

THE WILLOW

By Derek Barnes

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KAWANHEE KAYAKERS ON THE ANDROSCOGGIN

by Scott Norris and John Vines

Kayaking is one of the newest and most exciting activities at Kawanhee. Heading up the kayaking department is Director of Activities, Mark Standen. This year there were two new kayaks added to the Kawanhee kayak fleet to make a grand total of six.

The first kayak trip was taken on July 30th. Chuck Compher, Jr., Alex Nachman, Scott Norris, Reggie Sagebien, and Mark Standen headed out to the Androscoggin River. The trip lasted for the whole day. There was massive whitewater and the kayakers had a great time battling with the mighty forces of the river. After the great battle, four tired kayakers and their leader arrived back at camp for a good night's sleep.

As you can see, kayaking is a very successful and popular sport at Kawanhee. There are a couple more trips planned for the last weeks of camp.



PARENTS: MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Transportation plans for Sunday, August 12th People Express

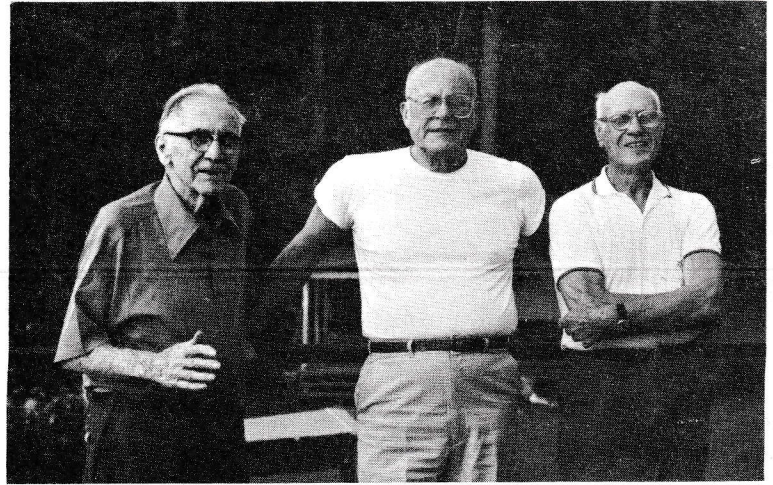
Group I ---Columbus, Ohio

Lv. Portland Sunday, August 12th Flt. #142-----11:35 A.M.
Arrive Newark, NJ-----12:45 P.M.

Lv. Newark, People's Flt. #35 -----2:25 P.M.
Arrive Columbus -----4:00 P.M.

Group II ---New York/New Jersey

Lv. Portland Sunday, August 12th Flt. #207 -----2:55 P.M.



"Bates", Ben and "Pop"

