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MY EXPERIENCE AT KAWANHEE

by Jamie Strawbridge

While at Camp Kawanhee in Weld, Maine, I had many memorable experiences. One that probably stands out the most in my mind was the climb up Mt. Katahdin, the mile high mountain that stands the highest in all of Maine. The trip itself was a three day trip. On Monday we rode to a campground near the summit. After we unpacked all of our camping gear, everyone had a job to do. I gathered firewood, (it was getting chilly) and helped make the salad. Others set up tents, started the fire, boiled the potatoes, or got water from the stream. The water had to be purified with instruments our trip leaders brought. Soon we ate and went to bed.

The next day we climbed Owl Mountain, in preparation for our big hike up Katahdin. The following day, we woke up at 4:00 a.m. and got ready for our long hike. It was a special hike for me because my grandfather and my father both had climbed Katahdin too. Soon, we were on the trails, walking through beautiful forests. After a while, the incline grew steeper. At last, we reached Chimney Pond. This was a crystal clear lake nestled into the side of the mountains. The view was unmatched! We continued our way up the Cathedral Trail, which was very steep. The challenge of the climb made the trip that much more fun. Finally we reached the top and ate lunch. Then, we walked across the Knife's Edge. This ridge is 2,000 feet straight up, and only about seven feet wide! I think this was my favorite part of the trip. We made our way down and back to our campsite. It was a wonderful experience for me and I encourage all other campers to go next year. See you in June!

THANKSGIVING REUNION

by Jamie Sanford

Over Thanksgiving weekend, Kris Simanek drove from Kate, Ferd and Liza Schoedinger's house in Weare, New Hampshire to pick up Robert Compher at

the coast Guard Academy. After leaving New London, Connecticut, Kris and Robert headed for Mark Nelson and Jamie Sanford's house in Columbus, Ohio. That is, after they spent Thanksgiving day at the Simanek household in Pittsburgh with Nancy and Peter van den Honert. During their stay in Columbus, Kris and Robert saw Jamie Miller, Joe Rini, John Donahey, Ben Hoffhine, Brendan O'Neil, Andy Brown, and Wilton, Maine's Jen Wojcik. Bob Hart joined in the fun by telephone. Reunions will continue through the holidays. After listening to the Pogues' "Christmas Song" in your living room where you have built a Campcraft teepee fire in your fireplace, look for Mark Nelson, Jamie Miller, Russ Jessen and me cheering the Ohio State Buckeyes in Orlando. Happy Holidays!

AS KAWANHEE TURNS

Let's talk babies! Chip and MaryAnn Trayner welcomed Rebecca Christine on December 13, 1994. John and Tricia White announced the arrival of Maggie born on October 1, 1994. And Oscar Shamamian and his wife Llewellyn Sinkler welcomed their new addition, Llewellyn Kittredge Shamamian born November 7, 1994. Congratulations to all the new Moms and Dads! See Kawanhee's own Bill Albershart nationwide! The photo ad for Dexter Shoes in the November Outdoor magazine was taken on the porch of Kawanhee Inn! A beautiful picture! Rupert Wetherhilt loves his job teaching skiing in the French Alps. Chad Hollenbaugh has written to all the boys in Deer Lodge! Bernie Gehret had a great Christmas picture card--all the Crow Lodge boys! Amy and Al Spencer had a reunion of counselors and staff before Christmas at their house--good visiting with lots of Kawanhee folk and terrific vittles. Chris Adams, our wonderful Kawanhee chef, has just returned from Japan doing building for Habitat. Kurt Coursen is a host on a Saturday morning TV show out of Columbus, Ohio. Doing a great job. Iggy and Jose Gonzalez will return to Lake Webb in June of 1995 for the season.

****PROSPECTS***PROSPECTS***PROSPECTS****

Remember that Kawanhee's enrollment depends on alumni, campers, and counselors. If you have a name of a prospective camper, please contact Walter Estabrook. He can follow up with a phone call, catalog, and video. Please contact Walter at 415 S. Drexel Ave., Columbus, OH 43209 or call (614) 252-4381 or fax (614) 252-0417. Your help is greatly appreciated. May there always be a Kawanhee!

CATALOG NOTICE:

Our handsome Kawanhee catalog was sent to all alumni, campers, and counselors. If anyone received a catalog with pages 1-4 missing, PLEASE contact Jane and Walter Estabrook. They will be happy to mail you a new catalog and rectify this printing error.

SOMETHING ABOUT KAWANHEE

by Pedro and Carlos Canas

It's not just a Camp.

It's not just a place to learn English.

It's not just a place to have fun.

It is:

Your friends house.

Your second house.

Your second family.

*****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:

CAMP KAWANHEE FOUNDATION

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We will be grateful for your continued contributions.

CAMP ENROLLMENT RISING

Kawanhee applications are arriving regularly. If the below list does not include your name, please mail your 1995 application promptly. Join your friends!

Brooks Anderson
Darren Belskis
Kevin Bonasera
Michael Brinkman
Leland Brinkman
Joel Brinkman
Diego Campo
Peter Cartei
Jon Casto
James Chagaris
Bradley Comfort

Adam Cook
Tim Cook
Kurtis Coursen
Daniel Crane
Tim Donahey
Nate Duncan
Hadrian Engel
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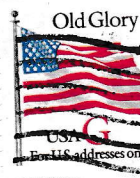
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