

ICFC



Back Bay Bilge

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

From Dan & Nancy Abramson:

This year flew by. Nancy finally adjusted to full-day kindergarten after a few months, and has found plenty of activities to occupy her time. Robert had no trouble adjusting to full-day kindergarten, loving everything about school except having to sit “criss-cross-applesauce” for too long. Daniel transitioned to a new school for third-grade and has had a great year. Dan will finish up a Master’s degree in August and it cannot come soon enough, as he has been taking classes in his “spare time” when not busy with work and family. Still working out our dates, but we hope to be at Iron City sometime in late July/early August, overlapping with family. All of us look forward to catching up with Iron City friends.

From Lee & Mary Ellen Alexander:

Our cottage will be busy beginning June 24th. Lee, Mary Ellen and probably Jenny will be there for at least 2 weeks. There will be others from time to time throughout the season and on into September. We are ready for our time with friends on the bay!

From Cynn timer Anderson & Jerry Rampelberg:

Cynn timer Anderson & Jerry Rampelberg will be opening camp up with the 50 or so other "elders" who qualify for the "Elite" Eric Williams cocktail party and barbecue..... We are avidly doing a rain dance to help increase water level so we won't be walking in from Huckleberry!!! Looking forward to seeing everyone for another fabulous summer of fishing, looping, boating, reading, catching up & putting, yoga, tennis & game playing....

Rah Rah Ray....Here's to more fun on Georgian Bay !!!

From Duncan & Janet Anderson:

Duncan, Janet, Kristen, and Courtney had a great family trip to the BVI in January with Duncan captaining. Duncan and Janet attended E & Y International Growth Conference in Palm Springs in November where Duncan won an entrepreneur award. We had a fabulous time with Milligan's in Palm Beach in February, and went to the Sony Open at Key Biscayne in April. Kristen has been promoted to Manager of Business Intelligence at her company and in her spare time she's the leading receiver on her coed football team. Courtney is on the bike racing team at Hamilton, is doing triathlon training, and will be interning with a Maryland Congressman this summer. Janet is playing lots of bridge. Duncan had knee surgery and has taken up knitting.

We look forward to seeing everyone at camp Wednesday July 31 through Wednesday August 7.

From Lainey Anderson:

It seems my body warranty had expired, so I am the proud new owner of a shiny new hip. It took a long time to get correctly diagnosed and then I ultimately had the operation. Then followed several months of rehab. I am happy to report life is much better with the new hip. I managed a couple of trips to England to visit friends and one trip to see friends in Ireland. Shari King and I are driving up to camp towards the end of June. I will leave ICFC to attend my niece Tess Kelbaugh's wedding on Lopez Island.

From Manly & Cathie Applegate:

Manly and Cathie's recent family highlights were a visit to Maine for Christmas with George, Emily and Dave's wonderful wedding with dear friends and family, and spending Easter on Nantucket with Amos, Mary, Alfred and A.J. where we were able to watch A.J. take his first steps. Golf is a consistent theme with most trips so many visits to South Carolina to keep Manly's game going. Fortunately he can work from afar and have Sam, his partner in the Bellingham, Washington Morgan Stanley office, serve as back-up. We all look forward to the Fourth of July trip to ICFC for some special father/son activities with Sam and Oscar and Amos and Alfred all together for the first time. In fact, we expect quite a lot of activity on the hill then with Sam Fritz and Caroline and Landon Alexander in camp too. Headed to Seabrook early May to celebrate 20 year wedding anniversary and of course, that includes more golf.

From Andy & Nan Bennett:

It has been a busy year for the A. Bennett's between school, sports, work and the college process. Parker is finishing high school at Shady Side Academy playing his final season of baseball. He is headed to Holy Cross in Worcester, MA in the fall for college, but is still on the wait list for Middlebury College and Colgate. Sanders is finishing her sophomore year at Fox Chapel High School and along with being busy with homework, competed in cross country, swimming and track. Harper graduates from Dorseyville Middle School this spring and joins Sanders next fall at FC High School. She played soccer, basketball and track for the middle school and is planning to do so at the high school level as well. It is hard to believe that we will have one in college and the youngest in high school.....where does the time go! Nan and I stayed busy with work and trying to keep up with the kids and all their activities.

We plan to be in camp from July 20th to August 3rd. Hope to see many of you on the Bay!

