

#### GREY 61,208 AND MAROON 63,255

#### Top Ten High Scorers:

- 1. Ethan G. (M) 3525
- 2. Jordan P. (G) 2215
- 3. Connor N. (M) 2075
- 4. Morgan K. (G) 1960
  - 5. Alec R. (G) 1905
  - 6. Fred B. (G) 1805
  - 7. Elliot G. (M) 1770
    - 8. Eli Y. (G) 1705
  - 9. Juan J. C.(G) 1685
- 10. Daniel D. (G) 1665



### Chapel, Mud, Trips, and Ten Moons

The last week of camp – so rich with emotion and activity. No one wants it to end, but all things do, so we live fully in the goodness. We give thanks that we have had the opportunity to spend our summer in this beautiful community.

Robby K. from Trout Lodge gave the message during our last Chapel Service, and first - it is not common for a camper to deliver a message at Chapel, and second – Robby did a fantastic job! His was a timely message about living in the moment. Robby urged us to take a lesson from the dogs we see playing with their full selves. They do not dwell on yesterday or fret about tomorrow – they live in the now. He truthfully said that soon we will all return to school, college, and work, and while it is important for us to have goals in life, working toward our goals should not keep us from savoring each moment as it happens. Wise words from a 14-year-old camper - well done, Robby!



Woodsmen's' Meet?! Yes!! Will Ryan and Ben Zambito built the lunchtime announcement to a fever pitch, and the result was not an over-reach.

From the end of Rest Hour until the Dinner Bell manly pursuits were unfolding all around camp. At Camp Craft the "log-vs.-camper-with-an-ax" and "make-a-fire-and-boil-a-cup-of-water races" were thrilling to say the least.



In the center of camp the Tug-o-War hawser rope was slung between two trees, and many a rope burn later, dozens of campers made the commando-crawl that was the beginning of the obstacle course.

The third leg of the course has campers crawling under and over benches in a mud pit while being

sprayed with a hose and having buckets of water dumped on them – fun! Well, sort of. Fun to watch? Yes!

So many other events and happenings took place this week including a concert with Jane and Ken Brooks who had the crowd singing along and even yodeling with Ken during the favorite; Muleskinner Blues!

JC's climbed Mt Katahdin, campers hiked hut-to-hut in the White Mountains of New Hampshire with the Tripping Department (a new trip which is sure to be kept on the schedule), the Kayak Department took their last and most challenging three-day trip of the year to the Seboomook River.

A summer at Camp Kawanhee gives boys the chance to do things they may never have imagined themselves doing, or ever thought possible.

Soon we will summon Chief Kawanhee for his blessing upon our departure. Lodge Sachems are writing messages that will soon be read and buried at Council Point to be unearthed and read to the campers of 2013...ten moons from now.



Dan Webster ~ Camp Director

# "Champion of Camp " Tennis Tournaments!

by Michael Altmaier



After having six tournaments in the first four weeks of the camp season we decided to do something different at the end of the season. We had one singles tournament and one doubles tournament. We called these the "Champion of Camp" tournaments as their purpose was to pick the best singles player and best doubles team in camp. Both were great and exciting tournaments. Jeff K. and Robbie K. were the two top seeds in the singles tournament and despite a couple of close matches along the way, both players made it to the finals. Jeff won a quarterfinal match 10-8 (we played 10 game pro sets in that round) and Robbie had a great match in the semi-finals when he met Charlie L. He lost the first set, but rebounded to take the last two sets, 6-1,6-3. The final was a great match and attracted a large crowd. It was a three set classic. Jeff won the first set, but Robbie again rebounded and took the final two sets for the victory!



The doubles tournament was also exciting. Charlie L and Jeff K. met Robbie K. and Alejandro P. in the final. This was another three set classic and was even a closer match. It started before lunch and went through lunch, rest hour and the Kawanhee carnival. Charlie and Jeff won the first set and Robbie and Alejandro won the second. The third set was one of

the great sets played in Kawanhee tennis history! Jeff and Charlie won 7-5 to take the title. The final set also included the fifth game of the set that had about 15 deuces! After the match all players enjoyed pizza and soda. It was a great set of tournaments!

### A Note From the Camp Mom

By Debi Sullivan

Hello Families,

August 13, 2012

Reflecting back over the past 8 weeks, I thought I'd write a quick note to say thank you for sharing your summer with us here at Camp Kawanhee. What a fantastic summer we had. The weather was terrific and the boys had an amazing time.

I am always amazed at the amount of things the boys are



able to accomplish in such a short stay here at camp. I'm sure you are getting sporadic excerpts of what your son experienced and I'm hoping you will hear it all. I know my son would say, it was great and then little by little over the year I'd get a story or two, and I was AT camp with him.

Well, over this summer I tutored Carlos R. from Eagle Lodge and he worked on a summary of his stay here at camp. With his permission, I'm sending his writing along with my note to the Wigwam because I think his stay signifies a snapshot of what your boys experience in the summer. I hope it will spur some extra story telling from your son and give you a look at what he accomplishes each summer.

Have a safe and happy year! I hope to see you and your sons in 10 moons. Smiles, Debi

## Here is a snapshot of one summers memories through an Eaglet's eyes...

Camp Kawanhee By: Carlos R - Eagle Lodge

Camp Kawanhee is a great place to do new things. This is my first summer and I tried all of these things: archery, art, sailing, ropes, camp craft, range, water skiing, nature, swimming, kayaking, canoeing, shop, baseball, basketball, tennis, and soccer. So far I think that Kawanhee was a great place to go this summer. Here's what I've been up to.

