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They say that time flies when you are having fun, and this summer at camp proves the point. It seems like yesterday that we came from all around the world to spend seven weeks together on the shores of Crescent Lake. Whether it was your first summer at Agawam starting off in Mason, your sixth summer returning as a 15 year old in Brown or Cornell, or anything in between, we all brought our own histories and backgrounds to camp this summer. We lived closely together, sharing space in our cabins, eating our meals together, and squeezing on to our tribal benches at Council every Saturday night.

Along the way, we created something special that is hard to put into words. The ingredients included a special blend of fun zany stuff like the Fourth of July Midway Booths, daily "Useless Trivia", working hard on skill development at activities to earn awards from Ranger Trail to Riflery, exhibiting great sportsmanship together as players and spectators in competitions (remember Ag/Wam Upper Volleyball in the mud going so late that it got dark during the final game?), to supporting each other on the trail and in canoes from Speckled Mountain to Tour de Crescent. It also included coming together to honor our most sacred traditions in Council and working each week on Katiaki goals that are designed to help us live life according the Woodcraft Laws and to the poem "Be The Best, Whatever You Are" that Dave Mason shared with us in Vespers.

We have all worked hard and played hard this summer, each doing our part as campers and counselors together. I hope that we will go home with happy memories and standing a little taller from the personal growth and confidence that we have gained from learning new skills, having the courage to try new things, and showing the kindness to help our camp friends get through the challenging times that we all face. If we all keep these basic principles and values in mind as we return home to family and school life, we will be doing our part to make the world a better place.

Even as we do so, we will remain connected by our Agawam '07 time together. We all came to camp as individuals with a unique contribution to make, and we end the season having formed a tight community that you will all be part of forever. I hope that the following pages will help you remember some of the great stuff that we did together along the way.

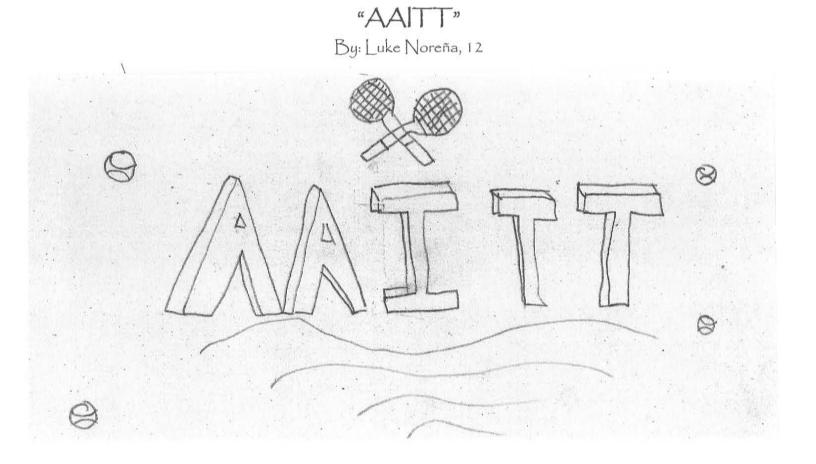
'Til we meet again....

"Bos'n" Frank Authomy

## Agawam Spirit, Strong and Clear

AAITT By: Ben Sataloff, 15

This summer, Camp Agawam hosted the 54<sup>th</sup> annual AAITT, or Agawam Annual Invitational tennis Tournament. Winona, Timanous, Nashoba, and Agawam competed for a spot on the plague and singles/doubles trophies for the champions. After Nashoba was eliminated going into day two, the remaining three teams fought for the finals in both singles and doubles. After some tough matches, Timanous and Agawam faced off in doubles and singles. The defending champion Timanous doubles team took home the trophy, but Agawam's number one, Franz Dieter Sydow, defeated the defending singles champion from Timanous in a 6-3, 6-2 battle. All displayed great sportsmanship as Agawam took home the win in the latest installment of the AAITT.

