



Perfect Weather for Kawanhee's Waterfront and some Baseball!

We have turned the corner and entered the second half of the Kawanhee season! And what a week it has been with perfect summer weather and great camp activities. The entire Waterfront has been busy as the warm weather and lack of rain has warmed the lake up nicely. Ryan and Jed have been keeping kids busy skiing behind the new boat giving it a good test. Now the Black Betty with the new motor and the newly reconditioned red boat are the talk of the Waterfront!



Speaking of boats...the Tripping Department went separate ways this week. Alex and Ben took JC's down the Allagash River – a vast wilderness in Northern Maine. They paddled over 50 miles, saw moose everyday and had an experience of a lifetime. I will encourage one of the JC's to write more about their trip. Rich and Ryan took a volunteer group of Kawanhee canoers on a paddle down the Saco River, camping two nights and enjoying a leisurely trip.

As soon as the trippers brought the canoes back to camp John Fritz and Tash from Camp Craft loaded them up again and took the JMG (Junior Maine Guide) candidates down the



Kennebago and out into Mooselookmeguntic Lake for two nights and three days of camping and canoe experience ahead of their JMG testing in the 5th week.

On Sunday morning Head of Maintenance, Wallis Tyler took to the floor to make an announcement...he mentioned that with the watering of the fields we should really try to give the Fort a break to spare our water supply. What could we do?! How could we not use the Fort or shower for a day?! Athletic Director Will Ryan stood up from his table and said, "I know, maybe...we could...all go...to see...the Portland Sea Dogs baseball game!"



As you can imagine, the Dining Hall erupted into cheers as all campers jumped to their feet and began chanting, "It's great to be a Portland Sea Dog – yes it's great to be a Portland Sea Dog!"

Soon after breakfast we loaded up into three buses and a van and off to the ball game we went!





Mr. Kawanhee Night

My experience during Mr. Kawanhee Night was amazing! The event was something that joined my lodge together to come up with good ideas. The year before this same group of guys had won Mr. Kawanhee Night by having Chris M. act as a Pokémon trainer. So we were hungry to win again! Chris couldn't be our lodge's Mr. Kawanhee candidate so everyone picked me to represent our lodge. Although I wanted to be the lodge candidate before I was never picked, so now I didn't know what I was going to do.



During rest hour, we were coming up with ideas of what I was going to do. Finally, we settled on me being J.P. We came up with a ton of great ideas for the J.P. skit but could



only use so many. At last, the time came to go to the Recreation Hall. I was so nervous thinking that I wouldn't do well or that I would mess up. A pep talk from my lodge mates helped me settle down and do well. While I was preparing to perform, I had a friend who was getting stage fright because he was so nervous. After, I talked to him to help calm his nerves; he went out there and did great!

At the conclusion of Mr. Kawanhee Night, the judges went outside to decide our fates. Meanwhile, everyone in the Recreation Hall danced to music. Then, the judges came back in. I was very tense not knowing what would

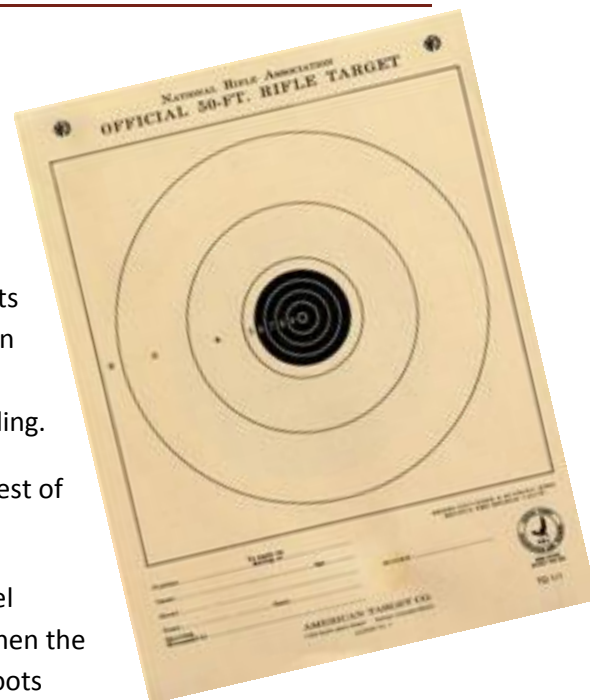
happen. I wondered if I would make it into the top three. The judges called the best three on stage – "EAGLE, COYOTE and CROW!" I was relieved to be called on to the stage but still anxious about who would win the title of Mr. Kawanhee. When Kevin B. was awarded third place, I thought to myself, "Say my name." Then it went quiet. The judges said my name and I went crazy, jumping everywhere and screaming! Next, Chris put the crown on me and gave me the staff. My counselors and lodge mates congratulated me. I had competed for Mr. Kawanhee and won! I was so proud! When I went to sleep that night, I dreamt about the moment my name was called and had one of the best night's sleeps yet.



Medals! Hot Shot! Pin Wheel! Read All About It...

We had a great 2nd week at the rifle range this week. The boys are extremely excited about coming to range and try to win medals, get a "Pin Wheel", or earn the "Hot Shot" award. So, you ask, what are these awards? The medals the boys earned are from the National Rifle Association (NRA). These are earned by shooting 10 good targets of a particular score to earn a medal. These medals are Promarksman through Distinguished. There are 4 different positions the campers shoot in for their particular medal: prone, sitting, kneeling and standing.

The "Hot Shot" award is given to the young man that scores the highest of anyone with a score 45 or above on any target.



A pin wheel award is when the camper shoots directly dead center in the middle of the 10 on his target. George Frank, one of the original owners of camp, always gave a boy a nickel if he accomplished this feat. We still continue this tradition by awarding the "The George Frank Memorial Nickel" on their pin wheel target.

This week's Hot Shot awards went to 4 campers all shooting 45 in the prone position:

Alvaro - Loon, Charlie - Moose, Edu - Beaver, and Juan - Trout.

Pin Wheel Award: Jeff - Wildcat

Safety Award: Blake - Falcon

Lodge of the week: Falcon

Twelve young men earned a total of 19 medals this week. Keep up the good work.



Swimming News



It's been a hot and steamy week, so what better way to spend an afternoon of Grey/Maroon competition than by with the annual Swim Meet. After the first event, the 100 foot sprint in all ages levels, the score was evenly split. The Greys took an initial lead with the Senior Bass Rock Canoe Race by taking first (Caleb T. and Jaime L.) and third (Jack D. and Forrest W.) places as well as first places in the Junior C and Junior B relays, but then the tide seemed to turn in favor of the Maroons. The

Maroons swept the Canoe Tug with Ryan D. and Preston P. for the Junior B's, Ethan G. and Everett T. for the Junior A's, and Bobby S. and Mac M. for the seniors. From this point forward the Maroons took command by taking first and second in the Junior A and Senior Relays, the Under-Over Canoe Relays, and the Junior C Dive Ring Relay. The final event, the Junior A and Senior War Canoe Race, sealed up the win for the Maroons with a final score of 80 to 43. A "Great Job" goes out to all participants who took part in the Grey/Maroon Swim Meet. Tremendous Kawanhee spirit and sportsmanship was exhibited by all.

In other swimming news, we have 14 campers taking part in the Lifeguard Training class. They have been meeting every day to learn and practice lifesaving skills toward earning this Red Cross certification. The

first session of Basic Lifesaving had 12 participants. These campers passed both the swimming requirements as well as the written exam that covers personal water safety knowledge and skills. By successfully completing the LGT and BLS courses campers earn points for their respective teams as well as the corresponding insignia on their paddles.







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Look for another issue about this time next week!!!