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It's A Great Day For A Workcamp!

Dear Reach,

It has been a wacky winter here at the Reach Office. Who knew that Neil Fisher, our newest employee, would break his leg on his first Colorado ski trip when Paul landed on him after catching some monster air? Not only that, but the craziness continued when Annie and Heather won an all expense paid, first-class trip to San Diego, CA. But wait, it gets even better! Mike and Craig left their mark by both getting arrested for street racing their new Ford F250's. We end this with: Have a wonderful April Fool's Day...

The Reach Workcamps Staff

March's Trivia Answer...

March's trivia question was the following:

What do the following letters have in common?

YNLHOCVWOYKGCNMCGM

Russ Klein was the first to respond with, "These are the first letters of the cities and the state abbreviations for this year's workcamp locations in reverse order." For example, YNL is backwards for LNY, which is the code for Lockport, NY.

We also want to give honorable mention to the following as they responded with the correct answer, just not as quick:
Tracy Shanklin, Eric Leindecker, Dennis

April's Trivia Question...

How many workcamper T-shirts were ordered for the 2007 camp season?

Whoever e-mails us first at workcamps@reachwc.org with the closest answer will win a free Reach shirt/hat combo. We will take answers until April 20th, but only the first correct answer will win.

You're Invited...

Are you curious about what a Reach Workcamp entails, but you don't know how to check it out? Join us for a FREE Open House at any 2008 camp location to find out more details about us. Enjoy FREE food, FREE T-shirts, and a chance

Myers, Matthew Beckmann, Josh Berletich, and Melissa Grenier.

2008 S chedul e...

*June 15 - 21
Greenup, KY
Mississippi Gulf Coast**

*June 22 - 28
Mississippi Gulf Coast*

*June 29 - July 5
Lockport, NY**

*July 6 - 12
Cuyahoga Falls, OH**

*July 13 - 19
Oceana, WV*

*July 20 - 26
Oceana, WV*
Monroe, NC*

*July 27 - August 2
Monroe, NC**

**Combination Jr. and St. High
Camp is FULL*

June 15-21 Greenup, KY (313 registered)
June 15-21 Mississippi Gulf Coast* (88)
June 22-28 Mississippi Gulf Coast (273)
June 29-July 5 Lockport, NY* (265)
July 6-12 Cuyahoga Falls, OH*
(FULL)
July 13-19 Oceana, WV (FULL)
July 20-26 Oceana, WV* (FULL)
July 20-26 Monroe, NC (FULL)
July 27-Aug 2 Monroe, NC* (340)
*Indicates combination Jr. & Sr. High

to learn more about our ministry from other youth leaders and workcampers. You can even visit a worksite and participate in an actual Evening Program.

All Open Houses occur on Tuesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Greenup, Kentucky: June 17th
Gulfport, Mississippi: June 17th
Lockport, New York: July 1st
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio: July 8th
Oceana, West Virginia: July 22nd
Monroe, North Carolina: July 29th

To sign up or find out more, email adodge@reachwc.org.

Workcamper Forms...

All workcamper forms, adult background checks, vehicle forms and first payments are due **TODAY, April 1st**. Please help us out and get everything to us ASAP so we can properly plan for the summer. Thank you to all the youth leaders who have already turned in their forms!!

2008 Big Bird Summer Staff Crew...

After lots of application reading, phone interviews, cornea scans, blood analysis, and lie-detector tests, Reach Workcamps is proud to announce the Summer Staff crew that will be serving in [Greenup, KY](#), [Lockport, NY](#), and [Oceana, WV](#).



Austin Kern - Sound Manager

I was born in Bloomington, IL. I have a younger brother Ryan, who lives with my parents, Willis and Stacy. I am a sophomore at Western Illinois University, majoring in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration. At WIU, I am a Resident Assistant and a Vice President for the Delta Upsilon fraternity. I am a die-hard St. Louis Cardinals fan, and love baseball, basketball, and running. I love music and have been playing the drums my entire life. I also have fun messin' around on the bass and acoustic guitars. God has blessed me with the opportunity to lead worship at my church. I believe that God has a special way of using music to work in our lives, and when we allow it do so, powerful things can happen. An interesting fact is that my whole family went to the same Reach Workcamp in 2006...talk about a crazy 10 days!



Andrea Gibson - Program Manager

My family is extremely important to me. My dad has long hair and thinks he is a rock star, and my mom is a fiery redhead with an awesome laugh. I have an older brother who is 22, has cerebral palsy, and has beat a lot of odds to be the person he is today- an amazing drummer! I have a heart for teenagers and kids, and helping them with whatever life hands them. I like to play the guitar, read good books, hang out with my friends, and drink coffee. Something unique that nobody else would know... hmmm...I'm 20 years old and I still sleep with a stuffed bear. :) And my future plans are to continue following God's will for my life, and to watch as he gives me opportunities to exercise my passions- like working with Reach!



