
Camp Constitution Journal Toah Nipi

Honoring the Past, Teaching the Present, Preparing the Future

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DAILY DOINGS

★★★ LATE EDITION ★★★

GA GA Tournament 2015 Finalists Announced:

Congratulations to Josiah Hector, Zack Ferretti, Gracie Kalis, Danny Hazelrigg, Sarah Moon, Sebastien Hazelrigg, Stephen Peik, Alex Peik, & Jordan Britt.

Carpet Ball Tournament 2015 Finalists Announced:

For the last three days, there have been some tough competition amongst the campers. A few notable campers have weathered difficult setbacks and advanced within the brackets. The champion must be decided tomorrow. If you signed up, make sure you complete your games ASAP !

Republics & Democracies: Jr. Patriot Camper Lesson

A loyal Patriot and true friend of Camp Constitution, Mr. Vito Vileniskis, visited our class with a lesson on "Our Great Republic: Republic vs. Democracy." The Patriot Campers were 'interviewed' regarding what they learned during class. Listed below are their comments:



Mr. Vito demonstrates the difference between a Republic & a Democracy.

Colton Hall: "I learned that we are a Republic."

Anthony Nino: "Many people think that our democratic government is bad."

Marcus Craft: "I learned that the democracy is very corrupt."

Catherine Nino: "I learned that republics make rules

and follow them."

Caitlin Affleck: "In class today, I learned that democracies are bad and they are unfair and that republics are good and fair."

Emily Shurtleff: "I remember him (Mr. Vito) saying if there are more sheep than there are wolves, the wolves will back away!"

Nicholas Affleck: "If the sheep weren't living in a republic, they would die because the wolves would eat them. In a republic, they were safe because they look(ed) out for each other."

Megan Infantino: "The law protects people/sheep from the people/wolves who would want to kill them."

Elizabeth & Alicia LaBarge: "In a democracy if a lot of people wanted to hang a man, he would be hung, but in a republic he would at least get a trial. The sheep are protected by the law in a republic. In a democracy, they would be eaten by the wolves."

Way to go Patriot Campers! I am so proud of you and your participation in each and every class. Thank you so very much, Mr. Vito for being an inspiring and informative teacher. ■

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**Funny Acronyms** – By Dr. Edward Harshman

HIPAA: Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act  
Help Increase Paperwork Activity Act

PPACA: Patient Protection Affordable Care Act (ObamaCare)  
Powerful Politicians Achieving Catastrophe Act

NGO: Non-Governmental Organization  
New Greedy Organization or Not Good Omen

FDA: Food and Drug Administration  
Fool and Dunce Administration

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## CABIN INSPECTIONS

### Cabin Hebron A:

You added a flag on one of the beds at the entrance to the room. Then you adorned the locked door with multitudes of patriotic bowties. What's behind that door anyway? Now we are curious. Could it be that the door leads to the secret Jacuzzi we've heard comments about?

**Score 7.8 points.**

### Cabin Hebron B:

Camp Constitution 2015 in 15-inch high letters on the wall. Nice liberty pole. We took another look at your "Take One" basket. Tried to take the basket, since there were no other visible items in it. But the basket was tapped to the wall. If by "take one" you meant the crumpled paper, we appreciate your concern for our fiber intake. But "No Thanks!"

**Score 8.83 points.**

### Cabin Bethel 4:

We like your assorted candies. We also noticed there were some empty wrappers, and that a certain counselor had chocolate on her breath. We liked the statements on the balloons that said:

I like Camp because of campfire.

I like Camp because of the people.

I like Camp because of the trips.

They would have been easier to read had you not tied up the ends with the pipe cleaners, which were not tight enough to seal in the air.

**Score 7 points.**

### Cabin Bethel 5:

We chased each other around the cabin with the popgun. Tons of fun! Then we took a candy break. And chased each other around some more. We couldn't get the chain saw to start. And can you believe that no one in camp has a machete? So we limboed under the decorations. The dance, the limbo from the 60's. No, the 1960's. It was all fun and games, until one of us got whacked in the head with a lucky horseshoe.

**Score 9.333 points.**

### Cabin Bethel 7:

Wow, you were allowed to bring a Marine Corp dress uniform to camp? You should feel very honored! That is the finest looking dress uniform in the U.S. Military. A third handcrafted flag – amazing! We haven't seen any thimbles or thread – even though there seems to be a common thread running through your decorum theme.

**Score 8.57 points.**

### Cabin Bethel 10:

We made the mistake of popping the two prize-filled balloons at the same time, and not telling the rest of the crew. Oops! Fortunately, we got his heart to start a steady rhythm again. The napkin toss game was loads of fun. And we could have played it all day long. Sadly, however, our arms gave out. We now will be eating with our non-dominant hand. We do request bigger plates – maybe the size of cafeteria trays. (By the way, you wouldn't have any idea where the newspaper office stapler went, would you?)

