Honoring the Past, Teaching the Present, Preparing the Future

The U.S. Constitution is #1 at Camp Constitution



The Tuesday morning flag raising is seen here. Dave Tomaso, to the left, raises the flag while campers look on.



Volleyball tournament, seen here Tuesday, will be capped by the finals on Wednesday pitting the winning Campers against the Counselors.

A typical day at Camp Constitution starts with a morning run and swim, followed by announcements for the day by Mr. Hal Shurtleff, flag raising, devotions, and a recitation of the Preamble to the U.S. Constitution. If campers do not have the Preamble memorized when they arrive, it's certain that they will by the end of the week!

Over the course of each day, campers will attend classes to learn about this country's Founders and the Founding Documents and Principles. A typical day consists of 5 separate classess and includes such topics as the Articles of the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, Constitutional Money, The Historical Roots of American liberty, Original Intent Versus the Intent of Government by the UN and Socialized Medicine, among others. A daily field trip provides opportunities to learn history firsthand.

There is also plenty of time for fun and relaxation. Volleyball, chess and a foos ball tournment are underway. And nightly campfires cap off each night, with singing, skits and jokes by both Campers and Counselors.



Nightly bonfires include singing, and camper jokes and skits. Left to right: Will Johnson, Katie Peik, Elyse Smith.

News and Announcements

Wednesday July 14 Schedule
6:30 Polar Bear Swim/Run - optional
7:00 Wake up! 7:50 Flag raising & devotions
8:00 Breakfast
9:00, 10:00, 11:00 Classes
12:00 Lunch
1:00 Field Trip -Rindge Hist Museum/Cathedral in the
Pines
6:30, 7:45 Classes
9:00 Campfire
10:00 Break - Camp Newspapers
10:30 In Cabins
11:00 Lights out!

Today's Polar bear swim had two polar bears: Halley and Philip; Theresa was the Beach Potato (and proud of it). The runners that came down and swam were Ellie, AJ and Will Smith. Mr. Hoderny is grateful for those who are exercising their option to polar bear swim.

Have you purchased your Camp Constitution T Shirt yet?

Cabin Inspections

Note: Scores presented are daily scores only. All daily scores will be totalled at the end of the week and highest score wins. The scores presented are the total of all inspectors reviewing that day. Scores are based on 1 - 10. Today, 4 inspectors conducted the inspections.

Prudence Wrights (Cabin 4)

Is 01 really hi in Portugese? Inspectors are still wondering if it's the Yiddish Oi, The French Qui or the Binary 011? We think the watermelon went into hiding with the flag. Creative points for the origami display and good color coordination with the tie dye pillow. It triggered much discussion on Feng Shui - thank you! The obsequious display of newspapers was appreciated by the inspectors. Flattery will get you everywhere! In an otherwise good cabin, we found the one lonely streamer left us feeling wistful and somehow saddened. **Score:** 30

Debra Sampsons (Cabin 5) Delightful Feng Shui - very calming and peaceful. Imagine the surprise of the inspectors to find that Eyore is not Eyore but Eyorette as evidenced by her teeny weeny yellow polka dot bikini. Does this not constitute a violation of our dress policy? Overall a good aura but not as scintillating as it could be. What inspired you to leave us the breath mints? Was there evidence of lingering halitosis from previous days? Regardless the

inspectors are thankful. Score: 28 Martha Washington (Cabin 7)

We were impressed by the George Washington quote on the mirror, although halfway through we developed vertigo. The noseprint on the mirror is from an inspector who was overcome. (The double reflection is a killer.) Bathtub art is festive and appreciated. For best view sit on toilet, which all inspectors did (one at a time). A little puzzling was the apparent picture of a (fairy?) pushing up a daisy on her head. **Score:** 22

Betsy Ross (Cabin 9)

The cabin is very neat again. It needs some people to mess it up. **Score:** 0

Hannah Duston Cabin (10)

Only Minnie Pearl can get away with a price tag on her hat. The placement of the hat further exacerbated the bad feng shui of the room brought about by a little sense of overall room dishelvement! We moved the hat to a suggested location - please take note. The duck stole our sucker and we have it on film! The gigantic hot pink cupcake left the entire press room with a sugar high. Thank you! And the mini camper who sits in the room all day, needs a name tag, and really should get out more. (She needs a tan - please see Eyorette for Inspections, cont. p 4

Preamble to the Bill of Rights by Mr. Jones

The Preamble to the Constitution is extremely important and it's great that we recite it each morning at the flagpole. We should give equal value to the Preamble to the Bill of Rights. Patrick Henry and others thought it worthy of not signing the Constitution until it was promised that the Bill of Rights would be attached. You can read the Preamble to the Bill of Rights on Page 20 of your Pocket Constitution.



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Camper News & Views

Roving Reporter Interview

July 11, 2010

Reporter: Marcus, what do you like most about camp?

Marcus: "Everything!"

Reporter: What is your favorite thing to do?

