

# THE CHIRRUP

Week 1

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Summer 2023 has officially begun! After nine months of slumber, Camp Sangamon—from the row, to the hill, to the pasture—is once again filled with life. Although clouds have been more common than sunshine, rain has failed to stop the fun. Staff and campers alike embodied the lesson our friend the mole has taught us time and again: if you can't go over or under, go around.

This first week of camp has been packed with competition, spontaneity, and at times even intrigue. Following in the footsteps of many Sangamen before them, the campers donned their CTS and played CTF to mark the start of the session. On Tuesday morning, a Macarena flash mob erupted on the docks during free swim. Finally, Keanu Reeves has been the first public figure to be banned from Arts and Crafts, initiating a purge which has swept up even the likes of the elusive Nathan Tegeler.

For as much as we have all learned during this eventful week, many mysteries remain unsolved. What day is the social? Who stole the white paint? Where is the pig? Perhaps another week in the Green Mountains will reveal the answers we seek...

—The Editorial Board

# What happened this week?

## Hike to Abby Pond

On Tuesday, with Hikes, Trips, and Pancakes, a couple of campers and I hiked Abby Pond Mountain. During the hike we saw many beautiful things, such as an amazing stream flowing very fast. We also saw many salamanders and frogs. The first half of the hike was the steepest, but getting closer to the top of the mountain, the hike became a lot less steep and tiring. We were planning to eat lunch at the top, next to the pond, but as soon as we got there it started pouring. We decided to take pictures while we still could, then we hiked down in the rain. When we finally reached the van, we had a satisfying peanut butter and jelly lunch, then drove back to camp.

### Tintin Harris (Cabin Breeze)



### Macarena Flash Mob

I went to free swim. We went to the floating dock. Wilf was the lifeguard at the dock. Drew, William, and George were there while we were on the dock. George, William, and Drew started doing the Macarena for five minutes. After they were done. the waterfront counselors started doing it too.

### William Fields (Cabin Blow)

# What *else* happened this week?



## **Paddle Boarding at the Pond**

Paddle boarding at the pond is very fun! There are so many different fun games that you can play on the water. If you don't want to play a game, you can also just chill on the paddle boards. My favorite game is "never have I ever." Never have I ever is a game where someone says something, and if you've done that thing, you have to step backward on the board. The first person to fall in loses. Paddle boarding is a great activity to do while waiting for free swim.

**Rowan Muzzy (Cabin Gale)**

## **Double Bullseye!**

I am the first camper that Milo, our Archery staff, has seen get a double bullseye! This is how I got it: Right before the round, Milo was fixing my form. He was telling me to aim with my foot toward the target. He was also explaining that I should arch my back for a better shot. Once I was confident enough to take a shot, I stepped up to the line and grabbed my first arrow. I took my shot, and BOOM! It went right into the middle of the target. Milo said that I probably wouldn't get another one, but I should try and recreate the same shot. So, I took my second arrow, pulled back the string, and fired. It went right into the middle of the target! You could even hear the clang of the arrows hitting each other. The only problem was that in the excitement I moved my feet and completely messed up my form. So, the next shot I took was completely off. Then, I walked over to the target to make sure they were actually bullseyes, and Milo took pictures. In total I got three points for my bullseyes!

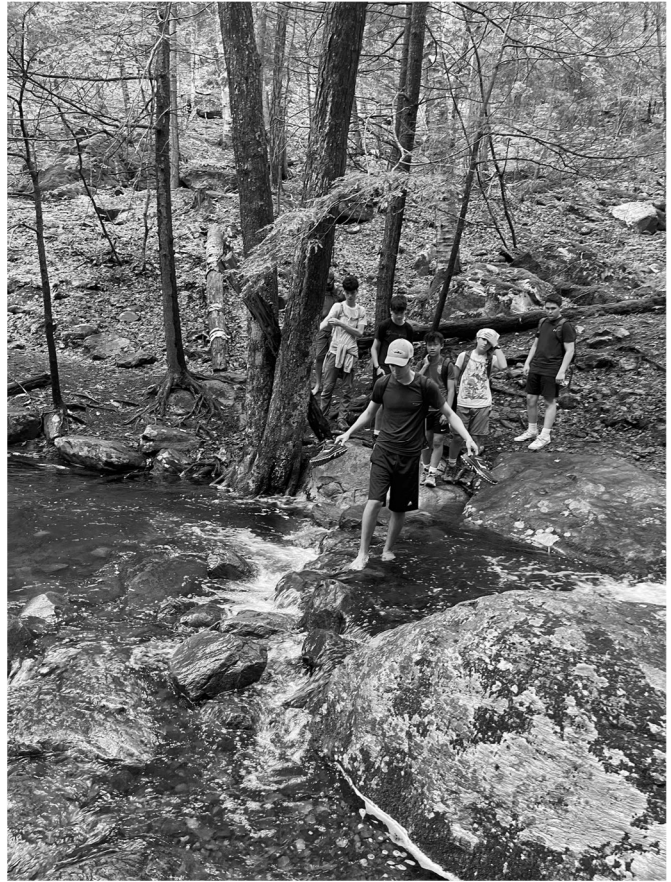
**Charlie Bishop (Cabin 5)**

# What does Sangamon mean to you?

## A Place Full of Fun

Sangamon. A place full of fun. A place where everyone goes to have a good time. Activities vary from playing tennis, one of my favorites, to taking swimming lessons down at the pond. Sangamon has a tight-knit community. We sing songs and chant VERY loudly. We can go to so many places! The farm, the pasture, the pond, and so much more. The counselors are so nice and funny! One memorable moment was when David sang a Taylor Swift song, but about bad odor. This is Sangamon.

