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ENROLLMENT FOR 1987 REACHES 100 MARK

At the end of February, Kawanhee's 1987 enrollment reached 100 boys, and this means that there is room for only another 35 to 40 campers. PLEASE MAIL IN YOUR APPLICATION PROMPTLY if you're planning to be with us this summer. Last spring it was necessary to decline admission to a few campers because we had no space. The list of those boys already enrolled is shown below, and if you are not included, let Mr. Birch or Mr. Estabrook hear from you soon. KAWANHEE CALLS!***

Ivan Agirre, Alex Alexander, Derek Barnes, Ryan Barnes, Scott Barnes, Jeff Baumann, Jeff Berard, Ted Bibart, Rafael Bouet, Adam Brown, Matt Burgermaster, Charlie Byard, Sean Cochran, Mike Compher, Robert Compher, Gary Compton, Dain Cooke, Trevor Cooke, Teddy Coons, Micum Davis, Timothy Davis, Carlos Del Valle, David Dennett, Dexter DeVoe, Teddy DeVoe, Jim Dillon, John Donahey, Richie Donahey, Jim Drew, Sam Ellis, Owen Feeney, Terry Feeney, Warren Fish, Shawn Flaherty, Juan Garaizabal, Jim Garland, Bernie Gehret, Mark Gibson, Jorge Granado, Andy Graham, Geoffrey Graham, Tommy Greene, Trey Griley, Jaime Guasch, Bob Hart, Joe Highman, Ben Hoffhine, Mark Hoffman, Chad Hollenbaugh, Tim Horton, Brian Huntington, Chris Huntington, Kyle Johnson, Brian Kennedy, Todd Kinney, Chris Klinges, Yusuke Koh, Daisuke Koh, Billy Koplitz, John Koplitz, Luke Koplitz, Ramana Lagemann, Craig LaRoche, David Lash, Steve Lenard, Ross Lerner, Richard Lewis, Bryon Lockhart, Alan Michalak, John Morton, Gregg Mullen, Brian Murphy, Kevin Murphy, Jim Norian, John Novak, Jim Osborn, Mark Osborn, Borja Oyarzabal, Inigo Oyarzabal, Steven Paull, Tim Pray, Randy Prior, Art Rader, Don Rader, Jose Raga, Shyam Rajadhyaksha, Miguel Reyes, Adam Rozan, Joshua Rozan, Ignacio Riva, Jeff Rice, Robert Ryder, David Sanford, Jamie Sanford, Chris Shearer, Tony Soto, Patrick Stahl, Jeff Stewart, Jeff Stroman, Brent Swan, Jonathan Tracy, Pete Walter, Peter Weimer, & Joshua Wojcik.

MR. BIRCH HONORED

Mr. Herb Birch, Assistant Director of Camp Kawanhee, received a special tribute last October 17 th when he was given a surprise party in the Conference Room of the Englewood, New Jersey Hospital. Highlight of the occasion was the presentation of scrolls for active, ongoing service from seven major organizations: Meals-On-Wheels, Fish, American Red Cross, First Presbyterian Church of Tenafly, the Borough of Tenafly, the American Cancer Society, and the Englewood Hospital. Special greetings tendered by the Hospital President noted that Mr. Birch, who recently turned 80, is living proof that "older is better". In his volunteer activities Mr. Birch works six full days a week. At Kawanhee, Mr. Birch is President of the Polar Bear Club (the early morning dippers) and his enthusiastic "BEEE-U-TI-FULLL" is a familiar early morning sound as he leads 15 or 20 early risers into the lake right after reveille. At camp, Mr. Birch, along with his son Brian, Co-Heads our Shop & Industrial Arts Department. Occasionally, Father Birch stops to check the Rifle Range where son Bruce and daughter-in-law Mary are the Range Directors. On Sundays, he organizes and participates in our Sunday religious services. Somehow he finds time too to spread the good word about Camp Kawanhee in New Jersey, and signs up several new campers each season along with conveying his contagious enthusiasm to the repeat campers so that they return for more summers of "Fun With A Purpose". LONG LIVE MR. BIRCH--A TRULY REMARKABLE MAN.

