, and at least 3 weeks notice in season, including rentals. She may be contacted at 705-375-5633 or moeandlisa@live.ca
- If you have tentative dates that are not finalized, go ahead and give them to Lisa anyway.
- Please notify the office of your reservations as soon as you know them, so that the camp, and especially the new chef and dining hall staff, can prepare.

And now on to the fun stuff...

From Nancy & Dan Abramson:

Another year has flown by, filled with the usual juggling of a dozen activities, two minor surgeries, and some fun vacations. Daniel and Robert are a year older (14 and 11!), but their parents are not. We are trying to adjust to the fact that we now have a teen and a tween. We miss our little boys but feel fortunate that both are still likeable [most of the time]. Nancy and the boys will get to camp around July 23/24 to overlap with Brammer, Boucek and Stronach cousins, and Dan will join us later in the week. We need to be home in time for Daniel to report for high school [!] marching band practice at 8am on August 6 - ugh. Adjusting to the high school activity schedule is going to be a challenge. Can't wait to be back on the Bay!

From Mary Ellen & Lee Alexander:

The Alexander Cottage on Garbage Hill will be occupied most of the summer. Lee and Mary Ellen will arrive on June 23rd and stay until July 7th. Jenny and Tim and family will be joining us for several days.

From Cindy & Peter Amerman:

The Amerman's hope to get to Iron City on June 18th. Lyn and Sofi plan to be on the Bay earlier this year, arriving on June 23rd with friends from Buffalo--Eva, Patrick and Liliana.

From Cynn timer Anderson & Jerry Rampelberg:

Jerry & Cynn timer will be in camp from June until Mid August and plan to continue taking camp & family pics & keeping the ICFC archives photo book up to date....

We have had a good year filled with blessings. We look forward to being back on Georgian Bay with all our multigenerational friends☺

From Lainey Anderson:

Shari King and I are going up a few days early to rendezvous with our elder friends and for me to see all the dogs that are permitted to come to camp early. My vacation pattern is my usual 3 weeks of visiting friends in the UK. They try to explain Brexit to me and I can't explain Trump to them. This spring I'm off to Ireland to visit more friends. It is wonderful to enjoy the beauty of Ireland. Each time my friend picks an area and we explore it. Her family is from Donneygal, which is not usually known to visitors. It is beautiful and rugged with miles of empty beaches.

The Anderson family is attempting to have a family reunion in late summer. We thought it would be nice to get together not when we are burying someone. I look forward to opening my office on the dock and welcome anyone to come to chat or help me judge the people getting in/out of their kayaks. Rah, Rah, Ray.

From Cathie & Manly Applegate:

Late June, early July can't come fast enough for another family gathering of Apples on the hill. Alfred will turn 12 in camp and wishes that was old enough to be eligible for the wait staff! He's looking forward to being thrown in the bay of course and seeing all his friends! AJ is 6 now, and hopes there will be a baseball game every day! Manly is settling into his retirement nicely and will head up to camp Memorial Day to work a bit on the cottage and help out with some early landscaping. Included in his daily prayers is the hope one of the boats will run upon arrival!

From Christine & David Bennett:

Christine and Dave will arrive in Camp July 19 and stay through the 31st. Stewart plans to arrive July 28 and depart August 4. John and Victoria have new jobs in Lexington, KY, and are uncertain they will have time available this summer. Hallie will be finishing a physical therapy contract in Fredericksburg, VA in mid-July and expects to be in Camp July 24 through August 1st.

From Nan & Andy Bennett:

After Parker finished his summer on Leadership at ICFC he moved to DC and is working as a Staff Assistant for US Congressman Mike Kelly (PA). He loves the fast pace of political life and is really enjoying being a twenty-something living and working on the 'Hill' in DC. He will be in camp for a week beginning August 4th. After an amazing study abroad in the Fall (Africa, India & Brazil) Sanders has just finished her junior year in the Business program at Franklin & Marshall College. She will be working on Leadership at ICFC this summer as the Bookkeeper. Harper has just finished her first year at the University of Richmond and will also be on Leadership this summer, with her focus being the dining hall.

Andy will drop the girls in late June to start their summer jobs, and then he and Nan will be back for a long weekend over the 4th of July and then again for the first 10 days of August. We are looking forward to summer finally arriving, being back on the Bay and spending time with our extended ICFC family!

From Eleanor Bergland:

All of the Bergland/Scotts were in Charlottesville in May for lots of celebrations: multiple birthdays and my graduation from the nurse practitioner program at UVA! We are all looking forward to being together again in ICFC during the first week of August.

