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LOOKING BACK on our first summer with the School of Sports, we find eight weeks of solid action with not much time for boredom to set in. Even during rest period time, the boys and girls were occupied with things such as ping pong, knock hockey, tip tennis, dancing and stick ball.

In fact, from all indications, stick ball will have to be incorporated into next year's program since the "Duser", "Ernie" and the "Koog" plus their crew, played it before general assembly, during lunch time and before and after swim periods, every day. It got to be so popular that on certain hot days Princeton and Georgia Tech preferred playing the non-running stick ball to more strenuous activities.

When you add together the trips, the special events such as track and wrestling, the swimming and horse, the ball games and the contests and Jim McDonough, Schi and Mary Ann leading songs at general assembly, it doesn't seem possible that we did all this in 39 short days. It will be hard to remember all the comical things that happened to both campers and counselors as well as the exciting things, but we will try and review as well as we can, most of the highlights of the season.

Our four big trips were scattered throughout the eight week period. Coney Island was first and what happened after we left Steeplechase was funnier than what went on inside. One of our two buses broke down in the heart of Brooklyn and thus, all the campers were jammed into the good bus and returned home, only a few hours late. The poor counselors suffered the penalty of being older. They had to wait in Brooklyn for a new bus to come all the way from Huntington to pick them up, and that bus got lost. The end of the weary day came at about 10:00 PM for the counselors after leaving Coney Island at 3:00 PM.

Inside the park, it was fun to watch the little Dukes and St. Lawrence ride the roller coaster while the counselors shivered in fear at the thought of accompanying the campers. I spent my time visiting the different groups, trying to go on a ride with each one. Naturally, every time I found a group, they were ready to go on the roller coaster or the parachute jump. So I made sure I didn't eat much that day.

One of the main topics of conversation on the bus trip was the telling and solving of logic problems. Why did the Doctor cut off those right arms, girls? Also, we were joined on the way home by quite a few goldfish which the Cortland girls won in Steeplechase. No wonder those girls were the only ones who weren't hungry when the bus pulled into Huntington and, by the way --- what ever happened to those Goldfish???

Next came Belmont State Park and the big softball game. The only reason why the counselors defeated the Camp all-stars was the sparkling play of Jacqueline Horrigan. She couldn't see a thing, with or without her glasses, thus she will have to be excused for her blunder at second base which decided the ball game in favor of the girls. Isn't that right, Schi?

And then there was Billy Titus who spent the shortest day at Belmont on record. No sooner had we arrived at the parking field when we discovered little red spots all over Billy. Jack drove him right back to Huntington where those little red spots turned out to be German measles. And about five hours later Ricky Laurino was driven back to Huntington by Jimmy with those same spots.

The boating and canoeing were the big attractions for most of the boys and girls and counselors. It's a good thing that it was a hot day because those wet clothes wouldn't have felt so good otherwise. And just how did they get wet, Bruce?

To top off the day, Janice's big black eight ball answered questions for one and all, and in most cases they turned out to be the right answers. I wonder if she brings that to school with her?

Jones Beach was invaded early in August by the motley crew. It was swim, swim and more swim for just about everyone, including me. Those breakers were enough to tire everyone, especially my surf rider partners - Michelle, Mary Ann and Linda. And the sand burying bit was fun for Bonnie, Karen and Kathy, but not for me.

This was an unusual day in many respects - especially that Jack even went into the water - and he didn't even need a little help like he got on the last day of camp.

Our last big trip was one that we should have forgotten. Just when it looks like the White-Sox can play ball and they go ahead by one run, those \$% Yankees score three more and prove once again that they win whenever they want to in a league with seven minor league clubs. These words were spoken by an orphaned Brooklyn Dodger fan who feels that the only year that really counts in all baseball history was 1955.

We can't forget the rainy day spent at Wingfoot Rollerdrone in Northport. This was another day like Jones Beach when everyone went home pooped. The funniest sight was two little St. Lawrence girls escorting Bev around the floor, and then Bev and Jack skating duet and looking like it was the first time up on skates for both. Then of course the center of the rink where the beginners were. When we first started there were so many in the center that there was hardly any outside left. But as the day went on, slowly but surely the beginners began to brave it around the ring themselves. And poor Gregory! The seat of his pants won't have to be cleaned for a long time. It really shines after that day.

