



Geneva Glen Camp

Alumni Glen Breeze—Spring 2010



NOTES FROM THE DIRECTORS

Dear alum friends and family – we greet you with great excitement and anticipation that inevitably comes every June! Our (seemingly) long winter finally has given way, and things are furiously greening up; the stream is running again, and we've nearly completed winter clean-up along with the opening of cabins and program areas.

Our staff is in place and camp enrollments are fat-and-happy! We are amazed at the tremendous progress and improvements, especially (for all intents and purposes) a "new" swimming pool (nearly 50 years old!), building improvements to cabins, new decks on the dorms, big upgrades to our wastewater system (which, unfortunately but hopefully, nobody ever sees!), new horses, lots of dead tree and slash removal, trail maintenance ... the list goes on – some of which you'll read more about!

Our gratitude is endless to members of our board, the committees, Pendragon Organization, and countless other volunteers who give time, effort, money and love to bringing about such wonderful changes and improvements each year, and keeping the GG ship in good shape!

ACA National Conference (in Denver)

There was an exciting event in February, as 40 GG campers helped with a camp production at the Denver Hyatt Regency (commemorating the American Camp Association's 100th birthday!). Because the national conference was in Denver, we pitched in on hospitality and offered up Ken to conduct 100 campers (for 100 years) in a camp-song choir. Eight camps participated in this activity, with those groups ranging from day-camps, Girl Scouts, special-needs camps, and private camps such as Cheley, Sanborn, and Colvig ... but GG had by far the largest contingent. Ken led the campers, plus some 800 conference participants, in *One Bottle O' Pop*, *Choo-Choo-Cha*, and *Green Trees*!

Campers in the choir included alum progeny Chris & Devon **Musselman**, Crede **Yerkey** Held, Madison **Diederichs**, Hayden & Wylie Schwartz (daughters of Tracy **Collins**), Sam **Robison**, Logan & Max **Herringer** (sons of Kelly **Collins**), Nathan Burns (son of Jo **Brannan**) and a group of **Hummel**

kids (Aubrey, Andrew & Teddy) — in GG apparel and big smiles. The event was a great success, and camp directors from all over the world stick out their tongues to the last verse of *Choo-Choo-Cha*!



To add flavor of the old Rocky Mountains, we asked some loyal alums to dress in appropriate garb and greet visiting camp directors. **Molly Cassidy ROBISON** was decked out in cordial hospitality as Molly Brown. **Dave THOMAS** portrayed a blacksmith and leather-maker, hammering away as he spun famous yarns. **Steve ANTHONY** was a mountain man in full beard. And **Johnny DOMENICO** also turned up as a mountain man, chasing the incredible bear-costumed antics of fellow camp director Zim Zimmerman. **Jo BRANNAN Burns**, **Emily HALL Beckett** and **Alana GAY** added to the ambiance in Colorado centennial fashion. Thanks to all who helped make Denver the most hospitable stop for the ACA ... since the last time they came to Denver!

Pancake Breakfast (new families open house)

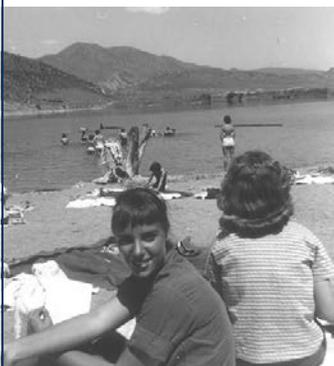
Great gobs of new GG families (some alum progeny) tromped our trails at the Pancake Breakfast Open House (May 22). This cooperative effort has alums, board and present staff pitching in to help camp put her best foot forward. We greeted 300-plus visitors and familiarized them with program areas, bunks and GG "magic places."

GG "ambassadors" guided visitors from Marathon to the barn, pool and chapel—with side trips to cabins and dorms. **Dave LEE** is the gregarious senior guide, with histories and side-stories (genuine or contrived!). **Joy PEARSON**, **Jane ROCKWELL Carlson**, **Ben HALE** and **John ARIGONI** also helped campers and parents get a good picture of how camp works. This tradition seems to be a great PR event and we appreciate all who helped.

We look forward to our 89th season and trust it will be filled, as always, with adventure, creativity, spirit and great memories!

Nancy & Ken

Spish-Splashing at GG ... fun as it ever was!



Going back 50 years or so, this picture on the left shows former camper **Sue SKINNER** enjoying a 1960 trip to Soda Lakes, our main swimming hole before the pool was built in '62. Red Rocks can be seen in the background. Remember those thrilling bus rides down Turkey Creek Canyon singing *Found a Peanut*? That endless song may have drowned out fears of careening over the cliff! ...

