

**The Camp Abilities Newsletter**  
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As in, yes you CAN

This is the title for our new newsletter. If you do not like it, please submit to your coach/counselor a name that you like better, or say you **like it**.

Menu for Saturday, June 25, 2005

Breakfast through July 01–Choices of Donuts, Muffins, Bagels w/cream cheese & jelly, variety of cereals w/2% milk, apple, grape or orange juice, fresh fruit

Lunch – (Merchant Street Smokehouse)\* Pork Bar-B-Q w/roll, or Veggie Wraps, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw

Dinner –(Main Street Diner)\* Baked Ziti, tossed salad, Garlic bread, pudding

\*donated this meal

Congratulations to Dr. Lauren Lieberman, the **Director of Camp Abilities**,beginning its **10<sup>th</sup>** year. Lauren, as she likes to be called, is a graduate of West Chester University and University of Wisconsin at LaCrosse . She received her Ph.D. at Oregon State in APE and has been teaching here, at SUNY, Brockport since then. Lauren has recently been awarded the Chancellor Award (for all of SUNY). (Ask her what that means.)

Heidi Rollheiser, is her Grad Assistant and **Assistant Director** of CampAbilities. She hails from Bemidji, MN. After her tenure at SUNY, Brockport, she will return to Alaska, were she will teach APE in theAnchorage area.

A major activity at Camp Abilities is the swimming program. Dr. Monica Lapore has been the **Aquatics Director** at Camp since its inception. Monica has also worked with Lauren at Camp Abilities in Alaska and Arizona. Monica got her doctorate at NYU and teaches PE & APE at West Chester University, PA. Monica has more than a dozen people helping her with the **Aquatics**.

Other terrific activities include **Beep Baseball**, organized by Alisa Carroza-Epler (7<sup>th</sup> year) also a PE teacher at Overbrook School for the Blind in Philadelphia. She is a graduate of West Chester University and says her passion is to help people find their lifetime physical activities.

**Judo**, taught by paralympian, Jim Mastro (at camp 9 years), received his doctorate at Texas Womens University & now teaches APE at Bemidji State in Minnesota.

**Goal Ball**, coached by Dani LeRoux (8 years), a graduate of SUNY Brockport, also teaches APE in Cecil County, MD. Megan O'Connell, a Brockport grad, teaches at Arizona School for the Deaf & Blind and is the director at Camp Abilities AZ.

**Track & Field** coached by Carin Mulawka (7 years) graduated PE from Brockport and APE from U of Wisconsin at La Crosse, is now a PE/APE teacher in Rochester, NY. Kelley Stevens, 1<sup>st</sup> year here, is a grad student at Brockport.

**Gymnastics** Rocco Aiello (7 years) is APE coordinator in St. Mary's County, MD. He is degreed in PE and APE from Brockport and helped Lauren write her Paraeducator book.

**Bicycling and Canoeing:** Barb Robinson, 7 years at Camp, is a doctoral student at Oregon State. She is strongly assisted by Allison Holder (2 years). Alison is a veterinary technician and is a Sign language student at Ocean County College in NJ.

Jeanine Fittipaldi-Wert (7 years) is in charge of the **Rock Climbing** and is a doctoral student at Auburn University in Alabama.

**FUN Evening Activities** are coordinated by Gina Pucci, who is in her 6<sup>th</sup> year at Camp. She graduated Brockport and teaches H & PE in Cecil County, MD.

Cathy Lyle, our **Interpreter Coordinator** (6<sup>th</sup> year), from St. Paul, MN, is the statewide DeafBlind Specialist for the MN Department of Education. She has been a teacher of the deaf for 27 years and interpreting for 7 years.

## **WELCOME TO CAMP ABILITIES**

**Have fun. Drink water. More later.**

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