

## 2021 Reunion Time Capsule

(assembled with material provided by those present in body and spirit)

**January 1996**...Paul “Froggy” Warshauer and Jeff Rissman meet at the home of Mike Lurie in Plymouth, MN to hatch a plan about having a reunion at Camp Waupaca...someday...

**Labor Day Weekend 1996**...after weeks and weeks of too much drama over money and insurance waivers, 61 alumni and their family members (over 100 people in total) gather once again at the sacred grounds we called home, Camp Waupaca For Boys...we see **Manny Desnet** and his entire *mispacha*...



**1997-2019**...since the first reunion, there has always been a summer presence of Camp Waupaca alumni in Waupaca...**Rick Passman** saves his pennies and plans his annual vacation around our reunion weekends...we don't always go into camp, but we do rent it occasionally, and we always ask permission to maybe spend a few hours on the grounds when we don't have a scheduled rental...sometimes we can, other times we can't...*any time in camp is a blessing*...these visits to Waupaca usually include time spent at local watering holes (Clearwater Harbor, JR's, Weasel's), local eateries (Simpson's Restaurant, Subway at **Sonya Wanty's** Shell station, Wheelhouse, Chef Chu's (the old Wind Mill), King's Table (now closed), Little Fat Gretchen's, Waupaca Woods Restaurant, Chain O' Lakes Bar & Grill (formerly The Roost), Merrimac (now closed), Dairy Queen)...we also explore local areas of interest, including Central Waters Brewery in Amherst, Point Brewery in Stevens Point, Waupaca County Post to find previously unknown articles about camp...many of these off year reunions usually start on a Wednesday at Graffiti's Sports Pub in Stevens Point...

**Saturday August 13, 2016**...at our annual board meeting at the Horseshoe, Sachem **Larry Gordon** suggests we pre-fund the next reunion rental by asking our more affluent members to provide funds so we're not running on fumes financially going into the reunion...

**Saturday August 10, 2019**...while dining at Simpson's Restaurant in Waupaca, after a successful visit to camp, plans are made for a visit in 2020...we asked CYJ director Robin Anderson earlier in the day about possible visit dates, but the schedule does not work out for a visit to camp in 2020...she also expressed with gratitude a generous donation to CYJ from our own **Herb Beller** – a very nice inboard ski boat...now, how to get it from Maryland to Wisconsin...

**March 2020**...despite news of Coronavirus (remember, it will be over by Easter), plans are made to go to Waupaca for our annual visit in mid-August...notifications go out, reservations are made, and we're excited for our summer gathering...

**May 18, 2020**...CYJ cancels all summer camping sessions...for the first time since camp started in 1951, there would be no campers on Stratton Lake...even during the polio pandemic of the early 1950s, camp was always in session...the CWRG sends a note of sadness to CYJ, and Director Robin Anderson replies

with a heartfelt thank you in return for expressing our concern...we inquire about a visit to camp in August, and she turns us down citing COVID-19 concerns...

**June 2020...****Rick Passman** bows out of attending the August reunion due to COVID-19 concerns, as he himself tests positive, luckily with no symptoms...email to board members and reunion groupies, and post to Facebook that we have an extra room in mid-August, who wants it?...

**Late July 2020...**the difficult decision has been made to abandon plans to gather together in Waupaca this year...too much concern (and rightly so) over the pandemic, and Central Wisconsin was a hotspot...calls go to travel sites to try to recoup our non-refundable reservations...luckily, our dear friend Julie Miller of the Ramada fields these calls and refunds our money...

**August 2020...**alternate plans are made by **Paul Warshauer** and **Mike Lurie** to meet at reunion headquarters in Sleepy Eye, MN to work on the website and digitizing more memories...



**Thursday August 20, 2020...**Big Chief **Paul Warshauer** sends historic material to Tracy Behrendt, Director of the Waupaca County Historical Society...the package includes a bugle from **Skipper Kuklin**, a flag used by **Bruce Fogel** as Betsy Ross in 4<sup>th</sup> of July plays in the 1960s, a printing plate from our Camp Waupaca Trail's End Yearbook, photos, forms, patches and medals from various activities...

**September 25, 2020...**despite the ongoing global pandemic and lack of a vaccine, we are actively discussing reunion dates in 2021, to celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of camp, and the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our first camp rental in 1996...after some back and forth, we come to agreement with CYJ on the weekend of August 27-29, 2021...

