

# Maroon's 79,618 Grey's 78,424



## **Top Ten Highpoint Winners**

- 1. Liam W. 4,660
- 2. Carlos T. 3,340
- 3. Elliot G. 2,660
- 4. Drew C. 2,400
- 5. Gus A.- 2,310
- 6. Drake W. 2,205
- 7. Morgan K. 2,145
- 8. Jordan P. 2,070
- 9. AJ D. 2,035
- 10.Blaise M. 1,915



**Top Ten Highpoint Winners with their Captains** 



Liam W. - Highpoint Winner

## A Super-Charged Last Week

Dan Webster

The last week of camp is a super-charged seven days for campers and staff. Emotions run high as everyone wants to savor the last few days of camp life, while trying not to think about the fact that the camp season is almost over. It's hard to keep track of all the activity and events that go on during those days, but it's awesome to see how hard the counselors and staff work to make the campers final days memorable and meaningful.

Thursday's clouds and strong winds off Webb Lake gave way to a calm and starry night for the Going of the Chief Ceremony. Campers entered Council Point in silence to the sonorous beat of the tom-tom played by Morgan of Bear Lodge. Tradition dictates that all the other Bear Lodge campers light the way along the dark path to Kawanhee's sacred circle. Sachems from each lodge spoke aloud, when beseeched by Chief Kawanhee, words that echo themselves in ten moons time to be heard by the campers of 2012. The sachems' message is now buried and will remain so until the Coming of the Chief Ceremony in June of next year.

Chief Kawanhee appeared from the darkness of the woods and lake and noted our due diligence to the conditions of entering the tribe of Kawanhee. Respect. Humility. Responsibility. Service. Honesty. These are important values. Learning and living by these values makes Kawanhee a proving ground for good citizenship, and makes the brotherhood of Kawanhee not a secret society, but a conspicuous badge of self-respect and honor. Each time I participate in one of these ceremonies something new stands out, and on this occasion these words from the Chief resonated:



"The world beyond this valley needs this Kawanhee spirit that will always be a part of you...Take it with you; may you honor it, and keep it alive, by doing your best to live it each day."

Going of the Chief Lodge Sachems:

Eagle – Kavan, Falcon – Alec, Pine – Bump, Hawk – Drew, Deer – Leon, Beaver – Sean, Moose – Ethan, Lynx – Conner, Wildcat – Karle, Coyote – Liam, Trout – Jack, Bear – Gus, Loon – Jaime, Badger – Dylan, Crow – Tommy

These sachems will dig up and read again their message at the Coming of the Chief Ceremony next season!

The Awards Ceremony was held Saturday and the weather was perfect! Many notable achievements were recognized and honored. It is always a moving experience to see the campers celebrated for their summer's accomplishments. At no time is the manifestation of the camp motto "Fun with a purpose" more on display. We thank the families who were there and those not able to attend for their support – it is our pleasure to coax forth the best that each camper has to give. You will read more about the ceremony in this eWigwam!

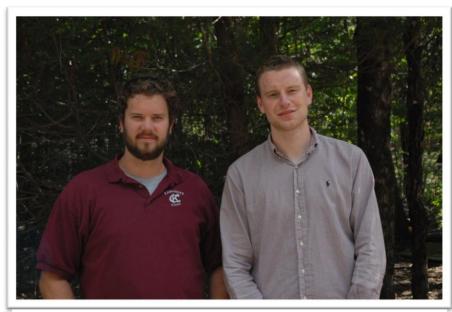




**2011 Completed Plaque Recipients** 

To keep the Awards Ceremony held to an acceptable length of time we moved the presentation of the Walter and Jane Estabrook Staff Member of the Year Award presentation to the Sunday Night Staff Appreciation Dinner, held after the camp is cleaned up. This year's recipient was the remarkable Ned Carson – King of the Camp K Hoops! Ned works with the youngest campers, and he often has his hands more than full with this task! He has seemingly limitless patience and energy, and creativity for this pursuit, and his campers love him! Ned began his camp experience as one of these very youngsters and it has been a great joy of mine to see him grow (and grow!) and develop into the excellent counselor that he is. Ned is also a fine coach of Basketball, and when campers show up at the Temple of Hoops they know that they will play hard and improve their skills, and also have a lot of spirited fun! Kawanhee's Choir is now fully under Ned's direction and he has many campers and staff who love to bring song to the camp community every Sunday morning! We are so blessed to have such fine talent on our team; keep up the good work, Ned!

