



WINTER CAMP NEWS

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Cups O' Plenty Arrive

The beverage concession at the Winter Camp Trading Post has undergone a major change this year. Thanks to the concerted effort of Paul Kupser, 35 gallons of homemade pop in a variety of flavors were made available for purchase and consumption this year.

An assist in facilitating this new enterprise goes to Ron Donohue, who arranged for the manufacture of durable "Cups O' Plenty" to ease the operations of the trading post in selling these beverages. The souvenir cup is available for purchase for \$5. Once bought, the cup may be refilled as often as desired.

In other trading post developments, the red nickels which date back to the early Winter Camp days of the vintage candy machine have been replaced by genuine American "Buffalo" nickels. These nickels were minted until the mid-1930's and have been provided by Steve Donohue and Doug Wilson, who arrived at this idea independently. Nick Bibee is masterminding the sale of trading post items in his first year at Winter Camp.

The Iroquois Legend Continues

By Ethan Rein

Back in the day, the Native American tribe known as the Iroquois played a game while out in the wintry wilderness that honed their spear throwing skills. They threw spears along the snowy ground and tried to attain as much distance as possible.

Here at Winter Camp XXVI, this Iroquois tradition has become the game we began camp with this year, known to Winter Campers as "Snow Snake." Detached broom handles were our "spears." They were thrown down the road to the side of Clearwater Cabin. Contestants were pitted against each other one on one competition, where the winner had to go retrieve the "spears." In small tournament, Ron Donohue was the adult Champion and Rob Noble may have been the youth Champion. We didn't keep records that closely. Any way, Snow Snake was fun, fun, and fun.

Name That Arrowman

The first "Name That Arrowman" contest was held at Winter Camp VII. Travel back in time and see if



|| Quotes O' The Day ||

"Baked Alaska?? Not again! We had that last year!"

--Ryan Brake

"Plus 4/57! Minus 4/59! Plus 4/61! Minus 4/63!..."

--Jeff Rand (+) and Mark Bollman--> (-), reciting an infinite series representation for δ .



Team Flesh Returns In Triumph

All Winter Campers present at the 162-Dish Banquet at Winter Camp XXV will recall the heroic efforts of Team Flesh as they seared over 100 pounds of meat to form the foundation of that dining adventure. The team proved yesterday that theirs was not a one-time success as they eked out a narrow 405-403 victory over Team Awesome in Winter Camp's first-ever Ark Dinner.

The two teams were given a collection of common ingredients and \$40 to augment these foodstuffs

and create a tasty meal for the campers who sat in judgment of their efforts.

Team Flesh, led by Ron Donohue and Dave Milon, prepared a Mexican feast consisting of chips and salsa, taco salad, and a chicken-cheese casserole in both olive-free and olive-full versions. They closed out their meal with brownie sundaes.

Their competitors, the Clearwater-based Team Awesome led by Ethan Rein and Paul Kupser,

chose a more conventional meal of baked chicken, cornbread stuffing, and a vegetable medley. Their trump card was saved for last, as Doug Wilson rolled out a baked Alaska which certainly narrowed the final margin between the teams. Both teams collaborated in provided soft drinks as the meal's beverage.

After the dinners, the votes were cast and tallied. To Team Flesh belonged the honor of victory--for Team Awesome, a sink full of dishes was waiting.

Frisbee Ultimate a Success!

By Ethan A. Rein

One of the first activities of Winter Camp XXVI was comprised of a whole lot of fun filled Frisbee action. To start, all participants were divided into teams based on the first letter of their first names. Even letters played against odd letters (and Paul Kupser). Score was kept for a while, and then abandoned by most of the kids when the even team pulled way ahead. Rob Murphy and Rob Hartwig played crucial roles and scored many points for the even lettered team. Mark Bollman--> made some memorable plays while attempting to "walk" down field and score for the odd team, while handing off the Frisbee to another teammate.

After an hour or so, a second Frisbee was added in to make the game's pace a bit faster. By this time, some Winter Campers were feeling a bit out of it, so the game progressed with a few less members than started.

Gastronomic Delights

Day Two of Winter Camp XXVI starts with the low-impact **Continental Breakfast**. Read all about it in the postcamp newspaper.

Due to a delay in shipping wild game (and there's a phrase that's never appeared in print before), the Cajun Lunch has been swapped with the **G vs. E Lunch**, as good and evil face off in the kitchen.

It's **Do or Die(t)** at dinnertime tonight, as Winter Camp tries another experiment in outdoor cooking.

The outdoor cooking motif will continue into the night with the **Campfire Snack**--exact location to be announced.

Winter Camp Trivia

by Mark Bollman-->

A few questions today about **Winter Camp I**:

1. In what cabin was Winter Camp I held?
2. How many Arrowmen attended Winter Camp I?
3. How many of those campers are in attendance at Winter Camp XXVI?
4. What event took place at Winter Camp I, was not repeated until Winter Camp XXI, and is not expected to return until Winter Camp XLI?
5. Which Winter Camp I hike turned into a narrow escape from a search party?