

# COME BE OUR GUEST

No fee for past campers and staff

# AUGUST 25 - 27 SESSION III FAMILY CAMP

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# Píne Grove 🔜

It is common and predictable that when alumnae come back to visit Wyonegonic and stroll down memory lane, they want to take an unhurried walk through the Pine Grove. Isn't it a marvel to realize that a tradition started 105 years ago still has meaning in the 21st century?

If you were to visit the Pine Grove today on a Sunday Morning you would witness all four units of campers and staff participating in sharing this special palce. The service still has a feel of Quakerism, as introduced by the Cobb Family in 1902. Although given the choice, the unit in charge of planning the service on a particular Sunday, almost always closes the 1/2 hour of sharing with an open service and opportuntity for a "spokescamper" from each cabin to speak on the theme of the service.

The group in charge presents their theme in a combination of ways - through poetry, readings, quotes, musical instruments, singing, skits or dance. The entire unit takes part and

### Candlenight The last night of camp holds its own special

The last night of camp holds its own special glow. Last summer more alumnae and parents gathered to enjoy our final ceremony than I had remembered in 45 summers at Wyonegonic. It was wonderful to observe alumnae find friends from decades past and enjoy conversations with old friends. Campers dotted the dock with their candles as Seniors is instrumental in the planning process. The towering pines protect the rest of camp who is sitting on the hillside. All whites are still worn and a buffet lunch follows in the Cobb dining hall, so that campers of all ages can mix and eat with sisters, cousins and friends of their choosing.

The theme is usually circulated in advance of Sunday so that cabin counselors can get into dialog with their campers about what they would like to share and express. This is a process of brainstorming, cooperating, creative expression and selection. Topics chosen are comfortable for all religions so that everyone feels comfortable. Some recent themes have been: Circles; Friendships; Independence; Peace; Our Environment; Community; Color; Respect; Adventure and Challenge...

So why has time in the Pine Grove been so powerful over the decades. Is it time together with everyone at camp? Reflective "time out"? An appreciation of absorbtion of a serene

approached in canoes. Little boats sailed, and music filled the air. The sunset, the wind, the loons tell the rest of the story. If you can't make it for a Candlenight celebration we hope you light your candle and think of camp days and the people that touched your life.

### Banquet

Laughter and tears - dancing and singing - prose and poems - the smell of pine boughs - driftwood candlelabre - a meal served by counselors - recognitions for accomplishments - mixed emotions with close friends - evening circle. This is a celebration with the camp community!

# A quick hello from Carol & Steve

Wyonegonic is brimming with campers for this summer and we have been able to accommodate most of the wait list, but not quite all. Each year we challenge ourselves to hire the best staff possible. We still have work to do. Please see page 13 and help us with our needs if you know of exceptional candidates. Every 5 years we have been offering Family Camp Session III at no cost to Wyonegonic alumnae. This is year 105, so come join the fun.

In this Loon we are featuring an alumnae for each of the era's: Mary Trafton during the Cobb years; Jeff Twiss during the Sudduth Years; and Simone Carroll during the 21st Century. Our alumnae are amazing people and many do incredible things for others and in the work place. We chose to share these three profiles with you. Let us know someone we should feature in the future.

Ki yi - and please know you are welcome to stop by for buffet lunch at the Cobb Lodge during the summer.

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# place? A chance to share? An opportunity to perform ...

You have the answers. You have been there. You have had the experience. You are the ones who understand why this is an important place to visit upon your return. This is one of many Wyonegonic traditions that still has meaning for todays campers, just as it did in 1902.





### Reasons To Give

- An opportunity to give back to an organization that has been a positive influence in your life
- Provide a precious gift to another family
- Assist girls who would not experience Wyonegonic without your help
- Allow a child an opportunity which might prove to be a pivotal life change
- A diverse community helps make the camp experience better for all campers at camp
- A contribution is an investment that yields future community participants and leaders of high character, integrity, and service
- Any sized gift is important and appreciated
- Your gift is tax deductible

### Second Century Circle \$20,000 or more

**Centennial Circle** \$10-000 - \$19,999 Tim Murphy

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### **Evening Circle** \$1000 - \$4999

Elizabeth Sumner Brueningsen Thomas Craig Selina Fletcher & Family Carolyn Lacey Rice Sonne Family Vanguard Charitable Endowment Program

### Friendship Circle \$500 - \$999

Pamela Bucknam Ron & Diane Geyer Dudley Jack & Anne Kearns Fields Jill Gasperini Robin Morsman Geis Legatus Foundation Murray Foundation Hannah Synder Palmer Betty Baxter Sternard Barbara Bowen Oberg (in memory of Anne B Orren) Lee Louttit Tauck

### Leadership Circle \$50 - \$499

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Lois, Sally, Maclarens Stone (in memory of Mr. Geyer) Barbara Sullivan Robert Swanson (in memory of George Sudduth) Valerie Turtle Jeff & Sarah Hitchcock Twiss Joseph Tyson Jr Martha Webber Wallace Arthur & Edith Phyfe Walsh Ann Williamson Amy Woodhouse

### Circles

\$1-\$49 Helen Mills Allen Eleanor (Peggy) Schmidt Clark Margaret Acton Driscoll Irene Mack Goodsell Leslie Pooley Hefferman Whitney Jamison Christine Frank Krok Christine Holzhauer Mallon Virginia Taber McCamey Frances Kendall Moon Mary Murphy Sally Shoop Vaun

### Gifts in Kind

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There are two options for tax deductible giving.

OPTION #1: Make your check payable to the AMERICAN CAMPING FOUNDATION. This endowment fund is in memory of George N. Sudduth. All donations go toward building a principle. The interest and gains achieved each year will be awarded annually to our goal for an ethnic and socieconomic diverse camp population. OPTION #2: Make your check payable to the AMERICAN CAMP ASSOCIATION. This camp scholarship program is set up in memory of Roland Cobb. All donated monies are used annually to assist families who have qualified for financial assistance. GIFTING OF SECURITIES is also possible. Contact Steve for procedures by calling 207-452-2051. VISA and MASTERCARD MATCHING GIFT FORMS should be sent to the camp address. are accepted means for **DEFFERRED GIVING** is possible by designating Wyonegonic in your will. contributions. GIVING - A Mouse Click Away It is easier than ever to make a contribution to our Campership Program. Go to our website www.wyonegonic.com and click on the Giving Opportunities. Please download or fax the Wyonegonic office with \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_ Card number: \_\_\_\_\_ zip code \_\_\_\_\_ Card billing address: your contribution for the endowment or campership fund. Master Card and Visa are acceptable. Please join your Print name as it appears on card: \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_ Wyonegonic 'friends in making camp possible for a more diverse group of Signature: , children. \_\_\_\_\_\_



Jean McMullan and Andy are back in their beach condo in Vero Beach, FL after being displaced for a year because of hurricane damage to their home. They still summer in Maine and support the activities at Alford Lake Camp, which is under the direction of their daughter in law. This is an exciting 100<sup>th</sup> year for ALC. Jean is a member of the celebration committee. She checks in with Helen Cobb weekly who is in residence at Indian Rivers Nursing Facility in Vero Beach. Carol Wiggins Kamm and Bill have moved to

Richmond, VA where they are now residents of Westminster Canterbury. They have had a different kind of year, selling their home in Williamsburg and moving to Richmond. They traveled to hear son Paul's concerts in Florida and enjoyed son Chris' craft show in Philadelphia. Susan Kamm **Connors** helped in the camp office at the opening of our camp for three weeks and then returned to their home in Alexandria, VA. Her daughter Kathryn was a counselor in Junior Camp and enjoys life on the University of Virginia campus.

