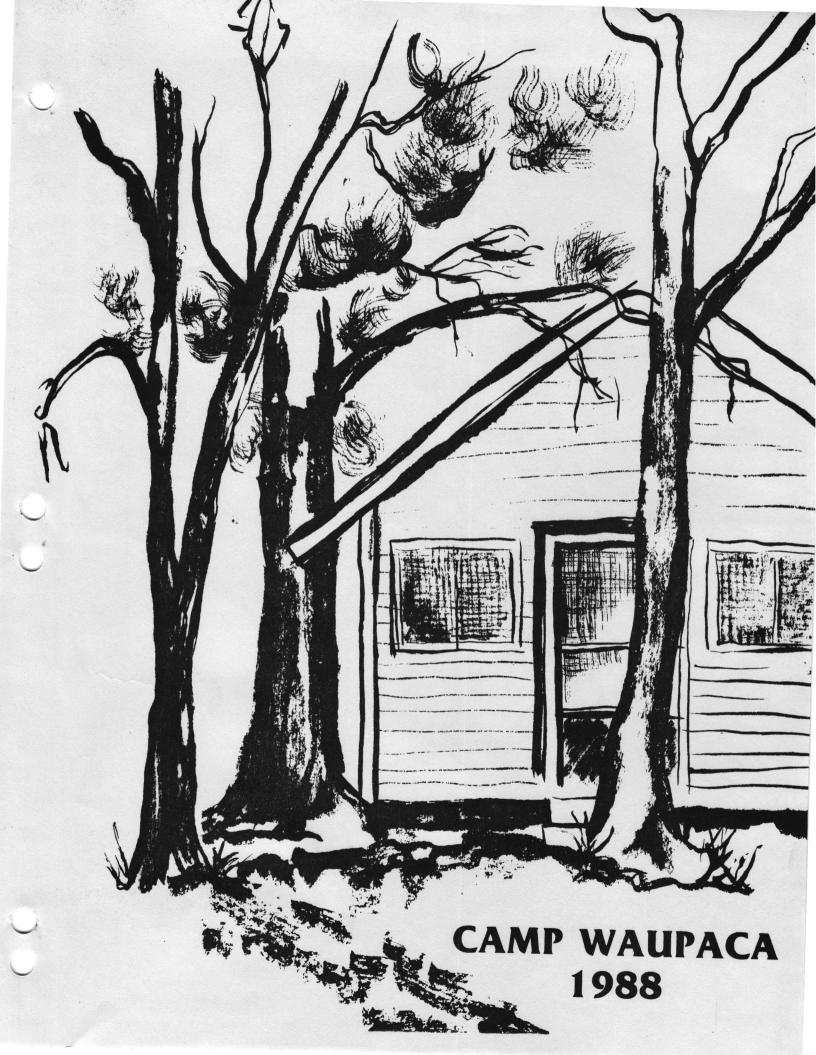
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FROM THE EDITOR

What is a summer camp season all about? Is it just 4 or 8 weeks away from home? Is it just "busy work" or glorified baby sitting? Or is the experience something else?

Perhaps it is an awareness that people cam live together, work together, and learn together in a rustic environment and have fun at the same time.

Making friends is an integral part of a Camp Waupaca season. Some boys & staff become close friends for life. I myself will attend a wedding of one of my former campers at the close of this season. We have kept in touch for that many years!

Learning to be self sufficient is another important lesson we stress here at Camp. Some boys never made their own beds before coming to camp. They did here. Some never had to clean up after themselves. The did here. Some never felt like they were part of a group or that they had to care for or look after each other. They did here! Some of these social skills are unique to our camp setting!. I am proud that these and many other "people skills" are taught successfully at Camp Waupaca.

I have edited the Trail's End for ten consecutive years and am proud to be a part of this living and learning at Camp Waupaca. It is truly an honor to be able to capture our memories in a volume such as this with text, artwork, and photographs.

The greatest joy for any editor is to have a reader tell you how real the book is; how close to reality the bound volume came to his or her own experience. The staff and I have endeavored to do just that. We place not only the scores of the competitions & results of the games, but the real life moments of individual triumphs and the silly, funny moments of hilarity. We tried to include moments when a boy made a discovery or acquired new confidence. Of course we have also included the antics of our qualified staff and administration as well.

