

# WIGWAM

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## Enrollment as of May 15, 1997

Dominic Abbott  
Jeffrey Abbott  
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Will Alexander  
Spencer Aldrich  
Enrique Alvarez-Sala  
Carlos Amerigo  
Enrique Amerigo  
Brooks Anderson  
Thomas Barrows  
Chris Barry  
Darren Belskis  
Matt Berg  
Andy Bonasera  
Adam Bowman  
Patrick Boyd  
Coner Branch  
Matt Brown  
Andy Burbine  
George Byers  
Jon Casto  
James Chagaris  
James Choi  
C.J. Clarke  
Joey Clarke  
Robert Connelly  
Frank Cook  
Kurtis Coursen  
William Crall  
Dan Crane  
David Crane  
Jim Crane  
Ryan Davis  
Pablo de Haro  
Chris Duncan  
Matt Duncan  
Sean Duncan  
Nate Duncan  
Andrew Edelston  
Hadrian Engel  
Alvaro Fernandez  
Brad Fichter

Sean Ford  
George Fraley  
Jaime Galiana  
Javier Galiana  
Ramon Gaztambide  
David Girard  
Diego Godinez  
Carlos Gonzalez  
Bryan Grewe-Orme  
Trevor Griffin  
Chad Guthrie  
Constantin Hoerdemann  
Brian Jacobs  
Steven Jaramillo  
Brandon Jiaconia  
Jake Jones  
David Jovic  
Steven Jovic  
John Kelly  
Brian Kim  
Karl Kremling  
Michael Kunze  
Philipp Kunze  
Jaime de la Lastra  
John Lee  
Michael Lenard  
Ben Lichtman  
Patrick Linn  
Ramon Luca de Tena  
Scott Luken  
Edouard Nattee  
Jorge Marcial  
Javier Marcial  
Eduardo Marcial  
Fernando Martos  
Matthew McGee  
Zachery Mueller  
Adam Muther  
Ryan Nuanes  
Richard Oh  
Brian Osar  
Daniel Osar

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Collin Patierno  
James (Mike) Pierson  
Leo Pilgerstorfer  
Georg Pingeon  
Max Pingeon  
Richard Pinkham  
Ben Porter  
Tristan Ramierz  
John Reagan  
Forbes Rigsby  
Robert Rigsby  
Michael Robinson  
Javier Rubio  
Alex Sanchez-Navarro  
Francisco Sanchez-Navarro  
Peter Senglemann  
Patricio Servitje  
Torrey Liddell

Sebastion Servitje  
Dan Sharpe  
Alex Smith  
Hojin Song  
Constantin Sorger  
Mark St. Peter  
James Strawbridge  
Adam Studebaker  
Tom Tillett  
Etienne Tremblay  
Rodrigo Valderrabano  
Marc van den Broeck  
Jim Wallingford  
Richard Webner  
Johannes Werhahn  
Michael Werhahn  
Matt Wilson  
Alexis Zarlin  
Philipp Keutter

### \*\*\*\*\*ATTENTION CAMPERS\*\*\*\*\*

If your name is not included on the list of boys who have enrolled for 1997, please remind your parents to mail in the application very soon. We are just about at full capacity in all ages, and we need to know if you still are planning to be with us for a summer of "FUN WITH A PURPOSE".

### The Turtle Race

by Elizabeth Compher Hall, former Kawanhee nurse

Word of the nurse having revived the "dead" snake spread like wildfire amongst the young boys at Camp Kawanhee. This brought a parade of ailing creatures to the Infirmary door. Each woodsy patient was treated appropriately.

A turtle race was scheduled on a future Saturday. All the younger boys had hunted, found and now had numerous turtles in training. When not on the workout track, the turtles



were kept in the Nature Building in boyishly furnished terrariums. While lodged there, the counselors helped the boys understand the lifestyle and eating habits of the terrapins in residence.

Rumor had it that the Eagle Lodge, consisting of 7 and 8 years olds, had the faster turtle in camp. The campers used all of their free time to teach their turtles the rudiments of racing. At a secret location in the woods, they had created a practice track. No spies could look in on their time trials. Falcon Lodge, Pinetree, and Deer Lodges all had their respective race turtles in training also.

