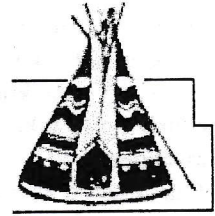


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2002 CAMPER ENROLLMENT (as of February 11th)

Lane Adams
 Adam Aldrich
 Alexander Aldrich
 Ted Aldrich
 Dan Alexander
 Rees Alexander
 Andrew Altmaier
 Benjamin Altmaier
 Randy Barba
 Carl Barnard
 Andrew Barrie
 Tommy Bolon
 Christopher Bradicich
 Spencer Branch
 Trevor Branch
 Gavin Cadwallader
 Ned Carson
 Sam Carson
 Gabriel Casellas
 James Chagaris
 Benedict Connelly
 Robert Connelly
 Corey Connor
 Duncan Constable
 Frank Cook
 Anthony Cottone
 David Crane
 Robin Curtis
 William Dargusch
 Ryan Davis
 Spencer Davis
 David Devey
 Chris Duncan
 Matt Duncan

Alexander Dunn
 Christopher Engel
 Ben Estabrook
 Ramin Farhangi
 Eugene Fasano
 Slade Fay
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 Michael Fink
 Luke Fortunato
 Matthew Fortunato
 Robert Fox
 Roberto Garcia
 Christopher Garvin
 James Garvin
 Matthew Gering
 William Gering
 Reid Greimann
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 Gregor Hoffman
 Samuel Hoffman
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 Storm Horine
 Kevin Irving
 Scott Irving
 Scott Jaffee
 Winn Jeffery
 Brandon Jiaconia
 Evan Jones
 Cory Keny
 Quinn Kielbasa
 Karl Kremling
 Michael Lenard
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 Luke Marriott
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 Benjamin Morgan
 Luke Morris
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 Alex Nering
 Ryan Nuanes
 Jonathan Ostwalt
 Harper Pack
 Carlos Pla
 Luis Pla
 Daniel Popiel
 Andrew Prior
 Austin Randall
 Henry Richter
 Alexander Rohn
 James Rohn
 Leo Rose
 David Ruhle
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 John Rullan
 John (JP) Rullan
 Pedro Rullan
 Alex Sanchez
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 Tyler Slayman
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 Luis Soltero
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 Will Stafford
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 Ben Standen
 Jed Standen
 Ted Stotzer
 Tripp Strawbridge
 John Sugar
 David Suh
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 Joseph (Walker) Tice
 Kyle Tulloss
 Clifford Turner
 Chris Vandivort
 Taylor VanLandingham
 Timothy Walsh
 Gordon Weihe
 Justin Whealen
 Ricky White
 David Wirth
 Benjamin Zambito

The current enrollment for 2002 is now 132 boys. We have room for only another 35 campers. Please contact Mark Nelson or Walter Estabrook soon if you decide to sign up for the 2002 season.

AS KAWANHEE SWINGS

Yes jazz fans, Jazz will return to Kawanhee again this summer! We encourage all campers and staff to bring their instruments to camp. Chuck "The Jazz Monster" Compher has had experience teaching jazz at every level of experience. All instruments will be included. It would be great to have a jazz band of ten or more members. There will be many opportunities to perform. See you this summer, and bring your "ax" (band instrument) so you don't miss the lively jam sessions.

LOBSTER CLUB FOR 2002!

With enrollment applications doing extremely well at present, why not take some extra time, and give some thought to see if you know of a friend or relative who would be striving to take advantage of the environment at Camp Kawanhee.

Our mission as a character building force for boys continues as strongly today as it did when Kawanhee was founded in 1921 by George and Raymond Frank.

Once again we will be hosting a lobster or steak dinner at the Kawanhee Inn this summer for the boys who bring a friend to camp.

Please spread the wonderment of Kawanhee, and pass any leads along to Mark Nelson or Walter Estabrook. We will be only too happy to mail our current catalog and video to the prospective family for their review.

KAWANHEE REACHES SURVIVOR!

Just announced this past week in the national news is that one of Kawanhee's very own, Monhegan Island charter boat Captain Zoe Zanidakis, will be a featured contestant on the CBS Survivor television series set to premier at 8:00 P.M. on February 28th.

From the CBS.com web site we learn that "16 Americans are stranded on Nuka Hiva – a distant neighbor of Tahiti in the South Pacific. To survive in their primitive surroundings, the survivors must form a cooperative society: building shelter, gathering and catching food, and competing in challenges. To the winners go rewards to make life more bearable. Those who fail must do without."

