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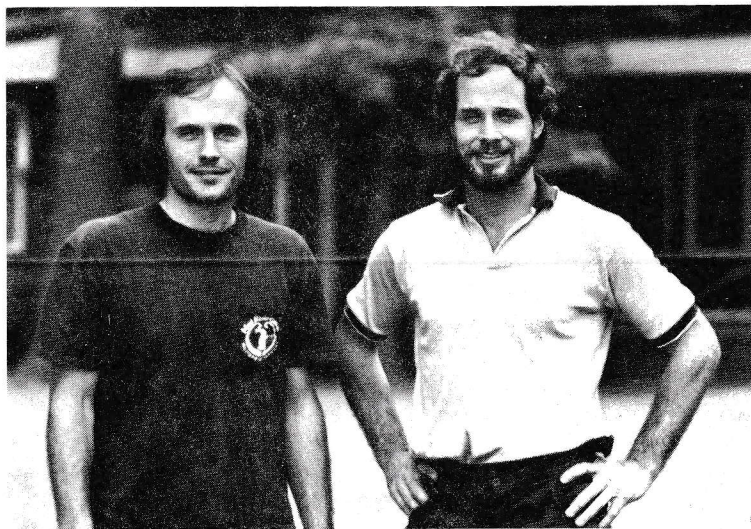
INTRODUCING 1984's DIRECTORS OF ACTIVITIES

by Jason Park age 13

Steve Yale has been a director at Kawanhee for 2 years and has been a counselor and a camper for 13 years. At the age of 26, he is going to graduate school in San Francisco, studying to be a business man. He was born in Tenafly, New Jersey and lived there for 21 years. In 1979 he moved to Maine before moving to California this past year. As we talked, he mentioned that the people who inspired him for the job as "D.O.A." were Mr. Herb Birch, with his caring and interest in people, and Mark Standen, being one of his counselors and best friend. Steve enjoys many free time activities such as, mountain climbing, photography and all different sports. As director, Steve has inspired improvements, such as, new basketball courts and tripping expeditions. At the end of our interview, Steve mentioned that he enjoys being "D.O.A." and thinks out of all the camps he has seen, Kawanhee is the best by far.

Mark Standen shares the responsibility of "D.O.A." with Steve Yale. Mark, who is 32 years old, will be going to law school in September. He has taught English for the past 9 years. Mark has been a camper and a counselor for 19 years and activities director for 3 years. As a counselor, he directed the wrestling and tripping departments. As "D.O.A." he has inspired many improvements as well as beginning a kayak program.

Mark was born in Farmington, Maine. At the age of 5, he moved to New Jersey and then finally came back to Maine. Throughout his childhood, he was very athletic, enjoying all kinds of sports. As an ending statement, he said, "I feel strongly as a lot of other people do that campers and counselors come back because of the friendships they make and keep here at Kawanhee."



Directors of Activities, Mark Standen and Steve Yale

MAROON/GREY COMPETITION

by B.A. Altmaier

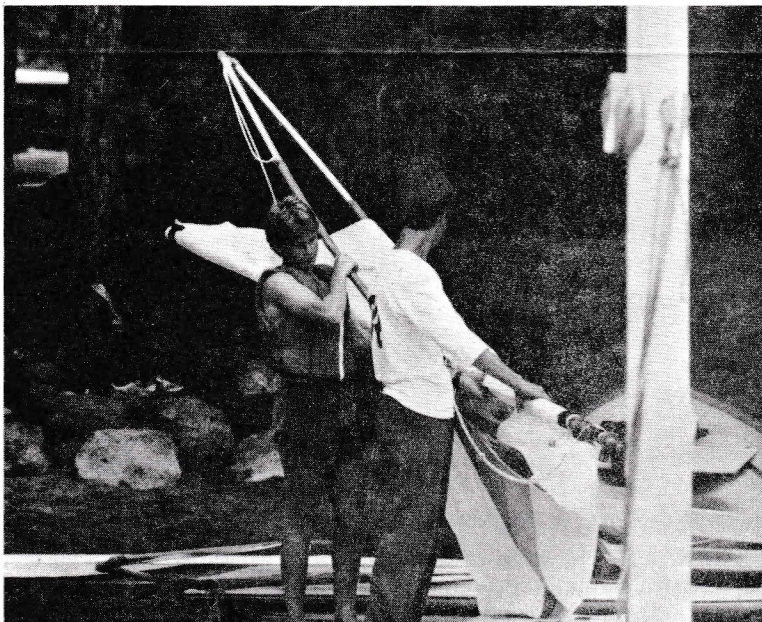
The 1984 MAROON/GREY competition is in full swing and both teams are enjoying some fun-filled competition. The Greys took the first lead of the summer, but led by only 25 points at the end of the second week. They widen their lead at the end of the third week and the official score is.....GREYS, 4,690 and MAROONS, 4,076. Don't forget, go out, have fun and learn, and the points will come a lot easier!



