Camp Betsey Cox



The camp with a song in it's heart

The Bubbler



2022 First Session in Review! Lines from Lorrie and Devri

We will miss you!

Send us a note or some art about a favorite thing you miss about camp, and we'll put it in the next addition of the BC Bubbler!

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Mansfield Archery Fundraiser-raised \$200 for Peru!



Amazing that Session 1 2022 is coming to a close! We have had a great session! It has been filled with accomplishments, adventures, music and good weather. We are grateful.

Here are a few of our favorite memories that we have of the session to take home with you:

- Theary's Carrot Cake on opening days
- Cool evenings and sunny days
- Pond Olympics
 - Fairy Godmothers in Arts and Crafts
- Painting with Elaine
- **GLAZE** •
 - Rhubarb crisp from the garden with Kira and Linnea •
 - Twister's birthday and trail rides •
 - The arrival of Christmas and Kringle •
 - 4:00 Soccer •
 - Ukuleles in the library •
- Lynx's song ٠
- Shrek. Amazing ٠
 - Trip day to the Killington Gondola... or Deer's Leap •
- Promprey's Cambodian Curry •
- The tennis snakes •
- Canoe overnights at Chittenden •
- Bad jokes on Sunday mornings •
- Clio, Widget and Mini...escape! They are fast! •
- Wigs •
- Cabin sleep outs and the stars
- Angela's lost and found announcements
- Juno's July 4th Wildflower song •
- Chloe's song at Vespers •
- Ozgur and Jasmine dinner music •
- The building of the sheep shed •
- Weaving and Farm •
- President of the World ٠
- A Crystal grid on the lower tennis court with Jessa and Lizzy •
- Hiking the long trail in miles with BIRCH •
- Two great trip days •

For the rest of the Bubbler, we invited Killington to be our journalists. We hope you enjoy their stories! We will miss you Session 1! Stay in touch!

Art by Ada!

Lorrie and Devri

Service Day

On Saturday afternoon, cabins were given service projects to help both the camp, the local Vermont community, as well as the world at large.

Our youngest cabin, Sugarbush, with the help of Shrewsbury, wrote birthday cards for David Hazen, a beloved member of the camp community. He lives just up the road and was a chef in our kitchen for many years. Two of his daughters and several of his grandchildren attended both Betsey Cox and Sangamon. We are sending him well wishes for his 75th birthday!

Bromley made delicious treats for the local homeless shelter, which will be delivered to the Pittsford Food Bank.

Campers in Deer's Leap made books for the Staf to deliver when they take their service trip to Peru. They can either write their own stories or retell a story that means something special to them. The Staf will be delivering the books to communities in the Andes that have limited access to books.

Two of our cabins, Lincoln and Ficklebump, helped out our camp community. Lincoln rebuilt the sheep shed for our farm after Dave Hyman, one of our woodshop staff, led a lesson in carpentry on our farm's new barn. Ficklebump is repainting an drepairing the compost container that helps reduce food waste in our community and adds soil to our garden.

Haystack and Pico are going beyond the reach of our local community and making friendship bracelets to send to children in Ukraine. They worked hard and we have some beautiful bracelets to send.

Campers in Camel's Hump brightened our camp community by making posters for our lodge with positive affirmations, as well as messages that Betsey Cox emphasizes. Their great artwork really brightened up our lodge!

Mansfield joined Deer's Leap in assisting the Staf with their Peru trip. They are raising money for the organization that is helping the Staf bring books to the communities in the Andes. However, they raised money in a fun and unique way. Archery! For every bullseye they shot, five dollars were donated to the organization.

Grotto made fleece scarves for the local homeless shelter. This project has been done before and has been a very helpful way of giving back to our community.

Killington was tasked with writing this very Bubbler! We hope you enjoy!

By, Ada Van Dyke and Alexa Gillespie

July 4th

July 4 th was filled with many fantastic festivities.

We started the day with our red, white, and blue breakfast. This included pancakes, berries, and whipped cream. It was delightful. Then EPC split us into teams for our fun relays. We went back to our cabins and dressed for the occasion. The teams were red, white, blue, stripes, and stars. We made our way to the archery fields and spent our morning participating in exciting relays. To finish off the morning each cabin competed in a pie eating contest. This resulted in faces covered in chocolate pudding. For lunchwe enjoyed a special barbeque buffet prepared by our kitchen staff including an American flag cake.

