

If you would like information about Camp Agawam or Agawam Council, please feel free to contact either “Chief” Garth Nelson or “Bowman” Scott Malm at the camp’s Winter Office: 30 Fieldstone Lane Hanover, MA 02339; 781-826-5913 or visit the camp website: [www.campagawam.org](http://www.campagawam.org)

#### AGS v. WAMS 2003

Ag Captain – Morgan Dunnan of Rye, NY  
Wam Captain – Will Rickards of Darien, CT  
Final Score:

Ags – 45      Wams – 42

Total wins since 1927:

Ags – 35      Wams – 41      Tie – 1

On Awards Night, Monday August 11, 2003, the following boys were recognized with major awards:

#### GOVERNOR TROPHY

Morgan Dunnan of Rye, NY

#### CARGILL TROPHY

for Sportsmanship  
Chris Hayes of Sarasota, FL

#### MASON TROPHY

for Service  
Aram Aslanian-Persico of Bronx, NY  
Eddie Layng of Summit, NJ

#### AGAWAM COUNCIL TROPHY

for Leadership  
Spence Pollack of Short Hills, NJ

Later, Morgan Dunnan and Chris Hayes were selected by Camp Agawam to join the **Totem Society**.

#### **IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Agawam Council Winter Meeting – 2/7/04 to 2/8/04  
2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Alumni Work Days – 6/5/04 and 6/6/04  
34<sup>th</sup> Main Idea Program – 6/12/04 to 6/18/04  
85<sup>th</sup> Camp Agawam Season – 6/23/04 to 8/10/04  
8<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Marathon – 8/12/04  
85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion Weekend – 8/13/04 to 8/15/04  
Agawam Council Annual Meeting – 8/15/04

## GHOSTS

by Ap Mason

written November 14, 2000

Ghostly rocks lead up the path  
illuminated by the Council Fire.

Ghostly voices from the shadows  
whisper with each measured step.

Ghostly echoes from the fields  
where Aps and Wams held sway  
(though many now have gone away).

Ghostly memories from long ago  
of joyous days when time stood still.

Ghostly rocks all beckon back  
where still burns clear the Lamp of Love.

## PAINT DAY

### Thanks to our volunteers!

"Be helpful, do your share of the work," was the theme for Agawam's first ever Alumni Work Day. "Capt." Diehl Estes headed up a crew of 35 that spent the weekend of May 31 and June 1 helping Agawam catch up on some deferred maintenance. The work focused on buildings in the Lower Campus – Lang, Trinity, Cargill, Penn and Arts & Crafts were painted, screens were repaired, posts and stairs repaired and painted, as well as general pickup and emptying of buildings to help us prepare for the season. The weather was outstanding, the group cheerful and hardworking, and the results amazing! Hopefully more of you can join us next year as we tackle the middle campus, June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2004. Thanks again to our Work Day Crew:

Erik Andrews

Mark Andrews

"Colonel" Keith Baxter

"Major" Frank Blauvelt

"Sparks" Amy Butler

"Capt" Diehl Estes

"Colonel" Will Fleiss

"Colonel" Matt Gardner

"Admiral" Fred Gerson

"Cox'n" Simon Gerson

"Trapper" Al Goetz

Cathy Griffiths

Dave Griffiths

Rick Griffiths

Will Griffiths

BJ Grondin

Brian Grondin

"Cutter" Adam Hall

Lisa Hall

Ron Hall  
"Bos'n" Bob Holland  
Benjamin Holland  
Mary Hughes  
Jon Hughes  
"Colonel" Mark Jones  
"Ensign" Allison O'Leary  
"Trapper" Nathaniel Read  
Kris Rioux  
Roger Rioux  
Si Rioux  
Zach Rioux  
"Chips" Steve Slovenski  
"Cox'n" Nick Tatar  
Remy Tatar  
"Cruiser" Jen Wright  
"Cruiser" Patrick Wright

## **85 YEARS OF CAMP AGAWAM**

**Join us at Camp for the Alumni Celebration!**

**August 13, 14, 15 ~ SAVE THE DATES**

Camp Agawam will celebrate its 85<sup>th</sup> birthday with an alumni reunion weekend to be held August 13 to 15, 2004. Mark your calendars! The weekend will begin on Friday afternoon, with camp activities, a social hour, Old Fashioned Chicken Bar-be-que, and an evening of reminiscing. Saturday will begin with an AGS v. WAMS morning dip, flag raising, camp improvement period, lots more activities, tours of camp, another social hour, and a Maine Lobster Dinner followed by a traditional Council Fire (don't forget your Honor Band – we will have tribal feathers!). Sunday morning we will gather for Vespers, enjoy some more time at camp and then after lunch head back home knowing that Agawam continues to be a vital and traditional place! Invitations will be sent out soon – accommodations are at camp in cabins, tenting at camp, or in nearby inns and motels. All meals will be provided at Agawam. We hope you can make it. If you'd like to work on off-campus reservations ahead of time try these local lodgings (all within 15 minutes of Agawam):

Migis Lodge (207) 655-4524  
Inn at Long Lake (800) 437-0328  
Pleasant Lake House (207) 627-6975  
White Pines Motel (207) 655-3345  
Crescent Lake Cottages (207) 655-3393  
Augustus Bove House (207) 693-6365  
Romah Motor Inn (207) 693-6365  
Windham Way Motel (207) 892-4762  
Point Sebago (800) 530-1555  
Kokatosi Campground (207) 627-4642

## **CAMP AGAWAM RECEIVES ACCREDITATION**

Once again everyone in the Agawam Family can be proud that Camp has been re-accredited by the *American Camping Association*. The accreditation process requires that trained visitors come to Agawam once every three years to make sure we continue to be in compliance with close to 300 standards! The

standards deal with areas such as Site, Food, Transportation, Operations Management, Human Resources, Health and Safety, Program Design, Aquatics Safety, Ropes Course Safety, Trip Safety. There are 26 “mandatory” standards, which camps must meet in order to remain accredited and in each other section a camp must score above 80% to remain accredited. Below is a sampling of some of the nearly 300 standards that Agawam continues to meet as part of our accreditation program (*from Accreditation Standards for Camp Programs and Services, 1998, American Camping Association, Martinsville, IN*):

- Are all buildings used for sleeping constructed or equipped with smoke detection equipment in working order?
- Are food service staff required to minimize the time that potentially hazardous foods remain in the food temperature danger zone of 40 to 140 degrees Fahrenheit?
- Does the camp have written evidence that behind-the-wheel training and practice for camp drivers has been provided?
- Does the camp have health care policies and procedures that have been reviewed within the last three years by a licensed physician?
- Does the camp have written materials for risk management planning?
- Does the camp provide at least 6 days of pre-camp training for camp program personnel?
- Does the camp have written evidence that the skills of each staff member to teach or assist in specialized program activities are verified and evaluated prior to leading activities?
- To guard each swimming activity, does the camp provide a staff member who has certification as a lifeguard by a nationally-recognized body and written documentation that he or she has demonstrated skill in rescue and emergency procedures specific to the aquatic area guarded?
- Does the camp have written evidence of annual inspection by qualified personnel of challenge/ropes course elements for integrity of all hardware, materials, and equipment?
- Are all campers and staff required to participate in pre-trip orientation that includes at least information on safety regulations and emergency procedures, first aid procedures, health and sanitation practices, environmental protection, rendezvous times and places, and training on how to obtain medical and emergency assistance on the trip?

Agawam has been a part of the American Camping Association’s accreditation program since its inception nearly 50 years ago. We believe strongly in the program and its value in ensuring safety and quality in children’s camping. Because of this belief, we are proud that not only are we accredited, but we are the camp in Maine with the most number of trained Standards Visitors on staff. Our trained Visitors are: “Chief” Garth Nelson, Barbara Nelson, “Bowman” Scott Malm, “Capt” Diehl Estes, and “Bos’n” Bill Auerswald. “Bowman” Scott Malm also serves on the section standards committee and as an instructor, training new volunteer visitors. For more information about the Standards program visit the American Camping Association’s website: [www.ACAcamps.org](http://www.ACAcamps.org).

## **A MEMORABLE FINAL NIGHT FOR OUR 15 YEAR OLD CLASS**

### **Stormy Weather Changes Ceremony Plans**

Monday August 11, 2003 dawned sunny and warm. The campers and counselors scurried around camp packing, looking for lost and found, visiting with “Nurse” for a final check-out, and locating their recently completed ghost rocks. All of this in preparation for our Awards Night ceremonies, usually held on the basketball court, followed by “The Long, Long Trail A-winding” candlelight procession to the Council Ring. All systems were set to go until about 45 minutes before the ceremonies were to begin – that is when the blackest, darkest, most ominous storm clouds began to approach the Agawam Campus. We quickly moved the Awards Ceremony inside Governor Hall – the program actually began inside before any rain began to fall! The ceremony went well, with boys recognized for outstanding skills and efforts in each of our activity areas. As the final trophies were presented, our camp secretary, Janet “JVP” Ver

Planck, snuck into Governor Hall to inform us that the National Weather Service had just issued a severe weather alert – heavy rains, winds, and lightning for the 45 minutes we had planned on being in the Council Ring! For the first time in at least 3 decades it became clear that we could not be outside for our final ceremonies. Luckily, thanks to the generosity of the Agawam Family, we have a large open space in Lower Mason Hall, directly below the Dining Room. Several staff and volunteers had cleared and cleaned the room and had a blazing fire providing light for the room as campers in their tribal lines entered the room sitting in a circle on the floor. “Chief” Garth Nelson then led the singing of “The Long, Long Trail A-winding” as candle light was passed from “Chief” to each of the tribes. The ceremony continued with the recognition of those who worked for and earned their Woodcrafter Awards, announcement of those selected for the Totem Society, and the final thanks and recognition of our 15 year old campers. After Taps was sung and “Chief” said his season ending line, “Goodnight boys, see you next year!”, the candles were blown out and final goodbyes were said – everyone dry and safe from the lightning storm now passed. It was a memorable evening, although our 15 year old graduates were disappointed. But hopefully, the fact that they were the class which finished their camper careers in such a different way, would serve to make their memories special. We would once again like to recognize and thank the 2003 class of graduating campers:

