

NABBY NEWS



WEEK 7 AUGUST 12TH - AUGUST 16TH

HELPING HANDS, BELLY FLOPS & SO MUCH FUN!

HELPING HANDS CELEBRATES GOOD DEEDS

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 the Nabby stage and on our “Helping Hands” wall.

Positive messages were also the theme in arts & crafts as select groups painted kindness rocks and designed their helping hands.

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 became overflowing bags and tables covered with donations from so many of you!

The Community Center of Northern Westchester was incredibly appreciative as we pulled up with a truck full of donations for their food pantry. **Overall, we set a Nabby record with 516 pounds of food donated! Just wow!**

All in all, 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.



THE WEEK AHEAD...

WEEK OF AUGUST 19TH - AUGUST 22ND



MONDAY, AUGUST 19TH & TUESDAY, AUGUST 20TH

SENIOR CAMP EPIC - COLOR WAR!

It's Red vs White in the final Epic competition of the summer!



THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND

LAST DAY OF CAMP



NABBY PRIDE DAY!

Wear anything and everything Nabby to celebrate a wonderful summer!



SUMMER SEND OFF!

We end the summer with laughs and good fun together!



ENROLLMENT OPEN FOR SUMMER 2025



Camp Dates: Monday, June 30 through Thursday, August 21st
No Camp Friday, July 4

Enroll before October 1st to secure your spot & enjoy savings off tuition! We can't imagine Nabby without you!
Register online through the parent portal or visit campnabby.com for more information

COUNSELOR GAME HONORS FRANK BERTINO

Last week, our counselors took part in the annual Frank J. Bertino Memorial Softball Game. Played since 1998, this game honors Frank Bertino, the legendary football coach and beloved patriarch of the Bertino family. As the former Director of Athletics at Riverdale Country School, Frank encouraged and nurtured the student athlete. As evidenced by this, when he and his wife, Flo, bought Camp Nabby in 1970, he named all the bunks after colleges and focused on adding a more athletic program to Nabby to go along with Arts and Crafts, Music and Nature.

Each year, the Senior camp counselors play against the Junior camp and specialty counselors in a friendly and fun filled game, complete with the good natured back and forth bantering, of course!

The last victory by the Junior camp staff was in 2015, and unfortunately, that still remains the case as the Senior camp came away with a 27-21 victory. Game highlights included home runs by Jake and Logan (both from Columbia) and outstanding defensive play by Music Mike! The evening wouldn't be complete without the after game pizza and fellowship as these counselors have all grown to be good friends and teammates through their Nabby years together.



CELEBRATING A TREASURED "HELPING HAND" AND 5 YEAR STAFF

We honored our terrific group of 5-year staff Allie from Radcliffe, Grace from Barnard, Michael from the Pool, Logan from Columbia and Elaine from Yale earlier this week. Each staff member received a counselor favorite "Going the Extra Mile" t-shirt and lots of applause!



5 year staff from left to right: Allie, Grace, Michael, Logan and Elaine.

It was only fitting that we celebrated our long time maintenance staffer Fernando to kick off Helping Hands week. Fernando has been with Nabby for an incredible 25 years, working year-round along with Guillermo to maintain our facilities, keeping Nabby safe and clean, and our grounds beautiful for all of us to enjoy each summer.

To recognize Fernando's dedication, Joe & Rita presented him with a framed sketch depicting a tribute tree that will be planted this fall at camp, in celebration of his 25 years of service. Around the tree will be a plaque that reads:

For 25 Years of Service Your hard work and dedication have made Camp Nabby a beautiful place for our camp family. This tree stands as a symbol of your lasting impact.

*With Gratitude,
Your Nabby Family*



Fernando with artwork depicting a forever gift from Joe & Rita

SEEN AROUND CAMP....

Feeling extra groovy at camp on Friday with all the colorful tie-dye!



