Summer Director

Dear family, friends, and campers,

Camp Notre Dame Week 6 of 2015 was one of the best weeks we have had at CND and we were blessed with some awesome campers, staff, volunteers, programs, and weather! We learned an important lesson about being a hero with our cabin mates, in our families, in our community, and in our Churches. We thank Fr. Mike for celebrating Mass and sharing a Cook Out meal! Sarah and Nathan had us as painters, scientists, and peacemakers while we made truce in the Color Wars during our Big Event! We had a great time at programs, on our amazing Hikes, in the sun, looking at stars, singing, laughing, and having an amazing time! We loved our meals with Theresa and Paula in the Dining Hall! May our memories last us until next summer whether they were from the pond, Fr. Larry's Frontier, the Cool Pool, up in the Post, in the Cabin Circle, in Hilbert Hall, at Archery, or any of our beautiful areas of camp! So from porch of the office my task for you (until the next time I see you); to bring what you love about camp to the world and bring yourselves back next summer!

Peace, a Moose on the Loose, and Blessings, Joel

From the Desk of the Assistant Director:

GOOOOD EVVENING CAMPERS!!

What an amazing week we all had together. As sad as I am to see all of you depart, it brings me great joy knowing all of the memories we created together. We were blessed with wonderful sunshine and warm temperatures. This allowed us to successfully have all of our campouts this week, including Kids Kamp! This week at the frontier Aidan taught us all about the Pony Express and had us delivering messages all around camp. At Nature crafts we made beautiful picture frames that will hold our cabin photos forever! On Tuesdayy Sarah and Nathan were infected with the space zorkie virus, but we managed to save the day! On Wednesday all of the colors at camp went crazy but thanks to the campers, we switched them all back! Overall, we had a wonderful week. As I said, I will treasure our times together forever. So long farewell to you my friend, goodbye for now, until we meet again:)

Peace, Love and Bug juice, Ally Assistant Director Summer 2015

From the RAC desk,

We've had an absolutely awesome time at camp this week! Our theme was "Heroes" and we spent the week talking about the heroes in our own lives, as well as how we can be heroes for others. The campers this week definitely began demonstrating their heroic abilities as soon as this week began, and they were constantly caring for each other throughout the week.

-Michelle

P.S. Remember to spread the love and joy of camp everywhere you go!

Broken Arrow

My lovely ladies of Broken Arrow,

This week by far was a week to remember! I love every single one of you so much and want to thank you guys for all the laughter and silly times we had. Maya and Claudia I think it's safe to say you girls are the dynamic duo of broken arrow. Thanks for always being ketchup not mustard:) Ciara and Charlotte you guys found so many gems at father Larry's. Hannah and Allison you rocked at archery this week. Ryeleigh and Ava you guys were the loudest during dinner! Giovanna and Amaress you crazy girls had an amazing time swimming in the pool every time we went! You ladies would have a huge smile every time I saw you guys! Shaelyn and Mercedes thanks for keeping high spirits all week.

Peace and blessings Emily

Circle B

Dear Circle B,

Wow! It's been one awesome week! I really enjoyed being with you guys and doing so many great and fun activities. I got to see each one of you grow and enter into the week in a special and unique way. Josh, I'm so proud of the way you walked on the Tension Traverse at the Ropes Course, and also how well you embraced every activity we did. Jonah, you were such a trooper all week. You listened to everything I said and you were right there with me. Elliot, I was so happy with your positive attitude and that you were always smiling. Christian, I'm really proud of how you camped outdoors even though it was outside your comfort zone. Jack, I'm so glad with the way you always helped the waiters out during the mealtimes. Oscar, you did a great job at the Nature Lodge, and I won't forget your face when you held Henry the hamster. And Keaton, you did an awesome job of holding the corn snake. Mason, you caught a fish at fishing, and even if it fell off the hook midair, you pulled it out of the water, so it counts! Drew, I saw you become friends with your cabin mates, even if the first time you met them was Sunday! And Braylon, you did an awesome job throughout the week, even if you felt uncomfortable with the activities that were outside your comfort zone. You guys are all rock stars, and I really enjoyed a great week with you guys. Stay cool, guys!

