Geneva Glen Camp

Alumni Glen Breeze—Spring 2013

From Ken & Nancy Gratitude graphics for 2013.

The "moisture!" We went through another very dry autumn and winter, which hearkened worrisome memories of hot, dry summers and dangerous wildfire potential. Then as March ended, and April (and May) showers started (aka, snow!), we thanked God daily. The cold spring also kept the snow longer – melting lackadaisically into tree roots and rock crevices for a more efficacious soaking of camp's soil. (see details on our new well!)

Staff: we're so excited at the great representation of leaders from former years as well as a fresh batch of first-timers. About a hundred staff will create the program, and about one-third of those are progeny of Geneva Glen alums! Nearly all of our summer leaders grew up in the GG program, and we are thankful that they keep all the loved traditions vital and continuing.

Campers: Nothing makes us more thankful than full bunks, and we've got 'em in every session! It's mid-May and a total of 1,065 campers are enrolled! Similarly to the staff, one-third (or 322) of our total camper population are *your* children and grand-children! Here's the alum / progeny breakdown:

Myths and Magic – 42% American Heritage – 28% Knighthood I – 34% Knighthood II – 43% World Friendship - 20%



Look for the list of all of the progeny in the Fall Breeze.

Board: We are constantly grateful to our board of directors who are such strong believers and supporters of GG in every aspect. See details on the board ... Learn more about the members of the board on the camp's web site. Six of the nine members of GG's board are alums! (see thumbnails on page six)

Program: Thankfully we look forward to another summer of innovative ideas from our program director, PETE MAHAN.

Year-Round Leadership Team: Our full-time folks who make GG (and Ken & Nancy!) flow - happily supported, enveloped, shielded, and ensconced - include Reid MCKNIGHT, CHRISTA DIEDERICHS REDFORD JOHNNY DOMENICO, and gratitude to the part-time office staff, Anne Baalman, KATHY MCHUGH THORNTON, MOLLY CASSIDY ROBISON, and the "crew:" Phil, Corey, Luca, Nina!

NEW WELL

It's been 50 years since Geneva Glen drilled a water well. So GG makes history again! Due to the unusual heat and drought conditions last summer we researched the feasibility of drilling a new well. About 6 years ago, our board undertook

the task of adjudicating our wells, secured a water augmentation plan, and purchased 2 acrefeet of water. Because of this forward-reaching accomplishment the process was *greatly* simplified! This new well will replace well #1, an "under-producer" and therefore is allowed to be permitted under well #1's permit. The well head will be close to well #2 at Archery! We're feeling positive that this will help our water needs in the long-term, as we continue to praise every drop of rain and flake of snow that will ultimately fill these wells!



Gratitude to **HUGH POTE!** Hugh brought us marvelous prints his mother, **LOUISE POTE**, took in the 40s. **MARCIA IRVING PETERANETZ** chronicled them in a beautiful scrapbook. How many of you recognize the dining hall looking like this!?

This only shows about a third of the room, but we know it must have been on a Sunday as you can see the ladies are in their finery! Those green plaid curtains on the windows still have some remnants in today's costume room that Nancy usees as headbands at the Pow Wow! Waste-not-want-not!



Where IS this "flat spot?"!

FROM THE NURSERY...

No.

Rubber Baby Bumper Crop of GG Alums!

The anticipated arrival of **Reid** and **Courtney Clarke McKnight's** issue came on April 20th. We were introduced to Beckett Sherwood McKnight who eats like a hungry cowpoke, sleeps like a barn wrangler, and neighs like a yearling colt! Both parents are wearing broad smiles of relief and delight. **Brooke Johnson Brown** welcomed Willa into the family in October. She will be a fun playmate for

sister Leila Lu (2 ½), named after grandma, "SIS" LEILA CARROLL. It was great to connect with Brooke at an April gathering. Leila is also pleased to have a male grandson in the family ... Mo and Kenny Johnson welcomed their first child, Isaac,

this winter.

DAN AND CHAELYN LONG produced one more future Hilltopper in February – Andrew Montgomery rounds off the beautiful family of five with siblings Alex and Lauryn. Grandpa **TOM LONG** and Grandma **Sydney Compton** couldn't be prouder to have one more Long connection to GG!