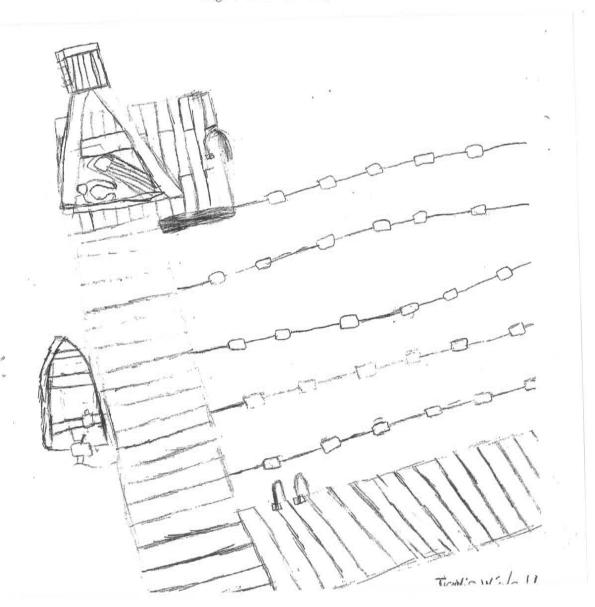


### Tennís Ladder By: Franklin Parker, 13

At Agawam, there is a tennis ladder. It is divided into seven age groups: 9 and under, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15. Everyone in camp is on the tennis ladder. In order to reach the top of the ladder, you have to challenge the person above you. For the first two weeks of camp, you can challenge anyone above you, but after that, you can only challenge two spots above you. In the last week of camp, there are medal matches, where the top eight people from each age group have a seeded tournament. The winner receives a medal.

"The Waterfront"

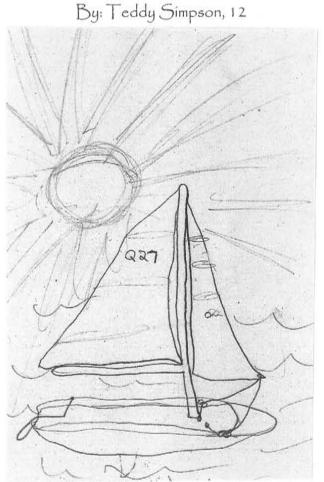
By: Travis Winde, 11



#### Timanous Team Racing By: Dougie Barnard, 11

At the beginning of rest hour, we headed to the waterfront, our stomachs full from cabin cookouts. We swam out to the boats. I was in Tommy Webel's boat; Alex Prezdpelski was in JP Steer's boat, and Miko McGuire was in Sandy Brown's boat.

Once we got out to the boats, we rigged them and swam back in. Timanous showed up just as we were getting to land. "Major" and "Mander" were setting up the Port Triangle course. Once they came back, they greeted Timanous, and we all took the motorboat out to the sailboats. As the starting whistle blew, Tommy and I fell quickly into sixth place, which in this case was last. Unfortunately, the wind almost completely died as we started. However, there were a few gusts. As we rounded the third mark, still in last, we started gaining. We took fourth! In our next two races, we got a third and a fourth, and Agawam won!

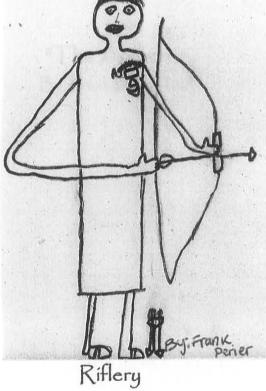


"Saílboat"

#### Archery

#### By: Matt Jablonski, 10

Archery is my favorite activity because when I first came to camp, it sounded cool to me. There are some really good archers in camp. The three archery woodcrafters are Ryan Emberling, Blake Alex, and Will Gwozdz. Some of the things you have to do for your woodcrafter are get your fifth award, know all of the parts of the bow, and teach seven optionals. Archery is awesome.



