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Kawanhee Opens Forty-Third Season

In the midst of a heat-wave, trains and cars came from the East and West to initiate Camp Kawanhee's forty-third season. Early arrivals trickled in on Saturday and Sunday afternoon, and the Eastern bus arrived just at supper time on Sunday afternoon. About 6:30 p.m. the riders from the West, having been delayed in Buffalo, disembarked, enjoyed supper and joined their compatriots in the lodges.

The boys spent the evening organizing their quarters for the weeks ahead, enjoying a "dip" to cool-off and finally bedding down for a warm summer sleep.

The next two days continued to be hot and the swim tests to determine boating privileges provided welcome respites after activity periods.

Wednesday night, *The Guns of Fort Petticoat*, and Thursday night, *The 1962 World Series* capped cooler days which were spent organizing Little League teams, Babe Ruth Baseball and Basketball teams and Junior Life Saving and Senior Life Saving classes. Throughout the week, the campers followed an activity schedule which introduced them to all the camp facilities and also enabled them to begin to achieve their "levels".

After the selection of the Maroon and Grey teams on Friday, a Swim Meet and Sailing Regatta highlighted Saturday's activity. Bill Taylor and Ted Barclay furnished a "lighter touch" on the diving platform, as the Maroons came back in the Water Polo contest to capture the meet. The Maroons also won the Regatta. In the evening the Senior Counselors maintained their superiority by defeating the Junior Counselors 6-5 in softball.

"The day of rest" found the Catholic boys rising for an early breakfast and a trip to Wilton to attend Mass. In the recreation hall, Dean Miller and Bill Taylor emphasized the importance of Hands in a ceremony that featured "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" and a short poem from which the following are excerpts:

*It is the hand we clasp with an honest
grasp. . . that makes our life complete.
It's the burdens we help another bear
—that make our own seem light—It's
the danger seen for another's feet—
That shows us the path to right. . .
In giving the world your very best,
It's the best will return to you.*

The Coming of the Chief

Chief Kawanhee came the night after camp opened. Neither lean nor tall, but dressed in buckskin and wearing a red and white headdress and looking as a wise chief should, he "initiated the sachems of the Camp into the brotherhood of Kawanhee."

In a ceremony that culminated with the symbolic burning of a K. on the hearts, minds and hands of all present, each camper was asked to live in the spirit of brotherhood that Kawanhee symbolizes, as he enjoys these summer days.

"Many of you consider it easy," the Chief said, "to come here from your lodges in the East and West, but how many of you will fulfill the spirit and fair-play that the tradition of Kawanhee expects of you?"

The traditional ceremony began with the gathering of all campers and counselors in the recreation hall to listen to Ray Frank's historical comments about the settlers of the area surrounding Lake Webb. What was a virgin wilderness two hundred years ago, is now a thriving settlement of 350.

Following Mr. Frank's talk, the boys lined up by lodges and marched in silence to the Council ring. With their senior counselor at the head, and the junior counselor behind each lodge group, the circle of logs around the prepared campfire was quickly filled with boys.

Three times, Raymond Frank called, "Oh Kawanhee, where are you," and after the third, the answer, "I hear you" came from the surrounding woods. With all eyes in the direction of the response, the Chief came slowly and deliberately into the ring.

Dean Miller rose to greet him and after some brief comments asked those boys who were present who had taken part in the closing ceremony of last season to come forward. These boys, along with others who have not returned, had buried a message to the campers of 1963 in a bottle beneath a stone within the Council ring.

Herbie Lorentzen read the message which asked the boys to maintain the ideals of sportsmanship and fair play during their pursuit of fun in the weeks ahead. After the reading, the returnees and Dean Miller retired to their logs to listen to the Chief extoll the values to be gained from camp life, as he lit the campfire and used the rising flames to illustrate his message.

A crowd of approximately twenty-five spectators also enjoyed the ceremony.

