

The Governor's vision in 1919, to "create an ideal summer home for boys", and much hard work by him and many family members has certainly paid off!! We continue to fully subscribe our programs. Last summer, we ran ten weeks of residential camping, which served over 350 young people. The impact of camping at Agawam is often felt immediately and almost always felt over the long term, as our campers become positive, contributing adults. It is very gratifying to hear the kind comments from camper families about the benefits their children derive from summers with us. Physical growth and fitness, new knowledge and skills, greater maturity, more self-esteem and confidence, a finer sense of humor and propriety, increased social ability and community civility, better organization and planning - all these are parts of our summers!

High points from the 2005 summer:

1) We were able to take one more important step in the expansion of our Main Idea week. By adding fourteen-year-olds to our camper group, we were able to reward our oldest camper-leaders with another stay at Agawam. Covered in another article here in the *Alumni News*, Main Idea #35 was a huge success, welcoming a record 105 deserving Maine boys.

2) The second of our core camping programs, the seven week Camp Agawam session, celebrated its 86th season. Aided by great camping weather and a terrific counseling staff, the program was vibrant and energetic. As usual, we paid faithful attention to our time honored traditions, and introduced a few new wrinkles to the boys. It was great to see new seasonal program director, "Colonel" Seth Worcester, embrace the essence and detail associated with our program and bring his depth of experience in working with children to strengthen our effect on campers.

3) We extended our outreach to our community in the late summer, after the close of our Camp Agawam season. Once again, we welcomed the PAPA performing arts camp for 11 days and provided the use of our newly-developed athletic fields to the Team Prep Soccer Camp and to the youth of Raymond for 250 young soccer players, to enjoy their fourth fall at Agawam.

I know that each of you has favorite mental images of the place that brought you so much joy and growth. A camper wrote this summer, "The feeling of peace, tranquility and beauty one feels, as they gaze across the green sward of Agawam, leaves the lasting impression that this is a good place and one filled with healthy experiences for young people." The physical beauty of Agawam has been vastly increased due to generous gifts from alumni and other friends and supporters in the last two years. These gifts, memorialized at Camp, have allowed us to fully irrigate the Main Campus and, this summer, route water to our new Upper Fields and irrigate them, as well. Now, if needed, it "rains" daily at Agawam, conveniently at

night. The health and beauty of the green spaces is striking and the cool moisture comforting on once hot and dusty summer days. If you have the chance to visit, please do. I think that you'll be delighted with the Agawam of the 2000s, and pleased with the nostalgic memories the Camp will evoke.

We all feel a great responsibility toward our alumni. The reason so many enthusiastically support Agawam Council's efforts is that they are relying on us to preserve and continue the Agawam they knew. Central to that are Agawam's philosophy and the developmental goals we have for our campers. While kept very busy with physical changes at camp, and under the constant pressures felt by all small businesses, we remain clearly focused and mission-driven. The many happy visits and great feedback from alumni who have sent their sons to Agawam in recent years testifies to this. Remarkable generosity has made us financially strong. Moreover, contributions of time, energy and expertise made by members of Agawam Council - whether as directors or committee members - have been crucial to our success. We are truly an alumni-governed institution!

As important as the preservation of Agawam tradition is, the Camp will need to prudently change in appropriate ways as time goes on. It is reassuring to know that alumni-run Agawam Council is maintaining a flexible, agile and inclusive approach to running the organization. Forward looking, the Council has embarked in the last six months on a comprehensive visioning and strategic planning process to plan for the future. Key aspects in this effort will be added youth development programming, stewardship of the Camp environment, financial sustainability, alumni and public relations, and Council and staff leadership effectiveness. It will be my privilege to keep you up to date on the progress of these initiatives. It's an exciting time for Agawam Council and I urge anyone with an interest in Agawam's future to contact the Council through me at chief@campagawam.org.

