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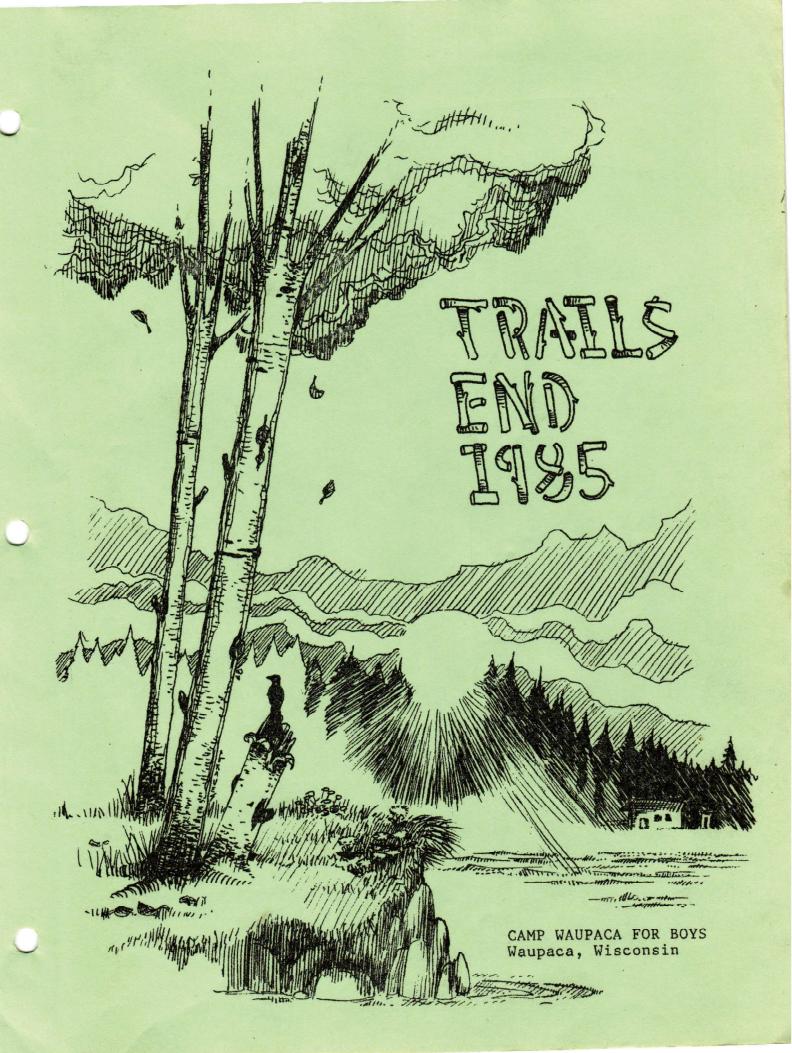
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From the Editor

It is with great pride that I present this year's Trail's End Yearbook. So much goes on during a summer that it is scarcely possible to capture the excitement, the energy, or the beauty of a summer at camp. The thrill of a camper's first hit at bat, the look on the face of a camper when he completes a craft project, or the recognition that a boy has made a new friend; these are important times in the life of a camper. It is that spirit that we try to encapsulate in this annual volume. Aside from the words and pictures you take home with you there are memories within your hearts and minds that will linger on forever. Perhaps you will be reminded in twenty years of a sunset somewhere else in the world that looked like one over Lake Stratton. Perhaps you will run into a former camper at an airport in 30 years and over a few minutes of conversation you will be swept back to that glorious feeling you had at camp. It does happen. It will happen to you. You have become a part of history here at camp and in turn the memories are yours.

Of all the things you did at camp there are a few that are special to you. We have tried to capture what we could in words and pictures mentioning as many names as possible. Be aware that NO Yearbook can be perfect. If we have left you out in print, don't sweat it---you have that memory in your heart.

I hope you will have as much enjoyment from this book as I did in helping to create it. Summers have been very special for me here at Waupaca. After all, this is my 20th anniversary at Camp. Enjoy this year's TRAIL'S END...

Paul W. Warshauer, Editor-in-Chief



Memo from Manny

WOW! What a summer! Who could ask for anything better. Imagine going 52 days without rain. When we say it's another

beautiful day at Waupaca, we mean it!

