

# THE NABBY WEEKLY • July 13th, 2018

## NABBY CELEBRATES SPIRIT WEEK!!!

# CHICKENS AND TURTLES AND SNAKES...OH MY!!!

Campers arriving at Ranger Rick's nature area are always in for an amazing adventure! For 22 years Rick Lee has been instilling a love of nature in our campers. Assisted by nature enthusiast and high school senior Doug McCarthy, Ranger Rick creates a weekly theme for our campers to enjoy. The kids will study mammals, reptiles, insects and birds and will learn about their behavior, diet and characteristics. After studying these animals, the campers will experience them up close and personal as the Nature Hut is home to 27 chickens, bunnies, turtles (including Bo Jangles, the tame snapping turtle!), a bearded dragon named Scurry, snakes and Nabby's newest creatures...Emperor Scorpions!!!

As much as the campers love interacting with the animals, another special activity is exploring our Nature Trail. A project started by Rick and his two sons back in 2002, the trail is expanded each year and now includes a rest area, bridges, a mud bath and lots of walking paths.

Another nature activity that is looked forward to each summer is the campfire marshmallow roast. Campers love to gather around the fire and who doesn't love those gooey marshmallows?

Rick devotes the summer months to Nabby, but in the off season, Rick Lee's Nature Awareness School is in full throttle as well as his Wilderness Survival and Primitive Tools and Crafts classes. He visits many schools and organizations throughout the year with audiences ranging from tiny tots to high school seniors. And, of course, Rick is available for birthday parties as well. Look for him at various fairs and farmer's markets around Westchester...you might get to meet and greet Scurry and Bo Jangles!!!







#### **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

Week of July 16th - 20th

**Tuesday, July 17th**The Magic of Eric

**Wednesday, July 18th**Predator and Prey (Sr. Camp)

**Friday, July 20th** Super Hero Day Project Morry Swim-a-thon

### **TENNIS, ANYONE?**

Tennis has always been a popular sport here at Nabby. From the success of our 10 and under program, utilizing age appropriate size nets and racquets, to our energized senior and junior camp interest periods, the tennis staff is hard at work to promote a lifetime sport. Under the direction of head counselor Dave Graham, our Nabby staff boasts some familiar faces who've been here at camp for a total of 42 years! Luke and Jack have been campers, LITs and CITs for 13 years, Chris has been a camper, LIT and CIT for 12 years, and they welcomed Rebecca this year who was a Nabby camper for 4 years!

Dave, a former collegiate player at Boise State and a USPTA Pro, is excited to find a future Wimbledon champion on Nabby's courts!



#### **HOLLYROCK IS A NEW COLOR WAR EVENT!**

The annual Hollyrock Games came to Nabby this week, but with a new twist. While remaining a boys vs girls competition for the Jr. Camp, the Sr. Camp edition was geared towards Color War and was a Red team vs White team Epic Event.

The campers always have a fun filled afternoon as the Hollyrock Games test their knowledge of age appropriate trivia, as well as various physical contests. The crowd pleasers each year are the hula hoop contest, the incredibly tricky Simon Says, and the hilarious dance off! In the Sr. Camp, the dancer with the best moves was Stefan from Tulane (also seen perfecting his routine as Maddie, the NY Liberty mascot!), while the Jr. Camp champ was LIT Nate Bilgoray! Always a shocker, however, is how the campers in both camps can outlast their counselors in Simon Says! Hmmm...just maybe those campers are good listeners???

The boys just squeaked by the girls in the Jr. Camp competition with Sam from Williams showing his trivia knowledge over Katie and Cami from the Cubs in a tie breaker!

The Red team was once again victorious in the Sr. Camp, outlasting the White team 1100 to 900. Color War now stands at 3455 for Red and 2255 for White.

**RED TEAM** 

3455 pts

WHITE TEAM

2255 pts













#### **NABBY'S 5 YEAR CAMPERS!**

Nabby's 5 YEAR camper shirts were handed out this week to 29 campers, some of whom are pictured below. Congratulations...it's always fun to see our returning campers from year to year!



#### **10 YEAR CAMPERS**

Campers who've been at Nabby for TEN years receive a 10 year shirt and their photo placed on the wall in our dining room. These campers started Nabby when they were 3 or 4 years old...it's been a joy to watch them grow into great young adults!



L to R: Sam Kaplan, Max Hirsch, Jason Manse, Elsa Trombetta, Samantha Bybel, Colin Cody, Frank Fontana

#### NABBY SALUTES IT'S NEWEST FIVE YEAR COUNSELORS!



Pictured I to r: Emma Mangione, Erin Appelle, Ashley Miritello, Amanda Carilli, Stefan Nemecek

#### 10 YEAR COUNSELOR...



Most everyone at Nabby knows Christine...not only because she's been here for 10 years, but, as the camp nurse, she's handed out plenty of band aids and ice packs for various minor scrapes each day! Christine has been a nurse for 18 years and has two children here at Nabby. Avery, 8, is in Barnard and Colin, 13, is in Penn and also just received his 10 year camper shirt!

Thanks Christine for 10 years of Epi pens, band aids, ice packs and soothing hugs!

#### NABBY CELEBRATES TOM ADAMS' 40TH YEAR WITH PRINCETON!

The Princeton group is known for keeping stats on everything... holes in one, home runs hit, runs scored and timed sprint races, just to name a few! The boys love it and so does their counselor, Tom Adams. Tom teaches 6th grade math at Sleepy Hollow Middle School and it's easy to see how numbers fit into his summers at Camp Nabby, just as they do during the school year.

Tom got his undergraduate degree at Mercy College and his Masters at Iona. He really enjoys the variety of children he works with - from his 6th grade students during the school year to his 1st grade campers during the summer.

In his spare time, Tom is a total sports junkie for high school and college sports including basketball, baseball, softball, volleyball and football. If you were to attend a game with Tom, you'd surely always know the score!

This summer Tom is spending his 40th year at Nabby - only Joe has been here longer! To say Tom is dedicated to his work is a slight understatement...in 29 years of teaching and 40 years at Nabby, **TOM HAS NEVER MISSED A DAY OF WORK!** 

Truly an example for younger counselors to look up to. We salute you Tom...many thanks for 40 incredible years!!!



# GROUP SCOOP

This week's edition of group scoop shows the campers with their Spirit Week banners and mascot names. All the groups did a fantastic job performing this week...we will announce award winners for various catagories in next week's Nabby News. Be sure and check it out!!!



THE HARVARD HACKERS



THE DARTMOUTH DAREDEVILS



THE BATES BALLERS



**DUKE PERFECT** 



SASSY SKIDMORE



JAW DROPPING JACKSON



COTTON CANDY CORNELL



THE BARNARD BAND



THE COLUMBIA CALAMARI CHEFS



THE SMITH SMARTIES



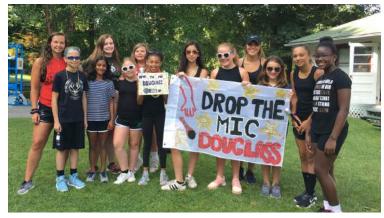
WINNING WILLIAMS



THE BRYN MAWR BAKERS



BIG BALLER BROWN



DROP THE MIC DOUGLASS



REACH FOR THE STARS RADCLIFFE



YANKEE DOODLE YALE



THE PENN PANDAS



PRINCETON'S YOUNG MARVELOUS CAMPER ATHLETES (YMCA)



VIBRANT VASSAR



WISHFUL WELLS



THE TULANE TOGAS



CUBS MICKEY MOUSE CUBHOUSE