From Dave & Christine Bennett:

Dave and Christine Bennett are planning to be in Camp in early August, but it's hard to say which kids will be free to join us. Stewart has started a new job and hopes to sneak out for a week. At this point he can't be certain. John is working a part-time internship but has developed a lucrative side-business in dog/house sitting, so the vacation season may be busy for him. Hallie will be earning grad school credit in a summer assignment, but hopes to make it to the Bay for a brief stay at the end of Camp.

Dave Sr. plans to make an appearance for an extended weekend at the July/August change-over, once we can work out the family logistics. He has missed the last 2 summers and is eager to return.

Speaking not only for the Dave Bennetts but our extended family, we would like to thank everyone who has extended their sympathies in Charde's passing. The waves of cards, calls, and contributions to the Endowment Fund have been a touching tribute to Mom and a gracious reminder of the caring bonds we all share in Iron City. In response to that spirit and generosity, our families have decided to match contributions made in memory of Mom with our own contributions to the ICFC Endowment Fund, as her investment for future generations.

From Joe & Allie Bonidy:

The Bonidy's are doing well! We look forward to spending a week at Iron City from August 3rd-10th. Allie and the kids will most likely be there a few days prior to the 3rd. Caroline will start 3rd grade next fall, Ben will start 1st and Eliza will start pre-k! Things are always busy:-)

From Dick Boak & Susan Ellis:

Dick, Susan, Emily and Grace will be joining the extended Crawford clan for a Crawford-Boak family reunion at ICFC on July 11th through the 14th (roughly). Big news is that Emily is graduating from Blair will be headed to the University of Chicago in the fall. Tentatively, or ICFC dates are July 8 through the 15th, but that might change.

From Braden & Monica Boucek:

We just got back from an awesome trip to the Everglades where Shepherd and Gracie Belle were able to meet their Great Grammy (Bob's mom) and fish with their grandfather !

We will most likely be in camp the last week of July.....because Shepherd will start kindergarten the first week of August. We can hardly believe it!

From Ted & Darcy Branch:

Darcy, Kelsey, Karbon & Ted will be up for Memorial Day weekend. Riley is planning to head south to Key West for summer work & fun with friends from school. Kelsey will be working as a camp counselor at Chautauqua Institute. We will be back with Paddling Peg from late June through mid July and again as weekends permit.

From Bob & Tracy Bushkoff:

The Bushkoff's are happy to report that we will be in camp from July 13 to July 21. Actually, that would be Bob, Tracy and Becca. Jessie will be in camp all summer as she is going to be working on staff this year! She is very excited. We are looking forward to a few relaxing days on the bay and to seeing all our ICFC friends.

From Todd & Kathy Chapple:

The Chapple's from Colorado are really looking forward to summer as it has been snowing here all spring! Hannah will be working again and is really looking forward to being in camp all summer. We will be arriving early to drop her off and staying through opening. Then, we will return for our annual vacation the last two weeks of July. Can't wait to see you then!

From Rip & Cathy Collins:

Looking forward to a relaxing 3 weeks on the bay. Rip and I will be in camp from July 8th - 28th. We really don't know if the girls will make it this summer. It all depends on their jobs. My mother Ina Sable will be joining us for a week as will my sister Laurie Bushkoff.

Megan has been taking time off from the job search to travel. She and I went to Chicago and Florida in Jan for 10 days. We loved Key West. We'd go back any time!!!!!! Jen has been working as a nursery assistant at the alternative high school. She takes care of the babies while their moms are in school. Jen loves babies so this has been perfect for her. She is taking classes online for now. Ski season has ended so Rip is on summer schedule yeah!!!!!!.

From Frank & Polly Coyle:

Frank and I will be in camp at the beginning, middle and end. We plan to be in camp before it opens, around June 24 to the 28th, the week of July 4th and the end of July to mid-August. You will all be sick of us.

From Chip & Michel Crawford:

Three generations of the WWCs celebrated Chip and Michel's 45th wedding anniversary with a cruise to the Panama Canal. In addition to site seeing we enjoyed beach time and zip-lining through the rain forest canopy in Costa Rica. Haven and Crawford are fearless!

Chip's headed to camp for few days in early May returning with Michel for a week or so either side of the Memorial Day weekend. We will be at IC for a Crawford / Boak Family Reunion from July 10th through the 17th. We return for the first 2 weeks of August. An assortment of Stickers and Borregos will join us in August. We return again for a week or so over Labor Day.

We head to Jackson Hole in mid-June to visit Shannon, Rudy and Mira. We expect to do some white water rafting and bike and hike the Tetons. A visit to Yellowstone is food for the soul.

