

THE CHIRRRUP

Week 7

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Week seven has been jam-packed with Sangamon fun! Between a visit from crazy queen and her family to a trip to the Ice Caves to the Disco Social, so many amazing memories were made. It will be sad to see so many campers leave after this week but even more fun is in store for the final week of Camp Sangamon's 99th summer!

Old Vermont Day

Saturday was Ol' Vermont Day, which was totally gnarly. We had to wake up at the crack of dawn to do "calisthenics" and then went to the pasture to help build the bonfire. After we helped build the fire, we went to go eat breakfast which was apple pie, the standard Ol' Vermont Day breakfast. Apple pie is an s-tier pie, no question, unlike pumpkin pie. Now I'm getting off topic. Anyway, after breakfast we went to the carnival, which was a fair made up of activities that took place in Old Vermont. There was shaving ice; splitting logs; making bread, ice cream, lemonade, and pickles, the two-man saw; churning butter; arm wrestling; leg wrestling and more.

Jack Ehlinger, Cabin Gale



Old Vermont Day is a very cool day where in the morning we collect sticks, which may seem bad but then we had an amazing breakfast. After that we did Old Vermont Day activities. It was super fun!

Zephyr Schermerhorn, Cabin One

Old Vermont is cool

Hand-made ice cream and butter

The best day to live

Nathanial Jenkins, Cabin Breeze

Down In Po-Town

Today I went up to Pottery. In Pottery it is fun and calm. Some days you just do your own thing. Other days have a focus on something specific. That can be anything from making slab mugs to making musical instruments. There is lots of stuff to make in Pottery. Pottery has the stuff you need to make a lot of different types of pottery which helps your creative mind to make a lot of stuff. This is why I suggest doing Pottery at Camp Sangamon.

Oliver Gray, Cabin 1

When I first went to Pottery, I had no concept of what the pottery wheel was. But I wanted to try it. My first try was horrible; the clay shot out and hit me. Luckily, with Matt's help I got way better and quickly. Eventually I could make bowls and cups. Also, from my previous experiences with clay I could bend the clay without the wheel. Eventually I made two mugs, a bowl, and an ocarina.

Lev Ralph, Cabin Gale

Tennis Time

The tennis tournament was a lot of fun. Even though I didn't make it too far, it was a lot of fun and the people who progressed further did very well. I recommend people try it out.

Joshua Cunningham, Cabin Blow

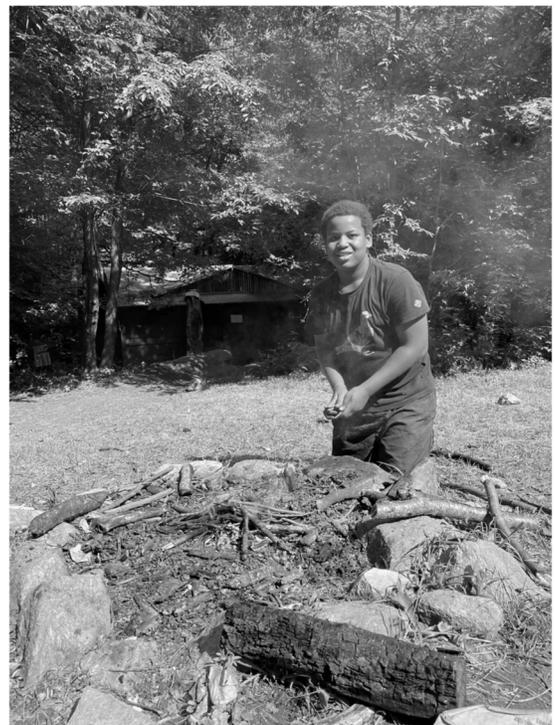
Pottery is a very hard thing to learn, but once you do learn how to do it it is really fun. The wheel is my favorite part about pottery because it is so much fun.

Isaac Lazaroff, Cabin Gale

On the tennis court
Improving your skills
With other campers
Ignacio Arias, Cabin Gale

This week in forge we started working on a decorative piece for the treehouse. I am learning a ton in the process, like how to bend metal properly and tricks for how to straighten out metal.

Yeshe Dorje Yodsampa, Cabin Blow



Off-Camp Adventures

It was a beautiful warm Wednesday morning when ten campers and two staff hopped into a van and headed out to the Rattlesnake Cliffs. This trip was about a four mile hike to the top; it was kind of steep so it took about two hours with breaks. However, once we reached the summit it was all worth it. We could see for miles and miles with mountains on the left and a beautiful beach surrounding a lake on the right. It was incredible how high up we were! The way back down was really steep but we still managed to take a quick dip in the water-fall. It was an awesome experience and I would definitely do it again.

Soren Rogers, Cabin Breeze



Today I went on an epic hike. It was an hour drive to the trail. The staff on the hike were super nice. The hike started a farm. Then we went up a super cool mountain. The sight was so cool. When we got to the top we ate a super good lunch.

