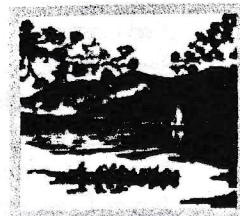


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## WELCOME TO THE 2000 SEASON \*\*\* CAMPERS AND STAFF \*\*\*

Just in the two weeks we have been at Kawanhee, camp is now starting to sparkle as a result of the great job Mark Nelson and his crew are doing with cleaning, painting, and fixing. The Climbing Wall & Ropes Course is awesome, and we are very grateful to the Abbott family for this wonderful gift in memory of Jack Abbott, Sr. We carefully researched to find the best and most reliable firm. After consulting with several camp directors, all agreed that Project Adventure was "top of the line". It was exciting to observe the installation of the equipment by three very skilled and professional employees of Project Adventure. In a few days, our staff will arrive for the pre-camp training which is a requirement of ACA (American Camping Association).

Again in 2000, Camp Kawanhee continues to benefit from our exceptionally high repeat factor for our counselors and staff. Of the seventy persons on the current staff, only six are new to Kawanhee. This makes it possible for training sessions to get into high gear sooner. When the campers arrive on June 25<sup>th</sup>, the boys who have been to camp in previous seasons are happy to see so many familiar faces. As always, our goal is to provide a happy, safe summer for everyone. Thirty years ago we promised Mr. George Frank that we would continue his goal of building better boys by emphasizing high ideals and character development — that is still our mission today.

-- Jane and Walter Estabrook, Associate Directors



One of my favorite expressions that you will hear me say hundreds of times over the course of the camp season is, "Take advantage of your environment!"

Now is the time to set your goals on how you wish to gain the greatest benefit from your Kawanhee experience.

Aim to challenge and improve yourself in any or all of the activities, or in your attitude towards others. Aim to be the friend who is encouraging others to try new things, the one that is always there caring and listening. Aim to do all things as well as you possibly can every single time.

By planning your goals now, not only will you gain the most from this experience, but others around you will gain tremendously from your fellowship and friendship.

I look forward to the opening day, June 25<sup>th</sup>, when we will be gathered on the shores of Webb Lake for what will be another great season!

-- Mark Nelson, Managing Director



## Boys Enrolled for the Kawanhee 2000 Season

Adam Aldrich  
Alexander Aldrich  
Ted Aldrich  
Dan Alexander  
Rees Alexander  
Will Alexander

Andrew Altmaier  
Mario Alvarez-Sala  
Enrique Alvarez-Sala  
Luis Alvarez-Sala  
Raven P. Anderson  
Randy Barba

Andrew James Barrie  
Nicholas E. Bartley  
Paul J. Bonasera  
Conor Branch  
Spencer Branch  
Trevor Branch

Matt Brown  
Robert W. Bucher III  
Andy Burbine  
Gavin Cadwallader  
Timothy H. Cadwallader  
Arturo V. Cajiga

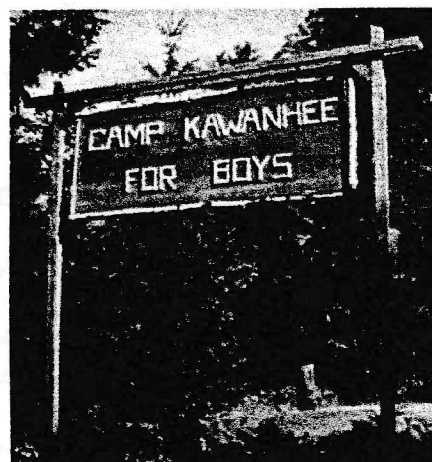
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Vincente V. Cajiga  
 Ned Carson  
 Sam Carson  
 Jose C. Castellanos  
 Jon Casto  
 Jeffrey D. Cavanagh  
 James Chagaris  
 Andrew Chatzky  
 Joey Clarke  
 Ben Colonna  
 Clay McCance Colonna  
 Benedict Connelly  
 Robert Connelly  
 Corey D. Connor  
 Frank Cook III  
 Arturo G. Cordova  
 Anthony Cottone  
 David Crane  
 Kevin Cross  
 William Benson Dargusch  
 Charles M. Darmanin  
 Spencer Davis  
 Andres de Haro  
 Jaime de la Lastra  
 Juan de la Lastra  
 Jonathan Denby  
 Corey DeSalvo  
 Cesar A. Diaz-Brown  
 Chris Duncan  
 Matt Duncan  
 Nate Duncan  
 Sean Duncan  
 Alexander Dunn  
 Tyler Durkee  
 Christopher Engel  
 Ben Estabrook  
 Ramin Farhangi  
 Geoff S. Fay  
 Andres R. Figueroa  
 Michael W. Fink  
 James Forbes  
 Matthew Fortunato  
 Benjamin T. Friedlander  
 Troy A. Friedlander  
 Javier Galiana  
 Francisco R. Garcia  
 James R. Gavin  
 Matthew T. Gering  
 Matthew Gerity  
 Gregor Hoffman  
 Samuel Linwood Hoffman  
 Kevin K. Irving

