

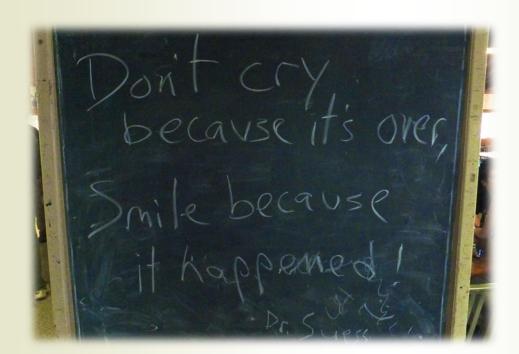
2013 Another Outstanding Season

By Dan Webster - Camp Director

It all goes so quickly, doesn't it? At least on this end of Webb Lake it does. Didn't we just get here yesterday? Well, like the Quote Board said on August 10th – "Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened." –Dr. Suess. And there is so much to smile about! 2013 was an outstanding season, and throughout the next Ten Moons we may often revisit favorite moments, while looking forward to the opening of camp in June of 2014.

What did your camper bring home from camp? Pictures, trophies, ribbons, art projects, shop projects, a patch, moccasins, the Directory, "The Legend of Kawanhee", and Kawan-swag are some of the likely physical artifacts of a Kawanhee summer. These are great objects to prompt a good memory of the summer and can lead to some great stories and memories. Hopefully these pieces of summer will be displayed and worn with pride, and the knowledge that they came from a good place.

And what of the non-physical artifacts of a summer at Kawanhee? With all due respect, these are undoubtedly the most important! New role models who can inspire, a greater sense of independence, a better sense of self, new skills, improved physical fitness, perhaps a little more tolerance towards others, an aptitude for respect – these are lofty, yet realistic attributes that can be achieved from the weeks spent at camp.



Brain-based learning tells us that revisiting a topic helps us hold on to newly acquired knowledge. By connecting with the physical artifacts of Kawanhee we can remember how we felt while at camp, and what we did, and how we tried to live as people who do for others. As we turn the calendar pages of fall, winter, and spring, may we often have the chance to revisit our happy summer home!



Grey & Maroon

Final Score

Greys (72,420) - Maroons (62,958)

TOTAL POINTS EARNED IN 2013 BY ALL CAMPERS: (135,378)!



Plaque Achievements

Finishing a Kawanhee Plaque means completing the three levels in each of nine activities in a campers age bracket. The nine activities that are on the plaque are Baseball, Basketball, Boating, Camperaft, Nature, Sailing, Shop, Soccer, and Swimming. The four divisions are Junior C, Junior B, Junior A, and Senior. In 2013 Junior C includes Eagle, Falcon, Pine Tree, and Hawk Lodges. Junior B includes Deer, Beaver, Moose, and Lynx Lodges. Junior A includes Wildcat and Trout Lodges. Senior includes Coyote, Bear, Loon, Crow and Badger Lodges.

Sixteen campers completed their plaques this past summer:

- (*) = Finished two different divisions in 2013
- (**) = Only a handful of campers have finished the Senior plaque in the last 40 years.

"C" Division	"B" Division	"A" Division	Senior Division
Luca C.	Andrew C.	Morgan K.	Phillip C. ** (Captain - Grey
			Team)
Drew C.	Daniel D.		Peter E. ** (Captain - Maroon
			Team)
Ryan D. *	AJ D.		Caleb T. ** (Co Captain - Grey
			Team)
William F. *	Ryan D. *		
Ricky F.	William F.*		
Dennis K. *	Elliot G.		
Bump K.	Dennis K. *		
Charlie L.	Alec R.		
Inigo P.			
Justin W.			

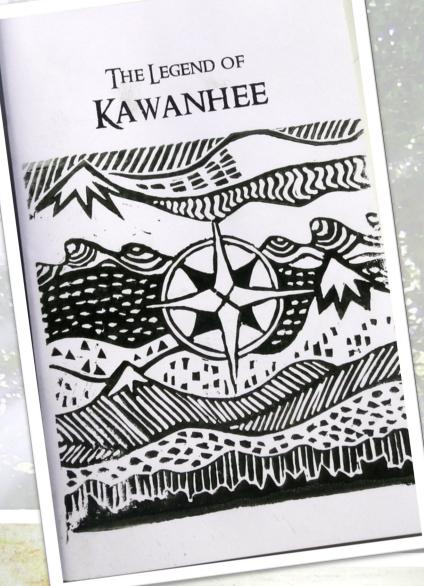


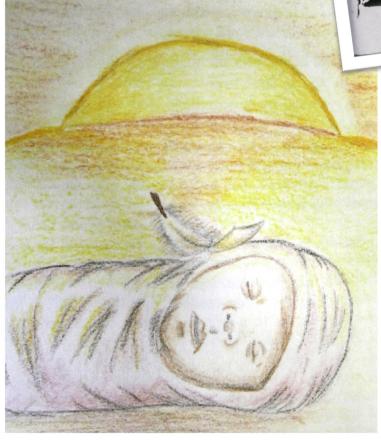
The Legend of Kawanhee!

