

The Ruff Time News!

Of Special Interest this week...

Festival Week

Skills

Book Club



Life and Times of the Senior Editor

Dear Parents and campers,

We are ending our days at Summer Ruffing it 2008, and are looking forward to the festivities which have been planned for next week.

The last week of camp is entitled Festival Week. It is called this because of all of the performances and

presentations of final products that are going to be shown. The classes that will be exhibiting something or doing a performance are Movie Making, Just Off Broadway, Guitar, Jug Band, Improve, and Lab Science. The way that Festival week got started was when Julia the camp director went to another camp in Boston and she liked

the idea that during the last week all of the campers sharing their final projects. The last week is sure to be a good fun one and we hope to see you on Thursday!

Your senior editor,
Julia R.

Meet...

Getting to know Cary

Submitted by Joe M.

Cary graduated from Oberlin College. He only has a class third period. In his free time he rides his bike, reads books, and roots for the Cleveland

Indians. His favorite thing to do in lab science is rockets. His ancestors are from Vienna, Austria.

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Haim Ginott: Quotes about Children

If you want your children to improve, let them overhear the nice things you say about them to others.

Getting To Know Chris...

Submitted by Cole

Chris is 17. His favorite color is green. Chris reported that his favorite class is "Indoor and Outdoor Sports".

On his free time, he likes to get a manicure and he

likes to lift weights.

He is responsible for providing sports activities during "Free choice".

Chris has a dog and his name is Buster. Chris plans to attend the

University of Notre Dame.

Parent's Corner

Hello Parents,
Please make your arrangements now for this Thursday, July 24 to attend our Festival Day Celebrations.

Parking is limited in the Ruffing lot; Shelburne (no time limit) and off Fairmount roads (2 hour limit) are available

A SUMMER TO GROW ON FAMILIES

11:30 *Luncheon provided by A Summer To Grow On
Sunbutter sandwiches, fresh fruit, and lemonade

*Families in A Summer To Grow On, note the change in potluck plans.

The children and staff are preparing your lunches!

ALL FAMILIES
12:30-1:30 PROSCENIUM STAGE MIDDLE SCHOOL PERFORMANCES

Improv
Just Off Broadway
The Minimusical
Play

1:30-1:45 ART EXHIBIT
WALK THROUGH

Clay
Dance
Explore the World
Scrap-booking
Sew & Tell

1:45-2:15 GYMNASIUM PERFORMANCES

Guitar
Jugband
Tae Kwon Do

PHOTO DISPLAY
AHA!

Animation
Bookclub
A Summer To Grow On
Extended Care
Kitchen Studio
Ruff X's
Sports
Up A Notch
2:40-3:00 BEAUMONT ATHLETIC FIELD
Parade
Rocket Launch
Ice Cream Social
3:00-3:15 DISMISSAL
Any questions? Call 216 932 7866

Happy Birthday for June, July, and August

Creative Cooking

I baked my father's birthday cake.
I did it by myself.
I used my mother's cookbook that was lying on the shelf.

The cookbook called for flour, so I picked a yellow rose.
I washed the dirt and bugs off with my mother's garden hose.

The cookbook called for egg whites, so I chopped up all the shells.
I stirred them with the yellow rose, which made delicious smells.

The baking powder can was gone, and so I used instead the powder Mother sprinkles on my baby brother, Fred.

I baked the cake and then I made some icing out of ice. I don't know how the cake will taste, but wow! It sure looks nice.

by Leslie Danford Perkins
<http://www.gigglepoetry.com>

Free Choice

By Nick

Bead Making makes bracelets and necklaces.

In and Outdoor Sports; they play dodge ball and capture the flag.

In Quiet games you can play board games.

Noon Time show does the "Improv".

Up-A-Notch makes movies.

During Free Draw you can always draw and color.

In Playground, you run around and play!



Lunch Time Notes

**Submitted by
Ethan C.**

Since the beginning of week two, campers have had the choice to eat outside. Julia, the Camp Director, says the reason is to give the campers a

chance to get out of the classroom and see SRI's beautiful environment. Campers can eat anywhere outside on SRI's space, including the patio. Julia says, "Enjoy lunch, don't forget about Popsicle day, and clean up the area when you are done eating".

Kids with severe asthma should

bring medicine. Peanuts are not allowed at lunch and no nuts at all for STGO. Most classes' say they think eating outside is working well.

Enjoy lunchtime!