By: Alex Guerra, 14

Riflery is one of the most chilling activities at Camp Agawam. The Heads of Riflery for '07 were "Biggie Sarge" Ford, "Gunner" Nolan, and "Bowman" Stanyard. They were always patient and happy to teach us so we could get better. Some people would think that riflery is a "nerdy" activity, but there is a lot of action at the riflery range, and you will always have fun trying to get the highest score or trying to get awards. The awards consist of: Pro-marksman, marksman, marksman first class, Bar 1 through Bar 9, expert and distinguished expert. The only person in camp with his distinguished expert is Chief. In conclusion, riflery is a quiet activity where you can have fun and try your aiming skills.

### World Cup By: Peter Cleveland, 9

World Cup is when cabins are a soccer team. All of the cabins have to play every cabin. Mason won this year. It is exciting.

"Small Craft" By: Luke Osselaer, 12 Luke Osselaer, 12 Small Crafts. With "Mate"!

Small Craft By: Kyle Hargreaves, 13

The head of Small Craft is "Mate". He always wants us to get excited. We take trips to the sand bar and have canoe wars. We also take canoe trips around Maine, like Brandy Pond, which goes down the Songo River and out into Sebago Lake. Whenever you go to small craft, just remember to have fun and get excited.

# The AG/WAM Season

AGS Captain: Will Degerberg

WAMS Captain: Jim Goodenough

| AGS | EVENT                                   | WAMS |
|-----|---|------|
|     | Base Relay                              | 5    |
|     | Lower Middle Basketball                 | 3    |
|     | Lower Treasure                          | 3    |
| 5   | Swim Relay                              |      |
| 3   | Upper Scavenger                         |      |
| 3   | Upper Track                             |      |
| 3   | Middle Tug-O-War                        |      |
| 3   | Upper Volleyball                        |      |
| 3   | Upper Middle Soccer                     |      |
|     | Lower Track                             | 3    |
|     | Lower Basketball                        | 3    |
|     | Lower Scavenger                         | 3    |
| 3   | Middle Scavenger                        |      |
| 3   | Tennis                                  |      |
|     | Lower Middle Soccer                     | 3    |
|     | Lower Middle Track                      | 3    |
| 3   | Upper Basketball                        |      |
| 3   | Upper Baseball                          |      |
|     | Middle Treasure                         | 3    |
| 3   | Sailing                                 |      |
| 3   | Lower Soccer                            |      |
|     | Upper Middle Track                      | 3    |
|     | Lower Baseball                          | 3    |
| 3   | Upper Middle Baseball                   |      |
|     | Upper Middle Basketball                 | 3    |
| 3   | Lacrosse                                |      |
|     | Riflery                                 |      |
|     | Archery                                 |      |
|     | Lower Middle Baseball                   | 3    |
| 3   | Upper Soccer                            |      |
|     | Upper Treasure                          | 3    |
|     | Camping<br>August 9 <sup>th</sup>       |      |
|     | Pony Express<br>August 10 <sup>th</sup> |      |
| 47  | TOTAL SCORE                             | 44   |

## AG/WAM Track

Lower Campus Track Results: Wams-173 1/2 Ags-97 1/2

50 Yard Dash 1. Kip McGuire (W) 2. CJ York (W)

Cross Country 1. Henry Hardy (W) 2. Trip Ewig (W)

Long Jump 1. CJ York (W) 10'10" 2. Kip McGuire(W) 10'2"

Individual High Scorers

1. CJ York (W) - 27 points 2. Kip McGuire (W) - 24 points 3. Henry Hardy (W) - 22 points 4. Trip Ewig (W) - 17 points 5. Paul Dougherty (A) - 16 points Noah Schweizer (W) - 16 points

Lower Middle Campus Track Results: Wams-167 Ags-82

50 Yard Dash 1. Luke Osselaer (W) 2. Ted Liggians (W)

Cross Country 1. Luke Osselaer (W) 2. Ben Holland (A)

Long Jump 1. Luke O. (W) 12'-8 1/2" 2. Ryan Picard (W) 11'11"

