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# WYONEGONIC Loon



## 2018 SUMMER 2018

### CAMPERS

June 27 - August 14, 2018 • June 27 - July 21 • July 21 - August 14

### FAMILY CAMP

August 17 - 20 • August 20 - 24 • August 24 - 26



# Across the States and Around the World

Dear Friends,

A typical summer for us would include representation from approximately 30 states and 20 different countries. This would be combining our camper and staff population. One of the benefits of a summer at Wyonegonic is to meet people from other places. Camp is a place to share different cultures, traditions, language and music.

Friendships at camp are important and many last well through life's journey. For some campers these friends end up as college roommates or bridesmaids. For staff they are a good excuse to travel and visit. There are many powerful moments that are stimulated through conversations with camp friendships. Often meeting someone or admiring them opens our curiosity and impacts future decisions.

The electronic age has helped us stay in touch with alumnae far away as we live and work in a much more globally connected world. If you are in touch with international friends please tell them they can read a copy of this LOON on our website.

Wyonegonic has alumnus in education: teaching in Korea and Maine, principals in Wales and Belgium, and professors on college campuses. We have alums working in government: the state department, justice department and the UN. We have lawyers in London and California, doctors and nurses in Oregon, North Carolina and Massachusetts. We have recreational managers in Michigan and Australia, coaches in the UK and administrators in professional sports. We have actors and actresses in NYC, Minnesota and California. At one time all were campers at Wyonegonic making friends and often inspired by people they met.

We have 81 international flags hanging in the rafters at the Cobb Dining Hall. We have had campers from all 50 states.

We love the benefits of geographic diversity but find that school calendars have become more challenging with different start and finishing dates. That is one of several reasons that pushed us to make our decision to offer two sessions of camp so we wouldn't lose campers with school date conflicts.

This summer we have Junior Campers that are second and third generation international. Last summer we had a family from Australia figure out a way to have their girls attend a session in spite of school. A few comments from their experience follow.



Maddie Carroll, Libbie Hughes (Iowa) Tegan Germech and Mia Carroll - (Sydney Australia)

*"I loved how everyone was social and hung out together. I now have world wide friends. I left half my heart at Wyo and half is with me back in Australia. "*

*"I loved how warm and caring the camp community was. I liked the activities too . You have changed my life by offering opportunities to me and my sister."*

From Mum: *"Camp has touched the lives of these Aussie girls and given them a sense of connection with our natural world, a confidence to try new things and a lighter heart where joy is found. They treasure their camp memories and friends."*

Do you have connections and want to help us spread the word? Comments like these confirm what we already know, camp can be a powerful experience.

*the Sudduths*



David, Carol, Susie, Steve



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# 2018 Campers (as of April 1)

*We hope to have a robust spring enrolling campers ages 8-11. If you wish to share names of interested friends or contribute to scholarships, we will reach out and make Wyonegonic happen for more children. We are fully enrolled for girls age 12-18. For teens wanting to extend to the seven week session, we have you wait listed and will notify you if we have cancellations.*

Julia Abate	Holly Duigan	Margaret Kunish	Thea Newbold	Leigh Smith
Mariana Andreu	Lila DuPont	Claire Lamb	Sofia Nieves	Shelby Smith
Bettina Angarita	Merrill Eastman	Beulah Landis	Astrid Nigrovic	Whitney Smith
Ines Arguelles	Lilly Ebmeyer	Fabiana Lauria	Sophie Nigrovic	Katia Soares
Nina Arnold	Caroline Ellis	Federica Lauria	Lara Nobleman	Sofia Soares
Campbell Arnone	Lidia Enebral Alonso	Caroline Lauriat	Greta Nordal	Isabella Soderstrom
Ellyson Ash	Sofia Espana	Sophie Lauriat	Petra Nordal	Adelaide Sokol
Sofia Barinskaya	Brooke Estes	Alexandra Lederman	Clara Noyes	Luca Sonne
Madeline Barnett	Lily Evans	Avery Lehman	Aoife O'Connell	Olivia Sonne
Charlotte Bascomb	Sol Fernandez	Elizabeth Lemieux	Olivia Omelczuk	Tess Sonne
Julia Bascomb	Maria Figueirinhas	Jessica Lemieux	Alexis Ordway	Tuleh Sonne
Anabelle Baum	Caroline Frank	Anna Lentz	Jacqueline Ordway	Montana Sousa
Elizabeth Baum	Ines Fraser	Margaret Liddle	Julia Ordway	Frances Spade
Amanda Bell	Ella Fuchs	Rachel Loewy	Stefanie Ordway	Lila Spencer
Devon Bell	Eugenia Galvez	Kylee Logan	Emma O'Shea	Maya Sterntal
Emily Bennitt	Clarissa Garcia	Mckenzie Logan	Skylar Patterson	Charlotte Stevens
Natalie BeVier	Nadia Gatti	Sabra Lorrimer	Lucia Payne	Sydney Stevenson
Ariel Bishop	Nina Gatti	Madeline Love	Karly Pech	Elizabeth Stockwell
Kiran Bishop	Claire Gaudrault	Catherine Lowe	Emma Pedraza	Delphine Streeter
Danica Blix	Camelia Ghadfa	Rosario Lozada	Fiona Pedraza	Ellia Sudduth
Julia Bloch	Callia Gilligan	Mariann Lyons	Lauren Perkins	Anne Sullivan
Florence Bogardus Appleton	Margaret Goldman	Alyson MacDougall	Lucy Persons	Chloe Taft
Uma Boujnah	Anna Goyette	Meg MacLaury	Aili Piper	Stella Targoff
Hana Bradshaw	Page Gutmann	Nicole MacMaster	Ava Posternack	Zoe Targoff
Merrill Bright	Samantha Hale	Harper Magierski	Valerie Preslavska	Noelani Taylor-White
Erin Brooks-Wadham	Azlyn Haley	Margaret Magierski	Millienaysa Quiles	Wren Tetreault
Ashlena Brown	Lilah Haley	Lena Mahar	Caitlin Ramage	Paula Toledano Cabrera
Eleanor Brown	Elsie Hall	Marlena Maleska	Maria Eugenia Ramos	Lucienne Totti
Beatrice Burack	Nolia Hall	Vivienne Maleska	Sophia Reed	Amelia Tovar
Margot Byers	Alexa - Rose Harris	Imogen Mandl-Ciolek	Sylvia Rhodes	Ana Maria Tovar
Rachel Campbell	Julia Hasseltine	Emilia Martinez	Mae Rich	Frances Trafelet
Maeve Cannon	Lily Hays	Honor Matos-O'Neil	Grace Richards	Emma Trapaga
Taber Cannon	Marjorie Heard	Jillian Maurer	Lora Rini	Gabriela Traynor
Isabella Censullo	Lucy Henrich	Sarah Mayhew	Emilia Roeder	Hadley Twichell
Brynn Chaffee	Ryanne Henwood	Brooke McDonald	Louisa Roeder	Genevieve Uhlenbrock
Anna Chan	Grace Hettinger	Tessa McGarry	Morrison-Neale Roper	Amelia Urban
Mina Chan	Sally Higgins	Charlotte McGovern	Tatum Rosemond	Elizabeth Urban
Supriya Chatterjee	Lily Hoff	Melina McGovern	Gabriela Ruiz	Louisa Vanderwell
Audrey Chen	Sophia Hoffman	Anna McNamee	Margaret Ryan	Emilia Vannoni
Abigail Cobb	Henley Horowicz	Kate Megaw	Kate Sacerdote	Maria Clara Vannoni
Elizabeth Cobb	Mazy Howell	Maggie Mersmann	Elisa Sanchez	Violet Vannoy
Caylee Conlin	Helena Hudlin	Annabel Meyer	Olivia Sapper	Aparna Viswanathan
Sophia Conway	Anabel James	Lydia Meyer	Sansara Sarkar	Heather Wallace
Lane Cooper	Zoe Jennings	Adelaide Middleton	Karis Sarkisian	Elise Walters
Charlotte Corcoran	Delaney Jones	Isabelle Monaghan	Ramsey Sarkisian	Abigail Ward
Darya Coronado	Emma Kahle	Chloe Moore	Maggie Schlachter	Katherine Wendler
Paige Crawford	Amanda Kahn	KatieMorgan	Riley Schlick-Trask	Olivia Wentworth
Brooke Cumberland	Dorothy Kearney	Sarah Morgan	Haylee Schwind	Ainslie Whitman
Eliza Dana	Adaline Kearns	Poppy Morley	Greta Senft	Helen Wickett
Tory Dana	Ellory Kearns	Alexandra Morris	Katherine Sexton	Kate Willey
Olivia de Clercq	Mira Kearns	Allison Morse	Catherine Shilling	Katherine Wimmer
Claire de Cordova	Viola Kitchings	Ella Moulton	Zoe Siebert	Valentina Wolffer
Eve de Ranieri	Finlay Kizzier	Sinead Murphy	Ellah Siegel	Natalie Woodson
Camille Devaney	Caroline Klipp-Kaplan	Katherine Murray	Tessa Siegel	Charlotte Wright
Leah Dillon	Ellery Kourepenos	Mary Lee Murray	Abigail Sikorski	Jessica Yardley
Louise Dinnhaupt	Hadley Krehbiel	Leona Myers	Parker Sims	Juliet Young
Jane Doherty	Lily Krehbiel	Emily Nestler	Louise Sloss	Ziheng Zhang
Kate Doherty	Lila Krugler	Adelaide Newbold	Avery Smith	Ella Zweifler
Samantha Dougherty-Rogers				

