

TOWANDA TWINS!

Every year there is plenty of confusion as campers look enough alike to be twins!



One of these two own a camp.....but which one!?

p.s. Mitch is on the right

Believe it or not neither of these two are Justin Bieber!

Derrick Cohen and Jonah Grossman

AIRBANDS

This year's airbands was a fantastic show! Each group had thrilling dance moves and wowed the entire crowd. This year an added bonus to entertain the crowd, counselors secretly planned a flash mob that was the highlight of the evening! The Junior girls took out the title for 2011.

Also congratulations to JayFray for being crowned this year's Misster Towanda!



Dorm Alma Mater

Every year the Dorm creates an Alma Mater to represent their experience over their camp career at Towanda. Here are just a few lines.

Twenty-six girls came to find
That they'd be sisters all their lives
Without you I don't know how I'd be able to survive
Remember that I love you even when we're miles apart
Dorm eleven's always in my heart

You and me
Have been through everything
But I can guarantee
Our journey doesn't end here

Let's be strong
Continue to carry on
Together's where we belong
And I'll miss you when you are gone



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!

August 13: Persi Gutierrez; **August 14:** Sami Rosenberg, Jason Wolpov; **August 16:** Anne Marie Boswell; **August 17:** Tyler Bolog, Sam Keller; **August 18:** Marton Peter; **August 20:** Phoebe Aaron, Francine Klarsfeld; **August 21:** Hailey Bergman, Caden Payones, Hayley Trichon; **August 22:** William Bernstein, Tomas Blazek, Ross Jensby; **August 23:** Ilana Nemerow, Emily Schwartz, Evan Seiden, Elaine Layman; **August 24:** Evan Lang, Griffin Weber, Dillon Krouner; **August 26:** Josh Miller, Jordy Moskowicz, Nicole Webb; **August 27:** Kyle Levy, Megan Canfield; **August 28:** Drew Botwinick, Avery Matilsky, Lauren Tancer; **August 29:** Emery Jochnau, Bittany Rose; **August 30:** Michael Mariam; **August 31:** Alana Hassan, Alicia Hardy; **September 1:** Matt Stern, Jared Zelin, Kerbie Piotrowski; **September 2:** Alyssa Delott, Ben Ostrow; **September 3:** Zoey Seitzman; **September 4:** Matt Hochman, Jackie Swendson; **September 5:** Aaron Kargman, Nikki Schachtel; **September 9:** Courtney Breit, Alicia Prigge; **September 10:** Brian Notarangelo; **September 11:** Jake Brett, Jeffery Lowell; **September 12:** Andrew Epstein, Dylan Jaffe; **September 13:** Heather Ginsburg; **September 14:** Chris Hewitt; **September 15:** Eduardo Alvarez, Clara Carbo Escrivá de Romani; **September 17:** Griffin Lanel; **September 18:** Steve Hassett, Paulina Lamcha; **September 20:** Riley Kurzer, Mitch Sloane, Jack Wellington; **September 22:** Rajmund Sarandy; **September 23:** Jonah Gelfand; **September 24:** Sarah Gomez, Jared Levy, Sam Perel, Riley Kerz, Shirley Kille; **September 26:** Alli Friedman, Alex Kornfeld, Evan Lapidus, Jake "SR" Levy, Daryl Williams; **September 28:** Robbie April, Liza Goldstone, Jonah Grossman, Michael Buzin, Dora Kiss; **September 30:** Morgan Cohen, Skylar Seitzman, Liz Bonfanti

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IT WAS HEAVEN IN 2011!



Water was definitely an important part of the summer of 2011! Seven short weeks ago, as all of the campers returned to their summer home, the rain poured down, but couldn't dampen our excitement! Next came the heat and off to the waterfront we went to cool off on many a hot day. The rain returned for Olympics, and of course this year's Olympics broke out down at the waterfront as scuba divers emerged from the lake and balloons floated to the event! No matter the weather, the summer was amazing! It didn't take long for new friends to be walking hand in hand and old friends to forget the long months that

separate us. Many a camper has been heard saying that at camp we live ten months for two, and as we end another fantastic summer it's clear why. Each of you probably have an enormous box filled with memories of this and every summer spent at Towanda. Carry that box carefully. Open it often to remind yourself of the games you've played, the people you've met and the times you've spent at Camp Towanda.

