

SUMMER CAMP 2014



Picturesque Site

- 100 country like wooded acres including 2 lakes in the heart of the Greenbelt
- 3 Olympic sized swimming pools
- Multi-purpose athletic fields including baseball field
- Shaded picnic areas and playgrounds
- Outdoor basketball, volleyball and Ga-Ga courts
- Outdoor amphitheater
- Archery Range
- Ropes Challenge Course



For information visit camp.sijcc.org or call 718.475.5231/5232

Dear Camp Families,

In today's world with everyone connected with ipads, phones, Wii and Xbox we offer a way for your child to disconnect and experience nature, friendship, exercise and socialization in real life with real memories and real friendships.

For more than 80 years, the JCC of Staten Island has provided a summer camp experience for thousands of children guided by the principles of safety, fun, discovery, friendship, and values.

Our staff lies at the center of the camp's success. Staff is screened for maturity, creativity, a sense of responsibility and spirit. They are required to attend pre-camp trainings that emphasize children's safety and well-being and stresses their important role of encouraging campers to reach their full potential and discover talents they never knew existed within them.

Your child's summer camp schedule will be packed with a wide range of activities ranging from baseball and soccer to music, arts and crafts, animal encounter and daily swim. Spectacular weekly shows and special event days are sure to enthrall the children.

Relationship building and developing a warm, caring community are core components of our camp philosophy. Friendships formed during the summer last long after camp ends.

We have a picturesque 100 acre campsite nestled in Staten Island's Greenbelt that features 3 Olympic sized pools, multi-purpose athletic fields, archery range, boating ponds, an outdoor theatre and a state of the art Ropes challenge course.

Our camp is American Camping Association accredited, ensuring that we are committed to providing your child with a safe and nurturing environment.

We recognize the role that camp plays in a child's development and work tirelessly to make your child's experience at JCC camp a rich and rewarding one.

We encourage you to read our brochure, visit our camp website and contact us to learn more about our camp where your child will build memories that last a lifetime.

Glenn & Stephanie

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The success of any camp depends on the quality of its counselors and supervisors.

We go to great lengths to get the very best!

Our staff features:

- JCC PROFESSIONAL staff supervising each program and age group
- ENERGETIC, devoted, child-friendly counselors and unit directors, many of whom were JCC campers themselves
- Trained specialists with **EXPERTISE** in their fields
- **CPR AND FIRST-AID CERTIFIED** unit directors and assistant directors
- On-site medical office staffed with full time EMT/RN
- Extensive pre-camp and on-going training in the areas of child development, supervision, child safety, and camper sensitivity
- **HIGH STAFF RETENTION RATE** with most of our counselors returning to re-experience the magic of camp and many of whom work year round in the JCC Youth Department

Superior Staff



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We offer swim twice daily under the direction of the Lenny Krayzelburg Swim Academy. Lenny Krayzelburg is a four time Olympic Gold Medalist who has taught water SAFETY to thousands of children. Krayzelburg's method focuses on providing campers with CONFIDENCE and safety in and out of the water in addition to mastering new SKILLS.

Lenny Krayzelburg Swim Academy



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Sports Instruction

With tons of options, campers take part in a **SPORTS EXTRAVAGANZA!** With popular offerings such as baseball, soccer, football, basketball, volleyball, and unique sports such as ga-ga, archery, ropes challenge course and martial arts. Campers learn new skills, discover **STRENGTHS** and talents and build **CONFIDENCE** in their athletic abilities. Taught by high quality and well trained sport specialists, the sports programs provide campers with an understanding of game rules and teach the **VALUES** of **RESPECT, TEAMWORK** and **GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP.**



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Camp is a place for a child's **IMAGINATION** and **CREATIVITY** to shine. We offer a wide variety of cultural arts programs that tap into all the senses including **ARTS & CRAFTS**, **MUSIC**, **DRAMA**, **NATURE**, **ANIMAL ENCOUNTER** and **FUN WITH FOOD**. So whether you're a future Picasso, Academy Award winner or the next American Idol, there is something for you at our camp.