NAN BEBERMEYER BELL, has added to our Missouri contingent. Her little Lachlan was born in July. Nan's cousin, JILL PERRY FITZPATRICK had literally just moved to Vermont from Branson, Missouri, when Maddox, from within the womb, said "IT'S TIME!" They were staying at a ski resort and had not yet moved into their new home when Jill gave birth to her son. I'm sure keeping in shape dancing

helped that smooth, quick delivery.

TY AMASS proudly announces the birth of Miles Odin Amass in February. We trust wife Christine is prepared for some lively debate between Ty, a master debater, and Miles who won't have to do much to melt that big daddy heart down to get anything he wants!!

COLLEEN DEAREY and Josh Seitz family just grew to four, as Cole Joseph joined them in February. A dear big sister, Camille, looks like she'll be a nurturer for this little guy!

Another Willa as **MOLLY MINNIS GRIPKA** brought smiles to grandparents **MARTINE** and **BILL MINNIS** with the birth of their second child. Lula is 2 and is here in her Golden Heart shirt.

One more camp romance produces fruit! **SARAH WALTON** and **JACK CONNER** will be Hilltop parents in 2019! Darling Charlie made the scene on April 21st. It's been fun for many of you to watch Sarah's progress in posted pictures ... she sure makes pregnancy look easy! Congrats! Maximilian James Frietag made **KRISTEN TODD** a proud mother in mid-

March. AND the GG Grapevine informs us:

JARED HANKINS had twin boys on October 3rd: Beckett and Blake, add big sisters Ivy and Cora, and this makes an energetic house with four lively young 'ns! **CHRISTINE**

BUTLER GRAHAM welcomed baby Finn. **MATT MURPHY** had a little boy, Charles, in April. **CASEY MILLER** had a daughter, Noelle, in May.

JEANNIE LAFLEUR MONDRUS *barely* made it by press time! She just gave birth to her *third* son ("three's the charm!") Welcome Jonathan!



This lovely young woman, Emma Nixon (daughter to Katie Conway) graced the "On the Nest," and "Nursery" pages years ago, and is now old enough for a solo in Merlin's Masque!

ON THE NEST ...

TIM AMASS and wife Courtney, are due any day now! They are even considering having a ceremony of baptism at Geneva Glen in another year or so. TIM HOGAN and lovely wife Rosa, are expecting their first: a girl, in July. Crazy CLAUDIA KIS MADRID LATOUR happily awaits the arrival of her first baby in September. Will it be Canadian, Mexican, or both!?

CHRISTA DIEDERICHS and Darrel Redford are adding to the family in July. They are expecting this to be little Everett's baby *brother!* Score another boy for the Diederichs clan!!

JOE BAUMGARDER will be a father this summer. HOLY COW! We'll fill you in on more details in the next Breeze, including pix too! JOE ANDERSON and wife Elisabeth are having their second in June. JON MISCHKE is expecting in June. OWEN and CORA WEST Locke are expecting a June baby sister for Lucky!

MELINDA USHERWOOD happily sent word of her pregnancy as she knows her progeny will be Geneva Glen's first 6th Generation! That would make the builder of Marathon, D.D. Watson, the great-great-great grandfather!



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 Geneva Glen friends!

1940s/1950s —

MOLLY CASSIDY ROBISON is back in

the old GG saddle helping us with fund-raising. Last month she spoke to a Kiwanis group in Evergreen, and as she was telling them about our Knighthood program, and the Silver Shield story, a voice boomed out: "And I still have my shield after 70 years!" the owner of the Shield was Lauren Alter, who attended GG from 1940 -1943, thereafter enlisting in the Army. He had not been back or even known that GG was still around. He did ask "how's that little girl Diane doing?" (Little **DIANE** GILMORE ROSS!) The Kiwanis youth project was tremendously helpful. Pheromone bags were tacked on our pine trees near the ropes course and by the old Ute Trail. They smell atrocious, but it tells the pine beetle that "this tree is taken." On May 4th, the team fixed 435 bags on the trees, and the Kiwanis's donated a scholarship to Geneva Glen, both of which we are very grateful.