**Georgia Johnson Pooley** took the tribe of their three children and all grand-children out west to the Bighorns. They had a real western experience at a ranch and did lots of horseback riding.

Betsy French Cayo went cruising through the Panama Canal in early March. She is elated to hear that Pleasant Mountain has been saved. Wyonegonic is happy memories for Betsy and her girls, both of whom are now Moms: Alison lives in Winchester MA; Missy and her family live in CA.



Betsy French Cayo with daughters -Alison, Melissa and babes.

Joanie St Clair Goodhew writes from Atlanta that she missed getting to Maine this summer. A Christmas photo filled with grandchildren leans heavily towards males. She hopes to get some of those outnumbered granddaughters to Wyo. Lisa Behr and her husband have moved to Tucson, AZ where they enjoy the challenges of different hikes. Last summer, they traveled to Alaska to escape the heat. Cornelia "Skip" Gentry is back in her repaired Vero Beach Condo. She spent her summer in Maine with her daughter Carole and three her husband Chris on hikes as he attained his goal of climbing all 115 of New England's and New York's 4000-footers. The Sonnes continue to like the challenges nature presents in outdoor space and places. **Ruth Stickney** sends greetings of "harmony and good fortune." Ruth is still a regular at the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

**Polly Marcy Spaulding** came to the Seattle Reunion. She and her retired husband are traveling, skiing and biking. They still reside in Tacoma WA and they rent a condo in



Georgia Johnson Pooley and Family

grandchildren. Evelyn Weeden Kenyon remembers climbing Pleasant Mountain and is pleased to see that the land has been preserved. She still uses the tray she painted at Wyo 70 years ago in an arts and crafts class. Carol Merriman Osmer is planning a trip to Alaska in May and a family reunion in Vero Beach mid-August. Unfortunately, the latter will collide with her annual trek to Family Camp. Katie Jacobs Eyre has boys recently graduated from law school, interning in med school and a senior graduating from Williams College. Katie balances clinical hour in social work with her regime of exercising regularly.

Belle Vreeland Hoverman strolled through Wyonegonic and relaxed on the porch to ponder about the special spirit of Wyonegonic. "I still hold camp, the loons and the lake and all that was and is still is, close to my heart." Belle is a pediatrician in Austin, TX and enjoyed the time out while picking up her camper niece. Sally Barnes Sonne joined Wyonegonic sisters Barbara and Sam on Christmas day in NYC. At Thanksgiving time, the Sonnes entertained 15 - all of their children and grandchildren. Sally has just returned from doing grandmother duty in Seattle, WA where daughter Edie gave birth to a son in January. Sally occasionally joined

Breckenridge during ski season. **Ginny Čobb Thibodeaux** writes "thanks for passing along the wonderful traditions that mean so much to all of us." The Sudduths enjoyed a good visit with Ginny and Phil Cobb at his daughter, Pam's wedding in Cambridge MA. Pam is directing Camp Runoia on the Belgrade Lakes and is also president of the New England Section of the American Camp Asso-ciation. Leadership in the field of camping carries on through the Cobb family.

Nancy Mallory Sansouci successfully completed her 48<sup>th</sup> New Hampshire 4000footer in September. Congrats on the huge accomplishment Nancy. In early January, she and her daughter Lisa walked in the Disney Marathon in Florida.



Nancy Mallory Sansouci





Annie Barto Williamson & Barbara "Bunny" Oberg

Barbara "Bunny" Oberg continues to document "The Jefferson Project." Funding for this project is supported by Princeton University. The project has been years in the making as the founding father was a prolific letter and speech writer. Important resources are unending. Bunny attended her daughter's wedding in Portland, ME at the same church where her mother was married. Bunny visited her counselor from 52 years ago, Annie Barto Williamson on this same trip.

Hannah Palmer Snyder was able to visit with Anne Orren in October before Anne passed away from complications due to cancer, after she had struggled with MS most of her adult life. They had enjoyed common days and interests in Intermediate Wyonegonic in the early sixties. Leslie Breed McLean was pleased her daughter enjoyed Wyonegonic and is returning for the 7-week session. Betsy Sikes Wallace and Barbara Sikes Schmitt meandered through Wyonegonic at the end of summer. This was their first trip back since camper days in 1967. Diane Longmaid Kelly, who lives in Connecticut, sent photos from the mid-forties for us to add to our archive collection. Emily Peterson Mumford who lives in Houston, TX, shepherded her granddaughter to Wyonegonic on opening



<u>Mary Trafton Simonds</u> - Not to many years ago Mary Trafton Simonds and her husband Bill took a canoe ride during Family Camp. They wanted to explore the islands and enjoy the soothing peace of Moose Pond. Mary's never forgotten "J" stroke guided the canoe. Can you imagine the joy of sharing this passion with her husband Bill? Faces of canoe instructors and memories of packing for trips on Maine rivers and lakes flooded her mind as her fingers trickled in the warm waters. This was my first recollection of meeting Mary. We have enjoyed several visits

since including lunch at her home in Lexington MA last month. Mary is living independently, still driving, still taking walks, still loving photos and news of her family, still cherishes camp days. We are guite sure that the Trafton family has been the most prolific family at Wyonegonic and Winona. By the time you count the generations of Traftons, Gutmans, Simonds, Frishkorns, Bealls, Barnes and than add the cousins, the number exceeds 100. Mary caught me up on family news and passed along vivid memories of camp. Coming to camp by boat, hiking Mt Washington with Roland Cobb, being a counselor at age 16 ... I am happy to report that Mary looks well and remains active with her volunteer work. She accompanied me out to my car and than proceeded to walk her  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile on a sunny March day.



day. After camp, they spent an hour on the phone comparing camp stories at the end of a happy Mimi's first summer. Grandmother wrote, "The days I had on Moose Pond shaped and influenced my life. I had such wonderful friends and experiences." **Margaret Post MacDougal** visited camp with her husband Bruce. She is a clinical social worker but recently returned to school and obtained a degree in Art History. **Mary Hobler Hyson** and Eric have taken the family to Disney World, to Delaware for Grandma's 85<sup>th</sup> and trekked to Nova Scotia, Maine and North Carolina.

Teddy Rupp sends "thanks for another great Family Camp - good weather, great food, plenty of activity and old friends." Susan Hyman Besharov wrote "our daughter's wedding at Wyonegonic surpassed all expectations. Of course, the highlight was the ceremony in the pine grove. I can not imagine a more perfect place to celebrate a marriage." Margie Acton Driscoll has stepped down from managing her real estate office and finds her time more flexible to spend time with grandchildren. Rosa Murray has moved from South Carolina to Falmouth, MA where she is close to grandchildren. She enjoys spending time scouting out the nearby Indian lore as she was an avid Wampanoag while serving as Junior Waterfront director decades ago. Barbara Nichols Kirwood enjoyed a "walk down memory lane" in September. She also took a peek in the Cobb Dining Hall. Her hope is for a future Family Camp stay with grandchildren and that the

youngest granddaughter gets to camp when she becomes of age.