**Speak to your Friends about the Value of Camp**



# 21st Century - Sudduth Years 2000 - 2018

**Liz Ramsay** has completed her masters in school counseling. She has a wedding date set for April 2018. Matt and **Rachel Kelly Williams** welcomed their third child, Grace in February. **Nolan** and **Eloise** say hi from Rhode Island. The family has moved to Providence RI to be closer to Rachel's family. **Emily Ewing** is working a marketing job in NYC that involves some travel. She ran in the NYC Marathon last fall. Her sister **Sarah Ewing** is married and lives in Rhode Island. **Mia and Cali Salinas** spent the Fall Semester at Chewonki in Wiscasset, ME. This is an alternative outdoor program designed for high school juniors.

**Sabrina Lemar** is working for Norwegian Cruise Lines out of Miami for six months and then plans to return to camp. **Molly Bucknam** is attending Texas Christian University. **Steph Farnham Pulchaski** is trying to figure out how to spend some summertime at Wyo with her family. **Whit Ryan** enjoyed having her two children home for the holidays. Charlie is at the University of California; Berkley and Maggie is at boarding school in Connecticut. They spent March school vacation on the California Coast. **Maggie** also went to Iceland for a week. Whit's brother Dutch and wife **Hilary Barhydt** are currently working at the Webb School in Claremont CA. They are also enjoying their new role as grandparents.

**Alison Johnston** is a media planner at Digital Bi North America, based in New York City. **Eleonore vagh Weinmann** is in New York City attending a fashion design school this semester. Elo came to Maine and enjoyed a winter walk through Wyo and a stay at the Sudduth Farmhouse. She was accompanied by **Gaby Omelczuk**. Gaby left February 1 for a semester abroad in Australia. She is an architect major at Cornell. **Isabelle Omelczuk**, who will be on staff at Wyonegonic for 2018, is a freshman at the University of Texas.

**Sara Stockwood** is getting married in July. She loves her job in Kalamazoo MI where she takes college freshmen to the Adirondacks the month of August for orientation trips. Sara has her SOLO WFA instructor and is certified to teach American Canoe instruction. She hopes to bring these skills to Wyo Staff training and Trip Leader orientation when her

calendar allows. **Jenn Stockwood** is starting a 5-year doctorate program in psychology and lives in Somerville MA.

**Jill Gasperini** continues as head of nursing for the Lexington MA Public Schools. During school vacations, she returns to the Pacific Northwest where her Dad and three siblings reside in Tacoma WA. Jill also enjoyed a National Geographic photography cruise to Alaska in August. A shout out and thanks to the **Bell family** in Austin TX for hosting a reunion in December. **Amanda** will be returning to camp. **Abbey Atwood Esposto** seeks out new adventures with her family, Ryan, Clark and Russell. They love being near Abbey's parents (Bill and **Debbie Atwood**) and brother Ryan's family.



*Lindsey Scherf Wyonegonic - 1998, 2000 - 2002  
New World Record Women's Indoor Marathon - March 17, 2018*

**Lindsey Scherf** is the new world record holder for women's indoor marathon. On March 17 she ran the 26.2 (211 laps) in 2 hours, 40 minutes and 55 seconds at the New York Armory. Lindsey says, "It takes patience and perspective . . ." In early April Lindsey is entering a 56K ultra marathon in South Africa. Lindsey is a veteran when it comes to breaking records. At 11, she set American records in both the 5k (17:44) and 8k (29:21). She holds records at Scarsdale High School and Harvard University. Nearly 20 years later in 2016 during an eight-day span in December, Lindsey recorded a win in the Standard Chartered Singapore Half Marathon (a course-record 1:14.29) and then a runner-up showing in the ever-demanding Honolulu Marathon. Lindsey also earned the title Rock 'n' Roll Half Marathon Grand Prix 2014 champion when she captured both the St. Louis and Las Vegas Rock 'n' Roll Half Marathon races. Lindsey splits her time living between New York and San Francisco.