**November 2020...**sad news - **Chuck Humburg**, a staff member for one year in 1980, passes away from COVID-19...we continue to see death notices from former campers and staff and their families...we also get happy news of weddings, *bar mitzvahs*, births and graduations...

**Monday February 15, 2021...**we get our first look at the contract for our rental this summer...terms are very favorable, so planning begins...

**Saturday March 6, 2021...****Mike Lurie** goes to Waupaca after an exhausting 3 days cleaning out his Mom's condo...asks permission to visit camp, and permission is granted!...he does a Facebook Live video, while trudging through the remaining winters' snow, discussing plans for the reunion and requesting angel donations...well over \$1,000 is raised from that one video!...

**Tuesday March 23, 2021...**a "Google Forms" registration form is set up and shared with the CWRG community to sign-up for the reunion online!...**Paul Warshauer** is the first to register...we get on-line registrations from **Scott Levine**, **Ric Poole**, **Steve Shyman**, **Todd Laff**, **Joseph Hecht**, **Glen Spear**, **Karamath Khan**, **Dick Garb**, and **Aram Adler**, all by the end of May!!....

**Thursday April 1, 2021...****Mike Lurie** returns to Waupaca after another 4 exhausting days cleaning out his Mom's condo and once again seeks, and is granted, permission to stop by camp...**Paul Warshauer** joins him and another Facebook Live video is made (all the snow was gone) discussing plans for the reunion...another \$500 is raised!!...dinner at Simpson's Restaurant, of course...



**Friday April 2, 2021**...visit to the Waupaca County Historical Society to view our objects and discuss plans for a formal display to be created and a long term storage / curation of Camp Waupaca artifacts..."It will be set up by Memorial Day and it will stay there for a year" declares Tracy Behrendt, the Director of the Historical Society...a trip to the studios of WILW 96.3 FM...**Paul** and **Mike** are interviewed by DJ Wayne Netzler, and it is broadcast across America – ok, maybe within a 10-mile radius of the studio...

**Wednesday May 12, 2021**...**Rick Passman** sends a text message to **Mike Lurie** counting down the weeks until the reunion starts...they have been texting weekly since August 2019 after the last get together in Waupaca, counting down the weeks until this reunion...

**May-July, 2021**...postcards go out to all members for which we have a postal mailing address...also start sending emails and making phone calls...all efforts are made to reach everyone to let them know about our reunion plans...postcards come back as undeliverable (this is why we bug you incessantly!), but **Mike Lurie** finds the current addresses on [www.whitepages.com](http://www.whitepages.com) and sends a new postcard...our most power equipped reunion database gets a major update from this exercise...

**Tuesday June 8, 2021**...a virtual board meeting (ZOOM) is held to discuss some major concerns about the reunion...issue #1 is a mask policy: "thou shalt wear a mask if unvaccinated"...issue #2 is a decision on future reunion rentals at camp: "this shall be our LAST on-site reunion lead by the current leadership"...notice of such goes out to all members...

**June 2021**...**George Lamm** wants to bring his boat to camp to give rides on Lake Stratton...that will require an insurance rider naming CYJ as loss payee in case George crashes into the dock...

**July-August, 2021**...lots of emails and phone calls and Zoom meetings between **Paul** and **Mike** and CYJ to make our plans..."Who is grilling the burgers?"..."How much do the burgers cost?"..."Can we put cheese on the kosher hamburgers like we used to in the old days?"..."Except for the burgers and the breakfasts, our dinners will NOT be kosher – is this an issue?"..."Why not play Newcomb and kickball instead of 12" softball, where someone might get hurt?"..."How many people are coming?"...we hear from campers from ALL decades of camp...

**Friday August 20, 2021**..."When will we see the Saunders boys?" inquires Big Chief **Warshauer**..."Well, we're not coming" informs **Ralphie**...disappointment, but understandable...also heard from **Joel Kettler** and **Joe Hecht** that, due to COVID-19, they will have to decline...

**Monday August 23, 2021**...the final registrations are in, and the last payments are made...**Rick Passman** is leaving Reno tomorrow!!...**Mike Lurie** is printing name badges and Blue & White War cheer song sheets (Blue team on blue paper, White team on white paper!) for the first time...**Paul Warshauer** works on the new and improved "Super Duper Relay"...he sends out requests for Big & Little Chiefs for the Relay...could it be **Karamath Khan** and **Steve Prebish**?...What about a married couple as big chiefs..."The War is heatin' up!"...

