

THE CHIRRUP

Week 5

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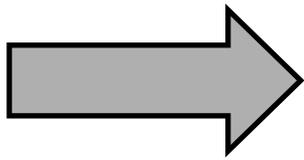
Searching far and wide

Our second session always seems to fly by much too quickly. It feels like we've only just met this boisterous group of talented weavers, swimmers, ballers, nature lovers, woodworkers and forgers, and already it's time to say goodbye.

The start of Week 5 was marked by a highly anticipated cool change, which was a welcome relief after a period of intense summer heat. We've had hikes and trips out to all kinds of great Vermont destinations, from two well attended trips to our local rock climbing center to a challenging but rewarding day hike to Camel's Hump.

Closer to home, on top of all our regular summer activities, we had a huge Pokémon all camp game which spanned the entire afternoon and evening. Campers found, caught and battled Pokémon, met Ash and Pikachu, and Sangamon was briefly taken over by the evil Team Rocket. But at the end of it all, the campers saved the day!

Sanga Stylin'



IN:

Sweat

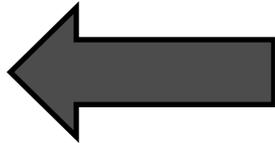
Hydration

OUT:

The oxford comma

Pulleys

Axe body spray



The 80s

YOU BETTER BE-WEAVE IT

At camp you have a lot of freedom. You can do a lot of activities. I like to relax at the weavery and make bracelets for people. It's fun to weave while having fun joking along with the other kids in the weavery and the staff there. I'll probably weave outside of camp too.



Robbie Galpern Levin, Cabin Gale

Sport of Kings

Today I played Aztec Basketball during 7 o'clock activities. Even though it was hard to learn and I wasn't good at it, it was very fun and I recommend everyone tries it.

Caleb Bargsley, Cabin Breeze

FORGING ALL DAY LONG

Forge is the best activity. Tell me one other place in the world where a fourteen year old can work hot metal into spoons, knives, and hooks. You can do something that's usually reserved for the elders of the community. This is why forge is the best activity.

Dante Diaz, Cabin Gale

FREEDOM!!!

My favorite activities are soccer and woodshop. I love soccer. I have been playing competitive soccer since I was three years old. Come to soccer, we play super fun games.

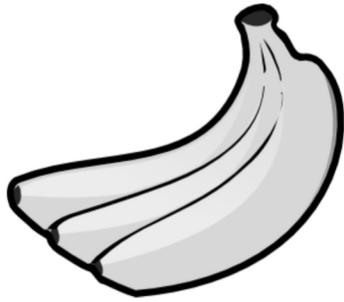
I also love woodshop because it is an indoor place but also because you can build almost anything. I made a ring, a gift for my grandmother, and a bench for the forge. I love going to the pond for free swims, I love jumping off the diving tower, but the most important thing about Camp Sangamon is that you are free to do ANYTHING.

Octave Roualle de Rouville, Cabin Gale



CHITTENDEN DAM CANOEING TRIP

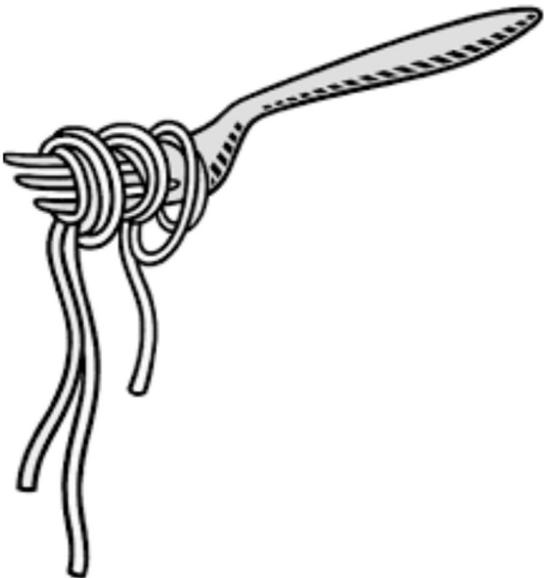
I recently went on the overnight trip to the Chittenden Dam, it was a lot of fun and I had a great time. On the trip it was me, six other campers, Shara, Sherman and Derbha. We left at 11.45am and got on the road.



