

# NABBY NEWS



WEEK 7 AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup> - AUGUST 12<sup>TH</sup>

## HELPING HANDS, BELLY FLOPS AND DISNEY MAGIC!

### THANK YOU NABBY FAMILIES!!

Our Nabby community came together during our "Helping Hands" Week and we are so proud of our campers and thankful for the generosity of our families. We shared stories of good deeds at camp on our "Helping Hands" wall and were thrilled to see it get filled each and every day with handwritten notes until it was covered on Friday!

We also joined together as a community to help others in need, with our food collection to benefit the Community Center of Northern Westchester. What started with a few cans on Monday morning, became overflowing bags and tables covered with donations from so many of you! Our campers loved bringing in their contributions and were excited to see the collection on display each day. We will add to the collection with our non-perishable items from the kitchen at the end of the season and will make a special Camp Nabby drop off at the Community Center based in Katonah.

It was a wonderful week celebrating good deeds and we thank all of you for joining us to spread kindness, both inside and outside of camp!



Our Helping Hands Wall and Food Collection table along with the smiles from our campers, brightened Nabby throughout the week!



### COUNSELORS COME TOGETHER FOR FRANK J BERTINO MEMORIAL SOFTBALL GAME

Since his passing in 1997, counselors have come together to honor the late Frank J Bertino, our Nabby family patriarch, in a memorial softball game. Frank was so proud of Nabby and his family, and would be thrilled to see all the happy children who have experienced a wonderful summer here at camp.

The game featured Senior Camp and Specialty Counselors teamed together vs our Junior Camp Staff. The contest had many home runs (so many we lost track!), entertaining walk-up music, lots of heroic plays and most of all, laughs! The Senior & Specialty staff tallied 46 runs vs 23 for the Junior Camp, but the score was secondary to bringing everyone together to honor Frank!



### ENROLLMENT FOR 2023 WILL OPEN THIS WEEK!

It's hard to believe the end of our 2022 camp season is upon us! We are already planning for next summer and will be opening up enrollment this week for our **83rd summer at Nabby in 2023!**

Look for an email in the next few days for more information.

If you plan on returning (*and we hope you do!*) we recommend families enroll early to lock in their spots.

Camp was at full capacity this summer and we expect the same for next summer!

### THE WEEK AHEAD...

WEEK OF AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup> - AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>

**MONDAY-TUESDAY, AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup> & 16<sup>TH</sup>**  
COLOR WAR!

**SENIOR CAMP EPIC**

Sr Camp's end of summer Red vs White Color War!

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup>**  
JESTER JIM!



Jester Jim returns with his crazy antics as we close out another Nabby successful summer!

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup>**  
NO CAMP  
Sleep in...enjoy breakfast!



# BELLY FLOP CONTEST MAKES A BIG SPLASH!

The echoes of “BELLY FLOP, BELLY FLOP, BELLY FLOP” were heard throughout the neighborhood as our campers chanted encouragement to this year’s Counselor Belly Flop competitors!

On Thursday, 25 brave counselors took part in the competition that has become a Nabby summer highlight. After each flop, our campers voiced their amazement with “oohhhs”, aahhhhs”, and the occasional laughter at the not so floppy flops! Each contestant was judged on a point scale from zero to 10 by five counselor judges, including last year’s winner, Luke from Penn. Scores in the first round ranged from 4 (!) to 45, with no perfect score of 50 handed out by our eagle eyed judges. The five semifinalists were Jeb (Stanford), Marc (Duke), Satchel (Dartmouth), Logan (Williams) and Paul (Colgate). Marc and Paul were awarded the best scores in that round and actually had to flop a THIRD time to produce a winner - this time selected by camper cheers.

The loudest cheers were for Paul, who became our OLDEST winner in Nabby history!!! Perhaps the most thrilled were his two daughters who were so proud of their dad! Way to go, Paul!



Runner-Up Marc gave it his best!



Great style Logan!



Jeb's flops were epic!



Our Belly Flop Contestants ready to flop!



Paul's daughter Grace cheering him on



Our winner...with all the right moves!!



The flying octopuses had us all laughing!



Paul with the coveted Belly Flop Trophy and getting hugs from daughter Emma after the contest!