**Tuesday August 24, 2021**...a new registration pours in from **Ben Grais**, a first-time reunion attendee...joining **Ben** for the first time at a reunion are: **Jeffrey Kaplan** and **Marc Zisook**...we urge **George Lamm** to NOT bring his boat...

**Wednesday August 25, 2021 – noon**...the "advance team" arrives at Graffiti's Sports Bar in Stevens Point, on the Square...**Rick Passman**, **Mike Lurie**, **Paul Warshauer**, and **Errol Grisard** are the first 4 to arrive...beers are drunk, meals consumed, 2 years of life caught up on..."What song is that playing in the background?" asks **Paul Warshauer**..."Kung Fu Fighting" replies the group..."sung by Carl Douglas" exclaims **Mike Lurie**...he is challenged to that answer but is ultimately proved correct...to the Ramada to



check-in and see our friend Julie Miller at the front desk to greet us with hugs and happiness..."We have to go to Pick 'n Save to get stuff for the reunion" declares **Lurie**..."Why not go to Piggly Wiggly?" argues **Warshauer**...just like a bickering married couple...48 years of Camp Waupaca friendship will do that to you...supplies are bought..."Don't forget side dishes for our visit to **Wayne Towne** tomorrow"...which cole slaw and potato salad do we like best?..."Better get more than that" says **Passman** – "There will be 7 of



us"..."Don't forget condiments and drinks"...a quick stop at camp to drop off stuff for the reunion, and check out our old flagpole...**Errol Grisard** and **Rick Passman** are the engineers for flagpole...a list of parts is made to make sure it's in proper working order one more time...off to Clearwater Harbor on the Chain O' Lakes for more adult beverages...dinner at Wheelhouse, but **Rick Passman** is a bit under the weather...maybe a little out of training??...and our 1<sup>st</sup> day prior to the reunion is complete, everyone is feeling exhilarated after 2 years away and apart...

**Thursday August 26, 2021**...breakfast at Waupaca Woods Restaurant, awaiting the arrival of **Warren Metzdorff** and his lovely wife Anna...**Rick** is still unavailable...we mount up into **Errol Grisard's** brand spanking new silver Toyota for the drive to Keshena to visit **Wayne Towne**...but instead of 6, we are down to a party of 3...probably did not need that extra cole slaw and potato salad after all...**Wayne's** directions are "informative", reminding us we will end up in "bon-DEW-il" if we take the truck route...2 independent GPS units guide us safely to our destination...**Wayne** hasn't changed much, maybe a little slower, and the hair is no longer dark, but the eyes are clear and the memories of camp are fresh...we finally clarify



a story that contains the now infamous quote: "You're off the range for the rest of the year?" "Does that include the rifle team, too?" "Yeeeeeeep..." was never spoken by **Wayne**...he attributes this story to rifle man **Jim Haggerty**...he grills burgers for us, apologizing that they are not kosher...we jest about the directions, and inquire about "bon-DEW-il"...**Wayne** explains about the Priest and tells us it is pronounced "bon-dew-EL"...a quick video interview is conducted, and we say our good-byes and head back to Waupaca..."That there is spiky corn,



gentlemen" declares **Errol Grisard**, as the corn fields pass by our car windows...he explains the corn leaves get spiky when they are dry, and they sort of flop over when they are fully hydrated...dinner at Simpson's Restaurant in downtown Waupaca...streets are all torn up and we have to make sure we can get there...**Rick Passman** is looking better...lots of broiled stuffed haddock is ordered...a crudité with carrots and celery arrives, along with warm rolls sans the garlic spread...**Mike Lurie** chokes on a carrot and can hardly pass air...**Rick Passman** jumps to the rescue, delivering the Heimlich maneuver – much like he did in the 1970s when **Mike Berke's** ski vest came up over his head after a wipeout and **Rick** jumped out of the boat to keep **Mike Berke's** head above water...they step outside until everything is OK...concerned diners share their medical expertise as registered nurses, so all is ok...back to the hotel, where **Mike** and **Paul** look at "the books" to see where that \$200 discrepancy is...cannot find it (yet), but

they are pleased there is plenty of money to pay all our bills and reimburse for expenses...2<sup>nd</sup> day prior to the reunion comes to an end...