Aram Aslanian-Persico (4 summers)

Morgan Dunnan (4)

Greg Hart (6)

Chris Hayes (2)

Eddie Layng (5)

Jimmy McMorris (6)

Will Rickards (5)

Loren Sands-Ramshaw (3)

Andrew Steers (4)

Paul Terkovich (5)

Alex Timbers (7)

Evan Wetzel (7)

## **MAIN IDEA #33 A HUGE SUCCESS**

**Join us June 12 to 18, 2004!**

The Main Idea at Camp Agawam just seems to get better and better! This past June 14 to 20, Camp Agawam, thanks to the generosity of so many in the Agawam Family, welcomed 90 boys to camp for a fun filled week. The boys arrived, as has become something of a custom over the last several years, in the rain, which quickly cleared leaving us with a beautiful week for swimming, sailing, kayaking, woodworking, riflery, archery, baseball, football, kickball, and all the great evening activities that make camp so much fun! The boys were well behaved, enthusiastic, cooperative, and friendly, and we were pleased that four of the boys were able to join us during the seven-week Camp Agawam season, again thanks to the support of the Agawam family and our outstanding Golf Marathoners! The Agawam staff does a great job during this week and as always it is great to have a large group of alumni volunteers playing an important supporting and mentoring role! Thanks again to our 2003 Main Idea volunteers:

Newland Baldwin (2<sup>nd</sup> Main Idea)

“Coach” Bob Demont (11<sup>th</sup>)

“Dodger” Adidan Donahue (5<sup>th</sup>)

“Colonel” Will Fleiss (5<sup>th</sup>)

“Lt” Bob Fryer (19<sup>th</sup>)

Bill Glass (2<sup>nd</sup>)

Mark Halsey (1<sup>st</sup>)

“Admiral” Stephanie Long (4<sup>th</sup>)  
“Scout” Robert Mair (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Andrew Phillips (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
“Trapper” Nathaniel Read (5<sup>th</sup>)  
Josh Smith (3<sup>rd</sup>)  
Jon Simpson (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
Jake Shechtman (1<sup>st</sup>)  
“Swampy” Mike Smith (7<sup>th</sup>)  
Matt Sowles (1<sup>st</sup>)  
Parker Sowles (1<sup>st</sup>)  
“Gimpy” Karin Whitten (15<sup>th</sup>)

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### ***CHANGES TO AG-WAM***

***by Morgan Phillips (12) and Zach Ellin (12)***

The 2003 Ag-Wam Season has been different this year. Now usually in the Ag-Wam season they would have one game in various events for four different campuses. This year, however, the Ag-Wam staff have decided to do a three game series for three different campuses. The Lower and Middle campuses play three games, each worth one point. In the Upper campus they play a best of three series, with the winner being awarded three points. “It’s a good concept in the fact that more kids have an opportunity to play in the games, but it is hard to organize!”, says Ag Captain Morgan Dunnan. Many fellow campers share Morgan’s opinion. Senior Staff member “Bowman” Scott Malm says that Agawam is trying out the idea in an effort to give younger kids a chance to display their talents against children their age and ability level. He also mentioned that it is a good time to experiment due to scheduling conflicts with other camps. Over all, the change has worked so far. Although it is harder to follow the Ag-Wam season this year, kids are getting a bigger chance to play and enjoy Camp Agawam.

### ***UPPER CAMPUS VS. STAFF BASEBALL***

***by Evan Wetzel (15)***

On Sunday June 29, the Upper Campus campers played the staff in a baseball game. The campers picked Morgan Dunnan and Will Rickards to be their captains. Will was the starting pitcher for the campers. He pitched a few innings, giving up one run. He had five strikeouts and a few walks. He was replaced by Zach Rioux who struck out six staff members in three innings. On the offense the campers had Chris Hayes who had a double and a walk. Staff member “Ace” David Auld was bragging before the game that the staff was so good and the campers would stand no chance against them. The campers proved him and the staff wrong when they beat them 4-2.

### ***CROQUET***

***by Cam Panno (12)***

It was a crisp morning with the smell of cut grass in the air. The white wickets gleamed in the sun like radiant mirrors. The balls’ colors standing out heroically. Each sturdy mallet sat in its place. It was awesome. CRACK! The blue, which had been residing on the first stake, flew through the first two wickets. The excitement only grew as the joyful camper took two more shots. The blue ball came to a halt five feet from the third wicket. The red ball was already in its place waiting patiently to be struck. CRACK! CRACK! CRACK! Over these next three strokes the anxiety amongst the campers tripled. This would be a very exciting game indeed!

### ***IMP-CARTER TRIP***

**by Reed Miller (12)**

When I went on a trip, I didn't know what I was in for. I went on Imp-Carter! It was awesome! It was hard, but I was willing to take a challenge. I am very glad that I took the challenge! If you don't challenge yourself it won't be any fun. The first day on Imp-Carter we started on kind of flat ground but then went up to Wildcat, a very difficult mountain. It had many big, big rocks we had to climb. On top it was raining, which made it slippery. Then we peaked a few more mountains. Then we stayed in a hut for the night. The second day we hiked 7.5 miles! We then spent the night under a tarp that broke under all the rain pressure. The third day we hiked four miles and then got picked up by "General" Rogers and went to Pizza Hut. I really liked this trip!

**A.T. (The Appalachian Trail)**

**by Hunter Sprole (14)**

We were all dropped off at the trail head and started hiking, "Guide" Beatriz Mendoza, "Slugger" Rob Goosens, John Aloin, Stephen Hilton, Aram Aslanian-Persico, Nick Norena, and I. We started the hike at the foot of Mt. Moosilauke. We had a steep hike ahead. We climbed about 4000 feet to the first peak. We were all tired and sweaty, so we stopped at the second and higher peak for some lunch and a nice rest hour. The views were amazing because we were above the tree line and had 360-degree views. We then put our packs back on and nearly ran the last two miles to the shelter. The menu for dinner that night was some homemade Alfredo sauce and potato and cheese soup. It was all far superior to the hot dogs that the other camp cooked. The next morning was just oatmeal and cream of wheat because we had nine miles ahead and lots of ups and downs. During that hike we passed many rivers and waterfalls which were great for head dips. There were not many views because we were below tree line the entire time. The campsite was a welcome sight. Our feet were aching, so we soaked them in the stream for about 20 minutes, then cooked some delicious chicken-flavored Ramen. We could sleep in that morning because we only had four miles to go and had plenty of time. One cook group cooked pancakes and my group cooked hash browns, which were exquisite. We started a little slow but once we found our pace we were flying up the mountain. We were all panting when we reached the first peak and decided to take in the scenery and have another rest hour. Once regenerated, we took off down the mountain to the next and final campsite. The site was higher up and quite windy. However that never wavered our ability to create a gourmet dinner of pizza, beans, and cake. We got to bed early and woke up early to get to the pick up spot. We were about half way there when it began to pour. However that never dampened our spirits. We arrived right on time and went to get some pizza and soda which was also excellent. We arrived at camp soggy and tired, but it was a great trip and I can't wait to go on it again.

**SECOND YEAR CAMPER**

**by James Goodenough (11)**

It's a big difference from being a first year and second year. When you're a second year you are prepared for everything. When you're a first year you are nervous and not ready for anything.

**MY EXPERIENCE AS A CAMPER**

**by Sam Bell (12)**

Well, everybody starts out as a new camper and then works their way up to graduating. My experiences as a new camper are pretty good. At first I thought I would have a horrible summer but ended up saying that I loved it. I hope it stays this way throughout the whole summer. It turned out to be great and there is always something going on. I have participated in most, but not all, of the Ag-Wam events and I have enjoyed it and it was a good experience. I think Shop and Riflery are the best activities so far at camp, but that doesn't mean it has to stay that way. I also think that Baseball and most of the watersports are fun too. I don't really like Arts & Crafts because I stink at gimp. All in all I think Camp Agawam is a great camp. And think that if you are good at sports, then come to camp Agawam.

## ***ALL ABOUT CAMP AGAWAM AND NATURE***

***by Matt Bayley (10)***

At camp we learn all about nature. We learn this in Woodcraft Laws, Woodshop, and Ranger Trail. The Woodcraft Laws are really important to us because they tell us to be a friend to all wildlife. Also we should take care of the woods and flowers. Chief told us that The Woodcraft League visited all the Indian Tribes to find out the best laws, The Woodcraft Laws. Woodshop helps us learn about nature because you build birdhouses and birdfeeders. This helps to look after birds everywhere. Something that is good for nature is to leave things where you find them. I learned this in Ranger Trail. We learn how to make a fire safely, about the trees, and how to cook in nature. Also we learn to tie knots. Camp Agawam has a ton of nature and we love it!

## ***ANIMALS***

***by Christian Johnson (11)***

Today, I saw a snake. It was gray and yellow, and when someone picked it up it snapped at them. I heard loons laughing because when they hear an airplane or see one they laugh.

