

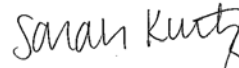
The Lands & Forests

Hi, Friends of Camp Al-Gon-Quian!

Happy Holidays from the Camp Office! I get text alerts on my phone for any severe weather on Burt Lake, and I have gotten about 20 texts in the past week for "BLIZZARD WARNINGS"! Every time I receive one of these messages, I think how funny it is that we are all preparing for summer even when AGQ is buried under a lot of snow!

We have had a great fall here getting ready for Summer 2011. Early registration began on December 1st at 6:00 a.m., and we were one-third of the way full after the first day! We took double the number of registrations on the first day than we did on the first day last year. It's hard to believe it's already time to prepare for next summer, but it's very exciting. Have a great holiday season, and we'll be back at camp before you know it!

Sincerely,

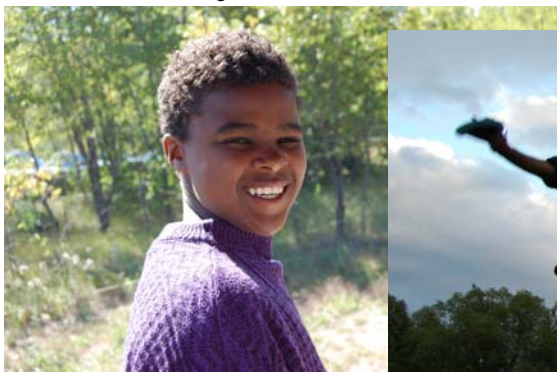


Director, Camp Al-Gon-Quian

2011 Camp Projects and Updates

Quite a few projects are underway in order to prepare for next summer. Here's a little taste of what is going on in the off-season:

- We currently are conducting a **site survey** of AGQ in order to get a better grasp on all aspects of our facility. Aerial photos were just taken of all of the land, and a surveyor will be going out in the next few days in order to gather accurate details. The finished product will be an invaluable resource as we continue to work on updating the facility with renovations and new projects. It will also be an important resource if we have any troubles with our facility.
- Plans are underway for the replacement of **Cabins 21 and 22**. Our goal is to complete the cabin replacement by the spring in order to have them all ready for our first day of camp on June 25th. These final two cabins will be the last two to be reconstructed on the boys' side of camp.
- The **Buddy Board**, a new alumni group for adult members of the Camp AGQ family, will host their first event on Thursday, December 30th, at Arbor Brewing Company in Ann Arbor. The goals of the group are to connect alumni to current camp happenings, create volunteer opportunities and host social events to further our vibrant camp community. Please see enclosed flyer on the next page of this newsletter for more information about the Buddy Board.





The Buddy Board invites you to...

The Camp Al-Gon-Quian Winter Reunion

When: Thursday, December 30
7:30 p.m.

Where: Arbor Brewing Company
Tap Room
114 E. Washington
Ann Arbor, MI



What: It's a party! A chance to catch up with old camp friends and reconnect with the AGQ community. We'll update you on last summer, tell stories, and share old photos. Bring your own favorite AGQ pictures from back in the day so we can all have a laugh!

There will be light snacks provided and you will be able to order from the ABC menu. Cash bar. This is a 21+ event.



The Buddy Board is a new alumni group for Camp Al-Gon-Quian staff and campers. We want to bring together adult members of the AGQ family, from those people still involved in camp to those that have been away for a long time. Our goals include connecting alumni to current camp happenings, creating volunteer opportunities that will benefit camp, and organizing social events that help build a vibrant, continuing camp community.

At the party you'll be able to share your vision of what the Buddy Board can be and get involved with upcoming events and projects. Contact agqbuddyboard@gmail.com for more information!

Camp AGQ CALENDAR

Winter Leadership Camp

Monday, December 27th – Thursday, December 30th

Applications Due for Leadership Staff

Monday, January 3rd

Open Registration Begins for New Campers

Friday, January 14th

Applications Due for Counselors and J-Staff

Tuesday, February 1st

Applications due for CITs

Tuesday, February 15th

Camp Scholarship Applications Due

Tuesday, March 15th

First Campers Arrive!

Saturday, June 25th

Become an Official FAN of AGQ on facebook.com

You're still not allowed to use Facebook (or any sort of computer for that matter) at camp, but Facebook is the spot to follow AGQ in the off-season! Just visit www.facebook.com/algonquian and click "Like." You can follow all of our updates about registration, events, projects and fun tidbits about camp.

AGQ HOLIDAY WISHLIST

We are always looking for items to supplement camp programs. Here's a list of fun things we would love to have at camp. If you have any new or gently-used items that are on the following list, please call us at (734) 661-8051 and let us know.

Telescope

Binoculars

Books!!!!!!!!!!!!

Bookshelves

Vintage Magazines

Bedazzlers →

Doilies

Anything you've written about AGQ

Any art you've made about AGQ

Knitting Supplies

Sleeping Bags (but not bulky ones)

Lacrosse Sticks

Full-sized Truck

Baseball Gloves

Picture Frames

Rocking Chairs

Boats!

Dress-Up Clothes →

Scholarship Money to send kids to camp!

And a Frodo Bird in the Drama Tree

