

Beaver Cuttings 2010

Tamakwa's 75th Anniversary Summer

From the Arts & Crafts Deck-O

After several years away from Tamakwa, I was very excited to return to the art room, my former home as a camper. Equipped with knitting needles and crochet hooks, I had big plans. After a week of individual choice, Tamakwans had caught the knitting (and crocheting) bug. People could be found rocking on the dining hall porch, on the slope, in the art room, all creating headbands, scarves and hats. How-How to everyone who signed up for arts and craft to learn the age-old hobbies. Some other popular crafts Tamakwans loved this summer included uglydolls, and the magical shrinky-dink. Bead looming and jewelry making took the routine activity of beading up a notch.

The art room was buzzing with people this summer. In particular, those who were working on their high art award. The Group of Seven award is given to those campers who are in the art room week after week, show leadership, assist the art staff, and of course, display excellent artistic talent.

I would like to give a huge how-how to Yafa Bale, Maria Stampa, Joeley Pulver, Amanda Glickman, Lexie Olin, Taylor Aronow and Jennie Brett – you all made the art room a fun and creative place this summer.

Canoeing 2010

What an awesome summer we had down at the canoe docks. We beat Ahmek in Beaver Canoes in a race from Ahmek with a portage from Bonita to the landing. How-How James Humpston and Peter Vooy's canoe arrived at camp before we ever saw an Ahmek canoe. Anna Aronovitz and Devin Olin joined forces to beat their girls and Mason Slavner and Jared Bratley did the same to their boys. Our mixed canoes did not win but what a close race. Thank you JJ Bittker and Laura Grossman who used Unca Lou's canoe in the mixed staff canoe and how-how Alex Sigel and Rachel Kaufman in the mixed camper canoe.

The first month how-how award went to Sophie Raimi who dedicated her time and effort at the canoe dock. This month Drew Levine won the how-how award. Drew is a forester with a natural talent in the canoe, we can expect great things from you in the future.

The Voyageur Cookouts were well attended, most weeks we had over 20 campers out early and Beavers canoes for breakfast. I could not have done it without the constant support! Jared Bratley, Josh Kaufman and Judd Fischer it was a special cookout when Etye Sarnier joined us and made phenomenal scrambled eggs and grilled cheese bagels.

As always, the canoe staff are the backbone of our successful program. Adam Ketai, Chad Schram Stu Farber and Judd Fischer all Voyageur canoeists were able to guide those striving for their Voyageur. Leah and Zoe Stahl made the docks a warm and welcoming place to be. It was wonderful to see Leah learning landings and to be a part of the high level Zoey brought to the docks. Izzy Morrison was often seen in the water Gunnwhaling or air pocketing. Ben Aronovitz is still trying to gunnwhale like George Kellie, I hope we get more of you next summer. Jenna Goel moved up the ranks this summer by completing her "B" Canoeist-perhaps she will be a Voyageur next summer.

This summer we held a pre-test for the Voyageur Test. We had seven participants Jason Ernst, Grace Kellie, Tyler Levine, Jamie Perlmutter, Alex Sigel, Nadav Sprague and Nate Zahn. How How to everyone who came to the pre-test. Only Jason moved on but I am sure we will see more of these paddlers next summer.

Once again the Voyageur Test was quite large, eleven people took the test. Jason Ernst, Jonah Teich and Elliot Glickman are A canoeist. Anna Aronovitz, Sydney Caminetsky, Stephanie Goel, David Kaplan, and Zack Levine are courier de bois. We have three new Voyageurs: How How to Hershel Dorman, Jacob Hoeflich and Harry Sutton.

The canoe staff joined forces with Chef Gilberto to put on a starbucks night with pastries and a movie for the staff. The event was well attended and received. I think we should make it a yearly endeavor.

Many of you got in a Beaver Canoe and earned low, mid and high awards this summer. Your spirit and love of the canoe make our docks a great place to be every summer. And remember when it's sunny don't forget to bring your umbrella!

Kayaking 2010 - By Jason Brady

When arriving at the kayak docks, you take off your camp appropriate foot wear, hopefully you are wearing your bathing suit, put on your life jacket, choose a paddle, a kayak, get into it on the dock and anxiously await a staff member to put you in. That is the pattern of events at the kayak docks everyday, and with every camper. Some of you take a little more persuading to get in and some of you may have to run back to your cabin to get the famous forgotten life jacket, but this is how it happens.....everyday, with

every camper. What differs, is what happens once you and your kayak are in the water.

JT's, your first experience is often paddling in circles or off into some unknown direction. For those in individual choice, day 2 and 3 are much better. Your paddling straighter and in the intended direction this time. From the docks, I can see this transformation from where you were to where you are now unfold right before my eyes. It brings a smile to my face when I think that I may have been apart of your success.

Older campers, if you have somehow dodged kayaking in block schedule for the last couple of years or if you just haven't kayaked before, then it doesn't take too long to figure out that when you paddle on you left you go to the right and when you paddle on your right you go to the left. For you, yaker 2 develops your steering further, and at first, your kayak goes in unknown directions but with practice and a little help from the kayak staff, you are soon on your way. Like the JT's I see this transformation from where you were to where you are now. Again, I smile to think that I may have been a part of your success.

For you campers who move on to Yaker 3, a new challenge arises. Being comfortable when flipped upside down in a kayak and held in by the spray skirt. Believe it or not, I too once shared your nervousness. This year I saw the highest number of kayakers attempt their yaker 3 and wear a spry skirt for the first time. For this reason this year's 2010 kayaking plaque is made from an old spray skirt.

This year there are 3 high awards, two of which were earned on pack out day. This year's high awards go to Jacob Hanover, Dani Jacobson, and Ben Marks. An honorable mention goes to Alana Gutman.

This year also saw the return of the Kayak and Fishing Trip. It was a great trip with campers Jonathan Silver, George Kellie, Ben Marks, Nick Free and Jordan Mayor. More information about that trip in the South Tea Echo article.

Staff, Rachel Schneider, Danny Freed, and Blake Orman and CIT's, Daniel Kahn, Tedi Dorman, Allie Lipschutz, and Cameron Krivinski, thank you all and I hope you smile when you think of the campers you have taught this summer, and know that you were a part of their success. I had a very enjoyable summer with you all.

Landsports 2010 - by Darren Phillips

Hello, my name is Darren Phillips and this was my first year as the Landsport Director here at Camp Tamakwa. The 2010 summer has been one for the

books. The weather this season has been fantastic, which makes the landsports program and my job a lot easier to run I think every camper and staff who were involved with landsports this year can honestly say they had an exceptional summer. I had a great time with both campers and staff, not only those who were involved with the everyday landsports program, but those who helped with intercamps and all the campers who tried out and competed this season. My staff this year have been above standard and were a delight to work with. All staff, from basketball to volleyball, half court and baseball were easy to manage and a treat to get along with. This summer we gave away a lot of awards and all campers really put in a great deal of effort to reach their goals. Campers from Foresters to Voyagers and T.B's to 49er's progress so well from activity to activity and throughout the 2 months to work on the skills needed to achieve their awards. Overall, landsports was a great place to work and be a part of. Enjoy the off season, Tamakwa hopes to see all of you in 2011, the 76th season.