Billy Bundy Goes After That Ping Pong Ball!!

GREY/MAROON SWIM MEET

by Adam "Art" Brown



On the beautiful Saturday of July 14 we had a

1984 BRINGS A TERRIFIC STAFF

As always, Kawanhee has an energetic, enthusiastic, dedicated staff. Without them, Kawanhee just wouldn't be the same. The counselors were introduced in the first issue of the WIGWAM, and now more staff members, followed by the cooks and food management staff in our third issue.

Herbert Birch returns to Kawanhee for his 41st year! He is one of the central figures in the camp operation offering his talents not only during the summer, but also during the off-season. Herb is a retired teacher from Tenaflly and is co-shop director. Between him and his family, they have accumulated over 140 years at Kawanhee!

Bruce Birch, director of range, lives in Ridge Manor, Florida. He enjoys music, bowling, tennis and photography and would like Kawanhee people to come visit him and his wife, Mary in their new home.

Kate Estabrook, daughter of Camp's Directors, Jane and Walter Estabrook, returns to Kawanhee for her 2nd year as camp tutor. Kate will be living in Manchester, New Hampshire, teaching 5th grade.

Jennifer Brown and **Barbara Compher** are the camp secretaries this year. They are also tutoring. Jennifer is a student at Notre Dame University, just returning from a semester in Mexico and Nicaragua. She is from Columbus, Ohio. Barbara is at Kawanhee for her first summer with her husband, Chuck (former camper and counselor) and their 3 sons. The Comphers are from Fort Worth, Texas.

Chuck Compher is working in archery this summer and is a band director and professional musician in the off-season. When he was here as a camper in 1963, he was captain of the Maroons and recipient of the Robin Hood Award.

B.A. Altmaier returns again this year as camp score keeper. He lives in Wilton, Maine, with his wife Anita and their 1½ year old daughter, Rebecca.

Peter van den Honert returns to Kawanhee for his 10th year as waterfront director. He lives in Kansas City, MO, where he is finishing a doctorate program in music. He hopes to work as a choral conductor when he completes this program. Peter's sister, Polly, returns for her 6th year at Kawanhee to assist in the waterfront program. She is involved in free-lance film production and lives in Somerville, Massachusetts.

John Starr is working in the tripping department for his first summer at Kawanhee. In the off-season, he is an Epidemiologist, living in Geneva, Ohio.

Also for her first year is **Peggy Koplitz**. She is working in the laundry, is a teacher in the off-season, living in Sarasota, Florida.

Brian Birch is a retired Industrial Arts teacher and is an instructor in Shop. He returns for his 25th summer at Kawanhee. He enjoys flying, sports and being at Camp Kawanhee.

TRIPPING DEPARTMENT TAKES UNUSUAL TRIP

by David Sel

Eagle and Lynx went to a fish hatchery. It contains brook trout. The fish varied in size from very tiny baby fish to big 12-15 inches. These bigger ones weigh about 2¼lbs. After we walked

WAKIN' UP

by Jennifer Brown

When we look at looming question marks,
Who knows what's ahead?
But something keeps us going each day,
Keeps us jumping out of bed.

What is it that wakes us from our slumbering snooze
And says "Get up, it's a beautiful day!" ?
Just minutes ago, we were off in dream land
Now we're dressed and we're off on our way.

It could be those three kitchen bells in the morn,
That keep us all a 'wakin',
Or maybe cries from polar bears,
Or the smell of eggs and bacon.

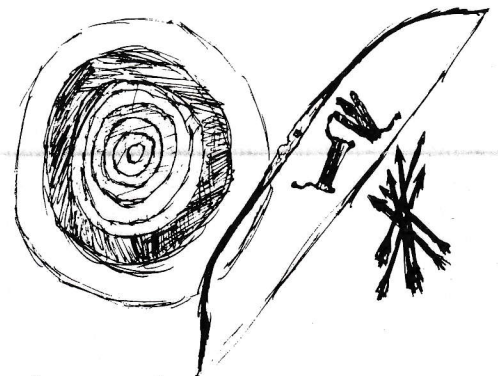
Or maybe your counsellor has an alarm
That wakes even the deepest of sleepers,
Or perhaps the tooth fairy was visiting late,
Or the duke or some other odd creepers.