## ***7<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GOLF MARATHON FOR MAINE CAMPERSHIPS***

***Another success!***

Congratulations to our Marathon Golfers who raised nearly \$36,000 on August 14, 2003 at our Golf Marathon. Each of our golfers shot for a goal of at least 100 holes, as they worked their way around the front 9 at Val Halla Golf Club in Cumberland, ME. The funds raised allow Agawam to sponsor 6 deserving Maine boys for the seven-week Agawam season. Any money raised above this goal is shared through our campership endowment with deserving boys from around the country. One of the best things about the tournament is that we continue to reach our goal of 100% of monies donated to our golfers going towards camperships for deserving boys. Thanks so much to **JIM and MARY BETH CARROLL** who were generous sponsors of the tournament, and to **BOB DEMONT** and his staff at **DEMONT & ASSOCIATES** who gave of both time and treasure to help ensure the success of our Golf Marathon. We are also grateful to the local businesses that provided sponsorships of food, drink, clothing, and golf equipment. The day was once again a huge success, and if you have never participated, please consider joining us on August 12, 2004 for our 8<sup>th</sup> annual Golf Marathon for Maine Camperships!

## **MARATHON GOLFERS**

“Capt” Pete Caesar\*

“Ranger” Jim Carroll

Drew Childress

Joey Childress

“Coach” Bob Demont\*

“Lt” Bob Fryer\*

“Colonel” Matt Gardner\*

“Cox’n” Simon Gerson

“Colonel” Evan Korngold

Owen Lennon

“Mander” Karen Malm\*

Pat McClellan

“Guide” Dave Pragoff\*

“Major” Ben Small

Ted Smith

“Coach” Alex Spence

“Sarge” Russell Sprole



Tony Verbeck  
Ron Willet  
Seth Worcester  
\* = have participated in all 7 Marathons!

#### MARATHON VOLUNTEERS

Erik Andrews  
Mark Andrews  
“Bos’n” Bill Auerswald  
“Sarge” Matt Benseler  
“Nurse” Janice Bowers  
“Sparks” Amy Butler  
“Major” AJ Buzzell  
Charlotte Calhoun  
“Bos’n” John Calhoun  
“Chips” Andrew Coombe  
“Cox’n” Matt Coombe  
Katie Demont  
Priscilla Demont  
“Capt” Diehl Estes  
Cathy Griffiths  
Will Griffiths  
Chris Hayes  
“Ranger” Melanie Hemer  
Jon Hughes  
Misha Isnardi  
Elinor Jones  
“FM” James Knox  
Carina Leonhartsburger  
“Classic Coach” Bob MacLaughlin  
“Bowman” Scott Malm  
“Mate” Ted Marshall  
“Corp” Ted McDermott  
“Lt” Parker Murray  
Si Rioux  
Zach Rioux  
Tina Sanders  
“Coach” Sam Shechtman  
Kenton Slovenski  
Allie Thayer  
“Doc” Joel Wylie

#### THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS!

Amerasport ~ Golfer Shirts  
Coca-Cola Bottling Company ~ water, sports drinks, soda  
Dunkin Donuts ~ coffee and donuts  
First Class Catering ~ breakfast, lunch and dinner  
Hannaford ~ energy bars, water  
National Distributors ~ sports drinks, water

Oakhurst Dairy ~ hole in one contest sponsor  
 Seltzer & Rhydholm ~ sports drinks, soda  
 Shaws ~ water, snacks  
 Standard Baking Company ~ cookies  
 WalMart ~ golf balls and tees  
 Whitney Corporate Promotions ~ volunteer T-shirts

# AGS v. WAMS ~ 2004 Season Recap

AGS	EVENT	WAMS
3	Lower Scavenger	0
0	Middle Scavenger	3
3	Upper Scavenger	0
3	Lower Treasure	0
0	Middle Treasure	3
3	Upper Treasure	0
3	Middle Tug-O-War	0
0	Upper Volleyball	3
2	Lower Basketball	1
1	Middle Basketball	2
3	Upper Basketball	0
1	Lower Soccer	2
2	Middle Soccer	1
3	Upper Soccer	0
2	Lower Baseball	1
0	Middle Baseball	3
3	Upper Baseball	0
0	Base Relay	5
5	Swim Relay	0
3	Tennis	0
0	Sailing	3
0	Riflery	5
0	Archery	5
0	Camping	5
<u>5</u>	Pony Express	<u>0</u>
<b>45</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>42</b>

## HELP WANTED Great Staff Needed for 2004

**Can you help us recruit staff members for the upcoming season? Do you know college aged young men and women who would be great teachers and role models for a new generation of Agawam Campers? We need your help!**

**Instructors needed for:  
 Trips, Archery, Riflery, Basketball, Tennis, Arts, Windsurfing, Sailing, Swimming, Canoeing,  
 Ranger Trail and Soccer**

**for more information or a staff application contact: "Bowman" Scott Malm ~ 781-826-5913 or  
[bowman@campagawam.org](mailto:bowman@campagawam.org) or through our website: [www.campagawam.org](http://www.campagawam.org)**

## **AGAWAM COUNCIL BOARD NOTES**

### **Annual Meeting Held August 16 and 17, 2003**

Board Members, Committee Members, Staff, and friends gathered on the weekend of August 16, 2003 for the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Agawam Council. On Saturday morning the Council Members gathered in Mason Hall to hear from Tom Smith, who presented information on Planned Giving Programs, specifically designed to help the Council focus on the importance of nurturing the Hiawatha Society. This presentation was followed by Committee meetings on Saturday afternoon.

On Sunday everyone gathered in Mason Hall for the Annual Meeting which was called to order by Council President, Pete Caesar. In his report, Pete noted that Camp Agawam is in good shape physically and with a fine management team in place. He encouraged all Council members to visit camp during the season to get a better feel for what is happening at Agawam today. Next, "Chief" Garth Nelson reported on the camp season. He began with the Main Idea which had 90 campers, many of whom were returning campers. We also were fortunate to have a fine group of alumni volunteers to help out. He pointed out that Agawam continues to build good will in the community through extending the Agawam experience through the Main Idea. The seven-week season was slightly under-enrolled with 119 campers, on a target of 130 campers. Due to hard work in the financial area, and with the support of the Budget committee, Agawam was able to do some belt-tightening, and did not have to draw on reserves for this season. The summer program was strong and included some adjustments in the Ag-Wam format and Specialty class scheduling, a great trip program, and strong inter-camp competition. Awards Night was held inside due to inclement weather. The weather was rocky through much of the summer, although we avoided much of the rain that soaked other areas in New England – gray skies and misty days were frequent visitors this summer. PAPA camp (Portsmouth Academy of Performing Arts) was held for the 14<sup>th</sup> time during our post-season. The new soccer fields continue to be used by Camp Cedar's soccer training clinic for independent schools, the Berwick (ME) Academy Soccer team, and the Raymond Youth Soccer League. We have completed and will soon implement a Forest Management Plan, and work has been completed to control storm water and erosion issues on the South Road (back camp road). Agawam boys and staff participated in a number of local community service projects including: Casco Days, building a prize-winning float, and running in the Road Race, the Audubon Society's Annual Loon Count, the local blood drive and at the Casco Library's book sale. Agawam was also re-accredited by the American Camping Association.

#### **PROGRAM COMMITTEE (Steve O'Leary – Chair)**

Reported that the program was in good shape. The committee discussed winter programming with a proposed Winter Ski Program which might be held after Christmas. The committee also reviewed the Sunday Vespers and Weekly Awards programs as a part of their on-going evaluation of the Agawam program.

#### **PLANT COMMITTEE (Peter Mason – Chair)**

The committee took a walk all around camp's property to get a view of all of Agawam's buildings and the full scope of the property we now own. They reviewed the 2003 capital projects completed or under way (refinished Mason Hall floor, Centerfield Rock Septic System, new Trip Room deck, South Road erosion control project, Forbes Field erosion control berm, and the resurfacing of the Basketball and Tennis Courts). They also reviewed projects which still need to be done including repairs to the Agawam Road, the infirmary, Esty House, the office, Arts & Crafts, and the final refurbishment and reframing of the Governor Hall pictures. They reported that the operational maintenance budget is OK for annual work,

but suggested that the Council examine ways to more fully fund capital projects, many of which are beyond the scope of the amounts currently budgeted.

#### DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (facilitated by Jim Carroll for Rich Schaberg – Chair)

The committee reported that it was once again pleased to report that they have exceeded their 2003 fundraising goal, with \$142,000 raised on a goal of \$139,000, which included \$24,000 raised at the annual phonathon, and \$36,000 raised at our Golf Marathon for Maine Camperships. The goal of 2004 was set at \$150,000, with \$10,000 to go towards an Alumni Gift/85<sup>th</sup> Reunion project that would benefit the Agawam Campus. They reported that the Courts Campaign and the Governor Hall Campaign have been successfully completed, and that they will continue towards a target of 85 founding members of the Hiawatha Society to be recognized at the 85<sup>th</sup> reunion Council Fire. The Mary William Gregg Endowment for Leadership Enrichment, a fund designed for professional development of Agawam staff members is moving towards a successful completion of its Phase II goal of moving towards establishing a \$100,000 endowment. The committee continues to seek ways to acknowledge donation of time, expertise and energy, in addition to financial gifts.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE (Time Crane – Chair)

The committee reviewed and approved the McDonald Page auditors report for fiscal year 2002. They also reviewed the findings concerning the encroachment issues on the Wabinoden property, as well as issues surrounding the best use of that property. The committee will meet again in November to complete work on the 2004 budget which will be approved by the full board at the February meeting. The committee discussed the 2004 tuition, and set it at \$5500 for a full season and \$3465 for a half season. They also discussed investment of our endowment funds, reviewing current performance and confirming our current investment strategies.

#### COMMUNICATIONS AND ALUMNI RELATIONS COMMITTEE (Peter Gould – Chair)

The committee reviewed a number of issues concentrating on the completion of the Governor Hall Photograph refurbishments, a brief written project on tales from Agawam which will hopefully be published in time for the 85<sup>th</sup> reunion, publicity for the Main Idea and Golf Marathon, the 2004 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion Celebration, and the completion of the Crisis Management Plan. Much time was spent on the current design and hoped for improvements to the Camp Agawam website ([www.campagawam.org](http://www.campagawam.org))

#### EVALUATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES (facilitated by Tony Mason for Peter Esty – Chair)

Passed out the Evaluation of the Executive Director of Agawam Council and discussed the nature of evaluation techniques to make sure we capture the essence of what we are trying to evaluate. The committee will continue to evaluate and revise all of our evaluation tools to be sure we are keeping up with peer institutions and not “resting on our laurels” but continually growing and improving.