The weather is only part of making this a great summer. When the first four week campers left we had an unprecedented number of boys who wanted to remain. Some could—others could not because of other plans that had been made for the rest of the camp season. We were very pleased to receive many phone calls from parents of campers that had gone home telling us how happy their sons were and how much they had enjoyed camp. We appreciated hearing from so many of you. We felt that the summer had gone well.

We attribute the great summer to an outstanding staff. They gave more than what was expected. The spirit was at a very high level. Besides the daily class instruction, there were several special events that you will read about in this Yearbook. We wish parents could have been present to see some of the evening programs as well as the special activities. The enthusiasm of the campers was worth all the extra effort that was put into these programs.

A special thanks to the staff. On the waterfront were Al Shambow, Rob Heath, Ken Saunders, Ron Stolz, Lenny Kass, and Sandie Kass who taught swimming. To Tom Lehn, John Morris, Mark Dabrowski--thanks for the many hours of hard work pulling skiiers around and around the lake over and over again. We appreciated the special efforts of Tim Togstad in the crafts shop and all the "fix it" work he put in. To Steve Dudzak, Frank Felsl, and the other staff who guarded the safety of the campers as they rode the ever so popular Mini Bikes, thank you for the hours of joy the campers experienced and the fun! There's more...

We hope campers have improved on their tennis skills under the direction of Todd Goers giving both tennis and also golf lessons. On the athletic fields the sounds of excitement rang out during baseball and basketball instruction under the expert direction of Andy Harris. On target was Steve Dudzak as he showed the campers the proper method of handling a rifle and the necessary safety requirements. Yes--More! It did our hearts good to see how the campers have progressed in our computer program. It certainly is a delight to have seen every boy enrolled in the program increase their knowledge daily. Parents will certainly note this as well. We are grateful to John Everman, Joe Wood, and Rich Westrick, (who also doubled and taught outstanding photography classes) for their excellent guidance.

We are most grateful to our nurses Sandie Kass and Annette Wuest for watching over the camper's health and safety. It was also a lot of fun having them participate in many of the camp programs which helped them get to know the campers better. Thanks for the many hours of tender care.

To Lenny Kass, a big thank you for all the exciting, new programs including the Jogging Club (with Sandie and Annette), the Fishing Club (which the boys went for "hook, line and sinker"). Also thanks Lenny and Sandie for promoting our new Windsurfing classes. Our hats are off to you.

No camp can be a success without filled tummies. To our kitchen staff we are eternally grateful. Andrea Wanty our head cook who plans the menus along with Cindy Moe and Barb Oswald as assistant cooks made excellent meals. Thanks Colette Oswald, Valerie Ashenberg, and Stacy Brenemen for their fine assistance in keeping everything running smoothly. No one can deny the meals were super! Many, many thanks!

Camp would not be looking like it did when we opened if it were not for the efforts of Warren Metzdorff assisted by Todd Goers and John Morris putting on the finishing touches. We appreciate your interest, dedication, and concern. We also up the maintenance is no small job. We thank Neil Nelson for keeping things clean.

You will long remember those overnight camp outs at Hartman Creek Park. Those who had the opportunity to cook out and sleep in the tents will remember this wonderful experience. We are grateful that Frank Felsl was in charge.

Who can deny the spirit of Camp Waupaca is the best. Keeping us laughing and dramatically up to date is none other than Paul Warshauer. One never knows what surprises he has in store for us in the mess hall whether it is a "look a like," a song, poem--those spirited happenings make Camp Waupaca a fun place to be. How about those great skits? We owe the credit to Paul Warshauer for publication of this outstanding Yearbook assisted by John Everman, Rob Heath, Mike Euer and Rich Westrick.

Campers who have been to Waupaca in the past know that it is second to none. All the fun activities you participated in were planned by Ron Lavine our program director for the last 16 years. Ron knows what campers enjoy doing--he in turn enjoys doing for campers. We are very lucky to have him on our staff.

It takes a devoted person to be the Assistant Director. Mike has been with us for 17 years and each year things get better because of his positive approach in making sure campers are happy and cared for.

It won't be too long before you will be hearing from us about the '86 camping season. There will be a reunion in December and registration will begin again in October for next summer. This summer we added windsurfing to the program. We will add an even bigger windsurfing class to the program with even more windsurfers! There will, of course, be new and exciting programs added next year.

