

The Weekly Pineneedle



Week 6 At A Glance

By: Tyson Adelman

Coming off a strong Week 5, Week 6 marked an event filled and exciting week for camp.

While campers were getting prepared for Menominee competition, camp had lots of activities happening all around starting off strong with picture day. This week was especially a busy week for the Oneidas as they had events such as Oneida Paintball, The Chippewa Regatta and Chippewa-Oneida Paddle.

Week 6 continued to be a busy week for camp, as it marked the start of the long-awaited Menominee competition. The 2-day competition filled with 73 games, became the most energetic event that happened this week. Both camps showed tremendous sportsmanship and heart, with Kawaga eventually taking the victory 41-32 in the end.

With half the session already gone, camp has no intention of slowing down with many exciting events to come in the following weeks.

Campers of the Week

Guiding Principle: Sportsmanship

Week 6 sees one of the highlights of the summer for many campers: competition with Camp Menominee for boys. As excitement raises, it is as important as ever to keep *sportsmanship* front of mind.



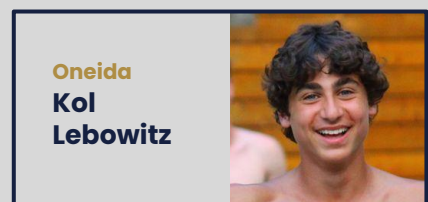
Chippewa
Levi Wolf



Sioux
Simon
Arenson



Mohawk
Andrew
Colianni



Oneida
Kol
Lebowitz

Tribal Officers

Each session at Kawaga (2x/Summer), the campers in each tribe elect Tribal Officers. These people are seen as the leaders of their respective age groups, and perform various duties during both age group and whole-camp gatherings, called powwows.

Wachi Counza: The right hand man to the chief, a role model that each member of the tribe can always reach out to.

Sage: Recites the Kawaga ideal at each small powwow

Big Runner: Announces the chief at each big powwow.

Fire Dancer: Performs the fire dance at each Big Powwow

Medicine Man: Performs a ceremonial duty by making a sacrifice to the fire at big powwows

Little Runner: Carries ceremonial peace pipe from one small powwow site to another small powwow site

Drummer: Plays the drum at Big Powwows

Special Prayer: Recites Kawaga's special prayer at each Big Powwow

Special Runner: Announces the chiefs of the Kawaga nation and each honorary tribe.

CHIPPEWA

Wachi Counza: Cole Cheresnick

Sage: Caden Klein

Big Runner: Jude Holzer

Fire Dancer: Jacob Zemnick

Medicine Man: Chase Hirschfeld

Little Runner: Grant Hirschfeld

SIoux

Wachi Counza: Chase Adair

Sage: Asher Bell

Big Runner: Ari Feinberg

Fire Dancer: Wesley Saber

Medicine Man: Benji Goodman

Little Runner: Landon Hutner

MOHAWK

Wachi Counza: Andrew Colianni

Sage: Paul Cascade

Big Runner: Cooper Aranoff

Fire Dancer: Gabe Kohn

Medicine Man: Luke Winshall

Little Runner: Zac Oseran

ONEIDA

Wachi Counza: Eli Metz

Sage: Oliver Zile

Big Runner: Levi Stein

Fire Dancer: Chase Anderson

Medicine Man: JT Munger

Drummer: John Menfi

Special Prayer: Tobin Busch

Special Runner: Danny Goodman

Week 6 Highlight: Menominee Competition

During Week 6, the Kawaga Braves faced Camp Menominee for Boys in a day and a half of fierce competition. As both teams raced to the golden number of thirty seven wins, each gave their all in every game. Below, we have included the scores for each game, as well as the final score for the competition.

Half-Day of Competition

Block 1:

Jr. Hockey A: 7-3 Kawaga

Int. Football A: 41-0 Kawaga

Int. Football B: 45-6 Kawaga

Int. Football C: 43-20 Kawaga

Int. Football D: 27-8 Kawaga

Int. Football E: 12-14 Menominee

Sr. Tennis: 4-0 Kawaga

Block 2:

Jr. Hockey B: 7-0 Kawaga

Int. Hockey: 7-1 Kawaga

Sr. Soccer A: 1-0 Kawaga

Sr. Soccer B: 5-0 Kawaga

Block 3:

Jr. Tennis: 0-3 Menominee (Concession)

Int. Soccer A: 0-0 (2-4 PK) Menominee

Int. Soccer B: 2-0 Kawaga

Int. Soccer C: 2-1 Kawaga

Block 4:

Jr. Football A: 19-9 Menominee

Jr. Football B: 6-24 Menominee

Jr. Football C: 25-15 Kawaga

Jr. Football D: 43-19 Kawaga

Int. Tennis: 2-5 Menominee

Sr. Hockey: 9-1 Kawaga

Other:

