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Wonderful Week 5

Week 5 is here, and that means our summer at Centerland is already half over. We can't believe how quickly time is flying by at camp. All we know is that we've only got three weeks left the squeeze as much more summer fun as possible into our days!

This week is a tie-dye bonanza at Amanut. All groups were invited this week to bring in a white item of clothing they can turn into a colorful creation! Campers that already had a tie-dye T-shirt were invited

to dye their socks, hats, shorts... anything at all!

Our theme for the week focuses on learning about the Jewish holy days. Campers sung (and signed) Hebrew songs, make Sukkahs in JCA, and created calendars of Jewish holidays.

The next couple of weeks will bring plenty of visitors to Camp Centerland. We are looking forward to having students from

the Heritage Center join us next Tuesday. Then during Week 7 we will host the Sheriff & Youth Camp.

Thanks for another wonderful week campers and staff! Our summer wouldn't be amazing without all of you!



Teams compete at the game Mission Impossible during Color Wars Week 4

Letter From The Directors

The fast pace and competitiveness of last week's color war has calmed but the amazing activities and spirit of Camp Centerland is still alive and thriving. Our Discovery campers have returned safely from a

three day overnight in Alleghany. It is fantastic to see the creativity and style of the tie dye from Amanut. We are looking forward to some special visitors in the upcoming weeks. Next week children from The Heritage

Centers will join some of our campers for a day of activities. During Week 7, the National Federation of Just Communities is bringing a group to camp to explore the world of civil service. Our campers will get to see mounted policeman, SWAT and even the Sheriff himself arrive in a helicopter! AWESOME!!!

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

As our summer winds down, each Friday we have more campers that will not be returning to camp for the rest of the summer. If this Friday is your final week at Camp Centerland, don't forget to bring home any medication that you have brought to the infirmary. A quick phone call or a note of reminder will help us make sure your important medication makes it safely home.

COUNSELOR ENCOUNTERS WITH ALYCIA

Meet Sarah:

Hometown: Arlington, VA/
Buffalo, NY
Position: Yehuda 4 Girls Counselor: 3rd year at Camp Centerland
Favorite Food: Ice Cream
Favorite Movie: Almost Famous
Talent: Making friendship bracelets
Hobbies: Skiing, Swimming
Best Feature: Hair
Goal: "To get to the dairy bar this summer"

Meet Sam:

Hometown: Buffalo, NY
Position: Yehuda 4 Girls Counselor: 2nd year veteran
Favorite Food: Mac and Cheese
Favorite Movie: What Happens in Vegas
Talent: "I play the flute"
Best Feature: "I can make my tongue into a 3-leaf clover"
Goal: "To make people happy"
Hobbies: "Hanging out with my friend Becca (Lifeguard)"

Meet Mike:

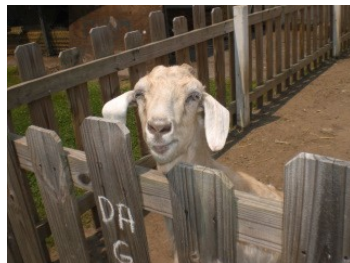
Hometown: Jacksonville, FL
Position: Yehuda 4 boys: 4th year veteran
Favorite Food: Oreo Cakesters and croutons
Favorite movie: My Dinner with Andre (Classic)
Talent: Counting to 58 by 7's
Best Feature: "I have good lungs"
Goal: "To count to 59 someday...by 7's"
Favorite Musical Artist: The Big A-R/OH DIP!
Hobbies: Baking faddles and roasting gordons over campfires

Photos From Left: Sarah (left) with camper Rachel; Sam (center) with Centerland campers; Mike (left) with camper Finnegan and co-counselor Cullen



WEEKLY POLL RESULTS WEEK 5 POLL: WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE ANIMAL?

Jack in Negev: Panda Bear
Noah in Negev: Dog
Saul in Negev: Elephant
Laura in Sharon: Cheetah
Nick in Sharon: Snake



"Why didn't anyone pick Shabbat and Shalom as their favorite animals?!?"

Sophia in Sharon: Dog
John in Discovery: Zedonk (a mix of a zebra and a donkey)
Carter in Discovery: Snow Leopard
Josh in Atid: Shark
Michael in Atid: Hyena

Adriana in Atid: Snow Leopard
Emily in Atid: Snow Leopard

**And the Week 5 winner is:
Snow Leopard!!**

AQUATICS DIRECTOR ERIC PRESENTS: THE SWIMMING CORNER

This week, the "Counselors in Training" finished their Red Cross First Aid and CPR training. The CITs are now proficient in how to assist someone who is choking, suffering a heart attack, or needs rescue. They also learned basic first aid skills.



