



dreamBIGdaycamp.com

### Sign Me Up!

We are thrilled to report that there are already over 600 campers enrolled at Dream BIG for the 2010 summer! We'd be remiss if we did not extend an enormous thanks to all of you for your incredible enthusiasm for Dream BIG! As we are committed to small groups and tight staff to camper ratios, **we are now waitlisting several groups in each session.** If your child's age group in a particular session is closed, kindly contact us should you want to put your child on the waitlist. Should a space become available in the session(s) you desire we'll contact you so you can register your child at that time.

Campingly Yours,  
Mary and George

### Blazing a New Trail!

If your child is currently in grade 2 or older, then he or she is not only a Dream BIG camper but is now known affectionately as a "Trailblazer." You all should look forward to some new program features for "Trailblazers" in the summer of 2010 including:

- Big Brother/Big Sister program in which the older campers play with the younger campers.
- At least one out-of-camp field trip each three week session.
- A community service project designed and executed by each of the older groups.
- "Camp Within a Camp" program in which activity areas are chosen by the camper. They will spend one half day each session in an area of their particular interest. This is in addition to our current "Selectivities" program in which older campers select activities of particular interest each week.

### Mark Your Calendars!

**Spring Camp: Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup> – Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Session 1: Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup> – Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**Session 2: Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup> – Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**Session 3: Monday, July 19<sup>th</sup> – Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**Basketball Camp: Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup> (9am – 12pm)**  
**Lacrosse Camp: Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup> (9am – 12pm)**  
**Soccer Camp: Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup> (9am – 12pm)**  
**Project Denver: Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday, August 13<sup>th</sup>**

## BIG Doings at Project Denver!

**Pasquini's PIZZERIA**

Dream BIG Day Camp's "Project Denver" Night!  
 A 100% Scholarship Program Benefiting Underprivileged Children

**Monday, February 22nd**  
 at the Uptown location

20% of the night's attributed sales go directly to Project Denver.  
 (Between 5-9 PM, includes dinner, side and gift card purchase)

Broader gift cards call Richard Fry at 303.282.6709. Customers must visit with staff that they are affiliated with Project Denver.

<b>BROADWAY</b> 1318 S. Broadway Denver, CO 80202 Mon-Thurs 11am-11pm Fri-Sat 11am-11pm Sun 12pm-11pm	<b>HIGHLANDS</b> 1300 West 32nd Ave. Denver, CO 80202 Mon-Thurs 11am-11pm Fri-Sat 11am-11pm Sun 12pm-11pm	<b>UPTOWN</b> 1230 East 17th Ave. Denver, CO 80202 Mon-Thurs 11am-11pm Fri-Sat 11am-11pm Sun 12pm-11pm	<b>LONE TREE</b> 7301 Park Meadows Dr. Lone Tree, CO 80124 Mon-Thurs 11am-11pm Fri-Sat 11am-11pm Sun 12pm-11pm
--	--	---	---

After our very successful pilot program with 30 campers last summer at Project Denver, we are shooting for at least 100 campers this summer! To facilitate this we are once again partnering with three schools in the Five Points area: Gilpin Elementary, Whittier Elementary and Cole Arts and Science Academy. In addition we will have children from the I Have a Dream Foundation, Prodigal Son (a gang prevention program), 4H Youth Development (under the auspices of CSU) and various housing projects here in Denver.

Many thanks to several Dream BIG families who ate at Pasquini's on February 22nd! 20% of sales went to Project Denver which was over \$100. In case you missed it we'll be hosting another fund raising gig on Monday, May 3rd. Same time, same location, same bat channel! Please mark your calendars now and bring your appetite!



## What about Katie and Brady from Haiti?

How can we help children in Haiti beyond donating money to the relief effort? Can camp provide a vehicle for children to have an enriching experience they otherwise would not have? Can we positively impact those less fortunate? We sure as heck are going to try. We are working diligently to bring 6 children from Port-Au-Prince to Denver so they can attend Dream BIG for 9 weeks. We will keep you posted on our progress here as we are still sorting out the details. If you are interested in possibly hosting one of these children kindly send an email to [mary@dreambigdaycamp.com](mailto:mary@dreambigdaycamp.com)

## Snowballs of Love!

We had a rip roaring time at Winter Camp over the Holidays! More than 100 campers participated in the two Winter Camps and the two Winter Basketball Camps. Campers kept busy with hoops, karate, yoga, "coolineary", dodgeball, soccer, crazy art projects, tennis, wellness and much more! We even had a few intense games of Bingo! And everyone went home with a Fuzzy or two. On the final day we had our inaugural Dream BIG Sledding Adventure as we hit nearby Robinson Park to take advantage of some fresh snow!