From Dick Boak & Susan Ellis:

We will be in camp the last ten days of July into early August, departing after the board meeting on August 2nd. Hopefully, Grace and Emily will be able to join us.

Dick retired from Martin Guitar Co. after 41+ years. His retirement concert (Boak's Bash) in January was attended by many Crawford's and ICFC friends and featured Steve Miller and John Mayer among several other well-known performers. He is enjoying drawing and working on Mario Andretti's photo archives. He and Susan traveled to Mexico City with Grace and spent two great weeks sightseeing in Japan.

Susan is working part time for a prominent printmaker and getting back into ceramics. Grace has completed her sophomore year at Lehigh University, and Emily is headed to the University of Calgary in Alberta for her master's degree.

We look forward to seeing you all on the bay.

From Allie & Joe Bonidy:

The Bonidy Family plans to come up July 28. We will likely stay for about 10 days. Can't wait to see everyone!

From Monica & Braden Boucek:

The Boucek's have had a fun year of softball, gymnastics, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and theater. We are definitely ready to wrap up our activities and head into a relaxing summer. We are excited that we will be up in Iron City for two weeks this year. Our plans are to be there from July 22 until August 4. Rah Rah Ray!

From Carole Heath Brammer:

Carole will be at Iron City June 20 - July 28. She has just attended granddaughter Jessie's graduation from the University of Montana - a first for this generation of the Heath clan! Also, Bob Brammer was selected for and graduated from an elite FBI leadership training program this spring.

Carole is "a little excited" that Curt and Amy Brammer and family will be at IC this summer, as well as Beanie and Eric Hoffman and Bear! (Age almost 1). It will be Eric and Bear's first visit. They will be in camp from July 19-28.

From Darcy & Ted Branch:

Darcy and Ted plan to be in camp from late June to mid-July and again for the annual meeting. Riley and possibly Kelsey will be joining us the second week of July. We had a great late winter week with the Sloans and the Schroeders in Pensacola FL. It was like ICFC south with beach time, kayaking excursions and lots of catching up.

From Tracy & Bob Bushkoff:

Bob, Tracy, Jessie and Becca will be in camp July 15-24. We look forward to seeing everyone on the Bay.

From Jordan (Tadlock) & Joey Catagnus:

We plan to be in camp for the last few days of the season and a few days after camp closes, along with Chris Crawford Tadlock. It's been an exciting year! We got married in October and moved into a new home in March! We look forward to seeing everyone

From Kathy & Todd Chapple:

Todd, Kathy, Henry, and Will are driving to ICFC June 15th & 16th to drop off 30% of the summer staff - Hannah, Oliver, and two of Oliver's friends, Noah and Noah. The Noah's have never been to ICFC and neither will have family visiting this summer, so we ask members to include the Noah's when possible in various activities... Noah Mackey (the other blond one) is an avid fisherman and promises not to divulge any secret fishing holes. Noah Petrick (the blond one) and Oliver are ready to battle tube, ski, board, jump off high rocks, picnic, and enjoy any other outdoor adventures offered.

Todd, Kathy and Henry will return to camp July 15th thru the 28th.

It's been a good year... the highlight was that Hannah studied abroad in Prague in the fall semester and Kathy & I were able to go visit her and spend two weeks celebrating our 25th wedding anniversary in Prague, with train & boat trips to Bratislava and Vienna. We look forward to seeing you all this summer.

From Cathy & Rip Collins:

Rip, Cathy, Megan and Cathy's mother Ina Sable will be arriving in camp on the 8th of July. Looking forward to relaxing, fishing and playing some tennis. Laurie Bushkoff should arrive around the 18th for a week. Jennifer's work schedule gets in the way of her coming up this summer but hopefully next. We can't wait to see everyone and catch up on this past year's events.

From Michel & Chip Crawford:

Thanks to everyone for your encouragement and support over the past 18 months.

We look forward to being with Iron-citizens during a two week period in late May / early June, 3 weeks from mid-July through August 4 and two weeks either side Labor Day. The Borrego's will be with us in July, and various & assorted Strickers will be us for long weekends. A bonus will be a short overlap with the Gallehers the first week of August.

The perennial and penultimate question is: "*what's the water level*"? From information in the *GBA* Newsletter we anticipate the level will be 3+ inches higher than last year. Centennial Bay is once a bay again! We learned from Sam's letter a new deck and stairs are in place at Stylish Stouts. This is welcome news for the Three Musketeers (Kerry, Bobbie and Chip) meet each morning at 7:00 for a refreshing wake up swim. Come join us!