The Ropes "Beaver Cuttings" - By Katie Chapman

This years ropes team was 100% international. With myself returning from England to the sunny South Tea shore for my 2nd summer, I was joined by not 1 but 2 Aussies. Jo Holman & Justine Berghouse. With these 2 exceptionally talented & wonderful ladies joining me, the summer looked like it was shaping up to be pretty awesome. And I was not disappointed. I think just about every single JT came through the ropes course this summer and individual choice was always pull. I was always blown away by their fearlessness and their ability to keep coming back for more when at first they did not succeed. A huge "how-how" goes out to Sam Hoffman, a first year forrester, who gained his 3rd award after a lot of hard work.

A first at the ropes course this summer was the making of our very own action packed movie. For 2 weeks we joined forces with Ruk, the camp video director. We wrote, filmed and edited the story of ginger (Andrew Hoffman). A Princess who is captured by an evil villain (Jonas Goldman) and his henchman (Jaxon Perlmutter & Daniel Sternberg) but saved by 2 heroes (Jake Seel & Jonah Erlich). It was great fun to make and was a hit with the whole camp. Thank you cast & crew for your hard work & I hope this is just the beginning of many a blockbuster!

Other huge "how-hows" and congratulations go out to Andrew Hoffman who gained his 3rd award. To Miriam Teich who spent all of July working hard to gain her 4th award. And finally to Arlyn Goldstein & Maddie Fink. Both Arlyn & Maddie committed August to gaining their highest ropes award. And their hard work paid off! Both girls gained their Everest award the day before they left on canoe trip.

Well done to everyone who gained an award over the summer (which is a lot of you). A huge thank you to all my staff. The summer couldn't have gone better without you.

P.S. Sorry if all campers are now totally confused about Australian & English accents.

Smooth Sailing – by Alexis Goldenberg

The 2010 sail program at Tamakwa started off with a bang. Between intercamp high awards, sail regattas and teaching beginner sailors of all ages, there was always something going on at the sail docks.

This summer we implemented a new method of teaching sailing never before done on South Tea. It incorporated knot tying skills, wind direction and identification, points of sail and other sailing techniques taught through lesson plans dependant on each camper's personal skill levels. This method proved successful as many of the campers achieved awards and those involved in intercamp sail races won. None of this however would have been possible without the help of the amazing sail staff.

This summer I was fortunate to have an amazing staff which included: Jodie Schram, Josh Forman, Jonah Raduns-Silverstein, JJ Bittker, Josh Schostak, Harry Sutton, Jenny Lubell and Taylor Bronstine, Max Kepes, Arielle Nelson and James Robinson for one month. Each one brought their own talents and skills to the sail docks which helped make our program the most popular one in camp. The C.I.T.s also had a huge impact on the docks and made organizing campers into groups very easy for me.

This summer was filled with great wind, staff and campers that made the 2010 sail season Amazing!

Senior Girls 2010 Last Will and Testament

1. S.I. Anna Aronovitz – a private laugh and an obsession
2. O.W.N. Taylor Aronow – an ipod touch, an inhaler, a laugh attack
3. S.I.P. Jordyn Bernstein – bear gloves, an awkward relationship and a veggie day
4. R.F. Rachel Brickman – a mouth guard and a house
5. L.F. Stephanie Curhan – a body roll, tostidos and a book

6. R.B. Mica Daniels – a jog, a trashy hotel room and an “I love you”
7. H.B. Brittani Friedland – her own world, memory foam and spit
8. S. Daryn Goldstein – an ab roller, a bumpit and a mossy tree
9. S.T. Joeley Pulver – a doorbell, a freestyle rap and an OMG
10. W.T.D. Anna Rosenfeld – cherry chapstick and another week at camp
11. B.F. Danielle Schostak – a Schostak family meeting and Harry Potter
12. C.O.A.P. Lily Silver – a facebook update, an andover student leadership sweatshirt and a messy bed
13. U.H.G. Becca Soverinsky – a crown, go with the flo and scrubs
14. B.B.V. Jamie Steuer – apple juice, hair products and booty shorts
15. P.Y.B. Maddie Adelman – a montgomery flea market, friendship bracelets and O²
16. M.T.S. Natalie Bloom – silly rings, younger campers, sleep talking and photos
17. S.F.B. Sammy Bronstine – first shower and O²
18. S.S. Sarah Glazier – a rugby ball and David Hasselhoff
19. L.S.M.W.C.E. Emily Grey – Jesus! Grody and rainbow cookies
20. R.L.B. Rachel Kaufman – kaufee beans, kaufee house, kaufee crisp, kauf drops, plain kaufee and a pinch of salt
21. W.H.Q. Hannah Klayman – a worm and a clean rug
22. S.Y.P. Rachel Manson – another seductive role and a bigger romper
23. H.F.T. Mallory Moss – uma and a first time brotha
24. W.D.H → W.B.U.H. Devyn Olin – wash cloths, a busy summer and a hearing aid
25. S.B. Tess Relle – kettlecorn, totally twisted herbal essences and another race
26. C.C. Sasha Stahl – Alan, a bed away from the bathroom and respect
27. S.T.B.S. Carly Sternberg – laxatives, an “A” and a “C” and a spool of string

28. N.H.S. Gabi (gibby) Stone – a kiss in the rain, a graceful sparrow and happy faces
 29. T.I.T. Lilly Morrison – a question, Carly’s shirts and a deep v
 30. H.S. Carly Simko – kleenex, Avery Gittleman and a snack
- SG2K10 – goons, a hiking trip and a dirty little secret

by Jake Kaplan

My favorite experience at camp this summer was my 15-day canoe trip. This trip was and still is filled with excitement and rigor. The first few days were rough, but the group and I managed. We had all come to realize that we were blessed to have the legendary tripper Nate Zahn, who had staffed 6 15-days before us. We were told that this would be his last 15-day as a tripper and wanted to make these moment the best for him. By the fifth day, we had hit around 4 springs, giving us water that was better than camp’s. One beautiful lake we stayed on was Eustache, which is the deepest lake in all of Algonquin. Day 6 was the 5-mile rapids which were a whole lot of fun, especially since no canoes were tipped or destroyed. Day 7 was resupply, where we had a few laughs with our trip director Len Giblyn and Jeff Avigian. Day 8 was probably my most favorite day of the trip. We took a hike up to high falls, where there was a natural water slide that we all had a blast going down numerous times. Afterwards, we went to the town of Acerade, where we bought food from their store. Then we met up with the girls 15-day and paddled to the end of Grand Lake and shared a site.

The next day was what all of camp refers to as “Hell Day”. We had previously been told by Jeff Pian that “theres a slight chance that you all might break down. You will all see a side of yourselves that you’ve never seen before.” Evidently, we had all survived and completed “hell day”, therefore giving us a rest day on White Partridge Lake. From then on, it was smooth sailing for us back into camp. 15-day was an experience that I will unregretfully remember for the rest of my life.

