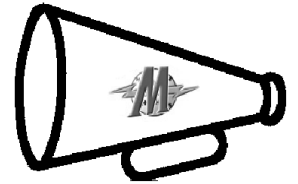




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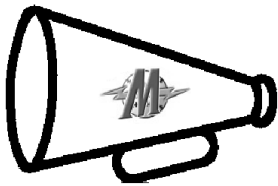
Introduction by Editor

The next two editions of the Megaphone will be articles that have been given to me by the counselors who coached the main events for this year's Kawaga competition. They're great reads and I couldn't thank the counselors enough for providing me with their takes on the games! Enjoy!

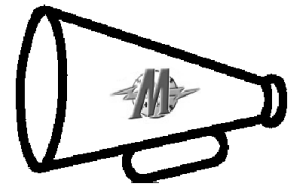
16A takes back what's ours by David Mizock

As the 16 and under B and C Softball games closed out with a lesser win respectively, the entire camp gathered at Bob Bender to watch the spectacle that is the 16A Softball game. With a batting order and defense of a dynasty team that have played together for years, the men in green took the field for the first inning ready to give it their all and leave nothing behind. The game started off on a high note after JAKE "MOOSE" ZWEIG was able to turn a misjudged pop-up into a double play, setting the standard for the rest of the game. After an easy top half, the men came into show what they could do offensively. In an amazing display of FUNdamental Softball, LEVI SCHULMAN, REID KANTER and TYLER "TKD" KOEHLER-DAVIS were able to load the bases for "Sluggers" NOAH LAZARUS. It took a few pitches, but once contact was made, the ball cruised over the left fielder's head and the grand slam was in the books, 4-0 CM. JARED LOIBEN followed up the base clearing slam with a single, which was proceeded by JAKE ZWEIG'S own bases clearing the 2-run shot which hit the left-coachers gap, putting CM 6-0 after one full inning. Despite letting up a run in the top half of the second, a 6-3-5 double play from Weiss-to-Davis-to-Schulman killed any momentum generated by the guys from the swamp. Despite a lead-off single from place-hitter masters RYAN BLUM and LEVI SCHULMAN, Menominee couldn't add to their lead, leaving the score at 6-1 after Z. When the third inning rolled around, the greens began to see some struggles allowing Kawaga to bat through the order. They were able to come together and finish off the inning with the least possible damage with the score being brought to a 6-6 tie. The bottom of the third brought up NOAH LAZARUS who whacked another base hit, this being a single and that was followed up with a triple by JARED LOIBEN bringing the Menominee lead to 7-6 and team Menominee never looked back. With base hits and sacrifices from JAKE ZWEIG and ROSS FISHER, Menominee increased their lead to 9-6 by the end of three. With lock-down defense by LEVI SCHULMAN, ETHAN WEISS and JAKE ZWEIG, Kawaga couldn't manage to take advantage of a lead-off double and were still held scoreless after three and a half innings. Unfortunately they returned the favor and kept CM scoreless in the bottom of the fourth as well. The 5th was the same for both teams as they both managed one hit, but could not score. In the 6th inning, Kawaga's next batter achieved a lead-off single and managed to bring him around the bases to close the gap to 9-7 in favor of CM. Kawaga didn't realize that the run in the 6th would be their last one, leading off the bottom of the 6th for Menominee. LEVI SCHULMAN who managed to reach base on a single and finished at 4-4 and after consecutive walks to REID KANTER and TKD, bases were loaded for NOAH LAZARUS yet again. A sacrifice ground ball to the pitcher scored Levi and increased Noah's RBI total to 5 and the lead to 10-7 Menominee. After another walk was issued to JARED LOIBEN, JAKE ZWEIG managed to an RBI single bringing his day to a close with going 3-3 with 4 RBI's. Menominee secured a lead at a magical 11-7 at the end of the 6. Going into the final inning, Menominee had all the momentum and were 3 outs away from doing something that hadn't been achieved since the 13 inning marathon in '09. Kawaga refused to surrender through, knocking a single to start the inning. The next batter moved the runner over but got out on a routine play from Ethan to TKD, 1 down. After a tough walk issued, another routine ground out from Ethan to TKD got one more out, 2 down. With Kawaga on their last out, the men in green knew to play their game and finish it off strong. The pitch, the swing, the contact made a ground ball to pitcher ROSS FISHER who made a throw to first, 3 down. The crowd erupted with load cheers; both camps witnessed the 16A victory for the men in green as the score was finalized 11-7 green over blue. Special mentions go out to the all star-pitcher ROSS FISHER, "sluggers" NOAH LAZARUS and JAKE ZWEIG who continued for 9 RBI's out of the 11 possible that crossed the plate for green and great job commanding the team as co-captains ETHAN WEISS and REID KANTER who led the team to victory. Way to represent the camp and play the game right, taking back what is ours in the process and matching the counselors score taking down the swamp 11-7. Coaches ROBBIE APPLEBAUM and DAVID MIZOCK are beyond proud of what was accomplished on our field. Bleed green and go Menominee, beat Kawaga!

