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A.C.A. Accreditation

For the past ten years Camp Kawanhee has been accredited by the American Camping Association. In order to receive this accreditation we must organize and run the camp according to the high standards set by the A.C.A. Every three years we are visited by A.C.A. personnel to make certain we are continuing to operate Kawanhee up to their standards. The standards that are set by the A.C.A. fall into eight different categories as follows:

1. Site and Facilities
2. Administration
3. Administration of Transportation and Vehicles
4. Personnel
5. Program
6. Health Care
7. Aquatics
8. Trips and Travel

In addition to observing all activities at camp, the visitors ask over 300 specific questions and read through all of our policies and procedures. The visit is very thorough and takes approximately six hours to complete.

This year, as in the past, Kawanhee received very high marks, and the A.C.A. visitors were impressed by both our staff and program. The Directors of Camp Kawanhee feel this A.C.A. accreditation process is important to keep Kawanhee operating as one of the best camps in the country!

ARCHERY

We have completed another busy two weeks in Archery during which almost 200

medals and 15 Robin Hoods have been earned. In addition, Kawanhee archers have competed in four other tournaments. The first of these tournaments was held at Camp Fernwood, a girls' camp which is near Oxford, Maine. In this tournament, one of our archers was paired with one of the Fernwood girls to shoot as a team. The winning team in the 15 and under division was P.J. Donahue and his partner, Eilleen Pizzuri. Darren Belskis and his partner, Risa Goldman, won the 12 and under competition. Other archers who competed for Kawanhee were: Matt Berg, Peter Cartei, Tim Cook, Brad Fichter, David Girard, Inigo Oyarzabal, Mario Padilla, Matt Rothman, Jaime Rubio, and Brian Schreyer.

July 28th, six boys participated in the Second Annual Bi-aim-a-thon which was held at Camp Caribou. In this event, each participant must shoot in both riflery and archery and scores are combined to determine the winners. Our entrants were Darren Belskis, Peter Cartei, Brad Fichter, Inigo Oyarzabal, Matt Rothman, and Brian Schreyer. With almost 6000 points scored, Caribou won by the narrow margin of 17 points. Darren Belskis and P.J. Donahue were both 2nd in their respective age divisions.

During the fifth week of camp, all boys who were in camp and available to shoot participated in the All-Camp Grey-Maroon Tournament. Winners in each division were: Jr. C at 15 meters: Jeronimo Velasquez; Jr. C at 20 meters: Eduardo Natanowicz; Jr. B at 15 meters: Robbie LeVeen; Jr. B at 20 meters: Jose Gonzalez; Jr. B at 30 meters: Ed Watson; Jr. A at 20 meters: Richard Bode; Jr. A at 30 meters: Adam Cook; Jr. A at 40 meters: Darren Belskis; Sr. at 15 meters: Odysseas Papadimitriou; Sr. at 20 meters: Michael Leitner; Sr. at 30 meters: Luke Koplitz; and Sr. at 40 meters: P.J. Donahue. The winning

team will be revealed in the next issue of the "Wigwam".

Our final big out-of-camp tournament of the season was August 7th at Camp Caribou where a 5-member team shot in the Maine Outdoor Archery Association State Tournament. Since this was our first experience shooting in a tournament at the state level, we did not know what to expect, and although it was at times a stressful day, the Kawanhee team ended the day as the second best team in the State of Maine! Members of the team were Darren Belskis, junior division, Peter Cartei, intermediate division, P. J. Donahue, intermediate division, Inigo Oyarzabal, junior division, and Matt Rothman, intermediate. Individually, P.J. Donahue and Inigo Oyarzabal came in 6th in their respective divisions.

During the final week, many more medals and Robin Hoods will be earned as we look forward to the conclusion of another successful season in Archery.

BASEBALL

End of the Regular Season

To finish the regular season of the Hank Aaron League we had two blowouts in which the mercy rule was put in effect. Tuesday night the Pee Wee's Pals went against the undefeated Nature Boys. Pee Wee's Pals won by a score of 13-1. The winning pitcher was Jim Papa and the losing pitcher was Amber Ramsay. For the winners Pete Kelly went 2 for three with 2 RBI's. In the second game, the Nature Boys blew away the Bubblelicious by a score of 20 - 8. The winning pitcher was Chris Colahan and Matt Rothman backed him up going 4-4 with 4 RBI's and a HR. For the losers, Chris Berg helped his cause going 2-3 with 3 RBI's, 1 HR and 2 runs.

