

A will which resolves on nothing is no actual will; a characterless man never reaches a decision.

— Hegel

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**TODAY'S FORECAST:**

High: 100°F Low: 74°F

Sunny and Hot

South Winds 5 to 10 mph

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Free

## W GOES XO

LUKE CANNON, CABIN W

Today we had Xtreme Olympics. First we went to the Screamer. I wanted to go but I didn't have time. Next we went to paintball. That was awesome. We won a few, tied a few, and lost a couple. We had an awesome plan to creep up behind the other side and assault them on all sides. After competing against both V and X we went to the high ropes course. I was able to do that, but it was kind of scary. We had to walk along a cable with nothing but a few ropes to hang on to. The next activity was the Pamper Pole. I got to the top but was scared and backed down. The rock wall was next. I made it half-way up but the rocks pivoted and were burning hot. That was the last activity so I went to the cabin to rest. It had been an awesome XO day.

## LOVING DOCTRINE

GABRIEL VANTHEY, CABIN X

Classes at LCT are fun and interesting but the one thing I really like more is Catechism. we learn a lot and are free to ask plenty of questions which helps me learn about God and about our faith. My junior counselor Harland explains things very well from reading articles, hearing testimonies, and taking information from teachers and transferring it to us.



## SHOOT 'EM UP!

PATRICK ELDEN, CABIN X

Bam, bam, bam. The paintballs slam into wooden bunkers, sometimes hitting unfortunate campers. Our team had the perfect plan that our counselor Matt devised. Everybody was going to run full speed at the flag, no backing down no matter what. Then once we get the flag fall back as a team and split in two sets of 3. One set would go to the left and make a diversion while the other set would go to the right with the flag. Before the match started Matt gave us a speech that made us fearless. It was a long speech but just to sum it up he told us that we were going to get lit up and go

home bloody. But that it was all for honor and we were going to go home victorious.

Before we knew it the war started. We fought through blood, sweat, and tears. Well not tears. The most uplifting moment during the whole war was when Matt ran up on the hill and sacrificed his body to put our flag in the cone. He had sprinted up the hill, gave a loud war cry and proudly slammed the flag into the cone while bullets whizzed past and hit him at least 40 times. The other team shot at our flag but it stood tall and proud. In the end we won the war and went home victorious!

## FLINGIN' STEEL

MAURICIO TORRES, CABIN U

Yesterday during freetime, Camp II had a horseshoe competition hosted by Alex Hoff. When Garret, George, and I arrived only one person was already there: Michael was from cabin Y and we befriended him. Once Alex got there we were ready.

Alex told us that George was playing against Michael. So that meant I was playing against Garret. Playing against Garret is like having the Blob broken. I started out winning 3-0, then Garret got me to 4-4. We were both encouraging each other. Later on in the game Garret got a ringer so he passed to the finals to compete with George.

Now I was playing against Michael. On his first shot he got a ringer. Then another. Then he hit the pole. I lost 7-2. Garret won the competition and I got last place. The good thing is that we all had a good time.

## T ON WOLF

FELIX BALAIS, CABIN T

On July 6, we played Fox as a night game. We're supposed to catch the "foxes" while avoiding the "wolves." I got only a "W" and got 2 points. In the end we got in 4rd place with 11 points.

## SHAKE AND WOBBLE

PETER PINEDO, CABIN U

The free time horn rings loudly. Everyone races in different directions. The ropes course is my destination. When I arrive a man introduces me to the gear. When I'm waiting in line, it gets a little intimidating. It's my turn. I quickly climb up. When I'm near the top, I look down and hesitate for half a second but climb up. The whole pole shakes and wobbles. I'm told to count to three. At three I jump, hands out in front of me... I make it!

## JUMPING JEHOSEPHAT!

JOHN MICHAEL KINSELLA, CABIN W

The LCT Extreme Olympics is a very fun part of camp. You do a lot of stuff like rock climbing, the screamer, ropes courses, paintball, and pamper pole. The screamer was really fun because that was the first time I had done something like that. I didn't quite drop from the highest point, but it was still a little scary. The ropes course was fun too because it worked on balance and climbing. Paintball was fun but painful. I had played it once before but forgot how much it hurts. I played two games of paintball and got about three bruises in each game.

The Pamper Pole was my favorite. Our councilors started to time how fast we could climb up the pole and jump. This man who helped hook me up told me that it took a guy 8 seconds to climb and jump off the pole.

## X FLAG

MICHAEL BUJARD, CABIN X

The Xenopi's flag stayed with us everywhere during the Extreme Olympics. I brought it with me as I fell through the sky at the screamer. I watched Matt West as he bravely set our flag down in the middle of the paintball arena. I witnessed Martin's giant leap off the pamper pole with the flag held up with his mouth. I've seen the spirit of the Xenopi throughout the week and I couldn't be more proud to be part of Cabin X, as well as an LCT camper.

I climbed the pole pretty quickly, but when it came to the last step, I started to rethink if I could really do this. When I finally got balanced at the top, without thinking, I leaned for the trapeze bar. Before I tried the Pamper Pole, I saw a lot of other people grab the bar but slip off because the bar was too sweaty from other people doing chin-ups. When I grasped onto the bar and felt my weight transferring to the bar, I thought for sure that I was going to slip off. When I saw that I had stopped falling, I noticed that I had the trapeze bar in my hands. Then, the thought occurred to me that I HAD GRABBED THE TRAPEZE! It was funny because I heard people saying, "Oh!" thinking that I had slipped off. That was my highlight of the day.

## GAME PLAN

JOSEPH PETTIBON, CABIN R

In the first half of the Cabin R versus Cabin T basketball game, Cabin R was down 8-0. But they pulled their way up to a lead of 8-10 by the half. At their half-time huddle, Coach Steven talked over the game plan to ensure a win for Cabin R. They came out in the second half with a burst of energy and fury. The game plan worked perfectly and Cabin R conquered Cabin T, with a score of 12 to 20.

## GAME CHANGER

LUKE PELLETIER, CABIN Z

Yesterday, during the treasure hunt, I had an unfortunate accident. I tripped over a horseshoe pole which made a deep gash right below my kneecap. The doctors said they had to staple the gash. I was pretty nervous, but it went by pretty quickly and I felt alright. Three cheers for the doctors!

## COMBINATION

RICHARD GUERRA, CABIN X

Last night we played Treasure Hunt. The first riddle wasn't that hard so we found it pretty quick. When we were on our fifth or sixth clue we thought we were behind, but it turned out some cabins were still on two or three. Finally we were on the last clue. This clue was the longest one of all it was about a paragraph long. The combination asked: count all the zebras, count how many wings the Red Baron had, and the sentence at the beginning of the eighth clue. Finally we got the combination and won.



## CAMPERS TRY TO PULL ALEX TO A STRAWBERRY PATCH



There are three Deathly Hallows in the *Harry Potter* series. Name the three and who owns each at the beginning of the seventh book.