Becky Trafton Frishkorn created the "Garden Story" for PBS with partial funding from "Plow and Hearth". It is a four-part series exploring the power of gardens to transform our lives. Barb Trafton and her family spent Christmas in Oaxaca, Mexico. Barb and Bruce live on Bainbridge Island, WA and she continues to paint as she and Bruce raise Keziah and Jackson. Mary Taylor Hurst and her husband went to Loreto, Mexico on the eastern shore of the Baja's and enjoyed kayaking in the National Park. Mary writes of great exercise, beautiful environment and thoughts of Maine and Moose Pond. Judy Renthrew Hart keeps hoping that Wyo will visit Michigan.



Elizabeth & Margaret Perkins

Hope Dana is pleased that Margaret will be joining daughter Elizabeth at Wyonegonic this summer. Frances Ewing Miller ran into





Carlton Smith with her two girls, Aisline Smith & Erin Roberts

some of our Moose Pond neighbors in Wisconsin as she serenaded wedding guests on her guitar. Anne Darneille Snodgrass and her husband enjoyed having all four children home for the Christmas holidays. Anne and Tony enjoy their summers in Bridgton, ME. Lisa Faley Howard now lives in Bangor, ME. Her son is applying to law schools and her daughter Megan is close by at the University of Maine in Orono. Sara Judge McCalpin is President of the China Institute in America with headquarters in NYC. She is a busy mom, balancing family life in Wilton, CT and full time work in NYC. Catie Lindsey Olinski is very excited that Loon Echo Trust met their goal in purchasing Pleasant Mountain. She and her sisters, Mary Sewall West and Margaret Lindsey plus good friends Lisa Cook and Katy Angstadt joined together in Vermont to celebrate the anniversary date of their Mom, Cathy Lindsey's passing. Widowed Bob was also included in this special occasion and enjoyed being surrounded by women, a familiar challenge for him after raising three popular girls. Missy Lindsey who is on faculty at Trinity College is proud to report her son Matthew will be a Winona CIT and was a successful JMG camper at Winona last summer. Barb Hollis and Jeff, spend summer weekends on Moose Pond. They also made it to Alaska, Barb's 50<sup>th</sup> state.

**Pat Feager** is taking a 6-month paralegal course. She has been a realtor in Texas and plans to balance both jobs. She reports her daughter Carrie Ann is married and living in Switzerland with her husband. Carrie is working with disabled students on a farm, teaching English and taking German lessons. She completed her Masters at the University of San Diego in multicultural Education. Cilla Burnes Thomson starts her oldest boy at Winona this summer. Cynthia Gutmann Morgan visited camp with her baby daughter. As many new moms report, she sings Wyo songs to her babe at nap and bedtime. Claire Hoverman is in her second year of med school in San Antonio, TX. This summer she will be out of the classroom and interacting with patients. She still stays in touch with a number of her camp friends.

**Carlton Smith** spent a weekend with **Bevie Lord** at the New England Theater Conference. They both look forward to Family Camp. Carlton reports that her two girls are happy. **Erin Roberts** earns a masters degree, MFA, from Penn State this spring; **Aislinn** is an undergraduate at Smith College.

Liz Sumner Brueningsen completed her MBA from Carnegie Mellon in Pittsburg and now works in Bend, OR managing a huge business acquisition. Sarah Whitney Ospina is in the investment banking field and employed by Piper Jaffray in San Francisco. Good camp friend Katie Wiley was one of several bridesmaids in Sarah's recent wedding. Joel Bruning hiked for two weeks in the California Sierras and enjoyed the sunny scenery and



Ellory, Mira and Garrett Kearns

lakes of California. He loves Yosemite and his parents still live nearby. In New England, Joel completed his 48<sup>th</sup> 4000-footer with Jill Gasperini, Carol Sudduth and Simone Carroll. Joel writes, "it was truly a fabulous day and fitting because most of his 4000-footers happened while leading campers in Senior Wyonegonic." The **Rivkins (Jen Conlin)** and **Judges** (Paul and brother Bruce) enjoyed celebrating common birthdays in London last July. **Jen Conlin Rivkin** then came to the states with her three children who are all campers on Moose Pond. Paul Judge's daughters **Hannah** (CIT) and **Kate** are also campers. Both families happen to be living in London and thankfully avoided the subway bombings last summer.

Edie Sonne Hall completed her PHD program from the school of Forestry Resources at the University of Washington. In January, Edie gave birth to her first child, Bartlett Robert Hall. She is taking a few months off before returning to her job as Manager, Environmental Affairs Sustainable Forestry for Weyerhaeuser Paper Co. Catherine Wright still enjoys her job in Boston at Frontline. She sees good camp friend Jessica Bondi who is a social worker in NYC. Loren Robeck graduated from Smith College and headed to San Francisco with two college friends and hopes to land a job with a nonprofit in the field of social justice/feminist area. Loren writes, "I am proud to have had six wonderful summers at Wyo. I don't think I'll ever stop feeling the nostalgia and wishing I could go back as a camper. Maybe one day I'll have my own family and we'll go to Family Camp...." Katie Hyson bought an 1847 New Englander home in NH. She teaches kindergarten and special education in Northfield. Candy Guay Angell hopes to rally her CITs for a Family Camp weekend. Jenny Steward will pop in for a summer visit at Wyo. Meantime, she is happy with "work, sport, love life and travel." Pat Hettinger Klever and her husband have bought a new home in California. She enjoys her work at Lifewater International and heads back to Africa in March for a leadership conference.

Kay Hettinger Kearns spends her summers on the Winona Shores as husband Andy is Junior Unit Director. Congrats to all four Kearns for the adoption of Mira from Guatemala.

Marie Meany Drury expects her first child in March and plans time off from work for a few years. Suz McDonald Bekkmo and her family spent the Christmas holidays in Atlanta with her family, Scott and Barbara McDonald. Suz lives in Norway and Barbara and Scott flew to Oslo and spent two weeks traveling in Denmark and Sweden with Susan and the family last summer. Janet McDonald is working in Charleston, SC . Andy Hogue and Jessica Ruggeri, as a married couple, give many volunteer hours to community and youth causes, besides holding down their two full time professional jobs in NYC. Tor and Birthe Didriksen are training their pet sheep dog, Leika. Birthe is teaching and Tor still goes to sea as the engineer on a fishing vessel. He also has been elected a town official on his home turf of the Faroe Islands.

**Caroline Harmon Tetreault** reports, "We have landed in Maine in an old farmhouse 10 miles from Popham Beach. Our section of shoreline is lined with pines and hemlocks. The combined scents of fresh water and pine carry me back to my days at Wyonegonic -



Caroline Harmon Tetreault with Wren & Mike



fond days both as a camper and bride. I cannot tell you how much it meant to cross the threshold at Wyo as it offered the perfect combination of natural beauty and family history. Thank you for opening the door ..." Caroline's husband Mike is State Director of The Maine Chapter of The Nature Conservancy. **Erin Roberts** tried her hand at summer Shakepeare. She continues to get on stage experience in works such as "Othello," "the Boyfriend," and "the Rivals."