In the afternoon we went to Sangamon to enjoy our annual counselor hunt. Counselors had to hide while campers tried to find them in exchange for frozen juicy pops, which were

enjoyed by all. For dinner each cabin made their homemade costumes they had made to fit a theme of their choice. After each cabin got their picture taken in their costumes, we enjoyed asimple but delicious dinner. After sunset we made our way over to the Sangamon dock to enjoy the fireworks. The show was put on by Emilie, Don, Dave, and Angie. It was a wonderful day.

By, Lucy and Carmyn

Opening day skits

For evening program on the first night, we gathered on the tennis court. The staff from each activity preformed a hilarious skit introducing their activity. The activities are pond, boating,

riding, arts and crafts, farm, garden, woodshop, pottery, BIRCH, tennis, music, archery, and drama. In the skits we learned about the staff at each activity, all the reasons we should go to their activity, and things that they do.

By, Lucy and Carmyn

Black Bird in the dead of night Spread your wings in the morning light Prepare to fly Prepare to fly in the morning light In the dead of night Spread your wings in the morning light Prepare to fly Prepare to fly in the morning light

By, Eve Smicker

Nature Moments!

At camp we appreciate the special nature moments their campers experience during their daily

adventures. We have a lot of these nature moments in the last few weeks. With good weather campers have been out enjoying all of the nature we are surrounded by. Some of the nature moments that have been witnessed are spittle bugs, bats in our library, lots of red efts, and a variety of moths. All of us have enjoyed the quality time we have spent in nature and cannot wait to enjoy some more!

By, Lucy and Carmyn

BC's First Trip Day

This Wednesday, for trip day, we sent our campers on various journeys, including a trip to Hamms farm, Killington Mountain, Chittenden Dam, and on an archeological dig!

Some campers visited Hamms Farm, a womanowned and singularly run farm in Pittsford. The farms' owner, Hillary Lambert, invited the campers to help and learn about running the farm. The campers learned that Hillary individually manages all aspects of the farm while also reaching out to the community and teaching about sustainable nutrition. Hillary teaches classes at her home and in her local elementary school. She is also pushing for more funding for better quality and healthier foods in schools. She gave the campers a tour of her farm, and they met her chickens, pigs, and ducks. She also showed them her various gardens, and campers participated in an interactive visit by helping Hillary to pick blueberries, and plant zucchini. Campers raved about the following lunch, prepared by Hillary.

While campers were picking blueberries, others were participating in an archeological dig at Castleton University, run by Ellie and Matt Moriarty. Their goal is to create a museum to showcase Castleton history. Volunteers and college students are working to find artifacts in a large house that once belonged to a wealthy family in the 1800s. Campers helped to dig for any broken ceramics, metal nails, or coals. They ended up finding old plates and other artifacts. In this experience the campers learned about the process of preserving artifacts, and also got the chance to contribute to the family's archaeological dig. Campers learned a lot from these trips and experiences,

and look forward for their next trip day! By, Susannah Smith and Noor Nassar

Sunday Seminars

Every Sunday here at Betsey Cox, we have Sunday Seminars! Sunday Seminars are a chance for campers and staff to lead a group of campers in an activity of their choice. Some seminars that campers have expressed interest in are baking, tie dye, soccer, arts, and anything they set their mind to. Sunday Seminars are put together by our Older Campers, who are stepping into a leadership role, preparing themselves for the position of a Muggie Leader next year. Campers are eager to be the first cabin called after breakfast and lunch to sign up for the seminars that they want to attend. During the times when they call up cabins, it's a tradition for our campers and staff to try and come up with bad jokes. Here's a list of some of our favorite bad jokes...

- How can you tell if a vampire is sick?//You listen for coughin' in its coffin.
- Why did the cookie go to the hospital?//Because it felt crummy.
- Why did Mickey Mouse go to space?//Because he was looking for his dog Pluto.
- Why can't you give Elsa a balloon?//Because she will "Let it go"
- Why do you think I threw butter out of the window?//Because I wanted to see a butter fly
- Why didn't the teddy bear eat dessert?//Because he was stuffed
- Why was the math book so sad?//Because it had so many problems
- What has four wheels and flies?//A garbage truck
- What's black and white and red all over?//A zebra with a sunburn
- What do you call cheese that doesn't belong to you?//Nacho cheese

Those are just some of our favorite bad jokes.

By, Izzy and Emily(Killington)