Individual High Scorers

1. Luke Osselaer (W) - 32 points

2. Ben Holland (A) - 20 points Ryan Picard (W) - 20 points

3. Miko McGuire (W) - 17 points James Bilko (W) - 17 points

Upper Middle Campus Track Results: Wams-154 Ags-95

50 Yard Dash

Cross Country

Long Jump

- 1. Arthur Roski (W)
- Connor Murphy (W)
  Kelvin Peebles (A)

Arthur Roski (W) 13'6"
 Franklin Parker (W) 12'4"

2. Peter Donoso (W)

Peter Donoso (W) 12'4"

#### Individual High Scorers

- 1. Arthur Roski (W) 30 points
- 2. Peter Donoso (W) 22<sup>1/2</sup> points
- 3. Franklin Parker (W) 19<sup>1/2</sup> points
- Charlie Moder (A) 19 points Connor Murphy (W) – 19 points

#### Upper Campus Track Results: Ags-219 Wams-107

50 Yard Dash

1. Jack Near (A)

2. Jamie Fried (A)

Cross Country

2. Jay Carroll (A)

1. John Murphy (W)

Long Jump

1. Jack Near (A) 15'6" 2. Luke Faust (W) 15'1"

#### Individual High Scorers

- 1. Jack Near (A) 29 points
- 2. Jay Carroll (A) 21 points
- 3. Christian Johnson (A) 20 points
- Luke Faust (W) 17 points John Murphy (W) - 17 points
- 5. Cor Bensen (A) 16 points Jamie Fried (A) - 16 points

## Take Me Out..... to the Ballgame

**Sea Dogs** By: James Ganendra, 10

The Sea Dogs game was the first baseball game I have ever been to so it was a new experience for me. When I entered the stadium, it was crowded with people waiting for refreshment and some were waiting in huge queues just to get some. It was a spectacular game with teams regularly hitting balls over the stadium. Eventually, the Sea Dogs won 7-3. It was a fun game, and I hope I will go again.

#### Lower Middle AG/WAM Baseball

By: Simon Greene, 15

On August 5<sup>th</sup> 2007, the Lower Middle Ags and Wams took the field for the final game of the camp season. The pitchers controlled the game, and neither team was able to score until the Wams did in the fourth inning, during which James Bilko led off with the double and was knocked in by Miko McGuire. The Wams managed to hold the Ags scoreless for the rest of the game, making the final score 1-0 for the Wams. For the Ags, there were notable performances by Ben Holland who struck out five batters and walked two with three singles of his own. Luke Noreña had a double and a single. For the Wams, Jack Martin pitched a shutout game with thirteen strikeouts and only one walk, while Angelo Guerra and Will Nash both had singles. Both teams fought hard and showed great sportsmanship.

#### AG/WAM Upper Baseball By; Bowen Dunnan, 15

The Upper Campus met on Ap Mason Field to play baseball after supper on Sunday, the 29<sup>th</sup> of July. Both teams produced solid lineups and the game was sure to be a good one. The Wams took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first, but Jack Near for the Ags tied it in the bottom half with a homerun. The pitchers, Sandy Brown for the Wams and Cujo Noreña for the Ags; they pitched flawlessly into the fifth. Cujo managed to hold off the Wams in the top half of the inning. The Ags hitters rallied in their half after two quick outs, producing five runs including homers from Cujo Noreña and Derek Richter. The Ags won with a final score of 6-1 as the game was called due to darkness.

