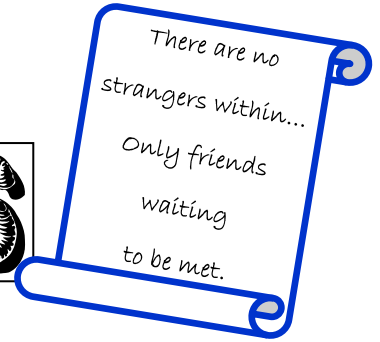




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WELCOME TO CAMP!

<p>The best way to have a friend is to be a friend - <i>Ralph Waldo Emerson</i></p>	<p>We have not merely escaped from something, but also into something...We have joined the greatest of all communities, which is not that of man alone, but of everything which shares with us the great adventure of being alive. - <i>Joseph Wood Krutch</i></p>
<p><b>Always be a little kinder than is necessary</b> - <i>J.M. Barrie, Author of Peter Pan</i></p>	
<p><b>Leadership is behavior</b> - <i>Eleanor Roosevelt</i></p>	<p>A smile is the most beautiful thing you can wear - <i>Alicia Keys</i></p>
<p>Nothing was ever achieved without enthusiasm - <i>Ralph Waldo Emerson</i></p>	



We hope you enjoy a few quotes that reflect some of the values we hold dear to Birchmont, simple words from some profound thinkers. As camp directors we know there are good lessons to be found everywhere, and we try to teach these lessons so our campers can live them for the summer. The excitement of doing new things, the feeling of accomplishment in improving, the joy of finding a friend who you see every day, the resilience required when not everything goes your way; these are small building blocks which lead to strong foundations in life. As parents, you can imagine there are many moving parts to orchestrate a wonderful summer for every child. Our entire staff serve as the dedicated conductors, but it is the children, the players, who bring the joy. We are uniquely aware of the precious gift of caring for our campers in this beautiful setting. We have the luxury of time to invest in them, time without television, phones and computers; nature and friendships surround us! We celebrate the small wonders and fun each day till after the sun has set. We are excited to share this day with you as our most important guests. See you around camp!

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### I Love Horseback Riding

Written by **EXPG Briana C.**

Hi, my name is Briana. This is my second summer at Birchmont but my first year doing the horseback riding program. I've learned so much already, and I'm so happy that I have the opportunity at camp to go horseback riding.

Birchmont campers are so lucky that they have the option to go and compete against other camps. I was lucky enough to get to go on one of these special trips for horseback riding. On the trip we got to compete against kids our age and kids older than us, kids of all ages can go!

It is so much fun. I hope you are lucky enough to go on one of these trips. Also, some campers get to go with Martine on a "Breakfast Ride" around camp before reveille. I hope to be able to try that too.

Have a great summer!



### Birchmont Dance Team takes 1st Place at Dance-Off!

Written by **Sammy R., dance instructor**

On July 13th, a rainy day on camp, the Birchmont dance team, **Explorer Girls Colette M., Sienna M., Sophia T., Sydney B., Alexa M., Ariana K., Katie B., Hannah V. S. and Mika B.,** traveled to out shine the competition at a dance off hosted by Camp Robindel. Shine they did!! Being the smallest represented group, with eleven girls our Birchmont dancers received first place in the category of lower camp division! The lower camp division was packed with so many numbers, from solos, duets and big group numbers!

Our Birchmont Dance Crew did not flinch!! NO! They took first place with performing Beyonce's End of Time, a jazz number that moves with African dance fusions. Choreographed by Samuel Antonio Reyes ( Sammy), assisted by the amazing explorer girl counselor Abbie, the team sure got their shine on!! Congratulations ladies for helping Birchmont dance their way into first place!!



## Pioneer Boy, Andrew A. Reigns As New Chess King of Birchmont

16 players took to their chess boards on a hot but breezy Sunday afternoon to compete for the title of Chess Champion 2017 at Birchmont. There were several hard fought matches in the single elimination tournament, particularly first round games between UEXPB Dean B. vs. UEXPB Aidan E. , LEXPB Ellis R. vs. LEXPB Zach C., and UEXPB Ryan R. vs. UEXPB Conor F. Ryan made his moves with great concentration; for a time, he and Conor seemed very evenly matched, but he ultimately fell in a stalemate in which pieces were counted at the game's end.

