

# The Menominee Megaphone

THE ARRIVAL EDITION

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## Ready. Set. Camp

By Editor

Hello and welcome to everyone who is here at Camp Menominee for another summer of fun, sun, learning and development. This is our 91<sup>st</sup> year and we are ready to get started and make this summer the best one yet. The beautiful Northwoods of Wisconsin have, as usual, delivered such a beautiful setting for us so when you can, sit back and take it all in. We hope that every one of you are just as excited as we are and are ready to make memories that will last forever. **JASON** is back for his 16<sup>th</sup> summer in total and 4<sup>th</sup> as Camp owner. **JASON** will be joined by both **THOMAS CADLER** and **PAMELA ADLER**, who impressively have over 60 years of camp experience between them. **JEFF TOOMBS** is back as Assistant Director, **JOSH INGRAM** as Head Counselor and **JEREMY KOHLENBRENER** is once again with us as Waterfront Director.

## Arrival

By Editor

On Monday, the buses arrived a little ahead of schedule to a very excited and buoyant staff. The campers were met at the door of the bus with a tunnel that led towards Wasserman Hall. When in Wasserman Hall, all staff and campers were cheering and high-fiving as they were assigned into their cabins and had their photo taken. Just off the bus, 3<sup>rd</sup> year camper **RYAN WEIL** said he was “super excited for Camp” and 4<sup>th</sup> year camper **AARON PELTS** said he was “ecstatic”. 1<sup>st</sup> year camper, **HUDSON DEUTSCH** said he “loved the celebration of everyone arriving at camp” whilst his step-brother **FIN DORAN** said he “could tell the summer ahead was going to be fun.” After introductions were completed, the campers returned to their cabin where they could finish unpacking, before having health checks, writing mail and signing up for Big 10 activities.



Full of smiles for the start of Camp.



Jake very happy with his cake.

## Dinner

By Editor

After a long day of travelling, what better way to fill our stomachs and get to know each other a little better by having our first dinner of the summer together. Our amazing chefs **MIKE TAYLOR** and **MERCEDES CLARK** cooked some amazing burgers and hot dogs with fries. **ZACH FORMAN** could not wait to go for seconds as he shouted, “I love it.” For deserts, a beautiful Vanilla cake was enjoyed by all campers and counselors. Some may have liked it a little more than others as there were “double dipper” chants for both **JONAH GAGERMAN** and **PEYTON PICUS**. Once all tables had been waited and ragged, we all gathered around to sing Happy Birthday to **JAKE FELDMAN** and present him with his birthday cake. During the Happy Birthday song, **PATRICK MCCORMICK** showed off his dance moves and produced the splits to wow everyone around. What a perfect way to end our first Camp dinner.

## Capture the Flag

By Editor

As is tradition at Camp Menominee, our evening activity on the first night of Camp was Capture the Flag. The cabins were divided into ‘Team Erica’ or ‘Team Claire’, named after our videographer and photographer. Team Erica were to wear green or dark coloured tops and Team Claire were to wear white tops. Both teams began with the same strategy;

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have one counselor and two campers as their flag guards. Team Erica's flag guards were **ASHER DIAMOND** and **JACK BERGER**, while Team Claire's were **MATTHEW HARFIELD** and **MAX MASON**. Team Claire started the strongest, as they rushed together as a team and quickly got the flag back to their base. Team Claire led 2-0 and Team Erica knew they had to change their strategy. Team Erica huddled together and decided that they would halt the rush on the left side from Team Claire, whilst rushing themselves on the right side. This worked and after some brilliant running from **TYLER FIELD**, Team Erica tied the scores at 2-2. The game was tense going into the 5<sup>th</sup> and final game and both teams huddled together to discuss tactics. **RYAN MARTIN** produced some brilliant twists and turns to evade capture and charge towards the flag for Team Claire. This was unfortunately not enough as Team Erica completed their turnaround with the winning point being gained by counselor, **JOSH BROOKSBY**. Both teams demonstrated amazing sportsmanship by chanting congratulations towards each other and giving high fives and fist bumps. Team Erica win 3-2.



Capture the Flag showdown.

## Camp Fire By Editor

Our late-night activity was an all camp Camp Fire held down at the waterfront. Thank you to **CJ ASHLEY** for helping create the fire, which the counselors and campers surrounded. **THOMAS CADLER** and **MIKE TAYLOR** kicked us off by playing, "Keep on the Sunny Side of Life", on their guitars. Everyone joined in with the song whilst **BEN KAPLAN**, **JAKE HOODACK** and **JACK WALTERS**, kept everyone laughing and smiling as they told a joke in between each chorus. **JACKSON WUSTNER**, **JOSH BROOKSBY** and **SHANE O'RIORDAN** were next to sing a song and wowed everyone with a fantastic rendition of Justin Bieber's 'Love Yourself'. During the song, many campers began joining in and even dancing along. Counselors **JOE VICKERS**, **JAKE JONES** and **JAKE CZUPEK** gave a speech about why they love camp and what camp means to them. This was a fantastic moment for many of our first-year campers and counselors to understand what it is that makes Camp so special. **JASON** finished the Camp Fire with a speech and summed up the Camp Fire perfectly by saying it was a "perfect evening in the Northwoods". Once **JASON** had finished, we ended the night with TAPS and headed back to our cabins. This marked the end of an amazing first day of Camp, with many more to come.



Time to settle around the Camp Fire.



Tom and Mike begin the Camp Fire with a song.

## Meet the Editor By Editor

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is **DANIEL WAITE** and you will quickly realise from my accent that I am from across the pond, in England. I am 25 years old and this is the first time I have been to the USA. Experiencing the Camp lifestyle and the American way has always been something I wanted to do, so I am very excited to be here with you all at Camp Menominee. I currently work full time as an I.T. Business Analyst for Ford Credit Europe after finishing University 2 years ago with a Digital and Computer Forensics degree. You'll find me walking around camp, seeking out the latest stories and every so often, out on the Soccer field. I am confident that together we will produce an amazing Megaphone, full of lasting memories.

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