GAME NIGHT!!!

THE GOSSIP BOX

Look in Camilla’s eyes: such a deep and smart look
Sharon is, actually, a twin sister of Penelope Cruise
Emilia – перша дівчина України

I love many ppl at camp (last names can be provided if requested(ед.))
Micahel has a CACTUS wife, her name starts with an M.
Uche’s brother is here

Info Spill (Journo Class):
„She’s a he and being a Mickey Mouse, cheese is her inspiration”
(talking to Britney Spears)
- Who is your role model?
- I’m my role model, I ’m perfect

TEAM SCORES

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At 7 p.m. yesterday the green team, also popularly known as the “Green Machines” left the hotel Ruta for their long awaited team dinner. The hot spot for this dinner was the well renowned and semi-cultural pizza spot “Flamingo”.

On arriving at Flamingo after a 15 minute walk, the “Green Machines” could not help but express their excitement as they started chanting team songs and shouting team slogans. They were also very much thrilled by the somewhat traditional architecture of the Flamingo building. They got inside, met the ever-helpful waitress and made their orders. As is the Cactus custom, there was a lot of chatting during the meal and after eating it was time to play some “on-table” games. Definitely, there was a lot of fun during the games.

Anthony E.

On the first day of CACTUS I was very worried about my team, I was afraid that there would be no connection between the team members and that only one person would dominate. But then I saw them: my team leaders and my teammates, and I was surprised.

They are so amazing, everyone is talented and creative. Everyone was active; it was easy to create our team presentation. It was great, we did really cool job. I think that I am lucky person, because I have the best team in the world: smart, active, sociable and experienced. We have no leaders or losers, we are all equal!

Ulyana F.

As Michael Jackson sang, “No matter if you’re black or white”. Here, it would be more appropriate to sing “No matter if you’re pink or yellow – love your leaders with the same strength.” Yes, the thing which unites all the participants is honest and passionate feeling for their coaches.

“I adore them, they’re great as a pair,” says Tanya, a Bloody Mosquito with Bling. “Sure, it’s pretty impossible not to love Angie, who is hugging all the Cactus participants at least once per hour, and not to like ‘Mr. Good Guy’ Travis.”

The same thing is said about Camilla and Zhyldyz. “We’re hugging a lot – and that’s cute, because in recent times people don’t like to show their feelings as we do” one Sunflower says. But love is not only about hugging, yes? “I respect my leaders,” Alex reveals about his leaders, Noah and Claire. “That’s how I express my deepest feeling to them.” Isn’t that sweet?

Another way to show your good attitude to others is with a frank smile. Honestly, have you seen Natalia Tarasevych without her sunny, Pinky-Pinkwins smile? Obviously not. I love it when people smile, don’t you?

So keep your positive attitude, keep on being in love with your leaders and whole Cactus team. Keep on smiling because, as Marika of the Indigo Pumpkins said, “It’s a big fun!”

Emilia Fl.
Angie,

What was the reason for your Decision to be a staff member?

Well, first of all I want to change people’s lives in positive direction. What is I want to try myself in service learning and to educate people, bring more light to their lives.

What is better to be a staff member or to be a participant?

Both cases are really fun, but being a staff member is a whole lot more responsibility. By the way, I like it.

What kind of animal would you like to be?

I want to be puppy because when they sleep everybody does like: “Oh... it is so cute!!!” And when they get up everybody does like: “Oh...it is so cute!!!” And it would be a great pleasure for me if someone hugs or _______ me behind the ear or belly”

In the spotlight: Ivanka Koziy

When Ivanka Koziy got back from the U.S. as FLEX alum, she was really excited about doing projects for her Ukrainian community. Her dad found out about CACTUS 2009 from the Internet, and Ivanka applied by sending an e-mail. She really enjoyed all the activities at camp.

The best story Ivanka can remember is during a competition where each team had to be some kind of machine, she was a tank bullet. In the final competition she had to jump out and “explode”. Because CACTUS 2009 was so great, she decided to apply as join as a staff member this year.

Now she studies veterinary medicine at Bila Tserkva National Agrarian University. Her role model is her dad, because he was the only one from his family to graduate from a university; he respected professional in his field, and after learning English on his own, he was selected twice to participate in a Fulbright Scholarship. Ivanka wants to become a veterinarian in the future as well.

Also, she would like to travel a lot, to meet various people, and learn about other cultures: they all are so different! The craziest thing Ivanka’s ever done was a roller coaster ride, when she was turned back and forth and upside down! Most importantly, her favorite ice cream flavor is cookie dough.

By Iryna N.
Useful Slang

1. What’s cracking?
   What’s going on?
2. That’s so bananas!
   That’s so great!
3. Aight
   All right! Ok
4. Ya’ll
   You all
5. Dang
   Wow, OMG (Oh my God)

Quote of the Issue:

- I cannot sleep, I cannot eat, I can’t stop thinking about you and I have such a strange feeling in my stomach.
- Butterflies?
- Yes. They should be killed.

Soap Opera

CACTUS SURVEY

Survey conducted on representative group of 25 participants of Cactus ‘10

Which Winnie the Pooh was first?

- Soviet – Союз Мультфільм
- American - Disney’s
- I don’t know who W the P

by Emilia Fl.

Question of the Issue:

“If you could be an animal, which one would you choose?

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Coming to Cactus be ready to rock
Making new friends while doing the work
Gaining new skills while you studying class
Project development is great thing for us
Yes, we enjoy competitions and fun!
Now I can say I am Cactus’10 fan

Olga Wiki

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Iryna O.
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