Clay at Tamakwa

Clay is a great camp activity for children as its versatile and forgiving qualities invite kids of all ages and skill level to participate. The clay room is a great place where kids can bring their imaginations to life, creating all sorts of fun projects. In the day room kids can choose to stay within their comfort zone – playing with clay at the tables – or they can challenge themselves and try to conquer the pottery wheel.

Our great facilities at day allow us to have both an indoor and outdoor work area. We have had great weather this summer and have been able to take advantage of our outdoor space frequently, so we could enjoy the golden days as we do clay. During cabin periods the Trailblazer girls and even the Voyageur One boys loved to use this area to do clay body masks before jumping in the lake to wash off. Especially on scorching hot days, this was a great way for the kids to stay cool and have fun.

During individual choice periods we had many fun projects for the kids, including cookie jars which became popular among many of the pioneer girls. The girls had a lot of fun with their jars – making them all shapes and sizes and decorating them with all assortments of designs and patterns. Some were even transformed into fire breathing dragons, such as Shelby Baum’s cookie jar.

Something new we tried this year at clay was spin art. This artwork – although not involving clay – became a favorite among many campers. Kids used all kinds of techniques which resulted in all sorts of unique and colorful patterns.

Hopefully whether it was a piece of spin art, a coil pot, or a bowl on the pottery wheel, each camper will have a project to bring home to remember their 2010 summer at Tamakwa.

Summer 2010 Clay Awards

Wedge 1 →	Nicole Free P2	Hannah Mirsky 491	Dani Jacobson 492
	Paige Lievois TB3	Olivia Orley	Mallory Einsteadig P2
	Matt Ran	Tamara Grundland	Zoe Friedman P2
Wedge 2 →	Olivia Orley		
Clay Master →	Max Huberman P2		

July Color War 2010 - By Sara Glazer & Amanda Miller

Tamakwans were awoken and taken to the ball field on July 21st, 2010. There, they learned that color war would be 2 days and the theme would be a reflection of Tamakwas 75 year landmark. The 4 teams were presented with a problem. Wakonda presented the great leaders of Tamakwa (past program directors) with an intricate puzzle. The men were told they had 75 years to a cryptic puzzle or Wakonda would remove his protective embrace that had

been cherished for 75 years. In 48 hours, one team must crack the code and assure Tamakwa a bright and protected future. Cryptologists, Astronomers, Engineers and Archeologists are in a race against time to solve Tamakwas problem. The Engineers lead by captains Jonah Folbe, Samantha Bronstine & Sasha Stahl are being advised by ex-program directors Mike Curhan and Jeff Ruby. Jason Hillman and Gary August are advising captains Brad Kriegel, Devyn Olin & Jordan Bernstein in leading the cryptologists to victory. The archeologists are lead by captains Jake Kaplan, Madeline Adelman, and Gabi Stone. They are advised by Lloyd Perlmutter & Ron Weiss, prominent Tamakwans. Astronomers are lead by Ben Robinson, Lily Morrison, & Danielle Schostak. They are working with Michael Kaufman, Norbie Zuckerman, & Dave Bale. The July color War thus far has been enjoyed by all and praised for it's creativity.

The Canoe Trip Experience - By Sara Glazer and Amanda Miller

At Tamakwa, trips are sent out almost daily ranging from a simple overnight to a 15 day trip. This year, less than 1 week into camp, we embarked on a 5 day cabin trip. We experienced many unique things such as a huge waterfall on Head lake. Evan Cole stated that his cabin trip was "a bonding experience" that he will 'remember for the rest of his life". He felt very accomplished after finishing a 2600m portage with a food barrel. Others shared this sense of accomplishment such as Hannah Klayman. "15 day was the trip of a lifetime. Doing the 6k portage was really cool because I could look back and realize how many people have done it as well." Tripping, an important part of Tamakwa is enjoyed almost universally. Campers and staff alike experience life changing moments and create lasting memories.

Silly Bands: Taking Tamakwa By Storm - By Amanda Miller and Sara Glazer

What at first appears as your average bracelet or accessory turns out to be much more. Silly bands are seen on the wrists of everyone from JTs to JSGs to SCs. Tamakwans are shocked when this average bracelet turns into anything from an animal, car, or even into a word. Silly band trading has become a popular past time here on the shores of South Tea. Dolphins for trucks, ice cream cones for peace signs, and even valuable shapes such as turtles are traded "I've got a popsicle silly band!" says senior girl Brittani Friedland. "My bunny rabbit silly band glows in the dark" Ben Marks, a junior senior boy announces. "Isn't it cool? Pretty tight." Says junior counselor Scott Schlafer. Silly bands are quickly becoming a staple of the average tamakwin. They are clearly loved by all.

A First Impression - by Anna Rosenfeld & Joeley Pulver

When thinking about past memorable counselors one name comes to mind: Jamie Fine, aka JFine aka JPretty. The majority of current 49ers have had the pleasure of being Jamie's campers at one point or another in their camp careers. So imagine our surprise and delight when we found out that JFine would be returning for our senior girl summer.

One of many things that stand out about Jamie is that there's never a dull moment when she is around. Though one of us had her as a Trailblacer and one as a Pioneer, this quality never changed. As a Pioneer, camp somehow thought it would be a good idea to have Jfine's co-counselors be two of her best friends, Sarah Peltz and Jaynee Golden. Well, as usual, camp was right. That summer in Happy Isle, our cabin was closer than ever. One night in particular sticks out. Our cabin sat in a circle and each named their favorite male staff member, and their reason behind the decision. Some popular names included Andrew Metrick, Jon Shwartz, and Josh Lavine. It was a night – and a summer – I'll never forget. Stepping off the pointer on the first day of August 2004, I was more nervous than ever before, not knowing anyone in my session. Luckily for me, Jamie was waiting for me with open arms. One of the best and most long standing staff combos at camp, Jamie and Bailey Newman led TB thrizzle in everything we did. Whether it was recording a new version to "I Want It that Way" or our tripper's tape recorder in the pouring rain, or having a spa night hobby hub, Jamie made every moment of my two weeks count. Coincidentally, those two weeks were where we began our now seven-year-old friendship see, good things happen when JFine is around.

Every camper who has had Jamie loves her and always will remember her as the counselor who started their Tamakwa life the right way.

Jamie, thank you for many amazing summers. We're so glad you're here to see us through to the end.

By Anna Rosenfeld 2010

When asked at home what my camp is like, I answer with the generic, "Oh, a normal summer camp. You know, swimming, sailing, canoe..." But of course, camp is so much more than that. At some point over the course of my camp career though, I realized that it was impossible to describe to any non-Tamakwan the experience of living with 30 other girls so I've found the ideal place to express this experience. A place shared only by fellow Tamakwans. Obviously, Beaver Cuttings.

There are really too many thoughts I could express about living in a cabin with the same 30-odd people. No thought goes unspoken, no food uneaten, and no hot water unused. It truly is like living with sisters. The girls I've

resided with in multiple cabins over the years have grown with me, as campers and as people. Whether it is someone you video chat with daily, or utter barely two words to between August and June, there is never any awkwardness upon returning to the sunny shores.

Of course, living in a cabin can have it's downsides. In the words of the 2008 49er staff, "At camp there's no secret your friends won't tell." This goes doubley for cabin mates. Keeping a secret for more than a few days, particularly in Club Med, is a task deserving of a medal. Despite the lack of privacy, the camp experience is still a great one.