**Score 9.16 points**

## More Funny Acronyms (Continued from Page 1)

OBAMA

Overrated Buffoon Always Mismanaging America

OBAMACARE

Overrated Buffoon Always Mismanaging America  
Controlling And Rationing Everything

LIES

Liberal Idioms, Euphemisms, & Sophistry

ICLEI: International Council for Local Environmental Initiative  
Internat'l Conspiracy for Loss of Economic Integrity/Independence

UN: United Nations

United Nuisance

UNESCO: UN Educational, Scientific & Cultural Organization  
Undermining Nearly Every Student's Career Opportunities

COMMON CORE

Committees Of Meddlesome Maniacs Or Nihilists  
Ceaselessly Obstructing & Ruining Education

Democrats

Don't Effectively Manage Or Constructively Run Any  
Talented Strategy ■

## Sam Blumenfeld Passes Away

*Author, Homeschool Pioneer, and Camp Constitution Instructor*

Camp Constitution lost a great friend with the passing of Samuel L. Blumenfeld. Sam passed away on June 1, 2015, a day after his 89th birthday. Sam was born in New York City on May 31, 1926. His parents were immigrants from Poland. He was educated in New York City public schools which taught intensive phonics, and where the principal would recite the 23th Psalm over the PA system each morning. Sam served in World War II in the Northern Italy Campaign towards the end of the War. He wrote a few poems of his experiences in the War. He graduated from New York City College, and travelled to Europe to study. He also visited an Italian family he befriended during the war. Sam went to work for several publishing companies including Grosset and Dunlop. A life-long anti-communist, Sam founded the American Friends of Algeria, and later The American Friends of Katanga. In his library were rare documents concerning these two organizations including a letter from Dr. Moise Tsonbe, whom Sam visited in 1964. Sam went to work for "The Review of the News" a weekly conservative magazine published by The John Birch Society. He was instrumental in the founding of the Jewish Society of Americanists. He started his own publishing company, Coleridge Press, which published a biography of Lillian Nordica, a famous opera star.

While an editor for Grosset and Dunlop, he was asked to join a reading reform organization founded by his friend Watson Washburn, a New York Attorney. Sam was surprised to learn that American students had a reading problem. Mr. Washburn told him to read *Why Johnny Can't Read* by Rudolph Fleish. This book set him on a life-long crusade to promote intensive phonics. Sam researched how the look-say method of reading was introduced in the U.S., and was the first person who had the moral courage to expose the conspiracy to deliberately dumb-down the American people. He travelled in all 50 states speaking to groups on the subject. He was a regular at homeschool conventions, Tea Party rallies, radio and talk shows. Sam's books included *How to Start Your Own Private School*. The *NEA: Trojan Horse in American Education*, *How to Tutor*, and his last which he co-authored with Alex Newman *The Crimes of the Educators*. We



*Sam Blumenfeld Teaching Children*

were pleased to help with Alex Newman's visit to meet Sam a few days prior to his death. His most influential work was his book *Alpha Phonics*. This workbook was used by several generations of parents to teach their children how to read. Sam's work influenced hundreds of thousands of people.

Sam was a supporter and instructor at Camp Constitution. He bequeathed his library and papers to Camp Constitution's director knowing that Camp Constitution will help keep his work alive for generations to come. Sam was a national treasure who will be greatly missed. Camp Constitution created a collection of Sam's work on its scribd.com page and will be uploading many of his writings in the months to come. ■

### **Annual Hike on Mount Monadnock by Gabe Kalis**

Yesterday's hike was pretty difficult on the way up, however, it was correspondingly easy on the way down. The first group to reach the summit was Dominic Girard, Jordan Britt, Stephen Peik, Gabe Kalis, Ben Leveillee, and Haley Kalis. ■

### **Rumor Mill**

Rumor has it that Mr. Peik had his hands full Thursday evening. Apparently, some of the bunk-mates got a little bit restless after "lights out." No worries, Mr. Peik has seen it all by now. I'm sure he had the boys under control in no time. ■

### **My Time At Camp – Catherine Nino**

I love all of the meals here and the tournaments are super fun! I love Mrs. Craft so much; she is the best! Swimming and catching frogs is a blast, but the leeches are gross! My time at camp has been great so far. ■



# Games & Quotes

## Thursday's Word Search Solution

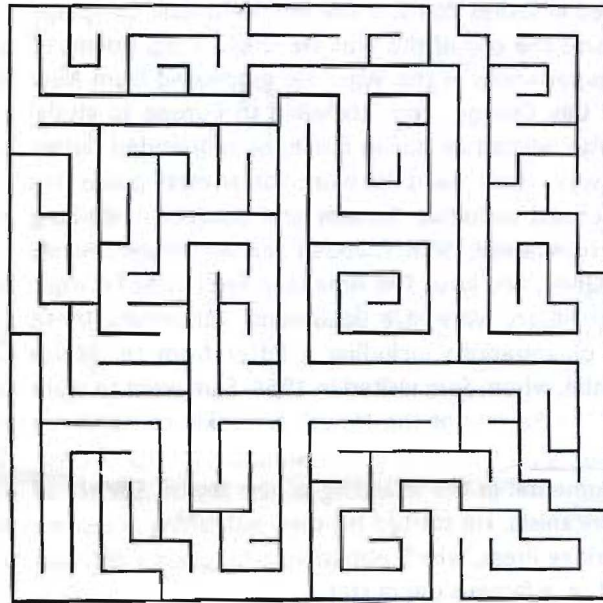
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## A-Maze-ing Puzzle !!!

### 4th of July Maze

Uncle Sam has bought a new hat for the parade.

Can you help him find his way through the maze to collect it?



## Rebus Puzzles

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| SHOW                                      | TICKLED                                   |
| talk                                      | FEET<br>T337<br>T337                      |

Rebus Puzzle Solutions: 1: For instance 2: Too funny for words  
 3: Back to square one 4: Once in a blue moon 5: A cut above the  
 rest 6: The wrong end of the stick 7: Side show 8: Ticked pink  
 9: Small talk 10: Two left feet

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## How Many State Capitals Can You Identify?

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| AK | CT | HI | KS | MA | MT | NM | OK | TN | WA |
| AZ | DE | ID | KY | MI | NE | NY | OR | TX | WV |
| AR | DC | IL | LA | MN | NV | NC | PA | UT | WI |
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