

THE NABBY WEEKLY • AUGUST 12, 2016

WEEK 8...COLOR WAR FINALE AND JR. CAMP MUSICAL!

BELLY FLOP CONTEST!!!

IT'S A REPEAT!!! Nabby's annual counselor Belly Flop Contest took place on Thursday with an all time record number of contestants! The campers cheered their counselors on with Nabby's famous poolside chant..."BELLY FLOP, BELLY FLOP, BELLY FLOP!" The top three "floppers" were Alec Zarkower of Rock Wall, Angelo Lamberti of Penn and our repeat winner, Mitch Cohen of Duke.









UPCOMING EVENTS

Dates: August 15th - 19th Monday and Tuesday, August 15th and 16th

COLOR WAR (Sr. Camp)

Wednesday, August 17th Junior Camp Musical 10AM (Main Stage)

Thursday, August 18th - Last day of camp! Counselor Show 3 PM

CAMP DATES FOR 2017 Monday, June 26th thru Thursday, August 17th

Early Enrollment Special! Enroll your camper(s) before November 1st and lock in 2016 program fees!

JUNIOR CAMP MUSICAL!!

The Specialists in music and dance have been busy this summer singing songs, playing instruments and learning new dance moves under the guidance of Head Counselor Lee Compton and his assistants Spencer Boxer and Brianna Dustin. Each summer, we look forward to the Junior Camp Musical! This is Lee's 4th year directing the show and this years theme is "Follow the Rainbow" and takes place on **August 17th at 10 am**. Join us for a musical exploration full of sound, colors and movements as we show you the brilliant songs of summer 2016. As usual, your campers will show you what colorful and shining stars they are! We ask that you arrive early for the best seating and stick around for the entire performance and, of course, the grand finale! Parking will be available in our two lower parking lots AND on our upper baseball field (entrance thru the main gate).



LIP SYNC CONTEST!

The finals for the counselor Lip Sync Competition is set to take place on Monday, August 15th. The semi finals took place last Monday with the four remaining contenders pulling out all the stops. Michaela Silver wowed the audience with her version of Beyonce's "Single Ladies" as she faced off against the moves and flashing lights of Alex Klein's "Party Rock Anthem" by LMFAO. The applause-o-meter was very close, but Alex was the winner and first finalist of the morning.

The second semi-final was between Stefan Nemecek and Eliza Ginsberg. Stefan had audience participation as he performed Silentó's "Watch Me Whip/Nae Nae". Eliza, appearing in a Sia wig, however, garnered the most applause when she actually swung from a makeshift chandelier as she lip synced to "Chandelier"! So next Monday, Nabby campers will have the difficult choice of choosing between Alex, Eliza and Gabby , who received a bye to the finals by virtue of her last year's performance. Should be a great show!!!



BEHIND THE LENS

If you have been checking the parent portal on the Camp Nabby website then you know the photographic brilliance of our staff photographer, Matt Steinberg. Matt spends each day here at camp documenting all of the fun our campers have through the eyes of his camera lens.

Matt, in his third summer here at Nabby, is a photographer through and through. He graduated from Ohio State University with a degree in Visual Arts. Photography is his passion, profession and hobby. He most enjoys photographing the campers in action and capturing their true personalities on and off the fields.

When he is not here showcasing the best moments of Camp Nabby, Matt can be found photographing special occasions, sporting events and families. If you love Matt's work or would like to get in touch with him for your special occasion, please feel free to email him at mattsteinbergart@gmail.com



OFFICE STAFF!

When there's something wrong... In your camper's bag... Who ya' gonna call? OUR OFFICE! Almost every parent has spoken to our office staff at least once during the summer. Assisting Joe and Rita in the office is

our registered nurse, Christine Cody, and our office manager, Ruth Schlosberg. Christine is in her 8th year at Nabby and received her RN degree from Binghamton University. During the school year, Christine works at Buchanan Verplank elementary school. Her two children attend Nabby and Christine's free time is spent at hockey rinks and soccer fields watching their many sporting events!