But how do we explain waking up with no help?
-Excited for a new day ahead?
It's something that keeps us going each day,
Keeps us jumping right out of our bed.

Maybe it's hope of seeing our friends,
And the smiles of all those around,
Or feeling the breeze, or smelling the flowers,
Or hearing the birds make their sound.

Whatever it is, I'm glad that it's busy
Shaking and waking each day.
'Cause I want to face all those question marks
That I see on the road down the way.

Archery



Alvin Patterson 13½

ARCHERY

by Chuck Compher, S

The first three weeks of camp were quite busy in the archery department. In spite of the rain and mosquitos, a total of one hundred and ninety-five medals were won. We were delighted by the enthusiasm shown by the campers.

We are pleased to report that Bob Banasik won the Robin Hood Award last week. This is the highest award that can be won

STARTING OFF WITH A BANG

by Allan Patterson age 13

The ski show that kicked off the Fourth of July celebration was put on by the camp Ski department. Such things as some inner-tubing, slalom-skiing, barefoot skiing and surfing were included in the show. As a grand finale they formed a pyramid complete with flares. At about this time the fireworks started off with a bang that rocked the entire lake. Steve Colescott had fired the cannon and blown eardrums out of people's ears from here to Tumbledown. The fireworks continued with Andy Shahan and Bruce Birch lighting off sunflowers, butterflies, buzz bombs, bottle rockets, roman candles and various other floral explosives.

I think all too often we forget what the fireworks and celebration stand for. They represent the separation from Britain. They represent the Declaration of Independence. They remind us that once we weren't free to do what we wanted or be taxed how we wanted. They stand for the patriots who lost their lives for our freedom.

BASEBALL

by Tim Duncan

K.L.L. starts with a bang

The Kawanhee Little League has had a fantastic start. Tryouts were held on the first Tuesday morning. More than ninety-five per cent of all K.L.L. players appeared at the scene. It was the best turnout in Kawanhee history, and the talent in player ability was overwhelming. The teams were evenly picked and the season was ready to begin.

Opening day game was played on Thursday, June 28th. The Blue Demons, led by the pitching of Keith Bertani, were up against the Purple People-Eaters. After three innings of play, Purple led 5-4. But in the top of the fourth, Blue roared back with two runs by key hits from Marc Banasik and Peter Sengelmann. Yet, the People-Eaters didn't give up. Down by one run, the all-star combination of Sandy Sanders and Chris Huntington took Blue by surprise and scored two runs to win the ballgame. FINAL SCORE: Purple - 7 Blue - 6.

In the following game, the Pink Cadillacs went against the notorious Black Belts. The game was a great pitching duel between Jose Otero for Pink and Andy Iverson of Black. In the bottom of the third, the Belts began to take control. Andy Cano and Chris Klinges started a four run rally to give Black a commanding lead. Pink struggled back in the fourth to get one run, but then Iverson shut the door on the Cadillacs. FINAL SCORE: Black - 4, PINK - 1.

The final game of the week was just as exciting as the first two. It was a seasaw battle between the Blue Demons and the Pink Cadillacs. At their final at-bat, Pink was still down 6-2. All seemed hopeless. Yet, the Cadillacs didn't give up. With fearless coaching, they loaded the bases. With one out, Jacobo "SLAM-BAM" Artega came to bat. Artega smacked the ball between home plate and the mound. Keith Bertani picked up the ball and threw a screaming line drive to first. Pat Moran was just unable to snag the bullet. The ball went flying down the right field line. All three runners scored as Pink went on to victory. WHAT A GAME!! FINAL SCORE: Pink - 8, Blue - 6.

KLL STANDINGS

Black Belts	1-0	1.000
Purple People-Eaters	1-0	1.000
Pink Cadillacs	1-1	.500
Blue Demons	0-2	.000

BASKETBALL AGAINST DIRIGO IS A SUCCESS

by Robert Compher

As you know, some kids here went to Dixfield to play basketball against some of the Dirigo basketball teams. I'm not trying to brag or anything but I think we had much better teams than they did.