We look forward to witnessing the erection of the new Reed Bridge. Investments in infrastructure strengthen our club. We are grateful for the vision and purpose of our committees, officers, and board of directors.

From Sophia & Fred Crawford:

Fred and Sophia Crawford plan to arrive on July 28th, with Alis - and, they hope, David. Looking forward to seeing good friends on the Bay, and high water levels!

From Marshall & Scott Creighton:

Marshall and Scott Creighton have had another busy year — where does the time go? All of our children are becoming so grown up, and involved in their own diverse activities. Britt is currently wrapping up her junior year at High Point University with a "May-mester" studying abroad in Italy; Eleanor loved her first year at UNC-Chapel Hill and is now hiking the 500-mile Camino de Santiago across northern Spain with a group from UNC; Porter is all set to graduate from high school in a couple of weeks, and plans to follow older sister Britt to HPU in the fall; and Charles is finishing up the fifth grade and is excited about attending soccer and basketball camps this summer and catching up with his cousins during summer travels. Marshall, Scott, Charles, and some TBD combination of daughters plan to be in camp around late July/early August. We look forward to spending time with friends and family.

From Lynne Edgerton:

There is good news and sad news from the Todd/Edgerton clan. Good news: This winter, Ford and Katie moved into their first home in Los Angeles! Katie was promoted to partner in her law firm! (Other good news was that the Los Angeles fires were extinguished about one mile from their new abode, so whew.) Lauren became a Vice President at Wells Fargo Investment Banking in San Francisco. Lynne attended art classes this winter at New York Academy of Art, (NYAA) in downtown Manhattan. She was thrilled with everything she learned, so will enroll in a one year intensive program there from 9/18-8/19. She is now seeking a furnished apt in NYC for that period of time. Suggestions welcomed!

Sad news is that Hill Todd passed away unexpectedly on April 9, 2018, in Nashville, at the age of 65.

Lynne decided "less is more," and listed her Nashville home for sale. Once it sells, she will probably winterize Twin Pines and live on the Bay all year around with the other loons. Schedules are still incomplete, but Lynne (alias Sissy Todd) will be in camp as much as she can this summer. Love to all!

From Wendy & George Galleher:

George and I will make several trips to IC this summer. We will head up in late May with Chip and Michel to “get ready” for the season. Our hope is that the bugs will not be as numerous as last spring!! We will be in camp from August 1st-18th. The Mulcahy’s and Williams will join us for a week in early August, which will be great fun! Haven will join us to help keep the boys “in sight”! Friends from South Carolina will join us our second week. We will go back at Labor Day for a week or so. Flexibility of retirement is great! Hope to see many of you on the Bay!!

From Sally & Cal Garwood:

The Garwood/Tarlton/Hamilton clan has had a busy and fun “off season” and hope the same for everyone else! We all had a great Christmas in Houston with Dudley and Dessie and their 2 girls, Anneke (5) and Ali (3) visiting from Geneva. We vacationed at the Mandala Eco Resort on the Pacific Coast of El Salvador. It was a true adventure with Anneke surfing for the first time! Cal and I [Sally] head to Geneva at the end of May with some fun side trips to France and Italy. Cal can only stay for 2 weeks but I’ll remain in Geneva though June and early July to help with the girls while Dudley and Dessie each travel for business with their respective UN jobs. Katie and Ella will join us for a long weekend between Katie’s busy work trials! It will be Ella’s first trip to Europe and her cousins can’t wait to see her! It’s been baseball all the time with all 3 Hamilton kids - Baxter (11), Ella (6) and JD (4) playing Little League. Big B and Honey, well mostly Big B, have attended 4-6 games a week!! The Garwood/Hamilton clan will arrive in camp on July 13. Can’t wait to see everyone for lots of kayaking, boating and picnics!!

From Leslie & Brian Huber:

The Huber’s are excited for summer and look forward to being in camp from July 31- Aug 12. Can’t wait to see everyone.

From Russell & Jack Huber:

Jack and Russell just returned from a lovely trip to Ireland with friends. We enjoyed the beautiful Irish countryside and rugged seacoast and also played a few rounds of golf. We are now looking forward to coming to Iron City and will be in camp June 21 through July 6, returning July 29 through August 16.