## Let's Play Camp Over Spring Break!

There is still some availability for Spring Camp! From 9-3 Monday, March 29 – Friday, April 2 we'll be doing our thing which means tons of fun, great company and plenty of Fuzzies for all! Karate, yoga, "coolineary", hoops, soccer, tennis, art and more! For this week we invite you to register for as many days as you like be it only 1 day or all 5 days. The cost is \$70 per day. If you opt for the full week of 5 days you can register online at [dreambigdaycamp.com](http://dreambigdaycamp.com) and if you opt for less than 5 days then kindly email us with your request at [George@dreambigdaycamp.com](mailto:George@dreambigdaycamp.com)



## Watch out Nuggets, Rapids and Mammoth! Here We Come!

Dream BIG Sports Camps will occur the week of August 9-13. The days and hours are Monday to Friday from 9am-12pm. We offer Basketball, Soccer and new for this year is Lacrosse! The goals of the camps are for children to improve their skills and have tons of fun in a healthy, non threatening and safe environment. Once again, direction of the Basketball Camp is under David Carey, Head Coach of powerhouse Montbello HS. Montbello is currently ranked #2 in the state with a record of 22-2. This is open to boys and girls ages 7 and older. Ed Callaghan heads up our Soccer Camp again with his crew from the UK. This is open to boys and girls ages 5 and older. We are excited to roll out Dream BIG Lacrosse. The coaching staff will be announced shortly. This is open to boys only ages 7-10. Cost for each camp is \$210. To register simply go to [www.dreambigdaycamp.com](http://www.dreambigdaycamp.com)



Alexander Hofstader	March 3
Isabella Ross	March 3
Gabriel Freedberg	March 4
Sophia Hein	March 4
Ethan Herman	March 4
Otis Moore	March 4
Sarah Morrison	March 4
Carson Woodberry	March 4
Ethan Carrier	March 6
Sam Anderson	March 7
Kayla Kimball	March 7
Maria Judy	March 8
Jeffrey Rumpf	March 8
Emery Scott	March 8
Julia Decker	March 8
Nicholas Wylie	March 8
Fletcher Craig	March 9
Blair Gates	March 9
Noah Maris	March 9
Ansley Wiley	March 9
Nathalie Bonebrake	March 10
Kayla Robertson	March 10
Nolan Curran	March 11
Carson Smail	March 11
Andrew Cordes	March 13
Caleb Gammon	March 13
Penn Beldock	March 14
Abigail Huckaby	March 15
Ford Springer	March 15
James Lynch	March 16
Clara Mcnatt	March 16
Jack Rumpf	March 16
Julie Rumpf	March 16
Jake Walsh	March 16
Tillie Cohen	March 17
Phillip Albright	March 18
Eli Asarch	March 18
Devlin Carter	March 18
Olivia Heiss	March 18
Alexis Mandava	March 18
Anjali Mandava	March 18
Hudson Orr	March 18
Isaac Bendell	March 19
Eleanor Henry	March 19
Georgia Beardsley	March 20
Wyatt Smith	March 20
Joe Benez	March 20
Haley Adcox	March 23
Alyana Perlmutter	March 23
Sydney Kolpak	March 24
Harris May	March 25
Kendall Stevens	March 27
Ben Yoder	March 27
Joe Benez	March 28
Kayla Engebretson	March 28
Briggs Orr	March 28
Quinn Joseph	March 29
Emory Pardun	March 29
Ryan Venturi	March 29
Turner Pruitt	March 30
Madeline Bell	March 31
Taylor Kirkegaard	March 31
Isaac Nelvert	March 31

## Hey Dude, I Made My Own Pizza!!!

We are pretty jazzed that our friends at Pasquini's Pizzerias are bringing in their portable ovens this summer and more mozzarella than the Broncos offensive line can possibly consume! The Dream BIG campers will make their very own personal pizzas! We look forward to creating a wonderful aroma to permeate our neighborhood for quite some time.

## Attention all you Lego Engineers!

We are jazzed to welcome Play-Well TEKologies to Dream BIG this summer! Campers will get to explore concepts in physics, mechanical engineering, structural engineering and architecture while playing with their favorite creations! In other words, this is serious Lego building! This workshop will enhance problem solving skills amongst the campers and enable them to have a great appreciation for how things work.

## Did Someone Say Overnights???

We are excited to offer our two oldest groups each session the opportunity to venture beyond the campus of Dream BIG! They will spend one night underneath the stars with all of their camp pals! Avid 4 Adventure, who has very capably run our Climbing program, will take great care of our campers and staff at their campsites on the outskirts of Denver! Climbing, mountain biking, team building, sleeping bags, tents, campfire and more await the "senior" members of our community!



