

Maine Teen Camp – 25 YEARS!

2009 MARKS MAINE TEEN CAMP'S 25TH YEAR OF OPERATION! WE ARE SO EXCITED TO REACH THIS MILESTONE AND WE WILL CELEBRATE IT ALL SUMMER LONG! JOIN US FOR SUMMER 2009. IT'S A LONG WINTER AHEAD, BUT START COUNTING THE DAYS.

STAFF NEWS:

Cody Barnhart is still running...apparently he loved the new 'run Cody run' that he's taking up training for the next NYC marathon in November. In sad news, **Pinchy the Cat** has entered a slight depression as she can no longer hear campers frolicking about outside her cabin. We've found the only way to make her happy is to keep the end of session videos playing on a constant loop. Amy Docwra has decided that she never wants to leave Maine Teen Camp and has chained herself in protest to the giant wooden bear at the entrance to camp. **John Barney** is staying in Maine. Yes, he and the thousands of chipmunks are planning to stay at camp for the winter. Remember the chipmunk costume for the Lyp Synch? Yeah, well, he's still wearing it and we are starting to worry. **Jon Williams** liked his theater directorship so much at camp, that he has now dumped his gig as a soap star in Wales to direct the filming of a Welsh horror flick. **Dillo, Nigel, Spaceman, and Clouster** are back in beautiful Antigua and enjoying some quiet time—really, is there quiet time in Antigua?! **Blaze** is still in the trees at camp. She's been last spotted near the camp store area. Not sure when she will come down from the trees, but she seems to think November may get too cold. **James Hodges** (GL JAMES) is back in Wales working as a tennis pro training the Welsh tennis team. **Lynsey Fox and John Tysoe** are collecting Elvis items. Anyone wishing to send them a little something should ask MTC for their mailing address. **Rachel Anton** is planning a trip (!)...that's a shocker. Maybe a trip back to Maine? **Kara** has been painting...with her downtime, she has been spotted painting billboards, city walls, benches, and various dark spots throughout New England, looking to 'brighten up someone's day'...um, Kara, do you have permission for all this? **LOVELY** IS RUBBING SHOULDERS (ER, DANCING) WITH THE LIKES OF MUSIC SENSATION, CHRIS BROWN, IN HIS NEXT VIDEO SHOOT. WHOA...THAT'S SERIOUSLY COOL. **Nicky Martin** is surfing in Hawaii. I believe that she's trying her luck at a new reality TV show very loosely based on the 70s show "Hawaii Five O". **Clare** is counting the days till MTC Summer 2009. She's one of many many others. Marilyn is one of them. **ANNA GILBERT** VOWS TO BRING YOU MORE STAFF FROM NEW ZEALAND NEXT YEAR, SO THAT SHE CAN PROUDLY DO THE HAKA DANCE. OH, IF ONLY FLIP FLOP WERE HERE. **RENEE KIMMEL** LOVED PERFORMING THE LION KING'S SONG AT LYP SYNCH SO MUCH THAT SHE'S BEEN WORKING AT A CITY ZOO EMULATING THE MOVEMENTS OF LIONS IN PREPARATION FOR HER ONE-DAY BROADWAY PERFORMANCE...HMMM. **Kim Janes** landed a contract with Nike and will now be an official spokesperson for them. She'll be traveling the world over training some of the world's top athletes in schools near you—look out for her and her killer workouts. **Rick Holland** realized his passion for dressing up like Jack Sparrow this summer, and has tried out for an extra role in the upcoming latest edition of those Pirates of the Caribbean movies. **The Beast (Baz)** is reporting that he is thinking of joining the police force. Officer Baz has been spotted wearing a police hat?

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TRIVIAL TRIVIA

If you think you know MTC, then test your knowledge...

This edition's prize will consist of a large bag of M & M's (the exact type Marilyn uses in the office!) as well as several other delicious types of goodness...we'll make it worth your time. Trust us!