Who could forget the dance performed at the Council Ring during Council Fire after the 90th reunion in September? Those were the **Anneberg** boys, **Roy** and **Drew**, and with **Ken**, we always knew them as the "Orkney Brothers", and third generation Geneva Glen. The generations turned a page at the loss of their grandmother, **IRENE GAY**, who passed in April .

So good to reconnect with **BEA HOLZAPFEL** at the 90th and subsequent visit in May. We received joyous holiday updates from Seattle on Jessi and Sheridan.

HOLLY GRIFFIN ROMIG visited camp in March shared a memory drive with Ken and Nancy through the old neighborhoods in Denver. And how about that snowday Hol?! Colorado Expression magazine did a cool



write-up on camp last June, and MARCIA IRVING PETERANETZ sported her way into St. Louis to reconnect with a vintage friendship: MARSHA ARMENTROUT. Coincidentally, both have the same (sounding) name, both are retired music teachers, and both are

outstanding photographers. It's no wonder miles and decades have not wilted their friendship.

1970s

DEBBIE ORTON-URBINA has laid three fine sons on the GG altar as campers, but this season she bequeathed her eldest to staff! Yes, Tristan will probably be washing 960 plates per day (and un-told cups, bowls, or spoons) for his favorite summer "retreat!" We enjoyed her family newsletter, "The Shallot," a little tweak at "The Onion!"

DAVID SHANK is sending greetings and memories of some rough years at GG. He was here right before, and after the lodge burned, yet he still says "if there was ever one thing I could do over again, Geneva Glen would

be it!" He recalls meals in the chapel, and BBs there as well! He is introducing the Glen to some campers from Washington state. Thank you David!

1980s

It was wonderful to reunite with **CATHERINE HALL** in March in celebration of her 90th birthday – quite a milestone. More so, however, was the fact that she

looks great, is in great shape, and had all of her children in attendance – twelve of them! She still quilts and we have several of her creations. She swore her favorite memories were those thirteen years working in GGs kitchen making those unforgettable delicious rolls with campers singing "Cookies" to try and make her smile. Oh, she was smiling alright! We were just thrilled to be there.



MARK CAHILL was thinking of his fun summers at GG when he recommended Crew to his daughter Mairin. Hope to welcome her in the future.

We are proudly awaiting the PBS special of "Time Team America," as our own **SHANNA DIEDERICHS** will be the principle archeologist featured at Crow Canyon. She will also be at the Smithsonian in June (yes, this is **CHRISTA**, **KIMMY**, and **NIKKI'S** big sister)!

ERIN GRIFFITHS MCGINLEY is still in New Mexico with hubby, Dennis, and big boys, Michael and Matthew, and their favorite dog Socks, and Yankee.

KEVIN MADISON will introduce camp to his daughter, Rachel. Kevin is a lawyer and judge in Austin, TX, and we are pleased to have his progeny join us in June! **LAURA VICK AYRES** framed an artistic tribute for us as a surprise Christmas gift. Thanks Laura!

CHRIS KLEIN will personally deliver a Pendragon red trailer from Texas at the beginning of Myths and Magic. This brain-child of Klein's, whose time has finally come, will provide a safe and portable "storage closet" for all the Knight's paraphernalia. It will move all the traditional garb and artifacts safely and quickly.

JIM SANDEN — quick note from Jim to say he's still creating laughs and magic in the City of Big Shoulders." Stepdad, RICK ROADRUCK, recently helped us with a risk assessment some of which we will implement this summer. The MORRISSEY family is back in touch with camp and it's great to hear from SUSAN SIDEBOTTOM and her twins Mason and Ashton. We hope to enlist Darien as a counselor in the future.

Are we ready for **JENNY SIMPSON JOHNSON'S** four daughters – Sally, Alice, Mary Malone, and Charlotte? They will all venture from Virginia for Knighthood II.