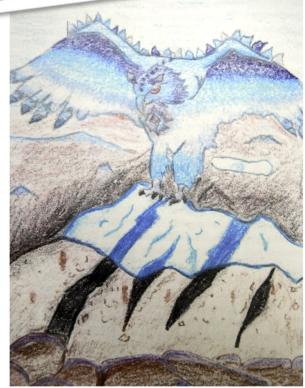
How often are we asked, "Was there really a Chief Kawanhee?" Often, those asked sidestep the question and point to the fact that what our iconic figure can teach us is more important that whether or not there ever really was a Kawanhee. However, we too wonder – where did he come from?

Out of this question, and an intention to emphasize story telling this summer, did the recently published *The Legend of Kawanhee* emerge!

DOA JP Rullan, pondered the idea of starting a story cycle that would be told at Saturday Campfires that would tell the backstory of Chief Kawanhee. Soon he began researching





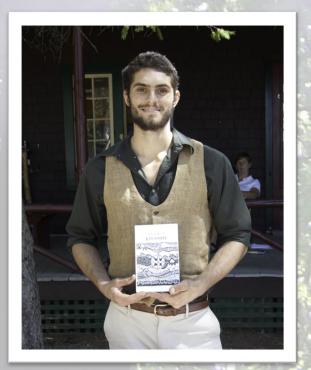


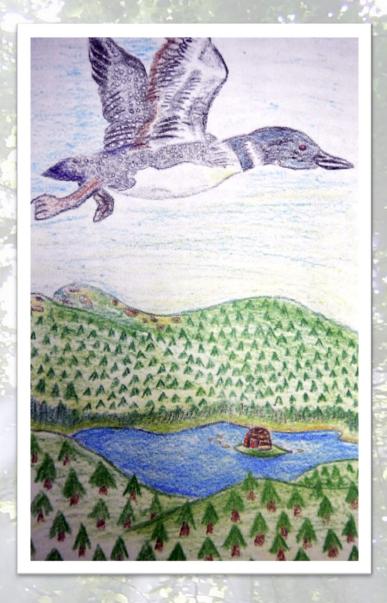
local Indian information and mythology, and then he began writing down ideas for the story. Mark Standen, himself a masterful storyteller, helped JP craft some of the narrative.

Although the story that he began telling segments of every Saturday night was a work of fiction, JP stayed faithful to the traditions, place-names, and story style of the Abenaki and Androscoggin peoples. Often JP would weave in authentic storytelling enhancements such as flute and drum playing, and audience response. The Saturday night stories were very popular throughout the summer and led to two evening programs in the Rec Hall reserved just for storytelling!

Eventually, JP decided to write the entire story down and with the help of Bernice and Chelsea it was typed and proofed. Original cover art was beautifully rendered by Rosaura Rodriquez, and wonderful color illustrations by Sam R. were created. Finally, it was decided to go forward with publication!

A copy of this dream realized was sent home with every camper. Enjoy!





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(pictured on the left)

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End of Season Tennis Tournaments are completed

by Michael Altmaier



With only a few hours to spare, the final tennis tournaments were completed with some exciting matches. The singles tournament was divided into a junior and senior division. The junior division final was between two good friends and schoolmates - Inigo P. and Ricky F. Both boys are from Spain and called Wildcat lodge home for the summer. The final match was

about as close as you can get. It came down to a third set tiebreaker and Ricky won the championship. The senior division came down to Charlie L. and Jeff K., the two top seeds. Charlie won 6-1, 6-4. All four finalists- junior and senior- then qualified for the "Champion of Camp" singles four man tournament to pick the best tennis player in camp. This came down to a match between Jeff and Charlie again. It had to be played on the morning of the awards ceremony, because of drenching rains the day before. It



was a very exciting match. Charlie was playing very well and was leading 6-1, 4-2 and appeared on his way to the title when Jeff made an inspired comeback. Jeff rallied to take the second set and dominated the third set, 6-2 and Jeff had won the title of "Champion of Camp". It was a great match.

