

The Menominee Megaphone

THE START OF THE SECOND SESSION EDITION

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Second Session Arrival By Editor

Yesterday marked the start of the second session and as usual we started with a bang. After a healthy breakfast, visiting weekend came to an end with all family members departing the friendly confines. All campers and staff were very excited for the second session and began chanting and cheering as not one, but two Lamers buses rolled in around 3pm. As the campers got off the bus, they ran through the traditional man-made tunnel of campers and counselors linking arms and round to the basketball court outside Wasserman Hall for the pep rally. Chants were started by the counselors and Senior Cabin, with experienced campers joining in and new campers getting their first experience of the spirit camp offers. **JASON** began reading out the counselor and camper names who ran to the middle of the court to greet their new cabin friends. It was a great way to begin the second session and we look forward to the many sports, surprises and great things still to come.



All ready for the second session



All campers and counselors arrive onto the basketball court for the pep rally (left)



Big happy faces as the campers get off the Lamers buses (right)

Capture the Flag By Editor

It would not be the first night of the session at Camp Menominee without Capture the Flag. As tradition, the cabins were divided into two teams - 'Team Rick' or 'Team Mike', named after two of our amazing chefs. Team Mike were to wear green or dark colored tops and Team Rick were to wear white tops. One of the best things about Capture the Flag is that all the counselors get involved. Both teams began with the same defensive strategy of defending the flag and not rushing until they saw a gap. **MAX MASON, ASHER DIAMOND, JACK KAPLAN** and **ALEX STELZER** all performed extremely well as flag guards, along with counselors **JOSH BROOKSBY** and **JOE VICKERS** but became overrun as many of the campers began taking more risks and running as a group. Team Rick started the stronger of the two teams as they managed to get many campers inside the safe zone. Team Mike saw this and began their charge for the flag. The first game became a race to the finish and see which team could get the flag back to their side of the field quicker. Some great decoy running and from **EMIL KESTENBAUM** and **TYLER FIELD** allowed Team Mike to throw the flag over the line to counselor **EVAN KOTTER**, to take the first game 1-0. Team Rick had to regroup and come up with a new strategy, which worked instantly as within a few minutes of the start of the second game, many of the campers



Team Mike discuss tactics

and counselors rushed together towards the flag. Both teams slowly moved the flag forward while **ENZO ROEHMER** and **OWEN FITZGERALD** were doing a good job of spearheading the attack for Team Mike. A quick pick up and run from a group of campers was enough to confuse Team Mike and tie the game at 1-1. Meanwhile, **MARC GOODMAN** thought he had taken the flag over the line for Team Mike and extended the lead to 2-0 but after a quick discussion amongst the CIT's, it was determined that **MARC** was tagged just short of the line and the teams would go to a winner takes all third and final game. As the third game began, both teams quickly rushed towards the flag and both defences were overrun by the speed at which they came. Some amazing running, ducking, dodging and sidesteps from **JACK FORMAN** took the flag past countless defenders and towards the line for Team Mike. Although **JACK** was tagged, he had done the hard work and a quick pick up and throw over the line to counselor **COLTAN GAGE** was enough to



Campers beat the counselors

give Team Mike the win 2-1. The CIT's began calling everyone in to give cheers but as they

did, a chorus of "one more game" erupted from the campers. The CIT's agreed but this game had a twist – it would be counselors vs campers. As the teams took their sides, there was a clear numbers advantage in the favour of the campers and this quickly showed as what seemed like hundreds of campers rushed towards the flag in unison. Despite the best defensive efforts of counselors **DAN WAITE**, **JOHNNY PAYNE** and **RYAN WILLIAMS**, there were too many campers and many reached the flag, forming a large circle around it. The camper's strategy worked as they all began sprinting in different directions, confusing the counselors and taking the flag over the line for the win. Capture

the flag was a perfect way to begin the second session and congratulations to the campers for beating the counselors and Team Mike for winning 2-1.

Big 10 and Leagues By Thatcher Schiller
 On the first day of second session, the campers sign up for both Big 10 activities and Leagues. These are fun activities that happen in the morning and afternoons. Big 10 are instructional periods that give campers the opportunity to learn new sports or get better at something they enjoy. **MAX BEERMAN** signed up for wrestling because he wrestles a lot at home while **WILLIAM MARTINEZ** signed up for tennis because it is a sport he wants to learn. In leagues, campers compete against each other in fun competitions. These leagues are a good way to challenge yourself against other campers who might be better than you. **EVAN KOTTER** will run the fishing competitions because he loves to fish so much and **TRUMAN MANKOWSKI** signed up in football because he wins competitions at home and wants to do the same at Camp Menominee.

Camp Fire By Editor

On a beautiful evening at the friendly confines all campers, counselors and staff gathered down at the waterfront for a real Camp Fire. The camp fire is a perfect way to take a step back from the non-stop first day and take in the beautiful surroundings the Northwoods has to offer. **THOMAS C ADLER** and **MILES PROVUS** entertained everyone around the camp fire by playing "Keep on the Sunny Side of Life" on their guitars. Between each chorus, **TOM** would pause and allow many of our counselors to tell a joke. **COOPER BORSTEIN**, **CHRIS KOPKE**, **MAX BEERMANN** and **BEN LAZARUS** made everybody smile and laugh with their jokes before **TOM** began playing and everybody began singing again. Following some inspiring speeches from counselors **ADAM BALTZ** and **JAKE HERMAN**, the Jackson 2 – **JACKSON WUSTNER** and **SHANE O'RIORDAN** treated us to a sing-a-long masterpiece. There was just enough time for **JASON** to end the night with a speech about why he loves camp and finally singing taps before all campers and counselors headed back to their cabins to write their cabin contracts and session goals.



A full camp around a beautiful Camp Fire

Riddle of the Day: I have keys that open no locks. Space but no room and you can enter but not go in. What am I?
 (Submit your correct answer to the Megaphone Office for a free canteen)