



The Chinga Bugle

YMCA CAMP CHINGACHOOK

NOVEMBER 2007

As you can see, we have a new name for our camper newsletter! Thanks to everyone who submitted their ideas. Right now, Camp is in many different colors thanks to the fall foliage. Stop by to visit and check us out during the fall season! Remember, only 242 days until Summer 2008!

Upcoming Camp Events

November 3 - 4

Volunteer Work Weekend
Come to Camp with friends and family and help make Camp a better place for everyone by helping with projects!

November 4

Daylight Savings

Don't forget to set your clocks back one full hour!

November 22

Family Thanksgiving Feast
Bring your entire family to play tennis and volleyball, watch the football games in front of the fire, and of course celebrate Thanksgiving with the entire family

To register for any Chingachgook programs please visit our website for a registration form.
www.chingachgook.org

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From the Desk of the Summer Camp Director

Despite the rain, fog, and humid conditions, forty people, two dogs, and seven summer staff joined us for our Columbus Day Camp reunion. We hiked and enjoyed a pasta dinner while sharing camp memories!

Every Thanksgiving Chingachgook hosts a family feast. You can play volleyball, tennis, soccer, and of course watch the football games in Rotary Lodge in front of the fire. Interested in joining us for Thanksgiving? Give us a call to sign-up.

Your Friend in Fun, Aaron

You asked ... Josh Speaks

What does the program director do when camp isn't in session?

During the week, we offer outdoor education programs. Kids come on school field trips and take classes like team building (including the low and high-ropes courses,) nature hikes, forest ecology and even stream and wetlands study. I wish *my* school came to Chingachgook!

On the weekends, we have a full slate of group and retreat programming. Programs range from sailing regattas to women's weekends, family camps, volunteer work weekends and more.

It's a bit different without all of you around, though. As you might guess, Aaron and I share camp stories with each other all the time and are always brain storming new ways to make camp awesome.

Looking out the window above my desk in the hike center, it's a beautiful fall day in the Adirondacks. The leaves have changed color and are dropping from the trees. This afternoon I inflated and cleaned the giant 8 ft beach ball to be put away for the winter and I already can't wait to bust it out for summer '08. See you there! - Josh

Summer 2008 Dates

- Session 1: 6/29 - 7/11
- Session 2: 7/13 - 7/25
- Session 3: 7/27 - 8/8
- Session 4: 8/10 - 8/15
- Session 5: 8/17 - 8/22
- Session 6: 8/24 - 8/29

Song of the Month

Year 3000—Jonas Brothers

Meal of the Month

Turkey dinner and pumpkin pie

Refrigerator Trivia

How many years has Mr. Painter been at camp?

Find the answer in the next edition of the newsletter.

Camper Thoughts

"I had so much fun this summer! I loved my counselors Carlos and Mike. My favorite part of camp was definitely the rope swing. Next summer, I am going to do high ropes" - Ryan (age 11)

Aaron wants to know: *If you had \$1,000,000 to make changes to camp, what additions would you make? Feel free to send drawings to camp if necessary.*

Previous trivia question: Can you name all the international staff from this summer?
Previous trivia answer: Rosa, Olga, Monica, Marjet, Jo, Richy, Carlos x2, Juan Carlos, Miche, Sunny, Anna, Mauro, Mina, Beshoy, Italo, Craig, Dan, Shin, Chris, and Jung