Shannon S. Irving  
 Brandon Jiaconia  
 Evan M. Jones  
 David Jovic  
 John Kelly  
 Cory J. Keny  
 Quinn A. Kielbasa  
 Maximilian M. P. Kneussl  
 Jonathon (J.C.) C. Krah  
 Karl Kremling  
 Richard Kubanik  
 Michael Lenard  
 Christopher Liguori  
 Timothy Linblade  
 Daniel B. Luken  
 Scott L. Luken  
 Andrew MacMannis  
 Hanerey McCleave Maharawal  
 Henry Manice  
 Pablo Marti  
 Gabriel Martin  
 Zachary D. Martin  
 Jose Martinez-Penedo  
 Miquel Mayol  
 Samuel A. McCoy  
 Matthew McGee  
 Bobby Michaels  
 Rajiv A. Miller  
 Martin Min  
 Stanis W. Moody-Roberts  
 Eric Marsh Moran  
 Benjamin Morgan  
 Jay Morris  
 Luke S. Morris  
 Samuel L. Morris  
 Zachary Mueller  
 Henry S. Myers  
 Alex Nering  
 Rodrigo Nevares  
 Ryan S. Nuanes  
 Daniel Osar  
 Charles F. Oussedik  
 Jose M. Pereda  
 James (Mike) M. Pierson  
 George Pigeon  
 Carlos A. Pla  
 Chris Proctor  
 Austin Randall  
 John Riat  
 James P. Rohn  
 Javier Rubio

David C. Ruhle  
 Jeff Ruhle  
 Juan Gabriel Rullan  
 Eduardo Saldana  
 Alexandro Sanchez  
 Bill K. Schwartz  
 John Sengelmann  
 Peter Sengelmann  
 Nicolas Servitje  
 Patricio Servitje  
 Sebastian Servitje  
 Tyler Grant Slayman  
 David W. Smith  
 Max Smith-Marder  
 Calder B. Sokolow  
 Fernando Sordo  
 Andrew Spencer  
 Matt St. John  
 Drew Stafford  
 Kenneth B. Stafford  
 Will Stafford  
 Alex Standen  
 Jed Standen  
 Ted Stotzer  
 Tripp Strawbridge  
 Carlos Adam Suarez  
 David C. Suh  
 James Davis Thorman  
 Mason Tice  
 Kyle M. Tulloss  
 Emilio Vassallo  
 Andrew Vaughn  
 Will Vorys  
 Timothy Richard Walsh  
 Edward Watson  
 Justin Wells Whealen  
 Matthew Wilson  
 Jonathon Wood  
 Jordan Wood  
 Peter Yen









# "Oh Kawanh e e e e e e e e e e . . . ! We Want Your Help"

## Camp Kawanhee Endowment Funds

George ("GR") Frank and his brother Raymond ("RC") Frank founded Camp Kawanhee in 1920 as a character building force for boys. Their basic philosophies remain alive as a vital part of Kawanhee's spirit. The Kawanhee mottos, "Fun With A Purpose", "Learn To Do By Doing", and "Finish What You Start" still serve today as motivating forces in the lives of Kawanhee campers and counselors. These profound statements truly summarize the noble purpose that Camp Kawanhee has represented over the past 80 years.