In February of 2014 we will be camping on Cayamo (Norwegian Pearl) with some IC music lovers (our 3rd time). The genre is 'Americana' a blend singer songwriters playing country, bluegrass, folk, blues, and roots rock. If you're into this type of music, cruising, and having an incredibly fun time, check out the Cayamo website.

We look forward to seeing you and playing on The Bay this summer.

From Fred & Sophia Crawford:

Fred and Sophia Crawford are eagerly looking forward to the Crawford-Boak Cousins Reunion the second weekend of July. Then they will stay on through July until the Semi-Annual Meeting. Lots of kayaking, and reading, and picnicking, and relaxing, and boating, and concerts at the Festival of the Sound.

Alis hopes to join them for the fourth week of July; David won't be free until the early fall - so perhaps a father-son out-of-season trip beckons.

From Scott & Marshall Creighton:

Marshall and Scott are looking forward to being in camp July 22nd until July 29th with Eleanor and Charles. Britt and Porter are sad to miss ICFC this year, but it is hard to fit everything in as the children get older and are more busy with sports, camps, and family travels...They hope to make it up next year!

From Lynn Edgerton:

Ford Edgerton has changed positions. He is now a consultant at Deloitte Consulting, still in Los Angeles. Lauren is still at Paul Capital in San Francisco.

Dr. Kirk Todd had his ninety-second birthday in early April 2013!!! Franny Stewart, and Eric and Laurie Widing flew down to Nashville to celebrate and he loved it!

From Paul & Sara Fritz:

The Fritz family looks forward to enjoying heaven on earth over Memorial Day weekend, end of June/beginning of July, Todd Cup week, and Labor Day weekend. Sam will be joining Uncle David and Gran a week before Leah, Sara, and Paul arrive on July 4th. This arrangement is subject to change if Sam keeps rubbing it in his Philly family's face that he will be at ICFC for two weeks. Everyone is well and can't wait to see ICFC family, catch fish (hopefully), relax on the rocks, and discover shoals last seen in the 19th century.

From George & Wendy Galleher:

Our thoughts have turned to summer and our time in IC. George and I will arrive in camp with Chip, Michel and Chris on July 10th for our Crawford cousin reunion and will stay until the 17th. We will return around the 21st for 2 weeks and will be joined by Elizabeth, Logan, Reid, Porter, Lauren Bill, and Will for 10 days. Our house will be lively for sure. The Williams are living in Sunriver, Oregon and it is wonderful to have them stateside. The Mulcahys are in Fairfield, CT and are enjoying the new experience, except Lauren is ready for spring. We look forward to being on the Bay!

From Rob & Alison Heath:

Alison has been working hard to regain mobility after her accident almost 2 years ago, and to celebrate both her recovery and our 35th anniversary, we will be taking a Lindblad cruise to Alaska in early June. Unfortunately, this will make it unlikely that we will be up at Camp this summer. However, Steven and Erin are getting together with Mei Raley for a big road trip, arriving in Camp in late July. They plan to pick up Stephen Firestone in DC along the way. I am thankful for GPS technology!

From Brian & Leslie Huber:

Brian, Leslie, Campbell & Jamie plan to be in camp in early August and can't wait.

From Jack & Russell Huber:

The Jack/Russell Hubers have been busy dealing with new body parts. While Jack has received the parts, Russell has adopted the persona of "Nurse Ratchett." Jack had a left hip replacement January 11, and was so thrilled with the result and the absence of pain in that hip that he decided to move up his November appointment for the right hip to April 29, when a cancellation in the surgeon's schedule occurred. He is now home a scant 20 hours after surgery, having managed to "spring" himself from the hospital. He is thrilled that he is feeling so good and in no pain. Nurse Ratchett is trying to suggest a slower pace, and has already interrupted a "pruning foray" in the garden.

Jack plans to be in great shape for his 50th Dartmouth reunion this June when we will be staying with Fred and Sophia Crawford in Norwich VT, following a visit with Gary and Kathy Johnson in Boston, with side-trips to the Museum of Fine Arts, Rhode Island School of Design, and Newport. We are looking forward to being back on the Bay, perhaps for opening, but more likely the last week in July and the first couple of weeks in August. The hip surgery and Reunion trip has meant that we will not be in camp Memorial Day. So pleased to hear the reports of improving water conditions.

We are enjoying beautiful Atlanta weather and the garden in spring.

From Bill & Mary Clare Jenks:

Bill and I will arrive on 6/22. It will be great to see everyone.

From Reece Jenkins

This has been a challenging year for our family but one which served as a reminder of the importance of the extended Iron City family to all of us. We all greatly appreciate the support extended by the club members, our American and Canadian cousins.