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16 under Archery by David Munzer

The Menominee archers took to the range, ready to bring it to Kawaga. ADAM SAGERMAN got us off to an early lead with a 39. TYLER ZWEIG followed up with a respectable 37. After scratching his first score, JACKSON WEIL shot a 35, the best of his archery career. JOSH STONE almost had Kawaga running for the hills when he followed up with a 41. REID KANTER and JAKE ZWEIG shot well too. But at the end of the day, Kawaga shot just a little better with final score of 212 to 220.

16A Basketball by Jacob Barstack

On a sunny afternoon, the Menominee men took the Dun Leavy courts to open the competition Vs Kawaga. ROSS FISHER opened the scoring with a deep 3 giving Menominee a 3-0 lead. After with-standing a 14-0 run from Kawaga, Menominee battled to cut the Kawaga lead to 12 at halftime. Kawaga opened the second with another huge run, but the Menominee men didn't give up. After some clutch shooting from ETHAN WEISS and CHARLIE KANTER as well as some tenacious defense from RYAN MILLER, then men in green cut the lead to 8 with just two minutes to go until the end of the game. Although they could not complete the comeback, the Menominee men still fought hard and represented Menominee well.

11A Newcomb by Justin Schoeneman

The 11A Newcomb players from CM were ready to play and win. Star player NICK PUJOLAS scared his component by scoring every time he got the ball. ETHAN HOTT and GAVIN BRAMWIT played in defense incredibly with no mistakes. TODD LAZARUS played well too and with his loud and clear voice, called names well which helped our team play smoothly. We won the first round 15-9 and the second round 15-12. A great win for CM and a classy game as well.

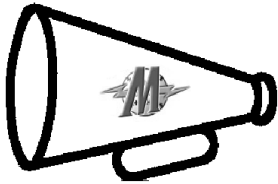
16B Soccer by Dave Harrison

The 16B Soccer team kicked off against Kawaga just after lunch. ADAM SAGERMAN, ETHAN WAGMAN and JAKE ZWEIG had a run out on the pitch. Man of the match ROSS FISHER had a storming game as goalkeeper denying the Kawaga forwards time after time, even saving a penalty kick. JAKE ZWEIG had a busy game keeping the Kawaga left winger quiet throughout the game, with help from the other defenders including TYLER ZWEIG, HUNTER ROBERTS, JACKSON WEIL and MICHAEL GALSSBERG. The whole team were working hard especially the midfielders RYAN BLUM, ETHAN WAGMAN and ADAM SAGERMAN who ran their socks off both defending and attacking. Strikers RYAN GENENDER, LEVI SCHULMAN, RYAN MILLER and JOSH BELGRAD had a tough day as the Kawaga back line was strong, and unfortunately were unable to convert their opportunities into goals. Despite the grand effort put in from the Menominee boys, the score finished 2-0 Kawaga's way, with them scoring just before and after half time. The whole Menominee team put in a top performance and Coach DREW HOLLINS was very proud of his team's achievements. A big shout-out goes to the officials STEVEN EDGE and DAVE HARRISION who helped keep the game fair and flowing.