From Missy and Jaime Hugessen

Greetings from ICFC!!! It is the Canadian long weekend and we are thrilled to be back at our beloved Iron City! Yesterday was so warm and lovely that Jaime and I went swimming. I cannot remember the last time I swam in May! *[Editor’s note, Missy wrote this last weekend. Hopefully the great weather will continue!]*

Richard is in his final year of university and will be glad when it’s over. He is trying to find a fall internship in Silicon Valley, or at a tech company in some cool country like Taiwan. Jeffrey is enjoying his gap year. He has just finished working at a 5* hotel in Queenstown, New Zealand and is getting organized to move on to Australia and then Thailand. He plans to be home late July in order to spend time fishing at the cottage. Michael will spend his summer working in the city as a basketball coach and for a few weeks serving tables at ICFC - not a bad life. Jaime and I had a fabulous trip to Peru in March with Judy & Bobby, and Lisie & John.

We are very fortunate to have easy access to Iron City and look forward to seeing most everyone over the course of the summer. RRR!

From Laura & Wally Jenkins:

It's hard to believe that another summer is almost upon us, but we're blessed to be able to look back on a good year overall. Lilly is completing grade nine year at Vincentian Academy, and it has been such a tremendously positive experience for her. We're extremely proud of her academic achievements, participation in field hockey and the school musical orchestra, the great group of friends she has made, and her wonderful maturity. As a result, we've been happy to overlook the condition of her bedroom for fear of disturbing a good thing. Kate is winding up her seventh grade year at Dorseyville Middle School where she has discovered the "B" word, which thankfully for her parents is basketball and not boys. We're trying to maximize this stage in her life when basketball is fun, her teammates are (outwardly) sweet, winning is not the most important goal, and boys are still at home playing video games.

Wally is hoping to be in Camp for the opening weekend, and then will return with AJ, Laura and the girls during the third week of July give or take. We hope to see you on the dock/rocks/boardwalk!

From Kathy & Gary Johnson:

We hope to be in camp around June 24th or so for a three-week visit and then another trip around the first of August. We are looking forward to seeing all the Sager/Miller/Burke/Johnson clan together for another reunion year. We have had a great year, although Kathy did have a bit of a fall and injury in late February. She broke her wrist and arm bones, they are all put back together now, and she is working hard on OT and PT. She is looking forward to some kayaking to help further strengthen her arm and wrist. Alex is moving back to the New England area in late May, so we are excited for that as well. We are so ready for another summer on the Bay; the winter seemed longer than ever this year! Hope to see you all during this summer season.

From Elizabeth & Wesley Kinnear:

The Kinnear family is getting larger this year, for we are eagerly awaiting the birth of Sydney and Bryan's first baby in May. Wesley and Elizabeth hope that despite this event they will still make it up to the cabin around Memorial Day to help Robin with gardening chores. We will be up in August with the new baby and all the family. Also consuming us are new homes for Rory and Gillian. Rory closed on his new condo near Griffith Park in L.A. in April and Gillian closed on her starter ranch near Santa Barbara in early May. This is an exciting time. Before all this happened we celebrated Dad's 90th birthday, an amazing series of events that brought us great joy as well. Wesley has had an exciting time driving across country in his new truck to deliver baby supplies to Sydney in Brooklyn. He is amassing a collection of BBQ stories and bottled sauces as he goes through the south and up the Shenandoah Valley visiting Civil War battlefields. Elizabeth joined him briefly for part of this journey in the Grand Canyon and New Mexico. We are having a wonderful year anticipating the joys of being grandparents.

From Shari Heath King:

Shari will be at Iron City from June 21 through July 4.

From Bruce Lawson:

I began a 6-month sabbatical in early March and spent most of March and all of April in South America - including time at the Mills' home in Chile, traveling to the Atacama Desert and Easter Island, and a trip to Buenos Aires with "cousin" Reece Jenkins. On June 1st, part two of my travels will see me cycling from Dublin to Copenhagen - a 35-day, 2600+ km ride. After the ride, I'll spend some time in Denmark, Germany & Croatia before returning home in late July. I expect to be in camp for all of August and early September - before I have to go back to work.

From Lorraine & Donald Lawson

Lorraine & Donald have been busy since Camp 2017. We were on a trip (mid September into October) to Madrid, Spain and environs, Lisbon, Portugal, and then a week on a small riverboat cruising up and then back down the Douro River from Porto in Northern Portugal – a wonderful trip and cruise. Off to Florida for most of November and then headed back down after Christmas. The weather was good, but short on rain. Golf, bridge, and reading kept us well occupied. Our return to Toronto mid-April was just in time for an ice storm.

Our summer plans include Memorial Day weekend at ICFC, a cruise from New York to Reykjavik June 20 to July 8, and then a week or so in Camp in July when Alice Jane Jenkins and family will be there. Back on August 1 through to the end of camp, including a Lawson family reunion August 15 to 18.