"Chief" Garth Nelson



Garth Nelson ('85 - '05)
Director, Camp Agawam
Executive Director and Director of Development, Agawam Council

Ags v. Wams 2005

Ag Captain – Jake Sandler of Chevy Chase, MD

Wam Captain – Mike Hauge of Convent Station, NJ

2005 Season Recap

<u>Ags</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Wams</u>
	Base Relay	5
	Upper Scavenger	3
3	Lower Middle Basketball	
3	Upper Middle Track	
	Swim Relay	5
	Lower Treasure	3
3	Middle Scavenger	
	Upper Track	3
3	Middle Tug-O-War	
3	Upper Middle Basketball	
	Upper Baseball	3
	Lower Middle Soccer	3
3	Lower Tennis	
3	Lower Baseball	
3	Lower Basketball	
3	Upper Tennis	
	Lower Track	3
3	Lower Middle Tennis	
3	Upper Basketball	
3	Sailing	
	Upper Volleyball	3
3	Lower Soccer	
	Middle Treasure	3
	Lower Scavenger	3
	Lower Middle Baseball	3
3	Upper Middle Baseball	
	Lower Middle Track	3
3	Upper Middle Soccer	
5	Riflery	
	Archery	5
3	Upper Middle Tennis	
	Lacrosse (Exhibition)	Win
	Upper Soccer	3
	Upper Treasure	3
	Camping	5
	Pony Express	5
<u>53</u>	FINAL SCORE	64

TOTAL WINS SINCE 1927:

Ags ~ 36

Wams ~ 42

Tie ~ 1



Wam and Ag Captains, Mike Hauge and Jake Sandler

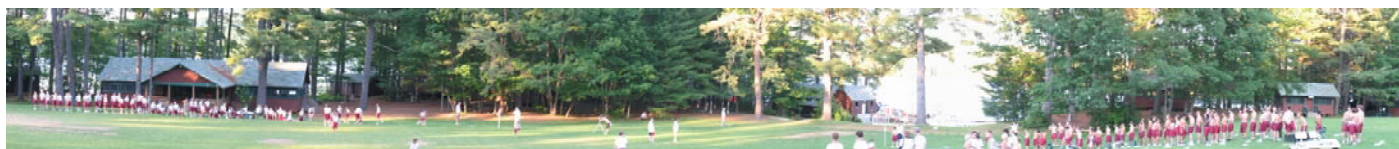
2005 Ag v. Wam Season

By "Doc" Scott Pragoff

The 86th summer at Camp Agawam began the way it has since 1927 when, once again, campers combined their thoughts and came up with two very able and competitive captains in Jake Sandler and Mike Hauge. The year started off with the Wams jumping out to an early lead, but, following in the Agawam tradition of never giving up and always giving it one's best, Jake and his Ags came back to eventually take the lead. All season long, the competition was fierce, highlighting campers' talents, (such as Sandy Brown's soccer skills, or Simon Greene's pitching abilities) all the while teaching campers about the values that come with prolonged friendly competition. It was also a summer that featured the first exhibition event in Ag v. Wam history. Much like the demonstration sports in the Olympics, Lacrosse was given a try this year and was found to be a great success, smoothing its way to a possible addition next summer.

Through the Ag v. Wam competition, campers learn valuable life-lessons such as fair play, friendship, camaraderie, and dealing with a win or a loss. In one moment two boys could be competing against each other in Upper Soccer; in the next, they are helping each other in cabin clean up.

The season was clinched for the Wams on Camping day. The Wams took Archery and then Camping to guarantee their victory for the season by at least one point. The Pony went off without a hitch (no pun intended...well, maybe) and, in the end, the Wams pulled it out. It was another exciting season and when it ended, Ags and Wams enjoyed their final days of Camp as good friends.