Archery is my favorite activity. I like it because you can earn patches. It is also a new thing to me

because I have never shot with a bow before. I have earned 2 patches so far, now I am at 20 meters.



I like Art because you can do new types of art like: make "Stuffies" and build things out of clay, which I have never done before. I can make a birthday present for my sister in Art like a stuffy or a hat or a scarf.

In Nature I've done these things: Our lodge trail blazed through the woods. My lodge also made a habitat with land and water and caught some frogs to live in it. I made photogram's by finding

objects like twigs, bark, leaves and using special paper. I let it sit in the sun for about 5 minutes. The shapes stayed on the paper and we hung it to dry. We also helped shovel some compost into the raised beds to make a beautiful vegetable garden. Nature has been fantastic this year!

Camp craft is another activity I love. I've chopped wood and made fires. Sometimes when we make fires we toast marshmallows, and make pasta. Once when I was in camp craft with



another boy, we made a fire and cooked burgers. I accidentally touched the pan before it had cooled down and burned my fingers. I won't do that again!

I went on two trips so far this season. One was a swimming trip to Coos Canyon. At Coos Canyon there were mostly rapids so everybody used it as a waterslide and just let the rapid take them down the river. Our other trip was



a hike up Bald Mountain. It was hard because you have to climb up lots of big rocks and there was a small stream from all the rain we had. When we started back down it started raining but it stopped in 5 minutes. I felt proud of myself that I was able to hike all the way up and down that mountain. They were both fun trips.

Another activity that is very challenging is Ropes. I have climbed lots of things this year in ropes. One of the things is the Cat Walk. You have to climb a pole and then walk across another pole to the other side. Of course when you fall, whoever is belaying you catches you so you don't fall fast to the ground and hurt yourself. There is a four-story wall that you can climb that has stones you grab onto to pull yourself up with your arms and legs. Near the top I was feeling tired from pulling myself up on those stones. When I got to the top I felt proud because it was a BIG wall!

I like sailing because I like to sail. We also do many other things than sail, like learning knots and learning parts and terms of a boat. I haven't sailed alone but I have with a friend. I nearly capsized about 5 times with my friend Blake. Sailing is great.

I have passed two levels in swimming. We have not had that activity very much but I love to swim. We have "Free-Swim" at free time every day. You have to have a buddy to do it. It is nice and refreshing so you are not hot all day.

Kayaking is fun. Sometimes I flip my boat or I just paddle around. I paddle far out with my friends in my cabin. We paddle out of the cove. To do all the things I have told you, you need to pass your kayaking test. You have to flip your boat 2 times and paddle to the end of the cove and back.

In water skiing I have only done knee boarding. Once I tried to go skiing but the skis were too big for my feet. But knee boarding is lots of fun. They do have smaller skis, so next time when I have skiing I'll try the smaller ones and hopefully I'll get up on them.

I haven't been to range much since I earned my first medal. I tried to get 25 points once on one target but I think it's really hard. I'm still happy that I could earn my first medal because that is a big accomplishment to me. Debi agrees with me. Next year I hope I can earn my second medal.

In Shop I'm working on a small paddle. I haven't gotten very far on it because we haven't had shop for a while. Still I hope I can finish my shop project soon or at least in the next two seasons. When I'm done with it I will add to it each year like my big paddle, but I'll be painting it.

In Basketball I think I've improved this year in my shots and defense. I think it is a big accomplishment that I have improved in Basketball because I didn't think I'd ever be good at it. The first time I ever actually played on the basketball team, the "Dogs" I felt like I was doing well in the games. It made me feel proud. Debi watches me play. I like it when she does that. I like it when she cheers me on.



In soccer I have passed one level, which includes: throw-ins, dribbling down the field, and shooting, plus other skills. I have a game at 4:00 today during free time. Soccer isn't my favorite sport but it's ok.

I think Baseball is my favorite sport at camp. I like to hit the most. I hit off the "T" because I'm not old enough to hit from a pitcher. One of the things I remember doing in baseball during activities was having my cabin mates and me hit off the "T" and we would field the balls.

Baseball is a great sport.



In tennis I like to do the games the most but I still have done one level. To get my level 1, I had to do forehands, backhands, and serves. To me that was pretty easy. Right before the bell rings Mike has a game where he sets up hulahoops with Gatorades in the middle. You try to hit a

ball into the hula-hoop. If you do you get a Gatorade. If you knock the Gatorade over you get 2 Gatorades! I like Mike as a tennis instructor.

Going back to my first paragraph, Kawanhee actually has been a great place to go this summer. I'm so happy that I went here because I wouldn't have tried most of these things at home, especially range, archery and knee boarding. I really think I should come back to Kawanhee. I want to be able to do even more stuff next year.





### Please check out the Kawanhee Photo Galleries by following the link on the camps homepage of bookmark this link:

http://12moons.smugmug.com/Camp-Kawanhee/2012-Camp-Kawanhee-Photographs

\*\*\*( Remember the password for the photo galleries is the rock in the lake where camper's swim or walk to in order to get a 'K' painted on their paddle. The password is all lower case and is one word, for example if the answer was "Oak Trees" the password would be "oaktrees")

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