Cheering the dining hall, dressing up for color war, dominating evening programs (albeit never winning them). These are just a few examples of the bonding times you have with your surrogate sisters. Trailblacers and Pioneers, hear me now: Be generous clothing lenders. I guarantee people will have clothes you'll want.

To close with just a few more words of advice to younger campers: Participate in everything. Enjoy every cheer, every secret you hear, and ever one you pass on. Know that your camper years will fly by. So never take advantage of them. And when asked about your camp, don't try to explain the magic. Just be happy knowing that there are thousands of Tamakwans that know exactly how you feel.

Musiking at Tamakwa

As a first year music director I can see that music is at the core of Tamakwa. Just walking around at camp I notice several guitars, harmonicas, banjos, a drum set, TWO PIANOS ☺, and of course a few good old iPods. No matter what medium Tamakwans use to music theres something happening around them. That something is the creation of a warm sense of community (musiking) I believe, rather feel, that the support Tamakwans get from musiking is what truly makes Tamakwa a jewel. Why? It doesn't matter if you know the person next to you or 20 ft (6.8 ish meters) away from you. If a song is playing and you're singing along you just made new friends. From Franci's classic "You're my jun-bug" to the senior girls' rendition of 1000 miles, Lynn's random guitar mad-skill sessions, at activity leader get togethers, Peter voice's countless "long mama rock me", and of course who could forget Mike's upside-down left handed musical stylings. These are all great examples of Tamakwan's musiking and what's fantastic is that I could not list of every moment people musiked at camp because there were so many! To Tamakwa I say "how how" and thanks for musiking.

Gold and silver But Never Blue! - By Grace Kellie

It started off as a cold summer morning.

It sounds like the beginning of a mystery novel, but this is exactly how the Camp Tamakwa Season started.

Campers began their camp summer wrapped in multiple layers of clothing, due to freezing temperatures.

But even this couldn't dull Tamakwa. Staff all around built fires and kept the spirit of Tamakwa alive!

Thank you staff!

Then one day, the half hour bell rang, the children rolled out of their bunks and saw golden rays coming down upon their not-yet-tanned-skin.

Water activities began again – this time with many more laughs and smiles.

From the first trip to leave the docks to the last long trip boat to hit Thideen, everyone's trips were filled with smiles, fond memories and glowing hearts.

As Vic said this year, more kids enjoyed their trips than another year.

All this deserves a big thank you to Wakonda! Without her this summer wouldn't have been anything like it was.

Everyone agreed the 75th summer camp was by far the best year.

Though there is one ironic thing about the weather.

On the last day – departure day – as children were crying and hugging, the weather became absolutely, SHLECT!

75 Years of Weather

From the beautiful weather during July Color War to warm nights Camp Tamakwa has been blessed with great weather.

"When it's sunny it makes me excited to do activities." Sara Glazer says on her opinion of the weather. It's true, since Wakonda

It poured rain on the heads of Tamakwans. The clouds were dark and depressing as children wished to remain at camp, even one Rachel Manson had planned to handcuff herself to the tower. The weather was the schlechtest it has ever been.

Thank you Wakonda!

And thank you Jon Franchi for not cursing Wakonda!

By Dean Hysni

I love tetherball because it's so fun to keep hitting the ball and it goes so fast. I barely practice at home but I'm just so good at it. I love playing other people that are better than me so when I beat them they are like how did you beat me? Tether ball can be rough if you hit it so hard. I love tether ball because when you practice and get better and better it's not hard anymore.

Video 2010 - By Ruk

This summer, video production became a very popular activity here at Camp Tamakwa. The idea for every video was developed solely by the camper and they were very enthusiastic about learning about the video production process. Their least favorite part was script writing. Apparently it's too much like school work with the writing and all! This summer's 75th anniversary also marked the first year of Tamakwa's HD camera, which dramatically increased the quality of all videos produced to match that of the camp itself. My personal task this summer consisted of creating a set of PR activity videos for Tamakwa's new website. These videos will be on the corresponding activity pages on the website so that campers can get an idea of what activities to sign up for in the upcoming year, and also for new campers who will be able to better grasp what camp will be like.

As for the campers, they were all more than pleased with their creations. Besides from the filming and some editing, everything was done by the camper. 1st session videos consisted of Burges & Burgl, Sand Attack, Pac Man, Stop Mother, Saving Ginger and camp's favorite: California Girls! 2nd session videos included Tamakwan News, Claymation, Extreme Makeover, Tamakwa Paradise, Tamakwa Detectives and Friday the 13th.

My personal favorite was certainly Friday the 13th! We actually filmed the video on Friday the 13th at 11 p.m. I was lucky that the campers involved weren't too scared to walk all the way to Voyageur point in the dark as I filmed them. With an incredible amount of help from Lynne Dubuc, the audio director the video was pulled off to a level beyond my expectations! I guess its effect was truly discovered when shown to the whole camp, where the movie was stopped half way through because 4 campers were crying in fright. It's too bad that the video was not shown in its full length after so much work, but I'm hoping it will be put up on Tamakwa's website along with every other video created this summer! Because of this, all campers will be able to watch their videos and share them with friends and family throughout the year.

Looking back at my first summer at Tamakwa, I had an amazing time working with all the campers who signed up for and am very proud of all their

productions. I'll definitely be watching those videos at from time to time, just for a laugh, or to be reminded of all my memories here at Tamakwa.

2010 Beaver Cuttings - By Sam Orley

It was July 16th when a group of 13 tough beavers made their way to fight basketball tournament finish hours away at Camp Northland. Our team, for the most part, woke up with some warm showers in Sui and main camp biffys. After a hearty meal we made our way to the pointer, physched for the day. We all got some encouragements from Craig and Vic as well as wishes for a "3-peat". . The veterans of the group: Andrew Forbes, Evan Ketai, Brad Zucker, Jake Perlmutter, Jesse Rubin, were pleased to find out we were being choferred in a new and improved van, with air conditioning. A handful of the experienced players knew what was ahead of them, where as the rookies on the 16V team, which included, Josh Bender, Mitchell August, Sam Abrams, Jonah Folbe and me had no clue of what to expect. As our bus parked with nixing-to-play teens passed the Camp Northland sign we relieved to finally be there. Our squad plus Three coaches, Daryn Landsports, Mitchell Schecter and Matt Ran walked into the fenced in semi-gravel basketball court area prepared to represent Tamakwa. The tournament consisted of 10 teams from 10 different camps. These camps were White Pine, timberlane, New Moon, George, Wahanawin, Winnebago, Northland, Tamarack, Walden, and our team. In our first test our team played against a rough squad from Tamarack. As Shecter would say our shots were "wet". We defeated them by a whopping 22 points. Our second was against camp George and Bryan, their Kobe. We pushed the ball and defeated them with ease. Not going to lie, going walking to lunch we looked on top, not allowing our opponents more than 8 points. The burgers and fries were refueling. We went back to the court anxious against Daryn's did team, whomouin. Once again Beavers were victorious. We earned a 2nd seed in the playoff round, hoping to not look like the Cavs. Now we were up against Tamarack, the aggressive but not very talented team we faced in our opener. Shots didn't drop and refs didn't call, sadly our team lost in a low-scoring affair 12-8 and had to depart. It was still a great day of competition I won't forget for a while.

