



THE WINADU BUGLE

June 2005

A Letter From Shelley

Hey Everyone!

The grass is green. There's fresh clay on the infields. The sun is shining, and the boats are ready to launch on Lake Onota. We're ready to go!!

Since 1974, Arleen and I have watched generations of Winadu campers grow up. We have followed their careers and are proud that they have applied the lessons learned at Winadu to their personal and professional lives. Whether they have become business executives, doctors, lawyers or artists, they exemplify the true meaning of "Team Winadu".

Some of you new campers might wonder just what "Team Winadu" means. At Winadu, you will quickly learn that "Team Winadu" means that the most important aspect of camp life is to help and support your fellow campers. Through our sports program, we teach life long lessons of sportsmanship, fair play, and valuing each person on the team.

We've made lots of improvements to our facilities this year. We have a brand new Sime Hall and a new Sime Hall basketball court. Our Pioneer Cabins have been completely redone, and there's a new Pioneer shower house. All of our cabins have beautiful new signs, designed and built by Winadu alum, Steven "Umo" Umansky (1975-1985). Steve's son, Jacob, is a second-year camper. The Senior Lodge has been spruced up with beautiful new sports photos! Look for new specialty day programs, and the expansion of our in-camp tournaments.

There is a new look to this *Winadu Bugle*. Our past Bugles have mostly highlighted the off-season achievements of our campers. We think *The Bugle* can offer more. We have added interesting information about Winadu and some thoughts about youth sports and how we play sports at Winadu. We hope you enjoy the new look and encourage all comments and submissions.

Arleen, Don, Courtney, Ann and I can't wait to see all of you on June 24th for another fantastic summer together.

Warmest regards,

Shelley

Camp Winadu "On the Air"

NBC'S TODAY SHOW



We all know that the health and safety of every camper and counselor is the top priority at Winadu. Now, the rest of the country knows! On June 6th, Shelley appeared on the "Today Show" to discuss Camp Health and Safety with Matt Lauer. Standing in front of the waterfront and wearing his Winadu cap, Shelley stressed how important it is for campers to take the same prescription medicine at camp that they take at home. He also explained Winadu's "Nut Free Policy" and talked about the design of the Winadu health center.

Check out the Winadu web-site to see a clip from Shelley's Today Show appearance.

WINADU SPECIALTY SPORTS DAYS



More than 25 years ago, Winadu held its first Specialty Sports Day – NFL Day. The Upper Warriors were divided into teams and played an all-day tournament. NFL day was a huge success. NBA and MLS days quickly followed. Specialty sports days now highlight the Winadu program. Winadu added a unique twist to these days that made them truly meaningful. Instead of simply rewarding the winning team, awards were given to recognize traits of character. Campers who play hard and have the best attitudes receive the most important awards.

For each tournament, there is the “Blue Collar Award” for the boy who works the hardest, a “Sportsmanship Award,” a “Leadership Award,” the “Most Improved Player Award” and the “IF” award. IF stands for Intestinal Fortitude. This award goes to the camper who exemplifies the most mental and physical toughness.

Look for a Special Day surprise this summer!

SHELLEY'S CORNER

Welcome to the first edition of *Shelley's Corner*. Every Winadu Bugle will feature Shelley's thoughts on different aspects of youth sports.



I recently read an article titled “Shattered Eyeglasses Putting Kids at Risk.” The writer reported that 40% of eye injuries from shattered eyeglasses are sports related. This statistic, though not surprising, was of great concern to me. It has long been our practice at Winadu to make sure that our campers wear goggles or sports glasses when they are participating in activities. The consequences of severe eye injury or blindness certainly outweigh any cosmetic concerns about wearing goggles. With the proper precautions in place, eye injury can be avoided and the safety and well-being of our campers can be assured.

If your son wears glasses, please consult with your ophthalmologist before camp to arrange for the proper eyewear protection. We know that together we can make the summer happy, safe and fun!



