THE GATE HILL NEWS

SUMMER 2014 – WEEK 4



MONDAY

GAGA Madness is here!!! With the camp rooting for four different teams, the energy was through the roof this week! All four teams— Super Slappers, Happy High Steppers, Dynamic Dodgers, and Wacky Wallbusters shined in Week 4 with their sportsmanship, effort, teamwork, and spirit. Congratulations to the Dynamic Dodgers with a grand total of 9,125 points. GA, GA, GA!

TUESDAY

We are a camp that gives! It's because of our dedicated campers and staff that Project Morry will be able to give more kids a camp experience in their lives. We worked hard for Project Morry with our Swim-A-Thon, which totaled 15,377 laps, equaling 169,457 yards or 96 miles! We warmed up for swimming all those laps first thing in the morning by dancing the Cha Cha Slide with Tony!

WEDNESDAY

There was so much to celebrate today! Congrats to the Golden Transport bus cheer winners (Routes 25, 36, & 41) and the staff who played on the yellow team at GAGA Madness night! A big thank you goes out to G1B, B3A, G4B, BXA, & VG5A who spun Wheely Wheely Wacky and won a pumped up counselor karaoke for ALL groups in camp! What a Wednesday!

THURSDAY

Back this summer as a number-one-rated camp favorite, Powerhouse Studios put on a very Wild and Wacky Challenge for us this afternoon. Races & relays were sillier than ever with flying rubber chickens, socks as arm accessories, pies in the air and slime overhead! Tonight the GH Players rocked the stage in their performance of Beauty and the Beast! Congratulations to the Cast, Band, Crew, and Directors!

FRIDAY

Today was one of those bittersweet camp days. We said goodbye to some of our camp friends on their last day, giving hugs and promises to keep in touch! Today was also a day to celebrate alongside our friends who were honored for their third, fifth, or seventh year at Gate Hill! Cool hats, long sleeve tees, and cozy hoodies were held high on this momentous day! At our afternoon gathering, the fabulous Hip Hop Dancers graced the stage & knocked the beat out!



Monday was here,
And what a day it was,
The Monarch realized,
There was a very loud buzz.
"Gaga Madness has arrived,"
The Monarch exclaimed,
"And this challenge is tough,
But certainly not lame!"
With gaga in the air,
And bracelets passed out,
The Monarch breathed deeply,
And then gave a shout,

WHO HAS THE MOSTEST???

"The challenge you have, You cannot smell or taste, I am looking for the best, GAGA Madness game face!" The campers made faces, And then the Monarch did see The best gaga game face, Came from **Zander** in **B4C**!! The camp was impressed, And clapped so very loud,

Each kid in Zander's group,
Was obviously proud.
Stay tuned for next week,
When the Monarch will be,
Ready to give the next challenge,
We wonder what it will be?

Congratulations Zander, you have the Mostest in Week 4!!!

Extension Information: Now that summer is off to such a successful beginning, many families are inquiring about extending their child's stay at camp. Extensions are accepted on a first come, first serve basis. If you are interested in extending your child's stay at camp, please email or call us with the week(s) that you are interested in. We will check availability and get back to you!

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GATE HILL CHALLENGE UPDATE!

Josh and Tony were back at it again this week, giving us all quite a show on Thursday and Friday, with three different funny challenges. Athletic Director met Camp Director in the first of three challenges.... "Daddy Diaper Dash!" The two competitors raced around the baseball field pushing strollers after diapering three baby dolls! Challenge #2, "Pitching for Pitchers," had the duo pitching baseballs to strike a bulls eye. Successful throws = pouring full pitchers of water, chocolate syrup, shredded paper, sprinkles, and green sand on the opponent (Tony did lots of pouring in this game!). The grand finale had Josh and Tony harnessed up to pull golf carts across the field and cross the finish line first! Josh came in first and took the lead, winning the whole challenge! Great sportsmanship, guys! Gate Hill has reached a total of 287,720 points, so we're more than half way to the ice cream truck delivery prize!

TIE DYE PREPARATION

Next week is Tie-Dye Week! When your camper goes to Art, they will make an awesome, wearable creation. Please send in an item of clothing for your child to dye. T-shirts, tank tops, cotton socks or shorts all work beautifully. Many campers also enjoy using their white Gate Hill shirts to dye— they'll look totally groovy on "Wear Tie Dye Day" on August 18th. For best results, please make sure that any new garments are washed before coming to camp (old items are okay too!), and that they are 100% or high count cotton. Be sure to label items with name and group, and get ready for a colorful Week 5!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!!!

(in order of Birthday)

Isabelle King Piper Karnilaw Maurice Brianna Baez Alyssa Sullivan Mina Bhargava Neil Bhargava Carly Hessler Clara Enders Patrick Keenan Cole Kerner Scott Gloskin Sascha Rosenbaum Osvaldo Lopez **Luis Fuentes** Dani Gold Zenner Marksohn

Woo Woo!!!!





WEEK FIVE AT THE HILL

Monday - Tie Dye Week Begins & Sr. Mountaineers Trip

Tuesday - Steve Max: Master of Simon Sez & Jr. Mountaineer Late Stay

Wednesday - The Gate Hill Birthday Bash & Explorers Late Stay

Thursday - Unplugged and Social Day

Friday - Buddy's Sport Jersey Day

<u>steve max:</u> <u>Master of Simon Sez!</u>

Get ready for your best Simon Sez playing of all time. Coming on Tuesday, Steve Max's show will surely be full of hilarious fun for campers of all ages as they put their hands up, put their hands down, do this and do that! Steve Max is a famous Simon Sez caller who even entertains at NBA Half Time Shows!

Simon Sez, "See you on Tuesday!"

CAMP SATURDAY: Send your friends to get a sneak peek at Summer 2015, August 2nd, 10am-2pm. This event is recommended for ages 3-10, so have your friends RSVP for an awesome day!