



# The Centerland Chronicle

## WEEK FOUR IS A WINNER!

Camp Centerland is the place to be during Week 4, because the event of the summer has arrived! We are holding our annual Maccabiah Games. At Camp, we participate in our own version of the Jewish Olympics, also known here as Color Wars.

Campers are divided into four teams: Red, Blue, Yellow, or Green. Challenges are designed to test our campers' athletic abilities, swimming skills, logic and reasoning, general trivia, team spirit, nature knowledge, and camp pride.



Maccabiah teams line up for flagpole.

Teams have been picked, captains are ready, and the spirit is at an all-time high! Teams are ready to participate in activities that challenge the mind and body, and the search for this year's cham-

panion is on! Good luck to all teams!

The theme for Week 4 is Mitzvot, so campers are helping themselves and others with good deeds all around. Groups have begun making items that will be for sale at our family picnic in August. All proceeds from the sale will benefit Alex's Lemonade Stand.

We are having a terrific time at Centerland, and every camper will come home this week with plenty of good cheer and great tales of their adventures! Stay tuned to the Chronicle for all the details!

## LETTER FROM THE DIRECTORS

What a whirlwind! The weeks are flying by and the love for camp is growing in both campers and staff. We are busy extending many campers' experiences with additional weeks and in some cases the groups are too full to add any more kids. If you are considering signing

up for more weeks later in the summer, try to be in touch soon to reserve space! Each week is bittersweet as we add new campers and say goodbye to others for the rest of the summer. The counselors work hard to create new bonds each Monday and help friendships

develop naturally. Maccabiah is a special and popular time for team spirit, pride, dedication, and competition, but it also provides us an opportunity to strengthen our camp community as we come back together on Friday as one single Camp Centerland family.

### Camp Centerland

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### Special points of interest:

- ☺ Apply sunscreen to your child every morning.
- ☺ Label EVERYTHING!
- ☺ Campers must wear sneakers to camp.
- ☺ Please bring goggles.
- ☺ Please refrain from sending in snacks with traces of peanuts or nuts.

### Nurse Amy's Tip of The Week

Pool shoes and a wise investment for savvy summer camper. Many foot injuries could be avoided by wearing a pair of inexpensive water shoes during recreational swim times. Also, water shoes can come in very handy during

# COUNSELOR ENCOUNTERS WITH ALYCIA

## Meet Anna

Hometown: Hamburg, NY

Position: Sharon Counselor-1st Year Rookie

Favorite Food: Pizza

Favorite Movie: Tommy Boy

Hobbies:

Talent: "I can sing the lyrics to nearly every Disney song.. Try me!"

Best Feature: "Word on the street has it that I have pretty striking eyeballs"

Goal: "I look forward to becoming the best teacher in the whole wide world!"



## Meet Cullen

Hometown: Buffalo, NY

Position: Yehuda 4 Boys Counselor-2nd year at Camp Centerland

Favorite Food: Lean Cuisine and hot sauce

Favorite Movie: Idiocracy

Favorite Musical Artist: Big A-R

Talents: Juggling, tying my shoes

Hobbies: Soccer, music, fitness

Best Feature: Calves

Goal: "To become a guidance counselor"



## Meet Laurelle

Hometown: Syracuse, NY

Position: Negev Counselor-1st year Rookie

Favorite Food: Fried green tomatoes

Favorite Movie: Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind

Talents: Playing the trumpet

Hobbies: softball, reading

Best Feature: Left earlobe

Goal: "To work with gorillas one day"



## WEEKLY POLL RESULTS: THE WEEK 4 POLL IS: WHAT TEAM IS GOING TO WIN COLOR WARS?

Green Team: The Green Team!

Blue Team: The Blue Team!

Yellow Team: The Yellow Team!

Red Team: The Red Team!

Sounds like this week's poll is evenly divided 4 ways! Who will the champions be? We won't know until Friday...



Liz lets the campers know what team they are on for Maccabiah

## AQUATICS DIRECTOR ERIC PRESENTS: THE SWIMMING CORNER

This week, the CIT's and OZO's learned first aid, life saving skills, and how to act in an emergency situation. (All skills were on land, not in the pool). Two first aid skills they learned are how to help someone who is bleeding or burned.

We also covered choking, rescue breathing, and CPR. The CIT's and OZO's practiced using an automated external defibrillator (AED). An AED is a machine locate in schools and malls

to assist a person who falls unconscious and does not have a pulse. They will continue to practice these skills throughout the summer.

Color War is this week and the pools will be hosting many fun games and wacky races. We are looking forward to seeing all the participants swimming for their team! There will not be any swim lesson report cards this week due to the color wars activities.