... It was an exciting day at Geneva Glen in mid-May, as we watched the newly-refurbished pool come to life. The Indian Hills volunteer fire department pumped 50,000 gallons (1,000 a minute!) into the newly-plastered GG pool (which holds 55,000 gallons!). A week or so later, the awesome new slide was installed (see photo) and it's sure to delight campers and staff through many summer days.



In Memory

Few alums have such an inestimable reputation at the Glen as **Sammy Ariki**. He has been the incomparable defender of the Glen since the 1930s as a favorite of Mr. Gil, and as a ferociously loyal camper, worker, and head “engineer” fixing and maintaining so many details at camp (from tiling at the pool, planting trees, and re-building roofs). There are not enough adjectives to describe the dedication of Sammy and Mary, who were married over 60 years!

At Sam’s memorial service in Westminster, Ken was asked to speak on behalf of Sammy’s life at Geneva Glen. Diane Gilmore Ross, unable to attend, sent a memory that Ken included in his eulogy. Below is a condensed version of Diane’s remembrances of Sammy:

“It was clear from that first summer that he would come thereafter and forever, working his way from dish crew to truck driver to my father’s righthand man. Both summer and winter, he became a member of our family, and he often ate dinner with us in Denver. His loyalty was unceasing.

“Harold and Iris each loved him. To them, Sam was their “chosen child.” When Sam and Mary had married and would come up to Geneva Glen, they always stepped right in and worked. Sam and Mary’s steadfast devotion to my parents was a lifelong blessing for the Gilmore’s, and their ongoing connection to my children and me was a source of comfort and joy.”

Alums from many decades honored Sam at the memorial service – Paul Woodward, Rick Roadruck, Chip Klein, Elinor and Janet Lewallen, Sally Reed Kingdom, Jane Rockwell Carlson, Ron and Red Williamson, Jeff Gowin, Shelly and Rachel Weinberg, Pete LaFleur, Christa Diederichs Redford and Reid McKnight. Alana Gay was joined by her dad Kirk and grandfather Bill Gay, who flew in from Texas. This was especially meaningful as Mae Gay, who had passed in the fall of ’09, and Bill were lifelong friends and traveling partners of the Ariki’s. It also was

FAMOUS GG CANINES

The first that many of you may recall at camp was Mr. Gil’s loyal **PENNY** (pictured below, far right) was a low-to-the-ground black Scotty with a moustache a bit reminiscent of Mr. Gil (see Diane Gilmore Ross’ memoirs on her parents ... a \$10 donation to GG and we’ll send you one!).



FRECKLES came in the late '50s as a neighborhood stray red-and-cream-colored Springer Spaniel. Dave Thomas ran the barn at that time and he and Betty kindly adopted Freckles. They drove him back to Missouri in a hot, sticky old Chevy and Karen Tyner reluctantly shared the back seat with the panting canine! The following

summer, Nick Jenks fell in love with Freckles and eventually took him back home to Arizona.

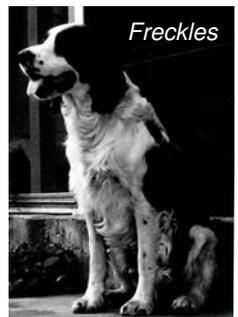
In the 1970s the famous one was **KELLY**, a gorgeous Irish Setter belonging to Bob and Carol Duvall. This noble hound had to share camp attention with John Woodward’s lovable mutt **LUCY**, who was quite popular and a pal to **Maudie** (Joan Gurtler’s blonde bombshell).

In 1977, a cute Shelty named **BRIGADOON** (a.k.a **BRIDGIE**) pranced about the hills, but eventually the infamous “short Golden” **MAX** (pictured below, on the side-roof of the GG “apartment”) became the #1 “stud” for about 18 years. Max was so durable (there’s even a statue of him guarding the lodge) and was quite the character. There are many memories – one of Ken’s favorite Max stories is when he’d wander off at lights-out and we could NOT corral Max home for the night ... until about 11:30

when he’d SIT down at the top of the meadow and just start barking non-stop. Efforts to call him home (oh, yes, he heard Ken!) were futile. Ken had to WALK UP to the top of the meadow and escort him home!

Max’s main irritant (though he loved her!) and his primary collar tugger was our Black Lab **ADDIE** (or actually Atticus, from *To Kill a Mockingbird*), pictured at right. They were constant companions, but Addie also followed Nancy around camp faithfully (if you saw one, you’d see the other!).

Our “modern-day” **LUCY**, the Chocolate Lab from the neighborhood, was adopted by Reid as the new barn dog in the early 2000s and still is the queen of that neighborhood. In 2002, **SUNNY** – a handsome golden inherited from the Diederichs clan – joined the gang. Today, Black Lab **HUCKLEBERRY** is Ken and Nancy’s primary canine and his lovable nature satisfies camp’s need for man’s best friend.



