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Creating a fun, exciting and nurturing environment for children of all ages for 36 years!

Sequoia Groups

Dragonfish

Astros

Braves

Cubs



A Message from Your Division Leader- Joe Feeney

Dear Campers and Parents,

As I traditionally like to do, I will use my next to last column of the summer to recognize the assiduous work of my group counselors this summer.

One of my favorite movies is Stand By Me, based on the short story "The Body," by Stephen King. The movie is about four adolescent boys growing up in the fictional town of Castle Rock, Oregon. Over Labor Day weekend, in the summer of 1959, the boys embark on a two-day journey across the woods near their town in search of the body of a missing boy. That storyline runs much deeper than that though; it is really about the boys growing up, and how we become who we are.

Who we are as adults, is in large part a result of our experiences growing up. This is not Castle Rock, Oregon, but it happens the same for kids here. You might not have thought of your counselor job this way, but you have become part of our campers' own journey.

Julie, Megan, DJ, Matt, Drew, Krista, Fran, Stephanie, and Greg; you guys have done a great job this summer. I thank you. I wish you well as you head back to your colleges this fall.

Yours in camping,

Joe Feeney
Division Leader, Sequoias

ACT NOW!!!

Receive our Early Enrollment Special price if you enroll your camper(s) for the 2012 camp season AND send in your deposit by August 31, 2011.

10-Year Camper Award



Friday, August 12, 2011 was a special day for one of our campers- Peter Snyder.

For the past 10 years, Peter has been coming to Rambling Pines Day camp with his father, Division Leader Tom Snyder.

Peter was presented with a Rambling Pines sweatshirt, Certificate of Appreciation, and a picture of him taken his first year at camp.

The Wizard of Oz Performance

On Friday, August 6, 2011, the Rambling Pines' Drama Club performed "The Wizard of Oz", a Participation Play for Children by Stephen Hotchner of Pioneer Drama Service, Inc.

A special "Thanks!" goes to all the cast members, set designers, specialty counselors, and staff members that contributed to the show's success.

Congrats, Drama Club, for another great season of performances!



Pinecone Extravaganza



On Friday, August 12, 2011, our preschool and kindergarten groups put on a splendid performance for all in attendance. For the past couple of weeks, the Pinecone groups practiced songs which they performed for our campers, staff members, and their family and friends.

The Alligators, Bluejays, and Chipmunks performed their own rendition of *Down By the Bay*, *Do Your Ears Hang Low*, and *The Pizza Song*, just to name a few.

Great job Pinecone campers and counselors!

Please visit www.ramblingpines.com/pictures for Photos of Special Events Photos and Videos!

FIELD OLYMPICS **Minute-To-Win It!** **Water Olympics** **Pinecone Extravaganza**

Staff Appreciation

Why is it that so many counselors and staff members return year after year to spend their summer at Rambling Pines? It is due to the fact that the Jordan Family makes a point to let their staff members know that they are GREATLY APPRECIATED! The Jordans show their appreciation by (1) providing their staff members coffee, tea, and hot chocolate every morning, (2) offering bagels and condiments on Thursday mornings, (3) having an annual "Snapple Day", (4) giving staff members gift cards for their participation in camp spirit/dress up days, and (5) designating a special parking spot for the Counselor of the Week.

Once again, the Jordans would like to thank all of their staff members for their hard work and dedication to our campers!



The Art Show

On Friday, Aug. 5th through Friday, Aug. 12th, the Creative Arts Program showcased samples of the projects and campers and counselors in Art 1, Art 2, Ceramics, Electives, and Clubs.



Hollywood Week

We couldn't afford to have actual Hollywood celebrities visit our campers and staff members, but we had the next best thing- the life-size cutouts of them! Our campers were able to take pictures on the "red carpet" with Winnie the Pooh, and the stars of the Harry Potter movies- Daniel Radcliffe (Harry Potter), Emma Watson (Hermione Granger), and Rupert Grint (Ron Weasley).



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Next Week's Events

MONDAY

**COUNSELOR VS. COUNSELOR
COMPETITION!**

TUESDAY

Game Show

Camp Wide Relay Race

Wear Your Team Colors!

WEDNESDAY

Game Show

HUMAN SCAVENGER HUNT

Wear Your Team Colors!

THURSDAY

Game Show

Wear Tie Dye Today!

FRIDAY

CAPTURE THE FLAG!

Sign My Shirt Day

Cardboard Canoe Race

Who's Going to Win the Color Games?

All season the **Green** and **Gold** teams have been competing in camp wide competitions, but now...the "gloves have come off" as we reach the final stretch of the Color Games. When the final numbers come in after Capture the Flag on the last day of camp, the team with the most points wins! As of today, they are neck-in-neck with the Green team only a few points ahead.

This year's **Green Team** spirit leaders are: Alison Caliguire, Krista Alessandri, Nicole Kate, Ethan Spielholz (Generals), Elsa Perelli and Gabrielle Persechino (Braves Campers), and Anna Krakowiak, Receptionist (Honorary).



The **Gold Team** spirit leaders are: Claire Shriver, Tara McGuinness, Don Paolillo, Lauren McClintic (Generals), Evan Youshock and Wolfie vonThaden (Astros Campers), and Kathleen Miller, Office Manager (Honorary).



Teen Travel- The Ramblers!

Our oldest campers participate in our Teen Travel Camp. These campers spend Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week traveling to amusement parks, beaches, and other exciting attractions. A few of this year's attractions are: Tomahawk Lake Water Park, Dorney Park, Dutch Springs Aqua Park, Belmar Beach, Great Adventure, Hurricane Harbor, and Seaside Heights.

The Teen Travel Camp is a great opportunity for our older campers to participate once they are of age!