## Evan Almighty!

We'd be remiss if we did not give a huge shout out to Evan Dechtman, the man behind the curtain of [dreambigdaycamp.com](http://dreambigdaycamp.com)! Evan has done a tremendous job designing our website and keeping us current for the past 4 years! In addition to being a Dream BIG dad, Evan stays on top of the latest trends in online technology. We have very recently updated the site with a cleaner and fresher look not to mention newer features which bridge [dreambigdaycamp.com](http://dreambigdaycamp.com) to Facebook and Twitter! Now you can Tweet us from DIA, the gym, the beach or Safeway!

## Camp Gives Kids a World of Good!

That's the mantra at the American Camps Association. This year marks the 100th year of the ACA and this year's annual conference was located right here in the Mile High City! More than 1000 camp folks descended upon the Hyatt Convention Center in February to network, learn, share ideas and swap camp stories. There is wonderful camaraderie amongst camp people and, for many of us, this is the one time of year where we can visit with colleagues and friends. More than 700 camps participated and there were 150 vendors as well. Camps from more than 40 states were here as well as camping professionals from Turkey, the UK, Canada, Greece, Switzerland and Japan. The opening ceremony featured 100 campers from several Colorado camps singing camp songs to all attendees. We are so proud that donning their Dream BIG shirts were Sami, Jordan and Josh Snyder; Brooke, Nick and Zach Miller. And a huge thanks to our own Uncle Bob Kahn who also joined us for this momentous occasion!

## Oh, Baby!

We'd be remiss if we did not welcome some future Dream BIG campers to this world of ours! Congrats to the Horners who welcomed Zaria to their family! Ditto for the Rays as baby Marin joined their tribe. A big wow to our own superstar camp photographer, Diana Toebbe, as her clan welcomed BJ to their family!



## Challenge Denver!

We always love to hear what our moms and dads are doing in the community! Dream BIG mom Betsy Leighton has been instrumental in creating the Challenge Denver program. Challenge Denver is a local not for profit organization which provides 11 Denver Public Schools with Challenge Day and weekly follow-up. MTV recently filmed Challenge Day at Denver School of the Arts for their new show, "If You Really Knew Me." The show will highlight the transformative day by focusing on several students, their challenges and how Challenge Day impacts the lives of teens. Challenge Denver assumes that many of the issues facing teens, such as stereotyping, racism, sexism, and the use of drugs and alcohol, are caused and exacerbated by isolation. The work of Challenge Denver is aimed at counteracting these causes and fostering respect, tolerance, and self-acceptance, with the ultimate goal of improving participants lives and creating safer schools, thereby increasing school attendance, retention, and graduation. For more information, to donate or volunteer please go to: [www.challengedenver.org](http://www.challengedenver.org) or email [betsyleighton@gmail.com](mailto:betsyleighton@gmail.com)

## Campers in the Crowd

**Ethan & Louis Stein**

We're kind of partial to twin boys named Stein. It's tough to mention one of these guys without mentioning the other! They have been stellar 9 week campers for as long as Dream BIG has been around. When they are not tearing it up in the classroom at Herzl they're at Breckenridge flying down the slopes at 60 mph! We're thrilled to have these 2009 Grizzlies back!

**Rachel Zizmor**

Affectionately known as Ray Ray, this young lady epitomizes the phrase "Lightning in a Jug"! She makes every second at camp count and has a super attitude! Proud member of the 2009 Hummingbirds we hear she is "hitting it out the park" at Brown Elementary this year. She's got camping in her blood thanks to mom and dad! Great to have you back, Ray Ray!

**Ella Kispert**

We are ecstatic to have Ella back at Dream BIG after a most auspicious start in 2009 as a member of the Tabbies! Whether it was participating in Pajama Day, performing on stage or just hitting a tennis ball, Ella always performed beautifully at camp. Either at Dream BIG or at St Anne's during the year she can rarely be seen too far away from best pal Maya Cederlund!

**Jake Fisher**

A super guy who has been at Dream BIG since inception in 2007! Jake was part of the 2009 Grizzly clan! When Jake is not fulfilling his duties as school treasurer at Southmoor Elementary, he is playing the piano... and better than Billy Joel too! As one of the "senior" members of our community we look for big things from Jake this summer and we know he'll deliver the goods!

## Happy Birthday!!!

Kings and Queens and Bishops too wanna wish the best to you!!!

