## THE CHALLENGES OF SUMMER 2009

Each summer presents different challenges. That is one of many reasons why we love our work in the out of doors with young people. What a unique classroom we have - very special indeed.

August and September were extraordinarily beautiful. June and July were gray and rainy, however, program kept moving forward as creative counselors put a positive spin on each day. Trips came home wet and muddy but campers had smiles on their faces. As one parent said, "what are you doing in the rain? My daughter only writes of all the fun and doesn't even mention the weather."

The HINI virus hovered this summer but our exceptional team of nurses took the upper hand. They instituted several preventative measures. We isolated four campers with likely flu symptoms and the virus was kept under wraps.

The economic environment caused some withdrawal activity last winter so during the spring, we were able to enroll new families. Enrollment was shy one cabin in Junior Camp. Intermediate Camp had a full complement of campers. Senior Camp was waitlisted.

We consider ourselves lucky regarding all of these external challenges. We came out of the summer feeling very good about staff performance and encouraged by the value campers gained. We felt stronger as directors.

Our new Junior Wiggie was a magical place this summer. It was a cozy shelter for Juniors on rainy days, a place to hold hands and sing songs at day's end. Visitors were in awe as they stepped inside to admire the work by local craftsman, the same crew that built our beautiful new Cobb Dining Hall for our Centennial.

The happy occasions that you remember are happening to others, every day of the summer.



## **WYONEGONIC/WINONA CAMPS WINTER GATHERINGS 2009 - 2010**

**DECEMBER** 

**JANUARY** 

**METRO BOSTON December 5, 2009** Saturday, 3:00 pm Museum of our National Heritage 33 Marrett Road Lexington, MA

CHATHAM, NJ **January 10, 2010** Sunday, 4:00 pm 12 Oak Drive

Home of Jack & Anne Fields Chatham, NJ

PRINCETON, NJ **January 11, 2010** Monday, 7:00 pm Home of Gregory & Anne Elise Matthews I Audubon Lane Princeton, NJ



FAIRFIELD COUNTY, CT WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NY **December 6, 2009** Sunday, 4:00 pm Hyatt Regency Greenwich 1800 East Putnam Avenue Old Greenwich, CT

> **NEW YORK CITY January 12, 2010** Tuesday, 5:30 pm The Williams Club of NYC Baxter Room 24 East 39th Street New York, NY



HARTFORD, CT **December 7, 2009** Monday, 7:00 pm Home of Clay and Kim Miles 154 N. Beacon Street

Hartford, CT

BARRINGTON, RI January 13, 2010 Wednesday, 7:00 pm Home of Glendon & Carrie Elliott 178 Adams Point Road Barrington, RI



MID-COAST MAINE December 13, 2009 Sunday, 4:00 pm Home of Rick and Maureen Morse 40 Pascal Avenue Rockport, ME 04856

> WASHINGTON, DC January 23, 2010 Saturday, 4:00 PM Home of Hayden & Elizabeth Cutler 1211 Ballantrae Lane McLean, VA



**BETHEL MAINE** December 17, 2009 Thursday, 6:30 pm Ordway Hall Gould Academy Bethel, Maine

PHILADELPHIA, PA **January 24, 2010** Sunday, 4:00 PM Home of Mitch & Kathy Alden 812 Evans Road Lower Gwynedd, PA





August 27 - 72 suguA August 23 - 27, Session II August 20 - 23, Session I

## DATES FOR FAMILY CAMP:

July 24 - August 17, Session II; VVT Hike June 30 - July 24, Session I; VVT Canoe

Leadership Iraining - CIT and AC June 30 - August 17, 7 week session;

DATES for 2010 CAMPER SEASON:

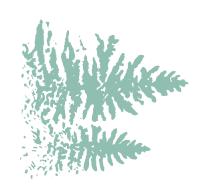
.msrgor4 DA space in CIT and are waitlisted for the In our traditional LT Program we have two spaces available on the canoe trip. we are waitlisted for the hike and have 15-18 year olds. As of November 1, Kahtadin. The Wilderness Trips are for





Trail, culminating on the top of Mt wilderness section of the Appalachian trip; Session II a hike on the 100 mile Session I will offer a 3 1/2 week canoe

Counselor) Programs this summer. in Training) and AC (Sainistant to our traditional CIT (Counselor Two Wilderness Trips will be added



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November 2009 Dear Alums,

What happens at camp that makes our oldest known alumnae, at age 105, talk constantly about her one summer at Wyonegonic? Carol visited Rebecca Preston in Camden, Maine in May and listened to her tell stories and share memories about particular counselors, life on the Senior tent line and trips to Mt Washington by horse and buggy.









imagine for a moment how your life would be without your Wyonegonic experience. What would be different: college? career? outdoor hobbies? family?

What is it that draws alumnae back for a visit after decades? Why is that walk through the Pine Grove so special? the stop in the Museum so meaningful? the giving to preserve Pleasant Mt so important?



Many Wyonegonic alumnae are Moms eager to share their experience with their daughters. They have sung camp songs to their babes in arms, experienced butterflies as they drop off their daughter on opening day, loved sharing Wyonegonic traditions of banquet, candlenight and evening circle. Most of you know the value and lasting effects of camp because YOU have

been there. The Wyonegonic experience is deeply personal, yet shares much in common with fellow camp friends and family. Carol certainly knows as this was her 50th summer at Wyonegonic.



Wyonegonic sends warm regards and a special Ki Yi to you all ... The Audderths





What a gift someone passed on to you as they introduced you to Maine, new friends, skills that have helped you in your adult life and knowledge of who you are today. Many alums have written about the impact of Wyonegonic and how it influenced their journey to date.

An envelope is attached so you can consider a gift to our Camp Scholarship Program. We continue to believe that ALL children deserve an opportunity to learn more about themselves and apply the tools absorbed at camp to help them be good citizens. We will continue to

reach out to help a dozen young women each summer but need your help to reach this goal.

## Other ways you can help:

- Keep us posted with your current contact information. Send any changes to: info@wyonegonic.com including your email address
- Direct interested families to our website www.wyonegonic.com
- Think of the young people in your life and encourage them to explore the opportunities at Wyonegonic. Email us or call 207-452-2051
- Request a copy of our DVD or new brochure ready in January
- Surprise us at a reunion. Bring interested friends.
- Visit Wyonegonic and come to the Pine Grove Service followed by lunch on the porch of the Cobb Dining Hall.

Let's make it happen in 2010. If you don't, who will? Thanks for thinking about your days on Moose Pond and wanting others to have a similar experience.





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