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE (John Schmidt – Chair)

Officers for 2003-2004 were approved, new Directors appointed, along with thanks to all departing members and officers. Officers: Bob Demont - President, Frank Anthony – Vice President, Tim Crane – Treasurer, Bob Fryer – Secretary. New Directors: Lang Bell, Andy Cobb, Mark Jones. Retiring Directors: Steve Frank, Peter Mason, Steve O’Leary, Mike Pescatello. The committee also discussed the process for awarding The Sachem Award to recognize outstanding alumni service. The committee also continued its discussion of the make up and size of the Board and Committees, making sure we honor who have committee time, treasure, and talent, as well as including new members who would like to become involved.

The Winter Meeting will be held at The Sheraton Hotel Braintree, MA on February 7 and 8, 2004. All interested alumni and friends are welcome to attend committee and board meetings. For a complete copy of the minutes of the meeting, please contact Scott Malm: [bowman@campagawam.org](mailto:bowman@campagawam.org) or 781-826-5913.

## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

**Bob Demont ('74)**

Dear Agawam Friends,

*"Summer is like childhood. It passes too fast. But if you are lucky, it gives you warm memories from which you take strength in the cold days ahead. Summer is also like childhood, in that you may not think what you are doing matters very much while you are doing it, but later on you realize it mattered far more than you knew."*

*Edward Hallowell "Childhood Roots of Adult Happiness."*

With our first and only child turning thirteen recently, we thought we could use some help in our continuing struggle to stress character for her as she confronts a society that often does not. So we attended Dr. Hallowell's gathering of educators and parents in Portland recently. We got the needed douse to get us through the long Maine winter (ayuh!) until Kayte will likely spend her fourth summer at a sister camp that also stresses character first.

Based upon current research as well as his own experiences as a parent, teacher, and child psychiatrist, Dr. Hallowell identifies five key roots to adult happiness. The first and most important of all these, he concludes, is a child's "connection" in the form of unconditional love from an adult or parent.

My first "connection" with Agawam occurred in 1974 when I was recruited by Dave Mason to be a counselor in the summer after my freshman year in college. This was a late connection perhaps at age nineteen, but that summer Dave and the extended Agawam family stirred something in me that would only fully emerge fifteen years later as a Main Idea volunteer. Since then as a volunteer and Board member, I have come to greatly appreciate how special Agawam is to both its seasonal and Main Idea campers, helping kids to make healthy connections with Agawam staff led by Agawam's Garth Nelson.

Agawam really matters to me, in large part because I have chosen to become involved and stay connected to a healthy environment for kids. I hope others including those who may not have connected with Agawam for many years might consider doing so at this time. On the Maine Turnpike, we welcome people to "Maine, The Way Life Should Be." I encourage alumni, friends and parents of Agawam to join me in playing a role in restoring childhood to "the way it should be." There are many ways to do so including: referring campers and staff, volunteering (Main Idea, phonathons, golf marathons, board/committee service, etc), attending the 85<sup>th</sup> reunion, or visiting camp while in Maine.

If your experience is anything like mine, get involved and you will not only serve our children, but you will also be strengthened yourself, and your family too will be blessed by the experience.

Sincerely,

"Coach" Bob Demont '74  
President

**AGAWAM COUNCIL**  
**2003-2004**

**OFFICERS**

Bob Demont ('74) ~ President  
Frank Anthony ('68-'73;'75-'76;'78) ~ Vice President  
Tim Crane ('49-'59) ~ Treasurer  
Bob Fryer ('70-'74;'78-'79) ~ Secretary

**LIFE TRUSTEES**

Pete Caesar ('58-'61;'63;'65-'71)  
Matt Gardner ('50-'61)  
Peter Moran ('62-'64;'71;'73)

**TERM DIRECTORS**

Lang Bell ('48-'50)  
Sandy Campbell ('58-'62;'65-'69;'71;'73)  
Jim Carroll ('81-'83)  
Andy Cobb ('85-'88;'90-'92)  
Jim Durrell ('62-'66;'69-'73;'76;'80)  
Peter Esty ('46-'57)  
Jack Gorby ('47-'48;'50;'55)  
George Gould ('57-'71)  
Peter Gould ('72)  
Andy Greene ('72-'75)  
Mark Jones ('75-'82;'84;'86;'88;'91;'97)  
Tony Mason ('50-'56;'58-'59;'64)  
Steve Nash ('70-'72;'75;'80-'81)  
Rich Schaberg ('78;'80;'83)  
John Schmidt ('65-'69;'71-'74)  
Peter Wilson ('79-'82;'84-'87)

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Bill Auerswald ('77-'83;'87-'91;'93-'95;'98-'03)  
Elmer Bartels ('50-'60)  
Howard Blum ('71-'76)  
Eric Calhoun ('57-'62;'67;'69-'70)  
John Calhoun ('54-'55;'59;'60-'62;'00)  
Scott Degerberg ('68-'74;'76-'77;'84)  
Bill Glass ('61-'67;'69)  
Bob Gregg, Jr. ('48-'49;'56-'58)  
Bob Gregg, III ('79-'82;'84-'90)  
Peter Mason ('66-'74;'76-'80)  
Tim Mason ('80-'81;'92)  
Steve O'Leary ('67-'68;'71-'72)  
Mike Pescatello ('53-'54;'56-'59;'62)  
Dave Pragoff\* ('87-'89;'91-'92;'94-'99;'01)  
Oliver Reid ('70-'72;'76;'88)

Steve Slovenski ('63-'67;'69-'70)  
Ed Tufaro\* ('90-'99)  
Karin (Johnson) Whitten\* ('86;'90-'92;'95-'96)  
\* = young alumni representative

#### TRUSTEES AND DIRECTORS EMERITI

Bob Clausen ('34-'43;'47)  
John Esty ('38-'39;'41-'42;'46-'50)  
Dave Mason ('25-'41;'44-'85)  
Peg Mason ('55-'85)  
Marsh Schmidt ('36-'41)

#### STAFF

Bob Bailey ~ maintenance ('56-'03)  
Judy Blodgett ~ winter camp secretary ('87-'03)  
Diehl Estes ~ Assistant Camp Director and Director of Operations ('73-'03)  
Scott Malm ~ Assistant Camp Director and Director of Development and Alumni Relations ('76-'80;'82-'86;'88-'03)  
Barbara Nelson ~ bookkeeper and assistant to the Director ('85-'93;'95-'96;'99-'03)  
Garth Nelson ~ Camp Director and Executive Director ('85-'03)  
Janet Ver Planck ~ summer camp secretary ('87-'03)

#### THE HIAWATHA SOCIETY

continuing a tradition...creating a lasting legacy

**Agawam Council is pleased to invite you to become a Founding Member of The Hiawatha Society, created to honor all who provide long term support for Camp Agawam through charitable bequests, retirement plans or other estate arrangements.**

*Your gift can provide you with tax advantages and other financial benefits while generating significant ongoing support for the preservation of Agawam and our tradition of excellence in summer camping. Founding members will be recognized at our 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion Council Fire. Please consider joining us as a Founding Member.*

*There are a variety of ways in which you can choose to support Camp Agawam, or any other charity, now, and in the future. Some described below may even help your increase the amount of your gifts. Please consult with your tax advisors before making any long term financial decisions, as not all of these options are available at every charity.*

#### CASH GIFTS

The simplest method of giving is to send a personal check.

#### APPRECIATED SECURITIES

When you give long-term appreciated securities, not only do you receive an income tax deduction equal to the market value of the securities, but you also avoid capital gains taxes on the transfer.

#### REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

A residence or other real property may be given as an outright gift, or you may prefer to give your residence, farm, or vacation home and retain the right to occupy it for life. Personal property such as paintings, library books, cars, or musical instruments make excellent gifts.

#### BEQUESTS AND RETIREMENT PLANS

A will provision allows you to make a substantial contribution without diminishing the assets available to you during your life. Since bequests are deductible from your taxable estate, significant estate tax savings are possible.

Naming charity as a beneficiary of your retirement plan also avoids income tax when charity receives its distribution of the plan.

of a replacement policy is deductible as a charitable contribution. If you continue to pay premiums after your gift, these premiums are also deductible.

#### POOLED INCOME FUND

Gifts to a pooled income fund are invested together with gifts from other donors to the fund and income earned each year is shared among the participants. You incur no capital gains tax on the transfer to the fund of appreciated long-term securities. You also receive a charitable deduction for a portion of your gift as calculated with IRS tables.

#### CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY

In exchange for a gift of money or securities, a charity will pay you and/or a loved one a fixed amount annually for the rest of your life. A portion of this income is not taxed, and you also receive a charitable deduction for part of your gift as calculated with IRS tables.

#### CHARITABLE REMAINDER TRUSTS

You can use an irrevocable trust to provide yourself and/or a loved one with a fixed annual income or an income which varies with the value of the trust. Part of your gift qualifies for an income tax deduction, as calculated with IRS tables. At the death of the last income beneficiary, the corpus of the trust is distributed to charity.

#### CHARITABLE LEAD TRUSTS

You can support charity for a term of years or for the life of an individual by creating a charitable lead trust. Income will be paid to the charities of your choice each year during the term of the trust. When the trust terminates, the assets in the trust revert to you or to individuals you wish to benefit.