PIOB Cash K. also played excellent chess, defeating PIOB Max K. in the first round and advancing to face PIOB Andrew A. in the semi-finals. LEXPB Dylan T. set out to win his title last summer but was defeated by UEXPB Aidan E.. UEXPB Conor F. put up a good fight, as a past Chess and Checker finalist, but the skill and steady strategic thinking of Andrew was too hard to overcome. In an upset, PIOB Andrew A. was victorious as he assumes the coveted title of the new Chess Champion of Birchmont. Good sportsmanship was displayed by all. Thanks to all of this summers participants, prizes will be awarded to both finalist, Conor and Champion Andrew.

Chess and Checkers is in the Pierce blood. Birchmont's Founder and Director, Greg's grandfather Pop Pierce, once bet the camp in a checker tournament... Very good thing he won. Will Pierce, Greg's son was the youngest Chess Champion of Birchmont as a 7 year old boy, and held his title for 4 summers in a row.



Most campers in the tournament said they learned to play chess from their Grandfathers, the others said they learned in school chess clubs.

The longest recorded chess game lasted for 269 moves took 20 hours and 15 minutes and ended in a draw.

The film Searching for Bobby Fischer won an Academy Award and is still considered one of the finest film about child genius. It's about a young Manhattan boy who becomes a chess prodigy. Worthy viewing. Catch it if you can.



World champion chess player Gary Kasparov, known as one of the strongest players in the history of chess was defeated by IBM's Deep Blue in a six game match in 1997 shocking the chess world.

Chess is thought to have been invented in India in 9 AD .

Chess is called the game of kings because for many centuries it was played only in the court of nobles to strengthen the memory and mind of kings, generals, and knights of the court as mastery of the game was thought to give leaders an advantage in strategic thinking.



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## Girls Soccer Team goes Undefeated and Un-scored Upon in Tournament!!

Written By Ed G., Soccer Coach

The Girls traveled to Proctor Academy for the Kenwood/Evergreen Invitational Soccer Tournament last week and were crowned Champions with a 5-0 record and no goals scored against. The Braves quickly dispatched Merriweather and Kenwood/Evergreen 6-0 and 4-0 respectively. They had a tough 2-0 match against Walt Whitman and then beat Wico by the same margin in the semi-final game. This led to a showdown against local rival, Robin Hood, in the Championship game where squad kept their unblemished record intact with a 3-0 victory.

**LSRG Karen D.** was rock solid in the goal and in defense. Anchoring the defense with Daly was Rookie sensation, **USRG KK P.**, who looked like she has been playing at Birchmont for several years. Solid defensive contributions were provided by **LSRG Olivia F.**, **EXPG Sydney K.** and international phenomenon, **LSRG Nerea U.** The midfield was patrolled and protected by **LSRG Lexie G.** and **LSRG Lindsey E.** Midfield support was provided by some promising young players who look to be the stars of the future. They were **EXPG Mika B.**, **EXPG Sammie G.** and **EXPG Grace P.** **USRG Skyler B.** and **USRG Brianna P.** were the leading scorers and were the heart and soul of the Birchmont offense.



### Soccer Success Continued by Upper Camp Girls

The Super Senior Girls with the support from strong Upper Senior Girls traveled to Forest Acres for a convincing 3-0 Soccer win. Getting the clean sheet in goal was Abby Gordon. In front of her and leading the defense was **SSRG Alison G.**, **SSRG Gaby K.** and **USRG KK P.** and **SSRG Marina M.** The midfield was led by **USRG Lexie G.** who got the hat trick scoring all the goals in the game. Strong midfield support was given by **SSRG Kate M.** and **SSRG Antalya L.** Other strong performances were given by **SSRG Jamie M.** and **SSRG Gaby K.**

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### Boys Soccer

Written by Ed G., Soccer Coach

The Boys 12U soccer team traveled to Winaukee to take second place in a thrilling championship game that had to be decided by penalty kicks.

The young Braves started the day by beating Winaukee Blue 1-0 on a **UEXPB Dean B.** goal. The second game was against Winaukee Buff and ended in a 1-1 draw on a **LSRB Jacob S.** goal. Penalty kicks were taken and Birchmont prevailed. The last round robin game saw Birchmont dispatching Kenwood/Evergreen 3-2 on 2 goals from Buonagurio and one by **LEXPB Felipe W.** The Championship was a re-match between Birchmont and Winaukee Blue. The game ended in a 2-2 tie on goals from Schnell and Ethan Margulies. Birchmont lost a heartbreaking PK shootout to finish second but still were rewarded with a trip to Bly's Ice Cream. Other key contributions came from **LSRB Kishan K., USRB Benjamin M.** And **UEXPB Pepe S.**

The team was coached by Borja S. and new Counseling sensation, Angel M.. These dynamic young Spanish coaches have made a profound, positive impact around camp. Borja is a former camper and all around great guy. Angel has quickly won the hearts and minds of campers and staff with his infectious attitude and Broadway singing. He was a hit in the variety show and will be appearing in the camp play, A Little Mermaid.