-Nate



T-T,

Ladies what a fantastic week it has been!!! We have made so many memories, shared so many laughs, and have created some amazing new friendships! To begin, Mimi I love your enthusiasm for camp! Watching you at archery was so amazing! I swear you hit the target every time. Meadow and Brooke, THE COUS-INS!!!!! Watching you girls participate in everything as a pair made my day! Specifically at outdoor nature when we played birders and Sasquatch! You girls rocked at those games! Now how could I not mention my two Sophia's! Sophia K. I am so proud of you for coming out of your shell during our time together! You were my little quiet girl during the beginning of the week and I just loved watching you grow new friendships and getting excited about all the activities! You were great!!! Sophia P. You did such a great job at the ropes course!!! That place was meant for you! Alivia and Claire, my two fisher girls, not fishermen, fisher girls!!! You guys were awesome at fishing!!! You both were so determined to make a catch and simply made fishing a blast!!! Jaclynn, Grace, and Ava, you girls did an excellent job at boating. It was so cool to watch all of you communicate with one another and try and make your way throughout the pond!!! Two thumbs up girls!!! Sarah and Lydia, you both were meant to live in the nature lodge!! You girls were so nice to all of the animals and really gave them your love!! I know they will miss you! So girls I will simply leave you with a thank you! Thank you for making this week an unforgettable one!

Peace and love, Your counselor, Cait

Crooked Creek

Crooked Creek,

This week was awesome! Everyone played a part in making the week special. First Cole, after getting all of your packages, showed everyone the importance of sharing by giving each cabin mate your candy you got. Ryan and Anthony were amazing at the ropes course, holding the record for the cabin. Robert showed everyone how to be a pro fisherman. When it came to knowing facts or answering questions, Drew was the camper to look to. Josh and Carter were really good at Adam's game of tag! Finally, Christian and Dane were awesome when it came to canoeing. You were all such great guys! Thank you all for making this week amazing!

Sam



Diamond Bar

Dear Ladies of Diamond Bar,

Thank you for a wonderful week. I loved watching everyone have fun and get to try new things. We started the week by learning that Mary would try everything and anything. At wilderness, she loved all of the homemade teas we made. We also spent much of our week saving the world and being heroes. At target, Alexa helped save the world from a disease by popping a cure balloon and at archery Chloe helped save camp by hitting water droplets to put out our fire. Later at boating I was so proud to see Lily and Mackenzie, both new to boating, having fun and using their teamwork to get around the pond. Also at the pond, we had a wonderful time fishing. Rachel and Sarah both caught fish on the first day of fishing. Later that day, Corban at the pool taught us how to be lifeguards and Maggie, Gabby, and Ashley had a natural talent for it. Finally, I must mention the campout. Coco and Alyssa were so excited to sleep out under the stars. We all had an amazing time. I must say this week was so much fun and we were blessed to have such a wonderful group of girls. In one way or another we were all heroes at camp this week and I hope we can continue to be heroes after camp as well.

Nikki

Longhorn

Cabin Ball is Life (Longhorn),

We have had a great week of camp filled with laughs and lots of smiles. First off Andrew and Ryan S. we bonded through our love of hockey and I wish you guys good luck in your hockey seasons. Jake C. and Michael, we dominated in pool basketball. It made my whole week when Dakota said I was his favorite archer. Brennen, you were probably the best at archery this week. Troy and Jackson, you guys were a little wild but I know it was all in good spirit. Jacob, you were always the most enthusiastic at all the programs. Dennis there were points you made me laugh so hard my stomach hurt. And last but not least, Ryan M. I'm pretty sure you ran to every program and one of the funniest kids I've ever met. Thank you so much for bringing me so much joy this week. I'll miss all of you.