Jr. Archery: 220-256 Menominee

Int. Archery: 308-286 Kawaga

Sr. Archery A: 291-285 Kawaga

Sr. Archery B: 261-257 Kawaga



Full Day of Competition

Block 1:

Jr. Newcomb B: 2-0 Menominee
Jr. Newcomb D: 2-1 Menominee
Jr. Newcomb E: 2-0 Kawaga
Int. Basketball B: 33-23 Kawaga
Int. Basketball D: 18-22 Menominee
Sr. Football A: 31-18 Menominee
Sr. Football B: 28-20 Menominee
Sr. Football C: 33-12 Kawaga
Sr. Football D: 41-20 Kawaga

Block 2:

Jr. Newcomb A: 2-1 Kawaga
Jr. Newcomb C: 2-0 Kawaga
Int. Basketball A: 64-39 Kawaga
Int. Basketball C: 24-30 Menominee
Int. Basketball E: 37-13 Kawaga
Sr. Basketball B: 35-30 Kawaga
Sr. Basketball D: 38-9 Kawaga

Block 3:

Jr. Soccer A: 0-5 Menominee
Jr. Soccer B: 1-0 Kawaga
Jr. Soccer C: 0-1 Menominee
Int. Volleyball B: 1-2 Menominee
Int. Volleyball D: 1-2 Menominee
Sr. Basketball A: 49-56 Menominee
Sr. Basketball C: 53-32 Kawaga

Block 4:

Jr. Softball B: 6-18 Menominee
Jr. Softball D: 1-20 Menominee
Int. Volleyball A: 2-1 Kawaga
Int. Volleyball C: 0-2 Menominee
Int. Volleyball E: 2-1 Kawaga
Sr. Volleyball B: 2-0 Kawaga
Sr. Volleyball D: 2-0 Kawaga

Block 5:

Jr. Softball A: 2-14 Menominee
Jr. Softball C: 11-2 Kawaga
Int. Softball B: 8-2 Kawaga
Int. Softball D: 14-15 Menominee
Sr. Volleyball A: 0-2 Menominee
Sr. Volleyball C: 2-0 Kawaga

Block 6:

Jr. Basketball B: 14-12 Kawaga
Jr. Basketball D: 26-8 Kawaga
Jr. Basketball E: 26-16 Kawaga
Int. Softball A: 0-5 Menominee
Int. Softball C: 6-0 Kawaga
Int. Softball E: 14-15 Menominee
Sr. Softball B: 4-14 Menominee
Sr. Softball C: 5-7 Menominee
Sr. Softball D: 9-16 Menominee

Block 7:

Jr. Basketball A: 26-17 Menominee
Jr. Basketball C: 11-26 Menominee
Sr. Softball A: 6-8 Menominee

Final Score:
41-23 Kawaga

Week 6 Special Feature: Excerpt From Mohawk/Oneida Unit Head Tucker Froelich

This year as a Unit Head has been an interesting transition for me. For the first time in my 7 years on staff I am living in a cabin without campers. For five of my previous 6 summers I was lucky enough to counsel the same age group: the 2022 CITs. Now, as they are counselors themselves, I am fortunate enough to witness all that myself and countless other counselors instilled in our former campers be put to the test. The Unit Head role is defined as an extra layer of support for counselors & leaders of staff development. With several sessions throughout the summer for both mental health check-ins as well as a time to provide feedback, I oftentimes find myself feeling like a counselor all over again. Yet this time, a counselor for counselors.

What I have found through these sessions is that every single member of staff wants to be great. Our staff wants Kawaga to be great, to be better than they found it. They yearn for feedback, positive or negative, and to not only talk the talk but walk the walk too. Over everything, the Staff is always looking to provide the best possible experience for not just our campers, but for themselves too. When the staff is having fun, the Camp is having fun. Due to all the above, I can confidently say the Kawaga Spirit is soaring higher than ever.



Tucker Froelich is a 2016 CIT, and the Unit Head for the Mohawk and Oneida tribes. This is his sixteenth year at Kawaga, and seventh on staff.

Chippewa Regatta

Coming straight off of Oneida paintball, a select few Oneidas traveled to Chippewa to compete in their annual sailing competition. The 6 campers who went created great memories with not just their Kawaga friends but campers from other competing camps as well.



Chippewa-Oneida Paddle

While campers participated in tribal EP's around camp, the Oneida's were given the privilege of hosting a paddle social with the lovely ladies of Chippewa. The night was filled with smiles, good vibes, games and music, creating an event that will hopefully become a tradition for years to come.