I relocated from Jackson Hole to Tokyo at the end of last summer, formally closing my adventure sabbatical year. Japan has been a new challenging and fun adventure but I do miss the life of Wyoming, my new home base in the States. Unfortunately, I will not be able to make it to camp this summer since I need to spend time in Jackson finalizing the completion of my new house. I hope to keep in touch with all of you so we can catch up next summer. Rah, Rah, Ray!

From Wally & Laura Jenkins:

We don't have a lot of new life happenings to report other than the fact that we're all a year older. All four of us are doing well in almost all respects, and those areas in which we may be lacking are not worth elaborating. Lilly (age 10) is finishing fourth grade, while Kate (age 8) is in the process of wrapping up second grade. Both girls excel at providing abundant amounts of joy and delight to their parents (80% of the time) and grandparents (99% of the time). As such, we have decided that the girls will stay this age for the next 12 years, thereby skipping the teenage years entirely.

Although this is our August summer at Iron City, we have received a special exemption from the Jenkins Family Scheduling Council. We are planning to arrive at "Sunset" soon after Gail/Marten/Charlie and families depart following their stay during the first few weeks of encampment. The four of us, along with A.J., will be in camp for the last two weeks of July and perhaps into early August. July 18 to August 1 would be a rough guess. Our one certainty at this point is that we will not be arriving on a Sunday. We've promised Lilly that she can fish as soon as we arrive and unpack, so Sunday just won't work. See you on the Sherrill Dock, fishing pole and tackle in hand!

From Gary & Kathy Johnson:

The Johnson family is all well and glad that spring is finally here. Our thoughts have turned to summertime and ICFC of course. Kathy and I hope to be in camp around July 1 for two weeks or so and then back again in August. Ben and Alex are both actively engaged in their chosen fields of advertising for Ben and restaurant management for Alex. We hope that they can get time off and join us at IC for at least some time during this summer. Kathy and I remain very busy at work and home, and are looking forward to some much needed vacation time on the Bay.

From Bruce Lawson:

As I write (May 6), I have just returned from a weekend in New York, where I cycled in the 5 Borough ride. This is a 40 mile ride that starts in lower Manhattan, goes up into the Bronx, then Queens, Brooklyn and ends on Staten Island. I did it with some friends, and we had a great time – although the last 6 or so miles got colder, with strong head winds. Otherwise, a fantastic weekend in the Big Apple.

Otherwise life has been busy. Have done a little traveling so far this year, mostly within Canada, and will be headed out to Vancouver, Victoria & Calgary in mid-June before heading up to camp around opening weekend. I will be in camp for Memorial Day weekend, and then I plan to be in camp as much as possible over the course of the summer, and hoping for at least 1 week in each of July, August & September. Looking forward to summer on the Bay!

From Don & Lorraine Lawson

Lorraine and Donald spent 3 happy winter months in Naples, Florida playing golf and bridge. We enjoyed many good visits with Alice Jane Jenkins during her time there, and were delighted to host her and daughters-in-law, Holly and Laura, for a brunch.

We expect to be in camp for Memorial Day Weekend, and then again in July, probably from July 16 to the 28th. We expect to return again July 31 and stay through most of the rest of camp. Labour Day weekend is also in our plans.

From Nate & Nicki Lusk:

We'll be in camp from August 3rd - 11th and probably over Labor Day weekend. We look forward to seeing everyone!

From Betsy Martin:

In April I met my first great-grandchild, Marley Coyle, in Brooklyn. What a charmer, as I am sure you will agree when you meet her at Iron City this summer. In late January, with the help of my four children, I moved from my historic house in Crafton, PA to an apartment in the Shadyside section of Pittsburgh. I'm now close enough to walk to classes at the Osher Institute for Lifelong Learning at CMU and to walk to my church, the First Unitarian, but I do miss my garden.

From David & Karen Mills:

Rah Rah Ray from the Mills clan- scattered about the Western Hemisphere. David and I have been spending more time in Chile enjoying our herd of rescued dogs, the company of our Chilean friends and a steady stream of Canadian visitors. Castillo Verde is becoming the unofficial Canadian Consulate in Pirque.

Jordan has been busy preparing for school in London- making furniture and sculpture and learning stone carving from the Chilean master sculptor Francisco Gazitua. We look forward to his future success so we can retire by selling all the "prototypes" we have collected.