While running, Lindsey bumped into fellow Wyonegonic Alums **Tasha Rosener Friedell** and **Liz Staley** in Boulder CO at a road race and **Andy Hogue** in a track club workout in New York City. **Uncle Andy** (her running partner while at Wyo) was honored to be holding the tape at the finish line when she broke the world record. **Andy** and **Jessica Ruggeri**, who work in New York City find time to climb mountains in New Hampshire with their two children. Will, their son, returns to Winona.

**Pip Mitchell** is now working in Australia but hopes to return to Wyo in a few years. **Claire O'Connell** brings her twins, **Patrick** and **Preston** to Shawnee Peak on Pleasant Mountain for a ski adventure twice a winter. Both boys participate in local basketball leagues. **Lindsay McAuliffe** is enjoying Harvard University and spends many extracurricular hours acting and participating in the theater. **Emma Scornavacchi** is also at Harvard. **Ryan** and **Sadie Fowler** love their animals in Sweden ME, even on cold winter days when animal care is so needed and appreciated. **Emma Battey** is starting a job in San Diego with Road Rebel Entertainment! While raising her two toddlers, Caroline and Gus, **Claire Schreiber** is doing bookkeeping at home three days a week. The family enjoyed several

camping trips last summer. **Lila Gaudrault** is pleased that her younger sister, **Claire** is an eager camper starting her days at Junior Wyonegonic.

**Sallie Hardy** missed a white Christmas as she remains in Australia. She hopes to reunite with Wyo family soon. News of the **Hentz family**: **Parker** graduated from Lehigh University; **Maeve** studied art history in Rome but is now at University of Denver; **Molly** is at NYU getting her master's; **MC** is married and bought a home in L.A.

Jack and **Anne Kearns Fields** sold the family home and now live in a nearby condo. Anne continues as director of nursing at her school. **Meg McTurk Lemieux** enjoys working at camp and having her three children involved as campers. This will be Meg's 10<sup>th</sup> summer at Wyo. **Jed** and **Louise Palmer** visited Denmark to join key staff friends for New Years. They are training their rescue lab, Bronco. Louise's parents visited from England and spent a night with Larry and **Karen Grey**. Jed skied

**Do you like to write? Blog writers wanted for our website.**

# 21st Century - Sudduth Years 2000 - 2018

Shawnee Peak. **Mill** and **Katie Goldener Brown** and boys spent Christmas week off the island of Hawaii at their Maine cottage on Moose Pond. The family also skied Shawnee Peak. Mill and Katie entertained the **Cobbs, Perkins, Palmers, Jenkins, Greys, and Sudduths** as we cheered on the New England Patriots New Years' Eve. **Jenn Hollis Perkins** is returning as program director and daughter **Lauren** will be a CIT. **Linda** will teach lifeguarding in June. This Alabama family was treated to a below zero week of Maine weather during their New Years visit.

**Jacqui Ordway** is happy when her sister **Steffi** comes home on occasional weekends from Gould Academy. **Lise Edelberg Nigrovic**, camp doctor, and her family have enjoyed some New England skiing this winter. **Astrid, Sophie and Lise** will return to camp and Ben will be a CIT at Winona. **Lila DeStefano Smith** and three camper girls came to the Greenwich Reunion. This year their brother Nicky will join them on Moose Pond as a Winona camper.

**Susie Sudduth Hammond** and Tom spent February vacation in Colorado. **Natalie and Carter** skied two days at Breckenridge as they stayed at **Becky and David Sudduths** house. Cousins Lucas and **Ellie** enjoyed the company. The **Hammonds** also visited the **Espostos, Sami Sudduth, and Gretchen Leboutier Woods**. The **David Sudduths** combined a recruiting trip with sightseeing in the Seattle area. They also visited with cousin **Grace Hettinger** and her family.

**Kelley Hardon** works in DC doing digital work for DCCC, NE Region of 2018 congressional races. **Kayleigh Kearns** two oldest, Garret and **Ellory** have competed in Nordic ski events representing the state of NH. The family visited Colorado colleges in November. After looking at colleges **Ellory, Mira and Garret** skied at A-Basin in Summit County and joined cousin **David Sudduth** and his family, **Becky, Lucas and Ellie** for Thanksgiving. Other family members at the Thanksgiving table were cousin, **Sami Sudduth** from Denver with her boyfriend, **Carol and Steve Sudduth** from Denmark. **Sami** likes her job in Denver and heads for the mountains many weekends to ski. She is living with **Taylor Hopp-Storey, Sam Haselden and Sarah Cherry**.

**Megan Brabham** is a Junior at the School of Art Institute in Chicago IL. **Abby Brabham** is at the American Musical and Dramatic Academy in New York City for four semesters and then transfers to their Los Angeles



*Alexis Ordway one of two U16 (under 16) skiers named to Nationals from the state of Maine Female Alpine Racing*

Campus to finish her bachelor's in fine arts in Acting. Sister **Hannah** is in two dance groups and was recognized as Dancer of the Year her sophomore year of high school in Texas. **Winnie King Thompson**, our arts supervisor, and her four boys plan to return to the shores. Winnie enjoys horseback riding when she can work it into her schedule. **Alexa Kourepenos** has been accepted to Princeton University in the Fall 2018. Her sister **Ellery** will return as a camper. **Will Norton** is teaching physics at Vermont Academy. Our thanks to the **Bennett** family in Wellesley who continue to host a Wellesley Reunion for Winona and Wyonegonic. We miss having **Gale and Ellie** with us. **Ellie** is a happy freshman at Ohio State. **Rhi Logan** has been assisting **Karen Grey** in the Wyo winter office two mornings a week. Her older daughter will be a junior camper and her youngest daughter a member of Pooh Corner.