## Fifteen and under Baseball at Netop

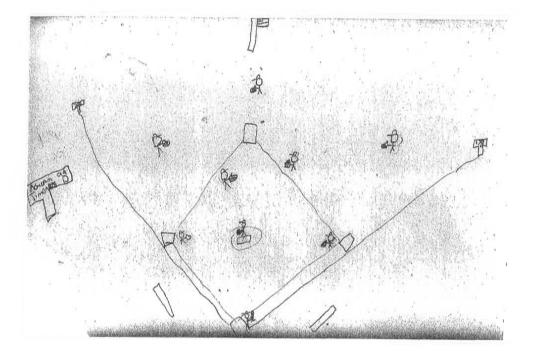
By: Luke Faust, 15

On July 25<sup>th</sup>, the fifteen and under Agawam team headed over to Netop to play a game. Agawam won 14-3 on twelve hits. AJ Edgecomb pitched the complete game victory giving up only four hits. The offense started hitting right away. Luke Faust and Cujo Noreña hit back-to-back doubles in the first and each "homered" later in the game. Seven different players scored a run and six players got hits. Charlie Moder also got two hits and two RBI's. Agawam scored at least three runs every inning. The real stars of the game were our eight and nine hitters. Evan Heib had three hits and Christian Johnson scored three runs. Overall, the Agawam fifteen and under team ended with a 2-1-1 record.

#### Ags vs. Wams Lower Baseball By: James Goodenough, 15

On the last night of July 2007, the lower Ags and Wams headed up to Aps field. The winner would receive three points for their team. The Wams were looking for their star players to have big performances and they got just that. Henry Hardy went two for three with one RBI and two runs scored. Kip McGuire was another stand-out player for the Wams with double and a triple. As the Wams continued to add runs every inning and increase their lead, the Ags were unable to cross home for the first four innings. With a final score of 10-4, the Wams came out victorious.

> "A Day at Ap's Field" By: Gil Connolly, 11



#### Casco Days Road Race By: Christian Johnson, 15

On Saturday, July 28, Christian Johnson, a fifteen year old from Atlanta, Georgia, won the camper division of the Casco Days road race. There were over 400 people there. Four miles were really long for him because he wasn't in any shape at all. The race was up road and mostly flat. It was fun, and he is so proud of himself and his time of 27:06.

Casco Days Float By: Sam Forbes, 9

On Casco Day, 10 campers from Agawam went to Casco to win a prize for their well-thought-of float, a spider. They waited for a while until their float was introduced to the crowd. All of the campers sang "The Long Hairy Spider" throughout Casco. As everyone waited at the fair and had fun, the prizes were announced. Agawam won in the most creative division and we are wondering what to do next year.

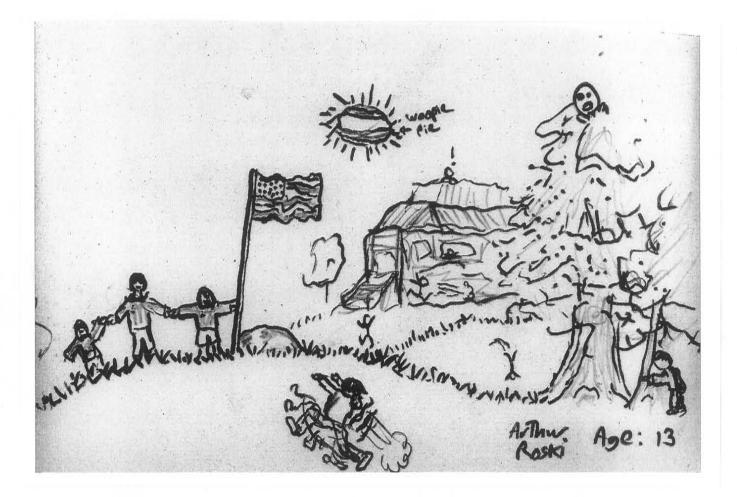
> An Old Tradition Revived for '07 By: Kenn Fryer, 13

Traditions

On the morning of July 23, there was a crisp breeze. Everything was just as usual, but the schedule said something different. Mission Impossible?! It was such an old camp tradition that only the Captain remembered it, and it was about to be reborn. We were called to the beach after cabin clean up, and everyone was puzzled and dazed. Then "Slugger" Hayes came to us and he explained, "We're playing hide and seek. Find a counselor and you get candy." Suddenly the horn blew, and we were off to find the counselors. Some hid in cabins, some in trees, and some in the occasional trash barrel. As soon as it started, it was over. I guess time flies when you are having fun! Some were happy, some were sad, but in the end, it was all worth it because we all got maids (candy), and so it goes. People at Agawam By: Sebastian Barnichta, 10

People are different in many different ways. Some people have different skin colors, some people speak different languages, but we're all the same from inside. At Agawam, people don't judge your skin color or your language; we are all one big happy family at Agawam, and we're all happy about that.