From Nikki & Nate Lusk:

The Lusks have enjoyed an adventurous year as a family, particularly Henry. A cold and snowy winter meant ski lessons for Henry, fueled largely by hot chocolate bribes by Nate. The bribes worked and he can now ski! Nate spent the winter squeezing in ski runs during Henry's ski lessons, and is presently restoring a canoe to take Henry fishing and camping this summer. Henry is busy with swimming and t-ball this spring and keeps asking when we get to go to Iron City.

Nikki received a month-long sabbatical from her company in April so we spent several weeks traveling together as a family through Switzerland, France, Germany, the Netherlands, and England, meeting up with Barbara and David for the latter two countries. We had an amazing trip. We spent a lot of time on trains, which was a big hit with Henry.

Nikki and Henry will be in camp for opening week and all three Lusks will be in camp July 28th - August 5th. We look forward to seeing everyone. Rah rah ray!

From Colleen & Matt McCarthy:

Matt will be in camp from June 20th to June 25th. Brandon, his wife Ashley and new baby Gabriel will be joining Matt for opening weekend. **Please plan to join us for the Annual Steak and Chicken cookout on Friday June 22nd at Windswept beginning at 6 PM.** BYOB, mixers provided. RSVP to mjm@sbco.com by June 10th please. State your meal preference, number of guests, and bring a dish to share: hors-d'oeuvre, side dish, or dessert.

Matt will be returning for the annual meeting and a week in mid-September. Colleen will join Matt when possible.

From Renee & Howie Miller:

You may have heard the Sager-Miller reunion is on for the last week of June this summer. The Howie and Renee Miller family includes fourteen this year as we are blessed to bring our 7 adult kids (including in-laws) and five of our grandchildren to the reunion (including our month-old grandson Huck William Miller.)

From Lisa Milligan & Don Marcus:

Ted, Don, and Lisa (Milligan) Marcus are currently shooting a feature film in the Berkshires. It's a kind of a comedy/horror, co-written by Ted and Don, entitled "The Vizitant" -- which has been characterized as "Beetlejuice meets Faust". Ted is directing, and both Ted and Don will be appearing in it. Ted is also making this season's promotional films for Shakespeare & Co. in Lenox, MA. Don is heading up an event for his Dartmouth reunion in June. We will get to ICFC, just not sure exactly when! Love to all!

From Karen & David Mills:

Lots of activity in the Mills family this spring! Sarah is looking forward to the debut of a documentary film entitled "Ferris's Room" (<https://hollyhoodsuite.ca/ferris-vr/>) but this time she is in front of the camera! It is showing on Hollywood Suite and will be presented in Toronto at the Hot Docs Theatre on June 2. The film tells the story of how and why Sarah re-created Ferris Bueller's bedroom as an art installation. It was quite something seeing the trailer on CNN! Jord is on the move after doing a pop up installation at the Art Gallery of Ontario a short time ago. His new home is in Bad Pyrmont Germany (a short distance from the fairy tale town of Hamelin). We look forward to visiting Jordan and Clemens. Ben is hard at it with some amazing art installations coming forward now that the weather is cooperating. He is looking after the darling Daza until Jord is ready for her to continue her pan global travels. (This dog really should have special status with Air Canada). David and I are happy in our own garden in those moments when we are away from our desks.

This summer will be a busy one for me with artwork installations in a new park we have been working on and a major integrated commission for a hospital. David is ready for motorcycle rides to ICFC. The real question is, how much boat time will he get when Ben is out fishing every spare moment?

From Terri & Chris Modic:

The Sewickley Modics will be in camp the first 2 weeks of July. The census will go up and down as various family units come and go. The second week should be very busy since the Brecksville Modics are scheduled to also be in Camp. Travis and Liz will be in Spain for the summer and will miss ICFC this year. We are looking forward to seeing everyone.

From Sue Anne & David Morrow:

Some number of us will be in camp from July 4 - July 10 and then back again in mid August. Jake and Emma Lillian and Alan and Fred have moved to the Northfield Mount Hermon School in Gill, Ma.

Sam and Victoria, George and Charlie have moved to Dublin with their home base in Groton, MA. Ruth continues to love living in Asheville, NC where she sees Peter, Mary and Katherine Crawford, sometimes at her yoga class.