The **Luetjes** are skiing with their twins. **Greg** still works at Sunday River and **Lindsay** is teaching in Bethel ME. **Claire de Cordova** looks forward to her AC summer. **Maria Eugenia Lozada** loved her time at Wyo. She is a Doctor of Medicine and has begun her residency in surgery. Sisters **Tory and Eliza Dana** send greetings from NYC and are eager to return to Wyo. **Meg MacLaury** enjoys running and skiing and returns for full season. She has been a good cheerleader for her brother who needed unexpected surgery. Mom **Emily Evans MacLaury** is proud of the way **Meg** has handled her need for more independence. **Carey Favaloro** is ski patrolling in Aspen CO. **Meghan Hawes** is attending med school at John Hopkins. **Jon Hadley and Logan Rivera**, riding staff from 2016, were married in February. **Christine**

**Ulin** enjoys posting her excellent photos from her European travels. She is home based in Spain this year.

**Barbie Atwood Cobb** and family skied Big Sky in Montana during February vacation. They are avid New England Patriot fans. **Abby's** high school chorus sang the National Anthem at the Celtic game in February. **Jane Sitarz** worked in the Wyo office this summer. She is teaching music in Connecticut. **Wallis Gaillard** is living in Boston's North End. She invited a small Wyo crew to her place to share camp memories and music. She is grateful for all her Wyo summers which started at age 11. **Cammy Lachesnez** has accepted a job with Lindblade Adventure Company. This company partners with National Geographic. **Carol and Jill** have traveled with them to the Galapagos, Scotland and Alaska. Cammy will be starting in Baja, Mexico doing two months around the Sea of Cortez then relocating to the Columbia River and then to Alaska. She will be on the National Geographic Sea Lion at least until July 8th. **Eloise Russo** is managing a not-for-profit program in D.C. that was recognized by ACA, our Professional Organization. The City Kids Wilderness Program aims to enrich lives of high school youth with experiential wilderness experiences.



*Donna Patterson with grandchildren*

**Donna Patterson** is happy that newborns live close by. Because of this and continuing to work as a nurse practitioner, the Pattersons reluctantly have sold their vacation home in Denmark. We will miss seeing Donna paddle by in her kayak.



# 21st Century - Sudduth Years 2000 - 2018

My sophomore year of college, I remember my parents suggesting I get an internship for the coming summer. Their points were valid: I'd been at camp for close to 10 years and should think about setting myself up for jobs post-college.

At the time of this conversation, I was too emotionally attached to camp to envision my summers anywhere but the shores of Moose Pond. (To be honest, I'm not sure that has ever faded.) However, it's only been since I've been working in the 'real' world that I've realized the impact Wyonegonic has had on me professionally.

There is no question that Wyo made me into the person that I am today. It was my safe place to grow, build friendships, and test the boundaries of my comfort zone. It wasn't all positive; I struggled with homesickness all the way through Senior Camp. Even so, something kept me coming back. Now, though, it is clear to me that my years on staff left an even greater impact on who I've grown up to be.

My greatest mentors are the women I grew up alongside at Wyo. They are the people I call for advice on how to have a conversation with my boss or what professional development opportunities to seek. They remind me to be a little weird and own it. They are the women I strive to be like as a mentor for the young people in my life. They are the moms I hope one day to emulate. They are brave, strong, and thoroughly themselves in a way I've only known Wyo women to be. Some of these people have been my Unit Directors and staff members, but some have been my campers.

Their influence hasn't ended even though I'm no longer spending summers on the shores. With my mentors and with my campers,

I've spent late nights on the phone debating the pros and cons of attending a semester school in high school, reading college application essays, or dealing with the sometimes nasty and

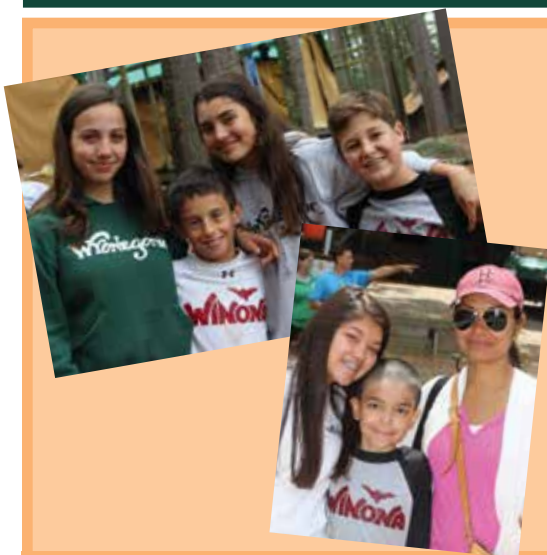
real parts of being a woman in American culture. It is these moments—in all their realness and depth, truth and discovery, pain and love—that make me proud to be a member of this community. These women, no matter their age, have taught me how to listen, love, and constantly learn.

This spring, as I am hiring for summer camp positions through my company, I find myself reflecting on each interview. I wonder how they will do. Will they listen to their students? How will they teach lessons beyond the prescribed curriculum we provide them?

Back when my parents had that initial conversation with me, none of us knew where I'd be six years later. I couldn't have predicted that I'd be helping direct a summer camp for exchange students. Yes, I've ended up working in the camp world, but I believe no matter where I'd landed professionally, I'd draw on these lessons constantly. At its root, camp taught me how

to be a better human being in this crazy world. I learned how to listen and be listened to; how to ask questions and test the boundaries I construct for myself; and how to lead with love in all of my interactions.

No matter where life takes us, we all carry a piece of Wyo with us. As one of my campers told me recently, "I love you forever and ever, you're like a big sister and best friend all in one, and I'm so grateful for you." I can only hope each knows she is a piece of Wyo I carry with me. *They* are the reason I do what I do, and I will be forever grateful to each of them.



## Did you know?

C.E. Cobb established Wyonegonic for girls in 1902; Winona for boys in 1908

We are the oldest established brother sister camps in the USA

The Ordway family bought Winona in 1968;

the Sudduths bought Wyonegonic in 1969

The camps are a two hour canoe paddle away on the eastern shore of Moose Pond

Winona has a Bridgton address; Wyonegonic a Denmark address

On Sundays we transport approximately 60 brothers and sisters for a short visit

Both camps choose the same opening/closing dates for convenience of families

We plan our winter reunions and travel together to most locations

In the summer transportation to and from camp is co-ed on camp buses and vans.