THREE OLD TIMERS RETURN

by Herb Birch

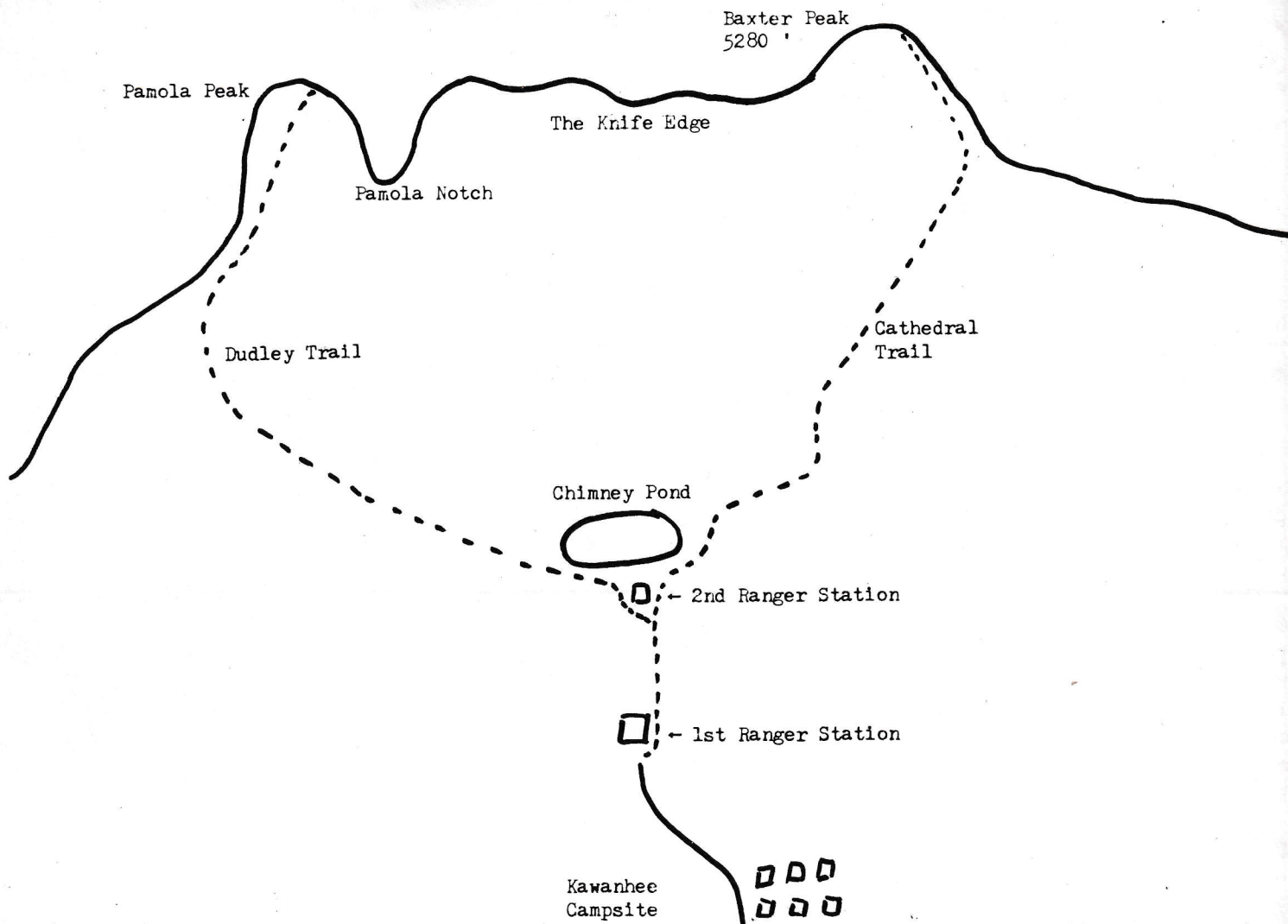
Herb Birch hosted at Skunk Ridge "Bates" (Clarence Bateman), and Ben Bennett, when they returned to Kawanhee for a visit last week.

Ben initiated the return by calling the other two colleagues and suggesting he would drive them to Kawanhee if they were interested. Well, they accepted with great enthusiasm!

"Bates" is the oldest living Kawanheean staff member. He is 88 years old (young) and served us 48 years as our tripping counselor. John "Pop" Nowald served in several roles; wrestling, archery, athletic director and director of activities. He spent 28 years in those capacities. Ben Bennett has spent 20 years in the Shop department. All of these men have given much to Kawanhee, so much it is hard to express.

While here, "Bates" spent 2 days at his tree farm enjoying one of his many loves. All three had the privilege of visiting many of their close friends within a 40 mile area. Their praises of what was being done by the Estabrooks at Kawanhee went on and on. All three left after a 6 day stay looking so much better. It was like a "shot in their arms"; youth had returned. Former campers and leaders are always welcome to come for a visit.





KAWANHEE'S JULY 23rd CLIMB OF MOUNT KATAHDIN
by John Starr

Bouncing off to a pre-dawn start, our buggy arrived at ranger station #1 at 7:30 A.M. We startled a moose as we rapidly moved along the 3 mile climb to ranger station #2 at Chimney Pond. With the wind rapidly approaching 50 miles per hour, we had been warned against taking the classic route across the knife edge. After a brief stop to put on warmer clothing we started up Cathedral Trail. After a mile of slow ascent we started up the rugged shoulder of the mountain, clamboring over massive boulders. Within an hour and a half we had gained the summit (Baxter Peak)--elevation exactly one mile. We intended to rest and take pictures and then retrace our steps, much as we all wanted to try the knife edge, a narrow wall of rock which separates Baxter Peak from Pamola Peak. Suddenly, the wind stopped. Quickly comparing notes, John Bell and I decided we would try the knife edge. With hearts beating hard, we started across, trying not to look down too often. Within an hour we had gained Pamola Peak and safety. At least that was what we thought, but suddenly the wind began to blow again, and this time was gusting at 60 to 65 miles an hour. Clinging to rock outcroppings we slowly battled our way down Dudley trail to Chimney Pond, a climb few of us will ever forget. Within an hour and a half we were back in the Bouncing Buggy and headed to our campsite for a much needed hot meal.

