

Chickawah Chirps



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UNCLE SAM'S 206TH B-DAY ENDS IN A CHASE 20 EARN 5 MILE HIKE BUTTON

TRIBES '81

by Jeff Stern

It all started on June 28th when Mickey Saltman said, "At the assembly bugle, everyone is to report to the Social Hall". When we did the 62nd annual tribal contest was set in motion, as we voted for our four tribal Chieftans.

One after the other seniors were nominated, until all but ex-tribe captain Jason Scherr were out on the pump anxiously awaiting word to return to the hall. Upon re-entry all nominees were congratulated, but Mike Schwartzman, Richard Mandelbaum, Jimmy Yerman, and Scott Greenstone were treated with the applause as they were the 1981 captains.

The tribes then chose their names: the Alacaluf tribe chiefted by Mike Schwartzman and advised by Jeff Bush; the Chickasaw with chief Richard Mandelbaum and advisor John Nelson; the Tlingit and chief Jimmy Yerman advised by Craig Gelband; and the Yaqui with chief Scott Greenstone and advisor Steve Sibert.

Next step in the battle of the tribes is the peaceful and traditional "unburying of the hatchet" at the first campfire. With this done the campers begin their respective games; bunks 10-C.I.T.'s playing soccer, 5-9 at boxball, and 1-4 at batball for 2 tribes while bunks 12-C.I.T. play basketball, 7-11 at volleyball, and softball for 1-6 for the other two, and then continuing in round robin fashion.

After an upset in the swim meet on Sunday, July 12, when Tlingit placed 1st, Alacaluf 2nd, Chickasaw 3rd, and Yaqui 4th, the standings are:

Tlingit	52 points
Alacaluf	39 "
Chickasaw	38 "
Yaqui	11

A TOUCH OF CLASS

Why do we sit and listen every Sunday...thinking of a word to carry through the week...and each word begins with a letter that spells Chickawah... words to carry through the year...Why?

It's a tradition!...and like all traditions it gives stability, security and meaning to our camp lives.

This summer the Sunday word took a

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Harrison: Bradley Solmsen

On Saturday, July 4, 1981, at breakfast, Moe got up to give a speech. He said that Independence Day should be a day filled with glory, and that a lot of people gave a bit of themselves for their country. Then Seven Year Jackets were presented to Robby Stern, Michael Mandelbaum, Arthur Friedman, and Todd Gelband.

After lunch Mickey announced that there would be special July 4th games. Nobody knew what they were, and at the assembly bugle bunks 1-6 met in the social hall where they were divided into teams of five for a big treasure hunt. Each started with a different clue which led to another until they found and figured out fourteen clues. The team that finished first with the most correct clues won the treasure. They were the team of Darren Blumberg, Andy Weinberg, Eric Sydow, Colin Hamilton, and Adam Coplan. Their treasure will be forthcoming later in the summer.

At the same time bunks 7 -C.I.T. played a game called "paper chase" or "Hare and Hound". There were three groups, each divided into Hares and Hounds. The Hares got a bag of paper chips, and set out 15 minutes before the hounds from a designated point, where they were to lay a trail, circle around, and hide somewhere near camp. The Hounds were to follow the trails and catch the hares before the time was up. At swim time a very tired Hound leader, Harry Klaff, leading some drooping but determined hounds, straggled into camp after chasing a very long legged hare with broken compass (John Brandenberg) up Baker Hill and over Temple Hill. They didn't win, but for this extended chase all were awarded five mile hike buttons.

After dinner, everyone piled into the Social Hall where in squads A and B we played novelty party races. Pass the balloon (difficult to describe) Pass the orange, and Pass the card.

The day finished in the Mess Hall with traditional ice cream sundaes, and if you combine all this you get the best Fourth of July in Chickawah history!

CHICKAWAH CHIRPS

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EDITORIAL

In the summer of 1949, there was an editorial written by a camper who took the initiative (the word for this week) to write about a subject that was important to him. His words have been reprinted in this space four times and are appropriate today. All campers and counselors who are reading this now....

"LET'S ALL BE POLICEMEN"

There are criminals hiding all over camp. These culprits are constantly at work trying to destroy the beauty of our campus and fields.

If we are on our guard this MENACE CAN BE STOPPED. Only YOU working with the many waste receptacles all over camp, can banish this threat....STRAY PAPER, from Camp Chickawah.

Today, as in 1949, the menace of paper threatens our beautiful surroundings. We can all help if we start today to police the grounds. Take the initiative! Pick up stray paper if you see it, and keep our campus green.

Moe and Betty

***NOISE POLLUTION OF THE WEEK ***

Escuchame senores:
Todos los barcos deben entrar el porte inmediatamente.