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# Family Camp - "Try it, you'll like it"

## Wyonegonic Family Camp August 17 - 26

Session I – Aug 17-20 • Session II – August 20-24 • Session III – August 24-26  
(sessions may be combined)

### Who comes?

Some are alums; many are new to Wyo  
Some have been family campers for 30 years; some have never been in Moose Pond  
Some family groups are three generations; some bring their grandchildren  
Some are enjoying retirement years; others are toddlers in jump seats  
Some are celebrating family milestones; some are coming solo  
Some come from New England; a few from out of the country

### Facilities

Camper cabins without electricity; with camp cots  
Each family has their own cabin  
Some wooden platform tents are available  
Common buildings have electricity and fireplaces  
Bathrooms are centralized as are hot water showers  
Meals are served in the Cobb Dining Hall  
A lobster cookout is offered each session

### Program

#### Staff Supervised Activities

Swimming  
Sailing  
Waterskiing (age 11 & up)  
Windsurfing (age 11 & up)  
Paddle Boarding/SUP  
(age 11 & up)  
High Ropes Course (age 11 & up)  
Climbing Wall/Low Ropes Course  
Arts & Crafts/Pottery  
Archery  
Pleasant Mt. Day Trip - Hike  
Day Canoe Trip  
Evening Programs for all ages

#### Other Activities

Canoeing/Kayaking/SUP  
Tennis  
Volleyball/Basketball  
Ping Pong  
Fishing (ME state license required)  
Extra Fee Activities  
Horseback Riding

### DATES & FEES

(Sessions may be combined)

The fee for housing is in addition to the Per Person Fee listed below:

Session I	Cabin \$165	Tent \$45
Session II	Cabin \$200	Tent \$60
Session III	Cabin \$100	Tent \$30
Per person fee:	Age 11-64	Age 5-10 and 65 plus
Session One August 17-20	\$240	\$120
Session Two August 20-24	\$290	\$145
Session Three August 24-26	\$130	\$65

(under age 5 free)



The online registration form for Family Camp is located on the Wyonegonic website.

[www.wyonegonic.com](http://www.wyonegonic.com)

Please call 207-452-2051 with any questions.

**Wyonegonic - A Great Place to Hold a Family Reunion**





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of  
Friendship





## Welcome to the World

Kier Henjum to Judy Harvey 11/3/17  
 Mac Harvey Andersen to Lizzie Harvey 12/23/17  
 Ansel Felix Hudson to Kate Trafton 11/3/17  
 Isabelle Gentile to Carlyn Patterson  
 Lincoln to Sara Paterson  
 Grace Adelaide to Rachel Kelly Williams 2/17/2018



Grace



Sara Patterson & Lincoln



Carlyn Patterson & Isabelle



Kier

## Marriages



Bruce and Brooke, Barbara and Scott, Don Anderson and Susan with her two children



Meg McFarland, Meg Frame, Claire King, Abby King McFarland, Blair Kennedy, Bonnie McFarland (all Wyonegonic girls)



Bryan and Claire

Abby King to George McFarland 9/17 in Seattle • Claire Berube to Bryan Sears 11/17 in Cohasset  
 Susan McDonald to Don Anderson 12/10/2017 in Texas • Logan Rivera and Jonathan Hadley 2/22/18 in Maine

## Congratulations to Newlyweds

### In Memory of

Susan MacDonald (Winchester, MA)  
 Barbara Leonard Mann (Danvers, MA)

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Grandmother of Julia Abate  
Hannah Palmer Snyder  
Bill & Carol Wiggins Kamm  
Father of Mimi & Hailey Matthews  
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## Centennial Circle

Bill Carlos & Friends  
Elizabeth "Busy" Burr  
Parents of Alexis Farmer  
Jodi Janssen Jacobson  
Carol Merriman Osmer

## Leadership Circle

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The parents of Liza & Kate Trafton  
Valerie Turtle\*

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It all starts with ONE: proud alumnus who feel passionate about their experience and wants to share that with others. This is a gift that can be passed along to campers who might find the Wyonegonic Experience a positive step on the journey to adulthood. This is a gift that will benefit the entire camp community and help them understand the importance of reaching out to others less fortunate. One by one we can reach our goal.



## Did you know?

- We assist approximately 15 campers each summer
- Our camp families and campers recognize the importance of diversity
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- There is a growing need for financial aid
- We need the support of our alumnae community
- Your gift is tax deductible
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**Our goal is to increase scholarship assistance to 20 campers**

## 20th Century - Sudduth Years 1970 - 1999

**Kate Trafton Hudson** works for the school district in Olympia, WA. She is enjoying her two toddler-age children. **Tracy Mischka Chaffin** and her husband celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> birthdays. They travel to their sons' football games. Christmas was in San Antonio. Son, Brian, is a member of the Stanford Football team that played in the Alamo Bowl. Stacy's other son, Ryan, will head off to college in the Fall with football helmet in hand.

**Amanda Bruning** and her husband Jeff Wilson enjoyed travel and adventures in New Zealand. **Carsten Griese** is bringing his wife and three children to the states in May. He is eager to show them Wyonegonic. Carsten is also planning a visit with the Sudduths and his hiking buddy **Joel Bruning**. Carsten is a school principle in Brussels Belgium. **Joel**, now retired, spends winters in Florida and summers in Maine. He still plans a challenging hike every summer. **Debbie Atwood** loves Colorado hiking and skiing, but best of all, being surrounded by four grandsons.

**Laura Herlacher Conway** is training and competing in triathlons. Recently she participated in the *Patriot Half Ironman*. Her daughter, **Sophia**, spent her first summer in Junior Camp. **Jess Scalzi** is a special education teacher in Reading MA. She is recently engaged. Sister **Mell** is the registrar at the Florence Griswold Museum in Old Lyme CT. **Eleanor Besharov Laurans** loves bringing her two daughters to Family Camp. The family enjoys their friendship with **Michelle Bush** and **Matt Gallagher** and their two children. Matt, Michelle, Cora and Colin live in N. Yarmouth ME.

**Lisa Schrader Bedell** loves their location in Salt Lake City, UT where the mountains call for hiking and skiing. After 12 years **Edie Sonne Hall**, has left her job at Weyerhaeuser. It gives her time to play tennis, run and plan adventures with their three children and friends. She is pondering her next career move. Eight-year-old daughter, **Noli** loved her first summer at Wyo and son Barty returned to Winona. **Sandi Burnham Clark**, Wyo chef in the eighties, is excited that her granddaughter is coming to camp. **Sabra** is the daughter of **Kelly Burnham**. **Susan Elderidge Jakiela** who lives in PA took her Mom to Radio City Music Hall to see the Rockettes at Christmastime.

The **Wentworths** - **Chris, Dawn** and **Olivia** moved into their Denmark house on Nov. 1. **Grier and Ella Barnes** enjoyed a new pup over the holidays. **Barb Trafton** and husband Bruce Beall get away to cross-country ski and backpack in Washington State. Their

son Jackson will marry in May. **Keziah Beall** is working in NYC with her boyfriend at rowingblazers.com.

**Amy Grover** has retired from her kindergarten job of two decades and is volunteering in Portland OR. Her sister, **Gigi Grover** is completing a PHD in London in applied linguistics. **Anne Judge Favaloro** and her husband, George, traveled to London last Fall.