I trust that you will read & reread this book often. It, with your own memories, is a record of a truly memorable summer camp season.



MEMO FROM MANNY

The theme for this summer's weather could have been from the movie, "Some Like It Hot!" We are not complaining for had it been cool or rainy, we are sure that the campers would not have been happy.

Our goal at Camp Waupaca has been for the campers to have a fun summer. We feel that this goal was accomplished this season.

Our fine staff is to be complimented in giving more than 100% in their efforts in providing an outstanding program. Boys selected their own activities; topping the list was water skiing, of course. At Camp Waupaca a camper could choose to ski six days a week. Our other programs of swimming, baseball, basketball, dramatics, tennis, computers, golf, archery, riflery, crafts, D & D, Ga Ga, photography all kept the campers busy and offered an opportunity to learn new activities.

Our thanks to the entire staff with special appreciation to Bob Mowen, Tom Ames, & Dennis Bravick for arriving early to get camp ready. Neil Nelson for the new coats of paint. To Andrea, Lisa, Debbie, Sharon, & Lori for preparing the cabins. Also thanks to Andrea who was in charge of our outstanding meals along with Lisa & Debbie, assisted by Lori, Sharon, Lynn, & Steve. We are grateful.

To Warren Metzdorff who came to camp many weekends to put the finishing touches and preparing the waterfront, we are appreciative.

Paul Warshauer, thanks for your many special programs in the Mess Hall and Horseshoe--you gave us a lot of laughter.

To our dedicated nurses Marianne Daniels & Mary Licari, your "TLC" to the boys when they needed you will long be remembered and appreciated.

Ron Lavine, we tip our hats & salute you for all our fantastic programs; you kept the campers busy & happy with your many talents in providing outstanding activities. Thank you--we appreciated you on our team.

To Mike Euer, our Assistant Director who does so many things to make certain camp operates as well as it does. We are deeply appreciative of your devotion & interest in the campers & Camp Waupaca. A big thank you.

As the 1988 trail comes to an end, we want to thank campers for being with us at Waupaca & parents for sending them.

Have a great year, Campingly, Lil & Manny Desnet

OFFICE

The 1988 season of Camp Waupaca is just about over, and I find myself looking things over to see what must be done before camp opens in 1989--you know it won't be long now.

Campers have participated in boating, canoeing; sailing; swimming; archery; crafts; dramatics; and many, many more camp activities. As you read your yearbook, many memories will come to you. You have had the chance to form many new friendships, not only among your cabin mates but also with boys and staff from other cabins at camp.

Good programs do not just arrive as by magic. The 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 out staff this summer. They had the patience, understanding, and dedication to youth that it takes to make everyday and every boy special.

A special thanks to Bob Mowen for coming to camp in May and seeing that everything was ready for the opening day as well as for directing the World's finest Craft program.

Thanks also to Warren Metzdorf for directing the waterfront and seeing that all went smoothly there. Also, for pulling the waterskiers around and around the lake, instructing and prodding until the skill was mastered. To Warren a big thanks for the little extras that he does for all of us.

Thanks also to my swimming staff: Sean Montgomery, Tom Ames, Pete Spaeth, Eli Soto, DAvid Euer, Bob Jakus, and David Rockabrand for an outstanding job of teaching swimming, life saving, and guarding during free period.

To Paul Warshauer, I take off my hat for many moments of laughter he has given us with his special presentations, his exciting drama program, 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 is suitcase which always seemed to contain the appropriate costume. 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 Olympics or the Blue and White War but for team competition, classes, and more. What would we do without your expertise in camper psychology. Hats off to you and thanks for the winter time idea suggestions.

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 I want you to know that we just wouldn't have made it through the summer without you! The extra butter and special pizza was the special touch that helped make the day.

To Mary Licari and Marianne Daniels, it was great having you with us this summer! Your enthusiasm, energy, and willingness to do whatever needed doing is certainly appreciated. You certainly took care of our scratches, sore throats, earaches, crouch rot, and whatever else ailed us.

Thanks for caring.

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 Camp Waupaca!

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 with us another summer or two in the years ahead!

