

Camp Nicolet

65th Anniversary Reunion • June 4 - 7, 2009

February, 2009

Dear Camp Nicolet Alumni:

It's hard to believe that time passes with such swiftness. Wasn't it just yesterday that you stood at the shores of Franklin Lake with your dearest friends watching the final "N" burn your last night of camp? Can't you still smell the intoxicating aroma of the north woods? It is time once again to bring back those fond memories and think back to the days of crackling campfires, the smell of wood smoke and the nostalgia of singing old camp songs.

This summer we invite you back to Camp Nicolet for an unforgettable weekend reliving those moments and memories while creating some new ones with your camp friends. 2009 marks yet another milestone of "Learning to Live Together" for Camp Nicolet. We hope you will join us in the celebration of Nicolet's 65th Anniversary! We have always felt that it is the people at camp who make this experience memorable and meaningful. Therefore, we feel that there is no better way to continue the enthusiasm that we all feel for Camp Nicolet than by celebrating with you, the past campers and staff.

Many hours of planning and phone conversations have been taking place for over a year in preparation for the 65th Anniversary Alumni Reunion. We've had some great ideas, a lot of enthusiasm, and many wonderful offers to help with the organization. We sincerely hope that as many of you as possible will take some time out from your busy schedules to relax, enjoy, visit, and try out your favorite activities (it's just like riding a bike...you never forget!). By popular demand, we will try to hit the traditional highlights of camp such as a campfire, a talent show, vespers, and of course, final banquet. Activity areas such as tennis, water skiing, smallcraft, trampball, etc. will be available for your enjoyment and will be supervised by the very capable 2009 Nicolet Staff.

Enclosed you will find a schedule and fact sheet for the big event. To register for the reunion, please complete the registration form and return with your \$75 non-refundable deposit. If you have not already done so, please log on to www.campnicolet.com/alumni and sign the alumni guestbook which will update your information in the alumni database. Even if you cannot join us for the reunion, please log on to the website (and tell your friends) so that we can inform you of future events. You will also have access to all the camp newsletters, photo galleries, an alumni bulletin board, and the ability to search for your camp buddies.

In addition to the reunion information, also enclosed is a solicitation form for the auction that will be held while we are at camp. Please take some time (and make as many copies as you need!) to think of items that might be useful to others who will be attending. All proceeds from the auction will go towards the Foundation's Ann and Wendall Schrader Campership Fund. Items that are popular include: camp memorabilia, timeshare weeks and vacation rentals, handmade items, and chain-restaurant certificates. Consider teaming up with your camp friends and create a basket for alums to bid on. The ideas are truly endless. Remember, the Camp Nicolet Foundation is a 501(c)(3) and therefore, all donations are tax deductible.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 414-963-9186. Registrations will be accepted on a first come first serve basis, with housing in camp for 125. Overflow accommodations can be made in Eagle River, details to follow if this becomes necessary. On behalf of the 2009 Camp Nicolet Family, we look forward to sharing this joyous occasion with you, and we hope to hear from you soon!

Yours in Nicolet Spirit,

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Yael Babcock Stein (1984-1994)
Chair Nicolet Reunion Committee

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What's Happening?

Thursday, June 4th

- 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. - arrival and registration - Forest Lodge
open house and tour of camp for Alumni families
- 5:00 - Committee Meetings for weekend events
- 6:00 - Flag Lowering ('09 Nicolet Staff) and dinner
Welcome and introductions
- 8:00 - Campfire (Council Ring)
- 9:30 - snacks (Dining Hall)
- 10:15 - Camp Games (Lodge)

Friday, June 5th

- 8:00 a.m.- rising bell
- 8:30 - flag raising ('40s & '50s alums) and breakfast
- 9:00 - cabins capers (yes...there will be inspection!)
- 10:00 - 12:00 Open Activities: water skiing, swimming, tennis, trampball,
Sailing, canoeing, kayaking, canoeing, windsurfing, beachsitting, etc.
- 12:30 p.m. - lunch - &/or canoe lunch to Tiger's Tail (sign-up)
- 3:00 - 5:00 - Open Activities - Alumni/Staff Doubles Tennis Tournament (sign-up)
- 5:30 - canteen
- 6:00 - flag lowering ('60s & '70s alums) and dinner
- 8:00 - Alumni/Staff Talent Show (Little Theater)
- 9:30 - snacks (Dining Hall) and Nicolet Trivia