Our esteemed judging panel

## DISNEY DAY WAS MAGICAL AND LUAU DAY WAS TROPICAL!

From our special Mickey and Minnie Mouse greeters at the front gate to magical songs at music and counselors dressed as Woody and Cruella, our campers were treated to a fun day of Disney celebration! We marveled at all the Princesses, Mouseketeers and Incredibles who came to camp to celebrate everything Disney!



## 10 YEAR HONOREES ARE NABBY FAMILY!

We had the honor to celebrate two staff and four campers/LIT's for reaching the 10 year milestone at Nabby this summer. Our campers Ty (Penn), Avery (Jackson), Lucas and Alex (LIT's) began as either 3 or 4 year olds and have spent an incredible 10 consecutive summers at Nabby! Our head tennis instructor Dave, travels all the way from California to join us each summer and Ruth (who many of you know or have spoken to) has been working full time at Nabby for a decade. Each honoree receives a plaque that is displayed in our dining room for all our campers to see, as well as a Nabby #10 commemorative sweatshirt. We can't imagine Nabby without our honorees and we're so happy to celebrate them!



Ty (Penn)



Avery (Jackson)



Lucas - LIT



Alex - LIT



Ruth



Dave

## COUNSELOR LIP SYNC HAS FIRST FINALIST

The last counselor Lip Sync semi final took place this week with Aaron from Tulane going up against Julia from the swim staff.

Aaron took the stage first and performed "Hoe Down, Throw Down" by Miley Cyrus. Aaron, with a cowboy hat and his sidekick Logan, were backed up by three Jackson campers and all went country as they danced the "Hoe Down".

Julia then took the stage after being introduced by Alec from tennis. Alex from Jackson joined her and the boys from Tulane (Aaron's group!) as they sang and danced to "California Girls" by Katy Perry. Julia's blinking hat and the cartwheels performed were probably the deciding factor as the campers sent her to next week's finals!



Aaron's hoe down with backup from Satchel and the Jackson girls



Julia and Alex rocking the stage with backup dancers from Tulane

# SEEN AROUND CAMP....

Our counselors showed us their incredible flexibility in a Limbo contest on Tropical Luau Day. Jeb and Audrey pictured below, were our winners - and as you can see - they were amazing!



To his amazement - Conor from the Williams group caught a very big Bullfrog at camp! He then brought the frog to Ranger Rick who shared it with the rest of camp in Nature classes. Great job Conor!



Our third grade cooking class with their delicious Oreo Popcorn and thank you smiles for Renee!



Our Cubs group enjoyed a special ride at instructional swim!



In a long standing Princeton tradition dating back decades, the campers competed against the counselors and won a tug o'war contest in just 16.5 seconds!!!

## SENIOR CAMP SCAVENGER HUNT

Gnomes, Pokémon cards, rubber pizzas and chickens, ice cream wrappers, red lobster, pink shoes, selfies with a Bertino and dirty socks (!)..what do all of these have in common?

They were all on the Scavenger Hunt list for our annual Senior Camp event!

With a list of over 100 items, the Senior Camp groups scoured the Nabby grounds to secure the title of Scavenger Hunt champion. Each item on the list was worth points ranging from 1,000 for a photo of a CLEAN bunk to 25 for various sized sticks and Pokémon cards.

When the final horn sounded, all groups reported their items and the Penn boys had a total 15,950 points for first place, with the Barnard girls coming in a close second with 15,475 points. What propelled PENN to a win? They found THREE sets of twins for 1,500 points and a 4 leaf clover for 500 points!



Jackson found a gnome!



Columbia found Joe for a group selfie!



Runner up Barnard found videographer Frank for a points earning selfie!



Penn boys celebrate the win!!



**CUBS**

We went on the Slip and Slide. We got soaking wet and it felt so good! We also went to Nature and believe it or not we rode on a "bear". We held on tight and had fun! The bear was very gentle with us.

**COLBY**

We learned about Symmetry in Art. We painted on one side of the paper, folded it and saw a matching design on the other side. It was so cool to see that happening.

**SMITH**

Running through the sprinklers felt so good. We would run through the sprinklers during the hottest part of the day. To our surprise we then walked to the Slip and Slide and we got more wet. Yeah!!!