PAMOLA--BIRD GOD OF KATAHDIN
by John Starr

Chimney Pond. As a punishment they decreed that he must live on Pamola Peak forever. Pamola became so angry that he bit a huge piece from the mountain's knife edge which can be seen even today and is called Pamola's notch. To keep him company in his lonely retreat, Pamola then kidnapped an Indian squaw named Black Lucivee. But, much to the chagrin Black Lucivee (although having a beautiful body) was one of the foulest tempered of all the women in the tribe, and her constant harping and scolding of Pamola made him even more wretched, although she bore him several sons and daughters. Because of all this Pamola regularly makes himself as miserable as he can for anyone who tries to climb the mountain. The Indians say that the sudden wind storms and squalls for which the mountain is famous occur when Pamola and his squaw, Black Lucivee are having a fight. At other times clouds will suddenly encircle the mountain making it impossible for climbers to see where they are going, and the Indians say this occurs when Pamola is smoking his gigantic pipe.

THE KATAHDIN MOUNTAIN TRIP
by Alexander Nunn

We go to Mt. Katahdin the 23rd of July, Monday. We leave at 10 o'clock and we stay there five and a half hours.

The first day, we pitch our tents. After that, we have dinner, and after that, we go to bed. It rained all night.

The next day we go walking to the start of the mountain. Then we start to climb. When we get to the top of the mountain, we take a break and then we go to the Knife Edge. The Knife Edge is a union between two mountain

the way back we stop at McDonald's for lunch.

I enjoyed this trip very much but I think it is a hard one because we went up and down in only one day.

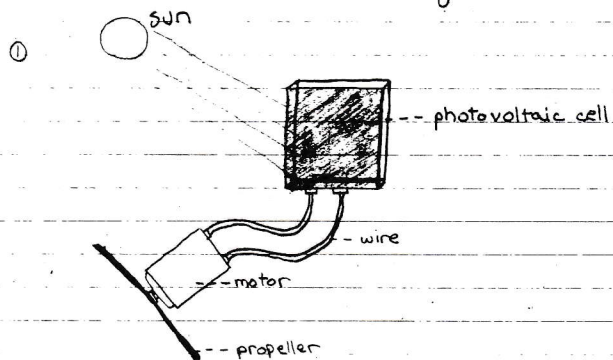
SAVING A HOT SPOT

by Jason Park

On July 28th of this year, Tim Grabel gave a show at the Nature building on the wonders of solar power. Tim Grabel's first occupation (carpenter) led him into his new career as an Energy Conservation specialist. Mr. Grabel has been an E.C.S. for 3 years now. As an E.C.S. he gives lectures to town committees and to schools around Maine. In these lectures, he mainly stresses the fact that the government actually pays for a house to be changed to using Solar power. Also as an E.C.S., he helps special architects model and design new homes which are energy efficient. As an ending statement, he stated, "We could do the world a big favor if we learned to conserve energy".

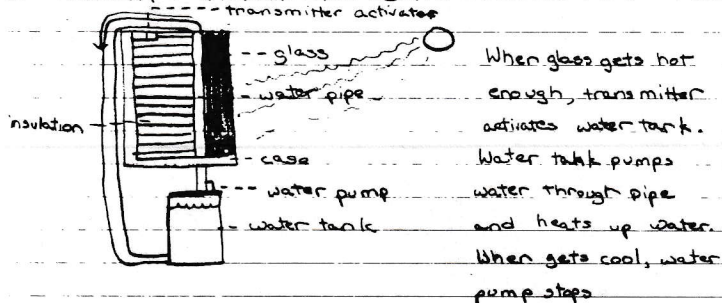
SOME ILLUSTRATIONS OF HOW SOLAR POWER WORKS

by Jason Park

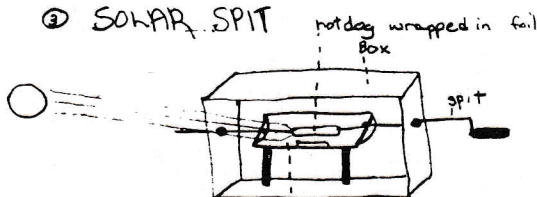


cell collects suns electrons and bumps through wire to turn motor to turn propeller.