I will conclude my final eWigwam article of the season by acknowledging the two guys that I work with every day: Ben Connelly and Andrew Altmaier, our DOA's! They work hard to make camp safe and fun, and they have been an incredible asset to me during the two seasons that I have been Kawanhee's Managing Director. Their knowledge of camp - both of them have been part of camp since they were kids straight on through college - is deep, and has been such a value to



Directors of Activities
Ben Connelly and Andrew Altmaier

me as I have been learning the ropes. We have had a lot of fun together, and I always know that I can trust them for the straight scoop. The success of this season has a lot to do with their strong, affable leadership. I love you guys!

See you here in ten moons. May there always be a Kawanhee.

## **This Camp Season**

Mac - Coyote Lodge

Although I have never gone to camp for more than four weeks, this camp means just as much to me as anybody else. The Kawanhee spirit burns brightly in everyone here, I can tell. This camp season means so much to everyone because we all know that this season represents the ultimate opportunity, an opportunity that presents endless amounts of smaller opportunities. This means the opportunity to have fun. Where else can you in the same day go water skiing and play basketball? Or read a book and make a fire? Or go swim the lake and then go canoeing? Nowhere else, and what makes Kawanhee even more special is that you make friendships along the way, friendships that will last you a lifetime, friendships that are so strong you could regard them as family.



That's what this camp season means to me.

## **Great accomplishments at Range**

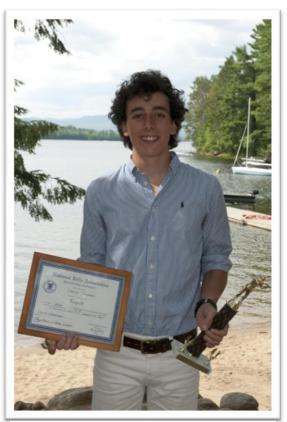
Mary Birch

This summer Sandy and I saw an extraordinary amount of fabulous shooting out at the range. With the many high medal winners, next year will be an amazing season. If everyone returns there should be a possibility of at least 9 campers working on or towards the expert rating.

This summer the following amount of medals were earned by the campers.

PM = 54	B1 = 28	B5 = 9	B 9 =3
M = 45	B2 = 18	B6 = 4	EXPERT =1
M1C = 35	B3 = 18	B7 =3	
SS =30	B4 = 13	B8 = 3	

The range was an exciting activity this year. We enjoyed watching the boy's progress as well as seeing them use the safety skills that they were taught. May everyone have a healthy and safe ten moons. We look forward to next year.



Carlos Expert Rifleman – JC Wildcat Lodge



#### **Polar Bear Battles**

Phil Z. - Crow Lodge



During the camp season everyone has enjoyed many activities and many new events such as the imaginary, yet epic, Polar Bear Battles. This brilliant idea originated from Badger Lodge. This year I was a Crow lodger and seeing that Badger did 100% Polar Bear inspired me to take part in the daily early morning swim. Comparing the first few weeks of Polar Bear, which were nice and warm, and these battles during the last week, which tended to be cooler days, I preferred battling. The adrenaline rushing

through your body while focusing on "throwing" a ninja star towards JP Rullan or trying to defend yourself from a horde of zombies, take the feeling of cold 7 AM water out of your mind.

The little moments like that are what make this place so amazing. Sharing those few minutes with a smile and imaginary Harry Potter wands during our first ever Polar Bear battle. I hope everyone enjoyed this camp season as much as I did and I hope to see everyone next season!





#### A Full and Fine Season

Mark Standen

Camp has gone suddenly quiet, as it does every year at about this time. Hard to believe now that the place was vibrating with sheer, unbridled joy for most of the summer. The peace and quiet of the past few days are probably welcome for some. I'm guessing the bass are making their way back into the cove, the loons are cruising closer to shore, and the frogs in the pond are resting easier.