We have been blessed with the great stewardship of the Frank brothers and Jane and Walter Estabrook. **Now we have the opportunity and the responsibility to see to it that Camp Kawanhee survives and flourishes forever.**

In August of 1998, it was decided that Camp Kawanhee would become a non-profit enterprise, dedicated to its continuation as a boys' camp. This decision was the culmination of a couple of years of soul searching regarding the future ownership and management of the camp. The George and Raymond Frank Foundation was formed to own the camp. Mark Nelson, a 15 year veteran, was appointed Managing Director, with the Estabrooks serving as Associate Directors. Thanks to the extreme generosity of the camp shareholders, over 90 percent of the stock has been committed as gifts to the foundation. We have received applications for 167 boys for the 2000 season. We are off to an excellent start, but we need to fortify our financial position to secure the future of Camp Kawanhee.

The camp has endured and thrived for 80 years; but as with any property, it must be replaced, repaired, and maintained. These costs have historically been paid by camper tuition. It is the goal of The Kawanhee Foundation (tuition scholarships), and The George and Raymond Frank Foundation (ownership and endowment) to keep our tuition as low as possible, yet to provide the finest facilities and equipment possible.

**We need the friends of Kawanhee to do four things to ensure that Camp Kawanhee lasts forever.**

1. We need continued support of **The Kawanhee Foundation**. This 16-year-old endeavor has assets of \$200,000.00. Its sole purpose is to provide financial assistance to campers to attend Kawanhee. It has the worthy purpose of making Kawanhee affordable for boys who could benefit from the Camp Kawanhee experience. Hundreds of boys have shared in the Kawanhee experience because of this fund. Please continue to generously send your gifts to The Kawanhee Foundation, c/o Walter Estabrook, 450 S. Harding Road, Columbus, Ohio 43209, 614-235-9791. Your gift is tax deductible.
2. To secure the future and preserve our past, **The George and Raymond Frank Foundation** is establishing an endowment fund. Its primary purpose are to accept gifts of cash and/or securities; to preserve the capital of these gifts; and to direct the income of this fund towards the restoration, the repair, and the general needs of the camp. We have raised \$70,000.00 in lead gifts and our goal is to raise \$200,000.00 by the 80th reunion in August of this year. We are in the process of establishing a DTC account with Merrill Lynch to accept securities. Please send your pledge or gift to The George and Raymond Frank Foundation, c/o Chuck Hoffhine, Treasurer, 2581 Caroline Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43209, 614-252-4547, e-mail (hoffhine@iwaynet.net). We will send you confirmation of your gift. Your gift is tax deductible.
3. Every year it seems some **Special Project** comes along that requires an extra effort. The purpose of this yearly gift is to provide for one annual project that is significant in size, such as the building of a new lodge (Trout) in 1999 or the septic system in 1998. This year we have the opportunity to buy 52 acres next to the camp. We are asking that every friend of Kawanhee send \$100.00 every year to provide for these big items until the endowment is able to fund these capital items. These funds will assure that Kawanhee is the best it can be. If there are excess funds, the remainder will be put into the endowment fund. Please send your check to Chuck Hoffhine. The \$100.00 is tax deductible.
4. Lastly, our lifeline is our **mailing list**. Please let Walter or Jane Estabrook know where you are. Make sure you ask your friends if they are on the mailing list so we can stay in touch with everyone. This list is our link to long term success in any endeavor we take on.

The friends of Kawanhee have created this sacred place. Please consider these requests so that the dream of two young men in 1920 will live forever. Any help you can give us is greatly appreciated. **"May there always be a Kawanhee"**.