Ben is moving up in Public Art Management- a new Vice-President and taking on the direction of some of our really challenging projects. I am usually stuck dealing with contracts and development plans so he has moved into the fun part. I love working with him.

Sarah continues to make documentary films and always seems to be on a plane going somewhere. We sometimes manage to catch her for a meal and that is always great fun. The beauty of a home in South America is the matter of opposite seasons- we enjoy spring, summer and early fall year round. It also means that the (hopefully) rainy Chilean summer (July and August) can be abandoned as we stay at Iron City for long periods in the summer, starting in early July.

From Susan Kinnear Nuel:

I decided in January that it was time for a move. During the week of April 8, the NJ house sold, the MA house was purchased, I turned 60 and my car hit 200,000 miles. It was a very bizarre week. Stephanie and Stacy both advised on the new house purchase, tramping around properties in the freezing cold. Isaac came too and managed to fall into a foundation that had just been dug. Boy was he surprised.

Stephanie had another great year at Williams, still rowing, majoring in Math. She will be working in camp as bookkeeper this summer, maybe using some of her math, arithmetic at least. Her rowing machine will make yet another trip to the bay. Stacy is finishing her first year at St. Paul's. She played soccer in the fall, intramural ice hockey in the winter, and is a coxswain on the rowing crew this spring and loving it all. She will be going to Italy with her grandfather in June.

We will be in camp for opening and then at random times during the summer.

From Richard & Elizabeth Parker:

I will let Bob and Pam give you an update on their five children and grandson, Dominic. I am sure they will be in Iron City for an extended stay this summer as I know they really missed being there last summer. I think Tom and Nicole may be in Iron City at some point too with their new baby Philip. Clare and I were in camp last August and had a wonderful time seeing many of our friends and I wish we could get back this summer but I just don't see an opening that will work for us together. I am working on having a Parker family "reunion" up there some time but that too is hard to coordinate with everyone going in so many different directions

To fill you in on the Parker news – both of Richard's sons have given us grandsons in the past year. Ned and Tracy had Desmond in June, 2012 and Will and Meg just had baby John in March. I know both little boys will grow up to be great fishermen like their dads. Speaking of fishing – Ned Parker (and his business Breckenridge Outfitters) was just named the "Orvis Outfitter of the Year." So if there is anyone out there in need of fishing equipment, or would like to book one of Ned's guiding trips you can check out his website at www.breckenridgeoutfitters.com.

My young ladies, Sarah and Clare Trautvetter, are happy and involved in very busy lives on either side of the country. Sarah started Traut Landscape Studio two years ago and has been busy designing for clients in the DC / Georgetown / Baltimore areas, with one or two jobs in NC and beyond. During her down time this winter, when it was too cold to do installations, she painstakingly wrote and illustrated a children's book which she is hoping to get published. Clare is still enjoying life in southern California. She will be running a children's tennis program at a club in the hills above Beverly Hills – returning for her tenth summer. She ran the LA Marathon in March in 3:34 and she is determined to run Boston next year. Anyone in the Boston area can let her know that they will be cheering her on. We were all stunned by the events this year but are not going to let that turn us away. There is nothing better than Patriots' Day in Boston and I think the Bostonians showed the world what their mettle is worth.

Richard and I are very busy with our respective jobs – thanks heavens the real estate business is picking up, so we are eating again after several very lean years. The Ballet continues to do well artistically but we are always looking for the next big donation. It is a struggle but somehow year after year we survive. I am fortunate to have a job I love.

Our mother, Mary Applegate Fisher, has a fairly significant birthday this June – I will not say how old, but those of you who know her will figure it out (we think she is the oldest member of ICFC). She goes to the health facility at their club three times a week and works out with Jim Kinnear. After a bad fall at the end of last summer, she is doing remarkably well. Sadly, her brother, Bobby Applegate, died in October and Sammy (her younger brother) has had some health issues. He lives in Searchlight, Nevada, but definitely made his presence known in Iron City many years ago.

My younger brothers – George and Douglas Reigeluth – have 4 and 3 children respectively and I think they are all out of college. It is hard to keep track with all the graduate programs they are involved in. Two of George's boys are married and he has two granddaughters, and one of Douglas' sons is married. I send all best wishes to everyone for a joyous summer on Georgian Bay and hope to get there in 2014. Happy Canada!