Summer Fun Recipes

Candy Pizza Recipe

Submitted By Maggie N.

1 roll of refrigerated chocolate chip cookie dough
 1 cup of chocolate chips
 4 heaping Tablespoons of peanut butter
 assorted candy bars (crumbled) M&Ms®

Thaw cookie dough. Once thawed, spread dough on a pizza pan and bake as directed. Immediately after removing

cookie from oven, drop peanut butter on top and sprinkle chocolate chips over cookie. Let stand for a couple of minutes, then spread peanut butter and chocolate chip mixture over entire surface. Sprinkle the crumbled candy bars on top of the peanut butter and chocolate chip mixture. Use Butterfinger®, Snickers® and Kit Kat® bars. Sprinkle M&Ms over entire pizza. Cut into wedges and enjoy!

Skills

Skills

By Ethan C.

Skills are a 1st and a 2nd period class. It has been in SRI for 23 years! Sharyn F. teaches the class this summer. In the first period she has 7 students and in the 2nd she has 4. It covers math, writing, and reading.

Their favorite thing to do are math` games and to

be creative. They also like drawing and writing. It is not very hard; Sharyn tries to make it fun. They are starting to do creative writing and are working hard. Sharyn says, the students are maintaining their learning skills. They already knew a lot coming into Skills; they are just reviewing their skills.

Good luck on your work, Skills!

Daffodils by William Wordsworth

I wandered lonely as a cloud
 That floats on high o'er vales and hills,
 When all at once I saw a crowd,
 A host, of golden daffodils;
 Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
 Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.
 Continuous as the stars that shine
 And twinkle on the milky way,
 They stretched in never-ending

line
 Along the margin of a bay:
 Ten thousand saw I at a glance,
 Tossing their heads in sprightly dance.
 The waves beside them danced,
 but they
 Out-did the sparkling leaves in glee;
 A poet could not be but gay,
 In such a jocund company!
 I gazed—and gazed—but little

thought
 What wealth the show to me had brought:
 For oft, when on my couch I lie
 In vacant or in pensive mood,
 They flash upon that inward eye
 Which is the bliss of solitude;
 And then my heart with pleasure fills,
 And dances with the daffodils.

Book Club

By Julia R

Book Club is taught by Bridget. She says that "Book Club is a space to read and enjoy books." People can bring their own books and they can share books during this time.

The books that the class is reading at the moment are The Melting of Maggie Bean, Junie

B. Jones, Dragon Rider, and the Twilight series.

The kids can read out loud or by themselves. Bridget doesn't choose the books that the campers enjoy; instead they pick their own and share them with the class.

Since all of the kids are all very different; there are a good variety of

genres to choose from.

Bridget has not read all of the books that the campers bring but she does enjoy them.



Zig Ziglar: Quotes about Children

Kids go where there is excitement. They stay where there is love.

The Ruff Times...

**Submitted By
Ethan c.**

The Ruff Times staff has been working very hard on the newsletters. The reporters have been interviewing the staff and writing articles each week. The reporters go to the class to conduct interviews after writing down and reviewing the

questions that they would like to ask. Once they have all of their questions answered, then they can start writing their story for the Ruff Times. Once the article has been completed, then they get it edited and signed off by the person who granted the interview. The article will go through a second

review by the teacher. There is also a third review and then if everything is done well then the article is placed in the newsletter, the Ruff Times.

The Ruff Times thanks you for reading our newsletter!



H. Jackson Brown, Jr.: Quotes about Children

Live so that when your children think of fairness and integrity, they think of you.

Festival Day

By Maggie N.

Festival Day is coming up next week, and most classes have something to perform! On Thursday classes will perform, there will be lots of fun and games! Some classes that are performing such as Just Off Broadway and they will act and sing two scenes from different

musicals. Minimusical will sing and dance to two songs, and Lab Science will launch rockets. There will be a parade around the Beaumont field. The parade class has gone around and asked the other classes what they would like to wear or carry for the parade. Students do not need to bring lunches unless they

have any allergies. There will be a Balloon Launch and a Balloon Toss. We hope you are looking forward to the fun and games on Festival Day! Parents that are at Ruffing are free to parade around with their children. There will also be a Pizza Party.

