

THE CAMPER

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Summer Director

Dear campers, family, and friends,

Week 2 of 2015 has come and we had a wonderful time seeing it through, it was memorable for a thousand reasons but I think it will forever go down in CND history because of the campers! Our theme of the week helped make us realize the importance of a strong 'rock' foundation in our relationships with each other and with God. We thank Fr. Nick for celebrating Mass with us on a beautiful afternoon. It certainly was a Roller Coaster of emotions and excitement in our Big Event, and we thank you for helping make the CND Amusement Park the best we had ever had. We loved our meals with Theresa and Paula in the Dining Hall and a great week with volunteers, visitors, staff, and our awesome CITs (Counselors In Training). May our memories from the week stay with us whether they were from the pond, Fr. Larry's Frontier, the Cool Pool, or any of our beautiful areas of camp! So from the desk of the Summer Director my task for you; to bring what you love about camp to the world and bring yourselves back next summer!

Peace and blessings, and a Top-Notcher,
Joel

From the RAC desk,

Week 2 is officially in the books as a grand success! Our theme of the week was "rocks," and the campers learned about strength, change, and strong foundations. This week also had a uniquely diverse group of campers from a variety of different languages and cultures. As I looked around, it brought me joy to see the campers constantly teaching each other a little part of their world, and their experiences.

Lots of love,
Michelle

From the Desk of the Assistant Director:

My fellow CND friends,

What a wonderful week of camp we had together! Despite some rainy weather at the beginning of the week we still managed to have a blast here at CND! The weather did not stop our staff from making wonderful programs this week. At "Nate" crafts we made nature mobiles that are sure to blow in the wind this summer. I was so impressed with how many points each cabin scored this week at Elisabeth's archery programs, you all were so impressive! Our campers had the opportunity to taste some delicious food at wilderness this week with AJ. Thankfully we had some sunshine during the later portion of our week where we enjoyed some octopus on the loose at the cool pool with Stacey! We had a wonderful week together, and I am sad to see all of our camper's leave but looking forward to seeing you all return next year! Thank you for the wonderful laughs and memories that will last a lifetime. This is goodnight but not goodbye.

All my love,
Ally Vorsheck

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Broken Arrow

Dear Broken Arrow,

Where do I even begin? I had a blast with all of you this week! Arianna did an amazing job at boating when she rowed the boat for her first time ever. Noah was always so giggly and tried to put a smile on everyone's face. Mia was so sneaky on Zorkie Day and did an awesome job helping our cabin get rid of all the Zorkies. Bryn was such a great helper and wanted to always try new things. Katherine found so many cool gems when we went sleuthing and participated in every activity that we did. Sabrinan was a little fish in the pool and always insisted that we go every day. Maggie was so brave at The Nature Lodge and held all the animals. Samantha showed us her great dance moves when we had our glow in the dark dance party. Piper was so crafty at Nature Crafts and made a really cool mobile. I am so happy I had the opportunity to spend a week with all of you and I hope I get to see you next summer.

Peace, Love, and Bug Juice,
Lexie

Circle B

To the wonderfully rowdy gentlemen of Circle B,

What a week it has been with you guys. From the pool to archery, the pond to the Frontier, Week 2 of 2015 was one to remember. Here are a few things that I will hold close to my heart. Max, the resident comedian. You always kept us laughing. Jake, you were lights out at the archery range! Jack: I think I enjoyed throwing you in the pool more than you enjoyed being thrown! Will, hooking the snapping turtle was something I don't think you'll ever forget. Krishna, I don't think anyone at camp loves the pool more than you. Charlie, I loved the look of excitement on your face when you finished your swing on the rope. Peyton, you have fallen victim to the ninja craze; I bet you'll be jumpin' off the walls at home! Caleb: thanks for taking fish off of hooks, it totally grosses me out sometimes. Alex, I heard you were an animal in the swamp ball arena. Matt, I hope that flashlight time carries over to home life. You couldn't get enough! Nick: I don't think I've had a camper so enthusiastic about everything. You really gave your all in every activity. You guys really made this week special. I hope (but actually know) that you guys left this week with new experiences under your belt and new friends at your side. By far and away, this was the best Circle B I've ever had. Thank you guys for one great week!

Peace, love, and Autobots roll out,
Corban



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Thank you all for being such an amazing first cabin for me. Doing new things can always be scary, as I'm sure some of us learned this week, but you all made this new experience for me very special. It is great to have so many different personalities in one group to keep us so well rounded. Having Lilirose to lead us in song or chant between almost every activity kept all of our spirits up so we were all ready for whatever came next. When Sophia, Helen, and Gemma popped their balloons we were all so excited for both them and our team. Soon after our archery adventure we decided to start talking about our closing campfire skit. I must say that almost everyone gave great ideas for our skit but I would like to thank Megan, Katie, Hope and Emily for some of the bigger ideas that made their way into our final skit. By Wednesday night I could tell that both Annie and Lauren were slightly more shy but during our dance they were both out on the floor and smiling the whole time and that was amazing to me. Also, throughout the week I noticed a few things about some of my wonderful campers. First, Ava is so social and friends with everyone and I think she was happy and excited for every single activity. Finally I would like to mention Mallory. This week started out rough but she made a point to have fun and was great at every activity we did. All of the girls grew this week and expended their horizons and I am proud of every one of them. Thank you girls for a wonderful week!