To enter:

Submit the answers to the questions below via email: mtc@teencamp.com

1. Remember to sign your name, mailing address, phone number, and email address.
2. All correct entries (all 5 questions answered correctly) are entered into the draw to be held on the date indicated below.
3. Winner will receive the prize by mail. Answers and winner will be announced in the following month's issue.
4. All entries must be made by only MTC Alumni or current campers.

Here are this month's questions:

1. What does Blaze do at camp?
2. Name 5 of the LTs of 2008.
3. Name one kind of ice cream sold in the camp store this summer.
4. Name one theme of Festivus this summer.
5. Who greets everyone at the front desk in the office?

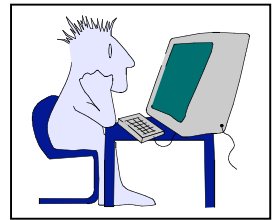
Good Luck!

All entries are due by: October 1!

ASK DR. WOODY

Proud Winner of the 1996 Advice Columns of America Award of Excellence in Advice Giving (ACA - AEAG)

Dear Dr. Woody: According to the local kids, this month is Halloween, and it is an extended version of the Halloween I knew as a kid. Apparently, every night they get to TRICK and TREAT, and I get to choose whether I give them candy before or after they coat my house and car in a new coat of egg yolk. My question for you is, when they make me buy the eggs that they will throw at my windows, should I buy free range eggs? Signed, Shelly Pane



Dear Shelly: While your concern for the well being of the chickens that provide the yolk that paints your house is touching, it is misplaced. Everyone knows that this whole thing is a scam. Wake up and smell the roses, Shelly. Eggs coming from chickens? I mean, honestly, the notion is ridiculous. The eggs obviously come from eggplants, also known as rudabagers, and you can find these in the produce section of your supermarket. But now I have said to much, and that giant egg council egg will be knocking on my door soon. I must leave now bef.....

Dear Dr. Woody: Sometimes at home during breakfast I start chanting, "Run, Mom, Run" while pounding on the table. I can't seem to help myself and always expect her to drop everything she's doing and run out the door. I was wondering if this condition has a name and if I can expect it to last until camp next year. Any information you can give me would be exceptionally helpful as my mom is beginning to think I'm a bit crazy.

Best Regards, Ida Reamofcamp

Dear Ida,

It sounds to me that you are suffering from lackofcamprandomitis. This happens when the randomness camp brings in to your life abruptly disappears. I once suffered from this condition for several years at the end of my camp career. The only known and approved cure for this condition has several components. First, sit on your hands at meal times. This will help you avoid the need to bang on the table while chanting. Secondly, post pictures of Monique and Pinesy around your dining room or wherever it is that you eat your meals. They will provide a sense of comfort and lessen the withdrawal symptoms. Finally, make a list of all random things that you experienced at camp this summer and read over them before every meal. Good Luck.

Dear Doctor Woody: How long will a black hole that swallows the earth When the black hole is swallowing the earth, how long do you think I will be able to hold my breath? Also, will I have wi-fi access in the black hole?

Signed: Cure E. Us

Dear Cman: Just like going to Maine, sometimes you have to just let go. For instance, in the woods of Maine, no one has Wi-Fi. And, holding one's breath while a swarm of mosquitos has attacked, it can seem like you are in a black hole already....Let go.

Ode to the great Sarah Lentz...She's been with us for many summers and many years, sharing not only her skills, but her enthusiasm for 'Sweet Caroline. She's one of the best darn Program Directors ever to grace camp. We thank her for her dedication to our campers and staff, and her simple love of MTC. Thank you Sarah. You are missed already, but our loss is another's gain.

Sarah has moved to Boston area - she has acquired a job at Summer Search Foundation as a Program Associate, placing kids at summer programs, including camps. Congratulations!

Comments or Questions?? We welcome the chance to respond to your comments...email us at

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