There were other little side trips such as Judy and Army going to Carol Wesnofske's house to see her pony and Bev and the Cortland girls going horseback riding with Joy at West Hills stables. And then, of course, there was the last week of picnics at my house. I still don't believe that the Sclafani's had 18 hot dogs between them for lunch.

To top it all off, Camp Orange closed the season for 40 of us. We took over the whole place for three days and ate, swam, and squirted water pistols for the whole time. There also was a gigantic salamander hunt and it seems as though most of the salamanders wound up sleeping with Vera. And then boy scouts Johnny, Paul and Jim had a nice ride back to camp after their 14 mile hike. That sign really bulged, John. And Allan never did lose his hair but Jan wound up in the water, after playing "Run of the Arrow". And where is my bathing suit?

The trips were only a small part of the whole picture, though. The everyday activities were highlighted by swimming and Buster. With Jan and Pete and Janet taking care of the pool most of the time, the campers had two periods a day. The first was for instructions and tests and the second was free swim and games. I spent a few days in the pools myself and that was a mistake. First came the bronco rides for Duke and St. Lawrence, the flipping of Jody and Lynn, then the playing with Carol and Sue in the shallow end, then the ducking and hitting each other in the head with the ball with Army, Cortland, U.S.C. and Villanova and finally the football game with Princeton and Tech. I was ready for bed for about a week after that.

We had Guppies, Goldfish, Catfish, Bluefish, Porpoise, and Man Eating sharks all over the place. What a funny camp - no kids - just fish.

And then there was Buster. Good old Buster - and boy did he act old. By three o'clock each day his middle sagged almost down to his ankles. He did cause a little stir one day though when big Matt Lacopo was on board. Big Matt, all of two feet tall, was up in the saddle when Buster decided he had had enough and wanted to retire for the day. Buster started walking back to his stable and Matt kept yelling "Whoa! Whoa! Buster". But Buster kept right on going, right through the basketball court and on to the stable. Both basketball teams stopped the game and gave chase. Matt was safe and sound though and couldn't wait to tackle Buster early in the morning, after the horse had had a good night's sleep and hadn't galavanted around like a play boy the night before.

Archery was another popular activity headed by Mary Ann and John. Who can forget that thrilling match between Villanova and USC when Greg Teitjan scored a bullseye on his last shot to edge Chris Werckley who had just scored heavily, and give his team a one point victory.

Badminton was fun whenever the wind let the boys and girls play, and that wasn't too often. Volleyball had some rousing matches though, especially between Cortland and Army. And then there was the counselor match between the boys and girls. The boys did let the girls score once so they wouldn't humiliate them too much.

The two rainy days that we had gave some of the groups a chance to practice "Casey at the Bat". Also, to learn some of our rousing songs such as "Great Green Gobs", and The German song taught by Schi. Then, of course, Villanova had a victory song that Jimmy taught them. The only trouble was that they couldn't sing it for almost two weeks since they never won a game.

Then we had our contests - the crazy hats, and naming our mascot, and then coloring his picture and finally the purple people eater. Bobby Wesnofske won the name contest calling the cat "Spabvet" using the first letters of a lot of our activities. Tom Stallone won the coloring and Bruce Campbell the Purple People Eater. His drawing looked so much like Jack it could have been a twin.

Our big track meets with watermelons as prizes were run off by Suzie in fine style. Even the counselors tried the obstacle course. Those cars really tired you out. And who was it who couldn't fire through the tire? Michelle and Linda dominated the girls events while for the boys, Ricky Baker, Johnny Carino, Allan Hanson and Tony Crocco were outstanding.

The wrestling matches produced some thrilling bouts. Ricky Baker, Alan Wilcox, John Dusenberry, Len Sclafani and Tom Stallone were the big winners here. The highlights of the boxing season were when Suzie, Judy, Jan and Mary Ann put on the gloves. They did all right against each other but when they faced the boys, oh, those poor noses. And speaking of noses, how does it feel, Jeannie?

We had a big night on Friday, August 8th. That's when the School of Sports sponsored a basketball doubleheader at Walt Whitman High School gym for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. In the first game the camp all-stars ran the girl counselors into the ground and really gave them a sound beating, although the final score was 25 to 24. John Dusenberry scored the winning basket with 3 seconds to play. In the second game, the Huntington alumni with counselors Don Schoonmaker, Bob Badeer and Pete Muhlhausen in the lineup blasted South Huntington's graduates. Cheerleaders for the first game were selected from St. Lawrence, Army and Cortland and they did a terrific job. In the second game Betty Ann Class and Barbara Allan were among the Huntington yellers.