When we arrived at the dam, we took out the canoes and packed our stuff in bags and put it all in the canoes. Then we started canoeing. The sight was beautiful. When we arrived on the shore, we set up our tents, started to light a fire to cook the spaghetti. While the counselors made the pasta we collected firewood. After we ate, we lit the fire and made banana boats. Banana boats are bananas with the middle cut out and chocolate inside.

After that we went to bed. When I woke up, I went for a dip with a few other campers and Shara, one of the Dip Masters. Then we packed everything up and canoed back. This will be one of my favorite camp memories.

Hudson Athas, Cabin Gale



When me and my friend Gavin heard that there was going to be an overnight, we couldn't speak for the rest of lunch because we were so excited. Once we knew we were going, we couldn't stop talking about it. We got everything ready and checked three times to make sure. Then when it was free time, we left in the van. We got there and got the canoes ready. Then we took off, the island was closer than we expected. When we got there we set up camp. Then we explored and I found a cup.

Finally we had pasta and banana boats (which are bananas with melted chocolate in them). Then we went to sleep. The next day we left so early we were back for breakfast. In the morning we paddled and looked at the scenery, then we left. It was the best thing ever.

Cedric Last, Cabin 1

THUNDERING BROOKS

- T**—is for the car ride
- H**—is for having so much fun
- U**—is for underwater
- N**—is for nice counsellors
- D**—is for downhill waterfall
- E**—is for excitement
- R**—is for roaring rapids
- I**—is for in the waterfall
- N**—is for not falling down the mountain
- G**—is for great time

- B**—is for best trip ever!
- R**—is for running around
- O**—is for on the rocks
- O**—is for owning it
- K**—is for kids and grown ups
- S**—is for swimming around

Milo Mistry, Isaac Lazaroff, Judah Shiffman, Cabin 5

TRIP TO WHITE ROCKS!

I went on a trip called White Rocks and it was fun and I thought that we weren't going on the rocks on the side of a mountain, but I was wrong. At the bottom of the mountain it was cold.

Then in one go it wasn't and we went up the rocks and there were little caves and I almost lost my cap to my water bottle, but I didn't.

And we ate there and it was cool, then we got back to eat lunch and it was fun.

Logan Desforges, Cabin Breeze



CHASING WATERFALLS

As a trip for Hikes and Trips and Pancakes, we went to a river/waterfall. Before the giant waterfall, where we took pictures, there were two smaller ones that fed into a big pool. We got to swim around in the water for a bit before leaving. It was tons of fun and we hope to do it again.