Marcus: "Everything!!" (louder)

Reporter: What is your favorite food at camp? **Marcus:** "Everything!!!" I don't have to keep

answering these questions!

Reporter: Well, there you have it from one happy

camper!

By Roving Reporter, a.k.a. Grammie Craft

The Talkative Hyenas by Elizabeth Mazzarella

Once upon a time there were bunnies who went on vacation. They decided to go to the nicest hotel in town - it was called the radish inn. So when the bunnies got to the hotel they unpacked their things.

The bunnies were very tired so they decided to go to bed early but when they tried to fall asleep they couldn't because "lucky for them" there was 6 loud and laughing hyenas.

These hyenas were soo loud one of the bunnies got out of bed and went next door. "Hi guys, um, we're trying to go to sleep. Could you quiet down please," the bunny said.

"Ya, sorry, sure", said one of the hyenas.

So the bunny went back to her room and tried to fall asleep. It was quiet. But then, the bunnies heard the hyenas laughing and talking and just being too loud. So the bunny got up again and knocked on the room door. When the hyenas opened the door, the bunny said, "I know you guys are just having fun, but we're really trying to sleep and we're really tired."

"Ok, we'll be quiet."

So the bunny went back into the room and tried to sleep once more. And guess what happened? You know it! The hyenas started laughing and talking and being much much too loud. So this time the bunny went right to the manager and said, "The hyenas next door are being much too loud and we are trying to sleep. So, please tell them to be quiet."

So the manager did just that. And guess what? They were actually quiet and the bunnies got a good night sleep, and they had no more problems with the hyenas. THE END.

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Excerpt from The Constitution Party National Platform

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Running 4 a Sweat by Ellie Elyse

So here I am with my legs sore as ever from the Tough-but-worth-it climbing I did the day before....but that didn't stop me from going running. I was up and ready to go out and sweat.

It was grueling and tough, and a few campers, who will not be named, wimped out about 3/4 of the way. The two mile run was nothing for the Adamos, AJ Caldwell, Mr S and Mr Jones who made it all the way. The swim afterwards was very refreshing and cooled us down considerably.

The runners were: Ian Smith, Will Johnson, Ellie Adamo, Valmir Adamo, Adimir Adamo, Sebastian Adamo, Elyse Smith, Phillip Smith and AJ Caldwell.

Editor's note: Story furnished on July 12 following the hike on Mt. Monadnock.

Cabin Inspections cont.

lotion). Score: 24.5

Uncle Sam Wilson (Cabin 1A)

Bible was open to 1 John - okay we like that! More noticeable decorating, including on the inner side of the door (good use of all of the available space). Does the chess board with knocked down pieces indicate evidence of a skirmish by cabin inhabitants? As a side note, Papa polar bear will continue to be held hostage until we get more polar bear swimmers at the morning swim. We sense that the adjacent bat cave might be spreading its negative aura of chaos especially since we found an overflowing trash can- It can't be a bottomless trash can - just a hint! Score: 26

Uncle Sam Wilson (Cabin 1B)

Does the counselor not realize he's supposed to clean his bunk? He's setting a bad example for the campers. You probably noticed that Mr. Smiley is no longer toothless - no more need for gumming his food. (See Cabin 2A for origin of the tooth). On a positive note, this cabin is so organized because there's so little to organize. The monk like approach to austere living truly yields an orderly but boring cabin. One inspector was overheard saying: It's a little "lacking in impact". **Score:** 18.5

Notable Quotes

A good moral character is the first essential in a man. It is, therefore, highly important to endeavor not only to be learned but to be virtuous. Characters and habits are not easily taken up or suddenly laid aside. George Washington

Nationalism is God's way - not One World Government. Reverend Steven Craft

Preamble: A Latin word that we still use for walk, and prefix pre means before, so a Preamble is a "Walk Before".. or an introduction. Mrs. Harper

The field trip is not optional. We're going to force you to have fun. Mr. Shurtleff

Prince Estabrooks (Cabin 2A)

Psalm 94, v 16 very appropriate. You obviously could see the handwriting on the wall - signs are everywhere. The right to keep and arm bears shall not be infringed! (Although Cabin 1A might disagree). Someone "affiliated with the press" was disappointed with any lack of newspaper display. One un-made bed was a serious infraction and drags down the point total. We tripped over the camo bunk before we noticed it. As a result, we knocked out a tooth which we promptly affixed to the smiley face in Cabin 1B. **Score:** 25

Prince Estabrooks (Cabin 2B)

2B or not 2B - when are you guys going to get creative? The most interesting decoration is the misaligned carpet with the speed bump. After our camo bed experience, we were careful not to trip again over the misaligned carpet (which has not changed since day one by the way, other than the addition of the treacherous speed bump). Does the bathing suit lose its moisture on the bedpost overnight? Vintage None Dare Call It Conspiracy book was the only plus. **Score:** 17

Seen Around The Cabins























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