BASKETBALL TRIPANOTHER ACCOUNT

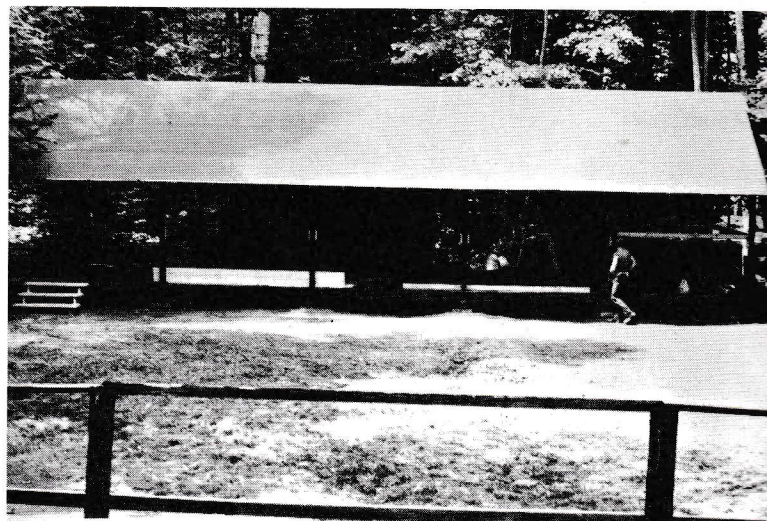
by Jason McMahon

Last Thursday, July 12, Kawanhee's basketball teams went to Dirigo High School to play basketball. The teams were 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th grades. All the games were very exciting! We won every one of them. It was great! The most terrific game was the 9th grade game because of Jason McMahon with his blocking shots, Jason Eldred with his outside shots, Tommy Kindle with his great outside moves and layups, Chuck Compher with his inside moves and Peter Brown with his jumpshots. Wednesday the 18th, 13 and under and 15 and under play Camp Manitou in a tournament.

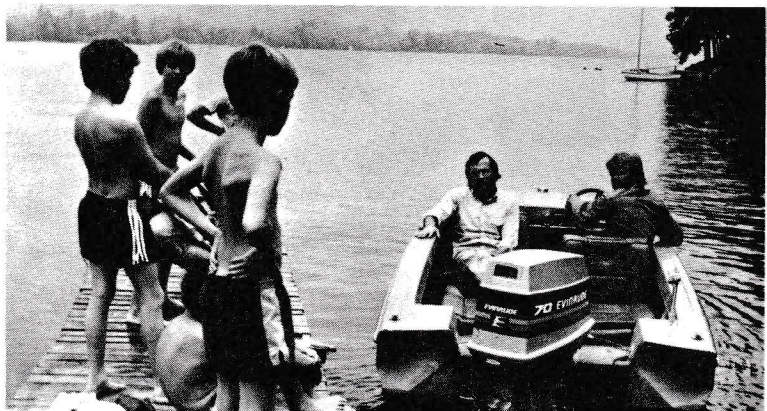
HOME ON THE RANGE

by Bruce Birch

Bruce really does feel at home on the range! He began as a camper in 1956 and in 1964 worked on the Range full time as a "master camper" under the great direction of Roy Nickerson. "Nick", as he was called, taught Bruce everything he knows about riflery and Bruce has been passing it on to other campers since 1968 when he became director of Range. Before "Nick" left the Boating department Range was run by Hal Windle. "Nick", by the way, was the grandfather of one of our illustrious directors of activities, Mark Standen.



This year Bruce and the camp found a new home on the range. Thanks to the Estabrooks reconstruction and rehabilitation plans, the new range was built this spring on the old site. The new range has greater depth and two additional positions making a total of twelve shooting positions, thus avoiding the necessity of rotating shooters in the larger cabins. For those in the sentimental group, Bruce requested that the old range office and gun cabinet remain so as to bridge the gap between old and new, at least for the present time. His request was respectfully honored. Thank you Mr. and Mrs. Estabrook and Camp Kawanhee!