(spanish accent)
And for all our English speaking visitors to this camp

J. Klaff
T. Polakoff: "All..giggle..boats...
giggle...in!..giggle
giggle.

(spanish accent)
Thank you very much. Adios



TELL THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I've changed my name to Tyrone Jones, and now I always ask for fried chicken and watermelon. Say hello to Henrietta for me.

Rock Lobster,
Larry (T.Jones)
Meistrich

P.S. Give my "Mom" Amy a big kiss

Dear Editor,

I thought I was the only super hero in camp until I saw Editor-emeritus Jimmy Weinstein trying to fly off the beach. Certainly Howdy Doody never flew.

Sincerely,
Chickaman

Dear Editor,

I have been told that your Golf counselor has not been able to beat certain of your older campers. I am also sure that he does not have the compassion for hitch hikers or the driving skill that I possess.

Therefore I would like a chance to regain my old job.

Flying high,
Tom Peters

Dear Editor,

We have noticed a sharp decline in energy usage this summer compared to the last few years, and appreciate your conservation.

Shining happily,
Central Maine Power
P.S. Where can we get in touch with Peter Ellis?

*** DEAR CHICKY ***

Dear Chicky,

My tribe captain is a cow, and I do not speak the language. What should I do?

signed,
Different
Pasture

Dear Different Pasture,
Just cow tow!

Sincerely,
Chicky

Dear Chicky,

It's a flying bumper when the counselors check me for candy on my return from a town night. Please advise some techniques to sneak food past the O.D.

Starving,
Sweet Tooth

Dear Sweet Tooth,
Stuff it!

Confectionately Yours,
Chicky

Note:

Drop your Dear Chicky letters in the Dear Chicky box located in Mickey's office

***FEAST LEAGUES ***

by Steve Yerman &
Andy Goldstein

Feast Leagues were chosen on Tuesday, June 30. The Seniors picked the unique category of Glands. There is a four way tie for first place in the senior feast leagues between Chip's Pancreas, Harry's Hypothalamus, Ira's Pituitary and Marc's Thyroids with four points each.

In the Intermediate Feast League, Kenny Klaff's Grateful Dead coached by David Mogul are in first place with 8 points, followed by Jimmy Brodie's Doors coached by Marty Roberts with 6 points. Third place is held by Jason Oletsky's Rush, coached by Paul Duval with 2 points, and last but not to be counted out are the Who led by David Tenenbaum and coached by Phil Goodwin.

The Juniors like the Intermediate picked the theme of Rock Groups. Darren Blumberg's Beatles coached by Tom Burke are in first place with 8 points. Greg Frehling's Supertramp coached by Jimmy Weinstein and Todd Jolson's Police coached by Ed Vorostko are tied with four points. Donny Moss' Devo, coached by Eddy Friedman is in last place with zero points.

With the first round ending at the halfway mark, we hope for another exciting round of Feast Leagues where to the winner is awarded the Feast!

** THE FIRST HIKE ***

by Charlie
Wingerter

On June 29, 1981 Camp Chickawah had its first hike of the year. The 7 hikers went to Moat Mountain. The trail was called Boulder Loop trail. As we were going we saw small towns and many lakes. When we got there we went over a covered bridge. When we got there we rested. When we started up the trail we saw a huge boulder. Then we saw a chipmunk. The area was full of mosquitoes! It was shady, but was it hot! There were many loose boulders and turned down trees. We occasionally stopped for a rest and a swig of water from our canteens. When we reached the top we had lunch. The lunch was: 1 peanut butter sandwich, 1 bologna sandwich, 1 orange, and a thing of raisins. The view was terrific. We saw a small waterfall, rushes, and other things. After lunch we were trying to figure a way to get down, and we got lost. Luckily a kid knew his orienteering. It took a while before we got back to our truck but we finally did. The whole hike was about 2 miles. Let's hope other kids go on other hikes.

Ed. Note.. Not if they read about this one!

OLD AUTHENTIC QUOTABLE QUOTE *

Mickey to camper: "Why did you spray insect repellent on the counselor's bed?"

Camper: "He was bugging me!"

*** A TOUCH OF CLASS ***

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new turn and a new meaning. One of Moe's better ideas, the Sunday word will come from those who have lived this tradition for many summers of their growing years.

And so, on June 28, the first Sunday of 1981, Gary Arkin became the first Chickawaian to begin a new era in the "word for the week". As he began to enumerate many words he knew beginning with C, he said there were three foremost in his mind. He said that he felt Chickawah was a cut above the rest; a class organization. He reminded us that Moe calls Chickawah a family and that in successful families, communication helps them to solve their problems. He continued that in the camp family, cooperation is a key word to a happy summer. So putting the three words together, if we communicate in our bunk families, and cooperate, we will truly have a touch of class that makes for a great camp season.

Needless to say we were impressed and proud. Outstanding, all agreed. On the second Sunday Ira Berezowski, with a tough act to follow carried the ball as he always does in fine style with the letter H for Hope, Helpfulness adding up to Happiness. Then Phil, an old camper but relatively new Chickawah son gave us his thoughts on Initiative.