2. SOLAR WATER HEATER



3. SOLAR SPIT



WE WANT THE COOKS!

One of Kawanhee's greatest assets is the food. We have the following folks to thank for their hard work.

Nancy van den Honert is dining hall supervisor. She has been at camp for 11 years. From Kansas City, she is an instrumental music teacher and enjoys reading, jogging, needlecraft and eating ice cream!

Mary Birch is also a dining hall supervisor. She lives in Florida in the off-season and is a special education teacher. Mary has been at camp for 8 years.

Head Baker this year is Pam Robinson. Pam has been at Kawanhee 6 summers and is a teacher. She lives in Dixfield, Maine.

Pam's assistant is Debbie Welch. She has been at camp for 3 summers and is a certified nurses' aide in the off-season.

Assistant Cook is Barbara Miller. She is a second grade teacher and is from Elgin, Illinois.

Joan Steenhausen is also from Elgin, is a speech-language pathologist and works on the kitchen staff as "salad and beverage person".

Joselle Goodine assists in salads and is from Canton, Maine. She is enlisted in the Air Force.

THE WIGWAM BRINGS YOU MORE STAFF INTRODUCTIONS....

Joan Colescott is our camp nurse for her third season. She says she, "likes the boys at Kawanhee. They replace my 3 sons who have grown up and left home". The Colescott boys were campers at Kawanhee for seven years.

Peter and Nan Belskis return to Kawanhee for Pete's 11th year and Nan's 10th. Pete is head of the athletic department and Nan in charge of camper accounts, the camp store, mail and purchasing agent.

Omer Smith is working in Kawanhee's maintenance department, is a student and is from Weld, Maine. He enjoys hiking, fishing and sports.



CHRISTMAS AT CAMP?????

by Tommy Greene

Most people vision Christmas on a cold winter day, but here at Camp Kawanhee on July 25th, we had it at the dining hall during dinnertime. It started off with a delicious meal. With beautiful decorations and a huge Christmas tree. Then

STARWATCHING

by Shyam Rajadhejasha, age 12

The head of the Starwatching Department is Polly van den Honert. On a clear night, we will go out and with our telescope we will decipher such constellations as the Big & Little Dipper, Draco the Dragon, and Hercules and planets such as Mars, Jupiter and Saturn. In class we learn about the origins of constellations. We also learn how to find these constellations with just a quick glance at the sky. Starwatching is one of my favorite activities at Camp Kawanhee and I hope next year's campers agree.

WRESTLING

by Will Fleming

This week the 1984 wrestling department held its first tournament of the year - the annual Grey/Maroon Meet. After a tough struggle, the Greys came out ahead 29-21. The match by match results:

65lbs. Inigo Ballestero (G) dec. Bryon Lockhart (M) 6-4
75lbs. Rob Ryder (M) dec. Marc Banasik (G) 10-4
85lbs. Aitor Aznar (G) pinned Dave Birch (M)
90lbs. Gregg Mullen (G) maj. dec. Mike Lacqua (M) 17-9
100lbs. Alex Nachman (M) pinned Rob Studebaker (G)
105lbs. Pedro Zapata (G) maj. dec. Jacobo Arteaga (M) 13-4
125lbs. Frank MacPeak (M) pinned Mark Gibson (G)
135lbs. Scott Norris (G) pinned Chuck Compher (M)
155lbs. Peter Brown (G) pinned Keith Bowers (M)
HWT. Ray Brokaw (M) pinned David Bates (G)
115lb. exhibition match Mark Valore dec. Chris Klinges 7-2

We would like to thank all of the participants for their fine display of enthusiasm, effort, and sportsmanship. In addition, we can happily report that 20 levels were passed during the 4th week of camp, followed by 43 more levels in the 5th week. Stay tuned for details of the Final Wrestling Tournament, which is yet to come!!