11C Soccer by Drew Hollins

On the second afternoon of Kawaga, the 11 and under C team took part in a fantastic game of Soccer that unfortunately ended in defeat. The game started off evenly but Kawaga made the breakthrough with a well worked goal and then scored another soon after. JORDAN BILLER come very close to scoring at the right end before Kawaga added a third and then a fourth. The score could have been much worse had it not been for the defensive work of GRANT HOEGER, MAX BEERMANN, JOEY HOFFMAN, STEVEN LISS and AIDEN CAMPBELL. At halftime with the score at 4-0, I gave a pep talk and changed the team a little. We started well in the second half and scored after some great team work from JACK KAPLAN and SAM COGAN. The goal was scored by JACOB SINGER. After the goal we continued to press forward the whole team looked really eager to score more goals. JACOB SINGER added his second of the game after a great run and cross from SAM BARTH. DOMINIC HAMILTON's energy was

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incredible as he drove forward and won a penalty. JACOB SINGER scored again from the spot to make it 4-3. It was the end of the game at those scores, and Kawaga clearly won. I was extremely proud of the way the team played and didn't give up. Special mentions o to SAM GOODMAN, JOSH HANSON, ELLIOT ZELKEN and RYDER SPECTOR.

11 and under Archery Showdown by David Mizock

The 11 under team started off the entire competition with an archery shootout at The Swamp. The leading participants were GAVIN BRAMWIT, JACK FORMAN, ETHAN HOTT and JORDAN BILLER who gave the green team a good head start. Menominee were in the lead and Kawaga couldn't keep up. Going into the final shooters, GRANT "I'm-a-stud-at-archery-all-of-a-sudden" HOEGLER went out and knocked down a team second best 27 to seal the win for the guys in green. Menominee started off the entire competition on the right note by pulverizing camp Kawaga. 142-84 in the 11 under archery shootout was the final score. Great job boys!

13A Basketball Earns Victory by Jonah Weiss

After an emphasis on getting off to a hot start and playing pressure defense, the 13A Menominee team did just that. BRETT WEISS knocked down shots on the first two possessions to go up 5-0. After a very competitive first half with a lot of steals, jump balls, and foul trouble, CM kept a 6 point lead at the half. Thanks to great guard play by JAKE JONES and ZACHARY HOTT, the tempo remained the way we wanted it to go. ISAAC WEISS AND ETHAN SAKS were absolute monsters on the boards and defensive ends and were a key part in the game. BRANDON BELGRAD gave a few good minutes off the bench as well. After a late CK rally, the game was getting closer. Our guys did not panic and we hit our layups and free throws down the stretch. Menominee prevailed 33-28.

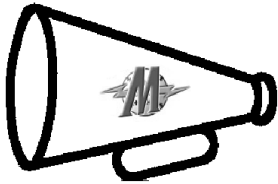
13A Softball Greatest Show on Grass by Jonah Weiss

It's rare to win an A game with ease, but when you have 10 guys that play softball the right way, it's beautiful to watch. After jumping out to a 6-0 lead, the guys won Indian heads on their chests never looked back. ETHAN SAKS, JONNY LAZARUS, and BRETT WEISS all homered in the victory. BENJI SOREN pitched a shutout gem on the bump. JAKE JONES and ADAM MASSELLO were brick walls on the left side of the infield at shortstop and third base respectively. BRANDON BELGRAD, ISAAC WEISS, REMY DOYLE, and NOAH BEN-ISVY all helped contribute to this cruise of a victory at the plate and in the field. Menominee went on to win 17-0.