Compher and Cory Lead 1963 Teams

Two junior counselors will lead this year's Maroon-Grey competition. "Chuck Compher and Hoyt Cory have been selected as this year's captains," Pop Nowold announced at dinner Wednesday. After a round of applause, a coin was tossed to determine the respective colors and on the flip, Cory called "heads" and lost. Following the established practice of recent seasons, Compher selected Maroon.

That afternoon and all the next day the two captains and their advisors visited the different departments and activities to learn the names of those boys who have demonstrated promise as point-getters. Following this scrutiny, the captains made their choices alternately, lodge by lodge.

After supper on Friday, all the campers gathered in front of the recreation hall to learn whether they would spend the summer slightly embarrassed or a little under the weather. Following the announcements, both captains met with their teams to initiate spirit and plan strategy for Saturday's water competition.

The following are the results of Saturday's activities:

Swimming Meet

JR. C PAJAMA RELAY (1) GREYS (D. Reed, S. Leiper, Trent Taylor, David Allan).
 JR. B FREESTYLE (1) MacDonald, M (2) Harrison, M (3) B. Darguish, G (4) Foss, M (5) Albertson, G.
 JR. A BREASTSTROKE (1) Miller, G (2) Abbott, M (3) D. Willis, M (4) Halsted, G. (5) Sherwood, M.
 SENIOR FREESTYLE RELAY (1) GREYS (Brush, Smith, R. Wells, Rugen).
 JR. A CANOE RACE (1) Leiper, Meldrum; M (2) Meserole, Colt; G (3) Abbott, Stafford; M (4) Brady, Whitmyer, G.
 JR. B OVER-UNDER RELAY (1) GREYS (Myers, Darguish, McKee, Fisher).
 JR. C TUG-O-WAR (1) MAROONS (Barclay, Whitmyer, Targa, Frederick, Nolan, Stewart).
 JR. A MEDLEY RELAY (1) GREYS (Borghi, Halsted, Miller, Doyle).
 JR. B SIDESTROKE (1) MacDonald, M (2) Harrison, M (3) Albertson, G (4) Cox, G.
 WATER POLO (1) MAROONS (M. Saunders, Staker, Compher, Langer, Beal, B. Barnes, Parsons, Gockenbach).

Sailboat Regatta

(1) P. Neilson, M (2) S. Ruhle, M (3) J. Hively, G (4) S. Pace, G.

TIM HIRSCH

Veterans Return As Senior Counselors

From many parts of the country to Camp Kawanhee come this year's senior counselors. Ten senior lodge counselors have returned to the Webb Lake shore and are rapidly getting their activities and lodges organized. Kawanhee is fortunate to have the able assistance of these veterans. Nothing teaches like experience, and for this type of work, one needs all the experience one can get. Many of the staff were campers before they became counselors, and are on to most of the tricks that boys seem to like to perpetrate. The men with the most experience are George and Raymond Frank. They have directed the camp for 43 seasons, as it has grown from two cabins and 22 campers to its present size of over a hundred under their able guidance. Again this year they enthusiastically say "We will try to make the camp better than ever in every way."

John Nowald, known affectionately as "Pops" is back for his 16th season, his ninth as director of activities. Before assuming the executive position Pop spent seven summers working in various departments. Nothing seems to

escape his watchful eye, he's the first one up in the morning and the last to bed. During the school months Pop is in charge of the Athletic department of Mohawk Junior High School in Cols., Ohio.

Probably the busiest man in camp is Clarence Bateman. This is Bates' 31st year as director of trips, and his Bouncing Buggy is all warmed up. Plans are presently being made for trips to Monhegan Island, Mt. Katahdin and Mt. Washington with shorter trips such as ones for gold panning, fishing, outpost camping and mineral trips scheduled throughout the season. Bates teaches at West High School in Columbus, Ohio.

For the 12th consecutive season Herb Birch stood up after the first meal and made the same announcement. "Will the counselors and others who have borrowed tools from the shop please return them so we can get this year's program going." His announcement must have been heeded for things in the shop are as busy as ever. Herb spends his winters teaching industrial arts at Tenaflly Junior High School in Tenaflly, N. J.