Matthew Ernst - #1

I think its so fun
Never ending
Tamakwa
Every games is intense
Rocks
Camp sprit

Activities are all fun
Manita vs. Tamakwa People are very nice
Intercamp accostic

Matthew Ernst - #2

Canoe trips are awesome
Always fun
Never ending
Outstanding food
Best time of your life
Terrific trippers
Outrougouse food
UI love it
Portages
Canoe trip actrostic

Matthew Ernst #3

Taps everynight
Always waiting day by day
For camp to come
Making new friends
A fun experience
Kayak, windsure canoe, sailing, water sports
Wokanda is very nice this summer
Allways fun
Tamakwa acrostic

Freezing 15 day - By Danielle Schostak

When sitting in English class this year, my teacher asked us if we have ever experienced a moment that we wanted to freeze from previously being on long trips, the paddle into camp when the bell rings was the moment that popped into my head. It got me excited for the upcoming summer and the possibility of me experiencing that again for 15 day. When I found out I was on the trip, I was so excited. The trip was tough, yet by far the best experience ever. The friendships I created, are ones I know I'll always keep as day 15 approached. I couldn't wait for my return into camp. Then my trip found out that our arrival would be an unique one. So as I paddled silently into camp, I knew I would never forget this. Jumping into the arms of my surprised friends and shouting S-E-N, S-E-N, S-E-N-I-O-R-S, We're senior girls '10 we're seniors we're the best, was amazing. I knew then that this was definitely the moment I wanted to freeze.

By Natalie Jacobson

Natalie, Hannah, Jodi, Bella, Gabbi, Izzy, Sam, Maria, Leah, Teich, Abbey, Julia, Pearl, & Sophie too.

49er girls can make summer a woo

When the summer had just begun it was a blast for everyone

Lot of theme days

Like christmas, nerds & hella's birthday

But now that the summer is coming to a close we must leave Tamakwa sunny coast come back next year so our unity never ends

See you next year, until we meet again

Bob Marley Appreciation Day (Day 12 of 15 day)

by: Nadav Sprague & Jace Gittleman

"Woke up this morning

smiled at the raising sun

three little birds

appeared on my doorstep

singing sweet songs

a melody that's pure and true

this is my message to you"

Sitting around the camp fire on Big Crow Lake, the July men's 15 day sang this uplifting song to reflect on the difficult journey that we overcame. Bob Marley's message clearly explains the exemplary attitude that should be held on trip. Not only does the song have a strong message, but learning the song together brought us closer together. Even though most night our tripper, Nate Zahn, played the guitar around the campfire, this night was special because we all got to contribute. This meaningful song changed our outlook on the rest of our trip.

"Singin, don't worry about a thing cause every little thing is going to b a'right"

Felsenthal Beaver Cuttings Article

To start off the day as a tough beaver camp, Tamakwa welcomed the Manitou Moose 16 u Intercamp there our docks. To start off the exciting but competitive day the 16 u tough beavers, played hard against manitac in baseball.

In the first few innings Manitou took the lead with four runs but Tamakwa struggled to come back, but Manitou prevailed with a victory. Tamakwa

fought and struggled but in the end we were defeated in all but one before lunch.

Following lunch the girls basketball team had their ups and down but with a few second left to go in the game Jenna Felsenthal had the game winning three to give the beavers a victory. Onto boys basketball. Tamakwa played the their hardest with an huge victory at 65 Tamakwa 27 Manitou.

Now on to the last sport of the day, hockey, leading the team as captain was Eli Handler. The beavers took took the first goal and team Mantiou struck back with less goals. In the end Tamakwa won in overtime 4-3, goal scored by captain Eli Handler and he said "It at great"

The Perlmutter's by Sam Sherman & Sarah Mandel

Who are they? We all know Craig, Margot, Molly and Nate!

Oh Little Nate, everyone loves him. He is so cute and special to all of camp Tamakwa. When anyone sees him, they go "awww" or "NATE". He means so much and so important that we had an all day all about him. ("Nate's Favorite Toy").

Molly is the little girl who is cute and just wants to play in the sun. She is always at the beach with Nate and Margot. She may not know, but I'm sure she'll get to be as loved (not that she already isn't) by Tamakwa, with lots of attention like Nate is. Molly is lucky to have an older brother that loves her.

Margot & Craig are very nice. They are proud parents of Molly and Nate. When Craig is busy working as Vic's partner, Margot is usually at either the beach, or an activity with the two little kids. Margot is so sweet and will help anyone. Craig, well Vic picked the right partner.

One Big Happy Family

By Sam Rosenfeld

12U intercamp of 2010 was great. It all started off with the close softball game. The Manitou Moose were winning early with a quick 4 runs in the first inning. But the Tamakwa tough beavers fought hard back to only lose by 2 runs with the final score of 7-5. Then to basketball. The Tough Beavers went into the game hyped and with high hopes of winning. They took a good 18 point lead going into half time and Tamakwa pulled out a 30-19 win. Finally, in the hockey game Tamakwa played a hard fought game after trading goal

after goal. The moose were on top at the end with a 5-4 win. But at the end of the day Tamakwa won the whole 12V intercamp.

By Jack Allen

This has been an action packed summer with everlasting fun & memories. A great highlight of this summer was the annual staff vs. V16 intercamp softball game. This was a great event. The game started as a slaughter first with a score of nine to zero campers in the lead the staff somehow caught up to us and the game lasted extra innings ending tie gave with a final score of ten to nine. Staff with the win. being a part of this game was a great experience. it brought me closer with a lot of people. we also had an unbelievable coach Darren the Landsports director. All and all this was so much fun and we have had great memories and I would compete in the event as a cut or once I'm old enough I would play as a staff.

By Matthew

Captains are chosen on break
Outrageous activities
Loudest team gets points
Only 1 winner
Run your fastest

Winning is always fun
Always fun
Break is fun

CIT Girls Last Will & Testament Month 1

Noga Barpal – a kitty
Allie Lipschutz – abrevia and a chicken Caesar wrap & a missing iPod
Tedi Dorman – a great football game, and a pair of scissors till Tuesday
Alanna Sucher – a Senior girl 5-day
Jenna Felsenthal – pancakes and a game winner shot
Maude Etkin – a cabin clean-up
Sydney Milgrom – a 9:30 phone call
Sophie Schneider – ART
Laura Sachse – a pumpkin
Jenna Golden – a piece of cedar wood & Monday Land Duty

By: Sophie Curhan, Dorothy Goldstein-Stahl, and Arlyn Goldstein

The time people count down until camp starts
Amazing activities and programs
Making the best summer possible for the campers
Algonquin Park, the most wonderful place in the world
Kids always having an awesome time
Wonderful memories made here
All the people who make camp possible.

By Aidan Folbe

“Tamakwa is the place for me, up in Algonquin. Tamakwa is the place for me.”