Alum News — From the Mailbox

We love opening mail and hearing so much wonderful news from countless folks. Keep in touch and we'll help you keep in touch with your GG friends!

1940s & '50s

● We received a great note from **Angie TIPPS Peck**, saddened by Sammy Ariki's passing (she sent a lovely gift in his memory). ... **Diane GILMORE Ross**, dealing with naughty bunnies that eat vines in her backyard, sent a wonderful memorial for Sammy Ariki's service (see article on p. 2).



A group of hikers, circa 1930, on a day outing to the Old Castle!

1960s

● Thanks to **Nancy HARDIN** for a treasure trove of photos from the '60s. One includes Barbara Arkin and Sally Gates, as counselors of Cabin 16 in 1960 (with campers Sue Skinner, Mary Bains and Paula Shugrue, among others).

● **Carol Tate FORRESTER** recently contacted camp about a grandson attending GG (we hope he can attend soon).

● Hearty thanks to **Jim LEFTWICH**, who came to our rescue this winter. Some laptop computers were donated to non-profits like GG, but the "catch" was that they had to be picked up in timely fashion in Kansas City, Mo. Who did we know who would uncomplainingly retrieve them and mail them on to us? Fortunately, Jim was willing and able to perform this task. They all arrived safely and will be used in publications this summer. Hats off to Jim for the great help.

● **Tim URBAN** is sending three little "grands" to American Heritage, as youngest Lily joins her sisters performing the Scratch-Toe-Heel at our Pow Wow. Tim and Toni are anxious to get to see the original production of Sasquatch at the end of the session.

● **Holly Griffin ROMIG** retired just so she could work once again at GG. Holly has enjoyed a circuitous trip around the south, staying in Florida, Louisiana and Texas ... but she will end up at the Glen in June to help us with airport runs and a special GG goals-and-outcomes evaluation. Holly's father, sisters and her own children Jenny and Mike all were campers and staff at the Glen, but she is especially thrilled that her three grandchildren will be enjoying their first summer at GG.

● **Pete EASTON** (now living in Florida) still can't believe that his son Naveed actually took his advice and will be a counselor at GG this summer. Naveed attends Emerson in Boston and we're anxious to tell him some tales about his dad's time at the Glen. Great to hear from Pete and hope he visits.

● In Knighthood I, the Grey Falcons (Dorm H) will house five grandkids of alums who were good buddies in the '60s. Some of these progeny have been to camp previously, but never so many in the same KH order: **Lynne DEASON Robison's** grandson Robbie Ippolitto (son of **Jenny**) ... **Holly GRIFFIN Romig's** grandson Cole Hammond (son off **Jennifer**) ... **Karen and Tom YERKEY's** grandson Crede Yerkey Held (son of **Frannie**) ... Levi Klein (grandson of **Nancy ATKINSON** and son of **Casey KLEIN**) ... and **Sally REED Kingdom's** grandson Christian Kingdom (son of **Amy**). We are sure that in the fall that there will be some snapshots of this crew.

● **Karen DEAN Yerkey** keeps us informed about haycrops, as husband **Tom** and daughter **Sarah** are growing hay (especially for GG horses). Tom and Karen have a delightful restored Victorian home in Salida. We enjoyed visiting this past holiday season and relished the relaxed atmosphere. Two of their grands will enjoy a session at GG. *(cont....)*

Geneva Glen Staff - Alum Progeny

**** The GG alum family ties to our 2010 staff are healthier than usual ... ****

Nathan Ariki (crew) dad **David**;
grandparents **Sammy** and **Mary Ariki**

Brian Armstrong (crew) mom **Kendra Hazlett**

Matt Ayres (crew) mom **Laura Vick**

Navid Easton (sr. counselor) dad **Peter Easton**

Jessie Garhart (CIT) dad **Rick Garhart**

Alana Gay (cook) dad **Kirk**, grandparents **Bill & Mae Gay**

Jake Gulliver (crew) grandma **Stephanie Bergner**

Dan Hall (sr. couns./CIT head)...great-aunt/uncle **Ruth/Bill Hall**

Evan Hall (sr. couns./head of crafts)...grandparents **Ruth/Bill Hall**

Henry Hoyt (jr. counselor) mom **Heidi Hummel Hoyt**
aunt **Hannalore Hummel**, uncles **Andy & Martin Hummel**

Ben Lederer (CIT) aunt **Megan Lederer**

Austin Lee (crew) dad **Dave Lee**; grandpa **Lee & General White-Horse Henry Lee!**