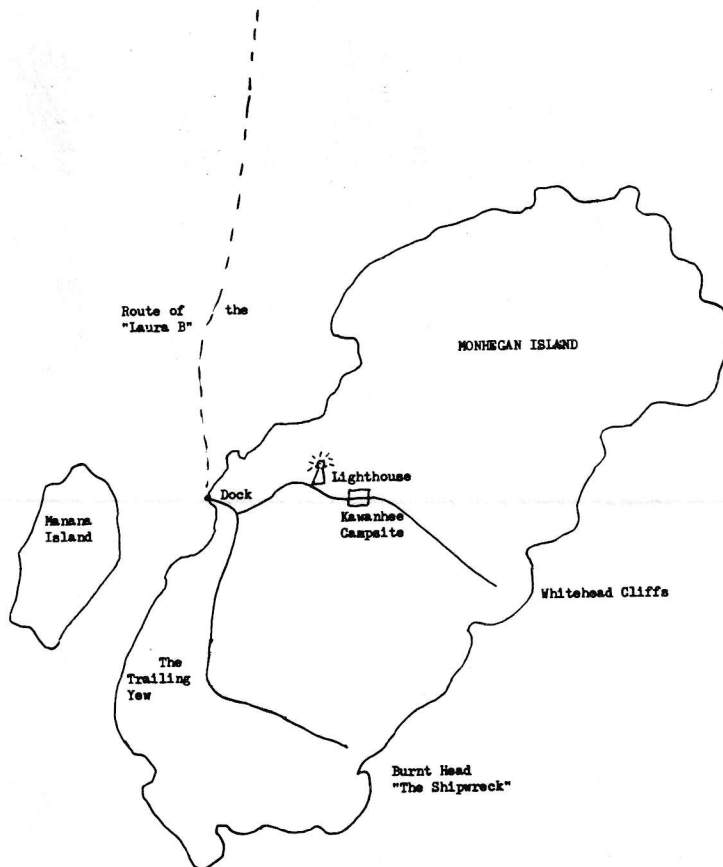


This past week Kawanhee again accepted and enjoyed our camp's unique invitation to Monhegan Island. Situated approximately 12 miles off the rugged Maine coastline, this island home of lobster fishermen and artists has charmed a generation of Kawanhee campers. Friendship with the islanders was developed over the years by Clarence "Bates" Bateman, for many years a Kawanhee staffer and student of Monhegan. Campers were greeted by many on the island who inquired fondly about "Bates", or who did us favors with no thought of being remunerated "because of the many kindnesses" Bates had shown them.

This year's visit, led by John Bell and myself included 44 campers and 7 staff. The deep sea fishing in Captain Sherm Stanley's boat, "The Philarope", resulted in exciting catches of mackerel and codfish. Largest catch was credited to Chris Huntington of Deer Lodge with the award for the most fish caught going to counselor, Peter Cano. The schedule also included an excursion to Manana Island, kite flying, and hikes to the "cliffs" and the shipwreck. The "Trailing Yew" restaurant supplied the campers with excellent food.

Contacts were established with several artists on the island who are enthusiastic about teaching sessions on painting and sketching to our boys next season. In addition, one of the lobster fishermen may be able to take next year's group out for a lobster fishing orientation and a visit to the island's seal habitat.

As we left Monhegan aboard the "Laura B" for Port Clyde and return to Kawanhee, we did so with the warm feeling that the island would be "ours" for many years to come. Keep charming us, Monhegan!



MONHEGAN

by Paul Bloomfield age 9

Everybody in!

We took the B.B. to Port Clyde. From Port Clyde we took a

Every other year a group of Kawanhee campers venture to the top of Mt. Katahdin, Maine's highest mountain. Katahdin is a majestic peak deep in history and Indian legend.

Katahdin is 5,267 feet high, making it only a few feet short of a mile high (5,280 ft.). To unofficially make the mountain a mile high, a pile of rocks has been placed on the highest part of the mountain.

In 1804, Charles Turner and a group of surveyors made the first recorded ascent of Katahdin. As lumbering operations moved into the mountain's vicinity, access became easier and climbing more frequent. In the late 1800's sporting camps began advertising Katahdin climbs as attractions. Several trails to the peak were established at this time.

In the 1900's some concerned citizens of the state became worried that lumbering operations would destroy the beautiful wilderness around Katahdin. A Maine governor, Percival P. Baxter, started giving the land around Katahdin to the state as a gift. Today Baxter State Park is 200,000 acres and must be left in its natural state. Katahdin is only a small part of this huge state park. Katahdin remains a great climb and it is in the northern terminus of the 2,000 mile Appalachian Trail. This trail stretches from Maine to Georgia.

Katahdin is also deeply rooted to the legends of the Maine Indians. Katahdin is an Indian word meaning "Greatest Mountain".