Keeping our British tradition, we will have Rachel Mahon back as a counselor from Great Britain. In 1982 **PETA HUBBARD**, was the first and so happy to have her daughter, **Nellie**, come and be a counselor a summer ago, 2011. A decade before, **SIAN PARRY** fell in love with GG — so much so she wed Andrew Sedgwick in the

council ring, and a few years later, sent her daughter, Eleanor, to a World Friendship session. This summer, Rachel Mahon will return from Jolly Ol' England, and gladly be put into the "stocks" during the 4th of July! We love to poke fun at our British friends!

1990s

Many thanks to **AMANDA FREEMAN O'CONNER**, who is guiding camp through the county bureaucracy helping to save Ken from more gray hairs. Amanda is President of EES (Entitlement and Engineering Solutions, Inc. in Denver) and has a soft spot in her heart for Marathon. Her help, as a civil engineer, is invaluable as we get closer to our campaign goal! Her daughter, Madison, will come for American Heritage, and son Brogan will try



his hand at Myths and Magic. **TIM HOGAN's** latest venture includes a line of protective clothing from Elite Sterling Securities, LLC. He needed a "Robo Cop" body to model the security ware, so who would be better than our favorite cop, **JEFF GOWIN**. You look great Jeff!

AMY LIVINGSTON is involved in the Development Committee as she balances her twins, Savannah and Claudia, and their big sister, Olivia. (Daddy Alex helps a LOT!)

Grandparents Jan and Steve are pretty proud! Thank you CARRIE DAVIS! I solicited Carrie's help in creating fresh fairies, and elves for our Myths and Magic moppets. Several years ago, KREG HAMBURGER, and JENNIFER CALHOUN fashioned rag dolls for each cabin and dorm, but alas, after being drug about for a few seasons, the sparkles and hairdo's were in shambles. Carrie, who has an innate love for costumes and is a professional clothing designer, agreed to lend her unique talent and skill for the next generation of sprites to inhabit the imaginations of our little ones! Good to have another alum as a GG camp doc! Each season several pediatricians watch over our medical needs, and how great to add Dr. MEGAN LEDERER to the Health and Wellness team who will oversee meds for Knighthood I! She follows in her dad's footsteps, Bob, who is camp doc for Knighthood II! Welcome back into the spirit of the Glen Megan!

SHELLY MENTZER DEINER'S eldest, Ella, will venture from Seattle for Knighthood II. She is in a spectacularly progeny-rich Geneva Glen cabin as every lassie is progeny:

- 1. Reese Dugdale, daughter of **HEATHER HUNT**, California;
- Abigail Romero, mother, MEG TALLMAN, Colorado;
- 3. <u>Sophie Clark</u>, daughter to **BECKY PENBERTHY**, Texas;
- 4. Rebecca Pontow, daughter to ROB PONTOW;

- 5. <u>Katie Clarke</u> and <u>Lauren Clarke</u>, dad, **JASON CLARKE**, Wyoming;
- 6. <u>Charlotte Johnson</u>, daughter to **JENNI SIMPSON**, Virginia;
- 7. <u>Ivy Hinds</u>, daughter to **ROB HINDS**; And Shelly's Ella. These counselors will have their hands full, 'cause these gals are all pistols!

Small world story: GG to the rescue! **CHRISTA DIEDERICHS REDFORD**, was getting tires at a Costco tire center, happened to find a lost credit card on the counter. It had the name of Larry Meerdink on it. Well, he's the husband-to-be of **WENDI SUE GROVER** (See nuptials!). Christa was delighted to get this card reunited with its owner! Larry and Wendi rejoiced heartily! **MEGHAN DRURY** visited in March with her Kaia and Harlan.

MARYANNE LANTIERI HEALY is full of gratitude for early grandson Stephen ... due January 24 came October 24, but making it fine with lots of prayers. Great to have had her and John at the 90th!

BETH McDowell Baldwin, and hubby, Jason, performed opera with the St. Louis Philharmonic for 7,000 folks! Beth was never the shy type and gloried to check off this cool "bucket list" item!