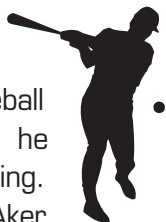
Around the World of Camp Winadu

Sam Hahn was recently selected to represent his grade in a math challenge group made up of 3rd, 4th and 5th graders. **Sam** is playing ice hockey and travel lacrosse. His brother **Jesse** is playing on a new hockey team the Jr. Soundtigers. When **Jake Silvestri** is not playing soccer for the Larchmont Blue Wolverines, he is pitching and playing short and first base for his little league team. **Luis Menicucci** recently took part in his school's annual Scientific Fair. **Luis** along with two school pals invented an environmentally friendly product that took third place in the fair. Well done Luis! **Zach Flyer** has been playing 1st and 2nd base for his little league team and starting midfield for his lacrosse team. **Jeremy Tenenbaum** played in a tennis tournament at Flushing Meadows where he won a grueling two and a half hour match. **Jeremy** also medaled in the 300 meter race and 300 meter relay at a track and field event. **Jimmy Bredt** is busy playing baseball, roller hockey and lacrosse. **Kenny K's** baseball team took a trip to Harrisburg, PA. **Kenny** led his team to victory with three free throws in the closing seconds. **Jared Helene** will receive a special academic award when he graduates from middle school on May 23. **Jared** played on his school's football, basketball and baseball teams. Before attending camp this summer, **Jared** and his Dad will travel to Malibu to attend a surf school. Awesome Dude!! **Tyler Finkelstein** is the starting pitcher for his baseball team, the Mustangs, and brother **Harrison** is playing lacrosse for the Greenwich Titans. **Sam Katz's** school baseball team won the league championship. **Sam** was the starting catcher and homered in the semifinals. **Zak Levenstein** recently celebrated his 9th birthday. **Ian Greene** and **Jacob "UMO" Umansky** were there to celebrate. **Zak** will soon be awarded for completing a peer mentoring program at school. Well done Zak! **Austin Ash** is playing on the Syosset Little League All-Star team. **Teddy Buck** has been playing baseball for the White Plains Marlins where he homered in the first game of the season. **Jack Zenkel** recently played in the Armonk Little League All-Star game.

Meet Some Of Our 2005 Head Coaches...

Head Baseball Coach, Matt Aker

An outfielder and pitcher at Old Miss, Coach Aker is the Assistant Varsity Baseball Coach at Greensboro College where he oversees hitting, outfield and base running. Prior to coming to Greensboro, Coach Aker spent ten seasons coaching high school baseball in Mississippi and Florida. His teams won seven consecutive conference titles and he was named Coach of the Year six consecutive years. He and his wife, Keisha, have three children. Coach Aker especially enjoys working with his father, Jack, a former major league pitcher and coach, who spends a week at Winadu each summer instructing our campers.



Head Basketball Coach, Jeff Buffetta

Coach Buffetta has been the Mt. Iron Buhl Minnesota high school basketball coach for the last six years, has run a summer basketball camp in Minnesota and has worked at the highly regarded Point Guard College Camp as well. He also co-founded and coaches a successful AAU team. He has taught elementary school since 1998 and has a Masters Degree in Education. He played college football and junior college basketball.



Head of Upper Basketball, Kweku "Hollywood" Gibbs

Coach Gibbs, who goes by "Kwa," "Hollywood," and, occasionally, "the Mayor," is the Head Instructor at the Asphalt Green Center in New York City, where he works with children ages 4 through 18. He also coaches the New York City Bulldogs AAU team. Kwa played Division I college basketball at Stonybrook Long Island.

Head Soccer Coach, Neri Amaducci

Neri played college soccer at Beloit College in Wisconsin and played professionally in Italy. During the school year, Neri works as a private soccer trainer and coach in New York City. Neri prides himself on creating an atmosphere where everyone plays together. Sounds like Team Winadu!



Head of Tennis, Pablo Montana

Pablo is the Head Coach at University of California/Pennsylvania women's tennis program. In 2005, he was named the ITA Northeast Region Coach of the Year. Pablo was the assistant men's tennis coach at Vanderbilt University for three years. He was the head tennis professional at the Falls Tennis Club in Miami, Fla., and was named a United States Tennis Association (USTA) national team coach in 1998. Pablo played four seasons of collegiate tennis at the University of Tennessee where he was a two-time All-American. He also played professionally and was ranked in the top 400 in world. He resides with his wife Karen and daughter Alexis in Canonsburg, Pa.