#### LIFE INSURANCE

When you give a life insurance policy to charity, the cash surrender value of the policy or the cost



*To become a founding member of the please notify Scott Malm at the Agawam Office (30 Fieldstone Lane, Hanover, MA 02339; [bowman@campagawam.org](mailto:bowman@campagawam.org)), of your intention to include Camp Agawam in your estate plan. Those who join **The Hiawatha Society**, by making a lifetime financial commitment to Agawam, honor the legend of Hiawatha, as well as the Agawam Family.*

## NEWS OF THE MASONS

**CONNIE** is adapting well to her new surroundings at The Beverwyck, an independent living facility near Albany, NY. She can be seen racing around the corridors in her scooter, cleaning up at the bridge table, and participating in many community outings. She has visited her brother, **MASE SAUNDERS**, in Lake George, as he recovers from recent surgery for bladder cancer. **TONY** recently had hip replacement surgery and has been out of work for 6 weeks recuperating and doing physical therapy. His wife, Caroline, has been named the interim headmaster of the recently merged Albany Academy for girls and Albany Academy (for boys). She is excited about the new collaboration, and Tony is excited that she still gets his dinner on the table on most nights! **TIM** is a contracted security agent for the US Navy and is expected to leave for a six-week assignment in Iraq, which is a great worry to all. He will leave his wife, Kim, and daughter, Maddie at their home in Virginia Beach, VA. Sarah and her husband, Terry, continue to live and work in Beverly, MA. Avid Red Sox fans, they were crushed by their loss in the play-offs. **SANDY** and his wife, Mary, are actively building their new home in Driggs, ID. He is seen much more frequently with a hammer than his preferred tool, a golf club. Mary is back in school to reactivate her RN degree.

**GEORGE and VIRGINIA** are holding down fort in El Cerrito, CA. His love for Agawam continues from the west coast, and he has missed his trips to the Agawam Campus. Travel has been cut back for them for the last couple of years, but they enjoy welcoming visitors to their neck of the woods. They enjoyed a nice visit from **GEORGE, JR.**, who came up from Houston, TX where he has worked for Duke Energy for almost 30 years, and now is in the throws of helping son, Nick, in his college search. **GERORGE, SR.** reports the highlight of his summer was a visit by **DAVE and PEG**, who George reports is the best brother anyone could ever ask for! George shared a story of how he helped his father plant the beautiful white pines along the stone wall behind the tennis courts, that provide great beauty to camp and provide protection from our neighbors.

**DAVE and PEG** continue to enjoy life in their home overlooking the Saco River and White Mountains in Fryeburg, ME. They recently traveled to California to visit with **GEORGE** who has not been able to come East for a couple of years. En route they enjoyed a scenic stopover at Yellowstone National Park. **BARBARA** and her husband, Neil, continue to live in Andover, MA. She is the Personnel Administrator at Gillette in

Boston, and he continues in the seafood importation business. Their daughter, Katie, is a student at University of Colorado, and second daughter, Marianne, will graduate from High School in June. **PETER** and his wife, Lynne, live in Calgary, Canada, where he will serve as Executive Vice President for Strategic Services for Royco Hotels until the end of November before leaving for a new career path. **JIM**, and his wife, Diane, are kept very busy with their three daughters in Worcester, MA. He continues to work for EDS, and is also enjoying taking courses in carpentry and electrical wiring.

### **In Memoriam**

We were saddened to learn of the passing of these Agawam alums, and pass our sympathies on to families and friends:

John M. Colburn, Jr. ('43-'49)

Sylvia Hahn ('56-'58)

Gerald C. Hall, Jr. ('28-'29)

Alan D. Tigner ('62-'64)

Charles F. Yardley ('27-'28)

### **NEWS OF ALUMNI**

**WILLIAM BAUMAN ('34-'38)** – wrote to us from his home in Somers, NY. He and his wife had the opportunity to travel to NH and ME last fall. They enjoyed time at the Fryeburg Fair and the opportunity to drive by Camp Agawam, which caused him to think of his many fond memories from his camper days in the 30's. He also reports that his sons **BILL ('63-'69)** and **PHIL ('65-'69)** are also doing well.

**BUD JAMIESON ('36-'42)** – sent us this great note from his home in Sacramento, CA: "What a wonderful institution Agawam has been over the years for so many people! Agawam got me started on an outdoor life way back when. I have probably backpacked over a thousand miles during a rather lengthy life – not lately, however, with creaking joints persuading me to do things that don't involve being a human beast of burden! Joyce and I did join an Elderhostel group hiking and paddling part of the Lewis & Clark Trail in Montana and Idaho last summer. Talk about an outdoor trip – their expedition must be the most astounding in the history of scientific exploration. Glad to hear that Governor Hall has been restored. It provided one of the most important parts of Agawam life when I was there, and I'm sure the new and improved version will be terrific, although I am not entirely in favor of all kinds of fancy stage stuff and electronics and all that. It would be nice to think that the human presence was more important than modern technology, there in the Maine woods. As you may have noted from the Agawam film, it was my dad (Stewart Jamieson), Walter Schmidt, and Duane Dills whom Ap consulted after the sudden death of the Governor, as to whether he should carry on the camp or not. The answer was a resounding YES. And it was my dad who had the honor of unveiling the portrait of the Governor when the building was dedicated. It's wonderful to see Agawam going strong after all these years!"

**JOHN ESTY ('38-'39; '41-'42; '46-'50)** – has taught a course at the University of Massachusetts on “Strategies for Institutional Change” for the last 10 years. He also continues to advise two charter schools in Boston and remains active with the Greely Foundation for Peace and Justice, and with Recruiting New Teachers, a public service campaign he began 15 years ago. He, and his wife, Katherine, continue to live in Concord, MA.

**ROBERT MURRAY CAMPBELL, JR. ('44-'48; '52)** – reports that he spent the summer building a retirement home on Newfound Lake in Bristol, NH, which will become his permanent residence in 2005. Since his 1982 retirement from a chemical company, he has been running a remodeling company near his home in Belle Mead, NJ. His experience with the remodeling company means that he was able to perform much of the hands-on labor for his new home!

**McLANE TILTON ('49-'50)** – Congratulations to McLane for being chosen to represent the US on the Veterans (60+) Rifle Team at the World Rifle Championships, which will be held in Bisley, England.

**GERRY KOUWENHOVEN ('50-'52; '54-'55; '58-'59; '62)** – has retired from museum administration and is now working in Philanthropy and Non-Profit organization governance. He and his wife, Ellie, continue to enjoy life in Dorset, VT.

**TIM EVERS ('50-'54; '55-'58; '65)** – writes from Mystic, CT: “How wonderful semi-retirement is! Now I have the time to do most (not all!) of the things I’ve been waiting to do for so long. Warm regards to all!”

**KEITH BASSO ('53-'55)** – is a Professor of Anthropology at the University of New Mexico, where he is editing and researching the life and writings of a 92 year old Apache woman. He calls Albuquerque, NM home.

**BOB SPENCE ('53-'56)** – and his wife enjoyed some great travels this past year including trips through Big Sur and Carmel, CA, celebrating the graduation of their son **SEAN ('89-'95)** from Evergreen College in Olympia, WA, three weeks touring Alaska, and a cross country drive to Colorado from their home in New Canaan, CT. He is also a deacon at his church, joined the New Canaan Senior Men’s Club and has taken some blacksmithing classes. He also remains his college class agent, assisting in fundraising.

**HENRY BENEDICT ('55-'59)** – lives in Austin, TX, where he has recently begun a retired life of leisure! He bought a summer home in Cloudcroft, NH. His son, **BRIAN ('02-'03)** enjoyed his second summer at camp living in the cabin of Springfield.

**ROBERT FICKES ('55-'59)** – lives in Evanston, IL and is involved with social service work.

**REEVES CALLAWAY ('56-'62;'66)** – Congratulations to Reeves and his wife Sue on the birth of their daughter Lillora Falconer Callaway on April 9, 2003. Reeves continues to enjoy life with his family in Laguna Beach, CA.

**WILLIAM DENNLER ('59-'62)** – lives in Maumee, OH and works as the Director of the Toledo Zoo. He credits Agawam with his choice of wildlife as a profession – “Those were great years!”, he told us.

**EDWARD “SKIP” O’ROURKE ('59-'61)** – lives in Brunswick, ME. He now owns and operates an on-line Antiques business.

**NICK TIMBERS ('60-'64)** – calls Potomac, MD home. He has run a nuclear fuel company for the last 10 years. His two sons **COLIN ('95-'01)** and **ALEX ('97-'03)** have both completed camper careers at Agawam.

**ROBERT REIDER ('62-'63)** – works at big church in his hometown of Cincinnati, OH doing video, lighting and website work for the church organization. He also announces at air shows.

**CRAIG PATTENGILL ('63-'68)** – received a certificate of appreciation for responding to 9/11 disaster from the Red Cross. He is currently planning a 2<sup>nd</sup> trip to China to bring back Ching Dynasty antiques. Craig lives in Norwalk, CT and has volunteered for the Main Idea for the past three summers.

**SCOTT PATTENGILL ('63-'64)** – lives in South Norwalk, CT with his wife, Leslie. He is a school principal.

**THOMAS VAN BENSCHOTEN ('63-'66;'70-'72)** – **lives in Colorado Springs, CO with his wife, Leonore. They have two children, Sarah, who is a student at Colorado State University, and Matthew, who recently earned his Eagle Scout award.**

**TOD FRYER ('64-'67;'70-'71;'73;'77)** – and his wife, Margaret, live in Plainsboro, NJ. His oldest daughter is looking at colleges, and he remains active as a local Boy Scout Troop leader.

**JON SPROLE ('64-'67)** – lives with his family in Darien, CT and was recently appointed Vice President and Deputy General Counsel for Bristol-Meyers Squibb in New York City. His two sons **HUNTER ('97-'03)** and **RUSSELL ('94-'01;'03)** were at camp this summer as camper and counselor, respectively.

**DICK JOHNSON ('65;'67)**- lives with his wife, Bobbie, in Princeton, NJ where he continues to be the head of Chapin School.