Our counselors enjoyed our third annual Pickleball Palooza after camp and many camp dressed for the occasion. According to Claire and Luke, winning the Nabby Pickle Jar Trophy was a really big dill!



One of our youngest groups (Pups) and oldest boys group (Penn) played a fun game of tag - where our little pups chased the big boys!



The Nabby Nature Trail was the place to be with campfires, roasting marshmallows and s'mores enjoyed throughout the week.

TALENTED PERFORMANCES FOR LIP SYNC SEMIFINALS

Last week, the four counselor Lip Sync semifinalists took to the Nabby stage to earn the campers' votes for a spot in next weeks grand finale. The 4 acts pulled out all the stops with costumes and a plethora of backup dancers and singers to entertain the campers.

The first semifinal on Tuesday pitted Luke from Penn against Vinny from Tulane. Luke was up first with "Boyfriend" by Big Time Rush. Luke's heartfelt and choreographed routine had a surprise ending with Sammy from Douglass coming on stage to say yes to Luke being her boyfriend!

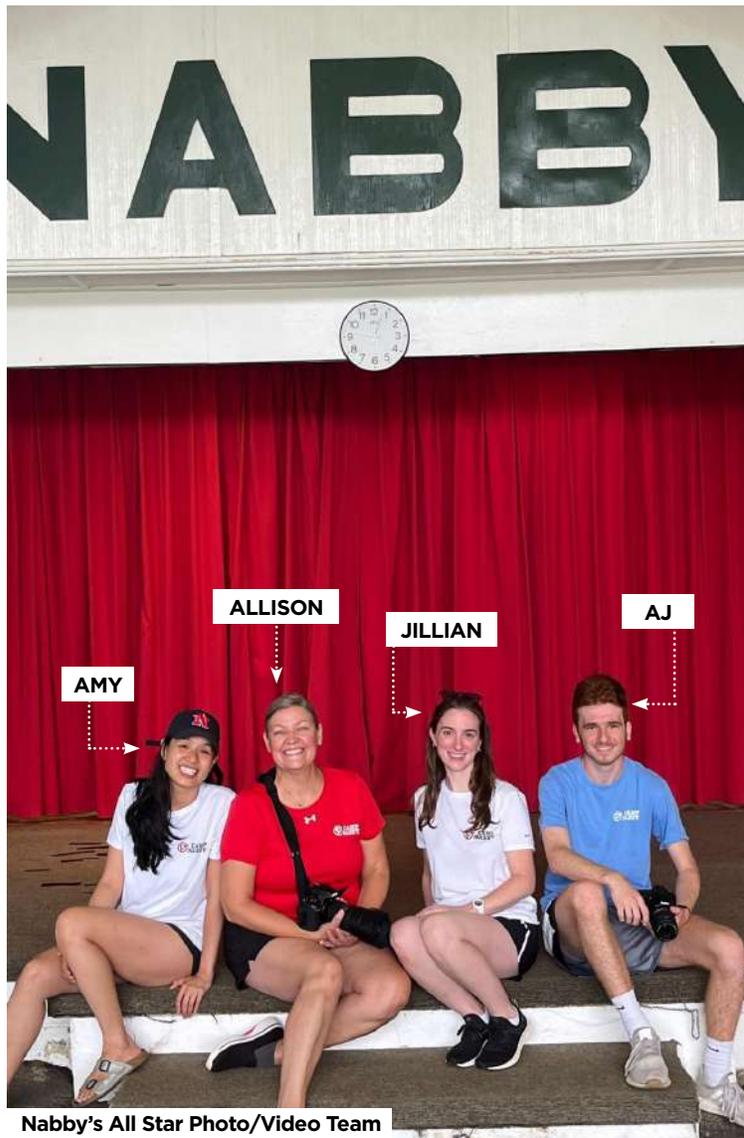
Vinny then came up and changed the pace with his lively and energetic version of "I Like to Move It, Move It" from the movie, Madagascar. With his Tulane counselors backing him up, Vinny danced on the stage and throughout the clapping and cheering audience!

