



### WELCOME TO...

SKOOKUMEE. It's that beach and outpost across the lake that Kawanheeans paddle to for lodge overnights. It's camp property, but you don't quite feel like you're "in" camp. Once the night comes and the fire starts, it becomes the perfect place to share... share scary stories, funny stories, ideas, fears, laughs, recommendations, appreciation, goals, and just whatever's on your mind. Since we can't be together in person every moon of every year, we wanted to create a space online for campers, staff and alumni to come together and keep sharing those wonderful ideas and memories.

Wherever you are reading this right now -- big city, small town, east coast, west coast, Columbus, España, Puerto Rico, Greater Manchester, and beyond -- Come join us around the fire.

#### DYLAN GERMAIN Loon: New York, NY



- You may remember me as the camper who did JMG with my lodge
- Camp activity I miss most: Sailing
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer: When we almost gave Salmonella to our food testers at Skookumee.
- 1 cool thing I've started doing recently: Learning Spanish.
- 1 thing I'm excited for about the next time I'm at camp: Campcraft water
- 1 piece of news about another Kawanheean I've been in touch with: Our lodge had a mini reunion this summer (see above!)
- Favorite Kawanhee memory ever: Hanging out with my lodge playing cards.



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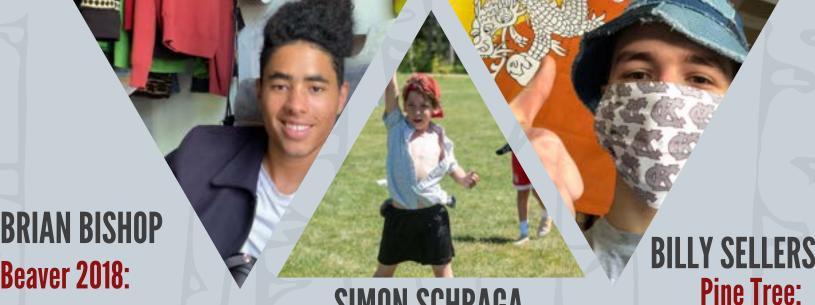
Badger: Columbus, OH

- You may remember me as the counselor who always smells like sunscreen
- Camp activity I miss most: Sailing
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer: Any encounter with Rees Tulloss and/or Wallis Tyler from last summer.
- 1 piece of news about me: I organized my room! It's inspection ready!
- **1 good piece of advice:** Try to judge things less and eventually not at all.
- 1 weird thing I'm excited about for the next time I'm at camp: The smell of the wood in the cabins.



DRAKE WILLIAMS Crow: Boulder, CO

- You may remember me as the counselor who looks a lot like Bucket Head.
- Camp activity I miss most: Campcraft
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer: Lighting
  Fourth of July fireworks off the totally safe raft in the middle of
  Webb Lake.
- 1 piece of news about me: I graduated college!
- 1 piece of news about another Kawanheean: Alex Standen is super proud of his beard.
- 1 cool thing I've started doing recently: Fly fishing in Colorado
- Favorite Kawanhee memory ever: My first Mark Standen story night.
- 1 weird thing I'm excited about for the next time I'm at camp:
   All-Camp Polar Bear!



Claremont, CA

- You may remember me as the 2018 counselor who when he said DRIP...you said SPLASH.
- Camp activity I miss most:
   Polar Bear! Best way to wake
   up:)
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer: The fact that all my campers had the same sweater.
- 1 piece of news about me: I'm launching a water bottle company called Didomi, where every bottle purchased provides 10 years of water access.
- 1 thing I've started doing recently: I started doing yoga and meditating every day.
- 1 good piece of advice:
   Asking good questions is the best form of learning.

SIMON SCHRAGA Falcon: New York, NY

- You may remember me as the camper who is a hype dancer.
- Camp activity I miss most: Archery and Water Skiing
- My Favorite Kawanhee memory ever: Finishing Bass Rock or All-Camp Polar Bear.
- 1 cool thing I've done recently: Geocaching
- My current summer plans:
   Staying in this Maine country house until summer is done.
- 1 weird thing I'm excited about for the next time I'm at camp: literally everything:)

Leesburg, VA

- You may remember me as the counselor who played the iconic role of Chad Bradford during Amerifest.
- Camp activity I miss most: Sailing (Hail the Sail)
- Moment I'm still laughing at from last summer: Flipping the catamaran three times with the MCs in a single period.
- My Favorite Kawanhee Memory ever: The entirety of 2016 (shout-out Badger).
- 1 piece of news about me: I'm coming back next year!
- I thing I've done recently:
  Built my own garage gym to keep the gains going.
- 1 weird thing I'm excited about for the next time I'm at camp: Dance parties with the boys of course.