Cultural Arts



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Trips

Camp is an **AMAZING JOURNEY** as campers trek to some of the area's most **ENTERTAINING** amusement destinations. Depending on the age of the camper, the summer calendar is sure to include stops at **AMUSEMENT** and **WATER PARKS**, **PROFESSIONAL SPORTING EVENTS**, **ZOOS** and **MORE** such as Great Adventure, Dorney Park, Club Getaway overnight, Hershey Park, movies, roller skating, bowling, Broadway show, Sesame Place, Camel Beach, Funplex, Funtime America, Hurricane Harbor, Turtleback Zoo and professional baseball game.



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Campers are **CAPTIVATED** and **AMAZED** with incredible shows such as Improv Show, Super Sloppy Camp Challenge, the traveling Israeli Caravan Musical Troupe and Extreme Magic.

They are kept **FASCINATED** by one of a kind, hands on **WORKSHOPS** with fun themes such as circus arts, archeological digs, drum circles and frisbee tricks all instructed by professionals in the field. Camp is also highlighted with weekly **SPECIAL EVENTS** such as carnivals, Maccabi games, **COMMUNITY SERVICE** days, semi-formal dances, Israel day and parent visiting day.

Spectacular Shows and Special Events



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Tradition

Throughout camp, Jewish cultural tradition is linked to **FUN** and **JOY**. Children experience it through activities like singing songs, baking challah bread and **CELEBRATING** with spirited camp wide festivities. A **POSITIVE CONNECTION TO ISRAEL** is fostered by an Israeli specialist who shares his/her knowledge and love for Israel with the children.



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We place a high value on **FRIENDSHIP** and relationship building. Creating a **WARM** and **WELCOMING** atmosphere in which every child feels valued, respected and cared for is central to our mission. Successfully fostering meaningful friendships and a strong sense of **COMMUNITY** leads to relationships that last a lifetime.

Friendship



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Traditional Camps

K'Ton Ton, Shalom, Chalutz & Maccabiah

Camp dates: June 30 - August 22

Camp K'Ton Ton

K'Ton Ton Ba Bayit

Ages 2.3 - 3 years

9:00am - 1:00pm

BUILDING ONLY PROGRAM

Program is available at the Bernikow,
Avis/South Shore and Aberlin/North Shore JCC buildings.

K'Ton Ton at Henry Kaufmann Campgrounds

Ages 3 years - entering Kindergarten
(must be toilet trained)

Options: 3 Full Days (any three)

5 Half Days (1:00 pm dismissal)

5 Full Days



K'Ton Ton campers have additional weekly shows and special events such as magic, musical performances and inflatables.

Camp Shalom

Children entering grades 1 and 2
5 full days

Shalom campers participate for the first time in our night time semi formal dance, local trips and archery!



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Campers enjoy up to eight weeks of a **FUN** and **ENRICHING** camp experience filled with tons of **INCREDIBLE ACTIVITIES**. We offer a ropes challenge course, music, soccer, nature, drama, kickball, pioneering, basketball, swimming, Israeli culture, archery, dance, football, outdoor cooking, arts & crafts, softball, volleyball, boating, Animal Discovery, ga-ga and more, all led by our team of **HIGHLY QUALIFIED** specialists.

Our caring and diverse team of camp counselors fill the campers' days with outdoor fun and create an atmosphere which promotes **SELF-ESTEEM, POSITIVE VALUES, SKILL DEVELOPMENT** and **GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP**. Camp is further enhanced by trips, exciting theme weeks, special events and spirited Friday celebrations and our annual camp-wide Maccabi games. Campers develop and enhance their swim skills through daily instruction and enjoy free swim periods to just have fun!

Camp Chalutz

Children entering grades 3 and 4
5 full days

Chalutz Hobby Hour

Chalutz Campers get to select their favorite specialists and visit them again one extra time per week. So, if football is your thing you get to enjoy it a second time around!



Camp Maccabiah

Children entering grades 5, 6 & 7*
5 full days

*Teens entering grade 7 have the option of attending Camp Maccabiah or Camp Nesiyah Teen Travel Camp

Club Maccabiah Supreme

Maccabiah campers have a say and select their activities two days per week.

