

Camp White Meadow

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Director's Chair

And another big week at "The Meadow"

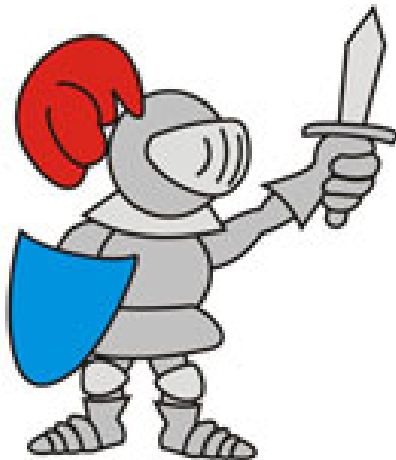
The highlight of this week would have to be all of the trips.

It seems like we have not seen Teen Travel since Sing last week. Almost all of their trips, Camelbeach, Dorney Park, and the Jersey Shore were out early, home late.

But the rest of us ventured out into the world. And it's a zoo out there, LITERALLY! On Tuesday the Aqua Ninjas, Devastating Dessert and the Cookie-Sitter-Onners traveled to the Bronx for the largest zoo in the area. On Thursday, the Little Surfers and Beach Bums allowed me to join them at the Turtleback Zoo in West Orange for a beautiful day of walking among the animals. We learned so much about different species of animals but not much about table manners, some of those animals eat like animals.

On Wednesday, Devastating Dessert got just that. As winner of 2006 Sing, the group enjoyed a deliciously refreshing Rita's Ices prize. Congratulations again to our winners.

On Friday, we were once again the kings and queens of our domain. Medieval Times was a royal affair. Todd put together princely activities including, moat swimming, crown and crest designing, and Knights' challenges.



Of course, Ali Koot, Lisa Salant and company would not be out done as they performed their annual Fear Factor activity, medieval style. Thanks again to everyone who chipped in.

And there is still so much to look forward to.

Next week CARNIVAL...then COLOR GAMES!!!

I LOVE THIS PLACE!!!

So until next week, be safe.

Take care,
Mark

From the Fields

Week 4 ended in exciting fashion with our counselor-camper 2 on 2 basketball tournament coming to a close. After a close final game, Todd Toriello and Michelle Mikhno emerged as our champions.

This week the Little Surfers learned how to play line soccer, while the Beach Bums played their first full game of soccer. The Aqua Ninjas played a great game of softball on Wednesday. As the Devastating Dessert played tennis basketball this week. It has been an exciting week 5 as everyone looks forward to the coming weeks.

-Alex

Boating/Nature

News from the water this week: saw a frog, we named Trevor. We caught him and then released him. I caught him over by the turtle hotel. I also got a chance to take Teen Travel out on Swartwood Lake.

On the hiking front, Devastating Dessert got to take a fun adventure in Mt. Hope Historical Park. The Aqua Ninjas also got a chance to see the park over at Mt. Hope. I also got a chance to take Teen Travel on a nice walk at Swartwood Lake.

-Bruce

For Art's Sake

What a fun week! We went on some great trips; saw some

fantastic animals at the zoo! When we were at camp, we made some fantastic animals! The Little Surfers and the Beach Bums made adorable egg carton caterpillars and paper plate octopus with crepe paper streamers for legs. On Wednesday, the Beach Bums made lady bug hand puppets. The Aqua Ninjas, the Devastating Dessert and the Cookie-Sitter Onners have been constructing their Popsicle stick boxes and beginning to design them.

-Franna

The Little Surfers

Hello from our youngest campers, we have been so very busy. It seems that we are always coming or going from the circus pool where we do enjoy the most refreshing water and are always welcomed with open arms from Teigan and Kat. We have so much fun with them that we are not aware that we are having a swimming lesson!

We had a blast playing kickball with our Beach Bums and it was awesome to play volleyball with the counselors in the water!

Twin Day, trip to the zoo, great caterpillars with Franna from Arts and Crafts, hiking, boating, sand castle contests, races, group names, songs, dancing to Cotton-Eyed Joe or freeze dancing to Sponge Bob Square Pants, life does not get any better than this for our Little Surfers.