**JAMES GAMMILL ('66-'69)** – lives with his wife and four children in Belmont, MA

**FRANKLIN WYMAN ('66-'70)** – lives in Short Hills, NJ and is an adjunct professor of History at both Kane University and Fairleigh Dickinson University.

**ROB HARRINGTON ('67-'70)** – has just started working at Aiken Prep School in Aiken, SC, where **AP MASON** was once headmaster. He is very interested in resurrecting the right way to play Gold Bars on the Aiken Prep campus, so please email rob if you know the right way to play the game: [rob\\_Harrington@mial.aikenprep.com](mailto:rob_Harrington@mial.aikenprep.com)

**JOHN SHUTTS ('68-'69)** – lives with his wife, Suzanne, in Darien, CT. He works in New York City with **NICK CALLAWAY ('61-'65)** at Nick's publishing and printing firm, Callaway Editions.

**DAN ESTY ('69-'70)** – lives with his wife, Elizabeth, in Cheshire, CT with their three children, Sarah (13), Thomas (10), and Jonathan (7). Dan has a joint appointment at Yale University in the Law School and the School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, where he is director of the Environmental Policy Center, and works as faculty advisor to Yale's new Global Fellows program. His son, **THOMAS ('02-'03)** enjoyed his second year as a camper at Agawam.

**KARL SCHOEN-RENE ('69-'71;'73-'74;'77-'78)** – lives in Vernon, CT with his wife, Pat, and three teenaged children, Kristen, Kurt, and Kyle. He continues to work for Mass Mutual, but has moved from Information Systems to Corporate Compliance, working with lawyers and actuaries “trying to keep the world safe from rogue insurance agents and profit hungry corporations.”

**PETER ('69-'72;'74-'76;'82-'84) and DUGAN ('82-'84) SLOVENSKI** – live with their three children in Brunswick, ME, where Peter continues as Track coach. His team competes against the MIT team, coached by his brother, **PAUL “SLUGGER” SLOVENSKI ('69-'80)**.

**STEVE ANTHONY ('70-'74;'77)** – continues to enjoy life in his home in Honolulu, HI. Steve arrived in Hawaii for graduate school and enjoyed it so much that he decided to stay. He works as a Geologist.

**BOB HOLLAND ('70-'72;'75-'77)** – lives with his wife, Dana, and family in Newton, MA, where, in addition to coaching youth soccer, he is Executive Vice President and Publisher of Jones and Bartlett, providing leadership and guidance to editorial, sales, and production functions within the company. He has been involved with educational, professional, and scholarly publishing for 20 years.

**PAUL ESTY ('71;'73)** – and his wife, Vanda, and their son, Victor (2), live in Carteret, NJ where he is a plant manager at a small chemical factory that makes all kinds of solvents and other products. Paul's older son, **MARC ('00-'01)** spent the summer seeing his mother's homeland, Portugal.

**MIKE GAGLIARDI ('71-'74)** – continues to enjoy his work in sporting goods in Golden, CO. He reports having a great winter in the Rockies. He serves on the Board of Directors for the Western Winter Sports Representatives Association.

**DICK BARNARD ('72-'75;'78-'79)** – after his August 2003 wedding, moved with his new wife, Marian, into a new home in Lloyd Harbor, NY. The couple enjoyed an October honeymoon.

**BEN ESTY ('73-'74)** – was recently married to Raquel Leder in the Berkshire Mountains in Massachusetts. Ben teaches finance at the Harvard Business School and does research on the financing of large multi-national projects.

**DOUG MEINEL ('73-'76;'78)** – lives in Steamboat Springs, CO and works for the local hospital. He reports great skiing in the winter and golfing in the summer! His brother **BILL ('73-'76)** continues to live in Philadelphia, PA.

**STEPHEN BOYER ('74-'76)** – continues to enjoy a successful football coaching career at Edgemont High School in New York. He is in his 18<sup>th</sup> year of teaching Physical Education in Dobbs Ferry, NY. His children, Lindsay and Alex, are active in youth sports.

**PETER GELFMAN ('74-'78)** – lives with his wife and 2 children, ages 8 and 6, in Scarsdale, NY. He continues to practice law.

**MICHAEL HERING ('74-'77;'79)** – lives with his family in Arlington, MA. He has two children, a 4 year old daughter, and a 2 year old son.

**CHRIS MAXMIN ('74-'78)** – lives in Katoah, NY and works in New York City as a trader for Deutsche Bank. He sends his best wishes to Agawam friends.

**ERIC FUCHS ('75-'77;'79)** – is working to complete his PhD at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. His work concentrates on Rhetoric and Communication.

**MARK JONES ('75-'81;'82;'84;'86;'88;'97)** – is also working to complete his PhD, which is in the area of Geography. He is an adjunct Instructor of Geography at the University of Connecticut's Hartford campus. He is currently living in Manchester, CT.

**TED FULLER ('76-'80)** – writes from his home in Darien, CT: "I now have two boys who will be up at Agawam in about 5 years. Get ready! We just had a girl in June who will definitely be going up to Wawenock, just like her Mom. Hope to make it up to see camp sometime soon."

**BILL AUERSWALD ('77-'82;'87-'91;'93-'95; '98-'03)** – has recently moved to Baltimore, MD where he is working as an adjunct Professor at Loyola College, teaching business and law classes to undergraduates. He is also coaching hockey and running an

outdoor education and challenge program at the Gilman School, a private boys day school.

**CHRIS CLONEY ('77-'79; '85;'88)** – and his wife welcomed a son, Nicholas, to the world last fall. They live in Brookline, MA. His brother **MARC ('76-'79)** lives in Hawaii.

**JED ESTY ('77-'78)** – and his wife, Andrea, both teach at the University of Illinois at Urbana/Champaign. Jed teaches Modern British English. They have a two year old son, Jonah.

**SCOTT BARNARD ('78-'79;'81;'83)** – and his wife, Kristy, along with their boys Ross (4) and Pete (2), have moved to Carlsbad, CA, outside of San Diego. They would love to see any Agawam alums who are in the area. He works for OrthoFix.

**BOB KURTZ ('78-'80;'82-'83;'85;'87)** – continues to work for Boeing as the Director of Investor Relations at the company's headquarters in Chicago.

**BOB ('79-'82;'94-'90) and KATHY ('90-'92;'98) GREGG** – have recently moved to Vero Beach, FL, where Bob has been appointed the Director of Admissions for St. Edwards School. They were excited to have been able to purchase a home near the ocean where they live with their daughters, Ellie (3) and Ruby (1).

**ROBERT MURRAY ('79-'81;'83)** – is now living in Mt. Pleasant, SC. He and his wife welcomed their son Robert Morgan Murray to the world on April 9<sup>th</sup>.

**ALEX EWIG ('80-'81;'83;'86)** – lives with his family in Basking Ridge, NJ. He has three children – Trip (6), Charlie (4), and his brand new daughter!

**MARK MORTENSEN ('80)** – calls Quakertown, NJ home. He continues his teaching career at The Peck School in Morristown, NJ. Fellow Agawam alum **JOHN SCHMIDT ('65-'69;'71-'74)** is also on the Peck faculty, and **MIKE HAUGE ('99-'03)** is a student.

**MIKE PORTA ('80-'82)** – is currently living in Boston, MA, but hopes to buy a home in the near future in Portland, ME. Mike is involved with Sports Broadcasting, as a freelance camera operator. He spent a good deal of the baseball season at Fenway Park running the centerfield camera.

**DAVE ENGSTROM ('81-'84;'90-'91)** – lives outside of Philadelphia in a town called Rosemont, PA. He continues to enjoy practicing litigation for Harkins Cunningham. He and his wife recently welcomed a son, Benjamin Paul Engstrom, who Dave assures us, will someday be an Agawam camper!

**DEREK KOUWENHOVEN ('81-'83)** – and his wife, Kris, recently welcomed twin children to the world – a boy and a girl. Derek is an RN Emergency Room Nurse at

Central Vermont Medical Center and is also a certified paramedic. They live in Bristol, VT.

**STEPHEN GAUTHIER ('82-'84)** – has four children and is a consulting forester. His family is involved with a small bible church and he tries to make as much time as possible for hunting and fishing near their home in Center Ossipee, NH. Steve can be emailed: [Gauthier@treevine.net](mailto:Gauthier@treevine.net).

**LIVY HASKELL ('82-'86;'89-'94)** – Congratulations to Livy and his wife, Katie, on the birth of their son Henry Benson Haskell at 12:01 pm on 9/12/03. Livy writes to us from his home in Richmond, VA: “Thankfully he gets his looks from his mother. Everyone is doing great!”

**PETE HENDERER ('82-'85;'89-'90)** – continues to practice law for McCandlish Holton in his hometown of Richmond, VA.

**RICHARD STANTON ('82-'83;'85)** – is living on the upper west side of Manhattan with his wife, June, and kids, Jack (3), and Catie (2). He still manages to fish once a week, mostly surfcasting in the waters around NYC. He is starting a residential mortgage business, and would love to help out any Agawam alums!

**DAVID WADDELL ('82-'85)** – writes to us as a proud new father from his home in Memphis, TN: “Graduated from Sewanee – The University of the South in 1991. After a brief stint with NFL films in Mt. Laurel, NJ, I moved to Phoenix to work for Charles Schwab. After a year and a half I was promoted to the Strategic Accounts division of Schwab International in San Francisco. After another year and a half I enrolled in the FW Olin School of Business at Babson College to pursue an MBA. Graduation was May of 2000 and I returned to my family firm in Memphis. Waddell and Associates is a wealth management business assisting 600 businesses and family clients. I was recently married to Stacie Martin and we have a six month old son, Easton Adams Waddell. Stacie and I are both very involved in Memphis with [www.mpactmemphis.com](http://www.mpactmemphis.com), [www.goalsformemphis.org](http://www.goalsformemphis.org), [www.societyofentrepreneurs.com](http://www.societyofentrepreneurs.com), and [www.gomemphis.com](http://www.gomemphis.com). There are, unfortunately, no blueberries in Memphis.”