Susan Eldridge Jakiela has two sons that are both towering over 6 feet. They are active in music and sports. Jean Eldridge Gutsche continues to home-school her two girls who are ranked tennis players and play the cello and viola. Olivia Eyben Fontaine from Belgium says her children are ages 5 & 7. She is teaching yoga part time at a nearby fitness center and her family is going to vacation in India in February.



Wendy Clark Wescott with Eleanor & Chad

On Labor Day weekend, **Wendy Clark Wescott** performed her first wedding ceremony. It took place in the Wyonegonic Pine Grove for **Eleanor Besharov** and her husband Chad. Wendy is working at a local hospice and **David** is renovating "Cuter Mills" in their home town of Warren, RI. Their dog, Cutler, is a Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever, who has filled the empty nest. Their two children, Clark and **Abbie** continue to enjoy working summers at Winona and Wyonegonic. Clark was a successful bat at Winona in 2005.

Betsy Ertman Bahns came to the Seattle Reunion with her two daughters, campers Hannah a 4 year veteran and Sarah who starts in Junior Camp this summer. All three Bahn children are active in their pursuits of music and sports. Liza Jones Hards enjoyed buffet lunch on the Cobb porch with her husband during a summer camp visit. They loved coming back to hear the loons. Liza works at a day camp and has tried to instill Wyo traditions by keeping the spirit alive through music and fun. Abby Burbank has been



traveling for US Lacrosse and International Federation of Lacrosse. She looked up Ida Paring in Copenhagen; and Katie Goldener Brown in Hawaii. Abby owns a home in Denver and is now coaching and teaching art at a private day school until the end of the year. Lisa Brecht completed her MBA at Dartmouth. She traveled out west this summer to Alaska and California where she visited Amanda Bruning. She now works in Boston doing strategy consulting. She had a good visit with Simone Carroll at Wyo in August. Anna Sims Bartel is the new Associate Director of the Harward Center on the Bates College Campus. Anna has a Ph.D. in Comparative Literature from Cornell University. She has recently been at Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa, where she served as Director of Experiential Education and as a faculty member in Liberal Studies. She has much experience teaching in, writing about, and helping to lead community-based education initiatives.

Hannah Edmunds stopped by with her Mom and three young children for buffet lunch on the Cobb Porch. Kara Schlick reports that Karla Henwood Kirby and Carrie Feager Bruhlemann came to her baby shower in Florida. Kara's newborn, Riley, will be heading to Wyo in a few quick years. Karla has been the postproduction editor for the TV Show "A Current Affair." Chris Holtzhauer Mallon continues on with reforestation and stewardship projects on their woodland ranch in the foothills of Washington's Cascade Mountains. Their daughter got married in August, completes her master's degree in the spring and enters the Peace Corp with her husband. Maree Glanville keeps dodging hurricanes on Florida's east coast. She says that replacing screens are an ongoing exercise, as is cooking on the gas grill and reading by lantern light. Tracey Mischka Chaffin completes her 10th year of work in an investment group. She balances work with keeping up with two growing boys and a husband with a Harley. She reports, "This is fun, an addictive ride and

escape." **Madeleine Lang** and her husband live in Bridgton, ME and she is teaching school and expecting their third child. Her husband works at Shawnee Peak Ski Area on Pleasant MT.

**Pam Bucknam** was surrounded by good friends from her CIT year at her wedding last summer. Those attending: Ann White, Carter Woodworth, Callie Knowles, Pam, Elizabeth Chadwick, Catherine Kenney, Martha Stevens and Teresa.



Pam Bucknam

Sue Parr Jocher enjoys the liveliness that daughters Ella and Audie add. The Jocher family lives close by Wyo in South Portland, ME. Elizabeth Hardy Carey has a guartet of children, two of them campers at Wyonegonic. She loves her role as Mom, reading tutor and full time chauffer. She likes to work out near their home in San Diego. They went with her extended Hardy family on a Disney Cruise after Christmas. Sister Kim Hardy Erskine has a son at Winona. Karen Callaghan Rosolowski has started swimming again and won the gold in her age group at the World Masters Championship. Eight year old daughter Rachel is a soccer player and synchronized swimmer. Anne Elwell visited in the Lubrano's new home on Moose Pond and Carol enjoyed catching up on all the Hingham news around the dinner table. Stacy Lubrano Lamson skied Pleasant MT during school vacation week with her family.



Lise Edelberg and family

Lise Edelberg and her husband send holiday greetings with three toddlers on their knees.



Jen Blakemann and her husband bought a home in Boise, ID. She enjoys motherhood. Ginny Geyer was last seen in Cambridge, MA at Pam Cobb's wedding. Ginny along with Diane Smith, Susie Sudduth Hammond, Carol Sudduth, Steve Sudduth, Phil Cobb, Ginny (Cobb) and Page Thibodeaux with daughter Nan and daughter-in-law, Kathy enjoyed this festive occasion in May 2005. Karena **Preston** writes that after many dry years, Perth Australia received some much needed rain. Karena hopes to see more photos in the loon as people do change in 10 years. Jean Jordan **Ussery** sends greetings to the campers of 1976. "My memories of that summer at Wyongeonic continue to bless me." She is sure she will return some year to Family Camp with some of her tribe of four children and grandchildren. She and the family spent the holidays in South Africa where her daughter works. Betsy Jones Macomber welcomed home son Jim from Iraq. He is no longer active in the military. She continues to teach physical education and also co-directed the school musical "Of Thee I Sing." Daughter Heather Macomber continues with medical school studies and is enjoying her med school rotations. They live in Philadelphia and are expecting their first child in May.



Abbey & Ryan Atwood

**Debbie Atwood** reports that her design business is flourishing; Ryan continues to become a more qualified naval aviator and **Abbey** completes her master's degree in teaching at UVA. The family spent the holidays in Salt Lake City.

**Rebecca Cannom** is a general surgery resident at the Univeristy of Southern California. She graduated from Georgetown Medical School last Spring. **Hannah Cannom** graduates from UCLA Law School in May. She plans a summer wedding and will be joining a law firm in Los Angeles in the Fall. **Ean Cuthbert** and his wife Jenny have established Rocking C Day Camp in Brimfield, IL. They also offer riding lessons

during the year and have built an indoor arena. Dillon, age 5 is all boy and loves trucks and tractors; Mackenzie, age 4 loves pre-school and horses. Kathy Lubrano Robinson has a high-energy dog she is schooling in highperformance agility training. She loves being back in Providence, RI, her college town. Anna Croll wrote from Santiago, Chile where she studied last summer. She went camping with some students and earned the nickname "campercroll" as she put Wyo skills and tricks to use - pitching the tent, making gorp, and spear heading the outdoor cooking. Her friends were impressed and she loved the memories of picking M&Ms out of the treasured gorp. **Marcy Spaulding** is living in Breckinridge, CO where she teaches skiing. She also works for the Town of Breckenridge Day Camp Program. Last summer, she was hopeful of starting a "Junior Counselor" program for ages 12-15 year olds. Lisa Krause writes from Ko Samui, Thailand that she and her husband love their travels with international cuisine tastings along the way. They are expecting a child soon. Valeria Rosa is now in London and attributes her American accent to her years at Wyonegonic. Valeria is from Italy. Susie Sudduth Hammond ran into Sarah Rebick in Cambridge, MA. Sarah is still teaching at Northfield Mt Hermon and took a group of kids to New Orleans for two weeks and did volunteer work with Habitat. Jenny Shultz Schad enjoys singing camp songs to her baby daughter and has visions of them sharing memories upon her first summer at camp. Chuck and Peggy Steward are spending more time on "Alert," depending on where the winds blow. They are both involved with grandchildren, writing and photography. Becky and Roger Parsons have one son in the Peace Corp, one newly married, and one a Junior at Bowdoin.