**Friday August 27, 2021**...THIS IS THE DAY!!...5 years in the making, 2 years since our last visit to Waupaca, we are finally there!!!...breakfast is across the street from the Ramada at the Three Squares Restaurant, still owned by Jim...he welcomes us warmly and we reminisce about the buses at camp which



he used to maintain...last minute assignments for supplies are made and 3 teams head to Fleet Farm and local dollar stores to complete our purchases to make this the best reunion ever...after shopping, the group gathers at the Waupaca County Historical Society to view the display about Camp Waupaca that **Paul Warshauer** set up as far back as 2020...advance team arrives at camp at 1:30 to drop off beverages and other items into the camp cooler...the flagpole engineering team of **George Lamm**, **Errol Grisard**, and **Rick Passman** get to work on rigging a new blue nylon rope so we can raise and lower the flag...it is a bit wet

outside with "liquid sunshine", but as if on cue, the skies clear and the sun emerges promptly at 3 PM when the gates open!...divine intervention from **Skipper** and **Manny** is declared...**Scott Levine** and wife Jeanette were gracious to pick up **Ric Poole** in Madison on their way up, but some sort of miscommunication occurs and **Ric** does not make the reunion...The **Levine's** park their RV between cabins 2 and 3 and declare it cabin 2.5 or 2A or 2B, or something like that...**Steve Prebish** arrives..."Where



is **Karamath Khan**?" we ask of Steve..."He's not coming"...lots of disappointment..."Who is that coming down the main road?" asks **Mike Lurie**..."Whoever it is, they aren't registered"...it's **Joe Landusky**, counselor in the early 1980s with son Joe Landusky III in tow! – surprise!!...more attendees arrive and set up in their cabins...**Steve Shyman** and wife Vivina Ma set up a tent on the deck of the rec hall...**Todd Laff** is just happy to be here...**Marc Zisook** arrives with trumpet in tow - he will blow "To the Colors" for flag lowering and flag raising, and Taps later in the evening..."Time for Flag Lowering, everybody warsh up for supper!"...a scrumptious Chinese dinner from Chef Chu's

(formerly the Wind Mill) is consumed, joined by our CYJ host and staff...**Mike Lurie** whips out the same song sheets he printed in 1996 for one last reunion of songs...Green canoe, Titanic, Camp song...thunder echoes in the distance, so no campfire tonight...everyone piles into the rec hall to look over memorabilia, buy new merchandise for 2021 (hats, t-shirts, hooded sweatshirts)...lots of storytelling amidst the torrential rains and lightning & thunder...the weather clears and everyone heads to their cabins or tents or local hotels for the night...morale is high...





**Saturday August 28, 2021**...the rain and lightning and thunder continued into the wee hours of the morning, but we were sure the weather would be great on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the reunion...**Mike Lurie** walks



around camp and wakes the various groups with a call to the flagpole at 8:30 AM...he sits with the **Levine's** at their camper, then wakes up the **Shyman's**, and finally the gentlemen in cabins 7 & 8..."Where is **Steve Prebish**?" – "I think he went down to the lake" explains **Todd Laff**..."Where was my wake up call, **Lurie**?" bellows **Paul Warshauer**...**Marc Zisook** warms up his bugle for the playing of "To the Colors", the song for flag raising / lowering...to the meal tent for scrambled eggs, bagels, lox, cream cheese, cereal, juice, yogurt fruit and more...our CYJ hosts and staff join us for breakfast...**Mike Lurie** notices 2 substantial bulges in the meal tent from the heavy rains, and proceeds to alleviate the threat of a sudden bursting..."Is that Paulina from 5 years ago?" inquires **Mike Lurie**...Yes, she has not been back to camp since 2016 and jumped at the chance to pull the **Herb Beller** ski boat for our

skiers...after breakfast, and as the hotel crew arrive, we gather at the waterfront to watch the water skiers take to the lake...**George Lamm** tells us about his morning catch from Stratton Lake...**Marc Zisook** is first



up..."When was the last time you water skied? Please tell me it wasn't when you were at camp" implores **Mike**..."No, it's only been 6 years"...**Marc** gets up for a spin or two around the lake, then has difficulties getting back up after a spill, injuring his arm...**Steve Prebish** is next, but struggles to get up, and injures his leg in the process...after water skiing is done, everyone just sits around to reminisce...**Warren and Paul** go for a boat ride into Big Lake Stratton...another new arrival shows up, it's **Jeffrey Kaplan**...**Jeff Korman** arrives with his lady friend...they walk around but don't stay long...**Steve Shyman** is in charge of grilling the hamburgers for lunch, donated by CYJ...lunch time comes and goes, and still no hamburgers...who is that walking down the road? It is reunion first timer **Ben Grais** with daughter Shayna..."Here we