## Boys Birchmont invitational

Written by Eric R.

On a hot and sunny Wednesday afternoon at PCB, the 13s and 15s flocked to the tennis courts in pursuit of a glorious victory. The four elite squads of 15s A+B and 13s A+B squad up with the likes of neighboring foes Tecumseh, Winaukee, Kenwood and Pemigewasset. The competition rolled in around 9:45am, clearly awestruck as they stepped off the busses by Birchmont's comparative beauty and the organized teams who qualified them. The doubles side of the 13s, Birchmont's A-squad of **UEXP's Dean B. and Daniel M.** absolutely dominated the 1- doubles bracket, winning their matches 8-2 all the way through the finals. Head coach Curt Tetrault. Referred to Dean after the match as "a mini machine at the net", and Daniel as "the master blaster". The second doubles team of **LSRB'S Max D. and Ethan M.** fought hard as well, winning the back draw final with relative ease. Moving on to the singles side, Birchmont A absolutely eviscerated the competition, with 1st singles **LSRB Mason W.**, 2nd singles **UEXPB Jeremy S.**, and 3rd singles **USRB Ben M.** all emerging from their brackets victorious. Shook met an equal competitor in his first match, but with strategic coaching from Curt and Eric, turned a 1-3 deficit into an 8-3 win. Special shout out to Birchmont B 2 singles **LSRB James P.**, who made it to the finals after a hard fought string of victories. Overall, the 13s A team went onto win by a tremendous margin, clocking in at 25.5 points, with no other team scoring over 10.5.

The 15s section was much closer with enough dramatic endings and barn-burning matches to hold us over until next year's tourney. Both of the A teams doubles duos, consisting of **SSRB'S Bradley B. and Noah L.**, as well as **Ignacio S. and Alex L.**, won the consolation finals of their respective brackets. The real fireworks, however, came out on the top dogs in the singles A team 2 singles **SSRB Aidan S.** lit up court #2 with one of the prime comebacks in invitational history. Down 7-4, 40-15, and subsequently 7-5, 40-15, Aidan dug deep and mustered the immense confidence and drive needed to fight off 6 match points and bring the match to a tiebreak, in which he clobbered his opponent 7-3. highlighting the match was a textbook backhand passing shot with match point on the line, drawing the score back to 7-6, thus paving the way for an eventual victory. Just when we thought it couldn't get any better, SSRB and 1st singles player **SSRB Matt C.** pulled out one of the most awe-inspiring and grueling matches ever played at Birchmont. Staff member Eric Rofé described it later as, "the best match I've ever witnessed in my 8 years here at cam". Playing in front of a standing room only crowd, Matt's match against Tecumseh I began shaking. After the first 3 change over, Matt found himself overpowered and outmatched, sitting in a 4-1 hole to the hard hitting Tecumseh lefty. As he looked over the crowd an exhausted look on his face, he saw the trademark finger-was of head coach Curt Tetrault. With nothing to lose, Matt made his way over to the golf court in which Curt sat and listened. The match would never be the same. After showering the most coach-able player in Birchmont this summer with strategy, Matt made his way back to the court 4-2, 4-3, 4-4. despite all the doubters, Matt threw heavy top-spin balls up high, attempting to emulate his previous clay-court victory over Tecumseh. The inevitable tie-breaker between two titans of tennis came to fruition, and Matt came out blazing. Working his way to a 6-3 lead and triple-match point. 6-4, 6-5, 6-6, 6-7, the nerves had gotten to him, and now he sat facing a possible loss, 7-7, 8-7, match. With a mind as tough as steel, he pulled it out. Behind his sunglasses, a tear-willed up in Curt's eye. The camp crowd went wild.

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### Birchmont Beats Winaukee A/Blue

Written by UEXPBs Nate B., Declan C., and Conor F.