Martine Conley Twito spent a night at Wyonegonic as she showed her husband Bruce and baby Max one of her favorite places. The Twitos kindly hosted our Seattle gathering in their home in early January.



Martine Conley Twito



Edie Sonne and Barky

# Births

<u>Wren</u> to Caroline Harmon and Mike Tetrevault

<u>Sarah</u> to Cynthia Gutman Morgan 12/04

Jillian Louise Mauren to Sarah Sudduth 3/17/05

<u>Riley Parker</u> to Kara Schlick and DeanTrask 6/12/05

Jacquline Michele Ordway to Laura Ordway & Stephan 11/05

<u>Cecilia Goodwin</u> to Sarah Moran Goodwin and Ben 12/20/05

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Elizabeth Atwood to Barbara Atwood Cobb 6/04

> <u>Sophia Rose</u> to Joy Spiller Milo 5/04

<u>Melina Fox Gao Yang</u> adopted by Joanne McGovern





**Jeff Twiss** taught tennis in Wyonegonic's senior camp in 1980-81. He married Sarah Hitchcock Twiss (Wyonegonic's Swim Director) whom he met at the University of Vermont. Their daughter Lindsay returns for her  $9^{th}$  summer at Wyonegonic. Lindsay's participation has been a wonderful excuse for Jeff and Sarah to visit annually and soak up a little of the pine scent from Wyonegonic's acreage.

While at the University of Vermont, one of Jeff's faculty advisors was Jean Condon who had been a sailing counselor at Wyo in 1960. The text below was taken from the Vermont Quarterly.

"In an advising session toward the end of his UVM years, Condon asked Twiss a strategic question: "What happens if you don't get a teaching job?" Jeff would have gotten a job teaching tomorrow - good people always get jobs," she says, " but there were so many other interests burning in his gut" she wanted him to consider.

To open him to new possibilities, she asked Twiss to write down his dreams on one side of a sheet of paper and the reality of how to get there on the other.



Lucas Sudduth with sister Ellia Grace

What a birthday present Lucas Sudduth received from **David and Becky Long Sudduth**. Sister Ellia Grace was born on his second birthday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2006. All are well and happy in Denver, CO. **Susie Sudduth Hammond** flew to Colorado to help with her niece and nephew before a weekend of skiing with her husband Tom at Keystone Ski Resort.

Congrats to Elaine Harvey on early acceptance to St. Lawrence University; Sarah Gillis to Smith College; Elizabeth Shribman to Dartmouth College; Cat Patterson to Hobart/William Smith; and Ellen Benveniste to University of Pennsylvania. There will be more college entry news in April ... Ellen reports that she will stay in DC this summer to help her family move even though she had an awesome summer as a counselor last year. Sarah, Elizabeth, Cat and Taya all came to the staff ski weekend at the Sudduth Farmhouse in January. Taya Gasperini has just returned from "We had such a good talk about dreams," she says. "He thought in very small terms - maybe working in a sports information office at a small college." Condon knew he was a Celtics fan, so she asked how he'd like to work in the front office for the team. "He didn't think he'd ever be able to do (that) but he was willing to listen to me."

Condon made a cold call to the Celtics and miraculously landed Twiss an internship. "He was so wide-eyed, sponging everything up, and so excited," she says.

After graduating from UVM, Twiss got a teaching job at Randolph High School in central Vermont. After a few years, he again felt the pull of a life in professional sports. A master's degree program in sports management at the University of Massachusetts led to a second internship with the Celtics.

It was the fall of 1981 when Twiss was at the end of that internship. He was driving Red Auerbach home from a preseason game in Providence when the coach asked. 'How'd you like to work for the Celtics?' "He was reliable, sincere, and direct," Auerbach, ever the judge

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a trip to Italy and Greece with a group from her high school. Taya has acceptances to the University of Vermont and Maine.

Keziah Beal qualified for several swim events at the State Championship level in Washington. Mom, **Barb Trafton** writes, "Looks like a great swim season for Keziah." Rachel Kelly is teaching as a special educator at Cushing Academy, a resident boarding school in Ashburnham, MA. Rachel is happy to be back in New England. Shannon Taylor is excited to enter the work place in the field of adolescent obesity therapy through her new job working for Healthy Living Academies. She will be at their boarding school in California and working as a program director at their summer camp program in North Carolina. Jill Gasperini is a nurse at Lexington High School three days a week. In early March, she successfully accomplished a huge volunteer job for the Educational Foundation. She headed up the event that raises funds for the Lexington Schools. Michele Nowak-Wright and her family are moving to London at the end of summer. They spent February vacation week in London catching up with husband Jim who has preceded them for his new job. Donna Patterson will continue to commute from Philadelphia to Maine each week to work in our Health Center three days a week. Donna expects her broken elbow will be healed enough to enjoy her kayak paddles on Moose Pond. Aislinn Smith plays rugby at Smith when she is not studying. During January term, she resided in NYC to study set/lighting design. Vicki DeCarlo has just returned from a trip out of the country. She writes, "I would absolutely LOVE to come back to Wyonegonic,

of basketball talent, recalls. "I thought he'd be a good addition to the Celtics staff."

25 years later Jeff juggles the myriad of details that go with his job as Vice President of Media Relations for the Boston Celtics. The



Jeff Twiss

job has its challenges but those who know Jeff say "he is the nicest guy in the building". Overwhelming evidence says that Twiss is well-liked because he is genuine, considerate to a fault, and makes a habit of going out of his way to help others. With professional athletes, Twiss' people skills are put to the ultimate test. However, as we all know, the smile is always there and his sincere offer to help ever-present. His dream leads on ...

but I will be busy working with Operation Smile this summer. I am hoping to work with them for another two years, then return to grad school. Please give everyone at camp my best."

Katherine Abbey is going to France this summer. She hopes to be a Wyonegonic counselor very soon. Lucie Eichlerova and Tomas Velich send everyone greetings from Prague. They enjoyed visits from Si Carroll and Liz Newnham. Lucie has started a new job. Her position requires her to communicate with people, make calls and make orders with partners all over the world. It means she has to use English and German language. So she is glad to do this job until she finds something more creative. She writes that it is great experience and practice. Tomas continues with his landscaping business. In the off season, he has time to hike and use his new snow shoes in the mountains. Lucie writes, "we got an E-mail from **Kerri Hurdich** last week. We are going to meet her in Prague. We can't wait to see her again. It is always awesome to see anyone from the Wyo family in Prague".