Jake



Lazy S

Wow guys, what a week! I had an awesome time with you guys. Eli you did great at fishing. Christian I enjoyed seeing your artwork during nature crafts. Zein you were amazing at the ropes course climbing the suspended ladder. Max you were great at holding and taking care of the animals at the Nature Lodge. Francis you were great at finding gems at the frontier. Nick you were always extremely helpful, and you were great at helping to make tea in wilderness. Seth have great balance for the tension traverse at the ropes course. Aiden you were great at the pony express game at the frontier. Logan you were amazing at boating. Gabe you were great at target. Zach you got super muddy on the hike, and you did great at the pool. I hope you all had a great week.

Sincerely, Andy

Single Spur

Dear Boys of Single Spur,

It has been a memorable week and I couldn't have asked for a better cabin. I had an amazing time with all of you boys. One of my favorite memories was when I taught you the rules of rugby. Remember my bedtime story about David and the warrior song. The time we looked at the moon through the telescope during campout. When we saved the camp from the fire at archery. The awesome activity when Jackie taught us how to make tea. The awesome food chain at the fishing activity. All the mud we got on our clothes when we hiked on the Amazon. Our favorite name game at outdoor nature. This week was just full of so many memories, and I am so happy I got to spend a whole week with you guys.

Sincerely, A.J.



RP 11

Dear RP 11,

I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to spend this week with you ladies. It's been such a crazy fun-filled week. On Monday we braved some of our fears on the Tension traverse at the Ropes Course. Then on Tuesday we broke the camp record and caught ten fish in one sitting. On Wednesday we took mud baths and swam in the lake. We came in Sunday not knowing everyone in our cabin, but by the end of the week we certainly made many memories and new friendships. I hope you ladies will forever cherish the memories and opportunities that camp has given you. I hope you have a wonderful summer!

Peace, Love, and Sunshine, Stacey

Double Z

Dear double z,

What a crazy fun filled week we had boys! Our hike through Walnut Creek tested our durability but we survived the blistering heat anyways. We rocked every one of the cool staff we met at programs whether it was popping balloons at target, slinging arrows at archery or conquering every obstacle thrown at us at ropes. You all certainly gave me a run for my money at knockout on the blacktop knocking me down a peg after my victories. We certainly held a camp record with having 12 Andrews in our cabin. Well it's getting late ya'll so I have to sign off now.

Till I see you again, Jack



RP 12

HAROLD!!!

Ladies, I cannot begin to say thank you enough for the amazing week we had together. From the very beginning I could tell that this was going to be an awesome week. Sunday started off strong when we found our cabin pet Harold who soon also became our cabin super hero. Tricia, thank you so much for all of the laughs and knee slapping jokes all week long—you definitely kept our cabin in good spirits. Erin S. and Laura, the sprinting partners, you two were so close all week and I can tell you will continue your friendship beyond this week. Maud, you were so fantastic at archery-you sure helped our cabin with Elizabeth's hunger game challenge! Ceyonna and Toni, I know you two were nervous at the beginning of the week not really knowing anyone in the cabin, but as the week progressed you two spread your wings and got to know everyone in the cabin. Lexi, you are one crazy girl for doing the entire hike then having to go to your swimming championships. Even though you didn't do as well as you wanted, you sure helped us out for Corban's drag relay at the pool. Sydney and Erin F., you two were always getting to know everyone in the cabin and really helped to bring us all together-thank you! Bella and Aleah, you two were great at finding gems at Fr. Larry's Frontier and you really helped us out. Last and certainly not least, Megan and Oliva, every time I saw either of you two you were always laughing and having fun. I am so glad you had a good week. Once again ladies I am so happy that we were able to spend this week together. You made this week one I will never forget and I am going to miss you all very much!

Octobots Roll Out!
Rachael (and Harold)