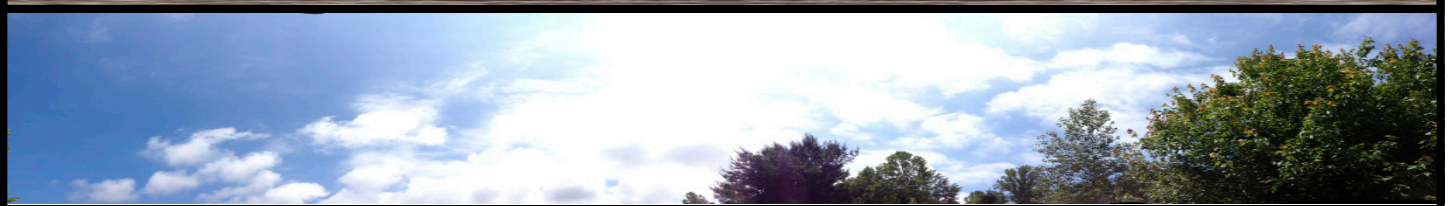
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Crooked Creek

Crooked Creek,

I had a blast with you guys all week! So many of you experienced CND for the first time and I'm glad I could be a part of that first-time experience. I think if Biren had gills he'd never leave the pool. Luke and Jacob probably became the best slide players at camp this week. It was awesome to hear Cole say he wants to work in The Nature Lodge and Neil was so careful to make sure nothing startled the animals. Ryan had a blast at the dance and Jordan was really gentle with Tilly the blue-tongued skin. And finally, Asa and Bradon had so much energy and excitement on the Amazon hike. You all were a great first cabin of the summer for me!

--Nathan DelMaramo



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Lazy S

Lazy S,

Girls where do I even begin trying to recap this week?! Throughout our time together we have shared so many laughs, stories, and most importantly memories! Sam, when did you not bring a smile to my face? I was so proud of you at target and archery! You gave each shot your best effort and I just loved watching you excel at it. Lily, you are the ultimate swimmer! Seeing you so happy in the pool really made my day... and keep practicing cause I think you are ready to take on that deep end! Amber, you are just fabulous in so many ways! You rocked the ropes course this week! You are not a quitter and simply once again made me oh so proud! Allison and Jay, you tow girls are the two best friends that anyone could have...literally you're like twins! Allison, you were a rock star at boating and Jay, you had absolutely no fear when it came to playing with the animals in The Nature Lodge. So overall I leave you girls with a huge THANK YOU! Thank you for being in my cabin. Thank you for allowing me to have this experience. Lastly, thank you for being you! Stay awesome girls! Never change

Sincerely,

your counselor Cait!



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RP 10

Dear my lovely ladies,

Thank you for making this week so memorable and for being such an amazing start to my summer! We started off this week so strong and kept that momentum up all the way through. "Mom walking" on Sunday was an interesting twist to start off our week but it helped us get to programs faster that's for sure! Sydney, thank you for bringing so much fun sass to the cabin, you always had a smile on your face and you were an amazing leader in the canoes at boating! Taylor, you killed it at the ropes course, it was so much fun to finally have you in my cabin it wouldn't have been the same without you. Kierstyn, at fishing you were deemed queen of the pond after catching the most fish out of our cabin, you adapted so well here at camp. Annie, after perfecting the "mom walk" and getting the muddiest on our hike I hope you enjoyed your last week in PA as much as I enjoyed having you! Grace, you wouldn't stop dancing the night away on Wednesday after the Big Event, hope you enjoyed your first week here! Nina, after losing your voice on Wednesday after the big event our cabin wasn't the same, thankfully it got better and we were complete once again. If only I had as much talent as you did when we were at nature crafts, I loved seeing that side of you! Abby, you got so many points for us at archery and did an amazing job at the rifle range. After all, the fun we've had this week was unforgettable. RP 10 you set the bar high for the rest of my cabins this summer, each and every one of you were such an awesome addition to the cabin. I loved having all of you and I can't wait to see you all next year.