KLL IN FINAL SWING

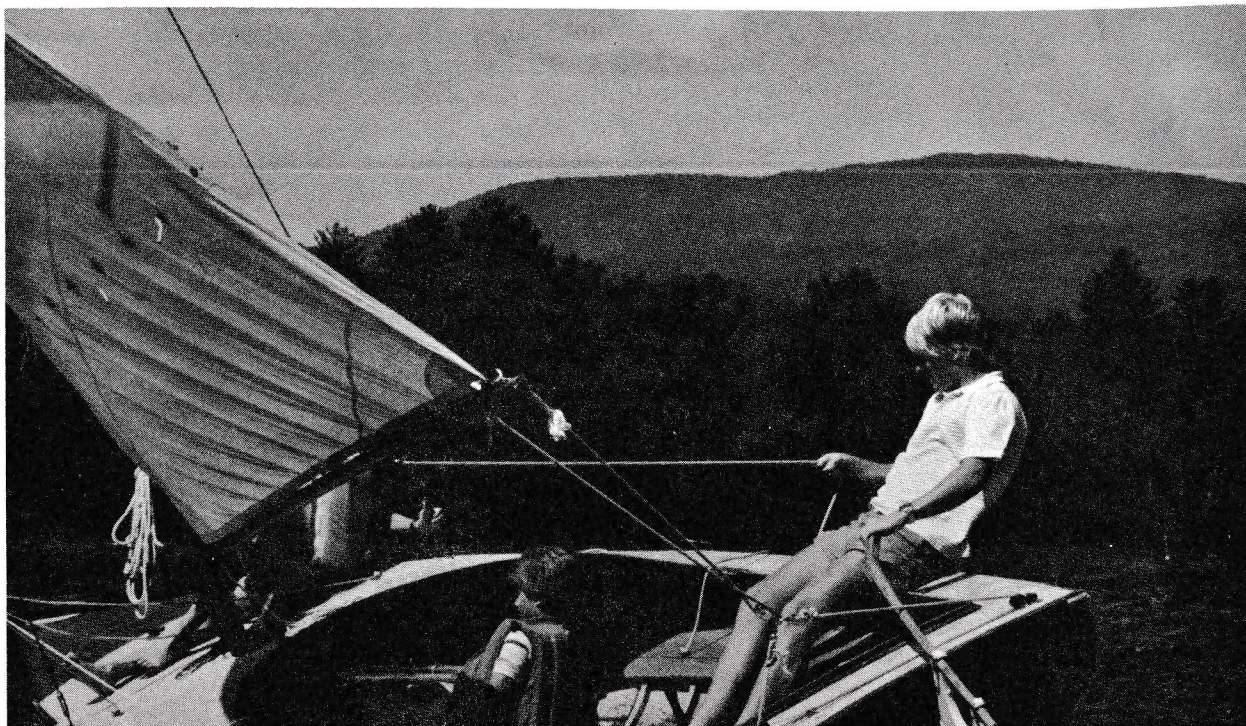
by Pete Belskis

With the KLL winding down, there seems to be some definite trends being set towards its conclusion. With only two games left to the regular season KLL teams are eagerly eyeing the upcoming play-offs.

In recent weeks the action has been fierce and competitive as many games have been close with only the last few innings determining the outcome. In the driver seat at this point, seem to be the Black Belts with a record of four wins and one loss. The Belts have managed a three win 1 loss record since the last writing with two close 4 to 3 victory's over the stingy Purple Haze team. They also defeated the Pink Cadillacs 9-6 for their third victory in four games by scoring three runs in the last inning to solidify the victory. Ironically their only loss has come to the hard luck Blue Demons, by a convincing score of 10 to 3. The Demons with each of their first two games seemingly won met with disaster as both opponents rallied in their last at bats to steal the victory. But their big victory over the front running Belts should give them plenty of momentum going into the play-offs.

Right on the heels of the Belts are the Pink Cadillacs with a three win - two loss record. They have had 2 wins and 1 loss since the last writing with wins over the Purple Haze 11 to 8 and the Blue Demons 5 to 4. According to a recent interview with Jose Roberto Clemente Otero, he was quoted as saying, "we will be champs in the end." Ah! Time will tell.

The Purple Haze must still be considered a dark horse in the tournament since they have the likes of potent ones, Chris Huntington and Sandy Sanders. According to Chris and Sandy. "don't count us out yet" is the word coming out of the Purple Haze dug-out. With all this talent and close competition this year the KLL tournament is bound to be one of the best in years with any one of the four teams capable of stealing the bacon. Please be looking for your final Wigwam article to see the exciting conclusion to the KLL season.