From Susan Kinnear Neul:

The big news in the Neul household was the arrival of a German Shepherd puppy at the end of December. Since Isaac G. Shepherd aged 8 now resides very happily with Stephanie as a campus dog at Choate, I felt like I needed a big dog to accompany me in my rambles through the wilds of Plymouth County. Not that GSDs are innately good at protection...that's a myth. They have to be taught to be aggressive. They are basically timid but very smart so they can be trained to do anything like use their prodigious noses to detect explosives, or their big mouths to capture a suspect. I want to teach mine to cook dinner. The lack of thumbs could be a problem. But he is eager to try.

As for names... his mom is Uzzi and his dad is Ober so I thought Uber was a logical choice. Got voted down, as did Esau, hairy shepherd and brother of Isaac in the Bible. He was very close to being Fledermaus until we realized he would be called Maus and he is not a Maus. So he is Bear Oh Bear, and a big one at that. I was fooled by how easy and mellow Isaac was as a puppy. Bear is not easy. He is busy at all times. He jumped into the Seekonk River at Stacy's race on Tuesday whereupon the strong tidal current threatened to take him out to sea or at least into the harbor. So this is how I've spent my year so far.

I am hoping to be in camp in June and again later. Stephanie and Stacy will be there in August.

From Elizabeth & Richard Parker:

Our big news of the winter is that Clare and Manny were married in the British Virgin Islands in January. We are all thrilled to have Manny be an official member of the family and he is excited about being able to compete in the Todd Cup this year!

We have several new babies – my brother George Reigeluth has a new grandson – Sebastian, born in Brussels on May 2; and brother Bobby Reigeluth has a sixth grandson – Andrew, also born on May 2. Ned and Julie Parker welcomed a brother for Desmond last September – he is little Smith Parker and will be in Camp in early August.

Our mother, Mary Applegate Reigeluth Fisher, will turn 100 on June 22, definitely a milestone! She first went to Iron City when she was two years old. I have been told that she and Stewart Steffey were the first children in camp.

Richard and I look forward to being in camp in late July / early August. Sarah will be with us, and Clare and Manny will be in the tent. We look forward to seeing many friends then.

From Cary & Richard Reed:

Richard and Cary will be in camp from July 1st - 7th and then back again from July 28th - August 18th. Carly, Liam and Mac will be joining us for 10 days in early August. We then hope that Rosy, Bennett, Dottie and baby Reed will be up for a week towards the end of camp. Baby Reed is due in mid-June, and we are all excitedly awaiting the arrival. We have had a full year, and we look forward to catching up with our Iron City family this summer.

From Dana & Duey Savidge:

2018 marks the 100th encampment year of the Dietrich clan at ICFC! The Savidge's are juggling a college graduation x2, a trip to Japan and maybe Boston, buying a house and moving, and a trip to ICFC between mid-May and mid-July. We are still planning to be in Camp from part of the 1st week (to overlap with the larger Dietrich/Swink/Miller/Sager reunion) and all of the 2nd week this summer. Duey's sisters Chip (last at ICFC in ~1974), Ellen (last at ICFC ~1979), and his mother Enid (last at ICFC ~ 1974) are also planning to make the trek north this year.

From Berta & Bill Schroeder:

We had exciting news this past fall as Maggie became engaged to her college sweetheart Tommy O'Neal. We are thrilled for them both and can't wait to introduce Tommy to our IC family. Be sure to ask Tommy how he pulled off a surprise engagement on the bridge overlooking the elephants at the Smithsonian National Zoo...with over 30 of their best friends and family [parents included!] ten feet behind Maggie as he dropped to his knee!!

They will be married next April, and Berta and Maggie have been busy with all the required decisions and details required for planning ahead...I have wisely stayed on the sidelines and cautiously contribute opinions! My mom- Nancy Schroeder- continues to do well despite getting hit with that bad flu this winter, and is still enjoying living ten minutes from grandchildren and great-grandchildren in Winston Salem NC. We will be up for the first two weeks of July and Maggie and Tommy will join us for week two.

From Cris & Alex Scott:

Cris and Alex will be in for July 4th, also in early August. We hope to return around Labor Day as well. We look forward to the whole family being with us in early August. Oliver will already make his 2nd trip at 14 months old!

From Emily & Dave Scott:

Emily, Dave and Oliver Scott will be in camp for the first week of August. We can't wait for Oliver to experience Iron City as an active one year old!

From Rob Scott:

My oldest daughter, Joanie, and her family will be coming up with me during the second full week of July, and Kate and I will be up the week after the meeting. We look forward to seeing everyone, doing some fishing and waterskiing, picnics galore, and swimming in the glorious water of Georgian Bay. How fortunate we all are.