Kera Lingk (jr. couns.)...mom **Cheri Chase**; uncle **Rick Chase**

Ian Mauzy (crew)...mom **Suzie Earle**; grandma **Nan Robinson**
great-grandma **Frances Trott Robinson**;
great-great grandma **Helen Trott**

Paige Pahlke (sr. counselor) ... mom **Sandi Denson**;
uncle **Ted Denson**; aunt **Susan Denson Usherwood**;
grandma **Jeannie Denson** ; great-great grandpa **D.D. Watson!**

Cassidy (CIT) & **Sam** (crew) **Robison**...grandma **Lynne Deason**
parents **Jeff Robison** and **Molly Cassidy**;

Adam Saucedo (crew) the **Castleberry Clan!**

Drew Schulte (sr. counselor) dad **Rich Schulte**

James Schumacher (CIT) aunt **Mary Taylor Kirkpatrick**

Bonnie Siler (crew) mom **Sue Asher**

Gabi (sr. counselor/head of ropes) &
Andre Landau (sr. couns./head of rifles)...uncle **Ron Williamson**

Trainees

Michael Horan...dad **Mike Horan**; grandparents/**Vanderbur** clan

Dominique LaCroix uncles **Tim** and **Ty Amass**

Brendan Moon parents **Bill Moon** and **Kim Sandberg**

Avery Silver mom **Sue Asher**

We're so grateful for the promise of star-quality leaders for this year's staff, and the promise of future leadership!



The Glen Breeze



Alum News (cont.)

1970s

- **Deb ORTON-Urbina** visits camp often with her two sons Tristan and Stefan, but she talked her mom into the Graham Cracker Grand last fall and now Cedric (7) will join his brothers at the Glen (for his own Myths and Magic session).

1980s

- We had a wonderful reunion at the ACA National Conference with **Ruben ARQUILEVICH**. We have so much in common with "Zrubin," as he's directed some outstanding Jewish camps for two decades, including serving 15 years as director of Camp Swig and Camp Newton in northern California. He was an enthusiastic participant in the ACA opening-ceremony crowd, which joined in with the camper choir that was performing the gyrations of Choo-Choo-Cha with abandon.

- **Gabe ARQUILEVICH** called recently. We adored getting a dose of Gabe's humor and his eclectic memories of GG years. He remains the best Sir Fig of Newton ever in the Melodrama!

- **Chris MARTEL** will bring his son Cameron from the Big Apple for Knighthood II. Glad to keep that tradition going, as Chris's mom Marilee was a happy camper a few decades back.

- **Marianne LANTIERI Healy** vows that after her great visit in the summer of 2009, she and **Kristen JOHNSON** both are determined to attend the 90th anniversary reunion. ... Speaking of Kristen, she recently has published a book, *Footsteps*, about her time in the Peace Corps in Kenya.

- **Lana FOX Gribas** sent update on her reunion with **Trixie WINDEN Ovenell**. Lana writes: "Trixie came to my house for a couple of days (of) laughing ... I sang camp songs at school on occasion and since I'm having an issue at my house with field mice, I sang *Little Bunny Foo Foo* to bop them on the head ... which always reminds me of Ted Denson. I looked up his website after hearing about his comedy routine. Very cool. Follow the Gleam. — Lana"

- **Danny LEWIS** and **Chistine LEWIS Austin** will send their four combined kids from Washington state and Montana. Elizabeth Lewis-Clarke and cousin Rory Austin will come for Myths, while big brother Jack Lewis and Max Austin will attend American Heritage. We look forward to spending some time with proud dad Danny during the week of Myths.

- **Linda MANNING Ford** wrote with a new address in North Carolina. Linda complimented us on our website and slideshow on the homepage. Good hearing again from her - wish we could have had her daughter Katherine on staff at some point.

1990s

- **Dale ESTES** will escort his little darling Caitlin from Georgia for her first Knighthood session. It will be fun to see him recall so many memories from the Glen.

- **Peta HUBBARD Morgan** had a rough bout "in hospital" last year, but she now is on the mend. We were truly hoping to inject her youngest with the GG bug. Perhaps Toby can join us on staff in 2011.

- We recently had a call from **Mark TORGOVE** (now in L.A.). He will send his two sons to his camp alma mater. Quite a spell since we'd heard from Mark or sister Lisa (great to reconnect!).

- A voice from the past ... **Asteria WOFFORD** called in April to enroll her 9-year-old Drake. Asteria and family still live in Dallas. Asteria declared that having Drake at "her camp" would be ideal. Her brother **George WOFFORD** lives in Portland, Ore., and we hope to reconnect with him as well.

