



Lattof Day Camp

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Campers' Corner:

Each week we want to highlight a camper's creative talents by publishing their poems, stories or articles about the summer in our newsletters.

This week, we have a poem by Robert Brueck about his first week of camp:

*This week was all about Nature,
Staying away from bugs was a failure.
We went to a garden but first on a hike,
Some of us were bitten by mosquitoes alike,
We ate our lunch on THE BIG ROCK,
And others were found with dirt in their sock.
We all get wrist bands when we pass the swim test,
It goes without saying the Y is the best.*

Campers can turn in their stories and poems to Megan during the week.

Fieldtrip this Week: Shedd Aquarium

We all take a trip together this week to see the aquarium, wear your camp shirt! Bring a lunch, snacks and plenty of water. One trip to the souvenir shop will be allowed. No more than \$5.00

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Information and Reminders this week

- Runners Club will be up and running this week! 8am each morning campers can run to earn a mile. Earning 25 miles gets rewards from our camp store!
- Hip Hop Dance and Dodgeball club begin this week! Sign up at the sign in/out table
- Tuesday (explorers) and Thursdays (voyagers) are our camper free choice days; campers will choose special activities led by the counselors!
- The theme this week is WILDLIFE. Wear your favorite animal on your clothes this Friday!
- A note to parents that we have airborne peanut allergies at camp. Please notify the sign in desk (Kim) if there are peanuts in your child's lunch and also let your child know they have "peanut products" in their lunch. This



helps us keep all campers safe, Thank you for your cooperation.

- Please remember payment for each week is due the Monday before their scheduled week of camp. All payments must be made at the YMCA front desk. Late fees will be assessed to accounts that are behind in payments.

Healthy ways with the YMCA

Our first week of camp was an fantastic success! Over 100 campers were here at Lattof for NATURE WEEK. Enjoying the outdoors, staying out of the rain, and lessening our environmental footprint were all part of the opening week.

This week we will extend our summer fun with a trip to see the WILDLIFE at the Shedd aquarium.

We also continue our healthy kid's camp with daily activities, improving the health and fitness of our campers. Each morning campers have the opportunity to join our counselors for a run, adding up their miles throughout the summer. Any camper can join us in the morning at 8am for this enjoyable run!

Some of our Clubs also begin this week! With a returning favorite, Hip Hop Club and a new arrival, Dodgeball Club!

Our first week of camp store was a huge success! Campers snacked on healthy juices, all fruit popsicles, bananas, popcorn and fruit snacks! Best of all, the snacks each sold for less than \$1.00, making the camp store healthier AND better on the wallet than the vending machines.

Thanks for joining us for another fabulous week!

WELCOME TO WEEK TWO!!

-Megan Brown, Camp Director