We have had the greatest summer and thank the parents for all the phone calls & letters of appreciation. Again, we want to thank you for being with us this summer and hope you and your family have a great year.

> Campingly, Manny and Lillian Desnet, Directors



Office

Drive into camp and what is one of the first things you see? THE OFFICE, that's what!

Hurrying-, scurrying-, activity-filled, action-packed office. You know, the hub around which all of camp life revolves - THE PLACE you come when you want a change of class, something from the canteen, an announcement made, a shirt printed, something ordered from town, your mail, your packages, a stamp, a friend paged, or just a friendly smile and a little attention. Perhaps you're looking for clean laundry, or wanting to remove your valuables from the safe. Maybe it's to find out what time dinner is being served - or what we're having - or to browse through the lost and found. Perhaps you're looking for Manny, or Ron, or Paul. Whatever the reason, THE OFFICE is your first stop in the morning and your last stop at night!

The 1985 camping season is just about over, and I am proud of the outstanding program we were able to provide this summer and am very pleased that all of you enjoyed yourselves so very much. It seems that each summer our program gets better and our campers more responsive and enthusiastic. Just watching you grow, develop, and be happy was reward enough for us.

Good programs do not just arrive as by magic. They take a great deal of work and even more important, the personal interest of people who like to work with children. We had such people on our staff this summer. They had the patience, understanding, and dedication to youth that it takes to make everyday and every boy special.

Many people deserve thanks for making this an outstanding year. Warren Metzdorf for making sure everything was ready for the opening day as well as for directing the waterfront and seeing that all went smoothly there. Also, for driving the waterskiers around and around the lake, instructing and prodding until the skill was mastered. To Warren a big thanks.



To Paul Warshauer, I take off my hat for the many moments of laughter he has given us with his special presentations, his exciting drama presentations, his spirit to prod us along when the going got tough, his superb handling of the yearbook - with pictures and typing completed way ahead of schedule, his exciting escapades with the C.I.T.'s, and for his suitcase which always seemed to contain the appropriate costume. Also, how would we have ever made it through the Early Bird trip without his help? Thanks for a great summer, Paul!

To Ron Lavine, a thanks for another superb job of programming. As the leaves fall and the snow flies, we are sure that every camper will think in fond memory of the activities they participated in this summer and will be appreciative of the great job you did - not only for the Olympics or the Blue and White War but for team competition, classes, Moment of Madness, Capture the Flag, and more. What would we do without your expertise in computers. Hats off to you and a big "Congratutations" for receiving your doctrate this summer!

To Andrea Wanty and the rest of the kitchen staff, I say thanks from the bottom of my stomach! I know how hot it is in the kitchen and in cooking over the grills in the heat of the day, and I just want you to know that I appreciate you! You have worked hard serving good-looking, good-tasting food, and want you to know that we just wouldn't have made it through the summer without you!

To Sandi and Lenny Kass, it was great having you with us this summer! Your enthusiasm, energy, and willingness to do whatever needed doing is certainly appreciated. Sandi, you and Annette certainly took care of our scratches, sore throats, earaches, and whatever else ailed us. Thanks for caring. And, Annette, when you're patching up those soldiers in the great U.S. Army over the next four years, recollect the summer of '85 and all of us here at Camp Waupaca 'cause we'll be thinking of you!

Thanks, once again, to the three of you for starting our Camp Waupaca Running Club. Each camper who participated will appreciate you for years to come.

To Rich Westrick, thanks for helping with all the electrical chores. Moving bells, installing buzzers, and checking wires are all necessary facts of camping, and you did a superb job.

To Manny and Lil Desnet there are not enough words in the English language to adequately thank you for all you've done. As in the past, your example, interest, patience, sense-of-humor, and direction has been superb. Every camper in the world should have the experience of attending your camp!

To the rest of the staff, I have enjoyed working with you all summer. You have been a hard-working, dedicated staff who has shown your enthusiasm for each camper and your ability to carry a task through to completion. I hope you find it possible to be with us another summer or two in the years ahead!

To my wife Georgia a big thanks for helping in the office, for going to town for supplies, and for all those things you've done all summer to help wherever needed. I really appreaciate you.