Indian legend says that Katahdin was created by the Council of Gods as their sacred meeting place. Pamola, one of the lesser Gods, became angry when refused a place at the Council and he was forced to retreat to an area that is called Pamola Peak. When our Kawanhee boys climb Katahdin, they reach the summit on a peak called, Baxter Peak. Next they climb a thin rocky trail called the Knife Edge. After walking the Knife Edge, they then arrive at the peak called Pamola.

The Indians believed that those who ventured on the mountain would incur Pamola's wrath and be seen no more. Often when our Kawanhee campers reach Baxter Peak, the weather is too windy or cloudy to try the Knife Edge. Today, when storm clouds swirl around the summit and the wind whistles across the Knife Edge, Pamola is stirring.

I hope all Kawanhee campers enjoy their climb up Katahdin and enjoy what many people call the most majestic point east of the Rockies.



RANGE AWARDS

COOS CANYON

by Scott Barnes

Promarksman: Tony Louvat; **Marksman:** Tony Louvat; **Marksman First Class:** Jacobo Arteagea, Tony Louvat; **Sharpshooter:** Tony Louvat, Javier Santos, Mark Valore; **Bar One:** Alberto Acedo, Tony Louvat; **Bar Two:** Joel Jeffrey, Tony Louvat; **Bar Three:** Joel Jeffrey, Tony Louvat; **Bar Four:** Tony Louvat; **"Pinwheel" Award:** Owen Feeney, Carlos Fuhrmeister; **"Hot Shot" Award:** Prone Position - Possible 50 points: Jeff Rancan - 48pts. Tony Louvat - (6) 48pts.

THE LOG

by OJ Altmaier

Yes friends, the log is back again with a report on the exciting third week of camp. The log always is here to report on the 100% truth about Kawanhee.

Although many of the campers were out of camp at Monhegan and other places, things continued to go well here at camp.

On Sunday night, Will Fleming aroused at 10:30 P.M. and outside his lodge he found a beautiful young girl wanting a goodnight kiss! The young lady was a bit overly enthusiastic in her praise. She said and I quote, "I've heard so much about you. You are so handsome, so dashing, so sexy, so wonderful, so kind...by the way, how long have you been at camp O.J.?" "No, I am not OJ" said an upset Will. "Oh," she said, and walked away.

On an update from last week, Ish and Will have solved the Fuhrmeister switch problem. They tied both of them to trees in front of the drinking fountain. After deciding which Fuhrmeister was which, they left them tied up for a few more hours just on general principals.

Rob Ryder heard some exciting news this week when he was informed that Arcadia Camp for Girls will be sending a contingent of ladies to Kawanhee for sailing, tennis and other social activities on Sunday, July 22nd. However, Rob was a bit disappointed when he found out that the girls would be coming to Kawanhee as he remarked "I do better on their turf".

This was also the week that camp got serious with people being late for breakfast. Soon after flag raising, the doors are slammed shut and locked. Of course, the first people locked out were Mr. and Mrs. Estabrook. Better set that alarm a little earlier.

Jeff Rice makes the LOG for a few things this week. Seems last week he was often seen hanging from the rafters naked. On one embarrassing occasion some of the female staff came into the lodge, looked at Jeff and remarked, "Oh, look, there is a little girl swinging from the rafters!"

Jeff also makes the LOG for asking for a piece of gum and then when given a piece from someone else's mouth proceeds to chew it.

You all heard about Kawanhee's great basketball triumph this week. Probably the most fantastic play was the beautiful lay-up Rob Studebaker made in one game. Too bad it was at the other team's basket.

Of course this was the week of the Monhegan trip. Kawanhee is the only camp allowed to camp on the island. If the island is still above water at week's end the natives consider it a victory.

On the first trip everything went fine with some good fishing. The first trip included a trip to the Coastguard station across from Monhegan. The boys were particularly interested in the PLAYBOY pin-ups the Guardmen had placed in their living quarters. Most boys saw this with passing interest but apparently trip leader, John Starr had to be surgically removed from pressing his face against the poster.