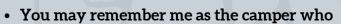
## SIMON STINSON

Falcon: Wilton, ME

## JAMES STINSON

**Bear: Wilton, ME** 





Simon: is Jared's son

James: Always played tetherball

• Camp Activity I Miss Most:

**Simon:** Swimming **James:** Water Skiing

Favorite Kawanhee memory ever

Simon: Playing Capture the Flag.

**James:** My first full day of camp as an official camper.

Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer

Simon: When instead of showering my dad did a

cannonball off the high dive.

James: When my dad finally showed up to campfire.

 1 weird thing I'm excited about for the next time I'm at camp:

Simon: Getting to spend time away from my brothers

and sisters!

James: Staying up late!

1 piece of good advice:

**Simon**: When the mower starts to sound bogged down,

back it up just a little and then go forward.

James: When in doubt, sleep it out.



#### **COLIN HOLSTEIN**

#### **Beaver: Columbus, OH**

- You may remember me as the counselor who ran polar bear and had a righteous beard.
- Camp activity I miss most:
   Kayaking and Water Skiing I
   just miss being out on the water!
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer: Watching Bruno Arteaga sing his heart out every day during inspection to unfamiliar songs - now that's a way to start the day!
- Favorite Kawanhee memory
   ever: Everything about Deer
   2007 will always hit a sweet
   spot with me. It was my first
   summer of finding my "friends
   for a summer, family for a
   lifetime," and I've never found
   that to be more true even to this
   day!
- 1 piece of news about me: I'm staying very hopeful I'll be able to return for the 2021 season!



## ZAC LAGRUTTA Beaver: Cape Cod, MA

- You may remember me as the camper who loved playing late night poker games.
- Camp activity I miss most: Campcraft, Range, or Basketball
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer: Carrick's Mr. Kawanhee Night performance.
- 1 piece of news about another Kawanheean I've been in touch with: My cousins Ethan and Evan Crandlemire have come to visit us on Cape Cod a bunch.
- 1 thing I've learned recently: You will never win an argument with your parents.
- 1 weird thing that I'm excited about next time I'm at camp: This quarantine has made me realize how much I miss friends, so I can't wait to see everyone next summer.
- Favorite Kawanhee memory ever: Making lots of new friends that I will always remember.



- You may remember me as the counselor who removed splinters and ticks.
- Camp activity I miss most: Polar Bear
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer: All camp polar bear
- 1 cool thing I've started doing recently: Writing letters to old friends.
- 1 piece of good advice: Take deep breaths; COVID 19 will pass.
- 1 piece of news about another Kawanheean I've been in touch with: Mary and Sandy played Tetherball!

#### **MAC SASHIN**

Bear: Oakbluffs, MA



- You may remember me as the counselor who was a lot.
- Camp activity I miss most: Nature!
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer:
   Running Trout/Coyote dry in Interlodge Casino Night.
- 1 piece of news about me: In terms of money, I have no money.
- 1 good piece of advice: Act like there's no plan, but trust that there is one.
- 1 weird thing I'm excited about for the next time I'm at camp: JP and I playing the game.

#### KODY PERRY Bear: Brunswick, ME

- You may remember me as the camper who did the rap battle for Mr. Kawanhee Night.
  Camp activity I miss most: Archery
  Favorite Kawanhee Memory ever: The last campfire
- 1 cool thing I've started doing recently: Skateboarding
- Current summer plans: Outdoor activities at my grandmother's new house.





THOMAS REYNOLDS Lynx 2018: New Canaan, CT

- You may remember me as the 2018 counselor who was the head of campcraft and ran polar bear.
- Camp activity I miss most: Campcraft
- Moment I'm still laughing about from 2018: Rance and Wyatt lip synching for Open Mic Night!
- Favorite Kawanhee Memory ever: Winning my final Senior League Basketball Championship on a buzzer beater.
- 1 piece of news about me: I recently graduated from Trinity College.
- My current summer plans are: applying for jobs and preparing for the real world.
- 1 thing I've learned recently: Summers without camp are very boring.



## CHASE BLUMENFELD Hawk: Oyster Bay, NY

- You may remember me as the camper who plays Magic in the library.
- Camp activity I miss most: 4 way tie: Art, Range, Swimming, and Campcraft.
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer: When Hawk Lodge had a Magic the Gathering face-off with Deer Lodge.
- My Favorite Kawanhee Memory Ever: Doing a stakeout in the woods so that we could get to the other team's base in Capture the Flag.
- 1 piece of news about another Kawanheean I've been in touch with: Jack Gillespie moved to California.