**Kathleen Gagan** has been named "Person of the Year" by Gardener News. She has returned as a featured guest to Martha Stewart's program to give tips on growing peonies. *Peony's Envy* thrives under her management. **Judy Harvey** says evening circle songs make great lullabies. She and sister **Lizzie Harvey Anderson** both had boys late last year. Cousins expect to have good times together in the future. **Judy** returned to her position in the Justice Department in DC in March after her maternity leave. **Aislinn Smith** went to Ireland with her Rugby team. She then traveled to Scotland and Portugal. Sister **Erin Roberts** resides in Minneapolis, MN. She has success with acting jobs for ads as her interest remains in theater. She is also a baseball fan. Andy Smith and **Caitlin Frame** are raising two toddlers, Linus and Willa, and managing an organic farm in Maine. Grandmother, **Kathy Kearns Frame** is now a seasonal neighbor with a newly purchased vacation home on upper Moose Pond. Two of their married children live in Maine. **Sarah Day Bantowsky** is raising three girls outside of Boulder CO. **Courtney Smith Perevalov** loves living in Rockport ME. Her two boys are with her and **Sophie** is at the Parsons School in NYC.

**Elizabeth "Zab" Schultz Bioteau** enjoys living in RI with husband, Zach and their two boys. **Leslie Pooley Hefferman** and her family traveled to see the sights in London. **Ellie Clayton** will be married in July. **Molly Dillon Brabham** enjoys her job in the McNeil

High School library. Her three daughters are engulfed in dance, theater and art. **Ean Cuthbert** remains in southern Illinois and stays involved in his high school kids' activities.

It was good to reconnect with **Val Turtle** at **Joanna Hill's** memorial service. She joined other alumnae as we sang camp songs. Thanks to **Marilyn Bodnar** for organizing the group. **Marilyn** traveled to India this winter. **Sara Judge** is now living in Princeton, NJ and working at the University. Her daughter, **Haley**, is a graduate of Wake Forest University. She is attending medical school at the U of Michigan. **Kelly Jeffries Morgan**, now retired from nursing, lives in North Carolina. She returned to Family Camp. Kelly will be on the Wyonegonic nursing staff for a month this summer.

**Ginny Geyer** needed to put her 4-year-old cocker "Miss Wyo" down due to complications from a birth defect. This forced Ginny to delay her Christmas trip to visit sister **Diane Geyer Dudley** in Colorado to January. **Teresa Palacios Hubsch** and family live outside of Pittsburg PA. **Barbara Callaghan Strenk** said her two children were evacuated during the Santa Barbara CA forest fires but all is well. She works for Virgin Airlines and teaches swimming. Mick and **Shantrel Lindorff Hobbs** with son, Mason, send greetings from Australia. **Jenn Blakeman Terry** teaches at Beacon Academy in Evanston IL. Jenn completed another Olympic Distance Marathon in July. Her two children attended a camp in Michigan. **Dottie Chalmers Cutter** is the fourth generation of the Chalmers Family to work in the family insurance business in Bridgton ME. She is Vice-President in charge of operations.

**Pam Diem Willis** and her husband own a restaurant in Cambridge MA called *Pammy's*. **Amy Yorke Bosley** is raising two Wyo campers, Poppy and Matilda. The **Woodbury's** own a vacation home in Bridgton and the three girls visit and ski on Pleasant Mountain or swim in Moose Pond with their family.

**Maria Bauder** loved her 2017 Wyo visit after so many years. She and her husband are working in New York, NY. **Ann Phelps Jacobs** is selling her Moose Pond vacation home near Pencil Point across from Winona.

**Mary Murphy** launched a web-based app "Little Birdie Me" which helps folks gather gift-related information in one place. **Betsy Jones Macomber** gathers with UVM friends a couple of times annually. She still quilts



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# 20th Century - Sudduth Years 1970 - 1999

and consults and helps others see their inspiration to quilt. **Heather Macomber's** 4-year-old wants to be Dr. Batman Macomber when she grows up.

**Elizabeth Hardy** manages to spend summer time in Maine. Her daughter **Alison Carey** is a current counselor at Wyo. **Kim Hardy Erskine** now lives in Winchester MA and is director of philanthropy at the Lahey Clinic in Burlington. Viktor and **Anna Croll Josefsson** expect their first child in May. **Heather Smith** is pleased that her daughter **Sophia** will be a Junior Camper.

**Trudy Bower** returned to Rome in the Fall, her home base while working for the United Nations. Now that she is retired she loves to travel. That includes Wyo Family Camp in August. She also made arrangements for an alumnae lunch in St Petersburg FL, her new home. Eight of us enjoyed telling camp stories. At Christmas time her two daughters **Alexandra** and **Libby Pirinis** met in the Greater NYC area and visited with relatives **Anne Rettie** writes that seeing Wyo friends is always good for the soul.

Jeff and **Barb Koontz Hollis** have a new boat that is moored at Pleasant Mountain Campground on Moose Pond. They can just squeeze under the Narrows Bridge to power past Wyo. Three of their four grandchildren were at camp last summer. **Catie Lindsey Olinski** and her husband plan to spend the winter season in St. Petersburg FL. They have downsized their home in Connecticut as they now enjoy retirement years. **Janet Wagner Anschutz** lives in Gulfport FL and enjoys Family Camp at Wyo. **Bill and Johanne McIvor** now "retired" teachers spend winters in Venice FL and still own their home in Southborough MA. They enjoy Red Sox spring training games. McIvors see Rist and **Joy Curtis Bonnefond** in Venice FL. **Wendy Clark Wescott** paid Florida visits to the **Brunings** on the Florida East Coast and then time with the **Bonnefonds** on the West Coast.



*"When the moon plays peek-a-boo, and the stars shine down on you, Wyonegonic's here from far and near to sing a song for you!" .....Winding down a dark, pine-lined path, we were in the middle of absolutely nowhere. It was 1967, my first memory of the Sudduth years, as George picked us up in Portland, and Susan Kamm Connors whispered, "Not much further..." Route 302 had fewer lights in those days. Route 117 had NO lights. I was just a kid in college, and pretty sure we were at the end of the world. But our world was just beginning....*

Magical days and nights on Moose Pond were about to begin, and have continued through another century with another generation, learning the intricacies of team work, camp counseling, and the lessons we all share as counselors and campers alike. ... Junior Camp's Our Home. It's still a wonderful little clearing just across the Fairy House Bridge, down the hill from Marshmallow Hollow, a favorite of families at Family Camp, for week-end cook-outs and campfires, and Indian princes or princesses. *"Wynken, Blynken, and Nod one night sailed off in a wooden shoe. Sailed off on a river of crystal light, into a sea of dew. Where are you going, and what do you wish?"* Packages from Hanolds with those ever-comfy wool jackets, no candy, and staff meetings on Tuesday nights, with Carol and Helen Cobb, in the coziest little Wiggle ever built. Learning how the youngest camper minds work.... Intermediate, Intermediate, the peppiest group around. The bell. Batten down the shutter bangs - these campers are ready to conquer the world. Skills, confidence, and kindness make them Inty. *"Out of my window, looking at the night I can see the barges' flickering light."* Senior. Not Winona, again? Racing sailing at the racing table. Trips, friends, Volvo tennis, white-water, slalom skis. Skills.