Working with Herb in the shop is Ben Bennett. Apparent leader of the Skunk Ridge Morning Dip Club, Ben has been at Kawanhee for many seasons. Ben teaches Math at Crestview Junior High during the school months.

The Bear Pit has 2 bears back for the entire season this year. Baby Bear with his archery range next to the ball diamond has plans for another ball hawking season. "Little bear" is a Sophomore at Ohio State and this year has charge of the Pole Cat lodge. Big Bear, the camp's newlywed, is in charge of the Moose Lodge while also working at the rifle and archery ranges. He graduated this spring from Ohio State University and plans graduate work.

Nick Nickerson has returned to take charge of the range. In addition to his range duties, Nick is in charge of the patriotic duties here at Kawanhee. Nick is hoping for another good year with many of his best shooters returning.

The Deer Lodge Master campers are most fortunate to have as their senior counselor this year Dan (Joe Palooka, Superman) Sebastian. The famed intellectual and religious leader is often found on the tennis court, where he consistently turns in outstanding performances. This illustrious star lives in the oldest dwelling on Lake Webb. Dan states he is most grateful to be back home in Camp Kawanhee's happy hunting grounds, having returned to Kawanhee for his fourth season from his usual stomping ground—the Miami University football field.

Ed Chace returned this year for his fourteenth season as head of the camp craft department. Last year, extensive work was done in the dept. and plans for more work this year are in order. In the past Kawanhee men have done outstanding work in the Maine woods, blazing the first trail up Mt. Blueberry and working in the Jackson and Tumbledown ranges. Their efforts have been recognized in the Appalachian Mountain Club's guide to the Mountain Trails of Maine. Ed serves as Superintendent of Schools, Bridgeton, N. J.

Returning for his 11th season, Forest Dexter is getting activity organized in the nature dept. The camp truck is busy taking campers from site to site each day. Dex teaches at Union Junior College, Cranford, N. J.

The tennis courts have the familiar face of Bob Duffery back again. Since 1938 Bob has been at camp for 11 seasons. Bob is well qualified to teach tennis, being head coach at Bexley High School for about twenty years. He is now athletic director and teaches social studies at Bexley.

Dave Hoch, one of the hardest working members of the staff, is this year in charge of Hawk Lodge. When he cannot be found in the counselor's lounge he assists in the

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This newspaper is published weekly during the months of July and August for a total of seven issues. It has two main objectives: to furnish each camper with a record of his activities and accomplishments throughout the summer; and to supply families and friends with a comprehensive account of what happens in Camp Kawanhee.

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TIM HIRSCH		Swimming
DAVE ROTH		Baseball
CHARLIE BERRY		On-Stage

sailing department. This is Dave's seventh season at camp. Mr. Hoch will be a Junior at the University of Colorado in the fall.

One of the most important jobs in Camp is help by Rev. Ross Miller. Dean's official title is Personnel Counselor and head of Religious Activities, but this only partially describes the work he has done at camp since 1925. Dean retired from Alma College in 1958 but continues to live in Alma, Mich. As soon as camp closes Dean and his wife will start on a trip throughout North Western Europe. His story this year is *Arundal* by Kenneth Roberts.

Jim Murphy is back for his 8th season. He makes his home in Bear Lodge. Well known for his tales of the weird and fantastic, Murph has returned well prepared to sustain the imagination of his boys. Jim attends Kent State during the off season and works in the athletic department here. Last year's motorcycle has been traded in for a red V.W.

Having interrupted his Kawanhee career with a trip to Europe last summer, John Fulda is back for his eighth camping season as head of the Badger Lodge. John is assisting Bates with trips and working in Camp craft. He'll be a junior at Miami University this fall, where he is majoring in dramatics.

Assisting in Campcraft and filling in where needed this year is Steve Dexter. This is his eleventh consecutive season at Kawanhee. A mainstay of the University of Delaware Rifle Team, where he'll be a senior in the fall, Steve is an engineering major.

Del Tracy is a most active head of the Athletic Dept. as well as Camp scorekeeper and surrogate for Pop on Mondays. Throughout the season he can be seen chugging around the diamond and basketball court teaching his cherubs. During the winter Del teaches social studies at Linden McKinley High in Columbus. After school, he tutors disabled students in their homes.

