

GREENWOOD GAZETTE

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Hello Greenwood Gazette Readers!

Hope you are having a great winter! It'll be time for camp before you know it and we'd love to see you back there again!

CAMP INFO:

The 2 weeks of Girl's Camp are **Saturday, July 6-13 and Saturday, July 13-20**. You can come to either week of camp or both weeks. Each camp begins with registration from 2-3:30pm and will end on the respective Saturdays at 11am.

Registration opens soon for Girl's camp at:

www.greenwoodhills.net

*Remember campers will need to arrive during the scheduled registration times and should not leave camp until the normal pick-up time on the last day of each camp.

Cabin mate requests must be made by both campers at sign-up and they should only be 1 year different in age.

Spaces for Girl's Camp will be limited each week and anyone wanting to come to camp after these spaces are filled will be placed on a waiting list.

Since the Summer Olympics will be happening right after camp is done this summer, we will hold our own "Olympic" events during our time together. They are typically somewhat different than the norm, but we always have fun with them!!

Our Bible studies are going to about Daniel and Jonah this year. These men were opposites in some ways so it will be interesting to learn more about them and their responses to God.

Campers who are now 15 years or older and are going to be in 10th grade next school year, please make sure you read the article on the next page about being a JCIT, if you are interested in participating in this program.



Thanks to those listed here for completing some or all of the last quarter's Quiet Times!

Emily M., Leyla A., Elise S., Norah S., Isabel H., Kelynn L., Eliana K., Kara B., Eleaya K., Keturah S., Miriam S., Elayna R., Laura P., Sharon J., Ranger Ruth, Eleanor W., Dedee D., Cathy Y., Azelia W.

-Have you done yours? Send it to the address on the QT sheet or email to gwhgirlscamp@yahoo.com

Greens' stories!

My Cabin

My cabin was so fun! First, there were only 3 girls! One of them is my cousin, Maggie, and the other one is my cousin, Lizzie. Our counselor's name is Mrs. Janel. Once for cabin time we painted ourselves blue, like smurfs☺ On the last day, we made Buddy Burners with my family because they were the camp nurses. Also, for cabin time, we painted hats. We did cross-stitch, too. My cousin, Maggie, is making a pillow with a bird and a verse on it. My cousin, Lizzie, is making a pillow with a saying and pets on it. That is my cabin and the fun things we did!! I am making a soccer/American flag pillow.

By Brooklyn C. - Cabin #12, Week 1

Night Troubles - July 14, 2023

Most people complain about their cabin mate talking at night or walking all over the cabin during the night when they're supposed to be sleeping in bed, but my cabin mate watches me sleep.

During an interview she claimed that she was "lying awake watching you sleep for two hours" because she supposedly "couldn't fall sleep". Though this is quite creepy to hear when you wake up in the morning, my cabin mate is very nice and humorous and overall, a great person to be around so I am slightly over exaggerating. "Exactly!" claimed the subject when the story was read by her.

Plus, at night you can hear Ms. Maura through the walls, and Ms. Faith and Ms. Maura both tell stories at night around the same time so it's like listening to a radio and it's super cool; though sometimes Ms. Maura is louder than Ms. Faith so one story overtakes the other, but other than that, it's super nice most of the time.

In conclusion, be careful when choosing who to sleep next to and Ms. Faith is 100% the all-time best counselor.

By Allison P. - Cabin #10, Week 1

Hiking is So Fun!

You get to hike big trails and one day you will get to go creek walking! You can also see different types of flowers, mushrooms, and bugs. One time we saw a red mushroom with orange spots. I love hiking!

By Elise E. – Cabin#12, Week 2

Are you interested in being a JCIT in 2024?

The JCIT (Junior Counselor in Training) program is provided to give campers, who meet the requirements listed below and are accepted into the program, a chance to see a bit of what it's like to be a junior counselor. They receive valuable training that better enables them to succeed as a junior counselor after completing the program, with the potential to move into the role of a camp counselor. They are also given the added responsibility to provide important service to the campers and counselors during their JCIT years.

Each JCIT applicant must be a born-again believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, who has assurance of salvation from the Word of God and a desire to live a life honoring to the Lord. Being a JCIT is fun, but the training program is not easy. It will, however, be very helpful in personal development and growth, not only for camp, but also for all areas of life.

Being a JCIT is a good opportunity to come to know yourself, your limitations, and your strengths. You are helped to discover these through assigned lessons and camp responsibilities which require promptness, reliability, creativity, patience, and endurance. This is hard to do without failing in your own human strength, but this program is designed to help you learn to rely on the Lord and His strength, so that He can take your life and make it beautiful for Him.

This program includes an off-camp overnight hiking or canoeing trip that requires the participant to be in adequate physical condition.

Age requirement: The minimum age is 15 and entering 10th grade this fall. If interested and you meet the spiritual qualifications, pray about what the Lord wants you to do.

This is a **16-day per year for two years commitment**. To receive more information to decide whether applying to this program is right for you or to ask JCIT questions, e-mail Bonnie at gwhgirlscamp@yahoo.com

All requests for information must be made by March 1, 2024. Senior JCITs will receive a letter in the mail.

WOODS' STORIES AND ART:

Best Week By Paige F. - Cabin #8, Week 1

Camp is so much fun! My favorite things are the activities. I really love crafts! That is probably my favorite. I also love how I really grew closer to God. I really liked learning about Joseph. It was really interesting. The Bible teachers make it easy to understand and to take notes.