NATE MILLER brought his darling daughter Jessie (age 2 ½) for a camp tour in muddy April. This blonde cherub looks like mama Christine. Reid is grateful to have Nate's veterinary advice about the camp horse string. Nate ran the barn for several summers in the early 90s, and actually purchased and named Twister, one of our favorites we lost this year. Good to have Nate's family

back in Colorado Haven't seen **SKIP (LARRY) HUNEFELD** in a coon's age, but he sends us newsy greetings at Christmas of wife Barbie, Sara, Isaac, Eli, and Leah. Hey Skip, why not load up the bus and come visit Colorado sometime!!

Grateful to **MAIRE MINNIS TURK** and husband, Scott, for their help on Volunteer Follies. She sent this darling quote of Josip's reaction on the way home in the car: "Mommy! You know it was *REALLY* special that we got to clean the stairs and to pick dandelion's, and find giant spiders, and dig in the sandbox, and put "Tootie's" earth worms in Nancy's geraniums. I love the dirt — can we have a nap at camp one day?"!

How do you top that?





Wedding Bells

TY PETERANETZ and Markeya Dubbs will tie the knot in Grand Rapids, Nebraska on June 7th. This celebration has some good GG junctures with Ty's mom, MARCIA IRVING as an alum of 60 years! She is our scrapbook aficionado extraordinaire. Ty's brother JAY, is married to WHITNEY ROBERTSON, who is a second generation GG herself! Their daughters Braiden and Trennon will serve as flower girls. They'll be a part of the wedding party, of course. Old friend and GG buddy, DAVID HARBAUGH, will usher, and a duet will be sung by ALANA GAY and JEFF ROBERTSON. (We hear that Jeff is about to tie the knot himself!) We wish them all the best!

BRUCE GALLAGHER in late July will marry Tricia Class. She's as "classy" as her name and manner imply. Congrats Bruce baby!

DAVID CARLSON (JANE ROCKWELL and Douglas' older son) is engaged to Rachel Romer. This nuptial will bring another connection to the Romer and Rockwell family and Geneva Glen, as former Colorado First Lady, BEA ROMER, was a GG counselor in the 1940's, and Rachel is big sister to GRACE, who is a GG camper of eight years!

One of our favorites, **TOM ODENHEIMER**, published a "Save The Date," as he and Katlyn are planning a summer ceremony.

BRYCE JOHNSON wed in October to his bride Emily. (See baby news of his sisters).

MATT CLIFTON is living in Boston, and will marry Emily in September; and brother **IAN** and wife Allison live in Colorado with Andrew and Alex.

SHANNON CHAMBERS sends word of her forthcoming nuptials. She's engaged to Bryce. Shannon is the daughter of Jo Carolyn ("Jo-C") Chambers Massey, and both were so happy that Shannon had such a great career at GG.

Romance bloomed (and music dazzled) at the Glen on May 27th as the Chapel celebrated a wedding for WENDI SUE GROVER and Larry Meerdink. This nuptial was the most HARMONIOUS one in years, as 40 members of the nationally acclaimed Kantorei choir blessed the occasion with song. The couple have been friends and members of Kantorei for many years. As a matter of fact, the officiant is another Kantorei member, Ken Atkinson! And it was a perfect day for a lovely outdoor reception at Merlin's Spring.

GG WISH LIST — Some of you have inquired about GG's current **donation wish list**. If you've been doing some spring cleaning, here's the latest in terms of camp's needs:

- = Cameras and video-cameras; children's books
- = Sewing machines and sewing equipment and supplies for "Cre-8." Sports equipment, camping gear (sleeping bags, tents, cooking stoves)
- = Crafts, leather, beads, stained glass, etc.
- = Working chainsaws, tools, hardware, ropes, tarps, extension cords, tool bags, etc.

Donations to Geneva Glen are tax-deductible.

In Memory

Cherishing the past, seeding the future...

As the pages of generations turn in the camp memory book, we naturally lament the passing of friends. We gratefully acknowledge the lives touched by Geneva Glen as well as the individual character etched into the substance of our heritage. We will miss...

Roberta Crow Gingerich ... February, 2013 Drucinda Ewing ... April, 2013. Irene Josephine Frye Gay ... April, 2013





Memorial Wall

For a \$1,000 donation, GG alums can memorialize their loved ones by having their name engraved in stone at the Memorial Wall garden next to the Gilmore Chapel and the bell memorial, a tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Gil. Contact camp for information about adding the name of a loved one to this wall.