-P.J. Marti

Our Field Day at Caribou

On Saturday August 1st we took eleven all-stars to a little league tournament at Camp Caribou. We won the first game by a score of 10-0. Richard Bode pitched for Kawanhee and had eleven strikeouts and gave up only two hits. Alex Matthews got the save for us. Offensively, Richard Bode again came to the rescue by going three for four with a single, a double, a triple and two runs batted in. In the second game, for the championship, we crushed the host Caribou team, 17-2. The game

was halted after four innings because of a 'mercy rule'. Richard Bode also won that game with the help of Darren Belskis who got the save. Offensively, Alex Matthews got a single, a double and a home run with six runs batted in and three runs. Brad Fichter helped out by going four for four with four doubles, three runs batted in and three runs scored.

Congratulations to a great Kawanhee championship team!

KAWANHEE LITTLE LEAGUE

Week six in baseball marked the closing of the regular season with our last two scheduled games. On Monday, the 2nd, we had the Aqua Avengers facing off against the Orange Juicers in an intensely fought battle that ended in a 8-8 tie. Wednesday's game had the Black Storm vs. the Aqua Avengers to close up the regular season; it was a close pitching duel that went 3-0 in favor of the Storm. (Winning pitcher R. Bode).

The standings for the KLL are:

	W	L	Ties
1st-Black Storm	4	1	
2nd-Aqua Avengers	2	2	1
3rd-Orange Juicers	1	3	1

The Black Storm get a bye to the World Series, the Aqua Avengers and Orange Juicers must play a 1 game playoff to determine who plays the Black Storm in the World Series.

-Russ Jensen

MOUNTAIN BIKING AT KAWANHEE

We are all lucky to be spending the summer in the remote mountains of Maine. In order to explore the area around us, and also not disturb the natural surroundings, for the first time ever Kawanhee has started a Mountain Biking Program! This program is available to our 15 year old CIT's this year and may be expanded for next season. Several CIT's brought their own bikes to camp and the camp has purchased two new mountain bikes from L.L.Bean.

Since the first week of camp the boys have been riding at least three times a week, covering between 5 and 15 miles each trip. On our early morning rides we have seen many birds, deer, racoons and other wildlife! As the

boys have gotten stronger, we have explored logging roads, climbed up Center Hill and biked to Coos Canyon 15 miles away! The last week of camp we will be biking around the lake and then taking a polar bear dip in the lake -- all before breakfast! The following boys have been active in Mountain Biking this summer: Andrew Nozik, Robbie Hunter, Kevin Bonasera, Nick Aiello, Sebastian Keiper-Knorr, Peter Cartei, Adam Ramsay and Clint Mondell.
-Steve Yale

NATURE TRIP

On Monday, August 2nd, in the morning, Hawk Lodge went to Coos Canyon with the Nature Department. I used the mask to look at fish and then caught 2 fish in a net under the rocks. I went gold panning and found a few gold chips off cliffs. I swam in the currents and had fun. I went down a natural water slide. It was a great trip and I want to go back next year.

-Jose Gonzalez

LIFEGUARD TRAINING

This year, as in past years, lifeguard training was offered to boys fifteen years of age and older. Before taking the course each camper had to meet swimming prerequisites in distance swimming, strokes, diving, and underwater swimming. During the course the participants are taught safety and rescue techniques with and without equipment, swimming rescue techniques, how to care for spinal injuries, preventive lifeguarding, and administrative matters relative to lifeguarding. Also part of the course is standard First Aid and CPR. Those who successfully complete the course will be awarded certificates at the awards ceremony, and will have the skills and knowledge to be hired as lifeguards at swimming facilities across the country.

-Peter Van den Honert

SOCCER

This summer the Camp Kawanhee Soccer Department had an outstanding season. We established three soccer leagues for campers: Eleven and under; Thirteen and under; and Fifteen and under. In these leagues,

the boys played numerous games in order to determine which team was the best. As we enter the play-offs, the League Standings are: U.S.A. in first place for the fifteen year olds; the New York Cosmos in first place for the thirteen year olds; and Germany for the eleven and unders. The standings will probably change after the playoffs and we will keep you posted on the results.