What follows is Zoe's personal biography that appears in the same CBS web site.

Zoe Zanidakis is a native and resident of Monhegan Island, Maine and a descendent of nine generations that have lived and fished there since the late 1700's. Once high school began she moved to the mainland to attend Maine Central Institute and Toms Ridge High School. She returned to the island each summer to help run the family business.

Nicknamed "Lobster Lady," Zanidakis is currently a commercial fisherman and a charter boat captain. She owns and operates her own 40-foot vessel, the "Equinox." She spends the winter months fishing for lobster off Monhegan Island and the summer months fishing and running charters. In addition, she holds a Coast Guard Captains License, is an open-water certified scuba diver, and is presently logging hours for her private helicopter license. She has previously owned and managed a hotel and restaurant that had been in her family for four generations. Zanidakis also enjoys horseback riding, motorcycles, ice hockey, dancing, traveling, and fishing. She has one son, Ron.

Our good thoughts and best wishes are with Zoe for a spirited and rewarding competition.

TOP 10 OPPORTUNITIES IN 2002

by Mark Nelson, Managing Director

- #10 -- Big C, Communication! Open, honest, constructive, thoughtful, encouraging, thoughtful, encouraging, appreciative, and compassionate communication to all.
- #9 -- Volunteering! Camp and Community service opportunities available to everyone.
- #8 -- Sportsmanship! Playing fairly is what it is all about.
- #7 -- Big R, Responsibility! We are all responsible for our own actions, language, and promises we make to others.
- #6 -- Respecting! Mother Earth, the people around us, and all property and possessions.
- #5 -- Making new friends, and being better friends to our existing ones!
- #4 -- Challenging yourself! If one never pushes oneself, one never has the opportunity to achieve gains and greater rewards!
- #3 -- Attitude! Not just a good attitude, but a great attitude!
- #2 -- Setting your goals! Set them early to be able to follow through. Suffer no disappointment for lack of effort.
- #1 -- Striving to do your best and constantly take advantage of your environment!

HISTORY OF KAWANHEE by Mike Altmaier

The story of Camp Kawanhee starts with the lives of George and Raymond Frank. George and Raymond were brothers born near Portland, Maine, but their adult lives had taken them to Columbus, Ohio and Engelwood, New Jersey respectively. Both George and Raymond were involved in youth work- George was a teacher and Raymond, a church youth worker.

George began coming to the western mountains of Maine in 1909. It was on top of Mt Blue that George Frank first saw the beautiful Lake Webb. George made regular visits to the lake and when he was married in 1912, George honeymooned on the lake.

In 1917, Raymond accepted an invitation from George to visit the lake. Raymond also fell in love with the lake and on frequent canoe trips around the lake, George and Raymond's dream of a summer camp began to take shape.

The Frank brothers bought sixty acres and began to go to work. Part of the property was a potato field and had to be cleared to make the present day athletic field. The dining hall was the first building to be built and the Eagle and Falcon lodges were soon added. A man named Herbert L. Berry gave the brothers a \$5,000 loan in those early days and today the Recreation Hall at Kawanhee is named in Mr. Berry's honor.

In 1921, Camp Kawanhee opened with 16 boys! Each year Kawanhee grew in numbers. Lodges were added and equipment and activities were added. In the early days

Kawanhee was advertised as a haven from hay fever and many boys came to Kawanhee for that reason.

By the 1930's, Camp Kawanhee had been firmly established and attracted a population of over 100 campers every summer. In the late 1930's a young counselor named Walter Estabrook attended Camp Kawanhee. Little did he know that thirty years later he would own and manage Camp Kawanhee. Just as the world was different in the 1930's and 1940's so was Kawanhee. Horseback riding was a popular activity. Kawanhee even had its own stables. Boxing was also an activity in those days, but soon was replaced by wrestling. Kawanhee boys wore uniforms in those days and the staff was often decked out in their "whites". In the war years of 1942-1945, Kawanhee boys sometimes helped harvest crops for the war effort.

In 1966, Raymond Frank passed away. George Frank continued to operate the camp, but he became concerned about the future of the camp as he grew older. In the late 1960's, George decided to sell the camp to a group headed by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Estabrook.

