

SEEN AND HEARD

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THE CAMP OF KNOWN DELIGHT



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THE BECKET SUMMER COMES TO A CLOSE

What an amazing session! The only bad thing was how quickly it had to go by! Do you remember when the staff sang "Opening Today" on the very first night? Now those strangers in your cabin from opening day are friends you may have made for a lifetime. It seems like only a few days ago we were watching the opening campfire and playing the Becket Games. Can you remember the Saratoga South talent show and the Jungle Book Big Show? And then we wrapped up the summer by celebrating final banquet with a TV theme. What is your best memory of the summer?



*Ben Katz: Cabin chats with the Aides
Noah Schaffir (Algonquin): The Becket
Games*

*Ben Schiller (Mesa Verde): Dads'
Weekend!*

*Chris Burke: Being interviewed for Seen
and Heard*

*Joe DeAngelo (Algonquin): Aidestock
Jack Burnett (Algonquin): The Becket
Games*

*Dave Samuelson (Pike): Our two day
hike.*

*Amelia Photo Lady: Making mug shots
during Dads' Weekend.*

Adam Stoler: Aidestock

*Bob: Singing 'Becket Way' in the dining
hall.*

Chris Bolster: The Big Show.

Noah Tuttle (Cayuga): Cookouts.

*Miles Thomas-Moore (Algonquin):
Getting lost during Walkabout day.*

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Candlelight

On a quiet and still Wednesday evening all campers and staff took part in Candlelight. Everybody wore their chapel whites and walked with their villages down to chapel. After reflections, the candle lighting took place. Each selected representative spoke about what Camp Becket means to them and their experiences this summer. The flame was then passed from Iroquois camper Noah Schaffir all the way to Chris Burke. Once everyone's candle had been lit, the procession began down to the soccer field. Then Tommy Ciarleglio, Colie Haahr and Andy Shea made speeches in the centre of the Becket triangle and led singing of 'Try to Remember'. Then, one by one, each camper and staff member blew out their candle and the Aides led Amici to end the evening. Three horns then sounded from different positions around camp. All lights throughout camp were turned off for the evening and everybody walked back to their cabins in darkness. The evening was a great success and all members of Camp Becket had a wonderful opportunity to reflect upon their Becket experience this summer.



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Josh Schupack: Singing in the dining hall.
 Aidan Ahamparam (Orange): The two day hike and the Frontier Luau.
 Isaac Gillman (Cody): Climbing tower.
 Bobby Victoria (Badlands): Being part of construction.
 Cassie Dean: Candlelight.
 Dan Berg: Saratoga South.
 Sam Ward (Erie): Playing Escape from Becket.
 Emmet the Aide: The Aides' chapel.
 Jake Barnett (SC): Overnight with cabin Algonquin.
 Max Eliot (Seneca): Being in the Big Show.
 Jake Tuber: Aidestock.

Next summer you can make even more Becket memories!



ASK KAFUCHE

Dear Kafuche

Is it true my cabin's picture is on line? How do I see it, and when do we get our yearbooks?
 Missing Camp Already

Hey MC,
 You've got a lot of questions! As for the pictures on line, yes you can check them out. I know because I have internet access here in the woods through Verizon. When you get home, just go to www.bccymca.org and click on "Summer Photos & Email". Your parents can show you how to sign on to Bunk1. Once logged on, you can see your cabin photo, color versions of Seen and Heard, and dozens of other pictures from our session together.

The yearbook is a book full of pictures from the summer. It usually gets sent out between thanksgiving and New Year's Eve. I hope you had a great session - see you next year!

Kafuche Out

The Big Show

This year's second session Big Show was 'The Jungle Book'. Chris Bolster, the Big Show Director, and his cast worked extremely hard learning lines, practicing staging and even finding sound effects to enhance the viewing experience of the show. Costumes were made and designed by Livvy and Emma. They were great with elephant trunks and ears, as well as an amazing bear costume for Baloo. The show followed the story of Mowgli the man cub and how he survived living in the jungle and how his animal friends helped him along the way. During the mid session interval, with thanks to Dan Berg and Pat Krol, everyone went out onto Gibson Green to get ice pops. The entire camp then flooded back into Gibson Hall so see the ending to a show that was a great success. Chris Bolster said it was "the best production of The Jungle Book he had ever seen and that he would like to thanks everyone for their hard work".



AIDESTOCK

It all started when the bell for free time rang and everybody rushed over to the water front to get the best view of the stage. The Aides hosted a great music concert to raise money for camperships. It was a hot, sunny day and Aidestock shirts were sold as well as everyone's favorite fruitfills. Chris, Gabe, Russ, Max, Miles, Spencer and Toby played instruments and sang, creating a great atmosphere. Just some of the songs played were 'Just Like Heaven' by The Cure, 'Sweater Song' by Weezer and 'Learn to Fly' by Foo Fighters. Sam the Aide said "it was totally awesome dude". It was a great afternoon and lots of money was raised for a good cause to help the other fellow.

Aidestock shirts are still available to buy on closing day so make sure you have yours!



Remember, just because you are leaving Becket doesn't mean you are leaving The Becket Way. Go back home and help a friend, teach your neighbors a game you learned at camp, do your best at whatever you do, play the game and don't forget to have fun. This will keep your Becket spirit alive. We are already planning next summer's adventures. Spread the word about Becket and bring some new friends to camp next year!

The Seen and Heard is brought to you each week by Cassie and the Seen and Heard Press Corp. Look for Seen and Heard to be delivered to your house over the Fall and Winter too. The summer may be over, but there is always something to be Seen and Heard!