Amy Dawel is seeing Europe as a tour manager - Rome, Monaco and more. This will be her second summer working as a Contiki Tour Director in Europe. She recently enjoyed some skiing in Austria and is spending a few weeks visiting family and friends in Australia before returning to work in Europe. Abbie Wescott is a wilderness instructor at an outdoor therapy program for adolescent girls, New Horizons, daughters at risk, in northern Maine. She enjoyed skiing with her brother Clark on her February birthday.



Katie Goldener Brown and Mill are returning for Family Camp with their two boys, Miles and Kekoa. Miles internalizes camp in so many ways - sings the songs and wants to eat in the Cobb every day for meals. The Browns are enjoying life in Hawaii and Mill's military duty has been reassigned to stay on the island. Their long range goal is to be living and practicing in Maine.



Miles and Keoka Brown

Tanya Louise "Starsky" Jakomis is hoping to return in 2007. Currently, she has started her own business and must see it through this first year. In May, Olga Sukhachova will finish her schooling and be a young teacher of Russian literature and language. After finishing a three week experience volunteering at World Camps, a camp in Africa for those with HIV. Simone Carroll returned to Australia immediately to help her widowed sister-in-law and nephews. Si has recently bought her first house and is starting a new job working for Joblink. This is a non profit organization that delivers a range of programs for unemployed youth and youth at risk. Youth Pathways works closely with local high schools to identify kids who have trouble with mainstream education and finds alternatives for learning. Good luck Si! Please enjoy Si's account of her African Experience. Kathleen Gagan Hawes travels to New Hampshire to watch Megan in swim meets at Exeter Academy. Son Walter is now getting the itch to follow in his sister's footsteps. Kathleen looks forward to her return as Intermediate Unit Director.

Maggie Lloyd is going to spend the summer in Boulder, CO. She wants to take some business classes that do not fit into her regular academic schedule at Bates. Hilary Robinson writes that they had a wonderful family vacation to Costa Rica for the holidays. "I have returned to Princeton and exams. I am also in the midst of trying to pack and prepare myself for my departure to Cape Town S. Africa". Jane Sitarz will stay in her apartment on "the Cape" in Massachusetts and take care of her personal and professional needs this summer. She has had an amazing first year of teaching. Sarah Rackliffe writes from Utah that she is working as a preschool teacher in Salt Lake City. The kids are three and four and she loves the age. **Elizabeth** "Zab" Shultz is living 15 minutes away and continues to lead wilderness trips. **Ben Ricketts** is in town also. He is currently working for Second Nature.

Abbey Atwood successfully competed in a marathon for AIDs Awareness. She graduates this spring with a masters in teaching from the University of Virginia and is researching jobs teaching on the West Coast and Internationally. IF at all possible, she wants to navigate a return to Junior Wyonegonic too. Judy Hopp said Maddie and Taylor display great talent at their dance recitals. Taylor was a star at her Bat Mitzvah and took a two week trip to China with her aunt. Maddie returns for her 8th summer at Wyonegonic. Allie Clark is majoring in environmental science with a minor in archeology at the University of Vermont. She camped out in Northern Australia the summer of 2004. Georgia Harris is eager to return to camp after finishing her degree at University in June. Vanja Hoglund is experiencing the long dark days of winter in Sweden but she says school is going well. This summer she might work in Oslo although she is tempted to travel to South Africa. Angela Brown who lives in Vero Beach, FL is looking forward to directing Junior Camp and her return to New England this summer. Her three daughters have a band, "The Brown Sisters." They sing country and folk songs and accompany themselves with a guitar, mandolin and ukulele. The band has really taken off the last few months in Vero since they were lucky enough to sing the National Anthem before a Red Sox game at Fenway Park last April. It will be nice having the Brown sister's share their talents at T-P Point and around the campfire this summer.

Alex Johnson is at a pre-college, model high school in Atlanta, GA. They are offering selected students some unique opportunities which will facilitate their entry into college and a career choice. Alex will miss her CIT year but she has many wonderful memories at Wyonegonic and its many valuable benefits. We hope she will be back as a counselor some day. Hannah Judge and her Dad took a mountain bike trip along the Swiss/Italian border at the end of summer. Then Hannah traveled on to the states where she arrived in Maine in time for Candlenight to pick up her little sister Kate. This summer Hannah will be a CIT. Jody and Howie Howard report that Jody is teaching and they have just bought a house in Wanaka, New Zealand. Howie is working in an outdoor store, Mainly Tramping, and the owners love his expertise. Howie spends his spare hours as a ski bum. The Howards hope to come collect their stored trunks in the Wyo Wiggie one of these years. Suz Cossey is back in NZ. She works as a travel agent and is planning a trip to Egypt with her boyfriend next fall. She has seen Louise Fowler and Andy Williamson.

Megan Frame was able to go on an Outward Bound Trip in Washington which was a "truly priceless and unforgettable adventure. I challenged myself in so many ways and met a great group of people along the way. It gave me a lot of perspective in my life and helped me to appreciate everything I have been given." This summer Megan will stay at the Greek Farm School in Greece that involves human service projects and a chance to see the world. She writes, "It's hard for me to express what an impact Wyo has had on my life. The people I met at camp and the confidence I gained as a result have helped me with everything I go through on a daily basis. I am so thankful I decided to become a part of the big family at Moose Pond and I hope to return again at some point as a counselor".

Anastasia Campion had a summer job working at the U2 concert in Dublin. She misses Wyo. Kata Kiss writes from Budapest that she arranged to visit her good camp friend Cynthia Abulafia in Istanbul. Abbey King was honored to be invited as an Assistant Counselor at Wyo this summer. She writes, "It is a great privilege but unfortunately I am going to have to pass this opportunity up. I am doing a wilderness training program with Camp Kieve, called Kieve West in Colorado for the month of July, and I am going to be college visiting as well. Thanks again!" Claire King writes that Wyonegonic has been

a large part of her life and has allowed her to pursue her passions in singing, drama, swimming, windsurfing and trips. Helen Snodgrass enjoys her classes at Stanford; sister Annie is in Boston working for a consulting firm; sister Virginia is living in Austin, TX taking classes for her PHD in Political Science. **Steph Farnham** was surprised at the lack of snow in Switzerland during the holidays. She is teaching abroad and finds it different but exciting. Whitney **Jamison** is teaching in Baltimore and reports, "Wyo has touched my life in a way that I never could have imagined when I first arrived in 1994. The friends that I have made and the opportunities that it provided are uncomparable; and I was glad to be a part of making it an incredible summer for the campers this year." Lauren Gremelspacher is working in the Boston area and skiing in Vermont on weekends when time allows.