### "Cops and Robbers" By: Arthur Roski, 13



Lazy Mornings By: Jeff Robinson, 11

Lazy mornings are the highlight of the week. On special mornings, we get the opportunity to sleep in and go to a delicious continental breakfast. On lazy mornings everybody gets to sleep in until 8:45 or leave the cabins at eight o'clock. Usually, kids wake up early and eat a breakfast of pastries, cereal, and sweet drinks- delicious! - while others wake up late. Lazy mornings are a very fun and special event that I love.

> **"Mason Hall"** By: William Mulhall, 8



# Lower Campus Poetry Slam

**"The LC"** By: Peter Wilson, 10

Peter Wilson age 10

**"Haíku"** By: Griffin Thomas, 9

For the win or loss Agawam is relentless Agawam is salty.

#### "Cabin Cookouts"

By: The Cabin of Yale Peter Cleveland, 9; Paul Dougherty, 9; Jack Fitzpatrick, 9; Sam Forbes. 9; Kip McGuire, 10, and Andy Scheerer, 9

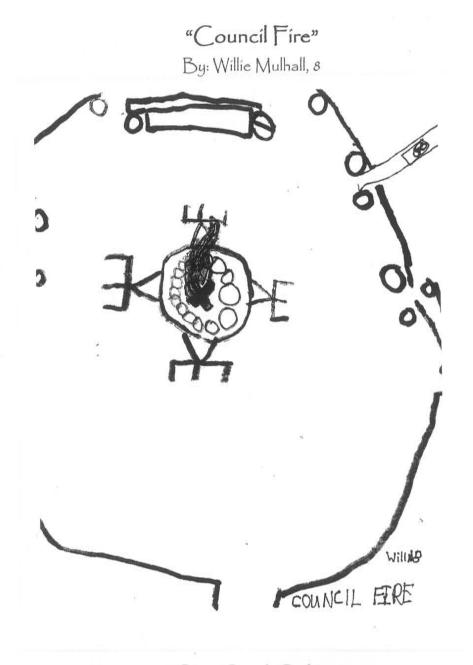
> Cabin cookouts are really fun Hamburgers are number one. We get Oreos, which give us power Then we go to rest hour. Guide is the master of the grill And his food will do anything but kill. Even if the food is not cooked well, We think it is pretty swell.

#### "Watching Sachem Call Upon the Gods of the Four Winds"

By: The Cabin of Trinity Kemp Atkinson, 10; Sebastian Barnichta, 10; Henry DeCamp, 10; Trip Ewig, 10; Noah Faison, 10 and Noah Schweizer, 10

> Listen carefully Listen Listen Listen to Sachem For he calls the gods to light our fire Watch with awe Watch Just watch Hoping it will light Close your eyes and hope It's all we can do Then, Ssss

The hazy gray smoke comes out of our mystical fire.



"Our Cool Cabin"

By: The Cabin of Penn Dougie Barnard, 11; Gil Connolly, 11; Henry Hardy, 11; Christman Henderer, 11; JP Webel, 11 and Peter Wilson, 11

> Our cabin is awesome Scout is a beast at soccer, yah We have Shinsaway!

#### "Lazy Mornings"

By: The Cabin of Cargill

James Ganedra, 10; Kamal Kettaneh, 10; Jeff Robinson, 11; Travis Winde, 11

Lazy Mornings are so fun It is shared with everyone. In the morning you get up late And you feel great. You go to breakfast between 8 and 9 That takes a lot of time. For breakfast we have pastries Hmmmm, they're tasty We drink hot cocoa Which makes you go loco Donuts are nicely shaped And they're deliciously baked.

### "| really miss Camp Agawam" By: Teddy Liggians