Sincerely,

Bill Dargusch. Kawanhee Alumnus  
2586 Bexley Park Road  
Columbus, OH 43209  
Phone: 614-237-6491

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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I want to support the **Kawanhee Foundation** to ensure that all worthy candidates can attend this great camp. I enclose my check for:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25          \_\_\_\_\_ \$50          \_\_\_\_\_ \$100          \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Send your contribution to Kawanhee Foundation, c/o Walter Estabrook, 450 S. Harding Rd., Columbus, OH 43209

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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I want to support the **George and Raymond Frank Foundation** to make sure that Camp Kawanhee has the strength to last forever. My pledge is:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100          \_\_\_\_\_ \$500          \_\_\_\_\_ \$1,000          \_\_\_\_\_ Other

I pledge securities. \_\_\_\_\_

Please send to The George and Raymond Frank Foundation, c/o Chuck Hoffhine, 2581 Caroline Avenue, Columbus, OH 43209. You may also transfer securities by wire to Merrill Lynch, DTC #5198, Account #656-04h05

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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I will send \$100.00 yearly to help the **Special Projects** of Kawanhee. Please send to Chuck Hoffhine, Treasurer, The George and Raymond Frank Foundation, 2581 Caroline Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43209 re: Special Projects

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\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I want to be added to your **mailing list**.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I found a friend of Kawanhee who is not on the **mailing list**.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this to:      Walter and Jane Estabrook  
   450 South Harding Road  
   Columbus, Ohio 43209  
   614-237-9791

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## **\* \* \* AS KAWANHEE TURNS \* \* \***

Kris Simanek has returned from a week in Massachusetts after taking a course at Project Adventure and is now fully certified in teaching the techniques and use of the Climbing Wall and Ropes Course. She is so enthusiastic and plans on everyone in camp sharing in this exciting gift from the Abbott family. Another new acquisition is a "Flying Scot" sailboat joining our fleet in the Sailing Department. Terry Berrigan has a new job that he is most happy with—Executive Director of the Fairfield Center for Disabilities and Cerebral Palsy. Children and adults get help and support through this private organization in Lancaster, Ohio. His wife, Kim, helps teach a class in the Circleville, Ohio schools. What a busy couple! Kevin Bonasera is now a certified Fly Fisherman and will soon take a week course through the Fly Fishing Federation and will be ready to start his career as a guide and teacher of Fly Fishing. His brother Andy, former camper and counselor, had a great Freshman year at Roanoke College in Virginia. Besides earning good grades, he had great fun and success in Varsity Lacrosse. He was high-point winner of the team and broke the Freshman high-points record! He was also named All-American and Honorable Mention for Division III. He is working full time in Columbus, Ohio this summer, but hopes to visit camp with Kevin in August. Their brother Paul, 11 years old, will be at Kawanhee for the first time this summer. Please read Kevin's touching letter to first-year campers in this Wigwam issue. Ben Hoffhine has been invited to play in the New York State Open in mid-July. This is very exciting and we will be cheering you on, Ben! Butch O'Neill and his son Brendan were in camp to show Kawanhee to Brendan's friend. His friend had not been in Maine before and they were doing a mini-tour-- their next stop being Coos Canyon. Shane O'Neill is very busy with his Shane's Gourmet Market, which is in German Village in Columbus, Ohio. He just finished doing all the food service for the PGA Memorial Tournament at the Muirfield Golf Club. Can you imagine buying supplies by the ton for these large affairs that he caters! His crew is led by his corporate chef, Scott Morit, who was assisted this time by Pittsburgh's International Culinary Academy/Le Cordon Bleu. They sent 26 students and their chef-instructor. Tom Steenland phoned to say that he was stopping in at Kawanhee. Tom was at camp for many years and now calls Colorado home. Al Spencer and Mark Nelson went to Monhegan Island to make plans for the much loved Monhegan Island trips that go out of camp after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

***Keep your news coming and plan on attending the 80<sup>th</sup> Reunion August 17-20 here at camp!***

### **Camp Winter Visitors Who Earned Their White Paddle K's**

B.A. Altmaier

Marc van den Broeck and Sarah Stewart

Chris and Brian Huntington

Larry Hindes (camper at Kawanhee 1932-1939)

Chris Proctor and Nathan Hiltz

Joanna Sewall and Tayyelba Safri

Kris Simanek, Mark Gibson, and Rudi Coursen camped at Mooseoutpost and walked by starlight to Bass Rock.