There was a tremendous softball game played during the summer between the Little Dukes and St. Lawrence. It started the last week in July and finished about the third week in August. The teams got to play about an inning a day and sometimes not even that. The tremendous sluggers on both teams kept the score mounting so high that we even lost track. Nobody seems to even know who won.

Then, of course, Army and Cortland had a real pitchers duel. I believe the final score was 35 to 19. Cortland missed two extra points.

The boys games, in all sports were fairly close most of the time. Two games in a row on the baseball diamond were won by Tech, 1 to 0 over Princeton. There were also two last second touchdowns that tied one game and won another for Princeton. In basketball little Johnny Carino and big John Dusenberry teamed up against Eddie Tilden and Al Wilcox to put P.U. in front most of the way.

All the statistics for the season will be found later on in the booklet.

The season wound up with the family picnic at Manor Field. Mr. Jim Murray of the New York (Hiss) Yankees gave a fine talk that was well received by both parents and children. There were over 300 people at our affair and it was a fine way to say adios for the year. Other guests were Charles Boccia, Huntington Field Commissioner, Clarence MacLachlan, editor of the Long Islander, Pat Walsh of the Huntington Sports Shop and Lou Stubbolo, who took care of Buster for us. Tom Stallone sang "Tammy" for us and our girl students gave a welcome cheer for our guests.

There were many people who helped us get started this summer and whose time and efforts made the School of Sports possible. We can not list them all for fear of leaving someone out so may we just say in closing thank you one and all and we hope for a bigger and better season in 1959.

1958 CAMP AWARDS

MODEL CAMPER AWARD-----MARY ANN ENGLE
SPORTSMANSHIP (Boys)-----MIKE KLEIN
SPORTSMANSHIP (Girls)-----LINDA FROMIA
MOST IMPROVEMENT (Boys)-----PAUL LACOPO
MOST IMPROVEMENT (Girls)-----SUSAN DUGGAN
SERVICE AWARD-----TONY CROCCO
HIGHEST BATTING AVERAGE (Sr. Boys)-----ALAN HANSON
HIGHEST BATTING AVERAGE (Jr. Boys)-----LEN SCLAFANI
HIGHEST BATTING AVERAGE (Girls)-----MICHELLE FRIEDMAN
BASKETBALL SCORING LEADER (Sr. Boys)-----JOHN CARINO
BASKETBALL SCORING LEADER (Jr. Boys)-----DON SCLAFANI
OUTSTANDING FOOTBALL PLAYER-----DON MARTIN
SWIMMING AWARD (Boys)-----JOHN DUSENBERRY
SWIMMING AWARD (Girls)-----MARY ANN ENGLE
HORSEMANSHIP AWARD (Boys)-----PETER WILCOX
HORSEMANSHIP AWARD (Girls)-----CAROL WESNOFSKE
TRACK AWARD (Boys)-----RICKY BAKER
TRACK AWARD (Girls)-----MICHELLE FRIEDMAN
ARCHERY AWARD (Boys)-----GENE WESNOFSKE
ARCHERY AWARD (Girls)-----PAM SINISI
TENNIS AWARD (Boys)-----JOHN KOGER
TENNIS AWARD (Girls)-----SHELLY LAMBERT

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

	<u>PRINCETON</u>	<u>GEORGIA TECH</u>	<u>TIE</u>
Baseball	12	11	2
Football	5	1	1
Basketball	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>	
TOTALS	21	19	

	<u>VILLANOVA</u>	<u>U. S. C.</u>	<u>TIE</u>
Baseball	6	8	1
Football	4	0	
Basketball	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	1
TOTALS	15	11	

	<u>CORTLAND</u>	<u>ARMY</u>	<u>TIE</u>
Softball	3	1	
Basketball	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	
TOTALS	3	4	

BASKETBALL SCORING

PRINCETON - GEORGIA

GAMES

CARINO	150
WILCOX	77
J. DUSENBERRY	76
FORTE	67
KOGER	43
HANSON	29
CROCCO	24
TILDEN	24
SANGIOVANNI	18
F. MARTIN	10
B. WESNOFSKE	9
D. MARTIN	6
FRIEDMAN	6
T.. CARINO	6
G. WESNOFSKE	2
LACOPO	3
LUSARDI	2
CHISENA	2
SCHOEFFLIN	2

VILLANOVA - U. S. C.