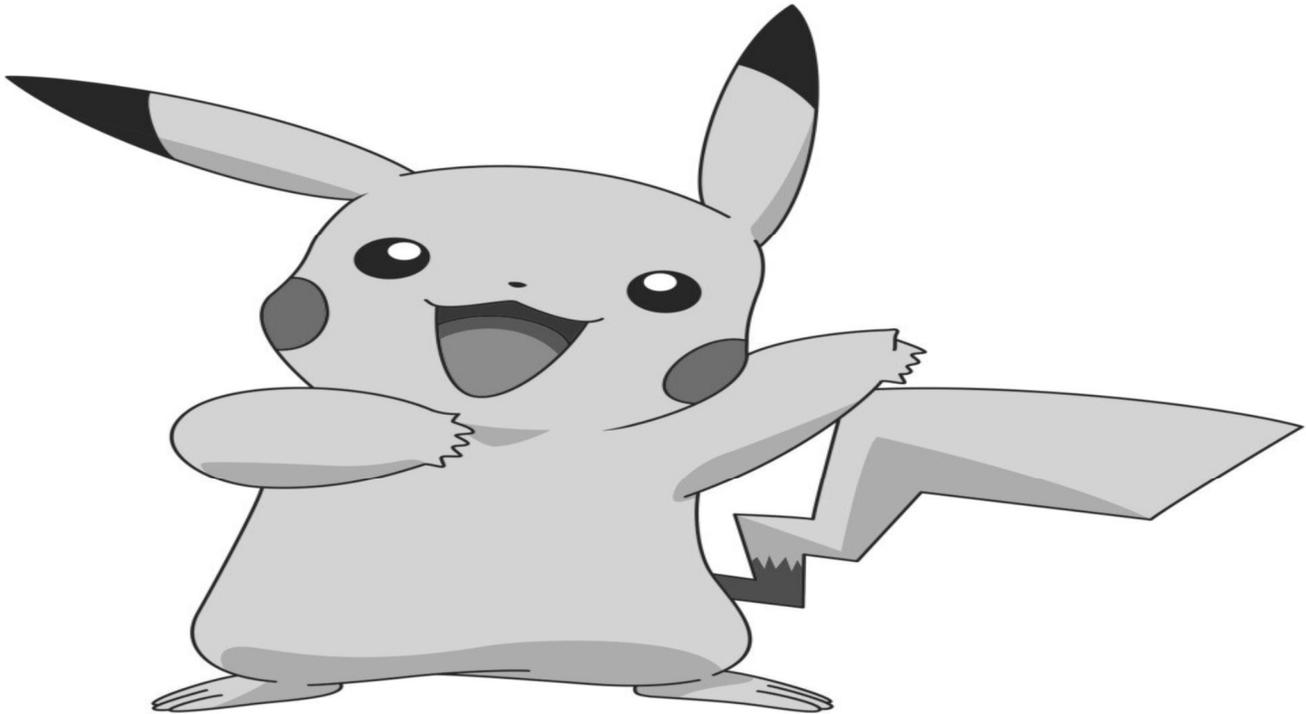
Henry Snelling and Myles Chang, Cabin Gale



Gotta catch 'em all!

Saturday there was a Pokémon battle between water, grass and fire. The winner got to face Pikachu and his master Ash. The winner of that tournament was Pikachu vs. grass team, but Pikachu won. Then the evil Team Rocket took each team's best character, but we got them back and defeated Team Rocket.

Andrew Smith, Cabin 4



PING PONG

I have played a lot of ping pong in my two days I have been at camp. Ping pong is super fun and I'm pretty good at it.

I have a ping pong net at my house. I don't use it though because I don't have anyone to play with. But here, there are many people I can play. Yet the ping pong table doesn't limit us just to ping pong. We've played hand pong too.

Finn O'Neill, Cabin Blow

WOOD LIFE

I like woodshop. I made some chopsticks and rings out of ebony wood!

I also like arts and crafts. I made a wand from Harry Potter. I also like the pond, it is fun to swim in. I sometimes swim at home.

Forge is cool. I've never been to a camp that has had a forge.