There are few places left where the currency of life is happiness. Smiles are free and laughter is abundant. This summer has certainly proved that Towanda is the place to be. It may seem like the journey for Deb or Jet to Dorm or Club is a long one, but ask any Dorm or Club member and they will tell you it flies by in a



flash. Remember to slow down, don't sweat the small stuff and take it all in. Treasure every bump in the windy dirt road as you head home, because it will also be the road that brings you back to Towanda for the summer of 2012.



Fake us once, Fake us twice, Fake us three times!

The Club this year definitely used their creative powers when it came to this year's Fake Outs. First we were nearly convinced by the mechanic sounds of the Blue Autobots and the Red Decepticons, then we were really shocked when Mitch interrupted and sent us running to Skyview where something really different was happening! The banners revealed not red and blue but Brown Conquistadors and Gold Aztecs. Their final fake out had us ready to start Olympics! First a video introduced us to the Blue CIA and the Red KGB, then they called the Generals....AND the CCs! Not only was this a Club fake out but for the first time, the Dorm got in on it! All of the excitement left us eager for the real thing! Congratulations on all the fakeouts!!



After all those fake outs, tensions were high as all of camp headed down to the waterfront for a final 360 photo (in the rain!). There was definitely somebody out there as 3 gigantic blue balloons hovered from around the side of the lake and a group of divers literally emerged from the lake. Screams, cheers and tears flowed as the Generals, CCs, Lieutenants and Sergeants were called as members of either the Red Divers or Blue Balloonists. As the rain fell from the sky and splashed into the lake, it was a fitting start to Olympics 2011!



- Generals**
 Jake "Marbles" Manela Lauren Cohen
 Matt Miller Annie Mullen
 Adam Silverman Jackie Roher
- Camper Captains**
 Adam Belizzone Nicki Gold
 Zachary Gelfand Rachel Hoffman
 Darren Scheibel Fallon Roher
- Lieutenants**
 Jacob Rosenthal Rachel Holtz
 Spencer Steinberg Jennie Russnow
- Sergeants**
 Ryan Goldberg Alexandra Kornfeld

- Generals**
 Shelly Field Mikey Austin
 Jonathan Penner Hannah Lyons
 Jared Reiter Ali Spiesman
- Camper Captains**
 Carl Gold Lucy Aaron
 Zachary Marcus Ari Goret
 Jason Wolpov Caroline Lerche
- Lieutenants**
 Adam Lowell Kelsey Austin
 Spencer Zelin Jordana Peskin
- Sergeants**
 Brandon Reiter Halle Feuerman



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DAY ONE The rain ended as the first day of Olympics set off to a great start with points awarded for everything from line up, sports, and the first silent dinner. Both the Red and Blue teams worked hard on and off the field, cheering hard and playing harder. The first evening event was Tug-of-War where both teams pulled their hardest as the sunset in the distance.

DAY TWO It was a beautiful sunny day as the girls hit the track for a morning meet and the boys dived into the pool for some friendly afternoon competition. All Camp knockout rounded out the days activities.



DAY THREE The skies had been clear and blue for the first two days but it was not to last. The boys managed to run fast enough to finish the races before the skies opened but the Girls Swim meet had to be delayed. Despite the rain, Ghost was on. As the court became slick and muddy, teams wiped the rain and mud away to play some of the best ghost games Olympics has ever seen! The wet conditions did however force the delay of Rope Burning. Instead all of camp competed in Cumulative Long Jump at the Field House and Gully Hockey.

DAY FOUR The day four main event was the Apache Relay. Once again the rain came back to challenge us all in new ways and Apache had to be put on hold as all of camp took shelter in the boat house. Thankfully the skies cleared enough for Rope Burning to take place, though the dampness certainly made it more challenging. Both teams struggled to start their fires, with Blue finally getting it to light first. As the Red team fought with the wet wood, Blue was able to burn their bottom rope. Finally Red team's fire blazed brightly but it wasn't fast enough as Blue burnt through their 2nd rope. The crowd, including the Blue team joined together to cheer on the Red fire builders who never gave up and finally burnt their ropes. It took over an hour for all of the ropes to burn. Definitely one of the most challenging Rope Burning events in recent history.



DAY FIVE The final morning of Olympics was a busy one as missed activities had to be made up. Apache picked up right where we'd left it, with sucken canoe races, sailing and the water brigade. The race was back and forth throughout with both teams taking turns in the lead but the Blue team pulled through in the end to take the Apache Relay. The Balloonists landed and the Divers came up so everyone could meet in the Field House for Olympic Sing. Red team triumphantly took the win at Sing but it wasn't enough to take the whole thing. Congratulations to the Blue Balloonists for being this year's Olympic Champions!