sit like birds in the wilderness"...finally we dine on kosher burgers, cheese slices if you want it, onions, tomatoes condiments, chips potato salad, cole slaw, etc...time for singing again with finely aged song sheets..."**Mike Lurie**, you have been leading all of the songs, it's my turn" insists **Paul Warshauer**..."Fine, I don't care" exclaims **Lurie**..."The War is heatin' up!"...**Larry Lifson** chimes in, "You fellas have done everything so far for this reunion, it's time for you to take a break"...**OKAY!!**" say **Paul** and **Mike**...**Todd Laff** steps up and says "Hey, I am one of the younger guys here, and I even have a claim to fame: I won Player of the Day - once" he boasts...**Steve Prebish** gets into the fray: "I was a Big Chief in 2016, I have the experience"...**Scott Levine**, not wanting to be left out, says "When I want grow up, I want to be a Big Chief"...and there you have it! The Chiefs have been decided: **Steve Prebish** and **Todd Laff** against **Scott Levine** and – "Where is **Marc Zisook**, he's supposed to be a Little Chief."...he has already left...after lunch is cleaned up, we all assemble at the horseshoe for team assignments, relay assignments, and, for the very first time, **Blue** & **White** War cheers...blue sheets for the **Blue** team, white sheets for the **White**



team..."Do you have 'V-I-C-I-O-U-S on there?" asks **Steve Prebish**..."I sure do" kvels **Mike Lurie**...cheers from both teams, then preparation...at 3:05 PM, **Paul Warshauer** rings the bell by the old Office which starts off the LAST ever **Blue** & **White** War Super Duper Relay...**Steve Shyman** and **Todd Laff** throw baskets on the old tennis court, then, archery, and run to the lake...**Blue** is ahead!..."If you think I'm running from the waterfront to the Near Diamond, you're FxxxxxxG crazy!" declares **George Lamm**...**Dick Garb**, our official for the event, stands in for **George** at the **Little Beaver** event so the **Blue** team won't lose too any points or minutes...both teams arrive at horseshoes at the same time, and both teams have trouble with the small horseshoes..."Take a couple of steps

closer” instructs **Dick Garb**...eventually both teams complete the **Bob Mowen** Lucky Horseshoe Toss event at the same time, and the team members walk, not run, to the flagpole to start the water boil event...remembering the water boil disaster from the 2016 relay, **Mike Lurie** has prepared by bringing heavy duty grill grates and cinder blocks...**Paul Warshauer** has used the secret **Wayne Towne** formula for the 2 water cans – water to within one inch from the top, and liquid dish detergent to help the boiling process...the exact amount is a secret!...event organizer **Paul Warshauer** decides that BOTH teams will share a stash of somewhat dry wood and kindling, giving no team any sort of advantage...**George Lamm** and Anna Metzdorff lead the fire building activity for the **Blue** team, and **Steve Prebish** and Jeanette Levine and Lynn Garb lead it for the **White** team...due to the heavy rains overnight, the wood is seriously wet, making it difficult to get the fires started...both teams are using WAY MORE matches than **Ron Lavine** would have ever allowed!!!...**Steve Shyman** of the **Blue** team offers to help **George Lamm** with the fire, exclaiming that he can start the fire with a single match...but the lads bicker too much...**Steve Shyman** defects from the **Blue** team (for sure a first!) and helps the **White** team with their fire!!!...**Aram Adler** decides to “help” the **Blue** team fire with a little bit (OK, a lot) of bug spray torch!!!...“That is not allowed!” yell all attendees at the flagpole...eventually the **White** team’s water boils over first, sending Big Chief **Steve Prebish** to ring the bell first...everyone stays to help the **Blue** team get their water to boil so **Blue** team Big Chief **Scott Levine** can also ring the bell...program areas get cleaned up...a change in the official itinerary sends the Board



members to the rec hall at 4:00 PM instead of later for the annual Board meeting...lots of discussion, including finances (we have enough money to finally reimburse **Mike Lurie** for all of his out-of-pocket expenses, including website hosting and postcard mailings) and a succession plan for the reunion group when **Paul Warshauer** is longer able to lead us...**Steve Shyman** and Vivina Ma swim lakers and Jeanette Levine rows a boat for safety next to them!...**Scott** and Jeanette **Levine** are tasked with picking up dinner from the Wheelhouse, after **Paul** had to explain to the restaurant YET AGAIN that we do not want catering, just carry-out...they have difficulty picking up the order because **Paul** has put the order under the name “BIG CHIEF”...through the

