

中華文化青少年夏令營-July 4th, 2001

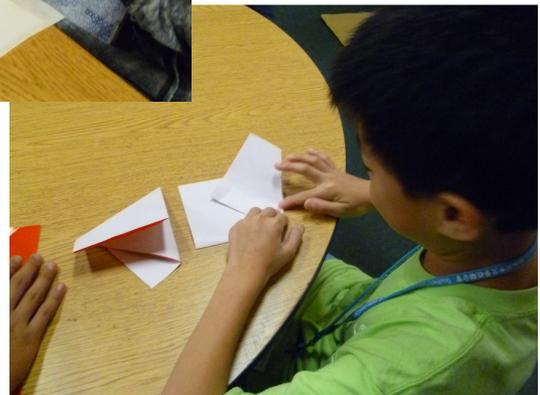
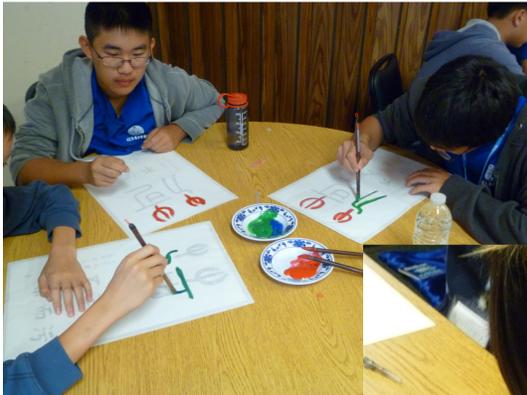
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This morning started off with each groups participating in arts and crafts. Groups 5 and 6 worked on their calligraphy writing while groups 3 and 4 did crafts. Group 2 also did some arts and crafts by playing with the Chinese yo-yo and group 1 practiced dancing. In the calligraphy class, each of the students tried their best to follow the letter and strokes as they hold the brush steady. The concentration was high for everybody. In the crafts class, the kids had fun making new designs and doing origami-style folding. Group 2 in the yo-yo class learned some new tricks and kept improving themselves even more. For dance, the girls tried their best to complete the dance routine and perfect it for the show. Everybody was working hard. Even with all the outdoor events, the kids still keep the art flowing!



Riflery

By Bonita Tseng

As we walked to the rifle range, a sort of hyper activity sense filled the air. The kids were just boiling over with energy and impatience. Just staring at the rifles, knowing that soon, they would be on the mats, firing those powerful bullets, watching where those bullets hit, just like those war movies was more than the kids could wait. They bounded over, only to be restrained by the counselor of the yellow group, Daniel. After Daniel settled everybody down, the Rifle instructor began. He went over the multiple rules that would guarantee the kids safety. No pointing the gun at each other. Keep the gun pointed down. Don't stick your finger into the barrel. Use the gun properly. Without these rules, somebody could end up getting hurt. Once he was done, he asked for the counselors to pick six kids. Daniel picked them and the kids rushed over. However, they had forgotten that the first rule was to not run. Then, they received their targets and taped them to the little black walls to hold them up. Then, after going back to the firing range, they hopped with impatience until the instructor permitted them to go down onto the mats. Then, he gave them the ammunition and said that the kids could start to fire now. Loud popping sounds ripped into the air and sounds of the bullets either hitting their targets or completely missing were heard shortly after. After each round, each kid firing would be shouting with excitement and would hurriedly put in another bullet.. After firing, they would pop the bolt back and the shell of the bullet would fly out. Sometimes, there was smoke there and the kids would be momentarily transfixed by the scene and then quickly pop another bullet in. Then, they would reload and keep going. After firing five bullets and popping out the shell of the last bullet, they would set the gun down and slowly back out into the "safety zone" behind the yellow chains. However, some kids would be so curious that they would stick their heads past their guns and over the wooden platform causing both the instructor, as well as the counselor and staff members to panic and scream at them to put their heads back because if they leaned too far and their gun somehow misfires, then they would have a very serious wound. Besides that though, most of the people managed to stay safe and have a good time. The guns are unable to kill anybody, but they will be able to cause a great deal of pain. After firing, everybody wanted to go again, but sadly, today was the only day for them to go to rifle class. Yet, it was a fun experience for everybody and nobody wished that they did not go.

Indian Lore

By Bonita Tseng

As the kids walked to the observatory, they kept their eyes on the ground, looking for beautiful stones because later, they would make rock necklaces. As they waited for the instructor to come, they dug for rocks, sang songs, and even looked for flint rocks to generate sparks. Once the instructor came, they went to a clearing where the instructor had already begun to build a wigwam, or an Indian home. She told the kids about the history of Big Bear Lake and the history of the Indians who lived there. Later on, they went to dig to look for artifacts, but most of them were unsuccessful. They could even help the instructor build the houses by digging or collecting sticks. After the history and digging for artifacts section, the kids looked for good rocks to make necklaces. Most people enjoyed making the necklaces because the rocks really were beautiful and it was easy to make. They just had to choose a good rock and then wrap wire around it before hanging it on a string. It was a very fun activity day.

M6 Counselor Interview
Kevin Hewitt



Favorite Activity:
Rifles and Archery
Favorite Color:
Blood Red
Why did you come?
To volunteer
Would you come back?
No, I have other
things to do.
Pet Peeve:
when people don't
flush the toilet

What is the weirdest thing that happened during camp?

Listening to children gossip

What is your embarrassing moment at camp?

Trying to BS the Chinese song

What are you going to do after college?

Make video games with Blizzard Ent.

F5 Counselor Interview
Pamela Hsi



Favorite Activity:
Wall climb and rifles
Favorite Color:
Periwinkle
Why did you come?
To volunteer
Will you come back?
Yup
Pet Peeve:
having to raise my
voice

What is the weirdest thing that happened during camp?

Waking up before 5 everyday

What is your embarrassing moment at camp?

Saying "Attention!"

What are you going to do after college?

Work in the California agriculture system

M6 Student
Teddy Lee



Favorite activity:
Chinese yo-yo
(breakdancing)
Least favorite:
Calligraphy
Favorite color:
Blue
Will you come back?
Yes, actually
maybe...

Pet Peeve:

when there is no good food to eat!

What do you want to do in the future?

I want to be a physician.

F5 Student
Vanessa Chiu



Favorite activity:
Rifles, they are so
cool!
Least favorite:
Hiking...
Favorite color:
Blue
Will you come back?
I want to, but I
will be busy.

Pet Peeve:

Bugs! They're gross!

What do you want to do in the future?

I want to be a dancer, or something in the performing arts.