It was a cloudy Saturday morning at Pierce Camp Birchmont when the twelve and under boys baseball team consisting of **UEXPB Nate B., UEXPB Aaron B., UEXPB Alex W., UEXPB Hudson C., UEXPB Declan C., UEXPB Eric A., UEXPB Dean B., UEXPB Oliver T., UEXPB Ryan R., UEXPB Sawyer K.** and **PIOB Damien S.**, faced off against Winaukee's best twelve and under baseball team.

It was a tight game to begin with, tied 1-1 in the bottom of the second inning until **UEXPB Dean B.** stole home to make the score 2-1 Birchmont. The top of the third was a tough inning for Birchmont. Winaukee managed to get four runs on the board making it 5-2 Winaukee.

In the bottom of the third Birchmont was in a tough position but they pulled together with hits from **UEXPB Alex W., UEXPB Hudson C., UEXPB Aaron B., UEXPB Nate B.,** and **UEXPB Declan C.**. This made the score 7-5 Birchmont. Both teams managed to score a run each in the fourth inning making it 8-6 Birchmont.

In the top of the fifth, Birchmont was in a tight situation. Winaukee managed to get three runners on base with no outs. It was **UEXPB Hudson C.** who stepped up under pressure to get two strikeouts and made a great over the head catch. In the sixth inning, Birchmont was in the same situation. Winaukee had yet again managed to get three runners on with no outs. Birchmont thought it was over, but **UEXPB Nate B.** struck out three consecutive batters to win the game.

The final score was 8-6 Birchmont!

Now the Birchmont twelve and under baseball team is in the finals of the Lakes Region Athletic Association's twelve and under baseball tournament.

Special thanks to coach John W. Striffler and Jeremy Taube. Thanks also to umpire Spike and Jackson Vermont.

The Birchmont Braves are looking towards the next round with hopes high.





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### 15 U Softball ICC

Written By: **Catie S. SSRG**

On July 17, there was a softball ICC for 15 U girls. The tournament was hosted at Proctor academy, a private school in Andover, New Hampshire. Approximately an hour away, seven upper senior girls and five super senior girls attended the tournament hosted by Evergreen. Having **Sophie C. USRG** as our first pitcher we had a close game against Merriwood, from Orford New Hampshire, losing seven to six. **Jamie M. SSRG** made an amazing play in our first game on second base getting a major hitter out. Playing Evergreen's Division A team, the powerful hits continued from **Jessie R. USRG** and **Brianna P. USRG** that had made the game fun and competitive. **Kayla M. SSRG** had a great hit against the team. These amazing hits continued all throughout the game, and especially in our fourth game we played. Despite our efforts, we still lost three to one against Evergreen. To be able to continue our tournament we would have to win our next game against Coniston. We defeated the camp from Grantham, New Hampshire ten to four with **Maddie B. USRG** as our pitcher and **Alianna M. USRG** as our catcher. In this game, **Sophie C. USRG** was shortstop, **Brianna P. USRG** as third base, **Aliza L. USRG** as right center, **Carlota I. SSRG** as left center, **Ines P. SSRG** as right field, **Maya L. USRG** as left field, **Maddie B. USRG** as pitcher, **Alianna M. USRG** as catcher, **Jessie R. USRG** as second base, and I was on first base. We then played a very competitive game with Bernadette from Wolfeboro. We won with slightly altered positions 5-3 and moved on to the semi finals. We lost two games, and won two, but as did two other teams, Coniston and Merriwood. In the end we had the least amount of runs scored on us so we moved on to the finals. Because of an abrupt thunderstorm the final game will be held at a later date, but it will happen at Birchmont.





# The Campfire Show 2017

Written By Laura Pierce



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One of the most fun nights of camp in the first session, is the camper wide talent show. This year we were treated to one of the most diverse talent shows with acts ranging from Ukulele duets to puppetry.

The opening song Riptide by **USRG Maddie B.** and **USRG KK P.** was as professional sounding as they come with nice harmonies and instrumentals. In the next act, Luke Constance, showed his skills on piano with a classical piece "Hall of the Mountain King", we see a good future for this budding piano player.

The next act was a surprise to everyone as our camper from Algeria, **USRB Hachem M.** performed an original skit with a puppet called "Too Much Canteen Is Bad For Your Brain". Campers and counselors who liked the originality of the lyrics, laughed and applauded in equal parts.