If I were to live anywhere, it would be on the sunny shores of South Tea Lake. Even though this isn't possible, I still live there for 2 months out of the year. This year is my first time staying two months. I have no doubt that this has been my best summer.

From the amazing camp spirit, canoe trips, friends, and the beauty of Algonquin Park. Whenever you see a Tamakwan, you hear their cheers. If you see a pack of metal grumin canoes, you know its Tamakwa on another trip. My counselors and bunk mates are my closest friends. Even though my counselors are 4 and 9 years older than me, they are my friends. And last but not least Algonquin Park. Even when its raining or hailing Algonquin Park is still shinning. In the end Tamakwa isn't the place for me. It's the place for everyone.

My name is Aidan Folbe.

Tamakwa and Algonquin Park is and always will be a part of me.

Coyote Rock - By Ben Robinson

Only a select group of Tamakwans are fortunate enough to be able to witness the most spectacular view of Algonquin Park. This view on Coyote Rock is only seen by one trip, the 5 day. It is a beautiful site that cannot be reproduced. While on Coyote Rock you are able to reflect on the previous 6 days and set goals for the future journey. Specially on our 15 day we thanked the rock for the motivation it has given for the 15 years of the 15 day. We also took pine cones that represented us and through it off the cliff as we thought of ways to assist nature in honor of Coyote Rock. Coyote Rock is both physically and spiritually beautiful place.

Springs of Algonquin Park - By Ben Robinson

Dehydration is a factor in every tripping experience. For those who are fortunate to know, Algonquin Park hold many fresh water springs. Some of these springs are well known, while others remain hidden. Over the course of the July mens 15 day we visited 5 fresh water springs; some of which are well-known while other where only heard of in rumors. The first day of 15 day the sun was beating down strong; while we were all dehydrated. Luckily, we had the opportunity to hit the fresh water spring at the end of the otterside creeks. The water was so refreshing and assisted us as we traveled to Big Trout. On day three, while we went to Radiant we found the secret spring of Radiant. Again the water was cool and refreshing. After these to amazing spring we hit three more fresh water springs, one on the railroad to Eustach, the natch spring and the Treverse spring. The spring water was so refreshing, yet the mystery is how many springs are left

Canoe Trip - by Jamie B.

On canoe trip me, Blake, Ryan, Jackson, Bean, Aaron, Isaiah, David, Joey A., Joey M., Dov and my counselors of course, sand the canoe, on the way back from a cool beach we found I had so much fun. My cabin (F-3) were close to F-4 and the trail blazers. F-3, F-4 and the trail blazers had a talent show. It was cool. My canoe trip rocked I rank it (1 to 10) , 6,000,000 can't wait till next year!

By Samuel A. Wittenberg

My article is about canoe trip I had a great time. It was a 2 day canoe trip our camp site was on Joe Lake. When we canoed on the way there we went threw South T Lake canoe lake and a river. I had a outstanding time on trip if I had to rate this trip 1/10 I would rate it a ten.

Part 2 topic cookout

on cookout I had a great time. I wish they were every day but sad to say grent they are just every Monday. We never took a canoe but we still had a bunch of fun. Roastin marsh mellows and getting mail I had a great experience.

Part 3 topic camp

I love every thing about camp. The slope, canoeing, and kayaking. Are some of the things I like here at camp.

By Izzy Hermelin

Wonderful
Amazing
Kind
Over Powering
Nice to Man Kind
Delicate
A King of the Sky

By Izzy Hermelin

People we know and love	Directors
Really friendly	Incredible
Our close friends	Respectful
Great people	Every person has a smile
Really enegetic	Coming closing
Amazing	Tuff and mighty
Magnificent	Our favorite people
	Ready to impress
	Still in our hearts

By Max Huberman

Tamakwa
Another home
Marvalous
Amazing
Kids
Wellcome
Away from Home

By Dorothy Goldstein

Going on a 10-day canoe trip is a once in a lifetime experience! But for me this opportunity came twice! The first time I accomplished this trip was when I was in P-3. On that trip I was babied, I always carried little packs or was even more "floater". But on this past trip I really pushed myself to my limits that I found were further than I had believed them to be.

These 10-day canoe trips really showed what I was capable of achieving. Not only did these long trips enhance my strength, but also my mentality and will. During these trip I have found a new and better personality trait, which in the end will help me in life. Camp can have that effect, It's effect is one that will

change your life forever because it gives you opportunities like long trip that change your life forever. I'm glad that this great opportunity presented itself not only once but twice. These trips will help me not only through my years as a Tamakwan but also my many years as an alumni!

By Jonah Stone

Hi my name is Jonah Stone. My beaver cutting is when I played on the U-12 hockey team. I played a lot and got a goal and assist. I was good friends with some of the people on the team. We lost but it was close game we lost 5-4. I will never forget it.

Camp - By Izzy Hermelin and Max Huberman

Camp is so much fun
We can hangout and play in the sun
Camp is full of spirit
And you can always hear it
Pioneers are green and white
So don't you date put up a fight
Camp is a home away from home
And you'll never ever be along

By Max Huberman

Pioneers forever
incredible
over the top
nice
extreme
extra love
rangers
showing spirit

By Izzy Hermelin

Coming together	Wonderful
Over the top	Amazing
Lots of fun	Right before camp ends!!
Our spirit	
Running for your team	

My name is David and I'm in R2:

When I went on trip, I got 5 times more excitement than I expected. I've been on trip 3 times before, and this was my first portage, my longest paddle, and my most favorite trip food. On our first day, we went from camp to Little Doe. This included my first Portage. (300m)

On my second day we went from Little Doe to Burnt Island. There was not much paddling, but there was a 1400m Portage which gave us a reason to rest despite the lack of paddling.

On our third day we went to Little Joe for the night. At night it rained and we got soaked!

On our last day we back to camp two hours early. Over, the trip was Awesome!

Senior Girls - By Lilly Morrison

Hands tightly gripped together. We are holding on so tightly that fingernails' are being dug into our skin. The pain is ignored, all you can think of is once again returning to the place you call home. The pointer rounds the bend and you see it, Camp Tamakwa in all its glory. As you get closer you hear the familiar welcome song. Suddenly you're overwhelmed with joy. You have a permanent smile plastered on to your face. Hearts are beating fast when you finally see your councilors waiting for you. Like every year they are holding a sign, but this year summer is different. This is senior summer. The summer we have been waiting for years to get here. We rush to the cabin, and quickly dress in all black. This is tradition. We are all counting down until our first cheer. The cheer that will show everyone that it is our senior summer and we are going to make the most of it. It's almost time. We are all in a tight huddle, arms locked. It's time S-E-N-I-O-R-S WE ARE SENIORS GOING TO WE ARE SENIORS, SENIORS ARE THE BEST. Tears of joy slip down our cheeks. We know the girls surrounding us will be our cabin mates and sisters forever.

Long Time - By Shayni Shecter

Throughout all my summers at Tamakwa I have made memories that I will never forget, but my favorite memory is my 10 day experience with all my closest friends. Going on 10 day or long trip is something that everyone should do because nothing compares to it.