Sanne de Jong from the Netherlands will return as our sailing master and be a part of Junior Camp. Sanne has traveled since camp and is now working at a ski hotel in the Czech Republic. Lindsey Sherf is off and running at Harvard University. All those jogs out the lower road and down the Farmhouse Lane have paid off. Catherine Huang writes from Taiwan about her positive experience at Wyo working in the kitchen. She thanks everyone for helping her learn and grow out of her shyness. Natalie Hannon works in the markéting department for her family business in Pennsylvannia. She is looking into new options for the summer or fall and wants to work in a city environment surrounded by people her age. Elise Barclay just landed a



great job in Scotland so she will not be returning to camp in 2006. She loves getting letters from her campers. Wyo stories were flying on a recent, three-day hiking trip in Australia where Jen Lound, Lucy Willis and Andrea Taylor met up for a mini Wyo reunion. Jen is working at a camp in Outback Australia for school groups and loves putting her Wyo canoe and ropes skills to good use. She teaches from a motor boat, 30:1 ratio, has no kids in her cabin but does have electricity. She concludes, " this is no where near as special as Wyonegonic or as beautiful as the shores of Moose Pond where I hope to return some year soon." Lucy sends her greetings from a hot and sunny Sydney. Thank you for assisting at the CCÚSÁ Sydney Fair, Lucy. Andy is applying for a variety of outdoor education jobs that could land her in New Zealand, the Great Barrier Reef or taking school kids on overseas trips! Emily Trafton loves her school work, dance, piano and chorus. On weekends she skis in the alpine program at Sugarloaf.

Tanya Sibincic writes that she has enjoyed some winter skiing and hopes to teach tennis at Wyo someday in the near future. She will be in Europe for the summer of 2006. Julie Burke took a bus from Toronto to Boston and then came to Maine to enjoy the Wyo Winter Staff Weekend in January. She loved snowshoeing around camp and is now hooked on snow! She is taking over the management of a hostel in Toronto this Spring before returning to the Wyo sail-dock this summer. Silke Schick will graduate this spring and is looking for a job and a move to a new town in Germany - destination TBA. Irene **Costandius Loedolff** writes from South Africa that Wyo is often on her mind and recently she dragged out her Wyo photos. Pook Phakdee is an assistant registrar at a school in Thailand with 1000 students. It is tiring but enjoyable work. She hopes to start her Master's Degree in Human Resource Management this spring. Kristen Chapman is working as a Social Worker for an inhome, counselor program called Families First in Michigan. "We work with families who are at risk for losing their children to foster care for a variety of reasons (i.e. drug abuse, domestic violence, neglect). Wyo was an amazing summer to spend working so close to nature and without the conveniences we are all used at home. The staff was amazing. I have met several life-time friends. Also, working so closely with children and seeing them grow in confidence over the summer was very rewarding and I was sad to see them go." **Chris Schiller** has landed in Cork, Ireland for the time being. His last epistle was the week before Christmas and he was recovering from the shock of a city and holiday bustle. Liliana Puentes conveys that she is studying French in France and will start a master's program in September. She will spend her summer in Europe. Katie Curtis writes from Colby College that she might return to rowing

camps this summer. Also, "I've applied to grad schools for geology and I will probably start my research. I often think back fondly of the great summers I had at camp".

Janet Hogg was married in Thailand and Wyo friend Tash Wilcox was in attendance. Tash also enjoyed the beach and a tour while in Thailand. Mayya Vysotina says the winter in Siberia has been particularly cold – a fur coat and warm cup of tea saves her day. Susie Hammond and Steve Sudduth attended an American Camp Conference in Chicago and met up with Sarah Kelsey and Inger Krueger. Sarah is working for UBS in Chicago and Inger is finishing up her Library Science degree.



Barb & Jeff Hollis with daughter Jen & grandchildren Topher, Lauren LInda & Cameron.

Shantrel Lindorff and Brad Elias met in the Melbourne area and shared Wyo stories recently. Lenka Haluskova is working for a growing company and says the winter in the Czech Republic has been beautiful and snowy. Tuija Hirvi plans to travel to the United States this April for a visit and is planning her summer wedding in Finland. She and her sister continue to add horses to their stable and equine business. Nell Condon is looking for summer internships and hopes to visit her sister. Margaret Morris reports that Catherine is happy at Hotchkiss and is a ranked tennis player in New Engand for the 16 and unders. Catherine will play in a few national tournaments this summer. Sarah Ewing loved her 5 weeks in Ghana through Experiment in International Living. Sarah Mack admits she is hooked on the magic of Wyo. She writes, "even though it is 24 hours a day it is so regarding to know the girls and take out trips."

Karen Grey is happy to have her daughter, Jessica, back from Iraq and her National Guard duty there. Chris Wentworth and Steve Sudduth have taken turns driving the snow plow truck this winter. Fortunately the lack of snow allows them to focus on other facets of preparing for our 105<sup>th</sup> summer such as trip planning, purchasing and running the business. Hilary Barhydt misses her summers on Moose Pond and camp but her two growing high school boys need Mom close by at this time of their life. She and Dutch hope to return for Family Camp. Amanda McKown shares that she is working in San Francisco now at a wonderful design firm called IDEO, that she loves, but doesn't allow for summer sabbaticals to Wyonegonic. Sarah Cloud reports she will be working at a camp in the Ozark Mountains in Arkansas for a week; then taking her cross country team to a camp in the Smoky Mountains. She will then travel Europe for 3 weeks before returning to St George's Independent School in Collierville, TN. Mary Felton will be changing teaching jobs next year.

Jenn Hollis Perkins walked through Wyonegonic during vacation week with her kids. They were surprised at the lack of snow but loved the adventure. The kids were surprised by the quiet and peacefulness.

Julie Valka is working on her master's in public health at Yale and preparing for MCAT exams to apply for med school programs. Meg Glausser is currently in the southwest and hopes to spend some time traveling in Canada soon. We hope these travels lead her to Maine for a summer at Wyonegonic. Josh Guerra is a professional lifequard on the Hawaiian beaches. He spends his breaks on his surfboard. What a life! Lindsay Conny Luetje enjoys her teaching in Bethel, ME and has figured out how to spend some time on the ski slopes of Sunday River. Greg Luetje is managing ski rentals and retail at the Sunday River Ski Area. Carolyn Findeisen graduates from Colby College this spring. She hopes to teach in a traditional classroom or outdoor education setting after her return to Wyonegonic. Tasha Rosener will spend the summer in Colorado with her niece and nephew. Tasha spends the school year at Bates and is on the diving team. Anna Skeele continues to play ice hockey at Bates. After spring vacation, Anna hopes to work in an independent school. Jocelyn Buly is completing her freshman year at Cornell and might return to Wyonegonic as a counselor. Jess Scalzi will be a Pooh Corner counselor. She attends the University of New Hampshire. Her sister Mel Scalzi is completing her freshman year at Wheaton College and will also work as a counselor this summer. Shea Powell has been working for AMC at Pinkham Notch teaching ecology and leading adult hiking and mountaineer trips. Shea may return to her native California to work on a redesign for an exhibit at the San Diego zoo. Annie Glausser is learning about plant physiology and phenomenology. She is thinking about trying for a double major in Environmental Studies and Literature, which means Santa Cruz, CA this summer for more classes. "I definitely miss Moose Pond, though".



Simone Carroll was a Wyo counselor in 1996-97. She then worked for Australia Outward Bound for eight years. Last summer she returned to direct Senior Wyonegonic. Before returning to Australia she traveled Eastern Europe and volunteered at an African Camp. Her accounts of this experience follow.



I have just returned from South Africa where I volunteered as a counselor at Camp Sizanani, World Camps. Wow what an experience, I would like to share a little bit of it with you and thank each camper who helped make the difference to the life of Lungile, the camper Wyonegonic sponsored.