**DAVE AMES ('83-'86;'89-'91)** – is celebrating his 10<sup>th</sup> year reunion from Bowdoin College, and on October 25<sup>th</sup> he was married to Tanya Rettkowski in Newburyport, MA. His brother **MARK ('79-'82;'84-'86)** was best man and cousin **PETER WILSON ('79-'82;'84-'87)** was a groomsman. Dave teaches science at Cohasset (MA) High School. The couple moved into their new home in Hanover, MA in October.

**FRED ('83-'88;'91) and CATHERINE ('91) DOCKERY** – live with their 3 children Emma (2), Evan (4), and Carlisle (8) in Charleston, SC. They write to us: “Catherine worked for Fred for several months following his back giving out, but then switched over to working at Hyams Garden Center again until August, which she loved. Back to full time Mom now. Began gardening again. Still active in Choir, Disciples, Yagalates. Thankful for the Mother’s Morning Out program the kids recently started now that they



are not going to preschool any more. Several high points of the year were square dancing in Montreat and going on a good hike for the first time since the heart attack. Fred is almost as good as new after his back problems, which put him out of commission for a month during big oyster season. He began playing soccer again this fall and tries not to over do (as much!). Got a new boat, an old Georgetown skiff with a 1991 88 Evinrude - great for oystering and crabbing. Began shrimping in earnest this summer and we actually had trouble keeping up with demand. Also got a double cab truck with AC and a CD player to boot!"

**BRIAN SPENCE ('83-'88;'90-'92)** – is in his third year of internship/residency at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Hospital in Hanover, NH, where he has been named Chief Resident of the Department of Anesthesiology. His wife, Kirsten, continues to do equine veterinary work as well as teaching Anatomy at Colby-Sawyer College in New London and Equine Diseases at UNH in Durham. Both Brian and Kirsten enjoy hunting.

**TIM CARNES ('84-'86;'89-'94)** – was married to Sandy Stevens on Great Diamond Island in Maine on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Tim's sister, **JEN WRIGHT ('94-'96;'98;'00)**, and brother-in-law, **PATRICK WRIGHT ('91-'93;'95;'97;'99-'00)**, were members of the wedding party. The wedding was attended by 18 Agawam alums. Both Tim and Sandy are completing their residency at Maine Medical Center in Portland. They plan on moving to Norway, ME after completing their residencies to work with Stevens Memorial Hospital.

**BAIRD McILVAIN ('84-'86;'90;'95)** – is still living in Philadelphia and rooting on the Eagles. He is working in the lumber industry and also working on finishing an Executive MBA program at Villanova. In his spare time he enjoys playing squash.

**BASIL MURRAY ('84-'94)** – is pleased to announce his engagement to Carrie Conselyea. The couple recently moved to La Jolla, CA from Boston, MA.

**PETER BUSHEY ('85-'86;'88;'90)**- lives and works in Greensboro, NC. He and his wife welcomed a son into the world in August of 2002.

**MICHAEL RUBINSTEIN ('84-'89;'91)** – is living in Hollywood pursuing an acting career. He is using the stage name Michael Weston and is involved with movies, TV, and stage acting. He was seen in several movies including, Lucky Numbers, Coyote Ugly, Simone, and Hart's War.

**IGNACIO MENDEZ ('85-'87;'92)** – moved with his wife and three children to Santa Barbara, CA where he continues his work as a Massage Therapist, while attending school for Chinese Medicine.

**KEVIN SPENCE ('85-'94)** – last June, Kevin was married to Susan, in Boulder, CO. Together they run Glassroots, a glass blowing company. They own an 1898 house which they are working on renovating, and have a puppy named Sidney.

**MATT STROBECK ('85-'88,'90,'92-'93)** – and his wife welcomed a second child, Andrew Jack Strobeck into the world at 3:17pm on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations! Matt is involved with the Biomedical Enterprise Program at MIT's Sloan School of Management.

**SJ BAXTER ('86-'92;'94-'97;'99-'00)** – is close to finishing his MBA program at the Wharton Business School in Philadelphia. He spent the summer doing an internship in financial analysis with ESPN.

**COLIN DWYER ('86-'90;'91)** – after a several years at APAX he left his job, spent the summer traveling through Australia, and is now in his first year of an MBA program at the Stanford Graduate School of Business. He is living in San Francisco, CA.

**MIKE EBERLE ('86-'89)** – is an engineer living with his wife, Kristi, and four children, Benjamin (7), Owen (5), Zimri (3), and Mason (1), in Portland, OR.

**KARIN (Johnson) WHITTEN ('86;'90-'92;'95-'96)** – lives with her husband, Donny, at their home in Brockton, MA. She claims she is still getting used to her new last name! They are busy working on renovations to their house and Karin continues her work as the Athletic Trainer for her Alma Mater, Hanover (MA) High School, including taking care of “CHIEF” **GARTH NELSON ('85-'03)** and his girls' soccer team.

**JIM DASHER ('87-'90;'95-'96)** – is living and working in Philadelphia. He is involved with the technology field, developing computer networking software.

**BILLY HOGAN ('87-'90;'93-'95)** – lives in Brookline, MA and has begun a new job for ANC Sports, a Sports Marketing firm. He works in their Boston office.

**KENN PIGEAIRE ('87-'93)** – is a law school student in Paris, France.

**DAVID PRAGOFF ('87-'89;'91-'92;'94-'99;'01)** – Congratulations to Dave on his engagement to Tina Sanders in Sparks, MD. Dave continues as an outdoor educator at Irvine Nature Center in Baltimore.

**JAMEY WATERS ('88-'95;'01)** – writes to us from our nation's capital: “As you may have heard, I am leaving the Office of Management and Budget as of June 15 to go to the Presidential Scheduling office. A whole different world from budget and policy land, but a great opportunity to serve our President in a different way, especially as we near 2004.”

**BRIAN AULD ('89-'92;'94-'00)** – is in his first year of an MBA program at Harvard Business School in Cambridge, MA.

**CHRIS MARKLEY ('89-'91)** – reports enjoying life with his sons, Arthur (4) and George (2), and his wife, Dorothy, in Lancaster, PA. He writes: “We enjoyed visiting Agawam the past two summers. Arthur and George are awaiting the day they can be campers at Agawam!”

**SERGIO MENDOZA ('89-'94)** – lives and works in Knoxville, TN for CPS, a company that makes PetScans, which are catscans/MRI's for animals. He travels extensively for his company to Japan, and luckily he is fluent in Japanese.

**CHRIS MORAN ('89-'90;'92-'95)** – graduated from Union College and is now living in South Boston and working in customer service for MFS, a mutual fund company in Boston.

**JOHN NEUBERGER ('89-'92;'95;'96;'99)** – After his graduation from Fairfield University, he continued his swimming career by coaching and lifeguarding before beginning a volunteer opportunity with Ameri-Corps and the NJ Department of Environmental Protection and Watershed Management. He does educational outreach about watershed protection and environmental concerns, as well as doing field work evaluating streams and other bodies of water for trouble spots. He recently traveled to Santa Catalina, Panama for some sun and surfing. He will soon begin a Masters program in Environmental Science at Rutgers University.

**MATT SCHAUSS ('89-'92)** – is living in Boston, MA where he has begun work towards an MBA at Babson Business School.

**SEAN SPENCE ('89-'95)** – has graduated from Evergreen College in Olympia, WA, moved to Boulder, CO, taken and passed his real estate license exam, joined a Caldwell Banker real estate office and bought himself a small condominium. In addition to real estate, Sean joins his brother Kevin blowing glass in Kevin's studio. He is an active snowboarder.

**PETE HEFFERNAN ('90-'93)** – lives with his new wife, Kristi, in Norwood, MA. He works as an EMT/Paramedic for the Westwood, MA Fire Department, and she works as a retail clothing Buyer.

**JIMMY HUTCHINSON ('90-'92;'97)** – is a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant/Combat Engineer in the USMC. He headed for the Persian Gulf last December for the impending war in Iraq. While clearing the way to Baghdad for the advancing front, he and his men were attacked by an Iraqi RPG, which blew up three nearby vehicles. He was injured in the attack by shrapnel – two fractured knees, two fractured hands and shrapnel wounds in his thighs, knees, and left thumb. From a field hospital in Iraq, he was transferred to Germany, then to Bethesda Naval Hospital for several surgeries. At Bethesda, he was awarded a Purple Heart by the Commandant of the Marine Corps, General Hagee, who was accompanied by Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, followed by a bedside visit from the Washington Redskins Cheerleading squad. After completing his rounds of surgeries he is back at Camp Lejeune, NC where he is doing physical therapy, working to regain full use of his hands and knees, and anticipating a full recovery. We thank Jimmy for his service to our country and wish him a speedy and complete recovery!

**RUSSELL PEARSON ('90-'92)** – wrote to us from his home in San Rafael, CA: “I got married last year to Quyhn Nguyen. We were originally due to get married on September 15, 2001, but because of 9/11 we postponed the wedding until January 5<sup>th</sup> 2002. It was a fun wedding with my family from Ireland and her family from North Carolina. They were originally they from Vietnam, so it proved to be quite an occasion and crossing of cultures. We were glad that **DOUG JONES ('77-'83;'86;'90-'91)** managed to make it. I have gone through a change in jobs. I had been working for Arthur Anderson – a small accounting firm you may have heard of – and once they ran into trouble – some issue with a little company in Texas – the company collapsed and I moved to another consulting firm, BearingPoint. Finally, we have a new addition to our family, a baby girl – Sydney Nguyen Pearson, born on February 26, 2003. The baby is doing well and I am learning plenty about diapers and baby clothes. Hope all is well!”