The turtles were about six inches in length - the kind you see in fresh water lakes — like the ones that wander the roads at night. They are not very colorful but their faces are kind of cute and they have a distinctive curl in their skinny little tails.

Four days before the big race five Eaglets, the youngest boys in camp, brought their promising turtle to the Infirmary. Holding their turtle out to me they chimed in unison, "Do you think you can help him? He can hardly walk anymore!"

"What seems to be the problem?" I asked.

"It's his legs," they answered as the turtle trainer turned the turtle over on his back.

Trying to calm the boys I said, "Place him up on the counter so I can examine him." I laid a clean paper towel down to receive him. I could only guess that the turtle is a boy or girl. Matters such as gender identity were left to the Nature Department.

"Steady him on his back so he doesn't slip off," I continued as the turtle lay upside-down all legs protruding and going lickety-split — I surmised he must be fast on the straight-away. His head was awkwardly askew trying to right himself from this undignified position.

As I pulled the examining light over the table, I figured that muscle strain would be a good tentative diagnosis. The rapid motion of the legs dispelled that initial impression. Looking closer while studying the total turtle, the problem revealed itself immediately. Excoriation of the pelvic folds. Red, raw tissue impacted with sand where the legs met the body.

It was apparent they had been taking him out to do his workouts in a sand pit and had failed to rinse him off in the lake before returning him to his mossy terrarium.

During the turtle's exam, the boys pulled their chairs up close to stand on. They were all looking down with great concern at the turtle making the usual boyish comments of, "YUK, ICK, and GROSS." Apparently, they did not notice how red and raw the turtle's leg crease area was until they saw it under the light.

Not wanting to confuse them with medical terms, I straightened and exclaimed, "Ah." All their eyes were on

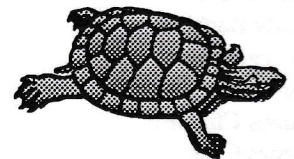
me, including the turtle's, as I announced the diagnosis, "Diaper rash!"

There was an immediate group sigh of relief from the outlookers followed by as veritable burst of suggestions as to how their mothers handled a case of this sort with the infants in their respective homes. I listened intently as I was at a loss on exactly how to proceed.

After this short consultation with these young specialists, I figured, "Why not" and came to a decision about the method and schedule for the turtle's intensive treatment. I carefully explained that three times a day one of them was to bring their "All American Competitor" to the Infirmary. With supervision, they would wash their turtle thoroughly using surgical soap, then cautiously rinsing him under gently running water. After the wash and rinse, I would use my hair dryer to dry the patient's underbelly area. Zinc Oxide would be applied morning and noon. Johnson's Baby Powder would be generously sprinkled on at night. There would be no racing until the big day.

The boys followed my prescribed treatment regimen religiously taking turns bringing their charge to the Infirmary. No turtle knew gentler hands or enjoyed such tender attention. No nurse was more surprised when after four days, it was obvious that the treatment had actually been effective.

The day of the race arrived. Our entry did not win first place. He "showed" and was declared the cleanest turtle on earth. The boys were absolutely delighted. Even the turtle looked a bit proud.



## As Kawanhee Turns

We have our first application for the year of 2006 from Steve and Diana Yale to enroll Eli Vincent Yale who was born March 21 and Eli will be nine years old in 2006. Eli has his activity selection sheet filled out and expressed a big interest in shop providing Mr. Birch was teaching and in Fishing under John Bell's tutelage. He would like to go to Monhegan Island also. How exciting to have Eli's advance application. Welcome Eli!

Warren Fish mailed us an announcement of his graduation from Middlebury College. He will be vacationing in Africa this summer. Jason Roth sent an announcement of his graduation from Wittenberg! He is



planning to be a Physician's Assistant and has more schooling to go.

An update on the Detrick brothers - John is a pilot for the U.S. Post Office and Emory Freight flying a 727 plane. Sam is Major Detrick stationed Asan, Korea which is 45 miles from Seoul. Andrew is Vice President of the Alpine Bank in Snowmass, Colorado. Both John and Drew are residents of Snowmass.

Hal and Jean Myers are living at Friendship Village in Columbus, Ohio and Hal was pictured in one of the recent publications in color no less wearing his Camp Kawanhee cap! Looked very sharp with his golf foursome.