Peace, love, and mud hikes,

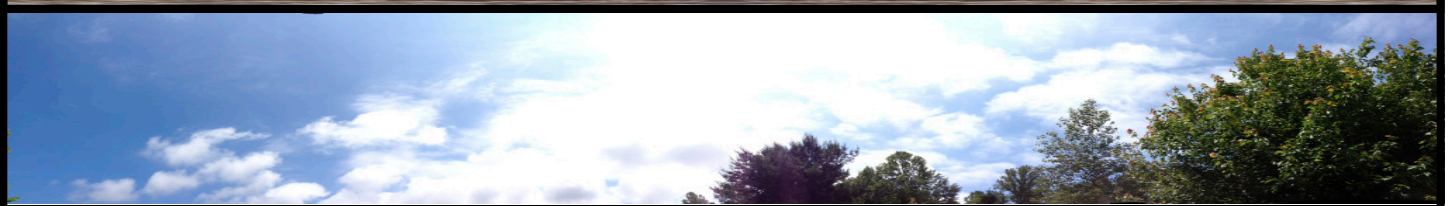
Caroline (:

Single Spur

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This week was awesome. You were the best cabin I have ever had. There is so much that I can say about all of you. Dylan you were crazy at the dance you were all over the place. Jake J. I hope that you always remember this week with your journal. Griffin coming in clutch with the first balloon at archery. Ryan I hope you had a great time for your first time at camp. You are the Ninja master of the cabin. Jake E. "The Wildman" always at home in the wilderness. Collin always down to play a game of cards. Mello everyone knew you from the awesome hair, you became the talk of all the camp. Chuck the knockout champ always getting me out but winning for the cabin. Max with all the wacky voices always entertaining the cabin. Eli you were one of the muddiest kids on the hike. Finally tome I hope you had a great time you were always willing to do everything we did and kissing that turtle I could tell made your day. I will never forget any of you and wish you all the best of luck and tons of fun with everything you do.

Matt



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RP11

Yooahoo! Hello Family!

Girls, I've had a marvelous week with you all. From all of our singing, to hair braiding, to our muddy adventures, I don't even know where to begin. Sophia, your smile would always brighten my day, and your archery skills were very impressive. Chandler, your sense of humor brought us all together and your juice pouring skills were on point well, usually. Juliana, girl you are my destiny, and your keen eye helped us break the record at wilderness! Deya, your love of the pool was inspired, and your positive attitude brought a great vibe to our whole cabin. Sadie, my goal in life is to braid even half as well as you can, keep rockin' it girl. Emma H, you were awesome at crafts, and I'm so proud of you for holding the geko in the nature lodge. Rachel, I'm also so proud of you for holding some of our scaly friends, and your silliness always brightened my day. Sarah, your sweetness and positivity were always greatly appreciated, and your unique view on the world brought a whole new light to our cabin. And last but not least, Emma S, it was so cool watching you make such good friends with everyone this week, and your willingness to try new things was astounding. We all overcame challenges this week (like the cockroaches) we hadn't anticipated, and bonded deeply with each other through many laughs, inside jokes, shared experiences, and cabin talks, and I hope you all leave this week with the same feeling of joy, peace, and love that I have.

Love y'all,
Sarah.



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RP 12

To the most amazing Ranger Post 12,

We've had such an incredible and fun filled week! I could not have imagined a better group of girls to adventure with. Skittles!!! Camie, you were the first piece of our spectacular puzzle to arrive in our cabin. Right from the start you set the pace for a happy and friendly cabin. Emily, I still can't believe how quickly you figured out how to create a taut line in Wilderness. Everyone was so impressed! You'll forever be safe from bears stealing your food in the woods! The Winchesters: Sam (Abby), first of all, congrats on your crazy good archery skills. We had so much fun popping those balloons! Dean (Tonia), you are such a good artist! Your drawings of wolves on the parfleche bags we made at the Frontier were beautiful. I am so glad the two of you came back this week! Nya, you are such an enthusiastic and creative personality. You rocked at the ropes course and every cabin in the Ranger Post loved you! Jensen, I was so glad to have someone else here who appreciates food as much as I do! You're so goofy and cheerful and always ready with a joke or a smile. Vianna, you're one of the sweetest, kindest campers I've ever met. You're an awesome problem-solver and the mobile you made in Nature Crafts was absolutely beautiful. Becca, you did such a great job at RAC memorizing that insane puzzle pattern! We couldn't have done it without your upbeat attitude. I'm so happy to have met you wonderful girls. I love you all and I miss you already!!!

Love,

Jackie S.

Double Z

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Having a cabin for the first time has been an absolute honor. Not only have I just been excited just for that, but the kids have been angels and a joy to have. Joey has made me laugh so hard to where my stomach hurts with his hilarious jokes. We would not have had a fire on our camp out if it wasn't for Skyler. He has been a huge help with a lot of the stuff dealing with the outdoors. Elliot had a rocky start to the week, but when he started to open up to the camp idea, I've never seen a happier camper (no pun intended). Umesh and Puskar have stepped out of their comfort zone and into camp spirit like none other, they have been some of the funniest kids I've ever seen. Cooper has brought so much enthusiasm to every program and was a great narrator for card games at night. I don't think I ever saw Casey without a smile on his face, even when he was covered in mud wearing \$100 shoes. And last but not least, Braden brought so much to camp and opened up his circle of friends, let in the new kids, and treated everyone like they were his best friend. This week has taught me so much. However, my favorite part was being able to brag to other staff members about how good my campers were. I will remember this group of kids for the rest of my life.

Jake