From Kent & Amy Patton:

Spain has been a large part of this year for the Patton Family. Jed (24) took a position teaching conversational English with a high school and tutoring in Ourense for the year, and Katie (20) studied in Granada for the Fall Semester. Not to be left out, Kent, Amy and Lilli (15) went to visit over Thanksgiving. We had a whirlwind tour of Southern Spain with Katie and then drove up to NW Spain to visit Jed. A wonderful time. Amy joined the local tennis club this year and has immensely enjoyed her foray into USTA tournaments. Lilli played varsity soccer, tennis and JV basketball this year and her year-round soccer team is off to Sweden this summer to play for the Gothia Youth World Cup – a big adventure! Katie had another fun season on the Pacific Lutheran University tennis team and we got to enjoy some of her games over Spring Break in LA. She has decided on a Business major, Spanish minor as she ends her Sophomore year.

We look forward to reconnecting with friends on Georgian Bay from July 30 to August 7!

From Bryan & Aubrey Phillips:

The Phillips Family Five will be in camp both at the beginning and end of camp. Jack is looking forward to his second year on staff. Liza and Carly are looking forward to logging many camper days and being chauffeured around the bay. We are accepting any and all applications for chauffeur! I would like to go fishing and Bryan wants to kayak to American Camp--not really, but sounds good. Can't wait to see many of you there. Rah rah ray!

From Cary & Richard Reed:

Thank you to everyone who sent a note of condolence and offered their thoughts and prayers following Mom's death. Dad is doing very well and, although we miss Mom terribly, we are glad to know she is at peace. Richard and I plan to be in Iron City in time for camp to open on Wednesday, June 26th, and we will stay until Tuesday, July 2nd. We will return on July 30th and remain until August 14th. Bennett, Rosy, Carly and Mac will all be coming at some point during our visit in August. We can't wait to see everyone. Until June!!!

From Dave & Meg Schrier:

Meg and Dave Schrier welcomed Madeline Elizabeth Steffey Schrier on May 3rd. They are overjoyed by the new addition!

In January, Meg accepted a job at Harvard University as their sports dietitian for their 42 varsity teams, wellness and recreation departments. Prior, she was working in local hospital as an inpatient dietitian and starting a private nutrition practice specializing in celiac and other gastro-intestinal disorders. Dave has moved on to the IT world of pharmaceuticals and accepted a new position as a business analyst last year. He loves the change of being out of the research lab. They look forward to getting Maddie to Iron City sometime in late July.

From Billy & Berta Schroeder:

All is well here in Charlotte! Berta and I are fine, working hard and still trying to get used to the quiet around the house as Maggie is completing her freshman year at Christopher Newport University in Newport News, VA. We were all fortunate to have a healthy winter and look forward to having her home this summer.

Maggie continued her Irish dancing as a freshman, competed and qualified for the World Championships again in December, but decided not to train and compete further due to the demands of school and her new sorority. She joined Gamma Phi Beta and her sorority graciously included a "senior" GPB in their pinning ceremony. My mom Nancy Schroeder – Gamma Phi Beta at University of Wisconsin [I'm not giving the date – you're welcome Mom!!] It was quite a treat for both and especially neat as Maggie's Great Grandmother – Mimi [ICFC's Polly Succop] was also a GPB at Syracuse – the founding chapter.

My mom is doing well and would love to hear from any of you via her [email-nschroeder@comporium.net](mailto:nschroeder@comporium.net).

News on the family front – my nephew Jeffery Diebold [sister Linda Hewitt's son] and Erin welcomed their first child – Cate – this past April and are relocating from DC to the Raleigh area where he will be teaching at NCSU.

Melissa Diebold Ward and her husband Carter are also well and still in Winston-Salem with their daughter Caroline. Linda and Larry are also well.

We are looking forward to coming up to camp with Maggie around the first 2 weeks of July and can't wait to be with our "IC family" again – on the boardwalk...in the boats...on the islands...in the dining hall...on the porches...Rah Rah Ray!!

From Alex & Cris Scott:

We are all looking forward to another summer on the bay. Carrie and Kevin Sullivan will be coming the beginning of August for a week and introducing baby Abby to Iron City. Allie, Joe and their three will also be there the first week in August. AND the newlyweds, David and Emily, and also Will are all returning around August 4th till the 11th. Alex and Cris plan to come up for the 4th of July week and then back the end of July/Aug for two weeks. Also planning on a Labor Day weekend escape. Rah Rah Ray!

From Dave & Emily Scott:

Emily Bergland and I were happily married on December 31st, 2012 and are currently preparing to move from New York City to Pittsburgh on May 23rd. We will be in camp this summer for around 12 days in the beginning of August.