The Elves – An Iroquois Legend

by Harriet Maxwell Converse
(Adapted)

The little Elves of Darkness, so says the old Iroquois grandmother, were wise and mysterious. They dwelt under the earth, where were deep forests and broad plains. There they kept captive all the evil things that wished to injure human beings - the venomous reptiles, the wicked spiders, and the fearful monsters. Sometimes one of these evil creatures escaped and rushed upward to the bright, pure air, and spread its poisonous

breath over the living things of the upper-world. But such happenings were rare, for the Elves of Darkness were faithful and strong, and did not willingly allow the wicked beasts and reptiles to harm human beings and the growing things.

When the night was lighted by the moon's soft rays, and the woods of the upper-world were sweet with the odor of the spring-flowers, then the Elves of Darkness left the under-world, and creeping from

their holes, held a festival in the woods. And under many a tree, where the blades of grass had refused to grow, the Little People danced until rings of green sprang up beneath their feet. And to the festival came the Elves of Light - among whom were Tree-Elves, Flower-Elves, and Fruit-Elves. They too danced and made merry. But when the moonlight faded away, and day began to break, then the Elves of Darkness scampered back to their holes

Elves continued ...

and returned once more to the under-world - while the Elves of Light began their daily tasks.

For in the springtime these Little People of the Light hid in sheltered places. They listened to the complaints of the seeds that lay covered in the ground, and they whispered to the earth until the seeds burst their pods and sent their shoots upward to the light. Then the little Elves wandered over the fields and through the woods, bidding all growing things to look upon the sun.

The Tree-Elves tended the trees, unfolding their leaves, and feeding their roots with sap from the earth. The Flower-Elves unwrapped the baby buds, and tinted the petals of the opening flowers, and played with the bees and the butterflies. But the busiest of all were the Fruit-Elves. Their greatest care in the spring was the strawberry plant. When the ground softened from the frost, the Fruit-Elves loosened the earth around each strawberry root that its shoots might push through to the light.

They shaped the plant's leaves, and turned its blossoms toward the warm rays of the sun. They trained its runners, and assisted the timid fruit to form. They painted the luscious berry, and bade it ripen. And when the first strawberries blushed on the vines, these guardian Elves protected them from the evil insects that had escaped from the world of darkness underground.

If I were a polar bear

By, Murray Lachlan Young

If I were a polar bear
I'd move to Western-super-
Mare

I wouldn't mind if people
stared
Or even if they really glared
And shouted out 'Oh call the
mayor!
This is a very strange affair
A bear a bear a polar bear
Has moved to Western-super-
Mare'

Yes If I where a polar bear

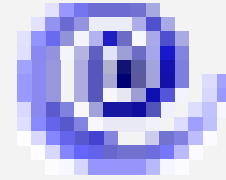
I'd move to Western-super-
Mare

I'd walk around with bright
green hair
I'd buy a pair of crazy flares
I'd eat a chocolate éclair
I'd shout this is beyond
compare
Then I'd build a flying chair
Yeah, Yeah, yeah a flying
chair
I'd fly so high into the air
I'd feel so free, so unimpaired
Then I would become the
mayor
The mayor the mayor with
bright green hair

Yeah, yeah the mayor in
crazy flares
The mayor, the mayor the
polar mayor
The mayor of Western-super-
Mare

Yes, if I was a polar mayor

I move to Western-super-
Mare



Heraclitus: Quotes about Children

Man is most nearly
himself when he
achieves the
seriousness of a child
at play.

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like to let everyone
know about or have
an announcement
to make?**

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get the word out!**

Elves continued...

And the old Iroquois
grandmother tells, how once,
when the fruit first came to
earth, the Evil Spirit,
Hahgwehdaetgah, stole the
strawberry plant, and carried
it to his gloomy cave, where
he hid it away. And there it
lay until a tiny sunbeam
pierced the damp mould, and
finding the little vine carried
it back to its sunny fields.
And ever since then the
strawberry plant has lived
and thrived in the fields and
woods. But the Fruit-Elves,
fearing lest the Evil One
should one day steal the vine

again, watch day and night
over their favorite. And when
the strawberries ripen they
give the juicy, fragrant fruit
to the Iroquois children as
they gather the spring flowers
in the woods.

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Summer Time News!



Whose sandwich is this anyway?

Donations

We would like to issue a heartfelt thank you to all of you for the kindness that you have shown by making donations that will benefit the

children in Iowa. We were able with your support to offer two large bins filled with items for the children.

Thank You for Your Ongoing Support!
Summer Ruffing Children and Staff

Final Thoughts from the Editor

Everybody was able to complete their articles

this week and it was lots of fun! Thanks to all for

reading The Ruff Times.
*Joe M.
Editor*