ARCHERY

by Chuck Compher

Archery is continuing at an exciting pace. During the fifth week we surpassed the 300 medal mark. Last week we had our Maroon/Grey Archery Tournament. Winning first places were John Koplitz - Eagle, Bryan Lockhard - Jr. C., David Birch - Jr. B, Bernie Gehret - Jr. A, David Bates - Sr. 30 yds., and John Vines - Sr. 30 yds. In a very close score the Maroons won 89 to 86.

The quality of shooting continues to improve every week. Several campers are working on Robin Hood Awards. This year each camper will receive ten points for every medal won. The points will be totaled during the last week so archery will contribute over 3,000 points. We hope that everyone will keep working hard and win points for their teams.



RANGE TOURNAMENT

July 21, 1984

GREY - Pos. 100pts.

MAROON Pos. 100pts.

Jr. C. Justin Ford (74)
Josh Wojcik (75)

Total 149*

Jr. C. Dexter Devoe (71)
John Donahey (71)

Total 142

Jr. B. Fernando Guasch (68)
Pedro Zapata (80)

Total 148

Jr. B. David Birch (82)
Richie Donahey (76)

Total 158*

Jr. A. Aitor Aznar (79)
Scott Barnes (70)

Total 149

Jr. A. Jim Osborn (80)
Robert Ryder (85)

Total 165*

Senior Nick Botez (73)
Scott Norris (92)

Total 165*

Senior Ned Gerhold (85)
Jamie Sanford (74)