1987 STAFF

Camp Kawanhee is very fortunate in being able to rate at the top of ACA (American Camping Association) camps for repeat factor in staff; for 1987 there will be between 85 % and 90 % of our Staff returning. Each season a few new Staff Members are added to replace those few who do not return. For 1987, we have hired only six new Senior Counselors, and all have been extremely carefully screened and come with the very highest of recommendations. In addition, we have been fortunate in obtaining the able services of Al Compton, Chef, and his wife Marion, Assistant Chef. The Comptons have had many years experience in food service, and currently are employed in two separate fraternities at Ohio State University. We welcome this fine couple and their son Gary (a new Eagle Lodge Member at camp), and we look forward to enjoying their delicious meals this summer.

AUGUST 14-15-16, 1987 REUNION

Reunion Plans initiated by Mark & Liz Standen are well under way. The response has been excellent, and at present there are more than 200 persons who have indicated they wish to participate. This exciting event is scheduled for August 14-15-16, 1987---five days after the regular camp season. If you would like to be included, please notify Mark & Liz Standen at R.R. 1, Box 192-A, Freeport, Maine 04032 (Phone 207-865-4818), and they will mail you detailed information.

KAWANHEE SOCIAL HOUR

Two parties were held over the holidays at the Estabrooks' home in Columbus, Ohio. The first was a Staff party, and this included counselors, wives, girl friends, boy friends, babies, and some ex-staff members. In all, there were about 60 people. The second party was for campers and families, and again the turnout was very good with between 55 and 60 persons attending. Thanks to all for helping to keep the Kawanhee spirit GOING STRONG all winter.

****AS KAWANHEE TURNS****

Mark & Julie (Green) Sengelmann announce the birth of Peter Henry Sengelmann in Nov. Julie & Mark live in Chapel Hill, N.C. but are moving to Portland, Maine this year. Tully & Karen (Sengelmann) Rogers are the proud parents of a son born in Oct. Benjamin Davis Estabrook was born 1-1-87 (Happy New Year!) to Richard & Ann (Havener) Estabrook. Three prospective Eagle Lodge Campers!!! Former Counselor Hung Dang is enrolled at Ohio State Univ. and is now a U.S. citizen. Omer Smith is at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri training for combat engineering. Laird Smith, Jr. is an investment advisor in Columbus and takes time to speak to high school classes about his experiences as a combat medic in Vietnam. Henry & Jane Blau are enjoying their new home in Weld--they took up snowshoeing to navigate through Weld's 200-inch total snowfall. Butch O'Neill has purchased the Hathaway Building in "downtown" Weld and is having it renovated. O.J. Altmaier has been coaching the girls' basketball team at his school in Bath, Maine and his team won the Championship--congratulations O.J!! Want to buy real estate in Boston, Mass.? Check with Tim McKee, former Kawanhee counselor. Lots of weddings: Scott Hadley to Lisa LeBaron; Nick Gill to Marye Lee Dunkley; Scott Hanna to Patricia Ann Wilcox; Whitney Barnard to Jody Ruhl; and Chuck Lodge to Kathryn Ann Leitch. Best Wishes to all the brides & grooms! Special academic honors recently for Richie & John Donahey, and for Jonathan Tracy. Also, we sadly announce the deaths of two fine gentlemen, William E. Weld and Louis P. Benua--both were loyal Kawanhee Alumni. Keep us informed of your activities so we can include Kawanhee news in our next Wigwam.

FURTHER COMMENTS

Maroon & Grey Rivalry in '87 will include WAR CANOE RACES; the two War Canoes are being renovated now and will be like new in June.---Camp Kawanhee Foundation (formed 3 years ago) is a tax deductible organization, and if you wish to contribute to provide partial scholarships for needy boys, please make out check & mail to: CAMP KAWANHEE FOUNDATION, Weld, Maine 04285.---Polar Bears of '87, GET READY--Mr. Birch has a beautiful award for the winner.