

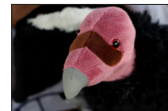
### Friday's Forecast



High—82°F  
Low—62°F  
Mostly sunny



The Andean condor is a national symbol of Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru.



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## Getting to know a Southern Neighbor



Deborah Showalter took our campers to Ecuador this week, serving them coconut water, plantain chips, and guava fruit snacks.

Although Ecuador is the size of Colorado, it boasts three main geographical regions: the coast, the mountains (the Andes), and the jungle (part of the Amazonian rain forest).

Campers learned about the musical influences that reflect the cultural diversity in Ecuador: African rhythms and marimbas in the north, Quechuan rondadores (panpipes) in the highlands, and harps and guitars from Spain.

They also watched a video about a guinea pig festival in the highlands; the little guys are dressed in traditional Ecuadorian costumes and look pretty cute!



During the jungle class, campers sat on the “ground” in the middle of a jungle of trees specially imported for the occasion and listened to the sounds of the forest: birds calling, water falling, and insects chirping. They also learned about ways that Jesus has brought new life to people who needed to know him.

Carlos the condor made a guest appearance, perched high on a mountain peak, and campers heard about the Shekinah Foundation in Manta, Ecuador, a place of safety for children at risk. Deborah was excited that the Camp Art Room has an Ecuador Station where campers can make friendship bracelets for the kids at the Shekinah Foundation. They can also draw pictures for them and write Bible verses in Spanish to send.

As always, Deborah's goal is to help campers see how much there is to explore and learn about in our world. She hopes they can stay excited and continue to see the beauty in the diversity around them.



Bottom left, Deborah's classroom; above, right, campers pray for the children at the Shekinah Foundation in Manta, Ecuador.





## ONE HAPPY CAMPER, TWO HAPPY KITTENS

Once again, campers enjoyed the cat petting station at camp this year (kittens and cats supplied by Matt Showalter and family). Amazingly, one camper, Casey Beitzel (ignore the name tag in the picture above!), managed to convince his mom that it would be a good idea to take not one, but TWO little kittens home with him at the end of the week.

When the *Record* asked Casey what technique he used to convince his mother, he said: "I used the 'I'll take care of it' technique."

And it worked! The happy kittens, currently named Georgie and Sleepy, are shown above, purring contentedly and thinking about how they will take over their new home.



## ALL THE WAY FROM GERMANY

Sometimes our campers come to us from far away, and that's the case with Zach Dye, who was born 12 years ago in Germany and has lived in Berlin his whole life. He might even get dual citizenship, if he can get his German skills up to speed!

Zach attends a bilingual school and lives in an international environment. "A lot of countries are represented in Berlin," he says. "It's very international."

Two of his best friends are Nigerian-German, and Zach's dad pastors Crossway International Baptist Church.

Asked about what it's like to live in Germany, he said, "I like it there." Although it's true that some older Germans can be a bit strict and want things to be neat and organized, he said, "They're also very kind."

Zach likes the way Germans fry their potatoes, and he enjoys having light-saber fights with his friends.

He misses family when he's overseas; four of his siblings live in the States now. He and his parents are here for a year, and he said he plans to come to Choral Camp again next summer!



## Thursday Room Awards



### Best room awards:

#### Beethoven's Fifth: Room 6

Luke Gaertner, Zach Dye  
Jon Luke Blanton  
Phin Kelly

#### Best of Bach: Room 9

Ethan Moshier, Ian Shepard  
Isaac Showalter  
Ted Guingrich

#### Handel's Messiah: Room 9

Leah Borntrager, Alice Frieson  
Greta Conrad, Mia Gastineau

#### Mozart's Eine Kleine Nachtmusik: Room 8

Cheyenne Browning, Kayli Belina  
Elise Heatwole, Ana Borntrager  
Ashley Tice

#### Strauss's Blue Danube Waltz: Room 9

Miriam Stolfus, Gloria Friesen  
Hannah Jones, Claire Troyer, Piper Lowery

## KEEGAN BEAR TURNS 14 TODAY!



## FRIDAY'S MENU

**Breakfast:** Baked oatmeal, hardboiled eggs, mixed fruit, cereal, milk, juice.

**Lunch:** Meatball subs, chips, CA vegetables, peaches.

**3 pm reception:** Punch and cake.

## Recitation!

7:30	Wake Up
8:00	Breakfast
9:00	Session XVIII
	YOR—Choose-a-Spot
	GBB—Class, Library
10:00	Chapel
10:30	Rehearsal
12:00	Lunch
12:45	Rehearsal
1:15	Dorm Time
2:00	Recitation/Reception