**ALEX SPENCE ('90-'95;'97-'00;'03)** – after graduating from Springfield College (the “Governor”’s alma mater), Alex returned to Agawam to be director of our tennis program (putting together a winning AAITT team) and serving as our Upper Campus Unit Head. He spent a lot of his days off traveling to job interviews, and finally accepted a position as an English teacher at Concord-Carlisle High School in Conocord, MA.

**ED TUFARO ('90-'95;'97;'99)** – and his new wife, Katriana, were married in Atlanta in July. The couple met while studying at Princeton University. They now live in Cambridge, MA, where Ed works for a company that provides mediation services.

**JOHN WATERS ('90-'96;'03)** – We were very pleased to have John join us at camp this past summer after his graduation from Stanford University, where he swam in their elite varsity swimming program. John worked with half-season campers to provide a smooth transition into the second-half of camp and did an outstanding job! In addition to his brief stint at camp he has also done volunteer work for Habitat For Humanity.

**SAM BEGIN ('91-'93;'95-'97)** – graduated last May from the University of Maine and headed almost directly to Tasmania, Australia to begin graduate school. He had spent time in Australia as an undergrad.

**ADAM BERG ('91-'97)** – continues his studies at Haverford College in PA. He took a year off to work in the political arena, but is now back at school, studying hard.

**JOSH BERG ('91-'98;'00)** – is a student in the undergraduate business school at the University of Michigan. In addition to his studies, he is an entrepreneur, having developed a stuffed animal product that attaches to car safety belts to keep kids entertained. He developed the product, a business plan, and has recently begun production towards completing his first contract.

**BRAD JOHNSON ('91;'93-'96)** – and his wife, Emily, continue to live at the Chewonki Foundation where Brad is the assistant farm manager. Emily is pursuing a nursing degree and has also qualified for the 2004 Olympic Trials in the marathon!

**PATRICK ('91-'93;'95;'97;'99-'00) and JENNIFER ('94-'98;'00) WRIGHT** – live in Bath, ME at the Hyde School with their dog, Lyle. Patrick works as a science teacher, coach, dorm parent, and Assistant Dean at the school, while Jen works as a Nurse Practitioner at a practice in Wiscasset, ME.

**ADAM JONAS ('92-'97)** – wrote to us from Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT, where he had recently returned from a semester in Brisbane, Australia. Although an active wrestler (157 lb weight class), he missed last season because of reconstructive knee surgery to repair a torn ACL, suffered in the semi-finals of the National Wrestling Qualifier last spring.

**TY SCHLOBOHM ('92-'93)** – writes from his home in Minnesota: “I married my college sweetheart two years ago, and our first child, Lily Downing Schlobohm, was born in May. I am so tired I can barely function. After college, I lived in NYC and worked on Wall Street for six years managing a hedge fund. I then sought greener pastures and moved to Minnesota, where my wife is from, and started my own hedge fund, Windward Partners. It really like the Midwest and its quality of life.”

**LAURA SMITH ('92)** – congratulations to Laura and her golf marathoning husband, Ted, on the birth of their third child, Crosby Devlin Smith, on February 10, 2003. Crosby joins his older sister, Margot, and older brother, Tucker at the family’s home in Berwick, ME.

**TOM VERMYLEN ('92-'97;'00)** – After his graduation from Georgetown University, Tom was “discovered” by a Hollywood talent scout in a coffee shop, so has decided to pursue an acting career. Be on the look out for Tom in your local Cineplex!

**DREW WILKIS ('92-'97)** – also graduated from Georgetown University, and has chosen to return to take additional pre-med classes, as he prepares to enter Medical School.

**NICKY BROCKET ('93-'94)** – is leaving her home in England to move to the United States. She has accepted a nursing job in the ER at a hospital in Oceanside, CA – quite a change from rainy England! She will be there at least two years, so if you are in California, get in touch: [nbrocket@hotmail.com](mailto:nbrocket@hotmail.com).

**RON CHARLOT ('93-'97;'99)** – has moved in the opposite direction – he is now living in London and working as a waiter in a restaurant there. He graduated from Columbia University and this temporary stop in London is his first of many as he travels through Europe.

**BRAD FIALA ('93)** – is a student at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, VA, where in addition to his Sports Management major, he is also the Captain of the Archery Team.

**SIMON GERSON ('93-'99;'03)** – after completing a year in the food service industry in Colorado, Simon returned to camp to head our sailing department, and serve as our Lower Campus Unit Head. After camp he left for Japan for a 3 month hiking adventure and will pursue a graduate degree in Urban Planning when he returns.

**JOHN McCORMICK ('93-'98;'01)** – is in his senior year at Trinity College in Hartford, CT. He is majoring in English and Theatre and plans on pursuing a career in acting.

**JASON CARHART ('94-'00)** – is attending Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, NY. He's enjoying school and enjoying being only 20 minutes from New York City.

**DRU McMULLAN ('94-'98;'00)** – after graduating from Wayfleete School in Portland, ME, Dru has deferred his college acceptance for one year to hike the Appalachian Trail, north to south, with plans to finish hiking before Thanksgiving. We enjoyed a Council Fire visit and scouting report from Dru during the summer. He is making good progress and is doing well.

**RUSSELL SPROLE ('94-'01;'03)** – has joined the class of 2007 at Yale University in New Haven, CT. He joins **MEG GREENBERG ('01-'03)** and **NEWLAND BALDWIN ('99;'01)**.

**JON ALPERN ('95-'00)** – lives in Cape Elizabeth, ME, but has just started his college career at the University of Richmond. He is an active soccer player. He writes: "Camp means so much to me and I can't tell you how much it's done for me since my 15 year-old summer. I miss everyone and hope to come back and be a counselor as soon as possible."

**AMY BRIGGS ('95-'96)** – and her husband, Pete, have purchased and are renovating a home in Beverly, MA. She works in respiratory therapy at Salem Hospital in Salem, MA.

**BRIAN SLOVENSKI ('95-'99;'00;'02)** – lives with his family in Lee, NH, but is enjoying his freshman year at Gettysburg College in PA.

**ERIC BERGH ('96-'00;'03)** – is a freshman at Colby College in Waterville, ME. His roommate is **TOM GILDERSLEEVE ('96-'02)**.

**AJ BUZZELL ('96-'03)** – has begun studies at Maryland Bible College in Baltimore, MD.

**GREG GABROY ('96-'99;'02)** – is a student at Tulane University in New Orleans, LA. This summer he studied in Havana, Cuba, as part of his university's summer study program.

**MIKE HART ('96-'00; '02-'03)** – After graduating from Scarsdale High School, he has begun his studies at Dartmouth College in Hanover, NH.

**CHRIS MARSH ('96-'03)** – was married on October 4, 2003, and several Agawam alums were in attendance including **BILL AUERSWALD ('77-82; '87-'91; '93-'95; '98-'03)** who was a member of the wedding party. Chris and his wife, Amy, are both teachers at the Eagle Middle School in Eagle, CO.

**NATHANIEL PETERS ('97-'00; '03)** – After graduating from Boston Latin School, Nathaniel has begun his college career at Swarthmore College in PA.

**RORY REGAN ('97-'99)** – reports that he is doing great out in Chicago where he attends Northwestern University. He spent the summer there working as an intern at an advertising agency.

**JON SIMPSON ('97-'02)** – lives in Brookline, MA and is a student at Milton Academy in Milton, MA. He is an avid squash player and hopes that his team can repeat its league winning run again this season. He is also singing in 4 different musical groups.

**AIDAN DONAHUE ('99-'01)** – After a brief stint helping us get the summer season rolling, Aidan traveled to England where he is currently studying at the London School of Economics.

**JOSH LAMPE ('99)** – has been accepted to several graduate schools to pursue a PhD. in Mechanical Engineering. He lives in Ashburnham, MA and spent the summer working in Germany.

**HENRY POWELL ('99-'02)** – lives in Princeton, NJ, and spent the summer touring and studying in Italy.

**EDUARDO CARDENAS ('00)** – continues to enjoy his dental practice in Madrid, Spain. He is hoping to take courses to be certified in dental implants this coming winter. He enjoyed a trip back to Columbia to visit his family last Christmas. He reports that while taking his driver's test, he was seated next to former camper **JAVIER POLANCO ('99-'00)** who is a university student studying Computer Science.

**DENNY CHANDLER** - joined the Air Force in July of 2003. He is training in Lackland, TX, Shepard AFB, TX, then will attend survival training in Spokane, WA, before beginning a 4 year assignment in Biloxi, MS. He plans on being an Airborne Communications specialist.

**TIN HA-NGOC ('01)** – writes to us from his home in Belmont, MA: “Both the Main Idea and campership programs are incredible ideas and I think that it is wonderful that the camp makes the effort to offer this great opportunity to kids who are less fortunate financially than the average Agawam camper. Kudos to all those who make it possible. I'll be in Boston this summer, but my mind and heart will be at Agawam – best wishes

for an awesome summer”. Tin is continuing his studies at Dartmouth College in Hanover, NH.

**STEPHANIE LONG ('00-'02)** – lives in Somerville, MA and works at the Patagonia retail store on Newbury Street in Boston. She and her colleagues were very kind to donate Patagonia clothing to our Main Idea campers.

**CHARLIE O'ROURKE ('00)** – is studying for his MSW at Boston College. He lives in Portland, ME with his wife, Robin (Gregg), and 1 year old daughter, Phoebe. They are living in and renovating a 2 family home.

**STUART TOLSON ('00)** – called us this summer from his home in West Yorkshire, England to say hi and catch up. He has many fond memories of his summer on this side of the pond. He was married on August 16<sup>th</sup> and works for a pharmaceuticals company in Research & Development. He is currently working on developing a product similar to Gold Bond Medicated Powder, a product currently not available in the UK.