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QUESTION OF THE WEEK

How much do you really know about Camp Ridgecrest? We're going to test your knowledge by posting a question about Ridgecrest on the camp's Facebook and Twitter pages every Thursday. The answer will be posted on the following

Friday. With the last question of every month, we'll be giving a prize to the person who answers correctly! If there is more than one, we'll have a drawing for the prize. Test your knowledge this Thursday!



CHRISTMAS CLOTHING SALE

Christmas marks the half way point between summers. It's the perfect time to catch Camp Clothing on SALE as we clear inventory for next year's styles. Find shirts, stickers, sweats, winter jackets, pullovers and more. Visit our website to access the store!



REMEMBER: Camper Devos posted every Monday and our Parent Blog updated every Wednesday.

NEWS AND EVENTS FROM WITHIN THE GATES OF CAMP RIDGECREST FOR BOYS

THE REDSKIN

FALL 2012

WHERE'S RON?

We all know and love Ron Springs, so much so we often wish we could hang out with him every chance we get. To some people this means tossing a round of Frisbee golf with him, to others, singing some camp songs together, or possibly even blobbing away your second free swim with him. Some of us wish we could take him everywhere we go—even when we are not at camp.

Well why not?

As we all prepare for National Camp Ridgecrest Day on December 1st, you have the next one week to hang out with Ron and bring him with you wherever you may go. In this newsletter you will find Ron's glorious noggin on a tear out page. Cut out his head and prepare him for the world. If you go to the grocery store, take Ron. If you go to Disney World, take Ron. If you go to the dentist, take Ron. Be creative.

Ron is looking to you, campers and staff, to get him out there and let him see the world while hanging out with you. However, how will he know where he has gone or who he has spent time with without any proof? You must take a picture with him wherever you go! After you have a picture, email it to rscamps@ridgecrestcamps.com or post it on our Facebook page! One camper from Crestridge, one camper from Ridgecrest, and one staffer will each win a \$50 prize for the most original and creative picture! Get ready to make some memories with Ron!



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CONSTRUCTION

In the Fall of 2008, something big happened. A decision was made and ground was broken! Now 4 years later we are beginning our last round of Cabin Restorations. The second week of October we started work on the the last 2 Choctaw cabins as well as all 5 Arapaho cabins. The designs are not new to most of you. They will match the other 17 restored cabins at Camp Ridgecrest. But it does mark a milestone of completion. We now know that our camper cabins will be here for another 85 years. They are now stronger, safer, more comfortable, and more functional than ever before; while at the same time, still remaining a simple rustic camp cabin. Thanks for those of you who supported camp in the process. Thanks to those who have donated, and are still giving as we complete this important project. And for those upper Choctaw and Araps who will be at camp this summer... your cabins are gonna be sweet!

Give to the Cabin Campaign: ridgecrestcamps.com/give

NEW WEBSITE!

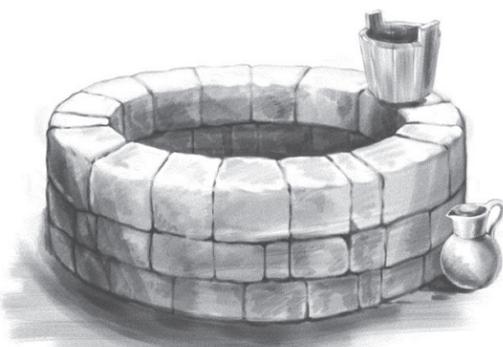
Have you seen our new website? Not only is there a new design, but we've added a few new features for you to go find.

