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“The quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it in your pocket.”

-WILL ROGERS

Town Day, Town Day

by Editor



REID PARKS and the crowd at the Minocqua Bats ski show go wild after an impressive performance by the skiers

As the third Sunday of the session began to approach, campers were already deciding which group they would go with and what restaurant they would be going to for dinner. The “secret” was revealed to camp the morning of, as usual. Still, campers and counselors were more than pleased to receive confirmation that we would once again be heading to Minocqua for a day in town. After the exciting drive, the boys finally arrived. Most groups

darted straight for the toy store after receiving their regulation \$25. **ELI BULMER** managed to pick up a pair of Batman sunglasses and an identification card, completely assuming a new personality as Bruce Wayne. Many campers such as **SPENCER POLOVIN** and **PARKER SUBRIN** ended up purchasing fidget toys, which became evident throughout the day as campers strolled around town playing with their ‘Nee Doh’. As the hours passed us by in a flash while we had fun in town, dinner decision was fast approaching. As for where to eat, a few answers have stood the test of time. Some, such as **HUNTLEY CITRON** and **SPENCER ACKERMAN**, chose to go to the Irish pub, Murtaugh’s, where they indulged themselves on all the fried food their hearts desired. Another popular choice is Alexander’s, the pizza place we meet at by the time the evening rolls around. However, neither of these restaurants are the most coveted spot, as that title would have to go to ever popular Kobe Sushi. The line to get food there was so long that Senior Cabin members **SIMON MANN** and **RYAN MAHONEY** waited about an hour and a half to get their food. After we filled ourselves up, it was finally time to end the night with a Town Day specialty, the Minocqua Bats ski show. Featuring a guest appearance from Menominee legend and photographer **ERIC “EJ DUBS” JAMES WALSH**, the show was already off to a great start. While some truly incredible skiing stunts such as six people going off the ramp and all landing it were pulled off, the experience was slightly different due to technical difficulties with their sound systems.

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Regardless, the clothing and merchandise were flying off the shelves and the campers were going crazy for the concessions which they enjoyed as they watched the show. As the final tricks of the Minocqua Bats ski show dazzled the audience, campers returned to the bus with smiles, souvenirs, and stories, looking forward to the next adventure that camp would bring.

Junior Trip

by Rachael Andrews

Trip week saw the Juniors visit the zoo on Monday accompanied by the 11-year-old age group. There were some animals that were roaming the park which was a big hit to most of the campers, giving them the opportunity to get up close with deer, peacocks, goats and turkeys. **HUXLEY BLUM** made friends with a deer and got the opportunity to sit and pet the animals. The trip to the zoo was followed by McDonald's and a trip to Elmer's for a round of mini golf.

Tuesday saw the campers off for an overnight camping trip to Copper Falls. The bus ride there was full of excitement, Menominee cheers blasting from the Juniors the whole time. A Subway stop for lunch quickly turned into trouble as they had run out of subs sooner than we had imagined. Once at Copper Falls, the Juniors were taken on a two-hour hike to see the waterfall and the beauty of the Northwoods. A Fire and Ice competition started once the Juniors returned to the campsite, with the teams breaking out to see who could create the best pile of sticks and logs to make a fire for dinner. Naturally, Fire won this competition with **LOGAN ACKERMAN** emerging from the woods carrying a massive log. After a hot dog dinner over the fire, they then went off to build forts for Fire and Ice, with the Ice team pulling forward in the competition being the first to create a fort that held the weight of two towels, while Fire took a similar approach with a more teepee style fort. After 30 minutes of intense building, the Ice team was

declared the winner. The rest of the evening consisted of s'mores, a game of Capture the Flag, and some games run by **BETH POTTS**. Wednesday morning arrived, and the Juniors woke up extremely early. With the mindset that they were helping the counselors with breakfast and keeping themselves warm, the Juniors started their own fire using the resources from the night before, only to be immediately caught because they shouted "We have fire!" waking up counselors at 6:45 a.m.

BRODY KAPLAN gathered everyone around their mini fire stating that it was a good time to sing the national anthem, except in his case it was a rendition of "Hey Jude" by the Beatles. **JON WOOL** led the campers off to the beach later that morning, even going as far as to do a 'Baywatch' style run straight into the cold lake. **MARSHALL FREEMAN** was the only one brave enough to swim out into the middle of the lake accompanied by **JON**. Naturally, **PARKER MORRIS** was bitten by not one but two leaches. After a busy morning of beach games, swimming and fire starting, **HENNING** and **ARANZA** arrived at 11:00 a.m. with a breakfast feast of waffles, cereal and doughnuts. Shortly after the treat, they were ready to take us back to camp.



BEAU DAVIDSON watches **LOGAN ACKERMAN** prepare for a putt

On This Day in Menominee History...

34 years ago on this day, **COURTNEY MANN, JON PROVUS** and **MARK CAHAN** led Menominee to a win over Camp Timberlane in Senior Basketball.

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