Those of us who stayed behind are dealing with more complicated feelings. Like the frogs, we're feeling some relief, grateful that campers are safely home. We've got the post-camp blues, for sure, though we understand that camp must end when it does. Not only do our families, schools and other jobs beckon, but the camp experience is too intense to keep up for too long.

This has been a full and fine camp season. The weather was with us, allowing for liberal use of our new athletic facilities and the great outdoors in general. Our kids and our staff embraced what camp can be at its very best. They left their campsites in better shape than they found them, and they left fellow Kawanheeans in better shape than they found them as well. They went to extraordinary lengths to help out homesick lodge mates, bringing them quickly into the fold. They played hard for their teams, they worked hard for themselves, and they also took the time to relax in the company of close friends and worthy mentors.

I saw this exemplary citizenship in camp all summer. I also observed it elsewhere. I joined our tripping staff and ten sturdy teenagers on the Mt. Katahdin trip. The weather on the day of the hike was not great, and the hiking was difficult. No one thought to utter any complaint, though. The day was full of playful banter, adolescent humor, and a profound appreciation for Maine's most majestic mountain, especially when the clouds lifted just enough to afford us views of Chimney Pond and the tableland where Thoreau stood about 150 years ago. Another time I joined our baseball staff and about a dozen of our 11 and 12 year-old baseball players for a tournament at another camp. Our guys lost a game and won one, showing fine sportsmanship and teamwork throughout.

Camp itself is a team sport, and its players are a diverse group — campers, their parents, counselors, camp directors, Frank Foundation board members, donors, alumni — committed to a common cause. This commitment is paying-off in major ways. Thanks to one and all.

The last camp trip of the season for me was this past Sunday. Liz and I piled into a van with a dozen or so campers among the very last to leave. Feelings were tender on the drive to Logan Airport, and there wasn't much talking. Saying goodbye to camp friends is always tough, even as kids look forward to returning to their homes and families. But the summer of 2012 will roll around eventually, and we'll assemble on Kawanhee's shores once again. Hope to see you there.



#### **Tennis Tournament Results!**

Mike Altmaier

As usual, the Tennis department ended our summer with several tournaments. These tournaments are usually the Junior B, Junior A and Senior division singles tournaments. This year we added doubles tournaments in each division. The finals were held on Friday, August 12th. However, before the finals we had many exciting and close matches. Many talented tennis players came the last three weeks of camp and challenged some of the seven week campers! In the singles finals, Jeff K. defeated Charlie L. in the Junior B division. In Junior A, Lucas A. defeated Robbie K. and in the Senior division, Liam W. defeated Javi G.

We also had a fun counselor doubles tournament this summer. Campers enjoyed coming out to see their counselors play tennis! In an exciting three set final, Chase M. and Sam J. defeated Hugo A. and Fernando H. Congratulation's guys!

The camper doubles champions were as follows- Jr. B. - Jeff K. and Charlie L. Jr. A - Nick L. and Miguel G. Senior- Liam W. and Jaime L. It was a great year in tennis in 2011. We passed a lot of levels and had 11 different tournaments! We gave out over 30 trophies! The courts were usually crowded and we are looking forward to seeing everyone again next summer.



**Tennis Award Winners** 

## **Greetings from the Art Department...**

Andrew Bourassa - Art Director

In this last issue of the E-Wigwam, we would like to let everyone know that it's been an amazing summer here at Camp, but especially here in the Art Department. With over 250 projects completed this year, we have been moving at an incredible pace, creating original works of Art at every turn. It is a rare and wonderful gift to have a place like this where everyone can create what they want, when they want,

it embraces the true artistic spirit that is often missed in Art classrooms while in school. Because we don't do structured lessons in one subject, we allow the campers to direct their plan, choosing and executing the projects of their choice. For this reason, your campers may come home with some great additional skills they have learned here, including but not limited to: hand sewing, machine sewing, throwing pottery, painting, and most especially patience and perseverance.