As the Estabrooks began to operate the camp, the enrollment increased and new activities were added. Soccer became an activity in the 1970's, and in the coming years kayaking and volleyball were added. Many foreign boys began attending Kawanhee. Today, Kawanhee attracts boys from every corner of the world.

In 1977, a terrible fire destroyed the dining hall and three lodges. Kawanhee continued to operate that summer and by the next summer, a new dining hall was in operation. New lodges have been added and enrollment has reached all time highs. A new ropes course was added in 2000 and additions were made to the course in 2001. A new arts and crafts center is on the horizon.

In 1999, The George and Raymond Frank Foundation was established as a non-profit organization. Kawanhee is now owned by the foundation and operated by a board of directors. Mark Nelson was hired by the board as managing director.

Kawanhee has flourished over the years because of its rich history of fantastic campers and the high caliber of its qualified staff, who faithfully return year after year.

Obituaries

Charles (Chuck) W. Pavey III born June 10, 1933 died suddenly Friday, July 20, 2001. He spent several summers at Kawanhee as a camper and counselor and had attended the Reunions. He was a self-employed real estate appraiser for 35 years. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Bonny B. Pavey along with their children and grandchildren. Mrs. Pavey may be contacted at 2289 N. High St., Columbus, OH 43201.

Jim Kurtz, age 87, died September 14, 2001. Mr. Kurtz was an aircraft welder during World War II. He was the President of Keever Starch Company and Exact Weight Scale Company. He was a camper at Kawanhee in 1922 plus several more summers. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Ellis Morris Kurtz along with children and grandchildren. Mrs. Kurtz may be contacted at the Forum at Knightsbridge, 4509 Knightsbridge Blv., Columbus, OH 43214.

*****AS KAWANHEE TURNS*****

Weddings, traveling, races and a baby make up our news. The Sanford brothers are both married now—David and Kara were married earlier and live in Columbus and now Jamie and Susan are married and live in Hilliard, Ohio. The campers will be interested that Jamie still has his wonderful St. Bernard dog—a camp favorite when Jamie was a counselor. Russ Jessen is still on the go and is in Arizona now. Adam Bowman and Adam Studebaker had to see Kawanhee in the winter! John (Jack) and Julia Coleman of Dayton, Ohio had a cruise from Montreal to Boston with many interesting stops along the way. Jack had many out of state meetings that took them in different directions and at different times in the states. John (Big John) Detrick vacationed along the coast of Florida at a good time weather-wise. Will and Kelly Fleming are so enjoying their baby son William (also known as "Pumpkin"—he is adorable). Hadrian Engle is a headliner also as he is Class C Individual State Champion for Cross Country for the state of Maine. Along with being a Senior Counselor in Eagle Lodge and Assistant Director of Swimming, he trained each day at Camp. Our thoughts and prayers have been with the Hoffman family as Sam is recuperating from serious surgery. Send a card or e-mail to him. Gary Pryor, former counselor, and his bride Kelly are living in Paradise Valley, Arizona. Dan Osar will be attending Colby College next fall. He wrote for his college entrance essay a beautiful tribute to Herb Birch. Brian Osar is a sophomore at Notre Dame. Lucy Ramsay's daughter Amber is now Mrs. Keith Mason after a lovely wedding in Naples, Florida. Bob Lamb from Canton, Ohio sent in a clipping about Dick Webber from North Carolina—Dick was a camper and counselor at Kawanhee and was an Ohio State University swimmer under Mike Peppe in 1947 and '48. Dick now is age 74 and swam the exact same times in two different races in the same season—it is titled "Mission Impossible"! The 50 meter free style was in 32..25 and the 50 meter fly in 40.46. These races were at the North Carolina Masters. Many familiar Kawanhee former campers and counselors helped Chip Trayner celebrate his 40th birthday. It was a surprise celebration planned by his wife Maryanne. The guests included Al Natelli, Andy Trayner, Jon Trayner, Tom Occipinti, Keith and Louisa Erf, and Ferd and Kate Schoedinger along with Chip's parents and other guests from Newton, MA. Of course the main topic of conversation was Kawanhee! Who knows, we might have some new campers from Newton!

E-mails sent to the web site add new items to the Wigwam: Jackson Doege. He was at Camp Kawanhee 1963--1970. Sam Detrick was a camper and counselor 1969-1980; Tim Dargusch was a camper 1961-1964.

Please keep us posted on any news so that we can share with Kawanhee friends. Send to "Wigwam", 450 South Harding Road, Columbus, OH 43209.

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