Firstly to give a little background, during the summer of 2005 many Senior Wyonegonic Campers watched a presentation given by the founder of World Camps, Phil Lilienthal. As a Unit we were touched by the experience that other girls were having in South Africa at a camp for those affected by HIV/AIDS. All the campers who attend are sponsored as financially their families could not afford the cost of camp. A lot of the girls would live in a house that would consist of 2 to 3 rooms where up to 15 people may live.

Camp Sizanani, is a Zulu word for "to help each other". Camp is a secure place where the girls can have fun yet also learn life skills to equip them for the future. It costs US\$500 for one camper to attend for a 10 day session. After the presentation at Wyo campers rallied together to set the goal of raising \$500 to sponsor a camper. The campers did this by reducing waste around camp (turning off lights to save power, reusing their paper cups, taking 1 napkin rather than 3, sending a sensible amount of clothing to the laundry to save power) and giving up their candy line.

Cabín "

So in November I headed to South Africa and was surrounded by 140 spirited girls and 25 staff from the township of Soweto. I was truly touched by their zest and love for life despite the difficulties that life had so far presented to them. South Africa has the largest number of people living with HIV/AIDS. 5.3 million people are HIV positive which equates to 1 in 5 people.

The magic of camp filled these girls spirits, they sang with the most beautiful voices, laughed so loud, danced like you have never seen and appreciated every piece of food on their plate. It was a delight to be in the company of these girls who were so grateful for being at camp. Once camp is over the girls are able to reconnect with camp friends through a fortnightly youth group called Kids Club which is based in their local community.

If anyone would like more information on this great organization the website is www.worldcamps.org

Kiyi and here's to a great summer in 2006 Simone (Si) Carroll

### Letter from Lungile Dingwayo, the camper Wyonegonic sponsored for World Camps, Camp Sizanani Nov/Dec 2005

My name is Lungile and my surname is Dingwayo. I live in Orlando East in Soweto, South Africa. I am a fifteen year old girl. I have heard of the good thing that Wyonegonic Camps has done for me. You have made my holiday nice and enjoyable. What I learned is that you must know how to share, communicate, respect, focus and make new friends. You know you guys you did a great job helping me. I loved all the things we did here.

We wake up at 5 O'clock and go and have a shower, then at 8 O'clock we eat breakfast. There was this thing of getting numbers from one to eleven for each cabin. So every time we ate we would run to the dining room to be number one which would mean we would eat first. After eating we go to either sport or nature. In nature we talk about nature and its belongings. In sport we would do exercise and then play netball or volleyball. Then we go to life skills. In life skills I learnt a lot about HIV/AIDS. We talked about this. I enjoyed this activity because I now know things I didn't know. So it was great.

After that we go to adventure where we played wonderful games which were not just for fun but they were educational. We learnt to share and communicate with each other in a good way. I would like to improve on not cheating. I learnt that sometimes you have to take risks in order to survive and to trust my team mates, they were like sisters.

Then we do the same thing we do at breakfast, run to be number one and if you are number eleven you are going to be the joke and it means your cabin will eat last. After eating the nice food we go to our cabins and share problems, chat, solve problems that we can and try and understand each other.

Then we prepare ourselves to go to arts and crafts, swimming, drama/drum or dance. In arts and crafts we learn how to make things that can be attractive and then we move onto the next period. Swimming, oh it is my best. We learnt how to swim and I was the best of them all. Bev and Celiwe, vochelis (counselors) for swimming told me I must go and train for being a life guard and a junior vocheli for swimming because I did very well.

They also told me to talk to Michelle who oversees the camp and they will let her know that I am a good young swimmer at Camp Sizanani. They are so impressed with me and I am too.

Then I went to drama where I was in a play and I learnt you must not do the wrong things in order to survive or impress your



friends. Because when you are in trouble you know that when days are dark friends are few. Then we went to our last meal for the day, dinner. After dinner we have entertainment.

This camp is the best holiday I ever had in my life. My best vocheli's are Si, Celiwe, Mpho, Tumi, Jackey, Lebo, Lee, Ntskikie and Faith. My cabin counselors are Si and Tinyiyo. I enjoyed being in cabin i. My friends are Busi, Bontle, Nhlantila, Precious, Promise, Khumo, Delane, Hazel, Twana, Mpho, Tsakane, Malehlaka. I enjoyed their support, care, friendship, protection, company and many things. Everything was perfect.

Lungile and Si





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### INTERMEDIATE CAMP (6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades)

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CITs (11™ and 12™ grades)

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# ASSISTANT COUNSELORS (12<sup>TH</sup> grades and graduates)

Kaitlin Dillon Rockville MD Megan Fields Chatham NJ Emma Robson, Westport CT Suzanne Simon Princeton NJ Lindsay Twiss Reading MA Melissa Wirth Yarmouth ME





### What others are saying . . .

"Family camp... is where my children learned independence and responsibility, and where we have, for the last 17 years, experienced the rewards of lifetime friendships, and the joy of having unabated fun."

"... The experience is renewing every year, and a spiritual high that lasts from August to August."

"The children love the freedom of going to their favorite activities and we adults feel free to pick and choose how active we want to be. My sister and I especially love to come together with our children for a fun, low-stress time in a beautiful and memorable place!"

### Family Camp Program

Family Camp offers two different types of programs; staff led activities and those that you can do by yourself. All boating activities require a swim evaluation.

### Staff led activities

- Swimming
- Sailing
- Water skiing (age 11 and up)
- Sail boarding (age 11 and up)
- Archery
- Crafts
- Canoe day trip
- Ropes Course (age 11 and up)
- Pleasant Mountain hike
- Evening programs for all ages

### Activities

- Canoeing, rowing, funyaks
- Tennis
- Volleyball
- Fishing (license required)
- Basketball
- Hiking

### **Extra Fee Activities**

Horse riding

### Places of interest for nearby day trips

- Freeport (11/4 hours)
- Portland area beaches (1 hour)
- North Conway (1/2 hour)
- Mt Washington/White Mtns (1 hour)

### Family Camp Fees and Dates

Fees are shown, per individual, per session. There is a reduced fee for Juniors (age 5-10) and Seniors (over 65). There is no charge for children under age 5. No adjustments are made for people arriving late or departing early.

	<u>Adult</u>	Age 5-10/Seniors
<u>Session I:</u>	\$180	\$90
Dates:	Aug 18 lunch	- Aug 21 breakfast
<u>Session II:</u>	\$240	\$120
Dates:	Aug 21 dinne	r - Aug 25 lunch
Session III:		\$ 60

Dates: Aug 25 dinner – Aug 27 lunch

# There is a housing fee per session in addition to the attendee fees listed above.

Session 1: Cabin - \$150 Tent or Yurt - \$45 Session 2: Cabin - \$200 Tent or Yurt - \$60 Session 3: Cabin - \$100 Tent or Yurt - \$30

The housing fee is required as a deposit with registration. Cancellations after April 15th will forfeit the per session housing fee. 50% of the attendee amount is due April 15th. The remaining 50% of the attendee amount is due July 15th. There are no refunds for cancellations that occur after July 15, 2006.

We encourage you to consider sharing a cabin with friends to reduce overall costs. New families will be assigned housing upon availability.

Registration form available at www.wyonegonic.com

For More Details: WWW.WYONEGONÍC.COM (Family Camp tab)