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Lansman's on the Go: A Week of Trips and Games

Ask any camp director and he or she will tell you that week three is definitely “well into camp” territory! It’s during the third week that everybody really starts feeling like a family and knows the everyday routine. Of course, nothing is quite *routine* at Lansman’s, and this week featured two exciting trips to special locations

plus three on-colony intercamp games. These trips and contests help our campers and counselors form spirit-

ed connections with each other!

Cheering for each other is another important facet of a spirited camp relationship. When we celebrate each other — our wins, reaching our goals, or just our friendships — we are stronger and happier. As a camp, we practiced

cheering each other on this Friday afternoon in an epic game of “rock, paper, scissors.” Each time a camper won a round of rock, paper, scissors, the losing party had to cheer on the winner as he/she faced a new opponent. By the end of the game, campers joined in to cheer on only a few remaining competitors. The cohesion was wonderful; congratulations to Braydan Levine for winning the whole line-up event.

Here’s to a wonderful week ahead!

Scott M. Eckers



We're on our Way, We're on Our Way, On Our Way Down to the Farm

Tuesday's Lower Camp trip to Kelder's Farm was good old-fashioned fun! The best part was watching the children pick blueberries. Though this seems so simple, the quaint, unbounded joy of interacting with “the country” brought so many smiles to kids and staff alike. After petting and feeding a variety of friendly animals, the campers played on repurposed farm equipment, like a combine harvester slide, and a huge bouncy “pillow” with some of the most magi-

cal views of the Hudson Valley. A new addition to the farm fun this year was the corn barn: around 800 square feet of corn—millions upon millions of kernels of corn—in which our campers rolled, jumped, excavated, and even buried parts of their counselors. For our Nursery campers, one of the most exciting parts of the trip was not the goats, calves, or hayride, but the bus ride itself. Some of them had never ridden a “real” school bus before, and the experience was thrilling!



Upper Camp Makes a Splash on Tuesday



The Upper Camp trip to Splashdown Beach in Fishkill was a unique change from our regular camp program and one that provided campers the opportunity to cool off on one of the hottest summer days! Getting to the park early enabled us to enjoy the most popular water rides right away, leading to hours of fun for all. The most popular rides for our kids were the Megalodon (a six-story half-pipe group raft experience) and the “pirate” water slides, including the famous Bullet Bowl, which empties riders into a “toilet” and then flushes you down the middle. For more subdued fun, most campers enjoyed tubing down the Lazy River and getting soaked by the huge water bucket that dumps 500 gallons over “Pelican Bay,” a water playground.

I believe in leading by example, so I made sure to hit as many of the attractions as possible with our campers and counselors! Thank you to Edwin for teaching us “play while you wait” games while we were on longer lines.



Intercamp Rivalry is Just Plain Fun!

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.



After last year's incredible 6-0 season against Vacation Village, Lansman's was ready to face them again this Monday morning. Our Boys 4 team was ahead for eight fantastic kickball innings. Only in the bottom of the ninth did our guests come out ahead, with a final score of 2-1. The boys

played very well and kept their lead for most of the game! Across the street, Boys 3 squared off with their opponents in a lower camp kickball game. After more than an hour of play, with exciting runs and longer innings, the two teams ended up with a tie score. Finally, Upper Camp played a friendly basketball game. Several of our counselors visited Vacation Village after camp on Wednesday for a fun co-ed basketball game.



From the Casino Stage

The musical is in full swing and the kids are having a great time. Please work on practicing your music and lines at home! [Sing along with this link](#) at home to help you learn your parts so that you can have everything memorized before our August 8th show. Looking forward to seeing you all shine again next week.

— Kim



Upcoming Special Events

- **Wednesday is Picture Day.** Like last year, camp photos will be free. You will get a digital portrait to print or share and a print of your child's camp group. All campers should wear their clean red camp shirts on Wednesday.
- **Thursday is our foam party.** Get ready to enjoy the bubbly silliness.
- **Friday is “Hallopurim” in July,** a day to come to camp in your best costume and collect treats!

Out and About During Week Three