Bill Rommey, a former camper and counselor, has published a new book which is available through Ash Lad Press at E. Orleans, Massachusetts on university life in Paris and Rouen in the 50's and again in the '90's along with trips and tours exploring France. Max Pigeon has been admitted to Milton Academy in Paris - Congratulations, Max!

### **\*\*Obituaries\*\***

Newton P. Masterman "Newt", one of Kawanhee's very good friends from Weld, died April 13 at his Weld home. He was born Sept. 21, 1917 and was a life-long resident of Weld. He owned and operated Masterman General Store in Weld with his wife Gladys Dunning and later became a ranger at Mt. Blue State Park. In recent years, Newt built fly fishing rods for fishing enthusiasts from around the world, including President Bush when he was in office. He enjoyed encouraging young people to join the sport. He was very active in the community affairs of Weld, was also in the Masons, a member of the Shrine, both York and Scottish rites. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Gladys, their daughter, two granddaughters, a grandson, and a great grandson.

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Our last WIGWAM in March listed Kawanhee Foundation contributors who had made a donation as of that time, and since then, the following persons have mailed in contributions. Our thanks to the following contributors::

John A. Abbott (In memory of Charles E. Abbott)  
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Rod Alexander  
Chris Cochran  
Richard & Doris Dale  
Ben & Lydia Hadley  
Elizabeth Compher Hall  
The Rev. Harold L. Myers  
John Postlewaite  
Dorcy van den Honert (In memory of Leonard van den Honert)

## **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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### **1997 CAMP KAWANHEE STAFF**

Every parent (and camper) wants to know who is responsible for guiding and directing the various activities and daily lives of the boys at camp, and we are happy to list the Staff Assignments for 1997. As is the case for several previous summers, Camp Kawanhee is still **NUMBER ONE** over all New England ACA (American Camping Association) camps in repeat factor of Staff. We list below the 1997 staff:

**Archery** - Chuck Compher, Nancy van den Honert  
**Baseball** - Pete Belskis, Nick Aiello, Todd Fichter  
**Basketball** - Diana Belskis, Inigo Oyarazabal,  
Shawn Maxwell  
**Boating** - Mark Gibson, Julie Pratt, Amy Spencer  
**Campcraft** - John Bell, Travis Hatley, Kevin Bonasera  
**Fishing** - John Bell  
**Kayaking** - Scott Barnes, Rob Hunter  
**Nature** - Dotty Jones-Estabrook, Bonnie Birch,  
Kara Simanek, Ted Simanek

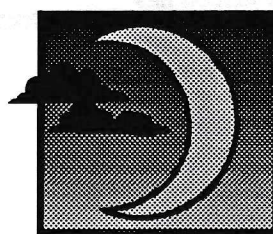
**Photography** - Bill Koplitz, Kurt Coursen  
**Range** - Mary Birch, Jim Estabrook, Betty Simanek  
**Sailing** - Joe Filipski  
**Shop** - Herb Birch, Brian Birch, Wayne Schontz,  
Jackie Hanlon  
**Skiing** - Bernie Gehret, Adam Ramsey  
**Swimming** - Peter van den Honert, Kris Simanek,  
Paula Ford, Adam Cook  
**Soccer** - Norm Ford, Jaime Rubio  
**Tennis** - Mike Altmaier, Debi Brown, Javier Carvajal  
**Tripping** - Dan Webster, Al Spencer, John Conant,  
Tim Johnson  
**Volleyball** - Alan Michalak, Chad Hallenbaugh,  
Carlos Morales  
**Wrestling** - George Moore, David Caruso, Jason Gardner

We are happy to announce that Mark Nelson, Mike Altmaier, and Russ Jessen are Tri-Directors of Activities. Paula Ford is the Camp Mother. We are looking forward to greeting each one of you on the opening day of camp, the start of the 77<sup>th</sup> season of Camp Kawanhee. We all predict the season of 1997 will be a great one.

Referring to the 1997 camp enrollment, we just received two additional applications:

Chris Ryan  
Nathan Webb

WIGWAM Editor: Jim Estabrook



# ONE MORE MOON TO GO!!!

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