Jude Silverstein, Cabin 1

Today I went to Snake Mountain. It was a moderate hike and really fun. At the top we had an amazing view. The drive was really nice and scenic. I would go again!

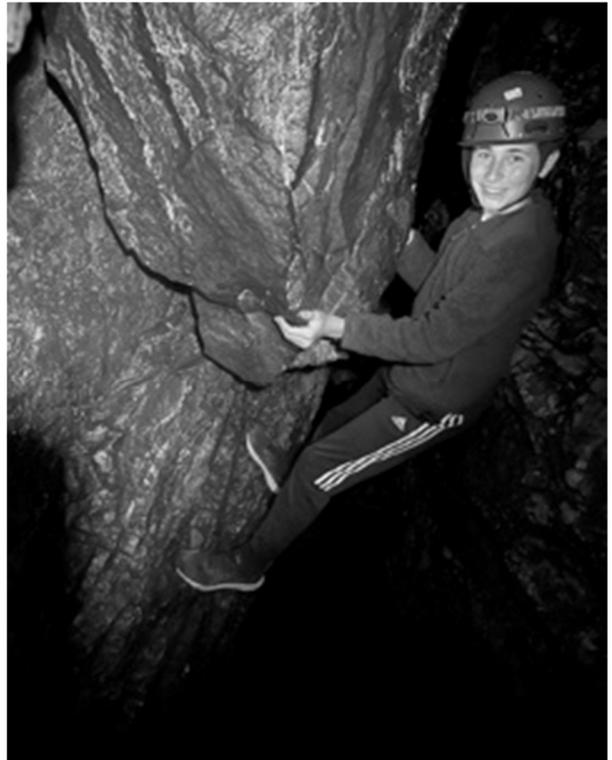
Conor Scott, Cabin 6



ICE PAVES TRIP!

Today I went on a hike to the Ice Caves. It was really fun! We first walked from camp for about two miles to get to the trailhead. Then we walked three-quarters of a mile to the Ice Caves. I was in the second group to go in to the caves and we played Mafia while we waited. When it was our turn we all traversed down to the bottom of the caves and learned that when quartz bangs together it makes light. Then we got to explore the caves before we had to hike back up. It was really fun and very cool!

Ben Nass, Cabin 1



I went to the Ice Caves on Monday. I am super glad that I went. It was really awesome because I had never been in a cave before. The hike was a little hard but it was worth it. The Ice Caves were really cool.

Finley Thomas, Cabin Blow

On my ninth day at camp we went on a hike to the Ice Caves. We walked from camp to the trailhead and then did a mild rock climb to the cave. We then had lunch before heading into the cave. We climbed down a ladder and eventually made it to a main room within the cave. There was lots of lichen on the walls. We explored in four other areas and then retraced our steps back out.

Benji Scott, Cabin 6

I went to the Ice Caves this week. It was very cool. I could see my breath in the cave. If I could go again I could.

Logan Desforges, Cabin Blow

Goddess, Goddess, Goddess!

The Goddess is a fun game played between campers, staff and leadership (the CITs Apprenti, and Interns). The Goddess is a small stick that the team in possession must run around camp with once a day. Each time you run the Goddess you must raise it above your head and yell "Goddess, Goddess, Goddess!" For the other teams to gain possession of the Goddess, they must either grab it from its hiding place or tag the person with it and say "Goddess tag!" This is one of the many fun things that happens at camp.

Sam LaPenta, Cabin Breeze



I've been spending most of my time at the weavery. It's super fun. There are so many different kinds of bracelets. It's really chill and everyone is really nice.

Whitaker Raine, Cabin Five

String is everywhere
Knots being formed onto string
Beautiful Art Made
Isaac Rabinowitz, Gale

Sunset and Frisbee

We were playing a game of ultimate frisbee. We played for a while until we realized that the sun was red as it was setting. It was so cool to watch it set. Everyone had fun playing the game and watching the red sun set.

Alistair Lyettefi, Cabin Breeze

Water Polo

Water polo was an evening activity that I did today. It was really fun and my team won. Afterwards we jumped off the tower and went out to the floating dock. We walked back up the hill to our cabins in almost darkness.

Conor Scott, Cabin 6

At canoeing and kayaking we go out on the pond and play games on the water. It is very relaxing to sit in a kayak and watch the fish swim by. It is one of my favorite activities.

Leo Samaha, Cabin Gale

In photo I took three whole rolls of film and today I started printing them. You print them in a red room where it looks super cool after you develop them.

Elliot Peaper, Cabin 6

The Sanga-Atmosphere

Walking softly. Crunching softly. Making my way down the road to riding like the sunlight makes its way through the trees, warming the space around it ever so slightly. Green is there.

John Elish, Cabin Blow

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