Now, I find myself looking things over to see what must be done before camp opens for the 1986 season - it won't be long now! Make certain that you're ready to be here by reserving your bunk early.

Have a great year, and I'm looking forward to seeing you in June!

Mike Euer Assistant Camp Director



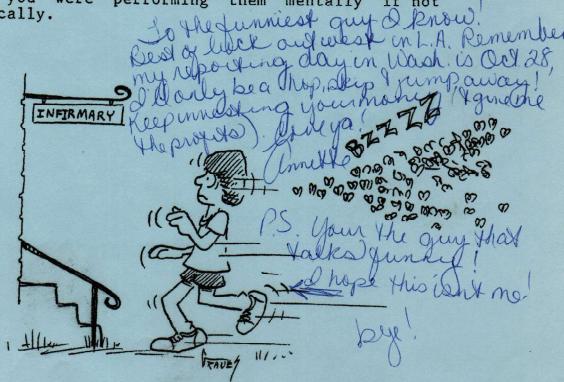
Health Center

This summer, Camp Waupaca took on a new "healthy" attitude: out with the old name "Infirmary" and in with the "Health Center." Not only were we concerned with campers and staff illnesses, but also with their health. To promote such an attitude we developed a weight reduction group, morning exercises, and a running club.

The weight reduction group headed by two fearless leaders, Paul Warshauer and John Everman were the big losers. The biggest losses were attributed to Mike Shea, who lost 10 pounds, Ricky Spritz losing 5 pounds, Don Feinstein with 3 pounds, and Corey Fisher, Harold Alterson & Scott

Macomber who lost 2 pounds each.

Morning exercises consisted of stretching and aerobics to get the camper's blood pumping and prepare them for a full day of activities. Modern music was selected and played on Ed Schotz's Boom Box to establish a rhythmic beat. Occasional guest appearances by Paul Warshauer were made to lead the exercises. Because he often chose such exhausting and strenuous activities such as the fearsome finger lifts and eye blinks, the nurses had to limit the number of these sessions in order to allow the campers to make a full recovery. The camper who put out the most energy during these exercises was Howie Fleischer. That's OK Howie, we know you were performing them mentally if not physically.



The new attitude seemed to keep the campers the Health Center and in their from activities. Only minor bumps and bruises, scrapes and scratches, twists and turns, & aches and pains

invaded the camper's fun.

The nurses also took over the cabin inspection -- a clean cabin is a healthy cabin. With a little help from Rich Westrick (the PM inspector) the cabins were inspected twice daily to make sure that all those little "items" were off the floor and things were put away. Camp was generally clean. Cabin 11 retained a high degree of order, always a masterpiece! On the other side there was Cabin 7 who, well, let's just say that at least they didn't misplace anybody!

We would like to thank all the campers and staff for some special moments and wish you all a

happy school year.

Sandy Kass, R.N. Annette Wuest, G.N.



Kitchen

It is hard to believe that the summer of '85 is over here at Camp Waupaca. How many meals do you think you have under your belts? It is our goal each and every summer to make the meals an "awesome" experience for each of you and we seem to have made the grade with this summer's pizzas! The compliments made the heat in the kitchen bearable.

Let's see...there were also hamburgers on the grill, bagels and cream cheese, blueberry muffins, peanut butter (almost every meal), and of course hot fudge sundaes. Didn't we all have fun for the special Oriental Night with that delicious beef and chicken teriyaki, home-made fortune cookies, and egg rolls?

We hope these goodies are brought to mind when you are about to return for the summer of 1986. Thank you for your politeness, patience, and plentiful appetites. Have a happy and healthy winter. A special thanks to Manny, Lil, and the staff who made "meal preparations" a good experience. Study hard and we will see you next summer!

The Kitchen Staff Andrea Wanty Cindy Barb Colette Valerie Stacey B.



Stats

Statistics) has been fun. But before we explain why it was fun, let's explain what Stats is. Stats is the compilation of the standings of all the competition games and the collection of all the baseball averages for every camper during the entire summer. A lot of you might not know this, but a lot of time was spent figuring out your averages, getting the score sheets from lazy umps, and decifering Al Shambow's score sheets. It was fun fun because it was the only class we got to drink pop in.

Now at this time we would like to give out some annual

awards for 1985.