One of the sweetest and most musical solos was performed by **EXPG Colette M.** who sang the famous number "Let's Call the Whole Thing Off". Collette's timing and ability to have the whole camp join her chorus of "You say tomatoe and I say tomato", showed poise and a great sense of fun.

Superfriends, was one of the most adorable dances from two **Explorer girls, Tyler M., and Lila P.**, not to be outdone was the whole **Pioneer Boy group** with their counselors performing the popular Justin Beiber song with a good message "Love Yourself". This number really had the camp on their feet, with a standing ovation, as did the well choreographed and tightly performed dance called "Five Perfect Girls" featuring **PIOG Mikayla A., PIOG Ella T., PIOG Jessica W., PIOG Tyler M. and PIOG Lila P.** **EXPG Rafida M.**, Hachem's sister sang a lovely French solo with a voice as sweet as candy, and **EXPG Ariana K.** sounded absolutely ready for Disney on Boradway performing the song from "Manolo" in which her voice and poise was pitch perfect, another standing ovation.

**SSRG Renatta G. and SSRG Kate M.** performed a wholly original duet which had musicality, comedy and a storyline as they performed the ballad "Run Joey Run" to thunderous applause.

Another top notch act was new Pioneer camper, **PIOB Andrew A.**, also the Chess King of Birchmont, (obviously a man of many talents) delivered a rousing rendition of piano song "Jonny B. Goode".

Chuck Berry would have been proud. One of the strongest and most beautiful numbers of the night was the violin and ukelee duet sung by the two Isabelle's. **LSRG Isabelle B.** improvised like a virtuoso to **LSRG Isabella G.**'s Ukelee performance to the Bruno Mars pop song "Count On Me, like 1,2,3", another song earning a sing along and a standing ovation. The Senior Girls all performed the finale, as is camp tradition with a song that was emotional and lovely, and will be sure to be used as the background to our winter reunion slide show of the summer. They all looked so lovely, as they sat shoulder to shoulder and sang to the audience with feelings of the time they've spent together here at camp with the song "Wherever I Go".

Steve Viera, the camp musical director and his assistant **Junior Counselor Raquel G.** put together a wonderful show, and we also thank Arts and Crafts Lu, Nicole, Susan, Will and Anthony for help with the terrific set design.





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## Birchmont Checkers Tourney

Written by UEXPB Andrew M.

Here at Birchmont, many activities involve fierce competition. Checkers is NO exception. On a sunny Sunday, fourteen campers decided to test their abilities in a tournament which involved quick moves and strategic thinking. All campers tried their best, but in the end only one emerged holding the title of 2017 Checkers Champion.

**LEXPB Ellis R.**, got off to a great start by defeating **LEXPB Zach C.** and advancing to the next set of players.

Meanwhile, **UEXPB Conor F.**, who was a finalist last year, showed us that he was back and ready to win. He defeated **PIOB Jacob E.**

A few noticeable matches included **UEXPB Aiden E.** vs. **UEXPB Ryan R.**, a match that took a while. It was anybody's game until Aiden made a double jump and won the match.

Another interesting match was **LEXPB Lance R.** vs. **PIOB Sam W.**. It was looking almost certain that Lance would win but Sam didn't give up and ended up winning the tough game!

**PIOB Sai M.** played well but lost to Conor who beat him in the quarter-finals.

By this time, Ellis R. had made it quite far in the bracket, and as you may have guessed, he was facing against Conor! After an intense twelve minutes, Ellis ended up winning! Ellis is now the new Checker Champion.

Good Job Ellis and Conor!



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## Super Senior Matt Wins 15U Singles Title In Epic Finals Match

Written by Greg H.



Pierce Camp Birchmont Wolfeboro, NH.

**Super Senior Matt C.** outlasted arch rival Tecumseh in the 15U boys first singles bracket final 8-7 (9-7) to help the Birchmont Boys to another home Invitational top two finish. In winning the overall 15U Boys Singles Championship, Matt had to overcome deficits of 4-1 and 6-4 before finishing off his rival from Tecumseh.

Down 6-4 in games, Matt rallied after a brief discussion with pro Curt Tetreault during the changeover, as he quickly stormed back for a 7-6 game lead behind a growing crowd of spectators on Birchmont's historic Court One. But he stumbled in the 14th game of the match, losing to bring the score to 7 all and setting the stage for what would prove to be an epic tie break.