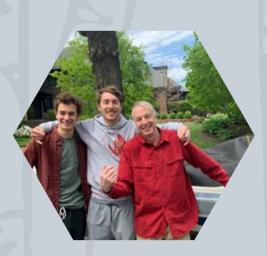
## ROBBY RAY Eagle: Albuquerque, NM

- You may remember me as the counselor who did lots of flips off the diving boards.
- Camp activity I miss most: Cliff Diving
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer: My campers sneaking out on their last night and being chased back into the cabin by Big Ferd.
- Favorite Kawanhee Memory ever: Singing "Love Story" with everyone in the dining hall.
- 1 cool thing I've started doing recently: Swimming a mile a day since June 1st.
- 1 piece of news about me: I graduated with my bachelors of science in applied math in May!
- 1 weird thing I'm excited about for the next time I'm at camp: Hugging each and every one of you.



#### Wildcat: Columbus, OH

- You may remember me as the counselor who built the outpost across the lake at New Moose.
- Camp activity I miss most: Water Skiing
- 1 piece of news about me: I've been growing my hair out since Christmas.
- 1 piece of news about another Kawanheean I've been in touch with: Ferd Schoedinger IV graduated college!
- Favorite Kawanhee Memory ever: Watching the sunset on the Fourth
  of July every year.



#### MARIO GRACIA Shop: Jayuya, Puerto Rico

- You may remember me as the counselor who has sawdust over his clothes.
- Camp activity I miss most: Sailing
- Moment I'm still laughing about from last summer: Kids lining up to get wood-fired pizza seconds in Campcraft, and you've seen their face like ten times already; "this is my first piece I swear."
- 1 piece of news: Rosaura and I are expecting a baby, woohoo!
- 1 good piece of advice: Don't try to measure where you are at, just go with it and trust yourself.
- 1 weird thing I'm excited about for the next time I'm at camp: Playing taps with a broken trumpet.





#### **SEAN MINEAR**

#### The Cook: Weld, ME

- You may remember me as the counselor who on occasion has asked a JC to go downstairs and bring
  me a case of dehydrated water.
- Camp activity I miss most: Cooking turkeys on Sunday morning, serving lobster rolls on opening night, having campers and staff swing by the kitchen to chat.
- Favorite Kawanhee Memory ever: Every year...every single season....joining the Kawanhee family in the dining hall for the annual and always emotional "Leaving On a Jet Plane" goodbye. Gets me every time....
- 1 thing I've learned recently: Do not attach a rubber snake to the back of Wallis' pants with a piece of string....especially when he is holding a large stick of wood.
- 1 piece of news about another Kawanheean I've been in touch with: Wallis is still afraid of snakes, even the rubber ones I've discovered.
- 1 cool thing I've done recently: Planted a garden at the Camp Kawanhee sign at the main entrance....in this crazy time, it has given me a reason to visit camp every day to weed and water the plants and flowers. There is immense satisfaction in seeing a project literally blossom when given care and attention. Truly fun with a purpose!
- **Current summer plans**: Developing a breakfast entree that incorporates both chicken patties and tater tots...past practice makes me believe that it could be a hit.



# KATE ESTABROOK SCHOEDINGER Frank Foundation Board Member: Weare, NH

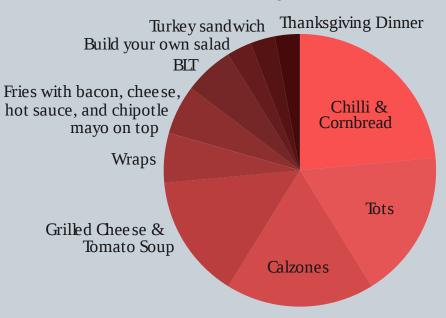
- A little about me: I stay at Pine Point when I am at camp. My brothers and I share the cabin and enjoy it as much as possible all year long. Now I am a board member on the Frank Foundation but I was a DOA one summer, camp tutor for many summers, and Camp Mother for a few summers.
- You may remember me as the one who walked Dixie everyday or got her out of Free Swim.
- Camp activity I miss most: Watching all the action on the water. What a beautiful setting.
- Favorite Kawanhee Memory Ever: The Rope Drop on Opening Day every year seeing campers run to the office to find out their lodge assignment and joyously greet each other. The Rope Drop of 2021 will be epic.
- 1 cool thing I've started doing recently: Swimming across our lake with Ferd 4 and Liza to pretend we are swimming to Bass Rock. Ferd 3 spots us in the boat.
- My current summer plans: Enjoying Ferd 4 and Liza home with Ferd 3 and me. Ski department is keeping in practice.
- 1 weird thing I'm excited about for the next time I'm at camp: Walking the new docks! Thanks Wallis!
- Camp activity I miss most: Basketball league/ Grey vs. Maroon/ Softball league
- Moment I'm still laughing about from camp: In Falcon 2007, Eddie (Trayner) decided to swim the entire lake swim doing the backstroke. He kept going sideways and separating himself from the group.
- 1 piece of news about me: I recently got accepted to Fordham University School of Law and will be attending this fall.
- 1 piece of news about another Kawanheean I've been in touch with: My brother Antonio and my cousin Juanki still cannot beat me in the basketball court.
- 1 piece of advice: Kawanhee is a state of mind. Enjoy the little things this summer the same way you would if you were at camp and be open to new experiences outside of camp the same way you would if you were at camp this summer.
- Favorite Kawanhee Memory: All of them. Playing cards at night, learning how to dive from the high dive after 100 belly flops, passing JMG after failing my first year, Mr. Kawanhee Night, listening to Snow (Hey Oh) by Red Hot Chili Peppers every morning while cleaning the lodge, playing tennis challenges for gatorade with the legend himself Mike, and many more!