On Thursday, the campers saw Bobby from Aerial Adventure up against Chris from Williams. Chris started the morning with "DJ Got Us Falling In Love" by Usher, only to dramatically stop the music and go country with "Old Town Road" by Billy Ray Cyrus and Lil Nas X. The campers laughed and loved that he rode his horse down that old town road through the audience!

Bobby enlisted the help of many senior campers as he started with his "macho" version of "I'm Ken" from the movie Barbie and ended up in a very pink onesie with Dua Lipa's "Dance the Night". Bobby definitely surprised us with his dance moves as he kept up with his backup dancers! Who will make the final??? No matter who it is, we'll enjoy the last Lip Sync performance and trophy presentation on Wednesday.



A SUMMER OF IMAGES TO CHERISH!



Nabby's All Star Photo/Video Team

We love to tell stories about camp and share the special moments and people that make Nabby such a special place. We were incredibly fortunate this summer to have talented photographers Amy, Allison, Jillian and videographer AJ, that made this all possible with their memorable images each and every day.

Allison has been a professional photographer for over 10+ years and has her own studio in Downtown Peekskill www.allisonhoobanphotography.com

She is also a child and family therapist currently working with young children through Early Intervention. She truly loves BOTH of her careers and feels tremendously lucky to work with kids every day. And best of all, Allison loves being at camp with her own kiddos, ages 11 & 7. "Seeing summer through their eyes brings me so much joy!".



A few of Allison's favorite photos from this summer (spot the arrow in the archery photo!)

Jillian is in her second summer at Nabby after taking last summer off after the birth of her son, Luca. "At Nabby, there's no shortage of children having fun, strengthening old friendships while forging new ones, and challenging themselves to try new things. As a new parent myself, I can't imagine a more perfect place to (one day!) send my child".

"Camp Nabby is a magical place to be a child and these shots just exude that magical feeling for me", recounts Jillian.

Outside of camp, Jillian balances her time between being a mom, photography business owner, and Licensed Mental Health Counselor specializing in children with executive function struggles. You can see more of Jillian's family and newborn photography here: www.JillianAndersonPhotography.com



A few of Jillian's favorite images

Amy's favorite images show how thrilling and fun camp is whether you're learning a new skill or trying to win a dodgeball game. Outside of Nabby, Amy is chasing her three kids around Croton and documenting families like her own all around Westchester and NYC. "I love summers at Nabby when I see campers overcoming something they were once afraid of but can now do with pride and excitement!" You can see more of Amy's work on her website <https://amynghephotography.com> and Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/amynghe/>.



AJ is in his first summer at Nabby and is a rising junior at Marist University majoring in Media Studies.

He works closely with our photographers to tell the stories of camp through video. "What I enjoy working most about Nabby is seeing the camaraderie. Everyone is super close to one another and it feels like one big family". My favorite event/ moment I've captured thus far was the Apache Relay because you could truly see how much fun everyone was having, and the ending especially brought everyone close together when the teams were cheering on each other which was very touching to see".

You can view AJ's features on Nabby's Instagram and Facebook pages, Youtube channel and through our mobile app.

We hope you have enjoyed their images as much as we have enjoyed sharing them!

SO FUN LIVES UP TO ITS NAME!

If you heard very loud singing and cheering on Thursday, it was our campers enjoying the So Fun Gameshow (senior campers and 3rd grade groups) and Circus Guy Show (junior campers). The Game Show featured fun games for campers including "Grill Masters", where campers had to toss shrimp into their hat, "Cup Stacking" where campers had to stack cups wearing crazy big superhero gloves, a guess the lyric contest, dance competition and money machine!!

Our junior campers then smiled and laughed throughout the Circus Guy performance as he entered the stage on a unicycle, juggled with campers and made a microphone simply disappear!

Both shows were new to Nabby and so much fun for all!