<b>STAFF</b>	
Tara Clifford	January 4
Kevin Hoth	January 13
Manihi Kontnik	January 15
Danielle Goodson	January 20
Shelby Seymour	January 26
Caneyl Burtis	January 28
Paige Janulewicz	February 2
Brooke Sauer	February 8
Gladys Sarabia	February 12
Brady Hagerman	February 14
Mallory Sherwood	February 20
Gertrude Dock	February 27
Ashley Bossart	March 1
Eli Gold	March 1
Callae Mock	March 4
Kayla Cheatham	March 5
Frances Smith	March 7
Andrew Furnas	March 10
Caroline Gries	March 13
Mariah Ankenman	March 15
Christina Larson	March 20
Haley Adcox	March 23
Leia Thomas	March 26
Emma Grant	March 31
<b>CAMPERS</b>	
JAMES BURTON	December 1
Rachel Zizmor	December 1
Jackson Freeman	December 2
Katie Hefty	December 2
Ella Kispert	December 3
Liat Radetsky	December 3
Lilaboy	December 4
Elizabeth Lanava	December 4
William Frankfurt	December 5
Amanda Meegan	December 7
Amya Bradford	December 9
Taylor Stein	December 9
Jason Becker	December 12
Jason Brassor	December 13
Robert Grawmeyer	December 13
Paige Gillespie	December 15
Sofia Palumbo	December 15
Danielle Riss	December 15
Vidhya Pathy	December 17
Abigale Foster	December 18
Samantha Hicks	December 18
Luke Maass	December 19
Finn Hagerty	December 21
Amelia Hoffman	December 22
Caroline Myers	December 22
Max Herte	December 23
Sebastian Chambers	December 24
Ella Delzotto	December 25
Bryce Holmes	December 25
Joaquin Abarca	December 26
Stella Fitzgerald	December 26
Olivia Myers	December 28
Carrison Keller	December 29
Max Rosenstein	December 29
Emile Soden	December 29
Natalie Strickland	December 30
Tate Wisenteiner	December 30
Ineke Cordova	December 31
Grant Geodose	December 31
Cooper Quatrochi	December 31
Benjamin Wolter	December 31
Annalise Agelopoulos	January 1
Griffin Terry	January 1
Hannah Cantor	January 2
Peyton Herman	January 5
Colo Protass	January 5
David Robinson	January 5
Addie Brown	January 6
Ella Cobb	January 6

Jacob Daniel	January 6
Peri Silverman	January 6
Ruby Silverman	January 6
Sam Angell	January 7
Gunnar Culverhouse	January 9
Gregor Owens	January 9
Rachel Brody	January 10
Olivia Chandler	January 11
Sophia Giordano	January 11
Harrison Kerscher	January 12
Natalie Rumsfeld	January 13
Ruby Stephens	January 13
Kate Henry	January 14
Drew Filerman	January 15
Grady Rimland	January 15
Mackenzie Rodriguez	January 19
Kaitlyn Elder	January 22
William Grawmeyer	January 23
Kendal Lee	January 23
Ivy Maximon	January 25
Carlye Raabe	January 25
Alexandra Collins	January 26
Elliott Cravitz	January 26
Kate Dunne	January 26
Dylan List	January 26
Gracey Mounsey	January 26
Cailey Karshmer	January 27
Sarah London	January 27
Sadie McIish	January 27
Sara Jane Pak	January 27
Wesley Poole	January 27
Ellie Neal	January 28
Spencer Thomas	January 28
Jackson Zucker	January 28
Charlie Decker	January 29
Aerin Pitts	January 29
Carter Brand	January 30
Isaac Makovsky	January 30
Genevieve Mellberg	January 31
August "Gus" Albright	February 1
Andrew Hines, Jr.	February 1
Jameson Hoy	February 1
Julia Shelanski	February 1
William Morland	February 2
Karson Powers	February 2
Ella Sharp	February 3
Bradley Calkins	February 4
Rose McLish	February 6
Lucy Coughlan	February 7
Henry Chapman	February 8
Sophie Knuettel	February 9
Quinn Canova Schwartz	February 10
Adrian Doerr	February 12
Sydney Parham	February 12
Ben Zimmerman	February 12
Sloan Woodberry	February 13
Griffin Borg	February 14
Ethan Drake	February 14
Hannah Priddy	February 14
Ethan Zimelman	February 14
Ashley Brill	February 18
Liana Fagelson	February 19
Joseph Mellberg	February 19
Alex Radz	February 19
Brady Radz	February 19
David Anderson	February 20
Max Barnhill	February 20
Greyson Haldeman	February 20
Aidan Hodgkin	February 21
Sheila Stern	February 21
Marco Fenton	February 22
Shira Linkow	February 22
Gavin Craig	February 23
Ethan Cordes	February 24
Graham Freedman	February 25
Theodore Marcl	February 25
Clark Steinhauer	February 25
Saul Drantch	February 28
Mckenna Hamling	February 28
Alex Song	February 28
Christopher Song	February 28
Paul Platten	March 1
Maxwell Bragdon	March 2