Mother Guardian of the Iglits (the eagle lodge) is Stew Randall. When not attending to the youngest campers, he heads up the boating and fishing dept. Last year, Stew led a group that built a cabin on Skukimee beach. He will attend Ohio State in the fall.

Straight from the Bahamas to Kawanhee comes Geoff Herreman, this year's head of the track and field dept. Geoff has a new fiberglass pole and the dept. (with help) has built a new pit. When not busy with track or keeping Birch Lodge under control, Geoff can be found playing his banjo or singing with the Isometrics. Geoff will be at Ohio State in the fall.

Alan Beck takes over as head of Kawanhee's Yacht Club. Much work was necessary before camp started, but with Bill Mackenzie's help, Alan got the Sailing Dept. in fine shape. Alan is in charge of the Crow's Nest this year.

An old timer at Kawanhee, Charlie Clarke is the water skiing dept. this year. Having climbed the ranks from camper to counselor, Charlie is in charge of Pine Lodge. He will be a sophomore at Miami University in the fall.

TOM SAUNDERS

New Senior Counselors Join Staff

The busy head of the swimming department this year is Ted Barclay. During the "off" season Ted coaches Soccer and Swimming at Denison University in Ohio, where he teaches Physical Education. With his wife and baby at Pine Point, and a son, Bruce, in Falcon Lodge, Ted is well oriented by now with Kawanhee. He has also been scuba diving in Lake Welsh and with Robin Wells discovered what he describes as "at least a 500 lb. anchor." Ted hopes to arrange some meets with other camps during the season.

Two seniors-to-be from Gorham State Teachers College are also lending their talents to Kawanhee for the summer. Ralph Cottle is assisting in arts and crafts and is responsible for Falcon Lodge. Majoring in Art Education, Ralph hopes to both teach and work in art upon graduation. He has already had one-man exhibitions in Portland and at the Ocean Park Art Festival one of his watercolors won third prize.

Charlie Berry is an English major at Gorham, but his first love is seemingly the stage. At Kawanhee, he is heading the scouting program, working in Campcraft and V.I.P. in charge of shows. Charlie sings in the highly regarded Gorham chorale and is trying to organize some choirs here in camp. In his words, "You can't have any fun in Life, if you don't use your imagination."

Head of the Wildcat Lodge this year is Mike Hertz. He hails from Englewood, N. J., and is working in the Athletic Dept. In the fall, this mainstay on the Senior Counselor softball team, will return to Gettysburg University.

Two "Yalies", Fred Buel and Tom Walton are also at Kawanhee for the first time. Fred comes straight from the Yale Wrestling team to head the Kawanhee class. Residing in Lynx Lodge, he can often be heard strumming his guitar. A senior English major Fred plans to enter Law school upon graduation.

Tom Walton, another English major, is in charge of Beaver Lodge and assisting in the sailing dept. He plans to join the naval OCS upon graduation.

The editor of this year's *Wigwam* is Norm Gillespie. He comes to Kawanhee from Bates College, where he is the editor of their weekly newspaper and a Philosophy major. To "keep busy" Norm is also serving as the Camp Secretary and hopes to organize some soccer teams in Camp. He plans to enter Law school after his senior year at Bates.

Little League Teams Selected

A favorite among the spirited and competitive activities which Camp Kawanhee offers is the Little League Baseball program. On the third day of camp, every interested boy from the Panther Lodge through the Wildcat Lodge exhibited his skills before an experienced staff of managers and coaches. The turnout of over fifty boys promised a colorful season, and after the practice session, remarkably even teams were chosen and each manager expressed confidence for a winning season.

The remainder of the week was spent in practice sessions where the basic fundamentals were reviewed and each boy began the important task of learning teamwork.

The little league teams are:

Blue Manager: C. Compher
Coach: L. Perry

Players: A. Bishop, R. Estabrook, J. Forma, J. Engel, D. Gest, M. Harrison, R. Kahn, B. Leiper, C. Meyers, H. O'Neil, M. Pantlich, Mark Standen, Mike Standen, J. Targa.

