

## THE NABBY WEEKLY • JUNE 28, 2013

Remember, Camp will be OPEN on July 4th and CLOSED on July 5th!

Have a happy and safe Fourth of July weekend!

## **WELCOME TO NABBY 2013!**

We're so glad you chose to be part of our Nabby family this summer! We just love seeing our campers that return year after year and are even more excited to meet new campers that we hope will become part of our Nabby family for the years to come. We're looking forward to a fun filled, active summer with all of you!





## WHAT'S NEW AT NABBY FOR 2013

## "Nabby is GAGA over Ga-Ga!"

Ga-Ga has arrived at Camp Nabby! No, not the singer....the game! It's an Israeli variant of dodgeball and is played in a Ga-Ga pit...either in an octagonal or hexagonal shape. This fun and active game combines dodging, running, striking and jumping with the object of hitting your opponents with the ball below the knees while avoiding being hit yourself.



If the first week of camp is any indication of the popularity of this new game, watch out!!! We could just say, "it's enough to make you go Ga-Ga!!!

## **COMING EVENTS - WEEK OF JULY 1ST:**

Wednesday, July 3rd Capture the Flag (Sr. Camp)
Thursday, July 4th RED, WHITE AND BLUE DAY
Friday, July 5th CAMP IS CLOSED

Happy Fourth of July weekend!

## **IMAGINATION PLAYGROUND**

This new building block system is generating a lot of buzz around education/camp circuits! We hope that it gets our creative juices flowing here at Nabby. From the looks of it...mission accomplished!!!!





## WHAT, NO MORE RAMP?????

We've improved the entrance to our camp office! Not that everyone didn't love hiking up that ramp we used to have, but we're hoping you'll enjoy the stroll through our Johnny Jump Ups and veggie garden a lot more...





## **HEALTHY SNACKS AT NABBY**

While cookies and "bug" juice have been a Nabby staple in the past, we've decided to come full circle in creating a healthy, active lifestyle for our campers and serve healthier snacks. We'll be offering different combinations of fresh fruit (e.g., watermelon, berries, cantaloupe, apples), string cheese, pretzels and veggies during each group's snack time. Of course, some things will never change...we will still have that yummy ice cream on cookout days!!! And, speaking of cookouts, our hamburgers now come from a local company, Hemlock Hill Farms. Not only are they another local, family owned business, but their cattle is pasture raised, grain and grass fed and their beef is hormone and antibiotic free. And just so our hotdog lovers don't feel slighted...we serve Hebrew National Kosher hotdogs on cookout days...the best!!!



# IT'S A BIRD... IT'S A PLANE... IT'S GARRETT!

Duke counselor and AM door opener extraordinaire, Garrett Warshay, set the Nabby speed record this week for catching a parent driving away at drop off with a camper's tennis racquet left in the car! After a block and a half of sprinting, we figure Garrett ran a 9 second 100 meter dash!



Photo is a dramatization of actual event

## **SENIOR CAMP RELAY RACES**

This past Wednesday marked the beginning of Nabby's summer long RED vs WHITE senior camp competition. Each Wednesday, we'll have different competitive events that will pit the campers on the RED team vs the campers on the WHITE team. This week's event was our annual relay races. Probably the wackiest race involved the Penn boys and their dizzy bat relay - it featured spinning in circles on bat handles, water, foam arrows, hula hoops and a lot of laughter! The grand finale of the day was the tug-of-war competition. Boys vs girls, RED vs WHITE, counselors vs counselors!

## **NABBY COLOR WAR • WEEKLY STANDINGS**

**RED TEAM** 



POINTS: 500 1000 1500 2000 2500 3000 3500 4000 4500 5000 5500 6000 6500 7000 7500

After the first week, the RED team has 1100 points and the WHITE team has 800 points.







#### **SELECTED STAFF BIOS:**

Rikki Saperstein is currently attending Pace University in Pleasantville, where she is receiving her masters in teaching to become a certified 7-12th grade social studies teacher. She went to the University of Vermont for undergrad and this will be her 6th summer as a counselor here at Nabby. She used to be the head of the Jackson girls but when asked if she could take on a challenge she accepted and is now in a new role as a Program Director of Special Events. She is really excited for this position and can't wait to decorate for our special theme days, especially "Pirate Day" and "Yipes Stripes!!!" She and Rita spent a lot of time online shopping for this new position so we can't wait to see how everything turns out!



Also, this summer, a new L.I.T. (Leaders in Training) program was introduced at Nabby and Rikki is the mentor counselor. The LITS are a group of 14 year olds that are too old for our regular camp program, but yet too young to be CITS. They will be bouncing from group to group, week to week, to get the feel of what it is like to be a counselor. We could say it's a training to the training program! Overall, she really just wants everyone to have the best summer ever and to incorporate some fun new ideas for morning announcements to really get our camp day started. In the off-season you can find Rikki either at school or at the Tavern where she waitresses a couple days of week. But really, she is just getting pumped up for another Nabby summer because as everyone knows, Nabby summers are really what we all look forward to for 10 months out of the year!

Welcome **John Glashoff** - our new Junior Camp Director! He is very excited to be here at Nabby and looks forward to bringing both his coaching and teaching experiences to camp this summer. John is from Montrose NY and is an elementary physical education teacher at Frank G. Lindsay Elementary School. He also coaches softball and basketball at HenHud, his alma mater. John is also very active in the Cortlandt Little League as well as the CYO program



at St. Christophers. He graduated from SUNY Cortland and got his masters degree at Lehmann College. John is married and has four children. In his spare time, he enjoys country music, playing basketball, and taking hikes. Look for his smile as he "hikes" around the Nabby grounds!!!

Matthew Bertino is our new Senior Camp Director and hopes his enthusiasm for Camp Nabby is contagious this summer! He wants all campers to have a fun and amazing time - and, knowing Matt, we're sure that will happen! He hopes to introduce new games and create a highly competitive matchup between the RED and WHITE team members of the Senior Camp. His goal is to have all Nabby campers have a memorable summer that they will cherish for a lifetime.



Matthew is the third son of Joe and Rita. He is "incredibly charming and has the energy of a young bear cub"! He grew up and attended high school in Ossining, NY, where he earned the honorary title of "mayor" due to his outgoing personality. He went to college at the University of Kansas, and while a Jayhawk, he discovered his love for history and country music. Hmmmm.....could that be due to a certain Taylor Swift??? After college, Matthew took a job at Madison Square Garden, where he is currently a member of the NY Rangers Blue Crew and the Knicks 7th Avenue Squad.

Matthew will have the campers excited and waiting for their Wednesday RED vs WHITE special event all summer long!