Several All Star teams were also formed. The teams consisted of the fourteen best players in each age group. We took the All Star teams to two tournaments; one at Caribou and one in Manitou. At the Manitou tournament, the fifteen year olds secured first place, while the thirteen year olds took second place, and the eleven year olds placed third.

At the Caribou tournament we only took the thirteen and the fifteen year old teams and they both did very well. The thirteen year olds placed second and the fifteen year olds dominated first place once again. The fifteen year olds went undefeated and were never scored against due to the expertise of Inigo Oyarzabal, the goalkeeper.

The Soccer Department also earned the very prestigious Player of the Week Award. This award went to the player who showed the best sportsmanship and demonstrated superb skills in league games. This player received a pair of Umbro shorts to wear for that week. The people who obtained this award were: Adam Ramsay, Luis Gonzalez, Richard Bode, Enrique Reyes, Alex Mathews, and Peter Cartei.

We enjoyed the participation from all of the campers and we will see you in ten moons.
-James J. Papa

TENNIS

During this last week here at Kawanhee the courts have been busy with the all Camp doubles and singles tournaments. The doubles tournament was held on a beautiful Sunday afternoon. There were some great matches including the one where the team of Lucy Ramsay and Lorenzo Marcelli-Flori lost a close match to Carlos and Luis Gonzalez. Jamie Miller and Adam Ramsay look to be the odds on favorites to win the tournament when it resumes. Today the Maroon-Grey Single tournament began and we have already had some great matches. Thirty four players signed up for the 16 and under

age division so we began with them. Three out of the top four seeds have already met with defeat as the pressure of the tournament made itself known. Matt Chabanis and Mike Leitner played a fantastic match. Each player was running left and right, diving for balls, playing their best. Tomorrow the tournament resumes and I am sure there will be more exciting matches.

-Mike Compher

RAFTING TRIP

This trip is one of the best ones you can go on during the season, and many people want to go to it because it's a great experience. This is the fourth time I was going, and I really want to come back to do it again. This time, we had over 40 people from camp. Anyway, you had to wake up so early, at five o'clock in the morning, but you could sleep on the way out there, and it was worth it.

When you arrive at the rafting company's site, you take your equipment, and got ready for the trip. This year I went in a raft with 8 other people and a guide. I had a great time with huge waves coming and splashing me, and had lots of fun.

At half way, we took a rest to have lunch with great steaks, rice, and salad. After the break, we went back to the river and we could swim and make water wars with other rafts, because the rapids were small. When we came back to the site, we watched a video and pictures of our trip, and then we came back to camp. It was a tiring day, but it was worth it.

-Carlos Canas

A TRIP UP MT. KINEO

On August 4th and 5th Kawanhee took a first ever trip to Maine's largest lake - Moosehead! At Moosehead Lake is Mt. Kineo, a granite mountain that unusually arises from an island in the lake.

This is Jake Kaplan's report on Mt. Kineo. "The view from the top of Kineo was great although the hike was not the hardest. On the way up we thought the view was great, but the tower on the top was the best. You could see almost the whole lake and many islands. On the way back we saw lots of moose".

ISING TO AN ULTIMATE HEIGHT - MT. KATAHDIN

When we first set out on that eternal drive to Katahdin, I didn't know what to expect. A five hour bus trip with cramped areas, and the different aromas of usual camp foods bleeding through the air were really getting to me, when all of a sudden, the trees cleared to reveal beautiful Mt. Katahdin!

When we first arrived at Baxter State Park, I was ready to set camp. We picked our tent groups, and then our tents, and finally a place to put them. After camp was set and everything was organized, we were assigned to a cooking, cleaning, or fire crew. Soon after, dinner was made. A hearty meal of Burritos filled everyone up, and we all were soon dreaming about the day to come.

The next day we were supposed to do the big hike, but the weather put a damper on our plans. Instead of eating our hiking morning breakfast of oatmeal, we had a delicious meal of Blueberry Pancakes and sausage. Then we prepared for a short hike up South Turner Mountain. The hike was very exciting, but extremely tiring because of the steep altitude change, and also the cold rain. When we finally went above treeline, we had to put on an extra layer of clothes. The 40 mph wind and rain didn't really help. When we finally came to the peak of South Turner, the only thing anyone could think about was a long, hot shower back at camp.

The hike down was quicker than the hike up, except everyone was a little miserable because of the bad weather. When we finally got down, it was nice to sit in front of a warm camp fire and eat Bar-be-cued chicken and baked potatoes, and finally cuddle up to a good nights sleep in a warm sleeping bag!