With roughly 100 campers and many staff getting word of the hard fought match on the camp radios and through word of mouth, a raucous gathering suddenly surrounded the perimeter fence for the court closest to the director's cottage! Soon Tecumseh's two 12U softball teams who were also at Birchmont for the day arrived to watch and rallied their camp mate with loud cheers of their own and shouts of encouragement after each point.

Back and forth went the tie breaker until Matt began to assert himself, edging out to a 6-3 lead in the extra session and earning 3 match points! But Tecumseh won 4 long rally points in a row, culminating with a blistering left handed forehand down the line, just in, to the delight of their fans – putting him back in the lead 7-6! Now, Tecumseh had the upper hand and a match point of his own!

Unwavering, Matt awaited the match point serve with his racket spinning in his left hand, bouncing on his toes and with the sun burning the asphalt court under his feet. The first serve popped in and Matt pounded it back to the lefty's backhand over and over. Back and forth they went, with ooohs and ahhs from the crowd, until finally Matt's high topspin shot resulted in a Tecumseh error, as he narrowly clipped the net tape with the ball just barely falling on his side, evening the score at 7 all in the tie break. A huge roar from the home crowd coincided with a determined pump of the fist from Matt, seemingly telling everyone watching he was not going to be denied on this day!

Two comparatively quick points later and Matt raised his hands in victory and exhaustion, bringing supporters of both players to their feet to show their appreciation for a top level camp tennis match which surely all would remember for many years to come!

Congratulations to both players – "Aidan" from Tecumseh, a tenacious and gifted left hander – and to Matt, a third generation Birchmonter from the original Birchmont Finizio Family, for his gutsy play, sportsmanship and incredible desire to win, which surely made the difference in such a classic, close match. You've done yourself, your camp and your family very proud!



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### Upper Boys Tennis

Written by Janet T., Tennis Coach

On Saturday, July 15th, a stellar group of Birchmont boys arose early in order to take the well wore path to Winaukee for another intense tennis competition. Led by coach Renato, congrats to **USRB Ben M.** for a 1st round win, and **LSRB Jacob S.** and **LSRB Ethan O.** for making it to the finals of the consolation draw.

**LSRB Mason W.** highlighted the day by making it to the semi-finals in the main draw, good job Mason! We're proud of all our Birchmont competitors and appreciate all the effort exerted by all. Special mention for tough battles for **LSRB Max D.** and **LSRB Sam G.** in singles and **LSRB Kishan K.** and **LSRB Kyle B.,** and **LSRB Julian K.** and **LSRB Julian C.** in doubles.

Well done all.



### Birchmont girls take 1st place in 13's and 15's Tennis Invitational

Written by Coach Emily L.

On Tuesday July 18th, Pierce Camp Birchmont hosted the annual girl's tennis invitational where Birchmont, Robinhood and Robindel would compete for their name on the coveted silver cup tournament trophy. Despite the early morning overcast skies and afternoon heat, the Birchmont Braves preserved. As the first session of camp comes to an end, we can proudly celebrate a clean sweep in the Girl's Invitational. Following a long day of tennis, the 15's Birchmont A team finished in first, 9 points ahead of Robinhood and 10.5 points ahead of Robindel. The 13's Birchmont A team finished first only 5 points ahead of Birchmont B team, but 10 points ahead of Robinhood and Robindel.

15's number 2 singles **USRG Jamie S.** drew in a crowd during her first match where she played a tough game that would lead her to the finals where she would crush her opponent 8-1 with her unstoppable forehand. Also notable was number 1 doubles powerhouse team **SSRG Barrett K.** and **SSRG Renatta G.** working together to overcome several opponents to take home the gold. Number 3 singles **SSRG Carlota I.** from Spain also brought home the gold, smoking her opponent with her incredible serve.

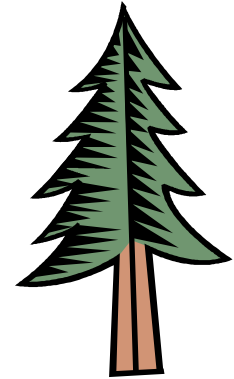
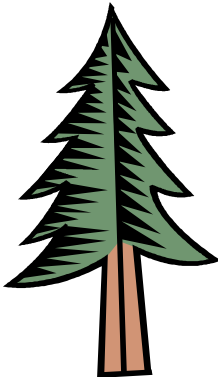
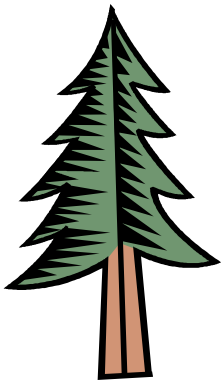
The 13's also dominated the tournament placing 1st in number 1 singles, number 2 singles, number 3 singles and number 2 doubles.