- **Christie SHANNON Goodman** regenerated our alchemy program last spring and now she has created lesson plans for that cool area and will train staff again during Myths. Christie lives in Montana, where she raises a particular breed of horses.

- Good to hear from **Susan MANLY Bierman**, living in Victor, Idaho. She is a GM for a vacation rental company and filled us in on sister **Becky**, who still is with the Division of Wildlife in Kremling. Glad to find both gals.



Here's a fun postcard shot of Joy Pearson with a group of campers on a 14er from the early 1990s. Here's who we can identify (let us know who else is pictured): Dave Adams, Andrew "Droopy" Akers, Tom Anderson, Aubrey Atkinson, Noah Borwick, Laura Clark, Katie DeStefano, Katie Dicus, Brenda Dutkiewicz, Kyle Gamba, Andy Harwood, Katie Livingston, Hillary Locke, Jon Sinton, Sam Walter, Lindsay Wolvington and Stephen Woods.



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- There will be another historic grouping for the Knighthood II Golden Heart gals, which boasts seven little darlings whose families all are diehard GGers. Two daughters of **Jessica PAJON Heringer** (Alejandra and Aaleyah, from Washington state), one little angel of the three that **Jenny SIMPSON Johnson** is sending from Virginia (Mary Malone), Gretchen Hummel will be a part of this cabin (this is **Martin HUMMEL's** youngest from Colorado), as will: **Becky PENBERTHY Clark's** Texas flower Lily, **Kelly WARD Cruzan's** 4th-generation gal from Enis, Texas (Rachel) and Avery Lankford (daughter of **Anders LANKFORD** and granddaughter of **Larry LANKFORD**). The counselors for this cabin better be on their magical toes for this group.

- We were so glad to see **Debby BECKER Grylicki** and family made it to the Pancake Breakfast, in anticipation of Lucy's first day at Myths and Magic.

- **Eden HANKINS Ware** brought her family to the breakfast, so that little redheaded Tess could get a view (since big sister Layne already has filled her in, she seems ready and anxious to be in the Mackenzie cabin this summer).

- The Brits must have been reminded of GG, as we heard from three the past few months. **Sian PARRY Sedgwick** is interested in sending her daughter to the Glen. We've also heard from **Peta HUBBARD** (see 1980s) and **Sophie WATKINS**, daughter of **Clare ROSS**. Sophie sent a lovely update telling us that she is a teacher in Nairobi, Kenya. She actually has taught some camp songs to her students. Sophie made us smile as she recognized some horses on the GG website from her days: Navajo and Twister. She swears in that accent that she recently did a good ol' western barrel racing at a cowboy party in Kenya. So fun to hear from her.

- **Debbie MEDORS Gonzalez** of Houston, Texas, is joyously looking forward to having two of her three little ladies come for the Myths and Magic session: Mia and America. She's even talked some Texas neighbors into trying out the Glen for that early-summer camp experience. We look forward to seeing her at Check-In on Monday.

- It was great to reconnect with **Sarah CHRISTIANSON Lacey** at the Pancake Breakfast. Her son Liam seemed raring to go and try out his junior session.

- **Jenny WARNER Hodgson** has looked forward to this camp day for years, when her precious Hadley can join the fairy hunters at Myths. Jenny's husband Marley is a loyal Sanborn alum (ex-camper and staff) but daddy kindly allows Hadley and her sister Harper to attend some of the little-tyke events at Jenny's alma mater.

At the **WINTER WORKSHOP** each year, we ask our 100-plus teenagers to bring a gift for a less-fortunate child. We've made an alliance with The Gathering Place and they gratefully accepted a boatload of presents for their annual Christmas party. **Mary TAYLOR Kirkpatrick** is our liaison and she and husband Reid drove the sleigh chock-full of sugarplum surprises. The Winter Workshop continues to be a great event for our teenagers to experience fellowship, mixed in with some leadership training and (of course) good old-fashioned fun in the snow! ... And, yes, that's "Banjo Man" Wayne Faust, still a big hit to campers and staff of all ages!



2000s

- We caught up with wild court jester **Joe BAUMGARDNER** in January, in from San Diego visiting his folks. Joe, who recently earned his Advanced Sommelier certificate, is loving his lifestyle but longing to return to the mountains. Joe's "evil twin Pierre" recently reconnected with old camp chums at the spring training in the Phoenix area for an outing in honor of **Kevin LEE** and **Reid McKNIGHT's** future weddings. That "guys reunion" included Owen Locke, Joe Anderson, Steve Brownson, Bruce Gallagher, Kevin Schadt, Ozzie Baron, Geoff Cromwell, Karl Onsager, John Arigoni, John Sampson, Johnny Domenico and Xander Sommers. Someone donned a hotdog costume for the Rockies spring-training game (that's our kind of fun!).