GAMES

D. SCLAFANI	73
HELIKER	55
B. TITUS	21
CABALIER	16
STIENBECK	15
DUGGAN	14
L. SCLAFANI	11
STALLONE	11
KLEIN	8
J. TITUS	4
RITH	3
GORBAS	2
R. LAURINO	2
C. TITUS	2
ROBINSON	1

BASEBALL and GIRLS SOFTBALL BATTING LEADERS

PRINCETON-GEORGIA

Alan Hanson	.488
John Carino	.385
Fran Martin	.370
John Koger	.355
Tom Forte	.352
Dan Martin	.281
John Dusenberry	.273
Tony Crocco	.258
Alan Wilcox	.250
John Walsh	.227
Eddie Tilden	.222
Tony Carino	.222
Gene Wesnofske	.213
Rick Sangiovanni	.209
Rick Baker	.207
Paul Lacopo	.206
Bob Wesnofske	.184
Bob Schoepflin	.167
Mark Funt	.167
Ron Lusardi	.125
Mike Dusenberry	.122
Larry Friedman	.119
Tom Chisena	.103
Bruce Campbell	.043

VILLANOVA-U.S.C.

Len Sciafani	.463
Don Sciafani	.450
Mike Klein	.435
Rod Cavalier	.395
Tom Heliker	.333
Rick Laurino	.308
Tom Stallone	.288
Lee Steeneck	.286
Tom Gorbass	.250
Jim Garilli	.250
Jon Titus	.240
Dave Duggan	.184
Bill Titus	.179
Craig Francisco	.133
Bill Robinson	.087
Chris Titus	.054
Alan Tobias	.038
Bob Dec	.028

CORTLAND - ARMY

Michelle Friedman	.683
Linda Fromia	.592
Mary Ann Engle	.562
Renee Strand	.550
Harriet Senglaub	.500
Shelly Lambert	.436
Penny Sinisi	.434
Pam Sinisi	.432
Bonnie Goros	.414
Carol Wesnofske	.408
Bev Baker	.316
Margaret Martin	.286
Sue Duggan	.278
Janice Farkas	.250
Keran Levinson	.250
Barbara Zalk	.240
Kathy Busher	.231
Sue Chisena	.067

BIG RE-UNION NEWS

Monday, December 29th, is the day to set aside so that you may re-live last summer's experiences with your fellow campers and counselors.

The site of our re-union hasn't been determined as yet but the date is definite. We will spend an afternoon together, with games, food, movies and a few guests present to entertain.

We will also talk about next summer and have all our information ready to distribute about the plans for 1959.

You will all receive notices about the re-union early in December so that you will know the time and place.

Old clothes should be worn by all. See you all on
December 29th!!!

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GIRL'S BASKETBALL

As an added feature this winter, we will be using one of the school gyms in South Huntington for my Tomcat and Bobcat basketball teams. If there is enough interest, we will also have a girls' team. This, of course, will be run just like the boys' Tomcats and Bobcats, with absolutely no charge. It is all for fun, yours and mine, and will be open to all girl campers and their friends. You will hear more about this in November when we will send post cards announcing time and place.

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DID YOU FORGET SOMETHING??

Somebody sure did. We have about umpteen bathing suits and twice that many towels left over from camp last summer. They are all unmarked and are sitting at my house, 13 Quaker Path in Huntington, waiting to be picked up. There are also many socks, undergarments, sweaters and shirts. Anyone who would like to regain these articles should stop and pick them up on a Saturday or Sunday some time before November 1st. Then it will be time to clean up my house.