From Rob Scott:

Rob Scott and Kate Scott expect to be in camp between the dates of July 31 to August 8. Joanie, Warren, Coco, Samantha and Elle Maxwell will be joining us for most of the time. This will be Samantha's (1+yr) and Elle's (-1yr) first visit to ICFC and they are very excited. We look forward to seeing many friends and enjoying time on the Bay as always.

From Bobby & Judy Sillers:

Hard to believe, Rebecca is going off to COLLEGE! North Carolina State in Raleigh. She is ready to leave high school, and get on with a wonderful fashion merchandising and textiles program at NC State. We are excited that George and Devon Stronach are only 40 minutes away in Wilson, NC! Rebecca will be bringing a 'friend', Jordan, up with her to Iron City in the early to middle part of August.

Scott has been promoted at his bank, and now works in the commercial credit group. He is doing LOTS of Excel work, in his role of analyzing and presenting loan requests to the loan committee. Scott and I both work for the same bank now. Scott will be bringing a 'friend' as well. The small quote marks around 'friend' mean, you know, a girl friend. We look forward to welcoming Ryan to ICFC, also in early to mid-August.

Judy's wedding planning business [great pics on www.parkcitiasevents.com] is going great guns. She and her business partner have done about 10 weddings so far, and have about 12 more already contracted. She works VERY hard, and is great at it. Judy does about 10 'things' a week for her multiple in-laws and parents. You know the old saying...If you want something done give it to a busy person? That is Judy...

Bobby? Work, tennis, work, tennis.
Riley and Jasper? Bark, drool, bark, drool.

Rah rah ray! We look forward to seeing everyone in early August!

From John & Lisie Sillers:

The Austin Sillers clan is doing well and is looking forward to Iron City -- we start looking forward to summer generally the day we leave Iron City.

After graduation from Mount Holyoke, Anna Sillers spent last summer living with her grandfather, Jake Brown, in Boston. Much to his disappointment, she moved to her own apartment in Somerville and is working as a writer for an online marketing and web content company in Boston. She sees her Boston relatives regularly and it is great to have her close to them. She also sees her Iron City buddies and lives blocks away from Brita Bergland.

Arthur is wrapping up his sophomore year at Reed College in Portland and has enjoyed all that Portland offers. He is working on campus as part of the Reed Sound Collective -- Reed's sound and tech crew for performances.

Diehl is just about finished with his junior year in high school and is disappointed not to be on the bay for the entire summer this year. He will head to West Texas for part of the summer working with the Nature Conservancy on some animal tracking projects they have in progress.

Diehl and I have decided to embark on a mother-son driving adventure and will drive to Iron City this summer visiting friends and colleges along the way. We are mapping our trek and will be excited to head out around July 20. The ride home may not be as fun and will probably be a lot quieter.

John and I are headed to Italy for 10 days in June to catch up on several years of celebrations that never seemed to take place -- 50th birthdays, 25 years of marriage, etc. We are planning on some site seeing, bike riding, and relaxing. John is working for a division of Alcatel-Lucent, developing software and enjoying it very much. I am just finishing my first year in graduate school at the Seminary of the Southwest in their Center for Christian Ministry and Vocation program. I am also continuing my work in grant writing and fundraising for non-profits in Austin.

We are carefully counting the days to Iron City and will be there from about July 27 to August 10.

From Wally & Tallie Sloan:

Wally, Tallie and Eric will arrive for our first trip May 24 for Memorial Day -- one of our famous long weekends from Thursday through Thursday. Wally and Tallie back again a few days before opening through at least July 10 -- the Slobberfest!

Then early August meeting time, then late August/early September, then late September/October.

Tallie has been working hard for commissary -- get ready for great meals.

Let's do a rain dance and hope for high water!

From Stewart & Hilde Steffey:

Stewart, Hilde and Eliza (2 years) will be up in late July again. Can't wait to see everyone.

From Charlie & Franny Stewart:

Franny and I are on our way to Ghana today (May 15) to meet Chas who has been studying and traveling there for his college spring semester. We will spend four days there meeting his host parents (urban and rural) and seeing the sights, after which we fly to Tanzania for a 9-day hike up Kilimanjaro on the Lemosho route.

Chas's summer job as a leader for Overland begins in June and then he will return to the University of Puget Sound for his senior year.

Our summer plans on the bay are not firm as of this moment, but we hope to be there for the annual meeting in August.

From Kyle & Bryce Stricker:

We just returned from a 10 day Panama Cruise to celebrate my parents' 45th wedding anniversary. It was fun spending time with my parents and Shannon, Rudy and Mira. This time of year is great for us as we get to see my parents often on their travels to and from ICFC.