B.A. Altmaier, Mike Altmaier, Kris Simanek, Mark Gibson, Mark Nelson, Chad Hollenbaugh and Lincoln MacIsaac—two  
White K's on paddles

Todd and Brad Fichter, Alex and Jed Standen, Brian Cramer, B.A. Altmaier and Andrew Altmaier—4 White K's on paddles  
Rachel Roberts and Becky

### **Obituary**

Doug (Walrus) Means has passed on the sad news that his father, Winfield (Ben or Skip—his Kawanhee name) Means, died on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup> after suffering a stroke in March from which he never recovered. His sons, Doug and David, spent many wonderful years at Kawanhee. Now Ben's grandson, Tim Johnston, will return to Kawanhee as a Tripping Counselor. There will be a Memorial Service in Portland, Maine. Doug and David have asked that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Kawanhee Foundation. Their final statement was "May There Always be a Kawanhee"!

## CAMP KAWANHEE FOUNDATION DONATIONS

We are very appreciative of those who contribute to the Camp Kawanhee Foundation, and we would like to thank the following people who have made a donation since our January 2000 issue. The Camp Kawanhee Foundation By-Laws stipulate all funds donated must be used for scholarships for worthy, needy boys regardless of race, color, or creed.

*John and Becky Bell  
Barry and Mary Ann Birch  
Irving G. Bouton  
Richard Dale  
John S. Detrick  
Katherine and Robert Doolittle  
Jock A. Duncan, Jr. and Joan A. Duncan  
Richard A. Estabrook  
James Garland  
Alice R. and Ronald F.L. Gilrain in memory of Winfield (Ben) Means  
Douglas H. and Alva Jane Graham  
Ben Hadley, Jr. and Lydia Chawner Hadley  
Elizabeth Compher Hall  
Sue M. Hiser  
Albert G. and Norma Holmes  
Robert S. Lamb  
Quebecor Printing Vermont, Inc.  
Muriel B. Ruhle  
Sidney E. Sweet and Virginia S. Sweet in memory of Bill Weld  
Dennis S. & Mary Sue Williams*

**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  
RR# 1 Box 120  
Weld, ME 04285-9722**

**We pledge that 100% of your gift to the Camp Kawanhee Foundation will be used either for the direct provision of scholarships to worthy boys or to build the capital assets of the Foundation, the earnings of which are used solely and entirely to provide scholarships. No portion of your gift will be used for Foundation administrative or overhead costs.**



## A LETTER TO FIRST-YEAR CAMPERS

by Kevin Bonasera, Kawanhee Alumnus

Dear Brother,

I am so glad that you are going to camp this summer! I wish I could be there to show you all the places and things I discovered through the seasons I was there. Trust in your senses and stay true to what Mom and Dad have taught you. Kawanhee will give you something Mom and Dad can't give you though, and you must take as much as you can. Get involved in all activities and "finish what you start".

You're going to learn some necessary truths about this world. Never forget them. The truths you will learn at camp will open up the world around you in different ways. Your eyes will feast upon larger and bluer skies. You will learn that fire is hot; puddles gather in the same places after hard Maine downpours; the height of the pines; and that tree roots take on two functions: to feed those tall pines and also to trip you on the way to The Fort (camp lavatory). You will learn to harness some of the wildness of the world.

Brother, you will come closer to grabbing the reins of life and taking it to where you want it to go. There are lots of different kids at camp and potential best friends. Do not be shy in making friends from other cabins or from

other parts of the world. They are usually the most interesting. Treat others as you want to be treated and trust they will treat you fairly. At the same time, Brother, fend for yourself and don't let people step on you, especially on the basketball court, or in those hot friendly games of tennis I loved so much.

Camp is a great place to think about God. Remember that the real cause for everything is God. On Sundays, you will hear many people talk about what they know and what they have experienced. Listen to them and take it into your heart and mind. Everyone has different views of God. Find your absolute truth and follow it always.

Be ready to learn more and to change. You are probably thinking about all of this. If you only remember one thing, remember to have fun and live life to the fullest. If you're scared, confront that fear and it will no longer haunt you.

Enjoy your time at Kawanhee this summer. It is a special place that you are privileged to experience. Take from it and grow. Most importantly, have fun.

*Wigwam Editor: Jim Estabrook*



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