We congratulate all who participated in the Birchmont Invitational and are looking forward to seeing everyone again next summer.



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**1951 Birchmont's Credo**

*The Way We Live Amongst The Trees  
We Try To Keep to Most of These...*

- Do Your Best**
- Help Your Fellow Camper**
- We Go One, We Go All**
- Try To Understand**
- I Can and I Will**
- Play The Game**
- Be A Little Kinder Than Necessary**

**Golden Rules for Camp Living**

- If you open it, close it.
- If you turn it on, turn it off.
- If you unlock it, lock it up.
- If you break it, admit it.
- If you can't fix it, call in someone who can.
- If you borrow it, return it.
- If you value it, take care of it.
- If you make a mess clean it up.
- If you move it, put it back.
- If it belongs to someone else
- and you want to use it, get permission.
- If you don't know how to operate it, leave it alone.
- If it's none of your business, don't ask questions.
- If it ain't broke, don't fix it.
- If it will brighten someone's day, say it.
- If it will tarnish someone's reputation, keep it to yourself.

*~Source Unknown*

As a value based camp we strive to instill good friendship among our community. The above are the values Greg discusses with campers and staff every summer. He has also added the one rule many children can recite by **heart**, because it is at the **heart** of what we want to DO at camp..."What would You Do If You Knew You Could Not Fail..." the point being of course, it is all here for you, we are all here together, try everything which interests you, it's your time, this is your place.

**2018 Dates**

- Early Bird Enrollment: Monday, August 1st, 2018
- Opening Day for Full & 1<sup>st</sup> Session: Sunday, June 24th, 2018
- Final Day of the First Session: Friday, July 20th, 2018 (With the option to stay through PVD.)
- Parent Visiting Day: Saturday, July 21st, 2018
- 2<sup>nd</sup> & Rookie Session Opening Day: Sunday, July 22nd, 2018 (Start of Rookie Camp.)
- End of Rookie Camp: Saturday, August 4th, 2018
- Closing Day: Sunday, August 12th, 2018





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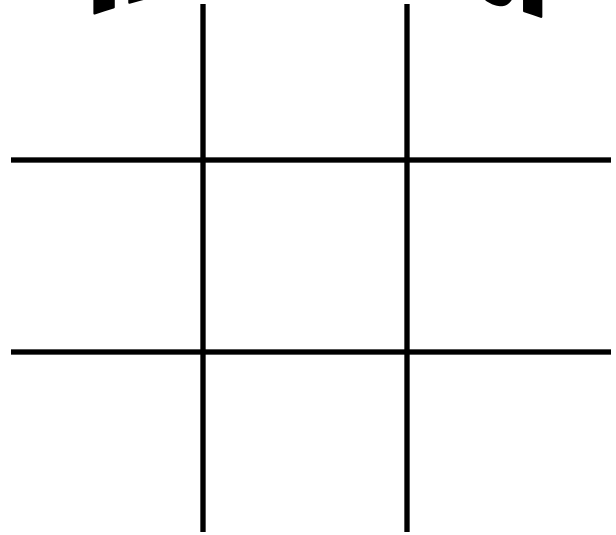
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SHOW  
AUGUST  
8th!



# Tic Tac Toe!



Grab a pal and give it a go!

ONLY FRIENDS WAITING TO BE MET

A	L	A	O	C	A	B	S	B	E	Y	O	A	L
I	L	W	C	E	R	A	H	A	C	E	L	S	L
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R	R	N	G	C	A	E	L	M	A	M	E	I	B
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E	L	S	R	E	C	C	O	S	S	O	C	F	V
B	A	S	K	E	T	B	A	L	L	S	O	R	A
A	J	E	S	S	E	G	A	M	E	S	U	O	C
C	A	I	L	E	I	A	T	O	D	E	E	N	G
K	T	E	N	N	I	S	C	G	B	A	A	T	A

- ROPES
- BADMINTON
- SOCCER
- LACROSSE
- TENNIS
- NOTCHES
- WATERFRONT
- HILLTOP
- RAG
- CLUBS
- JESSE GAMES
- VOLLEYBALL
- BASEBALL
- BASKETBALL
- SAMMY DANCE
- HORSEBACK