We had one doubles tournament to end the season. We had 16 teams enter the tournament and it came down to a final between the teams of Charlie L and Jeff K. and Jaime L. and Juanki F. Charlie and Jeff won the title with a convincing 8-2 victory. We played one "pro" set for the championship due to weather concerns.

It was a great year of tennis tournaments and thank you to everyone who entered the tournaments.



Ricky F. and Inigo P.
Junior Tennis Tournament Finalists



Charlie L. and Jeff K. 2013 Tennis Doubles Champions



Jeff K.
2013 "Tennis Champion of Camp"

A Bodacious Range Season

The rifle range was a extremely busy this year. We had 109 perspicacious campers earning 245 NRA medals. The second order of medals just arrived at camp. If your camper has not received his medals, before leaving camp, they should be arriving by mail shortly. Because we had so many medals earned, more than we could estimate, we did not receive enough to send everyone their medal at this time. Another order is being sent and should be arriving in the very near future. Thank you for your patience.

The greatest accomplishments were from four young men, three from Bear lodge. All of these shooters were also on the Grey team. They have broken a camp record of how many campers earned the next to the highest qualification of EXPERT. These young men were from BEAR: Antonio F., Elliot G, and Peter B.

The other Expert came from Wildcat lodge, Ricky F.

This was probably the best camp season ever. We look forward to seeing all these great campers back again next year.

Mary and Sandy





Edu V. and Juan G. share the chess tournament championship

by Michael Altmaier

The final chess tournament of the summer ended in a very unique manner. Two Beaver lodge campers, Edu V. and Juan G.,had played outstanding chess to reach the finals. Finally on the last night of camp they met for the championship. And it was quite a match. They each won a game and it all came down to the final game. They played two long games that ended in stalemates. Both players agreed that they thought a co-championship should be declared and that is what happened. It was an unusual situation, but it was a fitting way to end the championship match between two players who were incredibly close in skill and strategy.



Alec R - Checkers Champion Edu V. Checkers Runner-up



Edu V. - Co Champion
Juan G. - Co Champion (not Pictured)

Alec R. rolls to Junior Checkers Championship

by Michael Altmaier

The Junior Checkers Championship was won by Alec R. of Beaver lodge this past week. He didn't waste any time going through the competition. After winning a couple of early matches Alec found himself in the finals. Also reaching the finals was his Beaver lodge mate Edu V. In the final match Alec used some clear and thoughtful strategy to defeat Edu for the championship. According to an exclusive interview with the "Wigwam", Alec is considering a professional career as a checkers player and may even drop out of school to pursue his dream. Ok, I was joking about that, but congrats to both finalists and thanks to everyone who participated.

Collecting Sports Cards

by Michael Altmaier

Our collecting sports card activity has continued into the second half of the Kawanhee season. We had over 60 campers involved in the activity the first four weeks and we had a great time. A lot of those campers were four week campers, but we have picked up a lot of three week campers to fill in the gaps. I was happy to find out that several campers really stuck with the hobby over the winter and have quite a large collection of cards now. A new feature this year has been the trading sessions with me. Campers can trade with me and my personal collection of cards. It is fast paced and fun. This obviously allows campers to try to get cards they really want (if I have them). My motto is "make me an offer I can't refuse". This has been a fun activity this summer and we hope to do it again next summer. With the addition of the new campers, we have had over 85 campers involved in the activity.



Kawanhee Sport Card Collector's - Carlos R. and Luke B.



Daniel M.
Kawanhee Waiter of the Year

Daniel M. selected as lodge waiter of the year

by Michael Altmaier

One of the challenging tasks that the campers perform each summer is to be lodge waiter. Each boy takes his turn. It is not a fun task but has to be done. Waiters usually serve the food, set the table, and clean up after the meal. Daniel M. of Moose lodge was selected as waiter of the year this summer. He was a great waiter and was especially good at sweeping under his table, something that is often forgotten. He also helped me by picking up the pile of dirt that I sweep up after every meal when I sweep the aisles between the lodge tables. He did this without being asked. On the last morning of camp Daniel received a plaque and a bag of candy. Congratulations Daniel!