Campers treading water during Color Wars!

Campers worked on continuing to improve their strokes during instructional swim lessons. They played with new and old friends

during free swim. It's so much fun when the counselors can swim with us too!

Swimming Levels Explained:

BASIC SKILLS 1&2: Children who swim with the assistance of a noodle or bubble.

LEVEL 1: Learn floating, gliding, early stroke development, and treading with teacher assistance and a floatation device.

LEVEL 2: Front crawl, backstroke, and treading continue to develop, as well as jumping in. Children must submerge head fully before entering this level.

LEVEL 3: Advanced swim techniques needed for strokes learned in Level 4 & above.

LEVEL 4: Introduction & development of breaststroke, butterfly, backstroke, front crawl, sidestroke & elementary backstroke.

LEVEL 5: Display aptitude in butterfly, backstroke, breaststroke, front crawl, sidestroke, and elementary backstroke.

OVERNIGHT EXCITEMENT

This week's overnight experiences are being divided into two separate adventures! The Senior Discovery group will be taking their overnight on the road this week, and pitch their tents in Alleghany State Park. During their two-night trip, they can hike, kayak, prepare their own food, learn camping and survival skills, and basically have a terrific time!

The Junior Discovery will have the Centerland campgrounds to them-

selves this Thursday night. This week's theme has them camping military-style. Their one-night boot camp experience will include a Creek Walk, archery, a round of Camouflage, as well as the usual cookout and swimming.

Next week we have 2 events to look forward to... the Sharon Stay Late on Tuesday and the second Yehuda overnight stay of the summer. See you there!

Overnight Schedule 2010

Week 5: Discovery

Week 6: Yehuda

Week 6: Sharon Stay Late

Week 7: Atid

Week 8: Discovery

Week 8: Family Picnic

DID YOU KNOW...

It's been said that one person's trash is another person's treasure. Camp Centerland is looking for some unusual donations from our families. Send us your garbage! OK, before you bring in a trash can full of smelly food and used Kleenex, let us explain what we mean by that...

Lots of our games and crafts

can reuse some things from home that were destined for the trash can. Please be kind and wash any items before sending them to camp. Here are a few of the items we would be able to find uses for:

- Yogurt/Cottage Cheese Containers
- Family-Friendly Magazines
- Baby Food Jars
- Coffee Cans
- Any jars/containers with lids
- Empty Paper Towel/Toilet Paper Rolls

For Monday of Week 6 (Aug. 2), one of our groups has requested to use any empty coffee cans (with lids) they can get their hands on! If you have any you are disposing of, please consider sending it in!

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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"!

Found

(Items we have found at camp that isn't labeled... are you missing this?)

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)
LLBean White Zip Hoodie w/ flower print in hood (14-16)

Green Water Bottle
Red Sox Hat w/ SSgA logo
Pink Bath Towel
Red Centerland T (Youth M)
xhilaration Blue/Orange/Yellow striped Bikini Bottoms (L 10-12)
Pink Rhinestone Sunglasses

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)

Lost

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

White Water Bottle
Yankees Hat
Speedo Goggles
Blue & Green Striped Towel
Black Red Sox Hat



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THE SPECIALIST SPOT

This week's specialist report come from Geoff, our Sports Specialist.

Hello to all campers and families. My name is Geoffrey Hurley and I run sports at Camp Centerland. It has been my privilege to wake up everyday to work with all these wonderful campers. I always look forward to the next camp day because there is always one camper who surprises me!

Working with campers in groups K-8, it is important to have appropriate games for all grade levels. Over the past five weeks, I've tried my best to make fun games for the campers in hopes that will look forward to sports everyday.

For Sharon campers, it is hard for them not to have fun. When they come to sports, they play games of all assortments. These games could be tag, obstacle courses, or specific skill development activities. For the

Sharon groups, I try to make my games so that they can improve their loco-motor and ballistic skills. This way, when they get older, they can improve their balance and coordination.

For groups Negev and Yehuda, there is never a dull moment. These groups always are excited and are ready to participate to the fullest level.

These groups favorite games include Spud, Knockout, soccer, and line tag. These groups can enjoy traditional games, but also benefit from the non-traditional games that groups like Sharon enjoy.



Geoff says: "Go Bills!!"

As for the older campers (Atid, Jr. Disc., Discovery), each camper loses competition. Since this is the case, I like to put games together that embrace competition. These games include kickball, relay races, hockey, baseball, and many others. Most importantly, campers always display good sportsmanship at the end of each game.

I would be lying if I said I didn't enjoy everyday I spend at Centerland. Each and every camper who goes here is extremely talented, smart and outspoken in their own way. I know in the last few weeks here at Centerland, we will only have more fun together!