From Judy & Bobby Sillers:

Judy and I [Bobby] have had a big year...we have our first grandbaby! Ryan and Scott have the beautiful, intelligent, "two-handed bottle holder" [foretelling of a KILLER two-handed backhand I hope] Emery Claire Sillers. We just baby-sat her for Scott & Ryan to take a well-needed weekend in New Orleans. It was easy! [For me anyway...Judy is an awesome grandmother!]. Scott's job as a commercial lender is going well, and Ryan is teaching 'Bar' whenever Emery says it is OK!

Rebecca got her Masters in Data Analytics from Wake Forest in early May, and started working already, yesterday, at Neiman-Marcus in the Data Analytics group working with the buyers. We are VERY proud of her...and only hope that she doesn't spend MORE than her take-home pay using her employee discount. The loud scream you may hear all the way to the Georgian Bay is when we cut her off from our Amazon prime account...can you spell "child abuse"??????

We have been on lots of trips – Hawaii, Galapagos [my screen name on all those Russian web-sites is now "The Blue-Footed Bobby"], Machu Picchu, Possum Kingdom Lake, sailing with Leon and Jeff, Heather and Erin [sounds confusing, it was a BALL] in Martinique...And those crazy, funny, unsafe things Jeff did on his video of his solo-trip on the Georgian Bay? It is no different on the Caribbean!

Judy's wedding business is still going great. She gets new cars [as did Rebecca], I get the hand me-downs. BUT, I did buy a new bicycle.

We miss Meemaw and Peepaw [Ginny and Don] – holidays and ICFC are just not the same without them.

Judy and I will be in camp the last 2 weeks of July and the first week of August. That is 3 omelet days, 9 egg days, and 8 pancake days I believe!

From Tallie & Wally Sloan:

Wally, Tallie, CJ, Ellis and Jay Douglass spent the early part of Mother's Day weekend at Iron City. Here's our checklist: Frost on the boardwalk. Cold wind. Plenty of sunshine. Dunk in the bay. (Water Temp 52F). Camp is off to a slow start due to ice being out a mere 2 weeks ago, so we'll need to give the crews as much time as they need for cleanup. While no big trees or limbs are down per usual, we have never seen so many pinecones! Impossible to count them on the front lawn and beach - hundreds of thousands! All sizes and shapes.

Minnows are hatching, frogs are croaking, ducks, geese, loons, minks (and yes - red squirrels) are prevalent - we encourage all to come to ICFC early, often and forever.

Our extended family will be in and out all summer - hope to see you all.

From Anne & George Stronach:

We old retired folks are enjoying life. A highlight of our year was a trip to Peru in September. George and Devon joined us for an Amazon River cruise. Peru is wonderful but getting there is not! 2nd highlight was Heath and Tricia Boucek's wedding in Tampa in October, when a great time was had by all! In November all of the family joined us in Islamorada for Thanksgiving - a first. Now we are looking forward to granddaughter Porter's graduation from Cape Fear Academy, and to seeing lots of Brammer's at IC this summer - first time in a while. I could brag about our grandchildren, who have done wonderful and interesting things, but will leave that to their parents.

We plan to head up about week before camp opens, stay a few days into camp, and then return later in July when our children come.

From Devon & George Stronach:

We are looking forward to seeing everyone this summer. Our plans are to be in camp hopefully the last week of July through the first week of August. Thomas is 12 and will be starting 8th grade in the fall. Colin is 10 and will be entering the 5th grade.

From Carrie & Kevin Sullivan:

The Sullivan's will be in camp from July 28th-August 5th. We can't wait for a week on the Bay with family and friends. The best time of the year!

From Elizabeth & Nate Vinton:

The Steffey Vintons are settling well in Dedham. We moved here from New York in September. I work at the Harvard School of Public Health in the Department of Global Health and Population on China research. Nate is at McKinsey and Company enjoying his work. Our girls are at amazing ages - new words, concepts and ideas everyday. They love doing Aunt Katherine's nails! It's so nice to be close to family. We look forward to being on the bay from late July to early August.

From Lindsay & Matt Weissberg:

The Weissbergs are looking forward to another great summer on the bay, and to introducing our newest addition Louisa Skye to ICFC! We'll be in camp the weekend of July 28th to drop Teddy off at Hurontario, and then return the following weekend (August 5) for our weeklong vacation.