- **Brea GALVIN** currently is living in Santiago, Chile. She plans on teaching English there for about a year and was hoping to meet up with **Leslie WOODWORTH Kendrick** during Leslie's trip-around-the-world with husband Jim.

- **Claire NORDEEN** is back in the U.S. from her work in Tanzania. She is in med-school now in Philadelphia. So many of our recent staff have taken turns in Africa helping orphans in Uganda, South Africa, Ghana and West Africa.

GG RECONNECTIONS

Geneva Glen campers, staff, parents, alums and even older alumni have joined Facebook. We love seeing all of these familiar faces and also have made some wonderful reconnections to a vast number of alums.

Please let Pete LaFleur know (pete@genevaglen.org) if you have reconnected with anyone from GG, and be sure to send them our way!

Listed below are just a few of the former Ggers we've come back in contact with via Facebook (over the past few months), in addition to some of those who have touched base through Christmas cards and other correspondence:

Jon Atkins, Sam Atwood, Buffy Bains, Bonnie Beck, Daniel Berson, Taite Besser, the Bodens (Dorothy, Beth & Ken), Blair Bowen, Danny Brothers, Dana Brown Cousteu, the Brune brothers (Sean, Bryan and Chris), Mary Beth Burke Neal, Leah Bry, Sean Clark, Donna Clifford Martinez, Amy Daltrui, Carrie Davis, Amy & Chris Dicus, Lori Duffy, Christina Duncan Johnson ...

Matt Elkjer, Josh Fellers, Casey Friedman, Melissa Gollick, Dana Gulick Barker, Todd Hale, J. Hewins, Chris Hezlep, Brian Hill, Jeremy Huie, Julie Hunt, Katy Hunter Truitt, Kate Hyland Dupays, Jamaica Jones, Karyn King, Anna Lee Knowles Froelich, Jan Larson Miller, Jennifer Lex Cave, Stephanie Lex, Elliot and Brenna Linke, Scott Lucius ...

Dugald McEwen, Susan Morrissey Sidebottom, Grant Nachman, Lisa Pearce Austin, Alexandra Phillips, Annie Pierini, Whitney Reeb, the Rohr family (Dan, Linda and Lyle), Ross See, Matt Stoneking, Dawn Sierens, Catherine Sullivan Ezzard, Karla Thompson and Joe Uemura.

What's Up at the Glen?

SPRING SPRUCE-UP: The Volunteer Follies (a.k.a. Work Weekend) was somersaulted into the "Spring Spruce-Up," with tons of alums and camper families participating. Great thanks for the energy and drive of a few folks like: Owen and Cora Locke, along with Mark and Natalie Dreher, who spurred on some new recruits for this annual cleanup. Here are a few other alums who chipped in at the Spruce-Up (and not otherwise mentioned in this Breeze):

Corinne Ablin, David Ariki and family, Annie Bachman, Missy Beeman and Skimo Fagerstrom, Libby Bourke, Katie Brownson, Pete Cassidy and son Seamus, Mike Clayton, Janessa Conca (with her camper kids Christina and Andrew), Wendy Cutler, Katie Destefano Loyle and family, Kim Diederichs Martonosi, Chris Dreher, Bruce Gallagher, Laura Godzman, Aaron Goldhamer, Wendi Sue Grover, Ben Hale and Katie Richardson, Dana Heller, Mike Hinds ...

... Jason Karsh, Rob Kesselman (along with fiancée Tracy Dong), Sean Kidston and son Riley, Mary Taylor Kirkpatrick and husband Reed, Chip Klein, Beth McDowell Baldwin and family, Jake and Erin Meier, Bill Moon and daughter Caley, Mark Musselman and family, Karl Onsager, Pete and Dan Ritchie, Lynn Deason Robison, more of the Robison clan (Molly, Jeffro, Cassidy and Sam), and Lee "Little Sloz" Augustine with daughter Paige.

We ended with a barbeque to celebrate our refurbished pool, which was way too cool to plunge into. Hats off to the food donations from Nobel Sysco and Robinson Dairy.

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VOLUNTEERS FOR A NOBLE CAUSE – It would be impossible for Geneva Glen to realize its many successes, if not for hundreds of generous alums who financially support the camp. It similarly is impossible to express our gratitude for this love and support from such a giving camp family. Every fundraising effort is put to thoughtful use and is essential in providing building blocks for the future.

We welcome with open arms anyone who would like to be connected to this important and worthwhile work. The camp's alumni and development committees are working together to plan our next fundraising event this fall, and to look ahead to the not-so-distant future as Geneva Glen turns 90 (in 2012). Please let us know of your interest in becoming more involved – we want to include you!