Development Update

Renovation of the **Marathon Lodge** is picking up steam! All the engineering work is at the County and expected to pass muster. We will follow that with construction drawings, then secure a general contractor. We hope to begin work right after camp ends, August 17. For generations Marathon has been a true multi-purpose building, and has stood the test of time: 94 years old! She has hosted countless thousands of children and youth, and is remembered by any who has ever attended Geneva Glen. Many things will stay the same—Shields, Archery, Radio, and the camp store will all still be there. And "The 7-year Wall" will continue to grow with its carved names of all those who have attended camp for 7 years. The space will nearly double and include a kitchen to bolster a health/nutrition program!

Huge thanks to everyone who has supported our Marathon Renovation Campaign. To date we have raised \$84,000 towards the \$100,000 Matching Gift—only \$16,000 to go! This challenge and matching funds gets us very close to reaching our overall goal of \$400,000. If you haven't done so yet, please make your donation to support the Marathon renovation by going online to www.genevaglen.org/donate. Or if you prefer the old fashioned way, send us a check!

Legacy Giving

The Geneva Glen Legacy Giving Circle is your opportunity to join other Camp Family members who have put Geneva Glen into their wills. A bequest of this kind makes a lasting and meaningful gift to support the financial future of Camp. This group has been created to honor and recognize those who help to continue the important work here at Camp through a gift to GG in their wills, trusts, or estate plans. When you join the Legacy Giving Circle, you demonstrate your commitment to Camp and help ensure our long-term strength. If you have already added Geneva Glen to your will, we would like to recognize and *thank you!* If you have questions about including Camp in your planning, please contact Molly or Kathy (303-697-4621 ext 21). The Legacy Giving Circle is *so vital to Geneva Glen's next 100 years!*

A FANDANGO OF FACTS ABOUT FUNDRAISING!

Did you know: Geneva Glen is a private, non-profit, 501(c)3 organization? Donations to GG are tax deductible.

What does that mean? Only a portion of Camp's revenue comes from tuition and fees; donations are required to meet the balance of our financial needs.

Like what?

CAMPERSHIPS! Each summer Geneva Glen provides financial assistance or scholarships to over 100 kids who otherwise could not attend. Donations toward camperships add to GG's diversity. MARATHON! Tuition pays for maintenance and upkeep. Fundraising is the only way we can make big improvements like the renovation of Marathon.

ENDOWMENT! Geneva Glen's continuing financial health is supported by an endowment. Like insurance, it will help assure a secure future for generations.

LAND! Over the years, opportunities arise for camp to acquire parcels of land. Sometimes they're essential, and we should not pass it up.

STEWARDSHIP! Geneva Glen's philosophy includes being good stewards to our land and nature. This takes love, hard work ... and money!

Do Ken and Nancy own the camp? No! They are employees like the rest of the staff. As a charitable organization, GG is run by a volunteer board of directors, and in turn they hire the directors to ... run the camp!

How does Camp raise money? A variety of ways—once or twice a year we send a letter and ask Alumni and Camper Families to donate. We also ask Foundations and Businesses for help. We host fundraising events during the year. Finally, groups help us by volunteering time or donating items to camp.

How Can I help? First you can donate! You can also become involved in the committee responsible for fund raising, the Development Committee.

Questions: If you would like more information about our fundraising efforts, please contact Kathy Thornton or Molly Robison at 303-697-4621 x 21.

It can be fun to see what transpired since one year ago when we're announcing the arrival of new kids—so **Leslie Woodworth** Kendrick pulled out a few in her replete collection of French Moustache's and fit them upon her darling twins, Finn and Will. Clearly, they are quite at home in this expression!