Director of Golf, Corey Gibbs

As a junior college golf coach, Coach Gibbs led his Shelton State Community College Teams to two National Junior College Athletic Association Championships. He has coached eight junior college All-Americans. Coach Gibbs was twice named a Junior College All-American and won two Alabama Junior Golf Association Player of the Year Awards. Coach Gibbs lives in Tuscaloosa, Alabama with his wife Jaime and their new 3 month old daughter.



Where Are They Now?

COACH ALLARD BAIRD: Our former head baseball coach **Allard Baird** (1985-1987) is currently the General Manager for Major League Baseball's Kansas City Royals. He began his career as the Head Coach at Broward Community College in Florida while volunteering as a Kansas City Royals Cross Checker. He worked his way all the way up the ladder. He still keeps in touch with his Winadu family and has maintained relationships with former campers for 20 years. We wish him the best of luck, as the Royals are one of the up and coming teams of the future.

They Say It's Your Birthday!



Madame Wizard just stopped by to wish you a happy birthday:

JUNE

JULY

AUGUST



Steven Bertoldi, Jimmy Brett, Eric Brown, Matthew Cleary, Ari Cohen, Justin Connolly, Diego Cordero, Anthony Davi, Charlie Feinberg, Tyler Finkelstein, Andre Friedson, Joshua Glick,

Spencer Glick, Ben Goldberg, Jeremy Gurewitz, Adam Hecklen, William Hess, Aaron Hoffman, Matthew Kanter, Steven Karp, Max Kohn, Jonathan Koppel, Nate Kreichman, Nicholas Lane, Marc Langendorff, Daniel Magier, Jaime Manheimer, Matthew Meltzer, Luis Menicucci, Matthew Perry, Spencer Posner, Steven Reubenstone, Jonathan Rosenberg, Perry Rosenberg, Juan Luis Santos, Brett Savaglio, Michael Schoenbrum, Cobi Silverstein, Evan Solomon, Alexander Sterling, Michael Warren, Jaime Weisfelner, Cody White.

Harris Abrams, Jose Agramonte, Daniel Baum, Adrian Caridi, Rex Castleberry, Josh Cohen, Spencer Davidson, Ethan Freed, Jake Friedman, Noah Friedman, Jeffrey Goldfine, Sam Hahn, Trent Ingraham, Laurence Khakshouri, Kenny Kirschenbaum, Jedd Mellin, Justin Meltzer, Alan Paiewonsky, William Pinke, Matthew Price, Matthew Rabinowitz, Andrew Reiter, Ben Rosenblatt, Zachary Rubizhevsky, Charlie Scharf, Michael Shachat, Kyle Shneider, Max Tabak, Harry Tarre, Billy Teshler

Shawn Ankari, Justin Arzi, Eli Becker, Nathan Berger, Lucas Blumenfeld, Kyle Budlow, Wade Cohen, Caelan Corr, Jared Darvin, Brandon Finz, Zachary Friedman, Zach Hubert, Marshall Khakshouri, Zachary Kushner, Freddi Kutnick, Jake Lader, Christopher Lebowitz, Saul Mangel, Justin Mermelstein, Doug Mogan, Blake Muraskin, Josh Picker, Max Rabuse, Agustin Ricart, Alberto Rodriguez, Michael Salik, Max Segal, Adam Skolnick, Kyle Tatz, Mike West, David Zabinsky

WinADU TRivia! ??

1. Here's a two-parter: What former Winadu camper played football on two Division I Football Teams? What were the teams? * **You must get both teams correct!** Hint: **Don Moody went to one of these schools!**
2. In what state does our chef Jerry Charson live in the winter?
3. What bunk was Courtney Young in as a Brave?

Answer all questions correctly to win a prize at our first dinner at camp. Email your responses to courtney@campwinadu.com by June 25th to qualify.

Mark Your Calendars...

Important Dates
for Summer 2005:

CAMP OPENS:
Friday, June 24th

VISITING DAY:
Saturday, July 16th

CAMP CLOSES:
Friday, August 12th

ROOKIE CAMP & FATHER/SON WEEKEND
Friday, August 12 - Sunday, August 14

COLOR WAR:
August ??????