## ALFREDO FERNANDEZ Trout 2014: Puerto Rico



## KWAN POLLS

#### Favorite Lunch (We miss you, Sean!)





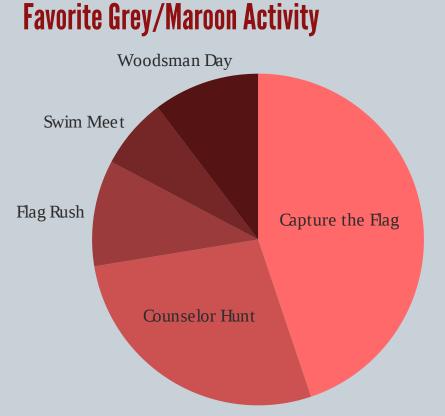
#### **Favorite Free Time Activity**

Gaga Ball Hammocking it up in Eagle Lodge Reading on the porch of the Infirmary

#### Library

Ping Pong

Tetherball





#### KAWANHEE SHOUTOUTS

- BA because he's Beyond Awesome James Stinson
- Any camper who is pitching in and helping a parent make meals. Sean Minear
- Hector and Dioni for hosting some CK family, including myself, at their houses in Puerto Rico over New Years Vacation. Thomas Reynolds
- **Debi** because the cheers that erupt when she announces that she is making her delicious donuts is the best. Kate E. Schoedinger
- Mac Sashin, my counselor, because he always knew what to say and was always so smart about things. Kody
- Brandon Helgason because I think that I can finally beat him in poker Zac LaGrutta
- Clyde Quillin because he loves coffee and so do I! Mario Gracia
- The Trailblazers of 2019!! You were the first! ♥ Gretchen Schmidt
- Matthew Stewart because he is really funny Chase Blumenfeld
- Jasper because we hung out at his house Dylan Germain
- Grant and Mert, they're the boys Billy Sellers
- Robby because he's a great counselor Simon Stinson
- Chris Lancaster for being an awesome roommate during our first year of college Alec Russo

#### KAWANHEE RECCOMENDATIONS

#### **Books**

Pushing Ice by Alastair Reynolds - Robby

Books by Rick Riordan, including **Trials of Apollo -**Simon Stinson and Simon Schraga

Chronicles of Narnia and Game of Thrones- Holstein

The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate and Born a Crime by Trevor Noah - Kate

Shantaram by Gregory David Roberts - Drake

Moby Dick by Herman Melville - Mac

War and Peace by Leo Tolstoy - Alec

The Lord of the Rings - Chase

Gone by Michael Grant - Dylan

#### Music

**Movies** 

**Harriet** - Robby

How To Train Your Dragon,

#### TV

Forrest Taylor and Clubhouse - Gordo Blue by Eiffel 65 - Simon Stinson

Something Comforting
by Porter Robinson - Robby
Kruangbin - Holstein
Masego and Smino - Brian

Good Will Hunting and
Spiderman: Into the Spider
Verse - Holstein
Hamilton - Sean
Without a Paddle - Mac

Parks and Rec - Holstein
Central Park - Simon Schraga
Avatar the Last Airbender Robby and Billy
Impractical Jokers - Zac
The Office - Chase
Earth Maiden Arjuna - Mario

## \*\*\*\*\*NEW PROMPTS FOR ISSUE 3!\*\*\*\* We want to read about <u>YOU</u> in the next issue!

Whether you're a new contributor, repeat contributor, camper, JC, staff member- we invite you to submit. In fact we *need* to hear from you, because Skookumee relies on community responses!

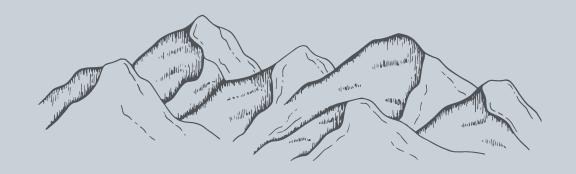
To be a contributor for issue 3: <u>CLICK HERE</u>.

You will be guided through a simple set of instructions and prompts to respond to. It takes minutes. Please respond by **SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2020.** 

Questions? Please email Skookumee@gmail.com.

Thanks to all our issue 2 contributors.

See you next time!



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