Then maybe on to the CIT cabin and the library, lesson plans and ARC swim levels, WW/JMG, to yurts behind Junior Camp. Kitchen raids, bobbing canoes, Sunday afternoon teas on the Cabine porch. UD meetings with transportation, plans, and logistics. Pooh Corner. Loons. All culminating in the Finale: banquet favors, notes, poems, and songs. Candlelight jars, lanterns, and wishes. A bonfire.

*"So help me if you can, I've got to get back to the house at Pooh Corner by one, you'd be surprised, there's so much to be done..."* What do I remember? The Magic of Carol, the Tee-Pee Point pre-candlelight rehearsals of Sail, Little Boat, Sail, with hand motions. Sardines in a pitch-black Wiggle. A violin after Taps and the twinkle in the eyes. Why is that tree moving on the path? Staff meetings and insights into campers and ourselves, the gentle guidance of why we do what we do. The Wisdom of George, the excitement of the campfire's Lion Hunt, or hugging a tree in Grove. Even when he came back from Vietnam, he was our navigator, but maybe we just never realized it. Maps go in plastic bags. Pre-trip planning, the what-to-do-when-this-happens-lessons. Look at the whole picture, because there are so many paths we can take, teaching us the value of the process: trip boxes, packing out, packing in, and how to read the contour of our lives' maps. All passed carefully and lovingly to SNS, DBS, and SKS/SSH. It all translates, you know, to these beliefs posted at the stone pillars today: Discover, Share, Preserve. Whatever our strengths may be, may we discover, share, and preserve. Wherever we go, however we teach, work, or rehearse, whatever we choose to do. The world is ours. The songs may change, but Evening Circle passes the same dreams along today.

You'd be so proud, if you could be there. Maybe you should.

*"So we will sing tonight while the stars shine bright, and the moon plays peek-a-boo."*

*"Twas all so pretty a sail, it seemed as if it could not be;*

*And some folk thought 'twas a dream they'd dreamed of sailing that beautiful sea..."*

*"Barges, I would like to go with you, I would like to sail the ocean blue...."*

*"A million tomorrows may all pass away, 'ere I forget...."*

*"Memories that linger, constant and true. Memories we cherish...."*

May we all find the magic in our souls.



*Johanne Holt McIvor  
with Ted*  
25 years on staff 1967-2012  
Several years as Director of Family Camp

## Come visit this summer

# Cobb Years 1902 - 1969

**Ginnie Cobb Thibodeaux** sends greetings from California and is comforted to know that Wyonegonic is in good hands. **Joan St Clair Goodhew** and family gathered in Jackson Hole WY for a family reunion. **Margaret Acton Driscoll** is enjoying retirement, family, friends and travel. **Carol Wiggins Kamm** sends greetings to Wyonegonic friends from Richmond VA.

**Jack Erler** cancelled his November trip to his vacation home in Culebra PR. The hurricane damage in Puerto Rico was devastating, but Jack's home on the island fared quite well. He and Ellen vacationed in Italy instead. Jack is happy to report his granddaughter **Mazy Howell** thrived at Wyonegonic and returned home with "tools in her kit" for handling future life challenges.

**Linda Bail Casey** enjoys her art. She often has good success when she shows in the greater Freeport ME area. She and her husband traveled to Viet Nam with a small group with Overseas Travel. This was Linda's third return to Saigon where she first went on assignment with American Red Cross, moons ago.

**Mary Hyson Hobler** still manages to enjoy a week in Bridgton, ME with family members at their vacation spot on Highland Lake. Mary walks daily, teaches piano, paints and plans time with grandchildren. Five grandsons spent Thanksgiving night with Mary and Eric.

**Dora Apted Grover** keeps up with Wyo through her niece **Stacia Mavrides** who will be a counselor again this summer. **Jean and Andy McMullan** have found the perfect recipe for their nineties. They spend 5 months at their summer camp, Alford Lake Camp in Hope, ME with daughter-in-law Sue McMullan and 7 months in Jensen Beach, FL with daughter **Kathy McMullan Kopani**. Grandchildren and great grands keep Jean and Andy young at heart.

**Carol Gentry** writes that her Mom "Skip" passed away in October. But at age 92, Skip still loved lobster rolls and blueberry pie with sister-in-law **Jean McMullan**. Carol says they often joked about being on the red-leaf committee for Wyo banquet at the end of summer. **Nancy Mallory Sansouci** had both girls home for the holidays in Newburyport MA. Nancy is an avid daily walker and loves the out of doors. She and daughter **Lisa Sansouci** are regulars at Family Camp. At Thanksgiving time, **Katie Jacobs Eyre** and Bob assembled

the entire family. Their three boys are living in different parts of the country with challenging jobs and growing families. Katie and Bob are trying to figure out how to retire, but meantime she is getting tremendous enjoyment from swimming three times a week. Thank you Moose Pond and Wyo for swim lessons. **Katy Angstadt Rahe** loves retirement and time for daily dog walks. She enjoyed a



*Liz Sisson Dolphin, Liz Angstadt Byrne, Katy Angstadt Rahe, Missy Lindsey Sanborn, Anne Stunzi Ulrich*

January visit in Vermont with Wyo friends **Liz Sisson Dolphin, Anne Stunzi Ulrich, Missy Lindsey** and sister, **Liz Angstadt Byrne**. **Mary Ellen McCormick Daniels** is pleased her granddaughter, **Kiona**, will be a counselor and her grandniece a returning camper. "Mellon" likes their retirement winters in California and summers on Lake Superior where family often gathers. **Missy Lindsey Sanborn** remains active in the Bridgton Community as her husband Drew has surfaced from health complications. They are both extremely good photographers. **Mary Sewall Lindsey** has moved to Bridgton, ME and is working part time at the *Sportshaus*. **Catie Lindsey Olinski** has retired from her job of many decades. She and husband Mike have experimented with winter days in St. Petersburg FL.