While you're at home you don't get the opportunity to go on long trip and see amazing things. It's the best to go on a long trip soon because in a few years some of us won't be campers anymore. It's such a great feeling to be on a 10 day and watch the sunrise and sunset and see the true beauty of Algonquin park. Me and my friends still talk about how much fun it was. While on long trip you connect with your friends in ways you can't at camp. Weather it's singing songs as loud as you can in canoes or sticking together on portages. You can never have an experience like long tip anywhere else. It will become your fondest memory, like it is mine.

Fish 2010

Hello my name is Fraser Duff from Scotland and I was fishing director at camp tamakwa for the 75th anniversary this year on the South Tea Lake in breathtaking Algonquin Park.

This summer started off with a bang on the first two weeks the campers at fishing managed to catch a 1 1/2lb lake trout and two largemouth bass each over 2lbs as a result to these fish being caught, we were able to have a full day fish fry on the slope which campers really enjoyed learning to prepare and cook fish.

As a result of camper being able to do individual choice there was six to eight campers who took full advantage and showed great potential, keen to learn all aspects of fishing and reach there goals and gain there high awards.

One of these campers who stood out was Grant Nelick who caught 16 fish in the first month either from the dock or out on the lake fishing from the barge he always up trumps. He even asked to take a rod on his cabin canoe trip in which he caught three fish.

Another great highlight of this summer was the fish/kayak trip. Two young boys Ben Marks and Nick Free who both have there high awards in fishing came along on the trip for the three days. The trip was a fantastic and valuable experience and there was ten fish caught which was mostly bass and old perch. They tasted delicious over the camp fire at Potter lake.

The Second month would also be one for the record books and go down as a cracker for campers reaching awards and there was a surprise in order for Taylor Aronow who after fishing most of the summer without any joy would break the deadlock in one hour period hooked six bass. She was extremely overjoyed and thoroughly deserved it after all her hard word and effort over the course of the summer. Another young sparkler who springs to mind is Zach Wein who's passion is outstanding and percerverance for catching as many bass in an hour is unbelievable 14 is now current record.

Overall fishing has been a great success on the shores of South Tea Lake due to campers willingness and patience to learn. I would also like to thank the Staff Elana Folbe and Brad for there tremdous efforts in helping me teach campers, showing a positive energy and motivation to ensure kids enjoyed the activity. And I shall not forget the CIT's we had as well Cameron, Laura and Jenna were magnificent and contributed well to the team. Thanks to all the staff and campers for a wonderful summer and superb fishing.

A Night to Remember - Ann A./Becca S Sammy B./Stephanie C./Sasha S./Daryn O.

It was 12:30 in the morning when our counselors told us to get up and put on a zip up sweatshirt. We lined up and our counselors put welcome back 15 day. But, our eyes were closed so we didn't see. Then we were led to the slope and sat at the bottom of the slope. We all were wondering what was going on and then Avigioan sat and help welcome back 15 days to the shore. At this point we all were in shock. The feeling of the 15 day girls coming on to the slope brought tears to our eyes. Especially when we all sang s-e-n, the cheer together.

VISITING DAY - By: Evan Cole & Amanda Miller

Everyone's favorite day, visiting day, is approaching quickly. Visiting day is the day in between the July and August session where parents and other relatives come to Tamakwa to visit their two month campers and/or pick up their one month campers. Amazing food is served for everyone on this day. Parents, siblings, & children enjoy the day together exploring camp, or simply chatting about their experiences over the last month. "I am very excited to see my parents!" State Elliot Glickman. Visiting day is great ! "says Sara Glazer visiting day is sure to be enjoyed by all.

Holy Mackinaw! - Hockey by Trevor Erdie

This summer I celebrated my second year as Camp Tamakwa's hockey director. In addition to celebrating camp's 75th Anniversary, this summer was one that was full of excitement around camp, especially at the hockey rink. From individual choice periods to inter-camp days, I always found my time skating with the kids very enjoyable.

This summer I really focused on the development of essential skills associated with hockey that the campers could use during the school year with ice hockey and/or skating activities. Moreover, I made an effort to teach transferable skills such as balance and coordination which could be used in other sports and other areas of life. This of course, would not have been possible without the assistance of my very valuable staff members: Jeff Ran and Jake Fine; and CIT's: Josh Florence, Brad Zucker, Jake Perlmutter and Eli Handler. Together we succeeded in getting many campers hockey awards, including an impressive number of high awards.

Those who received high awards this summer were: Sam Tanenbaum, Max Bronstine, David Niddam-Dent, Mitchell Watsky, Adam Raab, Joseph Ricco, Cooper Godel, Ethan Rautbort, Connor Schram, Grace Kellie, Andrew Moss and Jamie Perlmutter. Congratulations and thank you to all staff and campers for making this summer an unforgettable one!

Beaver Cuttings Article – Camp Recording - By Lynne Dubuc

Camp Recording is in its third summer as an activity at Tamakwa. It may be hard for some to imagine a recording activity in a summer camp in the great outdoors – but it's a perfect fit! The Camp Recording studio is a place where campers can come and be themselves, expressing their love for Tamakwa through songwriting and storytelling.

This was my first summer at Tamakwa and I was thrilled by all the talent these campers have. We had a lot of fun writing, performing and recording songs to share with all of camp. With songs like *Sneaking To Girls Camp*, *Camp Tamakwa Paradise*, and *Just Camp* campers wrote about experiences and feelings about camp. Other songs such as *Reaching For Your Dreams* and *Part Of Me*, focused on other topics such as staying positive in life and going for your dreams. I was happy to hear the optimistic and inspirational messages in all of the songs this summer.

It has been a great summer in Tamakwa's Camp Recording studio! Over the past two months we have created an amazing library of new songs, cheers, and stories written by Tamakwans of all ages.

A big thank you to my staff member Josh Freed – your talent and positive attitude make you a great role model for campers. Another big thank you goes out to all of the campers who came to Camp Recording – be proud of what you have created!

DRAMA 2010 - ANDREA MORGAN

Arriving at Tamakwa's shores this summer for the first time, I had no idea what to expect; except that the idea of directing four plays in eight weeks would definitely be a new challenge for me. However, once the first session of campers arrived and auditions began, I was overwhelmed with the amount of talented campers at Tamakwa. This feeling only continued with each round of auditions for every play that followed.

The summer began with the energetic cast of ***Anne of Green Gables***, the Canadian musical about an orphan girl who gets adopted by a brother and sister duo who take in Anne to live at Green Gables farm, even though she was sent mistakenly and was not the boy they were expecting who would help Matthew and Marilla Cuthbert with the heavy lifting on the farm. Anne ends of charming the whole town with her spirited personality, and settles into Avonlea learning lessons from those around her, and growing up to be a well respected member of the community. The age twelve and under Tamakwans leading the show with outstanding performances were Rachel Nelson as Anne, Sophie Gelber (who earned her first "Broadway" high award) as Marilla, Noah Tanenbaum and Ben Epstein as Matthew, with an unforgettable performance by Maddie Borman as Diana, who received her "Broadway" high award as Anne's best friend Diana, as well as the "Triple Threat" performer of the show award. Also not to be forgotten were all the amazing cast members who played other lead Adults and school children, as well as a group of talented chorus members who performed one of the stand-out numbers of the show along with the character Miss Stacy, played by Isabel Hermelin who won a high award for her "Breakthrough Performance" in the big ensemble number called "Learn Everything."