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THE GLEN GALA! – Be looking for news and details about our gathering this fall: the Glen Gala! In late September, Geneva Glen will host a fundraising event at a place known to GG for decades! We have engaged Mirada Fine Art Gallery (pictured), formerly known as the Indian Hills Trading Post, on Parmalee Gulch Road at the bottom of the hill from the camp.

We suggest you go online and have a look at this wonderful gallery and see the transformation of this rustic, charming building. The owners of the gallery graciously have extended the *free* use of this place for our cause, and they also have offered to donate some of the proceeds from art sales back to our group!



Please let Kathy Thornton know (contact info. below) if you may be interested in joining us for a night of socializing and supporting GG.

The Glen Gala
at **Mirada Fine Art Gallery** in Indian Hills (www.miradafineart.com)
Saturday, **Sept. 25** ... 6:00 pm ... cost: \$75 per person

Also in the fall:
GG's **Pumpkin Patch and Halloween Dance**
Saturday, **Oct. 23** ... "The 'Patch": 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. ... Dance: starts at 6:00 p.m.

Kathy Thornton (GG Development Coordinator)
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ON THE NEST ...

● **Megan DRURY**, visiting Colorado folks, dropped by for a GG peek and lunch with Christa Diederichs Redford. She is due to welcome a son very soon. Her daughter, a serious critic of camp songs, already has named her future brother "Chariot," because *Swing Low*

is her favorite. We wonder if that nom-de-plume will stick. Megan gave us news of **Colleen DEARY Seitz** (who is due in August).

● The grapevine tells us that **Victoria CAIN** will enjoy her first experience with motherhood in mid-June, while trainee buddy **Blair Allison AUSTAD** in due to deliver a brother for Will in mid-August. ... **Chip KLEIN** and his wife Susan are expecting their second child in Sept. (big brother Asher and grandma Nancy are certain it's a girl).

● **Nate** and Christine **MILLER** are expecting their first child in June ... **Megan ELKJER O'Connell** is awaiting the arrival of her third child (also due in June).

● **Paula MODESITT Ruedebusch** and fellow GG alum **Dave** are eagerly awaiting the arrival of their first child (a boy) in late-August. Dave's sister **Kelly Buhr** (also a GG alum) has a due-date two weeks after Paula (who has a sister set to deliver in mid-July). As Dave says, the combined families will have a "little triumvirate."

FROM THE NURSERY ...

● **Joe ANDERSON** and wife Elizabeth had son #1, James Russell, "stork-delivered" to the family on May 11. The family's loyal pooch Pudge is loyally guarding the castle gate.



James Anderson (above) ...

● **Ford ALLISON** and **Jen BRADY Allison** introduced another bundle into the future supply of Golden Hearts, with the December arrival of



Henry Allison (left) ...

Henry Nathaniel Allison. Sam is a proud big brother and we're sure sister Brady will tell us all about him when she attends Myths and Magic this summer.



Ryan Mondrus (below)

● **Jeanne LaFLEUR Mondrus** and husband Nathan provided a playmate for David in brother Ryan, who joined the family in January.

● **Dana BRYSON vanDoorninck** welcomed son Nico into her family. Hopefully he will join his cousins Elizabeth and Samantha Bryson at camp someday

● **Millicent COX Ambrosio** presented husband Luis with the couple's fourth boy, Holden, in early April (guess that leaves them a point guard short of fielding a starting five).



Wedding Bells

● **P.J. HOYT** celebrated a New Years Rocky Mountain nuptial to Amelia Rose Barr on the snowy slopes at the "Overlook" at Steamboat. Ken and Nancy were sorry not to make it, but many GG pals were there to support their old camp buddy.

● **Kevin LEE** and Sara Robinson (pictured) tied their knot on May 22, in a windy ceremony at the Boettcher Mansion on Lookout Mountain. The wedding festivities were highlighted by great toasts and many GG guests (including best man Reid McKnight, groomsman Owen Locke and usher



Xander Sommers, just to name a few). ... And Ken Atkinson officiated over this latest GG nuptial adding another notch to the wedding tabulation!

● Geneva Glen also wishes to pass along its congratulations on their recent weddings to: **Tony MASKELL ... Erin SIEGEL ... Kristen TODD...** and **Josh WEINBERG**.

Betrothals ...

● The big barn news is the official hitching of Cowboy Reid **McKNIGHT** and Cowgirl **Courtney CLARKE** (the Graham Cracker Grand knew them as Woody and Jessie from Toy Story). Reid popped the proverbial question in Sept. and the nuptial will take place in late August. We will fill you in on details after the big day. But how romantic that the GG herd brought them together, as both were head wranglers.

