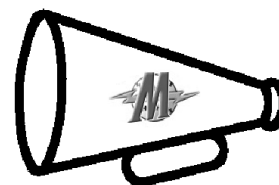


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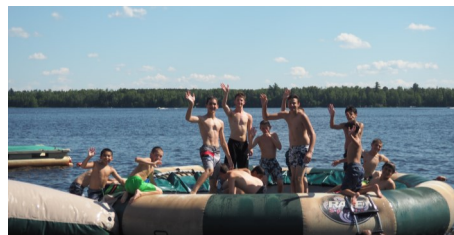
Tuesday 28th July 2015

My day as a camper by BEN APPADOO

During camper counselor switch day I experienced a day unlike any other. As a boy from the UK, camp is an uncommon opportunity, that few children get to experience. I was really excited to see what it was like to be a camper who takes part in a vast array of activities. The day started with Camper/ Counselor Twilight League. I have coached softball in schools back home, but, I've never played to the level that you guys play to over here. I was very lucky to have a team full of talent. We won 20 to 0, to the dismay of MIKE WALMSLEY, with huge hits from NATE FRIEFELD and pin-point accuracy from our pitcher, LEVI PASIKOV. Lunch soon came and with it came some amazing traditions that I had yet to participate in. The men on line were hilarious as they impersonated the counselors extremely well. JAKE CZUPEK was relentless in his impersonation of COREY NEWHAM, wearing his signature 'Captain' vest and shouting 'Game Day!' for no apparent reason. At the table we played freeze to decide who would collect the 'rag,' which was much harder than it looks. It became a real challenge when MAX BEERMANN and JACK FOREMAN began moving my body into ridiculous positions while I tried to keep still. In the afternoon we had a beach party. Unfortunately my day as a camper went on pause while I patrolled as a lifeguard, but it was great to see all the counselors and campers having fun in their new roles. The boys who were elected as counselors and administration did an amazing job, making the day fun for all and giving the staff some great new ideas.



DANIEL DRISCOLL and ROSS FISHER in charge of the Friendly Confines



The campers and counselors enjoying the tramp together on Sand Lake

Camper Counselor beach party by JOSH SWALES

As camper/counselor switch day went ahead, Senior Cabin had the brilliant idea of having a beach party down at the waterfront. All of the boys looked like they were having the time of their lives. ISAAC WEISS and JONAH GAGERMAN both worked together to get counselor LIAM WELSH O'HARE off the tramp and onto the blob. CHRIS MCCULLOUGH also produced some great blobbing, sending SIDHARTH SINGH high into the air. It was great to see all of the counselors in the lake having fun while playing basketball with the campers. The ski and tubing line was that long, that us lifeguards had to start a new book. Big thanks to the guys who don't usually work at the waterfront for helping us out. CIT JOSH STONE did a great job at controlling and organizing the ski and tube line. Everyone had their water bottles and sunscreen on hand down at the waterfront; remember this is very important, especially when the weather is gradually getting hotter.

Tomorrow's weather report
77° Mostly sunny with a nice breeze over Sand Lake.

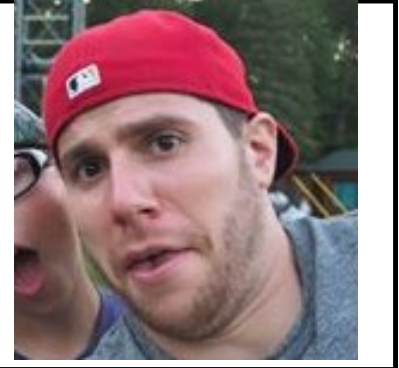
On This Day!
 1994 - Kenny Rogers (Texas Rangers) pitched the 14th perfect game in major league baseball history.

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Staff Profile

Name: Brian Bulgatz **Age:** 28
Cabin: 16 **Activities:** Keepin' it real
Favorite sport: Volleyball **Favorite food:** Mexican
Role model: Koby Stern **Film:** Billy Madison

First Menominee memory: Winning all-camp Knockout as a junior in my first year, 1997.



Casino Night by COREY NEWHAM

"You've gotta know when to hold 'em, know where to fold 'em & know when to walk away and run." Famous words said by Kenny Rodgers which became the motto for the Camp Menominee boys at Casino Night. The evening included traditional games such as 'roulette', 'blackjack' and 'Texas hold 'em'. The boys got stuck right in with JAKE "THE ACE" HERMAN and MAX "BLACKJACK" BEERMANN sweeping the tables early on in the evening. Counselor LIAM "doesn't know how to fold 'em" WELSH O'HARE went all in very early on in Texas hold 'em. This proved to be very costly with LIAM losing all of his money. This demonstrated to the Menominee boys that such a reckless move proved to be a silly one. 'Rock, Paper, Scissors' also made a showing with BRADY "THE ROCK" WEISS and DAVID "SHARP SCISSCORS" FISHER clearing up the chips on offer. CHASE WEIMANN dealt the old favorite game of 'War' while donning his pirate outfit which proved to be very entertaining. A great night had by all and a very well done to the 14 year olds for organizing and running the occasion, providing dealers, high roller tables, waiters and even security guards!



CHASE WEIMANN and JACK FOREMAN in a game of 'War'

Get to Know What I Do by FABIOLA MEZQUITA

The summer camp experience could vary depending on who you are and what you're doing. The kids come to have fun and learn new things The counselors get to coach and inspire, but life as a support staff is a different story. I'm sure many wonder what exactly we do behind the scenes so I'll tell you a little bit about it. Life as kitchen staff can be really busy and tough since you have to deal with long shifts and prepping meals for a lot people, but it can also be a lot of fun. The awesome people working in this area are the two chefs, MIKE TAYLOR and ARNEVA MASON, along with FERNANDA, GRISELDA, LUPITA and PABLO. They usually wake up around 6:00 a.m. to get ready for their first shift, which starts at 7:30 a.m. There they have to prepare everything for breakfast. Housekeeping is a little bit different, there's a lot to do behind the scenes. I wake up at 07:00 a.m. to start working on the Lodge. There I do the offices, the living room, the kitchen and whatever else needs to be done, such as laundry and stock the public restrooms and clean Wassermann Hall. The rest of my schedule varies from doing cabin bathrooms (which by the way seem to stay clean lately, cheers to that), Koz's House or the Health Club. During the day I could be needed to do other tasks (clean the vans, prepare new cabins, make beds). I add them to my list and make sure everything stays in good shape. I usually wake up before everybody and eat with the 'Men on Line'. This way I can work during meal times when nobody is around. Lucky canteen number 153. As I said at the beginning, the experience is different for everybody. I may not be a camper or counselor, but, this being my second year, I can tell that it doesn't matter what you're doing, you'll always get to have a good time at the Friendly Confines. And it gets better every summer!

A QUOTE TO THINK ABOUT:

" I HATED EVERY MINUTE OF TRAINING, BUT I SAID, 'DON'T QUIT. SUFFER NOW AND LIVE THE REST OF YOUR LIFE AS A CHAMPION.'"
Muhammad Ali

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