advent of modern technology, we are treated to an electronic playing of “To The Colors” for our flag lowering ceremony, and then it’s off to the meal tent for dinner...and what a great Italian dinner with lasagna, chicken alfredo, mostaccioli, green salads, garlic bread, pizza...home was never like this!...**Mike Lurie** wants to record the group singing the camp song for use on the website...Rise ‘n Shine is also sung, perhaps for the last time...several folks depart after dinner and singing, while the rest of group assembles at the horseshoe for a campfire...the weather holds long enough for us to enjoy time reminiscing...true to his word, **Steve Shyman** is able to build and start the campfire with a single match!...lots of speeches and plenty of tears to go around, as time continues to march on...we end with “Day is Done”...some folks depart for the hotels, others stay and assemble into the rec hall, as the nocturnal storms return for another night...**Dick Garb** shares some plaques and some Manny memorabilia...**Jeff Kaplan** shares an original painting he did about camp...







**Sunday August 29, 2021**...the last day begins with bright sunshine once again...surely **Manny** and **Skipper** were looking out for us this weekend...at flag raising, **Mike** and **Paul** recreate a picture that was taken at the first reunion in 1996...same breakfast as yesterday...time to start saying goodbye...time to take one more stroll around the grounds to reminisce...one more chance to walk to the Old Beach, and take the lake trail back – it is incredibly overgrown, and overblown with downed trees, possibly from the 1983 “high winds”...time to pack up the memorabilia, sell a few more hats, t-shirts, and sweatshirts...one last chance to hug and cry...one more opportunity to experience a “last day” at Camp Waupaca...no buses this time, just our personal automobiles to whisk

us to our next destination...some have a genuine sense of sadness, others a feeling of euphoria from a great weekend together...no matter what comes next, we have truly reached **The Trail’s End**...



## **Epilogue**

**Sunday August 29, 2021**...After lunch of warmed up left-over kosher burgers, we get all areas cleaned up and returned to the state in which we found the camp...**Paul** and **Mike** meet with CYJ Director Robin Anderson to settle up...**Mike** gives **Paul** the signal that we’re OK and all paid up...**Paul** heads to the Comfort Suites hotel for a 3 hour nap...**Rick Passman** and **Mike Lurie** head to Clearwater Harbor for Sunday music...the wind has picked up and the humidity is lower...it’s a gorgeous day to be out on the Chain O’ Lakes...back to the hotel to wash up for dinner with Big Chief **Paul Warshauer** at his hotel...

**Monday August 30, 2021**...**Paul “Froggy” Warshauer** calls **Mike Lurie** in a panic...“My Hawaiian shirt, I can’t find my Hawaiian shirt! Ask at your hotel, see if they have it”, he demands...**Mike** gets the beloved Hawaiian shirt, finds **Mr. Passman**, and they head off to the Comfort Suites to say farewell to **Big Chief Warshauer**...“Men, it’s been a wonderful few days. May we all gather back in Waupaca next summer for more fun and frolic.”...**Paul** heads back to quiet Sleepy Eye, MN...**Rick** and **Mike** head to downtown Waupaca for breakfast at Little Fat Gretchen’s on Main Street...we see the same waiter we had the night



before at the Comfort Suites restaurant...after breakfast, the boysssss explore the seedy underbelly of town...they check to see if **Darci Wanty** really lives on main Street, and she does!...Main Street is still undergoing a massive overhaul, but the lads manage to maneuver around obstacles...they discover that T-Dubs, one of their favorite dining

places in recent years, was closed, but is set to reopen after Labor Day...a car trip around both Big and Little Stratton Lakes, a ride down to Speer Road to see the camp from behind the basketball courts, and a drive by of camp so **Mike** can pick up something he left behind...dinner at Chain O’ Lakes Bar & Grill (formerly The Roost), and then cap off the evening at Clearwater Harbor...looking out on the lake there one last time was a perfect ending to our time in Waupaca...



**Tuesday August 31, 2021**...our last morning in Waupaca...off to Waupaca Woods Restaurant for that last breakfast, and discuss plans for summer 2022...“Portage County Fair”, bellows **Rick Passman**...“I’ll be there!” replies **Mike Lurie**...“All set? You bet!”...**Rick** heads to Appleton before he returns to Reno tomorrow...**Mike** returns to Minnesota...everyone is content...