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COLOR WAR BREAKS OUT (Earlier Than Expected)



It's that time of the summer again... COLOR WAR! In true Lansman's tradition, the annual contest has broken when the camp family least expected. At the end of an action-packed day of costumes and holiday fun (see back), rain began to fall and all the campers were asked to report to the Pole House. A few minutes later, with jet sounds blasting on the public address system, Lyndsey came "flying" in on her golf cart-turned airplane. Then, over sounds of foghorns and the sea, Justin came

"sailing" in to port on the other side of the Pole House. In full costume, each counselor jumped out of his or her respective vessel and announced that Color War had begun. Lyndsey, dressed as a pilot, will lead the Red Aviators; Justin, in full underwater diving gear, will lead Nautical White. General Lyndsey will be assisted by Lieutenant Yuna and Captains Leah and Michael. General Justin will be assisted by Lieutenant Arianna and Captains Maayan and Charlie.

Each child has been assigned to a team and should wear either red or white shirts or outfits for the next four days of serious-but-fun competi-

tion! If you are new to our camp family, please make sure to see the email sent on Friday afternoon explaining the traditions and expectations of Color War. As a reminder, you are invited to watch the teams engage in their final "battles" at Sing this Thursday afternoon at 3:00 P.M. at the side of the pool.



Siblings were not purposely placed on teams together this year. I would ask that you remind your children that even though we take the games very seriously and everybody tries to win, Color War is just a fun game and that we are all one camp when it ends.

Scott M. Eckers

Spish-Splashing in the Frothy Foam

Thursday afternoon was all about the foam — both playing and eating. Each group romped in the foam pit for about half an hour. Everybody loved the frothy fun, but it was our Seniors who made the biggest splash. Our teenagers showed they were absolutely not too old for old-fashioned playtime. The group took the opportunity to sing and dance to "Ring Around the Rosie" in the foam pit, making sure to fully immerse themselves as they "all [fell] down." Our young-

er groups frolicked and slid in the slippery mess and didn't miss the chance to put the white froth on their heads! After a bubbly good time was had by all, the campers were treated to a special snack of edible "foam": cotton candy. Our campers were then washed off at the pool before everybody cleaned up and returned to their regular afternoons. For those campers who enjoyed the inflatable component (bouncing off the bubbly walls!), know that there will be a day of water inflatables on August 13.



Hallopurim in July Brings Joy to the Colony



Halloween is typically in October and Purim usually falls out in late winter, but at camp, these holidays converged in July. One feature of both days is dressing up in costume, and our campers and counselors absolutely rose the occasion(s). At morning line-up, there was a show of costumes; after lunch, all groups went trick-or-treating around the bungalow colony. The camp provided the candy and eight spirited Lansmanites (parents and grandparents!) volunteered their bungalow porches for doling out the sweets. The sight of happy children in costume brought much joy to Lansman's. Of course, our Color War generals also donned costumes at the end of the day to announce the start of the games. Here are some photos of the day.



If you are **buying lunch** from the concession this week, please make sure to put your lunch orders in via ldclunch.h1.hotlunchonline.net by 8:30 A.M.

Have you joined our **Remind** @Lansmans25 yet?

Don't forget to have your kids **leave their phones at home**.

It's best to wear **sneakers** on your feet while running and playing at camp.

The **camp phone number** is (845) 434-8480.



Upcoming Special Events

- Monday is the annual fire truck visit. Get ready for a shpritz! (Unless there's an actual emergency nearby.)
- Thursday is Crazy Hair Day. Points will be awarded to teams based on best hair in several categories.
- Friday will be Tie-Dye Day! Most of the children made tie-dyed shirts in Arts and Crafts over the last two weeks. Please wear these shirts on Friday.

Special thanks to Michelle from Arts and Crafts and Lee and Frank from Maintenance for making our Color War breakout so successful. Michelle decorated the golf carts and our maintenance staff drove the generals into "battle" on Friday afternoon!

From the Art Room

The past two weeks in the art room have been a whirlwind of creativity and color! Campers dove into a variety of projects, from swirling tie-dye masterpieces and designing imaginative robots to crafting cozy fabric pouches, painting fearsome sharks, and beading personalized name bracelets. Some groups created their own popsicle boxes for their keepsakes. Every day, the campers impressed me with their creative ideas and enthusiasm for trying something new. Our dedicated counselors have been right alongside them, offering guidance, encouragement, and a helping hand wherever needed. It's been inspiring to see the art room buzzing with teamwork, laughter, and the awesome artwork that makes camp so special!

—Michelle Eis