Saturday, June 6th

- 8:00 a.m. - rising bell
- 8:30 - flag raising ('80s & '90s alums) and breakfast
- 9:00 - cabin capers
- 10:00 - 12:00 - open activities – yoga (sign up), guided hike through Camp Nicolet Outpost (sign up)
- 12:30 p.m. - lunch
- 1:30 - canteen
- 2:00 - Alumni/Staff softball game
- 4:00 - all-camp 65th Anniversary Alumni Reunion Photo - Forest Lodge
- 4:45 - Silent Auction and Reception - Forest Lodge
- 6:00 - flag lowering (2000 alums)
60th Anniversary Banquet

Sunday, June 7th

- 8:00 a.m. - rising bell
- 9:00 - flag raising (past & present Counselors' Council members)
- 9:15 - Vespers (Council Ring)
- 10:00 - Anniversary Brunch and Alumni depart

Travel Information

Plane: the closest airport is Rhinelander, WI (45 min.) or Central Wisconsin Airport in Wausau/Mosinee, WI (2 1/2 hours). Car rentals are available at both. It would be advisable to make reservations ASAP as space can be limited this time of year.

Car: remember that camp is located 12 miles east of Eagle River on Hwy. 70. Look for two white arrow signs approximately 150 ft. before the camp road (we will make sure that it is well marked!). For Mapquest: 16040 Hwy. 70 East or Camp Nicolet Road, Eagle River, WI.

Accommodations: for those of you wishing to bring families, motel and resort Accommodations can be reserved in the area. Families are welcome to join us at camp for the Thursday afternoon open house, with the remaining reunion activities for our Alumni only. Again, it will be important to make any reservations immediately. A few suggested places to stay: (or call the Eagle River Chamber: 479-8575)

- Best Western Derby Inn - 715-479-1600
- Settle Inn and Suites - 715-479-4900
- Chanticleer Inn - 715-479-4486
- Days Inn - 479-5151
- Eagle River Inn - 715-479-2000
- Super 8, Eagle River - 715-477-0888

What to Bring...

- Bathing suit (it doesn't have to be yellow or red!)
- Bedding or sleeping bag and pillow
- Towels and toilet articles
- Warm clothes (make sure you pack a sweatshirt and jacket) and lightweight clothes
- Rain gear (just in case) - but suntan lotion too
- bug spray
- Any camp memorabilia (old camp uniform items, scrapbooks, photo albums, etc.) - we would like to display these items, so be sure your nametags are still attached!
- Lots of enthusiasm and energy

Fees

Completion of the enclosed registration form and a non-refundable **\$75 deposit**.

\$275. For the entire Reunion Package: includes 3 nights lodging, 8 meals, Reception, all activities, and Camp Nicolet Alumni mementos.

(Sorry, there will be no discount if you do not choose to sleep at camp, unless capacity for housing in camp has been reached - we will inform you upon receipt of your registration if that is the case.)

Walk in Registrations will only be available as space permits.

\$75. For Saturday Anniversary Banquet with favor (includes silent auction and Lodge reception).

Cancellation Policy:

Written request for a refund must be sent by May 15th to Georgi Starz at campnicolet@gmail.com. Requests received by this date will be honored with a full refund less a \$75 administration fee.

P.S. Just a reminder that drugs, firearms, or fireworks are not permitted on the camp premises and smoking is confined to designated areas only.

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65th Anniversary Reunion - Registration Form

This form is also available online at www.campnicolet.com/alumni

Mail to: Camp Nicolet, Inc. P.O. Box 1359, Eagle River, WI 54521

Name: _____ Years @ Nicolet 19____ - _____
(First) (Maiden) (Last) as camper____ staff____ both____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home phone: (____) _____ Business phone: (____) _____

E-mail: _____ Fax: (____) _____

Arrival date: _____ Departure date: _____

Cabinmate preference: _____

Favorite camp meals (cookout or Dining Hall): _____

Two favorite camp songs: _____

I would like to assist on the following committee (please choose one):

Campfire____ Talent Show____ Banquet____ Vespers____

T-shirt Size: ___S ___M ___L ___XL ___XXL

I am registering for:

Reunion Package \$275 _____

Saturday Banquet \$75 _____

In addition, I would also like to enclose a tax deductible donation to the
Camp Nicolet Foundation's Ann and Wendall Schrader Campership Fund in this amount: \$ _____

I am unable to attend but I would like to make a tax deductible donation to the
Camp Nicolet Foundation in this amount: \$ _____

Total amount: \$ _____

In 25 words or less, please tell us your favorite camp memory (please print or type).

Come up with one camp trivia question:

For office use: Deposit pd \$ _____ Amount enclosed \$ _____ Date received _____