● Another GG romance: **Jack CONNER** proposed to **Sarah WALTON** in Mexico, but they will tie the knot July 24 in Ft. Collins (the same day that the king and queen at Geneva Glen will be crowned). We will report on this celebration in the fall.

● As we mentioned in the fall of 2009, several other GG weddings are fast approaching. **Tim AMASS** will wed Courtney Fleming in early June, while **Rob KESSELMAN** and Tracy Dong will tie the knot in mid-June.

● The GG Grapevine whispers about some forthcoming nuptials: **Katie Dicus ... Jake Hartung** and **Keely Contacdelucci ... John Arigoni ... Jeff Gowin ...** and **Megan Usherwood** (look for details in future issues of the *Breeze*).

Geneva Glen Camp Board of Directors

... A common mistake: "Ken and Nancy own Geneva Glen!" ...

The Geneva Glen Camp organization is a non-profit, 501(c) 3 corporation. The corporation actually *owns* the camp, and the organization is run by a volunteer board of directors (who typically serves in a rotation of three-year terms). The board "hires" the camp directors to manage the camp. The camp directors (Ken and Nancy) then hire all the staff, enroll campers, ... basically run the operation. But an element that is vital to the camp's success is this board and the teams of volunteers that lovingly, and selflessly, give to Geneva Glen.



Our current nine-member board includes (pictured, from left):

- Jeff Brown, M.D.** – Secretary, chair of the Medical Committee
- Jeff Robison** – chair of the Facilities and Properties Committee
- Mark Dreher** – Vice President, chair of the Alumni Committee
- Joy Pearson** – chair of the Program Committee
- Peter Moore** – chair of Bylaws, and Legal and Insurance Committee
- Mary Kirkpatrick** – chair of the Development Committee
- Nancy Stanesco**
- John Barker** – Treasurer, chair of the Finance Committee
- Barry Rumack, M.D.** – President

Typically, our board is made up some combination of camper parents and former staff/campers (in some cases, these individuals have a long background with camp and may be a second- or third-generation GG alum). Board members contribute great amounts of time and energy to this role, and they are responsible for policy decisions and safeguarding camp's mission.

As committee chairs, they enlist members to carry out the purpose of committee work. Committees meet anywhere from two to eight times a year (depending on the need) and members come from all over the camp family – people like you! Many committee members are involved in the "Round Table" organization, a larger group of people interested in the work of the camp. Round Table members give time and labor in various areas of interest, or areas in which they have background or skill.

There are many GG alums who serve camp in this way, individuals who used to be board members or previously served on committees. There are a great many GG alums who may now be interested and ready to volunteer their time and energy for their love of the camp. Please feel free to contact the office or any board member if you have any questions about the organization, or if you're interested in being a part of this substantial, giving camp family.



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HELPFUL REMINDERS

Camp Visits ... If you're considering a visit to camp during the summer, we're happy to see you, but remember two things: our energy and focus is on the campers, so you may find it best to keep your visit short; also know that you may not be able to get access into camp due to our traffic-control gates being closed during the summer. It helps if you can let us know of your planned visit in advance by calling or e-mailing Pete LaFleur at (303) 697-4621 (x21) or pete@genevaglen.org.

Online Giving Options – Geneva Glen's Facebook "cause" group has raised over \$1,300! ... There also is an online donation center within the Geneva Glen website (www.genevaglen.org), allowing online giving via a secure donation page. You likewise can sign up for a convenient direct-debit donation option. For more information, or to contribute, please go to:
<http://www.genevaglen.org/alumni/donate.php>

Changes to Your Address, E-Mail, etc.? – Please forward them to Pete LaFleur (contact info. above) or submit changes online, at:
<http://www.genevaglen.org/general/addressform.php>

Here's a brief synopsis of Geneva Glen's current committee structure:

Development – directing fund raising efforts

Budget and Finance – developing and reviewing the financial statements and methods of internal accounting of the camp; reviewing all of camp's investments and evaluating the best policies for investing

Alumni – keeping GG alumni in touch with the camp; disseminating camp news, finding "lost" alums, planning alumni events & reunions

Nominating – identifying potentially qualified candidates for the Board of Directors, and for membership in The Round Table

Bylaws – reviewing the bylaws for current applicability and recommending updates or changes to the Board

Facilities and Properties – analyzing issues related to camp's present land use management, state of on-site facilities, boundary issues, and infrastructure

Program – identifying policy recommendations in programs and program themes, goals and outcomes

Medical – evaluating current needs and trends and developing the best policies and practices for the delivery of medical care in the GG camp setting