We have our summer plans firmed up. In July, we are doing some adventure traveling with the kids. We will be spending time traveling through Vietnam and also visiting China. Crawford and Kyle will likely not be in camp in-season. Crawford will be at Camp Hurontario for the month of August and Kyle has to work at gift-shows in August. Haven, on the other hand, will be in camp with my parents from August 1st to the 17th and can't wait. I plan to spend 7 days in camp during that time. We also plan to be at ICFC for Labour Day weekend and hopefully another weekend in June. Looking forward to seeing our ICFC friends and family.

From George & Anne Stronach:

Our year was pretty uneventful (i.e.: no surgeries☺). We enjoyed time at Beech Mountain, NC, and in Islamorada FL this winter, and had some good times with all the grandchildren. We had a wonderful Christmas in Virginia with the Abramson's and sister Shari and Dick. We were excited to meet Rob and Allison's grandson Huilin in Tampa in Jan - he is adorable! We plan to go to IC before camp opens and stay a few days into the season. Then return mid-season to be with family.

With my sisters' permission, and at the urging of their niece Nancy, I will relay some news of their families. With Bob's retirement approaching, the Boucek's house in Seattle is on the market, and they are looking at real estate in Nashville. As always, they will spend a lot of time at IC, but exactly when will depend on the sale of their house. Jenny recently returned to Nashville to receive the distinguished alumnus award from the University School.

Carole Brammer will be at IC for the first part of the season. She has spent a lot of time traveling to watch talented granddaughter Jessie play volleyball.

Barbara and Carole were the most youthful ladies at their 50th high school reunion in New Orleans in March ☺

Shari King will arrive in camp on June 22nd.

From George & Devon Stronach:

We will be in camp from about July 27th to Aug. 3rd. Thomas, age 7 and Colin, age 5 are keeping us busy. We are all excited to see our friends at Iron City!

From Kevin & Carrie Sullivan:

Our big news is that we welcomed Abigail "Abby" Jane Sullivan on October 21st, 2012. We are settling into life with a baby and having fun!!! We can't wait for Abby's first trip to the bay this summer. Abby and I will be there around July 27th/28th for two weeks and Kevin will arrive the weekend of August 3rd for a week. We are looking forward to seeing everyone and we are hoping to dominate in shuffleboard this summer.

From Matt & Lindsay Weissberg:

The extended Reed family now has its fourth Malcolm - this time it's Malcolm Conroy Weissberg! Matt, Lindsay and Teddy welcomed little Mac to our family on August 25, 2012. Teddy is eager to introduce his little brother to Iron City this summer. We'll be up the second full week of August - most likely from the 10th until the 17th. We're already excited!

From Eric Williams:

Eric Williams has had a quiet winter this year, but is looking forward to summer. On the agenda, a two week driving tour of New England in early June. It will be my first trip to NE since 1982. I spent a lot of time there in the 60's and early 70's, but I have not returned since. Then, I intend to drive to Iron City on June 23, have my annual steak dinner on June 25, and stay until July 11. I then return to Pittsburgh until early August when I return to Iron City. No dates set yet.

In early September, I head to Seattle for a week to see Devon Sawin get married and see my stepson, Darrin. I am currently taking art courses and am applying to become an Art Docent at Carnegie Art Museum in the Fall.

From David & Barbara Wright:

The Wright's have had a busy year. A nice trip to Spain in the Fall, and a lot of travel for work and pleasure all winter. Barbara & David and dog Oscar are sorry to miss Memorial Day at Iron City, but are eager to come in mid June. The Wright's and Lusk's are all planning to be in Camp in early August, and we hear Katie (6) and Allie (1 1/2 years old) Wright are eager to stroll the boardwalk and hang out at the store. We look forward to being with family and friends and hope that the weather and fishing will be good for all!

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 Jim Beatty as soon as dates are known.

Here is the reservation form (while you are thinking about this):

[<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:

In addition to the "headline" items which follow, the ICFC web-site is rich with information including the 2013 Events Calendar, currency exchange rates, new links to bay area associations, and more.

[www.icfc.net]

You will need the username and password which are on page 6 of the Yearbook.

Friendly Reminder: Canada is requiring lots of paperwork to cross the border, fish, and to operate a boat. Please be aware of the following:

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. If the expiration date is before September, contact your local Post Office immediately and start the renewal process as soon as possible. It normally takes 4 to 6 weeks. 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 by 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. Keep it in a safe place. It is good for life.

ICFC Communications Committee

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