Chirps cheers to our own philosophers adding to the fiber of our moral cloth, and to Moe for another "right idea"!!

*** H2@ SKIING ***

with Jim Gates &
Marc Straussberg
(experience you can trust)
by Marc S.

Waterskiing has once again taken off to a good start this summer. Many veteran campers have come down to the ski dock to participate in skiing for fun and improvement. Also a number of new campers have discovered the joys of the sport and are becoming competent skiers. Among the new skiers in camp are: Benjie Morrell, Fred Turner, Tom Moore, Jon Klaff, Ari Ellis, Todd Augarten, Colin Hamilton, Kenny Caplan, Charlie Wingerter, Andy Spielman, Todd Jolson, Gabe Herschberg, Steve and Mike Winnick, Tony Polakoff, Sandy Fink, Baron Strauss, Gregory Friedman, Drew Turitz and more each day.

One achievement especially worth mentioning is the attainment of AWSA expert rating by 2nd year camper Randy Moss, now a member of the elite class of Chickawah experts.

Some attribute the popularity of skiing to the fun of the sport, (P.4)

*** H2O WATERSKIING ***
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others claim it's the talent, compassion, and proficiency of the two instructors. We like to think it's a little of both. Keep on skiing!

Ed.Note: We could put that to a vote. What think you all? Put answers in the Dear Chicky box.

*** PUZZLES ***
by Jeff Stern

WORD SEARCH

B Q A Z S P O R T S S
S W I M M I N G C U E
S B T R L F M K H P U
M G U R B C F C I Z G
H C H I C K A W A H A
R P V Y J B T X I O E
S L A I C O S P O R L
H U T R I B E S A V T
F S L R E N U G D W S
A O I T F U N N Y D A
W H O Q E N X J K O E
C I K D C H I R P S F

Words to find: Chickawah, Tribes Feast Leagues, Socials, Sports, Food, Funny, Swimming, Bunks, Chirps.

The words go up, down, forward, backward, and diagonally.

*** COUNSELOR INTERVIEW ***

by Neil Turitz

I talked with archery counselor Phil Goodwin. This is what he had to say:

How is your summer so far?

"Great"

Do you think you will come back next year?

"You bet! I sure hope to come back for many years. As my career may lead in many different directions now that I am graduating from Penn State, I hope it will lead always toward Chickawah!"

How do you like your bunk?

"I have a great bunk. This is the first year I have worked with younger kids but all in all my bunk is making the transition quite easy for me. That's not to say I don't miss the older guys (who now are bunk 12) You make the bunk fun. To make friends you have to be a friend (Aunt Betty) and I do try to do that with each group."

Is this your first year as counselor?

"In '77-79 I was a counselor at Camp Belgrade in Belgrade, Maine." Are you an archery expert?

"I don't really consider myself an expert, but I do the best I can and enjoy it!"

Other workshops are Fishing with Ira and Chess and Checkers with Gary A.

CHICKAMAN VS RAT TAIL *
(an idea of Andy Weinberg)
by Jeff Grant

On a humid day in June, Mickey calls for a compulsory swim. As you know, many people do not enjoy these, even though a cool swim could do some good. This is about a boy who tried to do something about it.

"Can we get out yet?" asked the camper.

"No!" said the counselor, who sent the boy back in.

With determination in his angered head, the camper spent the next few free play days in Jonny B.'s shop and in the Ham Radio shack. He built an electronic rat tail device that could break through steel. He was ready!

On the next compulsory swim the "rat tail" whipped and smashed the speakers before Mickey could complete the announcement. Then he started off to wreck the dock, as counselor Steve McCloud spots the boy and his towel.

Into the O.H. he dashes and out comes CHICKAMAN. In dire hate of the hero, Rat Tail snaps his mighty towel and blows him from the swim dock all the way back to bunk one!

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To be Continued. Has Chickaman met his match? Read the exciting finish in the next issue of CC.

*** WORKSHOPS ***

by Derek Volk

On Monday nights, all the campers go to one of the workshops that they have chosen from a Spring bulletin. Some workshops are:

Computer with John Brandenburg: In computer workshop, campers learn the basics of programming and all about computers. This fun workshop would be nice for anyone.

Photography with Renee: In photography we learn how to develop and enlarge film. You will learn how to make pictures out of black and white negatives. We are planning to help for other things in life by learning to make photos.

Wrestling: In wrestling we learn pinning, combinations, escapes, and they are: switch, sit and turn, and rolls. After we learn the moves we try it on our buddy. Wrestling is taught by Harry Klaff.

Weight Lifting with Jimmy Weinstein: In weight lifting we learn different weight exercises, curls, squats, bench presses and others.

Gymnastics: Here we learn basic tumbling skills, front and back roll, handstands, & flips with Marc.