Red Manager: H. Cory
Coach: B. Barnes

D. Alexander, D. Barnes, J. Bou, O. Colt, B. Dargush, D. Kaplan, E. Melcher, J. Meldrum, R. Miller, S. Pace, R. Sherwood, S. Tracy, D. Traphagen, R. Whitmyer.

Black Manager: S. Dargush
Coach: T. Ward

T. Borghi, R. Brown, S. Connery, B. Cox, D. Cox, T. Dargush, J. Del Valle, R. Gest, M. Melcher, J. Proctor, M. Reed, B. Stafford, Fred Viejo, W. Watson.

Green Manager: D. Roth
Coach: Fernando Viejo

J. Abbott, S. Brady, D. Creed, A. Doyle, M. Foss, R. Freideman, M. Halsted, G. Harrison, R. Hershan, R. Himmelright, A. MacDonald, M. Messerole, C. Romero, Frank Viejo.

DAVE ROTH

Kezar Falls Production Bombs Camp

For three quarters of an hour the Camp Kawanhee stage glittered last Saturday evening as the camp's counselors and campers alike rallied to the footlights in the season's first off-Kezar Falls production. Cecil B. DeBerry, infamous producer of unmentionable flops, emceed a highly polished performance which will long be noted for its delicacy, finesse, and impeccable taste.

Charlie Berry, second cousin to Cecil, tapped the bountiful resources of the huge metropolis of Kezar Falls and suburbs to find a wealthy vein of talent. Highlights of the show included freaks, a menagerie of stinkers from Skunk Ridge, Cannibals, Spaghetti people (and meatballs with drooping drawers), songs, skits, stunts, gags, hurly women, loggers, etc.

Good old Camp Kawanhee really came alive, and although the cornballs flew the show was very well received. No matter how "young" one is there is nothing like the wonderful world of "let's play pretend". The more imagination we use, the more fun we'll have this summer.

Let's give special mention to the campers in the show. They deserve a lot of credit for their hard work — and let's see a lot more of you next show.

Thanx to: Scott Pace and Kim Kaiser - Piano.

Spaghetti Kids — "Marty" Volk, Jeff Harrison, "Jimbo" Barnes, Bob Hershan, Charlie Bass, John Knowland, Wally Whitmyer.

The Cannibal Kids — Bill Darguish, Dave Kaplan, Richard Kahn, Tony MacDonald, Dan Saunders, Bob Himmelright, Benjy Cross, Carlos Romero (Wah Wah).

CHARLIE BERRY

Eighty-Seven Swim Cove

To earn boating privileges, campers must swim the cove. In one day eighty-seven campers participated in this 220 yard swim, and earned boating rights. The following have earned the "C" for their paddle:

Trent Taylor, J. Barnes, D. Reed, W. Whitmyer, C. Bass, J. Forman, J. Harrison, C. Romero, D. Albertson, S. Connery, D. Cox, B. Cross, J. Delvalle, A. MacDonald, C. Myers, M. Pantelich, A. Wright, Mark Standen, D. Alexander, B. Andre, D. Bonnie, J. Bou, R. Kahn, D. Kaplan, D. Saunders, R. Brown, B. Darguish, R. Estabrook, M. Foss, M. Harrison, A. Doyle, B. Heintz, B. Himmelright, S. Pace, J. Proctor, D. Traphagen, B. Alford, T. Borghi, J. Engel, D. Gest, Wm. Merrill, B. Sherwood, R. Thayer, D. Willis, D. Barnes, A. Bishop, B. Cox, J. Hively, P. Neilson, H. O'Neil, Wm. Stafford, D. Waters, J. Abbott, O. Colt, S. Ruhle, M. Halsted, R. Hoover, B. Leiper, J. Meldrum, M. Meserole, J. Holland, S. Brady, R. Freideman, Ed. Melcher, R. Miller, P. Moss, Frank Viejo, Fred Viejo, D. Alford, B. Brush, D. Delvalle, R. Dorn, B. Doyle, J. Duffey, J. Estabrook, R. Kazenbach, Tom Taylor, F. Ball, C. Hoffine, L. Smith, J. Staker, C. Weld, B. Beal, R. Rugen, S. Sarich, Fernando Viejo, K. Kaiser.