Leagues Standings

Chip Blue/Gold League

Team Name	Win	Loss
It's a Bluerade Inside My City	1	3
Golden Goats	3	1

Chip Breakfast League

Team Name	Win	Loss
The Crunchy Crew	2	2
Gideon's Gritty Goons	3	1
Wacky Waffles	3	1
Eggs, Bacon, Gritt	0	4

Sioux Meat League

Team Name	Win	Loss
I Filet With the Breath Given to Me	3	0
Beef Steaks for Beefy Men	2	1
Better Call Saulami	2	1
Let Them Lead by John U. Bacon	1	2
The Most Important thing to a parent is their MEAT	1	2
Fun Yes, but Always with the Final Effect of the Pork in Mind	0	3

Sioux Blue/Gold League

Team Name	Win	Loss
Teams Gold	2	2
The Bluederians	3	1
Gold to Lunch in a Blueish Community	0	4
Gold Gold Power Rangers	3	1

Leagues Standings

Mohawk Fish League

Team Name	Win	Loss
They Don't Know Me Sunfish	0	1
That Kois a Liar	1	1
Happy Birthday Grimfish	2	2
Frying Nemo	2	1
Filet-O-Swish	4	0
Let Him Hook	2	2
Who's Going to Filet the Bass	1	3

Mohawk Blue/Gold League

Team Name	Win	Loss
David Goldgins stay Blue	2	0
Indigold	0	2
Lil Bluezi Vert and Playboi Gold	2	0
Mountain Blue	0	2

Oneida Cheese League

Team Name	Win	Loss
Eric Say Cheese Walsh	2	2
Mac and Jorcheese's Fish League Team	3	1
They Don't Know Brie Son	0	4
Destroy Provalonely	1	3
Enchanted Baducheese	2	2
AHHHHH CHEESE (SKYE BRIE)	4	0

Oneida Blue/Gold League

Team Name	Win	Loss
Ain't That What They Blue	1	2
They Ain't Bluelive in Us. Gold Did!	2	1
Blues Gonna Carry the Boats	1	2
Beckhams Got a Big Bluety	2	1



Spencer Stone's Saturday Sermon

Saturday, July 29th, 2023

Shabbat Shalom,

For those of you who may not know me, my name is Spencer Stone, I am from Chicago Illinois and am a rising Junior at UW-Madison. This is my 12th summer at Kawaga and 4th summer on staff. For the past 12 years Kawaga has been my home, every year I would spend the entire "offseason" counting down the days until I was back on the shores.

When I was in 4th grade, me and my good friend Jake Jasmer signed up to attend Kawaga for the first time. We got to meet two older campers who went to our middle school and they told us all about camp. We couldn't wait to spend our summer at Kawaga together. I came to camp in 2012 as a second session camper, I was in chip 2 and very homesick. I loved camp, I just also missed my parents. In 2013 I came back for the first session as a 4 weeker, I was in chip 4 and the chief of the chips Daniel Gushin was my counselor. When we were unpacking on the first day of camp I started feeling homesick again. Gushin talked to me and reminded me of how fun camp is and all that it has to offer. I ended up staying 8 weeks that summer and falling in love with camp. Since then I was an 8 weeker for the rest of my time as a camper.

During that 2013 summer, I made my way down to Miracle Dock, and since then I never looked back. For me Miracle Dock was always where I felt most comfortable. It might have been the fun counselors working on the dock on any given day, or the jokes on the boat after I skied, but Miracle Dock always was where I wanted to be. As I got older counselors like Garrett Smith and Ethan Loewenstein pushed me to work hard to improve at skiing. They spent time with me at breakfast club and during open a's. It felt like they wanted to see me succeed, and when I cleared the red course for the first time and accomplished one of my lifelong goals as a camper, there was nothing that could top those emotions. Skiing was the area of camp that I spent the most of my time at, but more than anything it was always the people that made me love camp.

At home, it's been just me and my mom for a long time. Camp provided me with something I never fully felt at home. Camp provided me with a complete support system, at camp I had counselors who looked out for me, and most importantly I made lifelong best friends that still to this day feel like family. Camp allowed me to have a place where I felt like I belonged. Kawaga's family has made me who I am today, camp has always been my family.

Continued on Page 12

Continued from Page 11

2014 was a life changing year for my age group, we were Siouxs at the time and Eli Schrayner as a JC was my counselor. From that Summer on Eli was with the 2019's all the way through our CIT summer, only missing our group 1 summer. In 2017, a counselor from England by the name of Callum Atkins was placed with our age group. Callum was with us for a total of 3 years, including being chief of the Oneida in 2019. Lastly, Bradley Leshem was with our age group for our group 1 and CIT summers. Eli, Callum, and Husky all played a vital part in the development of our age group. They taught us how to lead camp, and without us even realizing they were the ones who helped us understand the role Kawaga played in our lives. They were the counselors that turned camp into my family.