Leslie happens to be on the Geneva Glen Camp Board of Directors. Allow us to introduce



her, as well as the rest of the members of the camp board by visiting this page in our website:

http://www.genevaglen.org/board/



Geneva Glen Staff-Alum Progeny for 2013 Summer

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Returning From 2012:

Nathan Ariki (Jr. Counselor/Ropes Head) – dad DAVID; grandparents SAMMY & MARY ARIKI

Matt Ayres (Sr. Counselor) – mom LAURA VICK

Annie Brewster (CIT) – mom BECKY REIMERS

Danny Chase (CIT) – dad RICK CHASE

Naveed Easton (Sr. Counselor) – dad PETER ABBOT EASTON

Jessi Garhart (Sr. Counselor/Trainee head) – dad RICK GARHART

Alana Gay (resident dietician!) – dad KIRK; grandparents BILL & MAE GAY

Adam Gribas (Jr. Counselor/Belegarth Head) – mom LANA FOX

Austin Lee (Sr. Counselor) - dad DAVE LEE; GRANDPA LEE & GENERAL WHITE-HORSE HENRY LEE

Dominique Lacroix (Jr. Counselor) – Uncles TIM AND TY AMASS

Sterling Lubchenco (Jr. Counselor) – dad ROBERT LUBCHENCO

Max Muller (Sr. Counselor / CIT head) – numerous aunts & uncles (ROBISON and CASSIDY families)

Lexie Musselman from 2011 (CIT) – dad MARK MUSSELMAN

Christa Redford (assistant to the directors) – mom JANET HELMSTAEDTER DIEDERICHS

Cassidy (Artist in Residence!) & Sam (Media Head) Robison – grandma LYNNE DEASON; parents JEFF ROBISON & MOLLY CASSIDY

Casey Sweeney (CIT) – grandma ELIZABETH EWY

Emilie and Matt Lederer (Crew) – aunt MEGAN LEDERER

New Staff for 2013:

Madison Burdt - mom KENDYLL LUBY

Richard Dyer – mom NANCY BUBLITZ

Jasmine Gonzales (Sr. Counselor) – dad MIKE

Alyssa Hinds (CIT) – dad ROB; uncles MIKE, TIM & CHRIS

Jordan Kramlich (CIT) – mom DENISE HEROLD

Reed Mauzy – mom Susie Earle; aunt Betsy Earle

Wes McMullen - grandpa PAUL McMullen

Brendan Moon (CIT) – dad BILL MOON & mom KIM SANDBERG

Ali Oksner – mom JUDY WEIL

Tristan Orton-Urbina – mom DEBBIE ORTON

Chloe Rossier (Crew) – mom ELLEN ZWEIG

Avery Siler (Jr. Counselor/) – mom Sue Asher

Kat Wible (Cupcake) – mom JESSICA LANKFORD, grandpa, LARRY LANKFORD

Creede Held (Crew) – mom Fran Yerkey, Grandparents Tom Yerkey and Karen Dean

Trainees for 2013:

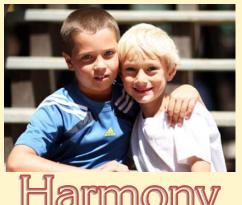
Robbie Ippolito – Mom Jenny Robison, Grandma, Lynne Deason Jack Smith – mom Antoinette DeLauro



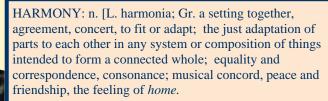
Who better to add some whimsy (and bear deterrent) than Cassidy — this on the dumpster door!







It's our theme for the summer ...



The 90th birthday bash, Family Camp, the reunion and council fire was visible proof of the deep-seated love for this place shared by thousands of GG alums. We're grateful for the rich stories and images that came out of that miraculous weekend. (If you still haven't taken a look at that weekend, go here:

http://www.dropevent.com/Show/send502580

It's true that whenever GG alum progeny are together, there's an automatic and harmonious interconnectedness, and friendships are born in seconds. It's no wonder when you consider their parents shared a love for the place and formed lifelong friendships! The group photos of Myths progeny, or the big group of Knighthood II campers (pg 7) and staff who are progeny, reveal an inner happiness radiating out from their faces. They look absolutely comfortable together, like they've been friends all their lives! How amazing to know there is a place where these relationships are pre-established; like a fruit tree freshly planted and already blooming, bearing fruit! More than that, any child, once they experience GG, is automatically welcomed, is family, is at home, and begins to plant and water those seeds for their own future.