Look for:

- Song Book
- Old Redskin Newsletters
- Computer and Smartphone Backgrounds
- Staff profile pages for this coming summer

- New name for the Camper Blog updated each week
- An interactive map (still being updated)
- A recording of the Reveille Bugle with Ron saying, "Gooooood Morning Camp Ridgecrest" (Make it your alarm on your phone)
- A Video Wall
- A few other surprises

THE WELL



The summer of 2012 was truly a great one at Camp Ridgecrest! We hope that you not only met new friends and learned new skills but that you also learned more about Christ through our summer theme, "The Well." There are many wells in this life that we try to draw water from to sustain us in our daily lives. Some of these wells look like our friends, our schoolwork, or our popularity. Yet, there is only one well that will truly sustain and satisfy us. Our theme verse from this summer, Isaiah 12:2a-3, tells us who this one well is. It says, "Surely God is my salvation... With Joy you will draw water from the wells of

salvation." God is the only Well we can draw from that will not leave us thirsty and longing for more. The decision of which well we are going to draw from is a daily choice, not just one we make at camp. Just as we physically require water to live, we need the living waters of Jesus in our lives every day. We know that home is very different from camp, but we hope that you remember what God taught you this summer about how deep and satisfying the waters of His Well are. Today, are you choosing to draw from a well that is only temporary or from the well that holds the living water that brings life?

LITTLE CHIEF CANDIDATES FROM SUMMER 2012

Below are the campers who received the honor of being tapped out for Little Chief. The Campers in bold with * after their name were successful in passing every phase of the test, and are now Little Chiefs. Those names not in bold received the rank of Buck.

Tap Outs 1A

Asher Weisman
Connor Corbett
John Michael Night
Rowly Evans
Sean Hardy
Will Shelton
Landon Rogers
Trey Manor
Alex Hodge
Cliff Horn
Daniel Leuhm
Josh Buhler
Keaton Merkle
Robert Danco
Ryan Hardy
Ryan Divers
Simeon Buhler
Tommy Brown
Tripp Brown

Tap Outs 1B

Collin Smith
Brantley Adams
Harrison Sloan
Isaac Parodi
Sam Ellis
Hunter Sparkman
Mac Andrews
Jackson Dewine
Michael Andrews
Grayson Gordon
Kenji Snead
Ryan Cooper*
Sam Slack
Victor Boston
Brett Jaffee
Cameron Truex
Sam Mahoney*
Stephen Lang
Chandler Stevenson
Brian Parodi
Sebastian Flores
Kyle Buffone*
Coleman Combs

Carson Kupp*

Alex Hughes
Andrew Miller
Joe Samulonis*
Peter Pitocchi
Jonathan White
Alex Duran

Tap Outs 2A

Jake Specht
Luke Wright
Chandler Scoggins
Alex Pippins
Graham Hamilton
David Henry
Jackson Amos
Skyler Simpson
Grant Mandato*
Tommy Lower
Tristan Leflore
Michael Strong
Tripp Watson
Logan Ballew
Parker Hamilton

Jay Pichard
Zach Pinel*

Tap Outs 2B

Timothy Arcuri
Lach Dancy
Gareth McHugh
Ben Pippins
Graham Hellmer
John Young*
Dylan Bishop
Matt Maguire
Parker Royall
Rob Graham*
Tate Baker
Collin Payne
Daniel Condrey*
John Zoll Hogan
Mac Braswell
Peyton Spencer
Ramsay Ritchie*
Xander Stonestreet*



SOAK IT ALL IN - ADVICE FROM A FORMER CAMPER

Oh the days of 4 square, Sockwars, blobbing, campfire talks and devotions with my counselors and cabin-mates... These memories are rich in my mind. As a former camper and staffer I love hearing about what's new, and even what's still the same about Camp Ridgecrest. I get to see videos and pictures of campers like you having the time of your life at Camp, and at the same time I am challenged to remember what God did in my life at Camp Ridgecrest. I wanted to write you

to encourage you to soak it all in. If you let Him, God will use Camp to change your life today, but also tomorrow, and years to follow. The Spirit is at work in this special place! But He doesn't stay there. He comes home with you. And that is where He really makes His mark. While winter might be setting in, it's ok to start getting excited about Camp next summer. I still do.

2012 COLLEGE FOOTBALL BOWL PICKS!

Keep a lookout for our 2nd annual College Football Bowl Picks contest coming up soon! We did this for many years, and restarted the contest last year with great participation! We'll send an email to your parents and also post on Facebook when we have the contest up and running. You can take the challenge and post your picks against some of us in the office. The Ridgecrest camper and Crestridge camper with the best overall score will win a free item of their choice from the 2013 clothing store next summer! Others may win free canteen! Join us in this fun contest!