Bear and Trout lodges share 2013 Inspection honors

by Michael Altmaier

It was another great year of lodge inspection. Every morning after breakfast every lodge group cleans its lodge completely and at 9 AM the lodges are inspected for cleanliness. All lodges try to attain the designation of "Special Mention". This is a lodge that not only passes but is almost perfect. In addition, one lodge each day is selected as the best and is chosen as "Mr. Clean". At the end of the season all the "special mentions" are added up and the top three lodges receive a gift bag full of candy. This summer, Loon lodge finished in third place with 36 "special mentions" out of 45 inspection days. The top honors ended up being a tie. Both Bear and Trout had 45 out of 45 days with all "special mentions". In this case, the "Mr. Clean" award is used as a tiebreaker, but in 2013 both Trout and Bear had



19 "Mr. Clean" awards. So a tie was declared and both lodges also received a pizza party on the last night of camp. Congratulations to all

Pop Frank and Ma Frank

by Michael Altmaier

When George and Raymond Frank opened Camp Kawanhee in 1920 they were young men. Their parents were fully supportive of their venture into the youth camp business as it started on Lake Webb. Both George and Raymond's parents were not only supportive in a behind the scenes way, but they also spent the summers at Kawanhee and took an active role in the summer season. They were considered the camp parents. Everyone in the camp family knew them as Pop Frank and Ma Frank. They had both passed away many years before I came to camp and there are some gaps in my knowledge about them, but I believe I've learned enough to write this article.

First, I will admit to a large gap. I have been unable to find out their real first names. Of course, they could have-

against it. Pop Frank was the camp father and was also listed in the early catalogs as the supervisor of the property and maintenance man. But, even the catalog admitted that Pop Frank enjoyed fishing and was often out with on the lake with campers in pursuit of fish. Even when he was supposed to be doing other things. Pop Frank is featured prominently in the yearly camp catalogs until 1933. At that point he disappears from mention, and I assume he passed away around that time. This date also coincides with the date of the building the camp mother's cabin. It was built in 1933 or 1934 and was probably built to give Ma Frank a place to live. This is the same structure where our great camp mother, Debi, lives today.

Ma Frank was the camp mother and was until the mid

been born with the names Pop and Ma, but I'm betting

Ma Frank was the camp mother and was until the mid 1940s. Besides her cabin, Ma Frank also had a tent across from her cabin where she entertained the boys with stories and games. She was also keenly interested in the nature department of camp. At that time the nature department



Pa Frank Camp Dad

"POP" FRANK-CAMP DAD



Ma Frank Camp Mom

was housed where our camp library is now located at one end of the rec hall. Ma Frank died in 1946. It was a sad event for the 25 years of boys who had known her as camp mother.



To honor Ma Frank, Kawanhee built a new nature building near the spot where her tent had been located across from her cabin. Today, the nature building is called the Nature Memorial, but I really didn't know the history of the building a young camper and counselor. Ma Frank's name is not mentioned anywhere in the building. But, once I learned the story I realize it was a tribute to the first camp mother of Kawanhee.



Red Pine Trees by: Steven Yardley

Right here Weld Maine, Kawan-H-Double-E

I feel relief in the Pine Tree breeze

Through rain or shine, we got rhythm & rhyme

Spending summertime with some friends of mine

Free swim, Big grins & more laughs
Kettlecorn snack right before Taps
Lightning crash, canoe the Allagash
I want a special mention
but all we do is pass

Everyday I wake up with messy hair shake it out, swim & shout with my Polar Bears
Long bagel line, I want to dine
I make a bowl of oatmeal mine

Please relax or I'll make you stack Please freeze or I'll make you stack

Finish everything you start from light to dark

Every days a fresh start

To make your mark

Diving docks, Bass Rock & Firing Shots
Water-ski, Frisbee, Campcraft, JMG
Sailing, boating, Save me, LGT
Athletics Lets go! We're always ballin'

Red Pine Trees shade me OH KAWAN-H-DOUBLE-E

Kawanhee Mealtime Trivia!

by Michael Altmaier

Mealtime trivia at Camp Kawanhee.

- 1. Who is the only former major league baseball player in baseball history who won back to back MVP awards but is not in the baseball Hall of Fame?
- 2. What is the only word in the English language with three consecutive double letters?
- 3. What is the tallest man made monument in the U.S.?
- 4. What country has the most active volcanoes?
- 5. What is a pangram?
- 6. What creature has the largest eyes in nature?
- 7. What is the only letter in the alphabet not used in a state name in the U.S.?
- 8. What is the only food that will not spoil?
- 9. What was Indiana Jones's real first name?
- 10. What is the only crime mentioned in the U.S. Constitution?

((Answers On Last Page))

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Trivia Answers:

- 1. Roger Maris
- 2. Bookkeeper
- 3. Jefferson National Expansion Monument (Gateway Arch)
 - 4. Indonesia
 - 5. A sentence that includes every letter in the alphabet
 - 6. Giant Squid
 - 7. Q
 - 8. Honey
 - 9. Henry.
 - 10. Treason

See you next week!

Announcements:



Please check out our Facebook page at: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Camp-Kawanhee-for-Boys/132213696858301?ref=hl

Week seven photos are uploaded.

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