Jump right in!  
Yehuda 4 prepare for instructional swim at the Goldman Pool.

## OVERNIGHT EXCITEMENT

Thursday nights can mean only one thing... overnight! Week 4 means a sleepover for the Negev group, and they are all set for a baseball-themed evening! Campers can look forward to a game of Eskimo baseball, making their own baseball hats, playing musical bases, swimming, a cookout, and plenty more fun under the stars!

There are two ways to "extend" your child's summer fun. Available to all families is the rollover option, and the extended summer vacation camp option.

The Camp Centerland rollover option is a popular choice, and many families have already opted to take advantage of this. Rollover is when you add more weeks than what you initially registered for at



Next week, it's Discovery's turn to have an overnight experience. Jr. Discovery and any Sr. Discovery campers not attending the Allegheny trip are welcome to spend the night at Centerland. The theme is being kept "under wraps" for now, but it's guaranteed to be a great time! See you there!

## DID YOU KNOW...

Camp Centerland (based on availability). When your child is having as much fun as this, our easy rollover option is a great way to extend the summer camp experience!

The second option is our Extended Summer Vacation Camp. Al-

### Overnight Schedule 2010

Week 4: Negev

Week 5: Discovery

Week 6: Yehuda

Week 6: Sharon Stay Late

Week 7: Atid

Week 8: Discovery

Week 8: Family Picnic

though Camp Centerland ends August 20, the JCC offers two more weeks of summer fun. Both the Holland and Benderson buildings have Extended Summer available. These two weeks include exciting field trips, theme days, swimming, games, projects, and more!

Please contact Lauren Cohen or Linda Hanes if you would like more information on either the Extended Summer or Centerland rollover options.



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## LOST AND FOUND

We don't like "Lost". Please label EVERYTHING with your child's name, so all missing items can be considered "Found"!

### Lost

(Items our campers are missing... have you seen it?)

- White Water Bottle
- Yankees Hat
- Speedo Goggles
- Blue & Green Striped Towel

### Found

- Small Peach Towel
- Brown Hat/Pink Flowers (10-14)
- Small Crystal Stud Earring
- White Bisons Travel Mug
- Black Skateboarding T (M)
- White Beaded Flip Flops (W 7)
- Centerland Blue Zip Hoodie (Adult S)
- Hanes Grey T (M)
- White Gap Swim Trunks w/ Blue Trees (S)
- Ransom Black T w/ Pink Sparkles (M)
- UNDERWEAR EVERYWHERE:
- 2 pairs Old Navy Boxers (M)
- Black Hanes Briefs (M)
- Hanes Blue Plaid Boxers (L)
- Hanes White Briefs (S)
- Hanes Grey Boxer Briefs (M)
- Disney Girls Briefs (6)
- Transformers Briefs (6)
- FotL Brown Boxer Briefs (M)
- FotL Blue Plaid Boxers (XL)

## PICTURE PLACE: FAVORITE MEMORIES AT CENTERLAND



From left: Yehuda counselor Cullen gets a newspaper moustache during water day; Ivan, David, and Jack at Amanut; Red Team raises the flag for Maccabiah



## THE SPECIALIST SPOT

This week's specialist report come from Jackie V., our JCA (Jewish Cultural Arts) Specialist.

! I'm Jackie Vetrano, or as many of the campers call me, "Jewish Jackie." I've had such a wonderful four weeks at Camp Centerland, and I can't believe that the summer is half way over! That doesn't mean that the fun is over though, because it's just getting started!



Jackie V. (left) poses with Jackie S. from Yehuda

Up until now, campers have been doing different activities that spread across our weekly themes. In the first week, we learned songs such as

"Shabbat Shalom" and "Heni MaTov." The whole camp comes together on Fridays after lunch to celebrate Shabbat, where these songs are sung. The campers also learned about great ways to recycle! You can ask Yehuda 4 Boys about their egg drop, or Atid Girls about how to make beads out of magazine strips. Sharon even got to help clean up a part of camp

that was full of litter! During week three, campers talked about (Chaverim) friendship. All of the campers during week three had the opportunity to paint about friendship

on a large banner that will soon be hung in the JCC Benderson building for decoration.

Although Color Wars started in the middle of this week, We still had the opportunity to learn about Tzedakah) which is loosely translated to mean charity. Tzedakah can be given in different forms, such as food, clothing, or money. Many campers made Tzedakah Boxes to take home. The campers can choose to put part of their allowance in their box to raise money, or they can have a lemonade sale, and once their box is full, they can donate their money to a charity of their choosing.

As I said before, these past four weeks have been wonderful, and I am