**CORNELL**

In Music we sang all of the Disney Classics. We think our group should try out for the next American Idol!

**VASSAR**

The hand game "Quackdeliosus" was so much fun. We all learned the words and the movements to this game. We want to keep playing it over and over again. It is so fun to laugh together. One thing we are sad about is having to say goodbye to some of our friends who are going on summer vacation. We will miss them.

**SKIDMORE**

Our camp counselor, Dame, was such a good sport and entered the Belly Flop Contest. She did it just to show us we could do anything and we had fun cheering her on. We really enjoyed Luau and Disney Day! It was nice to hear tropical music being played throughout the day.

**WELLS**

Music was the highlight of the week for us. Music Teacher Mike played songs on the keyboard and we had to guess who sang the song. After we guessed the songs we sang the songs all the way to the end!

**BATES**

Bates had a blast running the bases in kickball and loved seeing their counselors dressed up as Cruella and Dalmatians on Disney Day!

**BRYN MAWR**

We learned a new football game this week called, "King of the Hill". This required us to learn how to throw a spiral and catch a football. Watch out Giants!

**BARNARD**

While walking through the nature trail we came across a one year old snapping turtle. We brought it to Ranger Rick and decided to let her go back into the wild on Friday. We also enjoyed playing the game "Prisoner" in Dodgeball.

**RADCLIFFE**

We played Tennis Racquet Baseball with Jack (one of the tennis instructors) and we used the tiniest tennis racket you could ever see. We laughed so hard until our bellies hurt because it was so funny to use that racquet.

**DOUGLASS**

We absolutely loved everything that we did this week. The Scavenger Hunt was a highlight for us. We worked as a team to try and find as many items on our list as possible. We wanted to surprise our counselors so we straightened up our bunk by hanging our items on our hooks and putting all of the clothing in our bags. Our counselors couldn't believe it! They were so proud of us!

**JACKSON**

Hockey is a new sport for us that we just love to play! We want to start a National Hockey League for girls. We want to make this happen. The Slip and Slide was fun and cooled us off.

**YALE**

The Slip and Slide was just what we needed for the three really hot days we had at camp. It cooled us off and then we were refreshed and ready to go.

**COLGATE**

We were more full of kindness this week than ever! We showed kindness to all our new campers that joined us for the last two weeks. We also have been working on our team work skills.

**PRINCETON**

We have had lots of fun competitions this summer! We currently have 89 Hole in Ones. Wow! Our goal is still to get 100. In baseball we have 146 runs. We are becoming very good baseball players.

**STANFORD**

Making S'mores with Ranger Rick was the most delicious treat we made this week. We are still licking our fingers from the gooey chocolate and marshmallows!

**BROWN**

We are preparing for our final week of fun at Nabby. We have had the best time playing gaga, dodgeball and every activity in the pool!

**HARVARD**

What fun we had playing against Brown in dodgeball. It was a close win between the Harvard and Brown Teams.

**TUFTS**

We have been playing dodgeball against other groups and we have been having a phenomenal time. Some games we win and some games we lose but it is always a lot of fun. We also love playing with the gigantic ball. When we say the ball is gigantic - it really is! The game we play is "Keep the ball up" and don't let it hit the ground.

**DARTMOUTH**

We have had the best time playing dodgeball against Williams, Bates, and Bryn Mawr. We have also learned how to play World Cup Soccer.

**WILLIAMS**

It was hot this week but we remained "cool" in all aspects. Camp Nabby Rocks!

**COLUMBIA**

We had a fun time trying to avoid melting this week by enjoying the pool, playing in the shady spots and drinking lots of water!

**DUKE**

Playing dodgeball and Tennis Racquet Baseball against Penn and Douglas was the highlight of our week. We won't say which team won. We learned how to play "Capture the Flag" and we were playing it so strategically that we challenged Radcliffe to a tournament. Guess who won that tournament?

**TULANE**

We decided to do a little something different this week and played a fun game against Colby (young girls group) in Dodgeball. We played with our left hands and we had to play underhand. What a great experience it was for us Tulane boys.

**PENN**

We had a great time at the Scavenger Hunt and were proud to have found lots of acorns and even a four leaf clover! The victory was extra special to us since we worked so well together as a team and everyone contributed.