Progressing through camp with a consistent set of counselors has always been something that I have felt lucky enough to have during my time as a camper. Having Schmee, Callum, and Husky gave me something more to look forward to, it felt special having these counselors play a vital role in my growth at camp.

Since CIT summer I have always hoped while on staff to find an age group that I felt accepted by. To the Group 2's, the 2025 CIT's. You guys are all incredible people who continue to impress me everyday. There is nothing at this place that I am more proud of than having been your guys counselor for the past three summers. Having the privilege to play a role in your maturation as people is an incredible honor that I cherish everyday. I can't wait to see you all continue to grow into the leaders of camp over the next two summers, and I hope to be able to be here with you guys.

To the 2019's who couldn't make it back this summer. Thank you for the lifetime memories we get to share together, you guys are the reason that Kawaga means so much to me. To Quinn, Jackson, Greco, Russel, and Alex, thank you for committing to being at Kawaga for yet another summer. This summer has been incredible and I am so thankful that I get to spend it with you guys.

To Ben, Ty, Kappy, Bri, and the rest of Admin. Thank you so much for making it possible for me to return for another summer. Having the opportunity to be the head of skiing, work with SCOPE, and still be with my campers means the world to me and I haven't taken a second of it for granted.

The last thing that I want to talk about is something that Schmee told the 2019's about several times. Schmee throughout the summer would remind us about YOGTAFACKT, which means "you only go to camp for a certain amount of time" with just two weeks left in the summer, you have to make the most of it because: "you only go to camp for a certain amount of time. So, go all out in leagues and Ep's cheer in the mess hall as loud as you can, and do whatever you want to do, because you're at the best place in the world.

Thank you, and Shabbat Shalom.

Notable Achievements

Birthdays

Alex Alimi (10)
Michael Jasmer (18)
Jarett Goldblatt (15)

First Fish

Cooper Silver
Wyatt Harris
Tommy McSweeney

Miracles

Jacob Wolken (2S)
Sawyer Alexander (D)
Tripp Mulcahey (2S)
Charles Weisslinger (2S)
Julian Wassenmuller (2S)
Leon Wassenmuller (2S)
Charlie Rago (2S)
Graham Montpetit (D)
Marcus Carrow (D, S)

Basic Sailor

Alex Alimi
Graham Montpetit
Anders Stenberg
Ellis Burk
Miles Banks
Gabe Rosen
Nick Frey
Ezra Gould
Ben Spector
Will Steckler
Vinny Colianni

First Bullseye

Jude Holzer

Note: For the miracle portion, 2S denotes a 2-ski miracle, D denotes a drop-ski miracle, and S denotes a Slalom miracle.

A Look Into Next Week

Week 7 includes both the final typical days of the session, and some unique programming including the majority of the trips for second session, as well as the start of the Blue/Gold Cup. As the summer comes to a close and campers are looking to make the most of their remaining time, Week 7 is structured to help them capitalize on all that Kawaga has to offer.

CK Leisure Corner






Funny Photos This Week



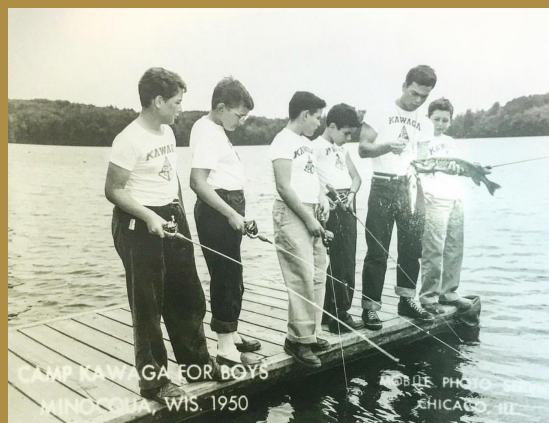
Dots and Boxes



Weekly Forecast

Mon 31	79°/51°		Mostly Sunny
Tue 01	81°/60°		Partly Cloudy
Wed 02	84°/58°		AM Clouds/PM Sun
Thu 03	83°/59°		Partly Cloudy
Fri 04	80°/54°		Partly Cloudy

Kawaga History Blurb



*Kawaga Fishing
circa. 1950*

Editor-In-Chief: Eli Rodgers
 Assistant Editors: Ethan Levine, Tyson Adelman
 Camper Assistants: Philip Kaplan, Ari Schulman,
 Beckham Boymel