To my son David a big thanks for helping in the office, teaching swimming on the waterfront, and for all those things you've done all summer to help wherever needed. The rugrats and I really appreciate you.

May God bless you this year wherever you go, in whatever you do, and with whomever you're associated. May He, in His great wisdom, watch over you, care for you, keep you health and safe, and bring you back to Camp Waupaca in 89!

> Mike Euer Assistant Camp Director

INFIRMARY

The yearbook - what shall we say? It was all so much fun!! The first week getting the health center organized, getting to know the counselors and all of us going out to eat at the Wheelhouse. Then the children came - Gavin Greene, Craig Gilbert, Marc Lockett, Josh Reingold, Dan Oseran, Charlie Friedberg, Bobby Berland, Brian Horowitz, Jon Gordon, Michael Cohen, Greg Sklar, Scott Davis, Vincent Licari, Angelo Licari, Brett Schwartz and Dave Weitzenfeld - so many, more dear children. It was such a fun, relaxing month - changing our names from Mary and Marianne to Minnie and Pearl and cabin inspection, talking to the children at our "rec area", swimming, smiley faces and "Pictionary".

Then the second four weeks - lots more children!! More fun - more activity, more bites, more colds - more everything! More children to enjoy - Jeremy Faust, Brett Pine, Danny Shapiro, Jon Shulkin, Jeffrey Shulkin, Michael Komessar, Chris Clarke, Jon Sills and David Clarke. Gold Rush Days, Talent night, Tribes, Wheel of Fortune night, Camp Monopoly, - Mannie Desnet, Ron Lavine, Paul Warshauer, Mike Euer, Bobbo Mowen, Warren Metzdorff - so many fun times and so many, many wonderful people. Thank you all so much for a wonderful summer. We loved Camp Waupaca so much. "We never had it so good."

The first four weeks of cabin inspection was great fun. We became Minnie and Pearl and more of those funny hats and gave smiley faces or sad faces depending. Everyone did really well most of the time with cabin 3, the littlest people, being the grand overall winner.



KITCHEN

The nightmare of the Camp Waupaca kitchen staff started in early June; the day Andrea telephoned us all to come scrub down the cabins. We thought it would be quick and easy but only Andrea, Lisa, and Debbie knew what a terrible job it was. After cleaning the cabins we moved onward to the kitchen. The kitchen in fact was almost harder than the cabins because the more we cleaned the messier it looked.

After the cleaning jobs were done the day of June 14th approached; which was the day all the first four week counselors arrived.

Our first counselor was decked out in purple and white gam shorts, and a matching shirt. He was a polite young man with the ability to help us sorry charcoal in. His name was Darrell Chvoy. Later that evening, the counselors went out with the kitchen staff, for a fun filled evening.

Then before we knew it, june 19th arrived!!

Some of the Kids were returning campers, and others were new comers - but the kitchen staff got to know everyone of them.

The return of Danny Genender with his glass of water was nicely welcomed back.

Then there were the Sklar brothers - Brendon and Greg - who were total opposites.

Brendon enjoyed calling us all maids - but by the end of camp the kitchen staff taught him to say "please" and "thank you".

A big thanks goes to Bobby Berland for his newspaper articles from the Wisconsin Dells.

On July 17th the second four weeks started. There were more kids and counselor for all of us to get to know. We'd like to thank all the kids for helping us setup the tables in the dining hall.

Even though the summer started out as a nightmare, it ended with us glad to have gotten to know all of you! Thanks for a memorable summer!

The Kitchen Staff !!!!



MAINTENANCE

I came to camp in April. As I am the first one to start work here, there are many things to do. This year has kept me busy as usual!

I am the camp painter. This year I started with the bathrooms, trip shack, bar-b-que shack, and inside several cabins. My biggest project was painting the kitchen white & blue. I hope the kitchen staff likes it.

As most of you know, I also clean bathrooms everyday. This job isn't too easy, but the boys did try to pitch in and help me. I also did minor jobs around camp.

All in all it has been a good summer.

Neil Nelson, Sanitary Engineer

STATS

The statistics department, commonly referred to as the stats department, saw many highs and lows across the score sheets this year. From diving rugby shots to last second shots in basketball. The following are some of the notable awards.

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Statisticians, "Let's play two today,"

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