**Diane (Erler) Smith** loves to sing Wyo songs with granddaughter **Mazy Howell**, who was a first-year camper in Junior. **Carlton Smith** continues to sing, dance and garden in her Maine community. She enjoys time with her two girls, **Erin Roberts** in Minneapolis and **Aislinn Smith** in NYC. Carlton enjoyed a Rhine River Cruise through Switzerland, France, Germany and the Netherlands last spring. **Carol Merriman Osmer** still looks forward to her annual visit to Family Camp. She resides in Vero Beach FL.

**Martha Williamson Barhydt** came in to say hello at the Greenwich Reunion. She is

determined to visit Wyonegonic this summer. Two generations have followed her to Wyo and are still involved at camp. Daughter **Whit Ryan** works for Wyo year-round and granddaughter **Maggie Ryan** will be an assistant counselor.

**Rebecca Trafton** is happy in Boulder CO surrounded by grandchildren: Zachary, Huxley, Elizabeth and Holden. **Sue Hyman Besharov** and her entire family are returning for Family Camp, Sue's first visit since Eleanor's wedding in the pines. **Irene Mack Goodsell** sends greetings from Boynton Beach FL. They enjoyed a cruise on the Baltic Seas. **Chloe King** is in a senior independent community in Weymouth MA where she still loves an active life and summers in New Hampshire. **Barbara Nichols Kirkwood** and her husband are working on their bucket list. They skied Vail on two separate trips this winter.

**Chris Mallon Holzhauer** is loving retirement. She went on a Rhine River Cruise and spent a day in the Black Forest. She also took two backpack trips—one in the Cascades and one in Glacier National Park. **Cindy Tether** was mesmerized by the exotic beauty of Iceland. The landscapes, the volcanoes, the geysers, the geothermal pools and the waterfalls create an atmosphere unlike any other she's experienced on her travels.

**Fran Trafton Barnes** takes annual family trips to France, her husband's home country. In D.C. where the family resides she is on the Board of City Kids Wilderness Project, a non-for profit that believes in experiential education for high school youth. **Anne Darneille Snodgrass** has been a busy grandmother. The family of 15 gathered in DC for the holidays and they can now accommodate all 15 at their summer home in Naples Maine, just 20 minutes from Wyo. **Ainslie Anderson Turner** motors by camp in her boat and breaks into W-y-o-n-e-g-o-n-i-c Boom. The have family property on upper Moose Pond.



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# Cobb Years 1902 - 1969



Lisa Leydon  
1955-56, 60

April. A cup of coffee... a random WYO newsletter...everything in my life would change. Backing up a bit. I had been a WYO camper for three years back in the 50's – the days when WYO was owned by the Cobb family (friends of my grandparents). Over the years WYO and I lost touch with each other. I had moved many times and changed my name. That April I found myself at a crossroad in life, embarking on single parenthood, with three children. Out of the blue – seriously - totally randomly - a WYO newsletter from the Sudduths showed up in my mail. *"Camp begins in about six weeks and we still need a camp nurse for the summer."* Thus began a whole new incredible chapter in my life and in the lives of my children and grandchildren. Off we went hoping for the best. As I pulled into the camp road, feelings of peace filled my heart as everything looked and even smelled the same. My old cabins, the Wiggies, Moose Pond, Pleasant Mountain....even the canoes lined up at the dock – all were familiar. I had a job to do, but the joy of watching my children relive my childhood experiences was just beyond imagination. Reality hit hard, though, when I was told that everyone, including staff, had to take a swim test the first day. I definitely did not remember the water being that cold. We had taken many a "soapy shower" in the lake as campers as shower houses were not yet a part of camp.

As camp started, my children were off and running, but I was anxious as to how I would fit in. Then another piece of magic happened. I was at evening circle with the juniors....crossing hands as the children started to sing. I opened my mouth and every note and every word magically burst forth. I had not heard nor sung these camp songs for 30 years! Sure, some things had changed at camp with the girls having more freedom to choose their own activities. But the core values of nurturing skills, developing self confidence, and accepting new challenges all with the respect for the natural world were the same. Camp had remained an unplugged setting where girls could develop friendships face to face.

For the next four summers, the other nurse, Susan Craig, and I would man the Health Center. As I watch the nursing staff now, I am amazed at how much simpler our job was. We dealt mostly with the occasional stomach bug, homesickness (I was good with that one as I had been pretty homesick my first year), ear infections, sprained ankles and mosquito bites. We did a lot of staff teaching, especially for the trip leaders and we prepared extensive emergency boxes that would go out on every trip. In between times we would swim, play tennis, help with the plays, and enjoy being out and about with the children.

Over the years, my two daughters would take the CIT and AC training, and my daughter **Katie Brown** would return to camp year after year as a counselor, a trip leader, and a unit director. She and her husband were married in the grove and their first "home" would be a platform tent at camp as she worked as a counselor and her husband, **Mill Brown**, worked as the tennis instructor. Their two boys, Miles Brown and Kekoa Brown have gone from Pooh Corner thru the ranks at Winona. They will return this year and next year Miles will be a CIT as his younger cousins start their camp experience at Wyonegonic and Winona.

So here it is April again. I sit with my cup of coffee enjoying the magic of many generations of campers and I watch as my daughter and grandchildren excitedly countdown the days until opening day.

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We like to know where you are and what you are doing. It is heartening to know you like to connect with your Wyonegonic friends. We love to hear your stories about mini reunions and "You won't believe whom I ran into . . ." We like to hear how camp has impacted your life.

Alums like to rekindle memories by visiting during the season and walking along the Moose Pond Shoreline. Please stop by the office (Norm's Shop) to check in when you arrive. People often remark that the pine needle path still smells the same and camp looks like what they remember. Be sure to pause at the camp museum along the way. You are welcome to join us for buffet lunch at the Cobb Dining Hall.

A huge percentage of new campers come from recommendations of alumnae and friends. We depend on alumnae and parents to talk up the values of camp. Please be our ambassadors and send us leads, come to Family Camp, surprise us at posted reunions. You may wish to sponsor a Campership, contribute to our Scholarship Fund or include us in your estate planning.

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Steve has been more than generous with his time representing the organizations best interests, by conducting meetings, endless hours on the phone and hours of consulting peers with advice. Cheering Steve on during the recognition were Wyonegonic key staff, family, friends and a banquet gathering of three hundred camping peers.



**Representing Winona:**  
*Jeff Dropkin and Laura Ordway*

**Key staff from Wyo:**  
*Louise Palmer, Andrea Kelly, Jenn Perkins, Barbie Cobb (Jill Gasperini and Whit Ryan not in photo)*

**The Sudduth Family:**  
*Susie, Carol, Samantha and David.*

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