Until next time,

-Molly, Amy, Lisa & Barb

The Beach Bums

We ended week four with Sing. Although we did not win, we had a ton of fun preparing. Everyone had cake to celebrate the Devastating Dessert winning Sing.

Week 5 has begun-it is hard to believe how fast the summer is going by. We got to have the "run of the camp" when the upper levels

went to the Bronx Zoo. Basically we took advantage of the pool by playing water polo against the counselors! I did art with the Beach Bums-we made "Sea Creatures" a cross between an octopus and a jellyfish. Wednesday was Twin Day. We had a parade with the Little Surfers. After the parade the campers had to guess who was a twin and who they were twins with.

The campers are making such progress with their playing of sports; tennis, kickball and basketball- I can see the pride in their faces.

We went to Turtleback Zoo on Thursday and saw a lot of cool animals. Friday was Medieval Times day and everyone was considered royalty.

Enjoy your weekend. Until next week!

-Miss Nancy, Lindsay, Ali, Jason, Christina & Jackie

Kung Fu News...

As week four came to an end we sang with all of our might. The Aqua Ninjas serenaded Camp White Meadow with a medley of songs. Despite our ingenious song writers, we fell short to Devastating Dessert.

The beginning of week five brought beautiful sunshine and a nice breeze. With all of the gorgeous weather we spent a lot of time outside playing sports. One of our new favorites is Box Ball.

We had our second field trip of the year.

The 5th & 6th graders were nice enough to let us join their voyage to the Bronx Zoo. We were able to fly through the air on the sky ride and zip through the Asian jungle on a monorail as we watched tigers, deer and elephants.

-Lori

Weekly Dessert Specials

Its official-Devastating Dessert is the 2006 Sing champions. It must have been the American Idol theme that clinched first place for us. We had a delicious Rita's Ice party to celebrate our victory.

We visited the Bronx Zoo where we rode the skyfari, visited the bats

in the world of darkness and traveled the Asian monorail. We also hiked through Mt. Hope historic park. We're exhausted from all of this fun!

-Liz

Proud to be a Cookie-Sitter Onner

The CSOs performance at sing was spectacular! A lot of energy, creativity and leadership amongst the seventh graders led to a strong compilation of songs and skits last Friday. Taryn and I are proud of everyone for their efforts!

Monday's highlights included a rousing game of kickball with special guest stars Mark and Alex. In addition, two campers in our group decided to try for the "world record" in throwing and catching a tennis ball back and forth. They reached their goal with 1,018 without a drop.

A multitude of animals swarmed through the Bronx Zoo as Camp White Meadow scattered themselves throughout the exhibits on a fun filled trip on Tuesday. The seventh graders used their navigation skills to map out their course and were able to see many fascinating zoo residents.

"Take me out to the ball game!" was Wednesday's theme for our trip to the Sussex Skyhawks game. Very much like the zoo, there were bats and flies, but these were just a bit different. We caught three free t-shirts and saw the game go until the 13th inning before we had to depart. We simply do not know who eventually won the game.

-James & Taryn

Hot off the Grill

This week in Teen Travel we went on a hike with Bruce at Swartswood state park. On Tuesday we ventured to Camelbeach where the campers enjoyed the wave pool, the lazy river and the ski lift. Wednesday brought us back to Pennsylvania to Dorney Park. Talon, Steel Force and Hydra were just some of our



favorite roller coasters. Thursday we all went swimming down at Seaside, ate some pizza and shares a few fried Oreos. Medieval Times day on Friday was a grand fare. We are looking forward to our overnight next week.

-Jon, Stacy & Paige

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Carnival



Friday,
August 4th -
Carnival Day

Wednesday,
August 2nd -
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Teen Travel Trips

Monday, July 31st -
White Meadow
Lake Club House
overnight

wed, August 2nd -
Jackals game

Thurs, August 3rd
-Kittatinny canoes

*5:30pm