Bear Tracks

Fall, 2006

Hey, CrestridgersI

What a great summer we had! We're glad that you were a part of it! We had our largest combined enrollment that the camps have ever had. Starter camp for brand new campers was a big hit, and many of those campers have already signed up this year for a longer session. The fall season has come and gone here. Wish all of you could see how beautiful the hills around camp are when the leaves change color. Ron, Chris, Hal, Marva, Janie, Nancy, and Hannah met at camp a few weeks ago and discussed this past summer, and began making plans for next year. Many of you and your parents sent back our online camper/parent surveys, and from what you all

shared, you had a great summer this past year. We want to make it even better next summer, and are using your ideas and suggestions to improve. Hopefully, you will see some exciting changes around camp next summer. You can read more about that elsewhere in this issue.

In the meantime, keep in touch with us. You can write us at rscamps@ridgecrestcamps.com and let us know what is going on with you! We'd love to hear from you!

The Camp Crestridge Staff



Early Registration Deadline -October 31, 2006I

Our early registration deadline this year will end on October 31. We expect some of our sessions to be filling before end of the year. Register by then, and your parents will save \$200.00 on the initial deposit. The deposit for camp is normally \$400.00, but through October 31, it's only \$200.00. The total cost of camp is the same, but you'll save a little up front! Signing up online is easier than ever. So go ahead... get your parents to sign you up now!

Register online at www.ridgecrestcamps.com





Orlando, FL still #1, Atlanta, GA still #2.

Orlando, FL keeps the title this year as our #1 city for campers for the third year in a row! Orlando jumped from 85 girls last summer to 111 girls this year! Atlanta, GA retained the number two spot for the third year in a row as well. The only city new to the list this year is Columbia, SC.

The top states this year are:
Florida — 40%
North Carolina — 17%
Georgia — 12%
South Carolina — 11%
Tennessee — 5%
Virginia — 3%
Alabama — 4%
Other — 6%

The top cities were:

- 1) Orlando, FL area 111
- 2) Atlanta, GA area 55
- 3) Jacksonville, FL 31
- 4) W. Palm Beach, FL 19
- 5) Tallahassee, FL 17
- 6) Raleigh, NC 16
- 7) Ft. Lauderdale, FL 16
- 8) Asheville, NC 15 Hilton Head, SC - 15
- 9) Birmingham, AL 14
- 10) Boca Raton, FL 13
- 11) Nashville, TN 12
- 12) Charlotte, NC 10 Myrtle Beach, SC - 10
- 13) Ocala, FL 8 Greensboro, NC - 8
- 14) Hickory, NC 7 Columbia, SC - 7
- 15) Loris, SC 6 Titusville, FL - 6

Summer of 2007 -What's new???

Lots of plans are underway for the summer of 2007. Marva and the gang are going over some new ideas for activities, and we also want to add a new skill or two along the way.

Probably our biggest addition for the summer is going to be the Blob! Yes, the Crestridge lake is finally getting a Blob this summer. It will fit nicely in between the water slide area and the zip line area of the lake! We know you will look forward to that during free swim time!

If you have ideas or suggestions of things you would like to see at camp, let us know, and we'll see what we can do! We want Crestridge to continue to be the exciting, fun-filled experience that it is now.

2006 Maids

Chippewa

1a Lindsay Overton

1b Gracie Knapp

2a Annie Berlinsky

2b Gracie Daniel

Chickasaw

1a Karina Stein

1b Courtney Crampton

2a Robyn Cothran

2b Mary Catherine Brown

Cheyenne

1a Shelby Flowers

1b Jessika Goodman

2a Hailey White

2b Brooke Harwell

Choctaw

1a Emma Langston

1b Meredith Adams

2a Claire Connell

2b Sarah Massey

Cherokee

1a Brooke Pashley

1b Allie Russell

2a Caroline Knowles

2b Caroline Fortson

Queen Crester

1a Meredith Heard

1b Taylor Pierce

2a Clare Berlinsky

2b Bayly Conway

Trekkers -- 2006

First Two-Weeks

Carrie Ruth Trumbo, New Smyrna Beach, FL Catherine Green, Coffee Springs, AL

Second Two-Weeks

Camielle Reed, Greenville, SC Jenny Cox, Orlando, FL Liz Alters, Orange Park, FL Brooke Pashley, Dade City, FL Caitlin O'Shea, Apopka, FL

Third Two-Weeks

Carson Hadley, Raleigh, NC Kelly Lipscomb, Orlando, FL Jenny Alley, Jacksonville, FL Joan Steiger, Orlando, FL

Fourth Two-Weeks

Alexis Coryell, Jacksonville, FL
Kathryn Higgs, Hilton Head Island, SC
Lacey Harris, Orlando, FL
Robin Clark, Lagrange, KY
Caroline Fortson, Matthews, NC
Erin Emory, Spartanburg, SC
Lizzy Peterson, Charlotte, NC
Paige Skilton, Charlotte, NC
Libby Fleming, Bradenton, FL

Belles -- 2006

First Two-Weeks

Meredith Heard, Prospect, KY

Second Two-Weeks

Alex Conte, Longmont, CO Allie Wetteland, Tallahassee, FL

Third Two-Weeks

Elizabeth-Anne Levitt, Jacksonville, FL McKenzie Byrd, Myrtle Beach, SC Lindsey Fernandez, Delray Beach, FL Clare Berlinsky, Orlando, FL Laurel Reeves, Vestavia Hills, AL Mary Jo Sandy, Ocala, FL Erin Spangler, Overland Park, KS Savannah Strickland, Ocala, FL

Fourth Two-Weeks

Sarah Szymanski, Gainesville, FL Taylor Thompson, Newton, NC Emma Robbinson, Orlando, FL Bayly Conway, Maitland, FL Caroline Knowles, Parrish, FL Caitlen Corbett, Concord, NC



Coming soon to your town!

Camp representatives will be traveling to various places around the Southeast this fall and winter, sharing our video with prospective families, and visiting with present campers and their families as well. If you live in an area where we will be, you should receive information about when and where the show will take place. Come and invite a friend that hasn't been to camp yet! You can keep up with what cities we will be in by going to our website at www.ridgecrestcamps.com, and looking at the bottom of the page for where we are "on the road"!

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From the Prayer Room

Television shows have gotten very interesting over the past few years. You have Survivor, where people join into teams and then vote each other off until there is an ultimate winner. You have The Amazing Race, where teams of two race around the world to get to the finish line first. You have The Apprentice, where a contestant is fired each week until there is one person left, who gets a job with Donald Trump. All three of these shows, and

many others, have a common theme... compete against others, eliminate them, and win the ultimate prize of \$1,000,000, or an incredible job, or something of that sort.

I guess we've all dreamed of doing that at some point in our life. But you know what? You don't have to compete with others, or eliminate them, in order to get the Ultimate Prize in life...

All you have to do is accept God's Free Gift... the gift of salvation. And you don't have to get rid of other people to do it. It's there for everyone. All you have to do is ask Jesus to become Lord of your life, and give everything over to him, and Eternal Life is yours!!! And what could be better than that... because, as an old poem says, in 100 years, it won't matter if you have that incredible job, or \$1,000.000, or that you had a summer home in the mountains, and a winter getaway at the beach. The only thing that will matter is whether or not you believed in Jesus Christ or not. If you did, you will be spending eternity with Him in heaven. And nothing is better than that!