Coltyr Jenike, Cabin Gale

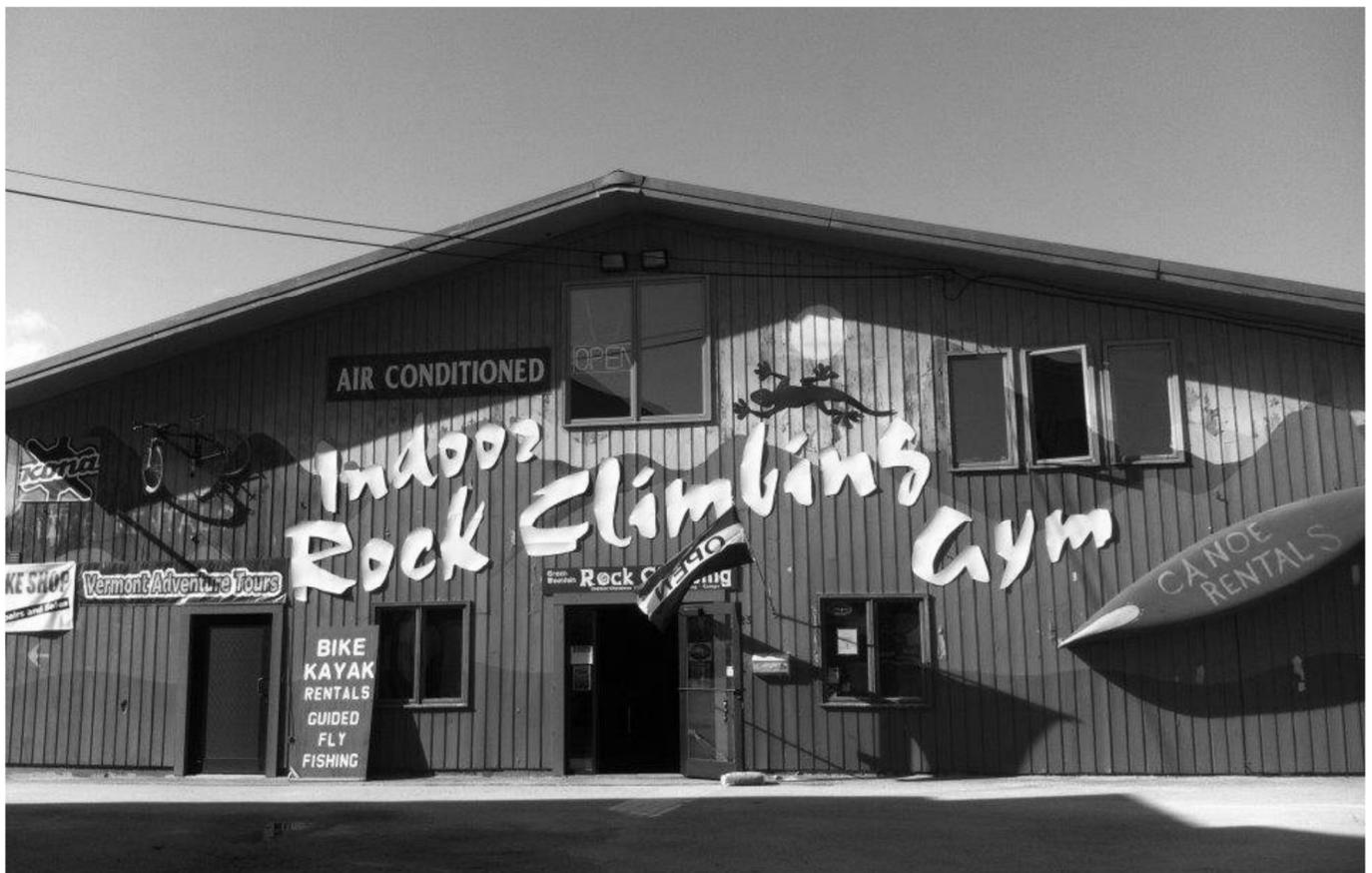
CLIMB MORE MOUNTAINS, PICK MORE DAISIES

On Tuesday we went to a rock climbing gym in Rutland and it was very fun. We learned how to belay the climber, so we could take turns climbing and belaying. At the gym there were many levels of difficulty, so we had some variety. Overall it was a fun trip and I hope I can go again.

Isaac Rabinowitz, Graham Schrodel, Cabin 4

The first time I wanted to go to the rock climbing gym, I didn't get onto the trip, so the next day I got onto the trip. We got in the bus and made it to the gym, there were many great courses and me and my friends who went there had a great time and lots of fun. It was a great experience and I learned a lot.

John Carpi, Cabin Breeze



Last Tuesday, a group of campers and I went to a rock climbing gym in Rutland. We got a partner and took turns belaying for each other. My partner and I did some of the medium ones and we had a great time. The last one we did was super hard so we helped each other out. Both of us finally managed to do it and we were both super happy. For some of the easy ones, we tried kicking the top as a challenge. That made it extra fun. We even did that on the bouldering wall. I really hope we get to go again.

Dular Das, Cabin 4

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