Total 159

Greys 611 - Maroons 624



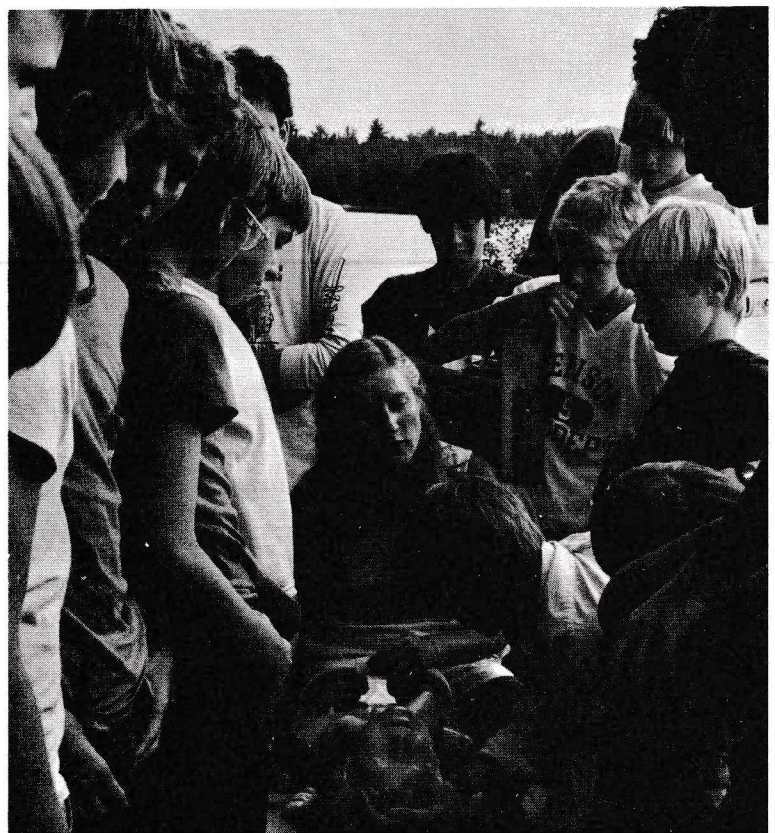
KLL ALLSTARS PROUD BUNCH

by Pete Belskis

In one of the most memorable Little League Games to be played in some time, the KLL ALLSTARS took on the Camp Manitou ALLSTARS on July 18th. Kawanhee was in a tournament with three other camps and had been paired with the powerhouse hometown Manitou club in the first round. It was a handful for the home team as they came out in the bottom of the first and scored four runs to Manitou's one. With a single run in the 2nd inning the KLL STARS took a commanding lead by a 5 to 1 count. But a costly KLL error in the home teams half of the third, plated four runs and the game was tied for the 1st time 5 to 5. The KLL STARS managed a run in their half of the third to take a 6 to 5 lead, which held up until the 6th and last inning. Here the Manitou STARS managed to plate 2 runs to take 7 to 6 lead. The KLL STARS would not quit as they managed to score a run to tie the game after 2 were out 7 to 7. But fate was with the Manitou club as they were able to push across the winning run in their half of the 7th inning. The KLL STARS and their followers should be proud as this was one of the best played Little League Games this writer has seen in sometime. Joel Jeffrey and Andrew Iverson combined to strike out 12 Manitou batters for a strong pitching performance. Greg Mullen, Chris Huntington, and Joel Jeffrey were repeat hitters for the KLL STARS with Chris Klinges and Mark Banasik chipping in with one hit apiece. A rematch is in the works to be played at the KLL ALLSTARS field on Saturday, August 4th at 10:00. If this game is anything like the last, it should be a dandy of a ball game. Stay tuned for the exciting results.

Current KLL Standings

	WON	LOST
BLACK BELTS	4	1
PINK CADILLACS	3	2
PURPLE HAZE	2	3
BLUE DEMONS	1	4



How many times have you looked out at Lake Webb and watched a beautiful sunset over the mountains? It may be interesting to some of you to know how scientists believe the beautiful land around Kawanhee was formed.

The mountains around Kawanhee were formed in the Cenozoic Era, which was a few million years ago. Maine at that time was an upland area or an area fairly high above sea level. Much of the land was being lost to the process we call erosion. Weaker rocks were worn away by erosion and the more resistant or harder rocks were left standing as mountains on a plain that extended over the state. Later the land changed even more and valleys were formed around these mountains. Scientists believe Katahdin and the mountains surrounding Kawanhee were formed by the process just described.

Thousands of years later, Maine went into a deep-freeze. Yes, it was the ice age! Maine was covered by several glaciers. The glacier was similar to those of Greenland and Antarctica today. The glacier left large deposits of sand, gravel, and clay. These deposits dammed the valleys that were formed in the Cenozoic Era. These valleys then became lakes after the glacier receded or melted. Lake Webb was probably formed in this manner.

Probably the most interesting thing about the glacial period is that if you had lived in this area after the glacier left, you would have been quite wet! After, the glacier left an inland sea covered much of Maine, and probably the Kawanhee area. This inland sea was formed by the tremendous weight of the glacier. The glacier was over a mile thick so it was not a small piece of ice! After the glacier melted the ocean "flooded" much of what today is the State of Maine. The sea remained for a few thousand years and probably covered the area that includes Kawanhee. Gradually the land came back to its normal height and the ocean receded to its present location. But for a few thousand years, if you had lived in the cabin you are now living in, you would have been part of the ocean!

In the latest WIGWAM meeting I was sent to interview a person at camp who I felt was interesting and inspiring. I went to talk to the author of the LOG, the head counselor of Deer Lodge, tennis instructor and the one who coined the phrase, "Don't ruin a good story with the facts".

The first question I asked was, "How many years have you been at camp?" His response was "20 years, 3 as a camper, 17 as a counselor."

"What was your favorite activity?"

"Dumb question.... Tennis!"

I also asked him how he writes the LOG. "I take notes Saturday and write it two hours before campfire. Of course the "facts" I get, are being reported to me all through the week."

When asked about his teaching he replied, "I teach 7th graders at Bath Jr. High." He informed me that he was the state champ of the game show, "So You Think You Know Maine". This is a show where you quiz on Maine's history, geography and current events.

This concludes my interview with Mike (O.J.) Altmaier.

*****ANNOUNCEMENT*****

Camp Kawanhee recently received word from the Internal Revenue Service that our request to form a Foundation has been accepted. Consequently, we are now eligible to receive tax deductible donations which will be used to provide scholarships for boys regardless of race, color, or creed so that these boys can be enrolled at Camp Kawanhee for the 1985 Season and thereafter. The camp's Board of Directors believes that this is a very positive advancement, and will prove to be a strengthening force for Kawanhee, not only financially, but by bringing to our camp carefully selected boys who are worthy of such an honor and who will contribute positively by their own attitude and character. Any person, company, or organization wishing to donate, please make check to:

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Weld, Maine 04285**

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