



# The Menominee Megaphone



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## **Wisconsin Dells Trip** By Ethan Weiss

'Twas a cloudy day as the 27 guys took to the vans to head to the Wisconsin Dells. With some great luck, the rain cleared up as the boys took to Mt. Olympus theme park on day 1. Some rode the roller coasters as others tested the waters of the wave pool and indoor water park. After a long day of travel, we hit the hay to prepare for a long day at Noah's Ark the following day. The next morning we entered the water park for some extreme fun. Black anaconda, scorpion's tail, and Time Warp were the favorites of the day, as RYDER SPECTOR, ARI GOLDBERG, and all of their friends took to the lazy river and the Point of No Return. To our great surprise, the girls from Marimeta were also there! After a fun day at the water park, the group headed to Pizza Pub to celebrate JACK KAPLAN'S birthday! Following dinner, we went to watch the amazing Tommy Bartlett Ski Show, also known as the Greatest Show on Water, and it did not disappoint. Shout out to the Min-aqua bats, you guys will always have our hearts. Lucky Canteen Numbers 34, 67, and 41. (Sorry we keep forgetting!) The next morning, we headed out early for the opening of the park at Mt. Olympus where most of the guys rode Hades 3-4 times over. Overall, it was an amazing trip to the Dells full of fun and excitement.

## **Minneapolis Trip** By TKD and Ross Festenstein

The Minneapolis trip was a trip of a lifetime. We got a head start on the trip by leaving a tad earlier than the other cabins. After a brisk 4 hour trek to the twin cities, we went straight to the Mall of America. Fashion killers KASE RATZLAFF, DAVID SAROWITZ, and GAVIN BRAMWIT cashed out on several stores such as Hollister, AeroPostle and Nike. Chipotle, Lids, Vans, and Zumiez all welcomed us with open arms. And yes, we ordered extra guac. SAM MYERTHALL and GAVIN BRAMWIT got themselves Hollister swag for the next social, while ISAAC MILLER found himself a steal with a fresh Jamaal Charles jersey and Raiders bucket hat. The next stop was brand new Target Field for a lovely evening with America's pastime. Stat men DANIEL MALIS and TYLER LONGNECKER were thrilled to watch as the Minnesota Twins went neck and neck with the Los Angeles Angels. They compared fantasy strategy while enjoying some H2O in this 86 degree evening. After the game we were greeted by Menominee alum and current Twins radio broadcaster CORY PROVUS, who then walked us past security for a private tour of the press box! At the beginning of our first full day, we had a very nice breakfast and went straight to Valley Fair. The excitement was uplifting as ANDREW BLECHMAN and TKD went on a tandem tube ride that had us screaming like kids in a candy store. ANDREW BLECHMAN looked the tallest coaster in the eye and said "I shall fear no evil as I walk in the valley of the shadow of death." He also set an amusement park record for hitting consecutive three pointers and earned himself the basketballs to prove it. KASE RATZLAFF and DAVID SAROWITZ slapped on the sunscreen and brought out their big guns at the water park. The ladies definitely took note and they had to break some hearts when it was time to leave the park. Later, we hit the local theater for the last showing of "Baby Driver." LOUIE KANTER gave it two thumbs up. Who knew MICAH SCHULMAN was such a big fan of John Hamm and Ansel Egart? At the end of each long day, we would go to Denny's where JACK BEHAR, ISAAC MILLER, and MICAH SCHULMAN devoured every meal in sight. I have never seen so much food single-handedly consumed by these guys. The syrup was flowing atop pancake stacks (served up by our waiter Chrystal) that RICK and ROGER would be proud of. On the last night we all made a new friend in the parking lot: Bert. We will never forget his words of wisdom. The trip was great and will always be one to remember! Thanks to JASON for an amazing trip filled with new memories!

## Senior Cabin Trip Week 2017 By Josh Kravitz

What characterizes something as a once in a lifetime experience? The answer to that lies within the 2017 Senior Cabin white water rafting trip. Our trip started early Wednesday morning as we left the Friendly Confines and made our way up to the Wild Man Lodge and Resort. As soon as we got there, we were prepared to conquer our first white water rafting trip down the Pestigo River. Everyone split up into rafts of three people each. The rafting was relatively relaxing until we hit our first rapids. JAKE HOODACK and HARRIS GREENBAUM took a spill at the first rapids and TODD LAZARUS stayed in the raft by himself and conquered the entirety of the rapids by himself. After our white water rafting trip we made our way back to the Chalet, a gorgeous house on the river, to begin our feast. AJ VILLAREAL turned into a master chef and cooked us an amazing meal that included ribs, corn on the cob, asparagus and chips and salsa for an appetizer. After a tremendous meal we built a fire and sat around it and made s'mores. Everyone was sharing stories and we were all laughing and just having a fun time. We talked about how just sitting around a fire with people you love is what camp is for us. After a deep sleep, we were woken up to a breakfast of pancakes, bacon and eggs. It was a good breakfast for an even better day. We made our way up to the Menominee River for our second rafting excursion. Yes, this was a coincidence that the river we were rafting in shares the same name as our camp. Here we split up into two rafts, and we all knew this was going to be an extreme experience. As we approached the class four rapids, the largest rapids you can go through without risking your life, we were truly nervous. CONNOR WALL and CALEB SAKS led the boat by sitting in the front, they were a crucial part to conquering the rapids. Luckily nobody fell out, but boy were we close. Both rafts wanted to get the most out of the experience, so we decided to take on Hell's Hole Gorge, one of the biggest rapids in the United States. What was amazing about this experience was that we needed to trust and rely on each other to paddle in order to make it through the rapids. Even with an injured finger, REMY DOYLE was paddling his hardest. Both rafts went through the heart of the gorge and made it out in one piece. You could hear ROBBIE YASTROW and JACK SACKS screaming for their lives. But just like the rest of the campers, they pushed through their fears and kept paddling. After a thrilling day of crazy rafting, we made our way down to Green Bay where ADAM MASSELLO and WILL FRIEDMAN killed it at go-karting. After a long day, we decided to end it by seeing Spiderman or Transformers. JOEY FINFER was excited to see Transformers. As we made our way back to the hotel, we were definitely excited to go to bed. But what's the one thing you have to see while in Green Bay? Obviously we stopped to look and take pictures at Lambeau Field, the home of the Green Bay Packers. Here LOGAN ROSENGARD and BEN ZELKEN made it clear that they were Bears fans standing in front of their rivals' field. The last stop on the trip was the Appleton Mall where we were eager to buy many different things including jerseys, hats and funny shirts. Pulling into the Friendly Confines was a bittersweet moment. Realizing our amazing trip was over was sad, however the fact that there is a lot of camping left to do was a great reassurance. Cheers to a special trip with great people!



The Senior Cabin and their counselors outside of the Chalet, their cabin for night 1 of their trip.



JACK SACKS, ROBBIE YASTROW, ADAM MASSELLO, JOEY FINFER, and CALEB SAKS visit Lambeau Field.

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