

## Thursday's Forecast



High-92°  
Low-71°  
An afternoon T-storm



Eagles are important in Albanian storytelling — so important that they show up on the country's flag.



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## Ring of fire sweeps camp!

### Heat wave causes Choral Camp conflagration — campers combust!

By Alexander Martin

Flames were flying at Choral Camp on Wednesday as this week's intense heat finally reared its Promethean head. Despite all the watering and hydration by diligent counselors, the inevitable came to pass: campers began to spontaneously combust.

Most Choral Campers probably think that the reason they are given so much water at camp is because it's good for them. When asked, Damara Steiner, Jewel Byler and Emily Brobst all agreed: "It's so that we don't get dehydrated."

While this is true, the real reason



Miriam Stoltzfus blows gently on her flaming fingertips.

campers are kept topped up with H<sub>2</sub>O is because of its extraordinary properties as a fire suppressant. "Apparently it

wasn't enough," said head nurse Wendy Ziegler. "The heat was just too much for the kids."

As temperatures rose throughout the day, reports of the spontaneous "combustings" began to trickle in. Graphic images, captured by bystanders, showed campers screaming uncontrol-



Camper David Hartsburg suffered the worst case of combustion, but he got over it.

lably, their hair and hands a bright orange blaze.

One camper's hand burst into flame in the middle of recorder class. To save her finger, the camper (who wishes to remain anonymous) dashed to the girls' restroom and plunged her hand into the toilet to douse the flames.

Camper Ethan Metzger began to combust while watching the morning's Get Wet activity. He was saved by a quick-thinking counselor who baptized him with an entire bucket of soap-slide.

Asked to comment, Camp Coordinator Bethany Barkdoll said, "I had nothing to do with it!"

Of course, there were warning signs, said Program Director Dan Ziegler. "When they started coming to me

with family group names like 'Flaming Cheetah Kittens of Doom' and 'White Fireballs,' I should have realized that it would all end, not in tears, but in flames. At the time, I thought it was just part of the craziness of Choral Camp."

Miraculously, no campers were seriously hurt. "It must have been the same kind of fire that God used to speak to Moses through the burning bush," posited Matt Showalter, camp pastor. "It burns, but it does not char."

"Regardless," added nurse Joyce Kauffman, "we are *not* going to let this happen again. Remember campers, water up and be wary of fire."



Ethan Metzger spells relief "b-a-r-r-e-l-o-f-s-o-a-p-s-l-i-d-e"! Counselor Alexander Martin came to the rescue, extinguishing the flames that were leaping from his shoulders and back.

## Hidden talents come to light at camp

Camper has 'helium voice'! In different accents!



By Christy Trisler

Camper Lenore Varney surprised her fellow campers on Wednesday morning by entertaining them with her special 'helium voice.'

"She sounds just like a chipmunk!" said one delighted camper. "You know, like Alvin."

Lenore can speak, laugh and sing in her chipmunk voice. She can even do these things in different accents: Russian, Scottish and British.

Campers and counselors alike were impressed by Lenore's unique talent.

"Can I get your autograph?" asked one of the girls on the hall.

"I want my picture with you!" said another camper. Two other fans joined in, crowding around the newfound celebrity to bask in the helium glow of her fame.



Lenore and her new Choral Camp entourage hang out in the dorm.

HAPPY FACES AT CAMP



## Guys can knit too! \*

Christy Trisler reports that on-lookers in the Craft Room were "amazed"!

**\* Guys knit all the time in Germany— they knit socks, scarves, and even sweaters!**

## Wednesday Room Awards

Best room awards go to:

**Best of Bach (8): Room 9**

Ethan Metzger, Luther Yoder, Isaiah Christophel, Devan Byler

**Beethoven's Fifth (9): Room 2**

William Christophel, Jeremiah Christophel, Kaleb Montgomery, Isaac Graber, Seth Pennell

**Handel's Messiah (9): Room 11**

Claire Mast, Emma Hostetler, Emily Miller

**Mozart's Eine Kleine Nachtmusik (6): Rm. 4**

Danae McGaffey, Jalisa Schrock, Bethany Zerkle

**Strauss's Blue Danube Waltz (10!): Rm. 10**

Anna Zerkle, Sarah Martin, Victoria Gifford

## SUPER GAMES! HYMNS! TREES!

|       |                                |       |                          |
|-------|--------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|
| 7:30  | Wake Up                        | 2:30  | Super Carnival           |
| 8:00  | Breakfast                      | 5:15  | Dinner                   |
| 9:00  | Choir-Library                  | 6:15  | CLAP Classes             |
| 9:30  | Chapel                         | 6:45  | Session XVII:            |
| 10:00 | Time Capsule, Camp Tree-chapel |       | Y.O.R.-Class             |
| 10:30 | Session XV:                    |       | G.B.B.-Choose-a-Spot     |
|       | Yellow, Orange, Red-Class      | 7:45  | Room Break               |
|       | G.B.B.-Choose-a-Spot           | 8:00  | Hymn Sing-Lobby          |
| 11:30 | Choir-Library                  | 9:00  | Running Games-Whole Camp |
| 12:00 | Lunch                          | 9:30  | Y.O.R.-Dorm Time         |
| 1:00  | Session XVI:                   |       | G.B.B.-Campfire          |
|       | Y.O.R.-Choose-a-Spot           | 10:00 | Y.O.R.-Lights Out        |
|       | G.B.B.-Class-Library           |       | G.B.B.-Dorm Time         |
| 2:00  | Choir-Library                  | 10:30 | G.B.B.-Lights Out        |

## THURSDAY'S MENU

**Breakfast:** Egg bake, orange slices, cereal, milk, juice.

**Lunch:** Doners, vegetable cups, canteloupe



**Supper:** Corn dogs, potato smiles, pickles, watermelon, lemonade, popsicles.