From Susie & Tim Williams:

As the leaves turn green and spring flowers bloom, we begin to turn our thoughts to ICFC. Tim and I will be heading to camp for a few days pre-season to "open" the cabin, look for squirrel nests, catch a mouse and enjoy our back porch. Several families will be in our cabin before we return on July 26. Four of our grandsons will be attending Hurontario. Tim and I will be their "backstop" for the two weeks. Their parents will arrive to pick them up on August 9 and everyone will stay for at least a few days. That will be baby Louisa's first time in camp!

From Barbara & David Wright:

The Wright family is eager to get up to Iron City (!!!) and will be there off and on from late July through the 2nd week of August, starting with Lisa and Allie Wright. Katie will be attending Glen Bernard camp in the Algonquin Park area where her mother and grandmother went to camp. Katie and Dave are coming in early August along with the Lusk family.

It was a busy year. A fall trip to Portugal followed by a renovation project that we hope is wrapping up? In the future our Iron City guests in Pittsburgh will no longer freeze in the guest room or fall down in the shower. In April we went with Nikki, Nate and Henry Lusk to Amsterdam and London. Henry was a great tourist, walking miles and miles every day. We are off to David's 50th college reunion and then to Iron City for Memorial Day weekend.

We hope our summer days will be spent with family and friends and that we will all enjoy long days with beautiful blue skies and rain only at night!

From Lisa and Dave Wright:

The DC Wrights had a fun winter. The highlight was a visit by the gold medal-winning women's hockey team. Katie had the opportunity to play with the team, and both girls met the players and held their medals! We are all excited for our ICFC vacation. Katie is going to Glen Bernard Camp, where both Lisa and her mother were campers, for the first time this year. Allie and Lisa will be in camp from 7/21 until 8/12. Dave will arrive 7/28 and Katie will join us on 8/6. See you soon!

Important Information

ICFC Web-site Home Page: www.Icfc.net

The ICFC web site is rich with information including the 2018 Events Calendar, currency exchange rates, helpful links, and more. You will need the username and password, found on page 6 of the Yearbook.

Your 2018 ICFC Yearbook is also filled with helpful information that can answer almost any question you have before/during and after your Iron City vacation.

Pages 64-65 outline Fire Emergency and Medical First Responder Procedures. Please take a look and familiarize yourself.

ICFC Reservations: Planning for over 4000 camper days and 15,000 meals is a monumental task, so please communicate your plans to the office as soon as dates are known. You may make reservations for both in and out of season stays by accessing an on-line reservation form (upper left corner on the website home page). Or you may click on the links below:

- [Cottage Rentals^{\[SEP\]}](#) • [In Season Reservations^{\[SEP\]}](#) • [Off-Season Reservations^{\[SEP\]}](#) •

You may also make reservations by downloading the following form

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

and sending it via email to ICFC@vianet.ca or by fax (1-705-375-0405).

Cottage opening, closing and cleaning

Getting cottages open in the Spring, closed in the Fall, and cleaned during season is a big job, and requires a lot of juggling to meet members' expectations. For opening cottages, please plan to give Lisa Gregoire at least 3 weeks notice by phone (705-375-5633) or email (moeandlisa@live.ca) so she can schedule appropriately, and give her as much advance notice as possible for in-season cleanings.

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. Passports are required for all border crossings from the US to Canada – ground or air.

http://travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html

Note: VISAs and or other forms of ID are required for persons FLYING into Canada. Canadian and US citizens are exempt from the provisions of the law. This rule applies to air travel only and not to car entry or entry by bus and train. Information on this issue can be found on: <http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/apply-who.asp>

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.

Fishing License / Outdoor Card: In addition to a fishing license for individuals 18 and older, you also need an OUTDOORS CARD issued by the Ministry of Natural Resources. You must have the card with you for a streamlined purchase of a fishing license. For information and to purchase a card, visit:

<http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/en/Business/LetsFish/index.html> Both the Outdoors Card and fishing license may be purchased from Lisa 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. To acquire a card, visit <http://www.theoperatorcard.com>.

Internet & Phone Service:

The club is no longer able to offer Internet access for members. This will require members and guests to make their own arrangements with cellular carrier companies for both voice and data service. Please see **page 11 in the 2018 ICFC Yearbook** for expanded cellular Internet access options.

Georgian Bay Association

Here are some useful links from the Georgian Bay Association. One is tips on cottage opening and one is for water levels. The [ICFC website](#) features comprehensive list of activities around the Bay this summer, compiled By Gregg Scott. Visit <https://www.gblt.org/> to learn more.

<http://www.georgianbayassociation.com/cottage-opening-10-safety-tips-you-want-to-see/>

<http://www.georgianbayassociation.com/weekly-water-levels-report/>

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