For 2 periods per day

Maccabiah campers choose activities such as:

- Robotics
- Cheerleading
- Football
- Inflatable boxing
- Photography
- Jewelry design



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Teen Programs

Camp Nesiyah Travel Camp

Ages: Teens entering grades 7 - 9*

5 full days

Travel to your favorite summer locations and explore some new ones... every day. Camp Nesiyah features great day trips and amazing overnights. Every day, you and your friends will visit the best water parks, bowling alleys, arcades, amusement parks, sporting events and theatres that the metropolitan area has to offer. Destinations are sure to include Club Getaway, Mountain Creek Waterpark, Camel Beach, Manhattan, outdoor laser tag, Madame Tussaud's Wax Museum and a Broadway Show. The summer is highlighted by incredible overnights.

*Teens entering grade 9 have the option of attending CIT I or Teen Travel Camp.



Teen program that combines counselor training, travel, and community service work
Ages: Teens entering Grade 9 and 10
5 full days

(Upon completion of a successful season, each CIT will receive a \$50 honorarium.)

CIT I/Camp Etgar is the ideal program to meet the unique needs of the teen interested in increasing responsibility and teen travel. CIT I/Etgar teens get a taste of being a camp counselor, go on great trips and play a role in healing the world. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, teens work with children and begin to learn the skills of being a camp counselor. On Mondays and Wednesdays, they go on trips like Camel Beach and Dorney Park and on Fridays they participate in fun and meaningful community service projects, such as organizing a car wash, that help to make the world a better place.

CIT - 1 Etgar



CIT - II Gesher

Leadership Training, Camp Counselor Skills Development and Great Trips

Ages: Teens entering grade 10 & 11*

5 full days

(Upon successful completion of program, each CIT will receive a \$100 honorarium.)

Make a difference in the life of a child. Spend your summer with the JCC getting on the job training and experience working with children. As a CIT, you will learn basic information on kid relating skills, child development and how to lead games. CITs also go on great weekly trips to places like Great Adventure, Dorney Park, Camel Beach and a two day/one night overnight.

CITs are required to attend training and orientation sessions prior to and during the camp season. Upon successful completion of the program, participants are eligible for employment at the JCC camp.

*Teens entering grade 11 have the option of CIT II or applying to work as a Junior counselor.



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Special Needs Camps

Marvin's Camp

for Children with Special Needs

Ages: 6 - teens
6 week program

This program provides an educational, creative, socially and emotionally safe environment for children and teens with special needs. Children experience a full day of recreational activities, including daily swimming, sports, arts and crafts, animal discovery, ropes challenge course, archery, music, boating, dance, pioneering, special event days, animal discovery, ropes challenge course, archery and more. The program also includes weekly trips to places like amusement parks, cultural events, and shows. Marvin's Camp employs a staff which receives special training in working with children with special needs. Our small groups and low camper to counselor ratio enables us to provide excellent care and attention to each camper. The camp is committed to providing children with a positive and enriching day camp experience and to enhancing the camper's activities of daily living.



Camp Independence

for Children with Diabetes

4 week program

Camp Independence is a four week summer camp program for children with diabetes. Children experience a full day of recreational activities including daily swimming, sports, arts and crafts, animal discovery, ropes challenge course, archery, music, boating, dance, pioneering, special event days and more.

The program also includes weekly trips to places like Sesame Place and Fun Time America.

Besides the wonderful activities at the camp, the children receive special training and information regarding diabetes and are encouraged to share their concerns with staff and their fellow campers. Camp Independence employs a dedicated staff which receives special training in diabetes care. In addition to the camp's full time nurse, another nurse with a strong background in diabetic care works exclusively at Camp Independence as a staff member. This nurse travels with the children throughout the camp day.



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Special Features

For added **CONVENIENCE** we offer **FLEXIBLE OPTIONS** to accommodate our diverse group of camp families. Our **EXTENDED HOURS** program allows children to keep the fun going from early in the morning until late in the evening. Our **DELICIOUS** hot and cold Kosher lunch program is kid-friendly and nutritious. We offer **TRANSPORTATION** from anywhere on Staten Island and for those who just can't get enough of the camp experience we offer both **PRE** and **POST CAMP** programs that extend the summer fun.

Accommodations for campers with **FOOD ALLERGIES**

Pre-and Post-Camp Programs

Post camp programs take place at the Bernikow JCC and meet from 9am to 4pm. Camp will include swim, crafts, cooking, sports and trips!

Extended hours are available from 8am to 9am and 3:30pm to 7pm.

