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# The Gavin Gazette



#### ONSITE ACTIVITIES FOR WEEK 5

The Vertical Rush is on! Do you feel up to the challenge? Find out on Tuesday (due to weather) if you are vertically or horizonitally challenged!

Don't forget to bring that suit for WET AND WILD WEDNESDAY. This week's slide is the Palm Spring! Sounds relaxing, but the palm trees will sway with fun.

WEDNESDAY is Rotten Sneaker day. Proudly put your version of the rotten sneaker in a bag with your name and present it for judging. No need to strut your stuff by wearing your stinky sneaker (we don't want to invest in odor eaters for 300 campers). Judging will take place via gas mask by our top Wilton Smellers! Prizes will be awarded!

Thursday brings the "What is it contest?" Bring in the strange, but safe item for guessing. The most confusing, strangest, bizarre item will win something bizarre! Don't forget to label you item with your name and let us know what it is.

# **The End Nears**

Camp Director – Tracey Kubis Camp Assistant- Ross MacNeil

GAVIN PARK 584-9455

Park & Recreation Director -- Steve Porto

How can it be that we have entered week 5 and that summer camp is almost over? Sorry to have to remind you, but camp ends Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup>.

The last couple of weeks around here are the busiest. We coordinate a huge, end of camp picnic, start working on fall programming, and also give our campers lots and lots of hugs.

So don't forget to take some time to say "thank you" to the counselors....they really need it to keep their energy up!!!

### WALTZING AROUND

Just a friendly reminder..... camp starts at 9 a.m. Campers should not be waltzing in early, as they may find themselves without dance partners (aka counselors). With the groovy moves we offer...it's no fun dancing alone. So, please don't get to the dance party (aka camp) too early!!!

On the flip side, daddy-o, those campers arriving after 9:30 a.m. who plan on moon walking to the trip that day, risk being left onsite. Final trip lists are completed at 9:30 a.m. So put on your tap shoes early and getting moving!!

#### Mt. LOST AND FOUND END NEARS!!!

Each year Mt. Lost and Found mysteriously ceases to exist when camp ends. It's as though the Mt. Lost and Found Fairy swoops down and takes all the treasures it has collected and then clicks her heels 3 times and "poof"...everything it is gone! What remains is nothing but an empty box. It amazes me each year!!

MISSING THAT OLD PBJ?? CHECK OUT THE LOST AND FOUND!



### **Ready to Party?**

Come one, come all, (ok, well, maybe not all). Family and campers are hereby directed to have fun on August 15th. It's time to break out the fun meter and watch that baby shoot through the top! Campers will enjoy rolling, laughing, and much, much more. All campers will eniov hot dogs or hamburgers, chips, drink and a desert for free. Family members are welcome to join us for the day and may also chow down with us (\$7.95 per person, campers are free). Picnic bracelets are available in the main office. Just walk in and say "let's party." Please see flyer for details.

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<u>Tuesday</u> Shephards Beach and lots of fun.

#### Wednesday

World Awareness Museum/Hyde Art Museum. Is there a Van Gogh in you?

Thursday Veteran's Memorial Park Beach. Swim fishy, swim!

Friday Bowling. Can you get a Turkey? Don't forget your socks!!!! Preferably stripped ones....just kidding.



<u>Tuesday</u> Shephards Beach and lots of fun in the sun.

Wednesday Liberty Ridge Corn Maze. You'll be amazed by the 11 acres of "which way do I go?"

Thursday Moreau Lake Beach swimming.

<u>Friday</u> CMOSt. Children's museum of science and technology. Explore, imagine and discover! DON'T FORGET TO BE OUR FRIEND! Join us on Facebook at Gavin Park – Wilton NY



Don't be defeeted!!! Sneakers are a must for all campers due to safety. Flip flips may be used once at the swim trip. We do not like calling toe trucks for injuries!



# Humor Hut



Knock, Knock. Who's there? Sarah. Sarah who? Sarah a reason you're not laughing?

A certain month will begin on a Friday and then will also end on a Friday. What month is it?

This can only happen in the month of February during a Leap Year.

Why did the man at the orange juice factory lose his job?

A. He couldn't concentrate!

Why did the cookie go to the hospital?

A. He felt crummy!

THE Latest TRIP CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE ONLINE www.townofwilton.com (look under Parks & Rocs, then programs)

# WACKY WORLD OF FACTS

- Emus cannot walk backwards (but our counselors can!)
- A city dog lives longer than a country dog.
- A cow stands up and lies down an average of 14 times a day.
- Cheetahs can run an average of 72 miles per hour.
- -Skippy peanut butter is sold more than any other peanut butter.
- A leech has 32 brains
- A beaver can cut down up to 200 trees per year.

# The tale of the turtle

Once upon a time there was a race between a turtle and a rabbit. The race was held in Gavin Park. Either parents are in a hurry to drop their kids off in camp or the perhaps it's the free parking. We are not sure which, but in order for this story to have a happy ending, we ask that all parents drive like turtles when driving through Gavin Park. Please keep our park safe...TURTLE POWER!!!!



# TRAIL SEEKERS

# <u>Tuesday</u>

Rogers Beach and chillin with Bridgette!

Wednesday Saratoga Battlefield exploring.

Thursday Shephards Beach and sand angels with Ross the Boss!

# **Friday**

Prospect Mt. Hike and swim at shephards. Pizza and drink supplied for all those that survive the trek! Sneakers are a MUST for this journey.

# TRACKERS

Tuesday- Rogers Beach swimming fun.

Wednesday- Military Museum/ History museum. We promise not to quiz you in the end.

*Thursday- Shephards Beach and chillin day.* 

Friday- Funspot. Don't forget those socks.

#### <u>M & M'S HISTORY</u>

**Fact #1:** Forrest Mars came up with the idea for M & Ms during the Spanish Civil War. He discovered that soldiers were looking for a taste of home, in the form of chocolate, but needed something that could withstand hot temperatures. Mars took their request as a challenge and eventually came up with the candy, which he packaged in heavy tubes. Soldiers today still love M & Ms because they can hold up in just about any climate.