Joel Minter - Materials Manager

I was raised by wolves until I was about 14, and then some Alaskan explorers found me and gave me to a good home. After adapting to society, I grew to like new things like sports and almost any competition, but I still cling to some of my old ways, like my love for meat. Eventually, I went to college and now am completing a Bachelor's degree in Pastoral Ministries. After I graduate, I'm still trying to decide between becoming a pastor in a church and trying my hand at espionage. One unique memory that's stuck with me: Christina Aguilera is my favorite female vocalist. This is something that is not very well known about me, perhaps because people look at you funny when you tell them that.



Jessica Kanna - Office Manager

I'm currently a sophomore at The University of North Carolina (go Tar Heels!). I grew up in Matthews, NC. I'm a psychology major and plan on going into School Psychology. I have two sisters, my twin, Lauren, and Allison, who is 14. In my spare time I like to...actually, I don't have any spare time. Well, if I do have free time, I enjoy reading, singing, hanging out with my amazing friends and Carolina Basketball! This is my seventh year involved with Reach and I'm excited to join the Big Bird Summer Staff crew!



Jed Bulgrien - Tools Manager

I am the youngest of five children, two brothers and two sisters. I live in Pennsylvania and attend Lancaster Bible College as a professional counseling major. I have gone to Reach as a camper for six years and this will be my second year on staff. Before going to Reach this summer, I will be going to Spain on a mission trip with the college choir. I enjoy reading fantasy, science fiction, and children's stories. I love and collect turtles, but not live ones. Not a lot of people know that I have webbed fingers. They aren't webbed the whole way up the finger, it's just a little at the base between each finger, but they are more webbed than anyone else I have compared them to. My current plans for the future are to become a counselor for missionaries on the field in Africa.



Shannon Gally - Logistics Manager

Wakey, wakey workcampers! This is my second year on summer staff and my sixth year with Reach. I'm a 23 year old graduate student working on my M.A. in Communication Studies and Journalism at Auburn University. I grew up in a small town called Lafayette Hill near Philadelphia, PA. About three years ago my mom, dad, brother and I moved to the Pocono Mountains. My mom and dad have been married almost 30 years, and my brother, Tevill, is 24. I graduated from East Stroudsburg University in May 2007, and then spent my summer working with Reach before moving to Alabama in August. Reach has provided me with some of the most amazing experiences I have ever had and I can't wait to spend another summer serving the Lord! Sadly, graduate school leaves me no spare time, but when I have it, I like to read, spend time outside, cook, be with friends and family, and watch "The Office." I also enjoy ironing my sheets and organizing the clothes in my closet according to color and sleeve length. Anyway, can't wait to see you all this summer!!!



Philip Davis - Hospitality Manager

My family consists of me, my dad, my mom, and my sister. I am currently a sophomore at NC State University and really love it there, majoring in math education. As far as hobbies and interests go, pretty much anything that is physically demanding is likely to be something that I enjoy doing, other than that I also try to read a fair amount and do some writing of my own. After I graduate I plan to take a year off before going into the career of teaching and coaching (wrestling and cross country). Although, I am still trying to figure out what ministry I will be working with for that time.

Reach News...

- **2008 CAMP LOCATIONS** - Find out more information about each of the [2008 Locations](#) such as things to do in each area and local restaurants.
- **ON-LINE GROUP INFORMATION** - Once you register for camp, view your group's current registered campers and print forms on-line with our web features that aren't available anywhere else in the industry. [LOGIN NOW](#).
- **ON-LINE HANDOUTS & FORMS** - We've recently added more of our

handouts, forms, and information to the website for you to print out for parents, pastors, meetings, etc. [Check 'em out!](#)

- **REACH WEAR** - Forget to buy cool Reach Merchandise at camp or maybe they didn't have your size? [Check out the full supply of Reach Wear.](#)
- **20,000+ PICTURES** - Check out our website for [all pictures](#) that were taken during the 2007 Workcamp Season.
- **DONATE TO REACH** - Making any on-line purchases soon? Be sure to join [iGive](#) to raise money for Reach Workcamps with every purchase. It costs nothing to join and works behind-the-scenes while you shop.

We look forward to serving with all of you in 2008! Please call us at 1-888-REACH-WC (1-888-732-2492) for more information about Reach Workcamps or check us out on the web at <http://www.reachwc.org>.

Blessings,

The Reach Staff