16B Volleyball by Justin Schoeneman

The 16B Volleyball players came to play and finished with a win. The boys from Kawaga played with fear against our boys especially ROSS FISHER who spiked the ball every time he got it. TYLER and JAKE ZWEIG were a nightmare for the boys at Kawaga with their unrealistic serving and passing. LEVI SCHULMAN and RYAN BLUM played an unforgettable game with no mistakes and leading the team to victory. The men in green took the win in two games 21-12 and 21-14. A great win for camp Menominee and a classy win too.

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11 under Softball Fights until the end by David Mizock

Fresh off hard fought soccer matches that didn't exactly swing their way, the 11 under team took to their most familiar sport; Softball. The best of both camps age groups gathered on the diamond of the Bob Bender ready to get the game under way. Due to good pitching by Kawaga the Menominee oys couldn't get the bats alive through the first 4 innings. Fortunately, with great defense from GAVIN BRAMWIT, BENJI FRIEDMAN and LOUIS KANTER, Menominee were able to hold their opponents to 1 run by the end of the third inning. In the top of the fourth inning, the good guys stumbled slightly and let Kawaga ahead by 4-0. Lucky Canteen Number 151. Then in the 5th inning, the Menominee bats came alive with great hits and base running from WILL PRISE, DOMINIC HAMILTON and BECKET DOYLE. At the conclusion of the 5th, Menominee had closed the gap to 4-2 still in favor of Kawaga. Menominee ace SAM KOGAN was able to lock down Camp Kawaga the rest of the game only allowing three hits and one run the remainder of the game. Great glove work and hitting from NICK PUJOLAS and "Roll Todd" LAZARUS was able to add one more run for Menominee by the end of the game. Gold glove shoutout goes to ETHAN HOTT who recorded 12 of the 21 outs that we generated throughout the game. Even though the men in green gave it their all, the score at the end of the game was not in their favor as CM fell 5-3 to CK in 7. Great effort boys!

Menominee Wrestling Dominates by Jonah Weiss

The orange mats were rolled out and ready in the gully as the CM wrestling squad prepared to end the day with a victory. After some unfortunate luck with the scale, JOEY "Bam Bam" HOFFMAN was unable to go so BRADY "Yes I am also related" WEISS fought hard for 3 rounds for Menominee. Next up at 70 pounds was RYDER "no mercy" SPECTOR who gave his all. Then the fun really started to happen. Not 1, not 2, not 3, not 4, not 5, not 6, but SEVEN (sure!) pins in a row for Menominee made us jump out to a gigantic lead. Shouts out to ADAM "Hershey squirts" HIRSCH, GAVIN "stanky 3 piece" BRAMWIT, JONNY "Bloomer" BLOOM, RYAN "7 seconds" GENENDER, ADAM "Cuff yo chick" SAGERMAN, ETHAN "I wrestled" WAGMAN, and ETHAN "This is my first doing this" SAKS for all getting pins in consecutive matches. REID "Temple" KANTER and JONNY "Mean Machine" LAZARUS did a fine job in the 140 weight class against their best wrestlers. JAKE "Moose" ZWEIG and NOAH "Todd's brother" LAZARUS both went out and represented CM well in the 150 and 160 pound weight classes. JARED "Don't touch me" LOIBEN got the pin at 170 pounds. MAX "Fearless" ZLATNIKOV wrestled up two weight classes and gave his absolute best effort versus a much bigger opponent in the 180 pound weight class and did not get pinned. TYLER "OG Green Scene" KOHLER-DAVIS capped off the night in style with a pin versus a bigger opponent in the heavyweight class. The good guys ended up winning 53-30 and the trophy will remain in the mess hall for another year and hopefully many more to come. Wrestling is not an easy thing to do and I am so proud of each and every wrestler for representing the camp as best as possible. Another shout out to JUSTIN SCHOENEMAN, ROBBIE APPELBAUM, and most importantly KOZ for helping out in this victory.

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