Ruth has been at Nabby for 4 years - full time in the summer and part time for the other 10 months. She attended West Virginia University and is a true Madonna fan...she's been to 15 concerts!!! Ruth's two boys, who attend Nabby (of course), keep her busy during the school year with their many sports and activities!

Also helping in the office this year are newcomers Kailee DiVico, who will be a Freshman at Boston College this Fall and Stacey Nusbaum, whose two children are loving the Camp Nabby experience this summer!



MEET THE PRINCETON "ENERGY"

This year's group of first graders certainly deserves the nickname, "Energy". They love participating in all of Camp Nabby's activities, but are especially enthusiastic about sports. Their favorites this summer have been dodgeball, basketball, soccer and hockey. Princeton always keeps track of their progress throughout the summer. Their current tally is 70 holes-in-one in their annual golf tournament and after 5 full-length baseball games, the boys have scored 310 runs! This past week, the Princeton Boys beat their counselors in the annual tug-of-war contest...a tradition dating back to the early 1980's! It took the boys just 36.5 seconds to win!

The Princeton counselors are Camp Nabby veterans! The group is led by Head Counselor Tom Adams who has been at Camp Nabby since 1979. Tom teaches sixth grade math at Sleepy Hollow Middle School and is known as the district's #1 school sports fan, attending games throughout the school year. A fun fact about Tom is that as both a teacher and camp counselor, he has a perfect attendance record! Princeton's Assistant Counselor Richie Bernstein is entering his senior year at Putnam Valley High School. He runs cross country in the Fall and track in the Winter and Spring. This is his 13th summer at Camp Nabby and he was a Princeton camper when he was in first grade! Also assisting Tom is Oscar Kameny, a Senior at Hendrick Hudson High School. Oscar is in his 13th straight summer here at Nabby as well. He plays football in the Fall. Dylan Echevarria, the Group's CIT is going into 10th grade at Lakeland High School. Dylan was in the UNICEF Club during the Winter and played for his school's baseball team. Dylan is enjoying his 11th summer here and plans on returning for many more summers!



JACKSON!

The girls of Jackson are having a fabulous summer! With a group of up to 25 girls a week, Head Counselor Rikki Saperstein and her assistant Gabby Gjelag have been working on new, fun, and exciting games as well as working together as a team. This is Rikki's 9th summer at Nabby and Gabby's 2nd so they are really trying to kick it up a notch. Some games they've tried are pickle ball, a new twist on one of our faves (tennis), a graham cracker house building competition, and dinosaur - where "scientists" try to steal "eggs" from the "dinosaur". The girls have also been working on traditional games and get ready Tokyo 2020...we think we may have a new volleyball team contender! It's been a great summer and the girls of Jackson are all super sad to see it go!



SUPERHERO DAY!!!

Nabby's cutest, smallest and sweetest group met the world's strongest, fastest and bravest group of Super Heroes last Friday! The Cubs were all invited on stage for a "meet and greet" after the Avengers and the Justice League superheroes survived the blast from the evil Mr. Freeze!!! The "mini me" Hulk was especially excited to meet the real deal...







NATURE NEVER GOES OUT OF STYLE

One of the highlights of Camp Nabby's special interest areas is Rick Lee's nature program. For over 20 years (!). Rick has been instilling a love of nature in our campers. Starting back in 1992 with about six animals, Rick has grown the program to 20 different species of animals and added an educational component including wilderness survival skills, Native American studies and even some herb gardening. Assisted by nature enthusiasts Ethan Columbo and Hope Delagi, Rick creates a biweekly theme for our campers to enjoy. The kids have been given an opportunity to study mammals, reptiles and insects providing an introduction to animal behavior, diet and conservation. Forest exploration and the coveted Mud Nature Emerging Experience are two of the most popular nature themes this summer. Never have we seen such joy on the camper's faces as after they have had a chance to splash in the mud on the nature trail!