**Ryan So (Cabin Blow)**



## A CIT's Reflection

Camp is great! As a CIT, I have seen the other side of camp, and it is not as bad as I thought it would be. I never thought about how much work goes into making the camp run. I am so happy to have this experience, and I can't wait to have four more weeks of fun!

**Drew O'Neill (CIT)**

# Hill Camper Vignettes

## Late Night History Lessons

The other night, all of us Breeze campers were talking about history and current events. The other campers said that they had learned more sitting in the dark in our cabin for an hour than they had learned in an entire year of school.

**Jake Larner (Cabin Breeze)**

## Who Runs the Hill?

I want to give a shoutout to Quizzy Club. We run the hill. Our most loyal members are Lonan and Quizzy. If you are looking to join Quizzy Club talk to a member at Cabin Gale or Breeze.

**True Doherty (Cabin Gale) and Nate Crofton (Cabin Breeze)**

## A very good board

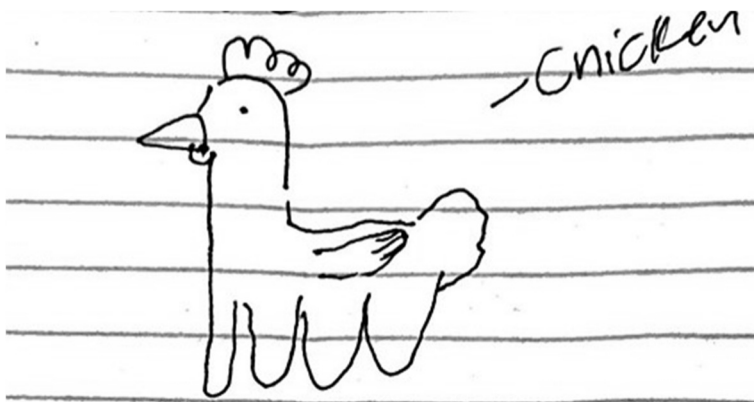
Today at wood shop I made a cutting board. It was a very good board.

**Owen McCardle (Cabin Gale)**

## ~He's Like That~

It was the first full day of camp, and I went to archery. Testing different bows and arrows, I found my stride and eventually got a bullseye. Start calling me "Bullseye Jack" because I'm LIKE THAT.

**Justin Woods (Cabin Breeze)**



## A CHICKEN

Today I went to Arts and Crafts, and I drew a chicken.

**Avi Lewis (Cabin Gale)**

# WEEKLY COLUMNS

## The Story of a Very Hydrated Man: The Life and Times of Yannick Notermans

### Part 1: Dehydration in Tulipland

Yannick awoke with a start. He peered out of the window of the windmill he called home. *Another beautiful day in the Netherlands*, he thought. He followed the scent of freshly baked stroomwafel to find his mother in the kitchen.

“Yannick, dear, it’s the tulip festival in town today. I need you to bring these bulbs to market,” she instructed her son, her intonation revealing a strong motherly affection.

Yannick dutifully received the bag of bulbs and hopped on his bicycle. It was a Dutch-made work of art: it had a 7-speed transmission, silky smooth front suspension, and a shiny coat of paint in horizontal red, white, and blue. He filled his pockets with his favorite snack, gouda cheese, and was quickly on his way.

Several miles from home, Yannick noticed that the sun’s rays had become particularly harsh. He had not prepared for such weather; the Dutch countryside typically provides the ideal climate for a growing boy. He reached in his backpack for his trusty water bottle, but it was nowhere to be found!

As Yannick continued to pedal, his mouth became very dry. He thought that perhaps some cheese might distract him from this unpleasant sensation. However, the rich, nutty, caramel flavor of this Dutch delicacy only worsened his dehydration.

Beginning to panic, Yannick pinched the skin atop the second joint of his middle finger. Once raised, it would not spring back! As Yannick’s tongue began to glue itself to the roof of his mouth, the sun beat down on our protagonist ever more harshly...

## STEEZY’S STATECRAFT

### Sanga-Bill Proposal: H.Res.14

*Resolved*, That upon adoption of this resolution Camp Sangamon shall hereby provide “Universal Basic Hot Sauce;” that is, each table shall, at all times, be allocated a) Sriracha, b) Cholula, or c) some combination of the aforementioned condiments.

### Sanga-Volatility

- Redcoin is down 12%
- WATR is up 30%
- GRMC is up >600%





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