Pre-Camp dates: Friday, June 27

Post-Camp dates: Monday, August 25 - Friday, August 29

NEW!
now includes trips!

Lego Robotics Specialty Course

Grades K - 5

6 weeks - July 8 - August 12

Mondays from 5:30pm - 7pm

- * taught by Bonnie King of Building Robots
- * program LEGO creations that actually move
- * build LEGO models with working motors and sensors
- * design creations with click and drag techniques
- * develop skills in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, literacy and language
- * fun activities for both boys and girls



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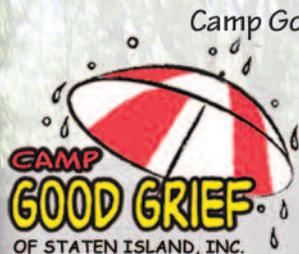
Gymnastics Camp

June 30 - August 22
Ages: 3 - 17 years

The JCC and Richmond Gymnastics Center located at the South Shore JCC offer the most comprehensive summer gymnastics program on Staten Island. A typical day, which adheres to the USA Junior Olympic program guidelines, includes training on uneven parallel bars, floor tumbling, balance beam and vault. For additional information contact Mary Fontana at mfontana@sijcc.com or 718.475.5275.



Camp Good Grief of Staten Island



Camp Good Grief is an overnight weekend camp experience offered several times per year for grieving children and teens. Open to Staten Island youth ages 7-16 who are grieving a significant loss. Camp Good Grief is staffed by security-screened trained counselors and volunteers.

It is offered at no cost to the families of Staten Island. The camp was conceived by Linda and Irwin Steinman, Staten Islanders whose own children lost a parent.

It is sponsored by Richmond County Savings Foundation, Northfield Bank Foundation, the Staten Island Foundation and the generosity of individuals, businesses and corporations.

For more information please call 888.507.4474, email sunshine@campgoodgriefsi.org or visit campgoodgriefsi.org

Sleep-A-Week

We are partnering with the New Jersey "Y" Camps to offer campers a one-week overnight experience on a beautiful 1,250 acre location in Milford, PA, just 90 minutes away from NYC. The facility includes beautiful cabins, two lakes, two swimming pools, extensive ropes challenge courses, and incredible sports and arts facilities. Contact Stephanie Feldman at 718.475.5232 or sfeldman@sijcc.com for more information.

SB4U/JCC Soccer Camp

June 30 - August 22

The 8 Week SB4U/JCC Soccer Camp teaches players new to the sport how to dribble, pass, and shoot the ball, as well as other simple steps in learning soccer.

Shoot For Success Basketball Camp

Gerry Mosley's Basketball Camp

June 30 - August 22

Campers at Basketball Camp will develop and improve basketball skills such as shooting, passing, dribbling, rebounding and defense.

For more information contact Mike Reape at mreape@sijcc.com or 718.475.5212.

Summer Sports



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Susan Sappin, President
David Sorkin, Executive Director
Sheila Lipton, Assoc. Executive Director
Vicki Roitman, Asst. Executive Director
Camp Co-Directors: Glenn Wechsler, Stephanie Feldman
Camp Committee Co-Chairs: Susan Perel, Melissa Rabinovich

CAMP DATES

June 30 - August 22
plus pre & post camp

For ages
3 - 16

CAMP OPEN HOUSE DATES

Meet the directors, see the camp video.

Joan & Alan Bernikow JCC, 1466 Manor Road

Sundays: January 26, February 9, and March 23

12 noon - 2:00pm

Visit the Henry Kaufmann Campgrounds, 1131 Manor Road

Tour the beautiful wooded campgrounds
and see our camp facilities.

Sundays: April 27, May 18 and June 22

noon - 2:00pm



The JCC/Lillian Schwartz Day Camp is accredited
by the American Camping Association (ACA)

What does this mean?

- * The JCC/Lillian Schwartz Day Camp has passed a rigorous review of its operations including standards such as emergency management, first aid and health care, staff training and development, programming and staff to camper ratios.
- * Reviewers included experts from the American Camping Association, American Academy of Pediatrics, American Red Cross and other youth serving agencies.
- * Camp families can be assured that their camp of choice is committed to providing their children with a safe and nurturing environment.

For more information about the American Camping Association you can visit their website at ACAcamps.org.