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COUNSELOR CHATTER

JIM McDONOUGH is rollicking through the Pyrenees mountains speaking Spanish with a Long Island accent. Jim won a fellowship to Spain for a year's study at the University of Madrid. He will complete his Junior year of college across the Atlantic and then return to graduate from Villanova. . . . College beckoned many returning students. These included Juniors JACK HERRIGAN at Holy Cross, BOB BADEER at Princeton, DON and JANET EDSTROM at Cortland, SUE CHAFFEE at Connecticut and PETE MUHLHAUSEN at Williams. . . . Among the newcomers to the college ranks are Freshmen JUDY BERESOFF at Cortland, TERRY CHAFFEE at Chattanooga, FRANK LOEFFLER at Wake Forest, and PAT DUNICAN at St. Lawrence. BADEER, MUHLHAUSEN and LOEFFLER are all awaiting the start of basketball season when they will represent their schools on the court. . . . MARGARET SCHEIDEGGER, a June graduate of Brockport is now a phys ed teacher at Wyandanch school. . . . BARBARA ALLAN is working at the Security National Bank. . . . BEV CHAFFEE is continuing her college studies at Adelphi after completing 3 years at Boston U. . . . JOAN RASMUSSEN, HEATHER CAMPBELL, BILL LAVIANO, and BRIAN CLERMONT, are in their senior year at Huntington High School. . . . BOB and DICK BRUSH, MIKE MARTIN, FRANK TOSCANO, and RODNEY BLACKWELL are all juniors at Huntington. GERRY LAVIANO, JOE FORTE, KEN CHAPMAN and VERA SIGMORELLI are sophs at HHS and PAUL AMOREISKY and JIM ARDITO are sophs at Walt Whitman. . . . JOHN LACOPO will be a Junior in a brothers school upstate and JOY EDSTROM is a freshman at Toaz.

Most of our junior counselors will be active in athletics this year in high school. BOB BRUSH, MIKE MARTIN, FRANK TOSCANO, ROD BLACKWELL and BRIEN CLERMONT are playing varsity football for Huntington while JOE FORTE is on the jayvee. BRUSH, BLACKWELL and FORTE will also be active in basketball along with JERRY LAVIANO and KEN CHAPMAN. They will all be playing baseball except CHAPMAN who is Huntington's number one singles player.

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AN APOLOGY TO ALL SOFTBALL PLAYERS

We are very sorry but we were unable to arrange for the father-son, mother-daughter softball night after our family picnic. As you will all remember, darkness prevented us from having the ballgames after the picnic. I neglected to arrange for a field afterwards, and thus by the time I got around to it, it was too late in September, and the coldness and darkness were upon us.

Possibly next spring we can have our ballgames before the camp season gets under way again.

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES OF COUNSELORS

During the summer months, the School of Sports sponsored four different ball teams. They all did very well in their respective leagues and will be active again in 1959.

The Norton AC mens softball team finished fourth in the Community League and were one of the two teams to defeat South Side AC, the league and playoff champs. Don Schoonmaker and Charlie Forte both played with the men.

The girls version of the Norton AC finished in a tie for first place in the Long Island Womens Softball League with the Glen Cove Jets. They lost the playoff, 7 to 2, after having beaten Glen Cove 4 out of 6 times during the regular season. The girls finished with a 16 and 8 record. Marg Scheidegger, Bev and Sue Chaffee and Jan Molinelli all played on the team along with Pat Ordway, Mary Ann's sister, and Kay Henning and Alice Fry, Mark Henning's mother and Aunt.

The Bobcats, our older boys baseball team, won the Long Island City Intermediate League playoffs after a long season of travelling to Flushing every Saturday to play. They also finished in a tie for first place in the Huntington Junior PAL league to top off a very successful season. Counselors on the team were Bill and Jerry Laviano, John Lacopo, Rod Blackwell, Bob Brush, Joe Forte, Frank Toscano, Mike Martin, and Ken Chapman. Campers on the Bobcat PAL team were John Koger and Eddie Tilden.

The Tomcats, the younger boys team, finished the season in second place in the Long Island City Knothole league. At the time our Yearbook went to press, they were just starting the playoffs. Campers on the team were John Koger, John Carino, Dan and Fran Martin, Paul Lacopo, Tony Crocco, Alan Hanson, Eddie Tilden and Ron Lusardi.

At the present time during the winter months we have the Bobcat and Tomcat basketball teams which use the South Huntington gyms and we have an older girls team with some of the counselors playing. We also may start a younger girls team. If so, it will be announced through the mail. Also, any campers who wish to try out for the Tomcats may do so. You will receive more detailed information in this regard through the mail. This program is entirely free of charge. Because of limited facilities, it is necessary to try out and only a certain number may play on each team. Of course, when we get our year round program within the next year or two, then we will have facilities for all to play and learn.

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