Finally the day of the big hike came. Although things didn't look good at 6am, we decided to try anyway. We ate the oatmeal breakfast, and soon were on our way to Chimney Pond, a 3 mile hike to the base of Katahdin. About halfway there, our hopes of reaching the top took a total leap in favor of Mountain Climbers. Walking through a beautiful birch forest, we came upon a clearing, and just then, it must have been a message from God - the top of Mt. Katahdin was visible from the clouds.

When we got to Chimney Pond, the sky had totally cleared up, and the mountain was as beautiful as ever. There we took a short

break, and soon began the steep climb up the hardest trail of Katahdin - The Cathedral.

From the time we arrived at Chimney Pond, 11am, to the time we reached the peak, 3 hours had gone by. Although only 1.2 miles were scaled, it seemed like a million. We stopped for a snack of bagels, pita bread, and all that stuff on top of the second cathedral. Then we continued our climb, non-stop to the top.

The peak was amazing. Along with the end of the Appalachian Trail, Mt. Katahdin is the highest mountain in Maine. We stopped for a 1/2 hour break, to "Be the Highest Man in Maine", to take pictures, and to eat the long awaited for TWIZZLERS!

Soon after our rest at the top, we started our 1 mile hike along the knife edge. At first, everyone was just looking at where they had to go, but then everyone realized the Knife Edge wasn't scary at all, and some actually took a picture or two!

At the end of the long mile, there was an intermission so all the group could catch up, then we hiked back to Index Rock. There we climbed up, posed for a picture and then we started the long but fun hike down the mountain. After a seemingly fast hike down we had lunch at Chimney Pond and hiked back to camp.

At camp, everyone enjoyed sitting down to the best Dinty Moore stew ever made, warming up by the fire, and retiring early to a cozy sleeping bag.

The next morning everyone packed up sleeping bags, tents, and belongings, and we were soon on our trip back to Camp Kawanhee. There weren't any real highlights on the trip back except a great-tasting, long awaited McDonald's meal! The trippers of Kawanhee are really looking forward to another year of the highest, possibly hardest, and most fun mountain in Maine. Until next year - Adios Katahdin!

-Kurtis Coursen

AS KAWANHEE TURNS

Recent visitors to the camp were Chris Huntington, Greg Mullen, Lars Jensen, Bill Yardley, Chris Yardley, Andy Shahan, Chris Meehan, Jim Norian, Rob Ryder, and Tom Muther. Mr. and Mrs. Andy Crawford were here and had a good visit with the Hal Myers. Andy would like to know the whereabouts and

address of Bob Larkin and Jim Milligan. These men were all involved with the famous houseboat, the "Crawlark" built at Kawanhee in the thirties in Shop. John and Becky Bell have moved to Weld and they welcomed members of the staff at their newly remodeled home on Temple Road. Ken Riley, from Broken Arrow, OK, was a camper in 1960, '61, '62, '63, and likes Kawanhee so well that he visits every three or four years and this was the year to check in! A very informative and fun letter from Mitch Greenawalt and his wife Ginny--their children are all grown, most through college, some married, everyone doing well, even Blueberry who left the Nature Department as a kitten and has reached the ripe old age of 17! David Lamb sent two beautiful pictures done by his company, his new address, and information about the businesses that he is interested in.

Keep the news coming and let us know changes of address!!

CAMP KAWANHEE FOUNDATION

For those Kawanhee Friends who wish to participate, the Camp Kawanhee Foundation provides scholarships for carefully selected boys regardless of race, color, or creed so that these boys can be enrolled at Kawanhee. The Camp's Board of Directors recognizes that the Foundation has been a positive advancement, and will continue to prove to be a strengthening force for Camp Kawanhee, not only financially, but by bringing to our Camp qualified boys of high moral character who are worthy of such an honor and who will contribute positively by their own attitude and participation. Any person, company, or organization wishing to donate to this IRS approved tax deductible Foundation, please make check payable to and mail to:

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ROAR WILDCAT ROAR

Roar Wildcat roar

For Camp Kawanhee

In the Webb Lake Valley

Down through the everlasting hills

While the sons of Chief Kawanhee

Rally 'round Kawanhee, Kawanhee

Shouting thy name forever

Roar Wildcat roar *1/5*

For Camp Kawanhee

On the Webb Lake Shore. *1/5*

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