The exposure to nature and all of its wonders helps alleviate any doubts the children may have about who we share our earth with and how we coexist. Moreover, while Camp Nabby focuses primarily on athletics, Rick's nature program provides a correlation between our daily activities and the environment in which we live. For example, we play baseball and soccer on a grassy field and hydrate ourselves with water - two of natures wonders. Rick devotes the summer months to Camp Nabby, but in the off-season, Rick Lee's Nature Awareness School is in full throttle. He visits many school districts throughout the year teaching Wilderness Survival and Primitive Tools and Crafts. Rick's audience ranges from nursery school tots through high school seniors and, of course, he is available for birthday parties as well! Look for him at local farmer's markets around Westchester - you never know what cute and furry creature he will have next to him!



5 YEAR CAMPERS!

Nabby **FIVE** year shirts were given to three more campers this week! Congratulations to Sophia Gordy, Richard Simonetti and Tomas Delvino!



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TULANE

Stefan Nemecek is the head counselor of the Tulane Turnups a very energetic and athletic group here at Nabby. He works in the Putnam Valley school district during the school year and provides entertainment for the Knicks at Madison Square Garden in his spare time. Assistant Justin Shabman is a student at Utica college where he is a member of the baseball team. The young men of Tulane experience many different activities here at Nabby. They enjoy swimming, basketball, tennis, dodgeball, football, blob tag, baseball and ping pong! The group is very competitive and give 100% at every event they have at camp. They loved the Great Chase Race and the Apache Relay and especially loved the Counselor Belly Flop contest and watching Justin compete. Everyday here at camp with this group has been exciting and they'll continue to excel at whatever they attempt both here and during the school year!



DARTMOUTH

The third grade boys of Dartmouth have enjoyed quite a few special events at Camp Nabby so far this summer! This includes everything from dressing up for Hawaiian Luau Day to watching the Magic of Eric and Steve Max perform. Last week, the boys were featured wearing shirts they made as an art project for Tie-Dye Day and having a blast at the Camp Carnival. The Dartmouth boys were also all so excited to see all three of their counselors, Ryan Simmons, Griffin Shiland and Dylan Shabman participate in the Bellyflop Contest! They can't wait to sing in the Junior Camp Musical during week eight - their rendition of "Brown Eyed Girl" is terrific! With the last week of summer approaching, the boys of Dartmouth are sad to see camp end, but they've had the best summer ever!!!



CUBS - We had so much fun playing water balloon games with the big girls of Barnard!

SMITH - Our favorite part of the Carnival was eating Rita's Ices!

CORNELL - We built a "D.J. booth" in the Imagination Playground and had a dance party!

VASSAR - We loved roasting marshmallows in Nature!

SKIDMORE - Skidmore Girls had a blast at the Carnival!

WELLS - Wells Girls learned how to play Dr. Dodgeball this week and we loved it!

BATES - The Bates Girls were so excited to participate in the carnival with our booth, "Lucky Ducks".

BRYN MAWR - Capture the Hand is our new favorite game!

BARNARD - We challenged the Columbia Boys to a tug-of-war contest! #playlikeagirl

RADCLIFFE - Senior Super Fun Day was super fun for Radcliffe!

DOUGLASS - Week 7 was the best week ever with Senior Super Fun Day, Carnival and Belly Flops!

JACKSON - We tried something new this week, Pickle Ball, and it's now our new favorite game.

YALE - The Yale Boys have been zip lining and rock climbing at Arial Adventure.

COLBY - The Colby Boys have been perfecting their miniature golf game.

PRINCETON - The Princeton tally continues to climb with 70 holes-in-one and 310 runs scored in baseball!

STANFORD - We started using metal bats for our baseball games this week.

HARVARD - We are on our way to the PGA Tour with 17 holes-in-one in golf!

BROWN - We really enjoyed playing the Wells Girls in kickball this week!

WILLIAMS - Our Iron Man Challenge is going strong with The Golden Devils in the lead!

DARTMOUTH - The Dartmouth Boys are practicing really hard for the Junior Camp Show. We can't wait for our parents to see our performance!

COLUMBIA - The Columbia Boys had an awesome time at their first Senior Camp Super Fun Day!!

DUKE - We loved cheering on our counselors as they stole the show in the Belly Flop Contest!

TULANE - Tulane was by far the loudest group chanting "Belly Flop" at the contest on Thursday!

PENN - "John White is always wrong and never right." #pennwisdom