Lodge Lists, July 1963

EAGLE LODGE: Counselor — S. Randall; Assistant Counselor — R. Wells; Campers — D. Allan, J. Barnes, G. Bishop, S. Leiper, P. Stewart, T. Taylor, C. Wight.

FALCON LODGE: Counselor — R. Cottle; Assistant Counselor — H. Cory; Campers — B. Barclay, C. Button, C. Bowen, P. Frederick, J. Nolan, D. Reed, J. Targa, W. Whitmyer.

PANTHER LODGE: Counselor — C. Berry; Assistant Counselor — C. Compher; Campers — C. Bass, T. Darguish, J. Forma, J. Harrison, R. Hershan, C. Romero, M. Standen, P. Volk.

POLE LODGE: Counselor — B. Angerer; Assistant Counselor — B. Barnes; Campers — P. Albertsen, S. Connery, D. Cox, B. Cross, J. del Valle, A. MacDonald, C. Myers, M. Pantelich, M. Standen, A. Wright.

PINE TREE LODGE: Counselor — C. Clarke; Assistant Counselor — P. Gockenbach; Campers — D. Alexander, B. Andre, D. Bonnie, J. Bou, J. Fisher, R. Kahn, D. Kaplan, T. McKee, D. Saunders.

HAWK LODGE: Counselor — D. Hoch; Assistant Counselor — K. Kaiser; Campers — R. Brown, B. Darguish, R. Estabrook, M. Foss, M. Harrison, R. Hayward, T. Ruhle, S. Tracy, R. Truog.

BIRCH LODGE: Counselor — G. Herriman; Assistant Counselor — T. Pears; Campers — A. Doyle, R. Gest, B. Heintz, B. Himmelright, S. Pace, J. Proctor, M. Reed, D. Traphagen, D. Whitmyer.

BEAVER LODGE: Counselor — T. Walton; Assistant Counselor — J. Willis; Campers — B. Alford, T. Borghi, J. Engel, D. Gest, W. Merrill, R. Sherwood, R. Thayer, D. Willis.

MOOSE LODGE: Counselor — D. Angerer; Assistant Counselor — R. Shepard; Campers — D. Barnes, A. Bishop, B. Cox, J. Hively, M. Melcher, P. Neilson, H. O'Neil, W. Stafford, D. Waters.

LYNX LODGE: Counselor — F. Buel; Assistant Counselor — T. Hirsch; Campers — J. Abbott, O. Colt, S. Ruhle, M. Halsted, J. Holland, B. Leiper, J. Meldrum, M. Meserole.

WILDCAT LODGE: Counselor — M. Hertz; Assistant Counselor — D. Roth; Campers — S. Brady, R. Freideman, R. Hoover, E. Melcher, R. Miller, P. Moss, Frank Viejo, Fred Viejo.

BEAR LODGE: Counselor — J. Murphy; Assistant Counselor — T. Saunders; Campers — D. Alford, B. Birch, D. Brooks, B. Brush, C. Dawes, D. del Valle, R. Dorn, B. Doyle, J. Duffey, J. Estabrook, R. Kanzenbach, T. Taylor.

DEER LODGE: Counselor — D. Sebastian; Assistant Counselor — D. Bittenbender; Campers — F. Ball, S. Darguish, C. Hoffine, J. Redick, M. Saunders, L. Smith, J. Staker, T. Studebaker, T. Ward, C. Weld.

BADGER LODGE: Counselor — J. Fulda; Campers — B. Beal, D. Metraux, R. Rugen, J. Sarich, F. Viejo.

CROW'S NEST LODGE: Counselor — A. Beck; Campers — W. Langer, H. Lorentsen,* T. Patton,* D. Pearson, L. Perry,* T. Smith,* P. Woodward.*

* These boys will serve as Junior Counselors during the second half of the season.