Additionally, we started a weekly Jam session this year which allowed our local musicians to meet and jam for a few hours each week. This has been a great success and we look forward to a more structured and prolific season for music, next year. I would like to thank all the campers who came out and jammed or helped us out in any way, and specifically Nate, Mark, and Dottie from Nature, for hosting us and helping make it happen.

The staff of the Art Department would like to thank all the campers, families, and staff for a wonderful season. Here's looking forward to another 10 moons, and another RETURN.



Art Department with campers and their art projects.



## To Mark and Liz Standen, Executive Directors,

August, 2011

As camp closes out another season, the Board of Directors of the Frank Foundation would like to take the opportunity to thank the both of you for making season 91 such a successful summer. Those successes began well before camp opened with hiring a staff who worked energetically throughout the seven weeks to provide a fun, nurturing, and safe environment for campers. We know also that you have established an extremely successful enrollment plan. Preseason efforts recruiting campers resulted in a full camp which contributed to seven weeks of energy and enthusiasm.

The new athletic field clearly contributed to this being a great summer. The visual appearance of the fields and the tennis courts along with the new buildings is striking. As impressive as it is to visitors though, its real measure of success was in seeing how much it was used, appreciated, and enjoyed by campers and staff.

The eWigwam provided a wonderful venue for allowing parents and alumni to get a real glimpse of camp and enjoy Kawanhee as the summer progressed. Communicating the enthusiasm of camp to the entire Kawanhee family was welcomed and appreciated. In addition, by having staff communicate directly with parents you have established a wonderful program to keep parents personally informed of their sons' experience at camp.

We applaud and thank you for a wonderful season. May there always be a Kawanhee!

Signed:

The Frank Foundation Board of Directors



The Final Mealtime Trivia for 2011!

Mike Altmaier

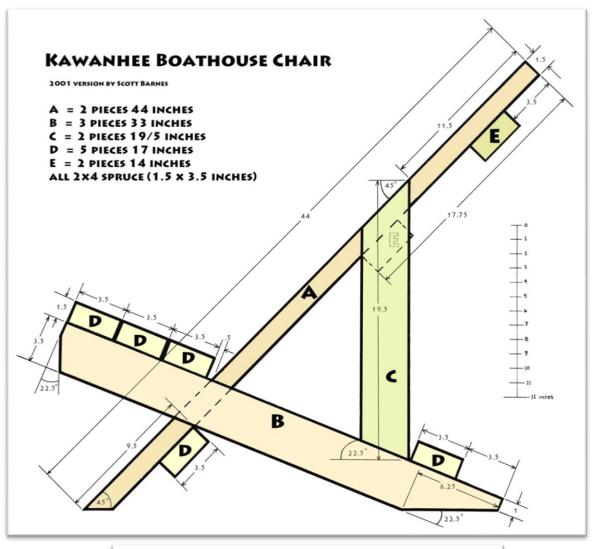
Hard to believe we are at the end of another season! Here are some of the questions and answers from the last week of camp!

- 1. Where would you find the smallest bone in the human body?
- 2. What is the only U.S. National Monument that moves daily?
- 3. What color replaced tan " M and M's" a few years ago?
- 4. What caused the New York Stock Exchange to close once for four months-the longest closure in its history ?
- 5. How old was Joan of Arc when she was burned at the stake?
- 6. On July 1, 1908 what replaced CQD as an international maritime distress signal?
- 7. What wood are most pencils made out of?
- 8. What country moved from South America to North America in the early 1900's?
- 9. What is the only crime defined in the U.S. Constitution?
- 10. Where would you find the largest city north of the Arctic Circle?

(Answers on next to last page)

## **Boathouse Chair Plan**

Scott Barnes





## **Photos from Week Seven**





## **Mealtime Trivia Answers:**

- 2. San Francisco Cable Cars 3. Blue 4. World War I 5. 19 **1**. Ear

- **6**. SOS
- 7. Cedar 8. Panama 9. Treason 10. Russia

# **ALL CAMP PHOTO 2011**



See you in ten Moons!