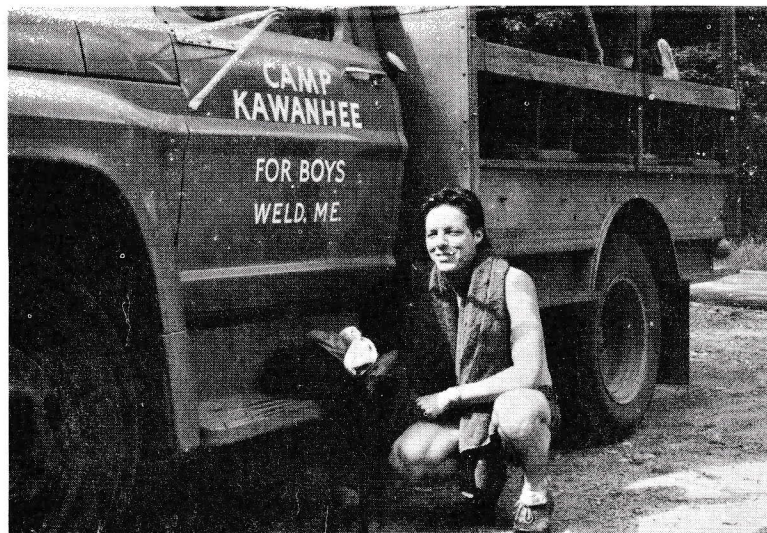
On the second trip there was the controversy of the "OFF" insect repellent can. David Bates said it simply exploded in the

I am sure that by the end of camp most of you will have gone to Coos Canyon. For you first-year campers it will be a most exciting trip.

At Coos you can do many things. There are many cliffs to jump off of. The first one you meet with is a small but good sized cliff. After going off that you can swim across the river and try the big one.

The big cliff is very high and at first very scary. Once you have climbed up the side of the cliff you should have enough confidence to jump right off again. A few people have even dove off it.

If you're not tired and are still ready for some more you can try going down the rapids. You simply float down stream until you hit the rapids. Now you can decide if you want to go down on your feet or on an inner-tube. You can find many ways of going down the rapids. You just have to get to Coos Canyon.



TRIP LEADER, John Bell beside the infamous "Bouncing Buggy".

KAWANHEE CAMPERS, ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

The WIGWAM invites you all to contribute Kawanhee nostalgia, trivia, and alumni news, which you feel would be interesting to Kawanhees.

ADD TO TRAVEL PLANS:

Parents: Please send a separate check to W.W. Estabrook
\$65.00 Group I.....Columbus
\$39.00 Group II.....N.Y./N.J.

PARENTS: MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Transportation plans for Sunday, August 12th People Express

Group I ----Columbus, Ohio

Lv. Portland Sunday, August 12th Flt. #142 -----11:35 A.M.
Arrive Newark, NJ -----12:45 P.M.

Lv. Newark, People's Flt. #35 ----- 2:25 P.M.
Arrive Columbus -----4:00 P.M.

Group II --- New York/New Jersey

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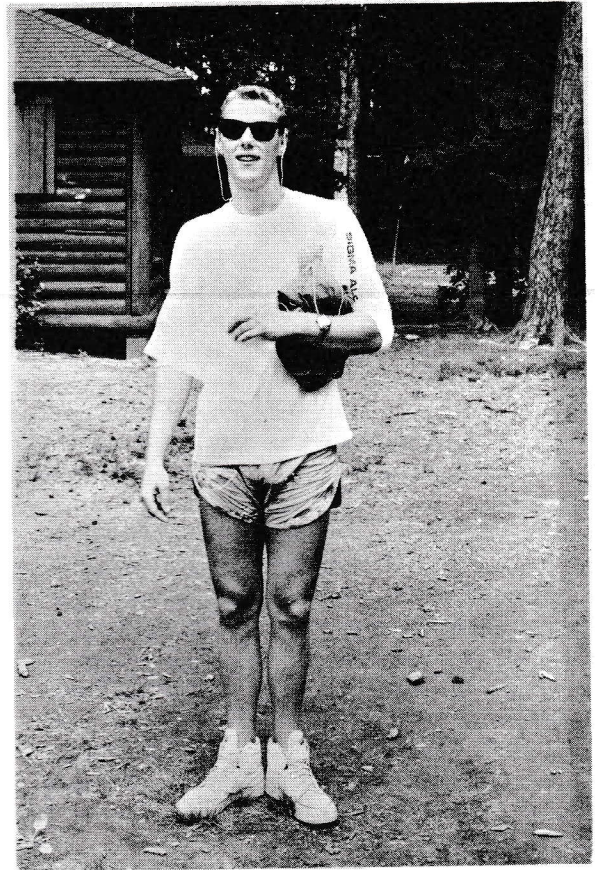
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New Wave at Kawanhee??

the wigwam

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