Next on the Tamakwa stage was the senior play: ***The Sound of Music***, the well known story of a nun who doesn't quite fit in at the convent. The loveable character Maria Rainer (played by Rachel Kaufman, who achieved a "Broadway" high award) gets sent to be the new governess for Captain Von Trapp, played by Jordan Stanton, and his 7 children played by Gabrielle Scapa, who received a high award for "Breakthrough Performance," Leah Blatnikoff, who received her first "Broadway" high award, Eli Weiner, Sara Glazer, Jodi Levin, Alex Sigel, and Joeley Pulver, who took home the special "Triple Threat" high award of the show for her portrayal of the eldest daughter Leisl. Maria Falls in love with the Captain to form a new complete family leaving the audience with a happy ending. Other notable performances were given by Zach Levine, who played Leisl's boyfriend Rolf, and received his "Off Broadway" high award, as well as those who played other well known *Sound of Music* characters including the Nuns! The Tamakwa crowd particularly enjoyed such memorable numbers as "sixteen going on seventeen," "My

Favourite things," and "So Long, Farewell," which included a comedic cameo of counselors Alex Orley and Mike Ran.

Auditions for Tamakwa's next junior play **Annie**, which started of the second session of the Tamakwa summer were particularly impressive from a casting standpoint. The talent exhibited at this round of auditions was truly incredible. It was a difficult task to try to find the perfect role for each talented actor, but once the roles were cast, this group of young actors delivered an amazing show. The buzz around Tamakwa about the success of this show could not go unnoticed. It was an incredible honour to work with this particularly hardworking group of young people who brought the heart-warming story of orphan Annie who moves from rags to riches to life on stage for all of Tamakwa as well as an exciting demo of some of the musical numbers for an impressed crowd of visiting campers from Adventure Valley Camp. I enjoyed a wonderful breakfast in-camp cookout at the beachers with this cast as well as an afternoon showing of the movie *Annie* and am still enjoying hearing lines and songs from the show all around camp weeks later. Leading the show were the incredible Tyler-Jane Robins in the title role of Annie, David Kaplan as Daddy Warbucks, and Eva Rosenfeld as Grace, all receiving "Broadway" high awards for their hard work in rehearsals and fantastic performances. Matthew August also stole a scene for his memorable performance as radio star Burt Healy and received his "Breakthrough Performance" high award along with Ben Levite who played Miss Hannigan's Mischievous brother Rooster, and Lily Creed as Rooster's scheming girlfriend Lily St. Regis, both actors also receiving the "Breakthrough Performance" high award. A "Broadway" high award, as well as the "Triple Threat" performer award of the show went to Sasha Rosenberg for her amazing and hilarious stand-out performance as the miserable head of the orphanage, Miss Hannigan. There isn't enough space to mention all the other great performances and awards given out to Tamakwans who filled a whole host of other memorable roles and amazing orphan and homeless hoovervillian chorus parts as well as an incredible stagecrew who all helped to make *Annie* an unforgettable production, but you should all know who you are! Some of the most memorable numbers of the show included "Hard-Knock Life," "Tomorrow," "Never Fully Dressed," and "Little Girls."

The final show of the Tamakwa summer was **Mamma Mia**. This talented group of twelve and over Tamakwans, despite their limited amount of rehearsal time (less than one week) did not disappoint. They brought these characters to life with enthusiasm and energy! The lead character of the story is Sophie Sheridan which was played by Carly Simko, who received both a "Broadway" high award as well as the prestigious high drama award of 2010 as the "Triple threat" performer of the show for stand out skills in all three musical theatre disciplines of acting, singing and dancing. Sophie sets on a mission, before her wedding to Sky (played by "Off Broadway" award winner Adam Blau), to uncover the secret of who her dad is, which her mom Donna (played by the talented Rachel Kaufman) has never revealed. Unbeknownst

to Donna, Sophie invites her mom's three former flames to her wedding whom she presumes might be her father, then the fun ensues! Playing the roles of Sophie's three possible dads to perfection were brave last minute fill in, Otto Thornton-Silver as Harry, Jacob Hoeflich as Bill, who received his "Breakthrough Performance" high award, as well as Elliot Glickman as Sam, also receiving his "Breakthrough Performance" award. The show concludes with Sophie discovering the secret of her mother's former flames and the spontaneous wedding of Donna and Sam. Other supporting lead roles were played by Hannah Klayman and Gabi Stone as Sophie's friends, Ali and Lisa, as well as Jordyn Bernstein (who received her first "Broadway" high award), and the hilarious Joeley Pulver and side-splittingly funny Rachel Manson (who received a "Broadway" high award) as Donna's old friends: Janine, Tanya and Rosie. Jesse Yaker brought his role as the local priest to life and the talented chorus members who helped to make Tamakwa's final 2010 show a success. Tamakwa's favourite numbers included "Mamma Mia," "Dancing Queen," "Gimme Gimme," and "The Winner Takes it All."

A big THANK YOU goes out to my co-worker, Musical Director Alex Diaz, as well as all Drama staff: Taylor Bronstine, Ethan Raduns-Silverstein, Izzy Meckler, Sky Optican and Judd Fischer, who all made huge contributions in the execution of these shows, along with everyone else who participated in any way to make these shows happen, you know who you are! Finally, to all the casts and crew: Thank you for your hard work and dedication! I am extremely blessed to have had the experience of working with you. You should all be very proud of everything you have accomplished this summer and I wish you all the best in what I know will be your very bright futures! How How!!!

49ers 2010 - By Tamara Grundland

The 49ers were out in full force for Tamakwa's 75th anniversary. I could not have asked for a better summer or a better group of fun, goofy, spirited, talented and overall unbelievable girls. Thank you all for being the best and making the summer so special. 'Till we meet again...

I Will Miss

- The surprise midnight 15-day return
- Hiking to the Dam with the Senior Girls
- Dani Jacobson's smile
- Nightly visits from Pearl
- 49er long trips
- Devyn's impression of me
- SNL with the crew
- The secret late night clinic party
- Watching Anna and Sydney take the Voyageur test

- The 90s dance
- Recording the Senior Girl fake break
- Manson's dance in Mamma Mia
- Becca Soverinsky's handstands
- Klayman in the sail regatta
- Every senior girl doing the Triathlon
- Me no speak Americano
- Dancing in the dining hall
- Baldini
- Watching the meteor shower
- Mica's clipboard
- Oprah impersonations
- Monday night songs at the Beachers
- The Brickman sisters
- Free swim
- Hanging out with the JSGs
- Movies in Vic's cabin
- Crepes with Craig
- 49er 1 on survivor day
- Living next to the pioneers in Sunbeam
- Boys Camp Vs. Girls Camp cheer-offs
- Gutman impressions

I Will Not Miss

- Lice Checks
- Jodi Levin's crutches
- Stink bombs
- The alarm clock shrek that never was
- Anna Rosenfeld's fall
- Strep throat
- Boys Camp walking out of the Survivor closing