

THE NEW CAMP CHEECA OFFERS GOOD OLD FASHIONED FUN

Cheeca Lodge is bringing back the "Huck Finn" days of fishing off a pier, exploring nature and forging long-lasting friendships at the new and improved Camp Cheeca, which officially opened in March. With a brand new building, surrounded by lush landscaping and covered by a spacious tiki hut, kids are begging their parents to stay just a little bit longer.

"We have put a lot of thought into redesigning the program at Camp Cheeca," stated Brian Randolph, director of guest relations. "First and foremost, it's fun, but it also values-based and we teach campers to respect their environment and those surrounding them. With our expanded activities area including picnic tables, a beautiful fenced-off garden area, and the ever-popular jungle gym, we can spend even more time doing creative projects outdoors."



The theory behind the program is that a sound camp experience begins with strong values and a caring commitment to the environment. The Camp Cheeca staff believes that campers will take ownership of their successes if they are given some choices to make along the way.

Throughout the day, campers take part in activities such as catch-and-release fishing off Cheeca's 525-foot pier, swimming at the pool, searching for native wildlife in the lagoon, friendly games of golf, volleyball or tennis, educational scavenger hunts and interactive group games. Camp Cheeca is a place where young people can challenge their comfort zone in an emotionally and physically safe environment and the caring staff makes every effort to ensure that the Camp Cheeca experience is positive and enriching. Camp Cheeca is open Tuesday – Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and the cost is \$40.00, which includes choice of a lunch entrée and all beverages.

Camp Cheeca also offers a "Kid's Night Out" program. In keeping with the Camp's philosophy, Kid's Night Out provides campers with the opportunity to enjoy an evening of adventure, staffed by caring counselors who create a stimulating environment for fun. Nightfall gives campers the chance to stargaze on a night hike, participate in an arts & crafts project or sit around a campfire and share a tale or two. Campers enjoy a pizza party, followed by an age appropriate movie in the Camp Cheeca Clubhouse. Kid's Night Out is offered Friday and Saturday from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and the cost is \$40.00, which includes the pizza dinner. Parents rave about the program as well since it gives mom and dad an opportunity to enjoy a romantic dinner together at one of Cheeca's fine dining restaurants.