I also love to do pranks! This year we tried to do one, but we all got sweaty and totally blew it.

This year we had a whole load of wasps. They are scary, but cute. One night when we were in bed and the lights were off, Maddy, who was in our cabin, got stung 4 times. It was a bad sleep that night because we were all under our covers, but still had fun. This was one of the funnest years yet.



Bouquet in a Vase

By Lily H. -Cabin #7, Week 2

Late Night Adventure

On Saturday night, I was up around 11 laughing and talking very quietly with my friend, Liana. At one point, I went to cover my mouth to laugh. Instead, I ended up scratching the side of my nose. I didn't know whether it was bleeding or not, so I continued to wipe my nose with my hand. I soon came to realize that BLOOD was dripping out of the cut.

I told Liana and we went to the bathroom together to cover the cut with toilet paper, thinking it would stop bleeding soon. Instead, it continued to drip out of my nose.

Ava was also awake, so we all went to the bathroom to see how we could stop the blood flow. It was bleeding so much! Because it was already late, I didn't want to wake up my counselor and ask for a band-aid. We ended up staying awake til midnight when I finally was able to stick half a piece of toilet paper up my nose and fold the other half over the cut.

What a way to start off the week!

By Leah U- Cabin #7, Week 1

And.... Hills

The Happier Fan

One day in cabin time, we were all playing a game. My friend, Lily, went to lean back. Suddenly there was a very loud thud. The fan behind her had fallen over and broke. A fan blade had come off and was at the bottom of the fan. When we turned the fan back on, it started shaking. It looked like it was dancing. The fan looked happier. Soon my counselor turned the fan off and wrote: "The Happier Fan" and on the side she wrote "I'm dancing". The Happier Fan will be remembered in Cabin 3 for a long time.

By Katryna M.- Cabin #3, Both Weeks

Cabin 4's Weird Habits

By Surie Z.- Cabin #4, Week 1

Sandy, Elizabeth, Annabelle, Hannahbelle, Gaby, Kenzie, Mickey, Elsa, and Surie. These are the girls in Cabin 4 this year, and from memorizing a godly amount of verses to alien taste buds, from knowing a disturbing amount of knife tricks to getting sent food through the mail, we've had more than a few laughs this week at Greenwood Hills. Here are some highlights:

Macaroni and "catchup"?

Let's be real here: the meals at Greenwood Hills are definitely some of the best camp foods you've ever eaten. But while enjoying your meal with your cabin, you might hear some laughing from the other side of the Dining Hall. Where's it coming from? You guessed it: Cabin 4.

Now, you might've guessed already from the title that someone ate macaroni and cheese with "catchup". And who might that be? None other than our counselor, Sandy. When she found out someone put away her fork, she ran right up to the coffee table, took two straws, and started using them as chopsticks. When that didn't work, she used her straws the right way: slurping up that ooey gooey catchup and cheeses. And getting some up in her throat in the process. Some Italians must be turning in their graves!

Gatorade and Turkish Delights

Gaby's parents sent her a box of 24 Gatorades (poor Sandy carried them all the way up the hill), and Kenzie's mom gave her a box of Turkish treats, complete with our favorite KitKat knockoff, the KAT TAT! (which tasted pretty good!)

Watermelon Slices

Usually people eat the sweet, pink part of the watermelon. Well, Hannahbelle is definitely cutting her waste when she eats the **WHOLE THING!** Even better, she enjoyed eating it Sandy's way- with a dab of mustard.



Putting everything in her mouth- Hannahbelle Edition.

-Eating green beans off the tray

-Picking berries and "mini mangoes" off the trees (according to her, it tasted "good and dusty")

Surprising the Hills (and Esther)

Every year, there are special memory verses to memorize. And usually, campers do a couple. But this year, cabin 4 decided to go for it! With Annabelle at over 100, Mickey and Surie at more than 80, and everyone working their minds for some Greenwood Bucks (and more importantly, the Chocolate Fountain, which was unsurprisingly extremely sugary) Cabin 4 took the lead at 405 in total. Esther was surprised when we asked not once, not twice, but three times for new sheets of verses!

Popsicle Sticks

Another person who was surprised was Sharon. For the 90th anniversary, everybody had to dress for each decade, and receive popsicle sticks to build a structure at the end. Extra sticks were rewarded for verses. Sharon had to bring a whole new bag! Those ended up forming a church, complete with steps, pews, a microphone, and even a stick person!

ICIT Trip Song -to the tune of *Country Roads*

Almost heaven, West Virginia.

Blue Ridge Mountains, Shenandoah River.

There's no mold there, Tents among the trees,

Almost didn't make it, driving up that hill.

Country roads, to the course,

Where we swung through the trees,

Just like Tarzan, with a harness.

Now my arms are killing me.

To the campsite, lunch and change quick.

Down the hill, over the river.

We discovered there were no canoes,

but there was a large raft, quite unwelcome news.

Country streams, full of trees,

Old men on jet skis. Detergent bottles in the water

And now we're trying to find the beach.

I hear her voice in the raft as Sharon calls to me

STROKE, STROKE, STROKE- (yell!)

The kayaks smoothly cruising up the river far away.

Back at the site we did the Bible lessons that we should have learned yesterday, yesterday.

Country roads took me home to the place I belong.

Greenwood Hills, greenie cabins

They took me home, country roads (2x)

Thanks for reading!