

THE CHIRRUP

Week 7

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Week 7 is coming to a close. It's been real, it's been lit. We've had some killer events this week including Old Vermont Day where each cabin led their own games and campers ran the Maple Sugar Run for— you guessed it— a maple sugar treat!

We were dancing pros on Wednesday as Sangamon dressed up in our funkier clothes and took to the dance floor for the Disco Social at Betsey Cox.

We've also had some strange sightings at camp: debates rang out across the lower lodge as we conducted a trial for Bigfoot, followed by a cryptozoology banquet. Continuing the cryptozoology theme, we played our last game of Mission Impossible and defeated two sasquatch hunters.

What's happening this week?

Sangamon Fair

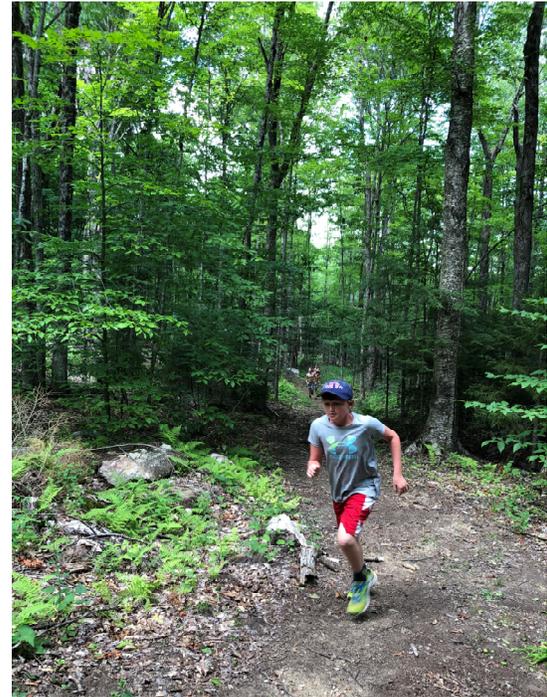
Sangamon fair was so cool— everyone had to help run a game. Lots of people got candy and other fun things. People won a lot of games. Betsy Cox also ran games. We all had a great time playing games and winning things. Everyone was nice and had great games to play. By far this fair was one of the best fair I have been to in my four years going to Sangamon. I had a great time at the fair and I hope everyone else did.

Alistair Lyettefi (Cabin Breeze)

Tennis!

My father is a great tennis player, and he always (kindly) pressured me into playing. I was always reluctant to play as I didn't really like it at the time. When I came to Sangamon last year, my dad told me to bring my racket. I agreed, however I had no intention of using it. The second day of camp, my friend convinced me to go play tennis with him. I was terrible!

My technique, my forehands, my backhands, everything was bad. But, I liked it. I stuck with it and started to progress. I was determined to get better, and I did. A lot has happened since then, but let's just say I've gotten a lot better, and I might win the camper tournament. I want to say a special thanks to Jake and Lucien for making me love this sport. **Charles Young (Cabin 8)**



Birthday Celebrations

Today was my friend Amos' birthday. We had cake and hung out to celebrate. I went swimming later and had a great time.

Zach Koenig (Cabin Breeze)





Electric Basketball

So far the camper basketball tournament has been an absolute blast! The matches for the most part have been very even and the teams were made very well. A couple days ago, my team and I won the semifinals and are now playing Isaac, Danny, and Zach in the finals. The turnout for the games have also been very good, creating an electric atmosphere.

Soren Rogers (Cabin Gale)

Setting Sail

It was last week when we set off in a camp van to go sailing! Before this trip I had never been sailing so I was quite excited to experience it but I was also worried. When we arrived to the dock and mounted the boats I was overwhelmed with all the elements of the sailboat. We used the motor to get out of the marina but then we lifted our sails and took turns learning to sail. We talked about parts of the boat and how to sail. To say the least it was an amazing experience everyone should try.

Nash Rogers (Cabin Gale)



Cabin 8 shenanigans

Underground Casino

In-between the row and the hill, near Mt Flushmore and the path to the pond stands cabin 8. At night, after the evening activities cabin 8 turns into the cabin 8 'Underground Casino'. With just one light shining on the table, the members play all different types of cards games, campers and counselors alike. Some of the games played are Pres, Poker, and more. It was named the cabin 8 'Underground Casino' because the darkness makes it look like it's underground. Currently, a 13 person elimination pres. game is going on and is about half way done with 7 contestants left. Also, the table where the games are played is extremely decorated with doodles from past years of camp. Basically, the cabin 8 'Underground Casino' is a place for the campers and staff or cabin 8 to have fun, hang out and do whatever they want.

Kalil Nasrani (Cabin 8)



Cabin M8s

I'm going to be writing about cabin 8 environment. First thing, the counselors are amazing. From the minute I got here they were inviting and friendly. When having meals, they were interested about our days and engaged. Their rules are not too strict but easy to follow. Second, this cabin is awesome. Every one in the cabin is nice— we are constantly playing card games as group. We also do cabin projects such as the bench and casino chips we made. Third, this cabin we have a deck which is very nice and a camper set up a hammock there. I am so glad I am in Cabin 8!

Jase Kozak (Cabin 8)

Hikes, Trips, and Pancakes!

RICHARD'S STATS!

Day of the week	Hike	Distance (Miles)	Elevation (ft)	Time
Sunday	Bald Peak	2.12	732	00:53:00
	Caldwell Trail	3.24	194	01:14:00
Monday	Ice caves	3.73	522	01:31:00
Tuesday	Chaffee Falls	1.8	302	00:45:00
Friday	Camels Hump	7.2	2,667	04:53:00
Week Total	5 Hikes	18.09	4,417	09:15:00
Session Total	9 Hikes	32.96	9,247	15:37:00

Hiking Log

The first hike that I went on was our hike to Deer's Leap. It was a short 4 mile hike up and down a peak to a place where deer would leap to their deaths. The next hike I went on was to Mount Pico. It was about 6 miles total. Then I think I hiked a 3 mile hike, and today the 7th day I hiked a 2 miles. I hope to hike more. **Nat Epstein (Cabin Gale)**

ICE CAVES!

The Ice Caves was super fun. We had a hike from camp to the trail head where we started up until we reached the caves. We had a very quick lunch and then explored the ice caves. The trip was super fun and I hope I can go again. **Isaac Rabinowitz (Cabin Gale)**



More Hikes and Trips and Pancakes!

Hikes, Trips and Bunk-ball

It's been my first week back to Camp Sangamon and it's genuinely been the source of many highlights though out not only this summer but also this year. On my second day, I went on a hike called 'Deer's Leap'. It was a quick and easy hike, only about two or so miles, and the view was like nothing I had ever seen before. The beautiful, hilly green mountains dominated the horizon. Since I was so impressed by this I went on a hike the following day. This time, climbing the 6th tallest mountain in Vermont.

Once again, the views did not disappoint. This time a beautiful, still reservoir accompanied and accented the endless rolling sea of green mountains.

Additionally, as I've been enjoying camp I've found a fondness for Pottery, as well as activities such as Woodshop where my friends and I devised a mini basketball hoop for our cabin that we dubbed 'Bunk-ball'. During free time I've loved playing tennis and goofing off.

Will Nass (Cabin Gale)

Bald Peak

A few days ago, I hiked up Bald Peak mountain. It was a relatively short hike. The view at the top was impeccable. It was a great time, and me and my friend Isaac went together.

Leo Samaha (Cabin Breeze)



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