Ag v. Wam Base Relay 2005

Important Upcoming Events

Agawam Ski Week: 12/26/05 – 12/31/05

For more information: bosn@campagawam.org

Agawam Council Winter Meetings: 02/04/06 – 02/05/06

For more information: chief@campagawam.org

4th Annual Alumni Work Day: 06/03/06

For more information: supercoach@campagawam.org

36th Main Idea Program: 06/17/06 – 06/23/06

For more information: chief@campagawam.org

87th Camp Agawam Season: 06/28/06 – 08/15/06

For more information: chief@campagawam.org

Annual Golf Marathon for Maine Camperships – 10th Anniversary!!!: 08/17/06

For more information: supercoach@campagawam.org



Awards Night Closing Ceremonies

On Awards night on Monday August 15th, 2005, the following boys were recognized:

GOVERNOR TROPHY – Andrew Gwozdz of Bluffton, SC

CARGILL TROPHY – For Sportsmanship
Peter Murphy of Short Hills, NJ
Derek Sicotte of Rumford, ME

MASON TROPHY – For Service
Stephen Hilton of Steep Falls, ME

AGAWAM COUNCIL TROPHY – For Leadership
Michael Hauge of Convent Station, NJ

The following boys were selected as members of the Totem Society:

Andrew Lewis Gwozdz of Bluffton, SC
Barrett Emerson McMullan of Cape Elizabeth, ME
Matthew Vass McMorris of Wilton, CT
Derek Timothy Sicotte of Rumford, ME
Peter Rogers Murphy of Short Hills, NJ

Please join us next year for our Awards Night Closing Ceremonies on Monday August 14th, 2006!



Main Idea Grows and Prospers

The 35th Main Idea was a resounding success. On Saturday, June 18th we welcomed 105 Maine boys, the largest group of Main Idea campers ever to enjoy a week on the shores of Crescent Lake. Accounting for the rise in campers was the addition of a 14-year-old camper class, extending the ages boys are able to attend Main Idea (now 9 – 14). The addition of the 14-year-old class was made possible through the generosity of Reeves Callaway. When the boys learned they could come back for another summer at Agawam, they jumped at the chance and the 14-year-old class filled in days.

Upon their arrival, and with the help of our 22 volunteers, the boys quickly immersed themselves in all the great activities that Agawam has to offer. The daily routine at Main Idea is almost exactly the same as the 7-week summer, with boys taking to the water for swimming, boating, fishing, and sailing, and enjoying our green grass playing soccer, frisbee tag, football, baseball, and basketball. The week also featured two campfires where the boys sang songs, were mesmerized by stories like “Nomar and the Toro” by “Sarge” Bobby Fleiss, and were amazed by magic, courtesy of “General” Jared Patton.

The 14-year-old campers also enjoyed a “night out” when they attended a Portland Sea Dogs Baseball Game. The boys got to see a great game, meet Maine Governor, John Baldacci, and were also ecstatic about the “all you can eat” policy in the picnic grove at Hadlock Field! All Courtesy of Agawam Council President “Coach” Bob Demont and his colleagues at Demont and Associates.

The week ended with the closing night family barbeque to which each Main Idea camper’s family is invited and enjoys hot dogs, hamburgers and chicken from our grill. Main Idea continues to grow and a Main Idea Alumni Reunion is in the works for next summer!

Finally, we’d like to thank all our Main Idea volunteers who took the time out of their busy schedules to help make the 35th Main Idea possible.

Aram Aslanian-Persico
Dave Bowman
“Coach” Bob Demont
“FM” Rich Denoncourt
Peter Donahue
Bob Dow
“Guide” Christopher Drake
Morgan Dunnan
Eliot Fox
Andy Gildersleeve
Cathy Griffiths

Dave Griffiths
Will Griffiths
Thai Ha-Ngoc
Peter Iskyan
Kim Mason
“Lt. Parker Murray
Roger Richardson
Kyle Schoen-Rene
“Sarge” Russell Sprole
Drew Wilkis
Peter Wilson



Main Idea volunteer, Drew Wilkis, modeling proper PFD technique.



Main Idea turns 35!! Celebrating along with the entire camp were from l to r: “Chief” Garth Nelson, “SuperCoach” Mark Hogan, “Bos’n” Bill Auerswald, Dave Mason, “Capt,” Diehl Estes, Peg Mason, Dick Danis, Barbara Danis, and “Coach” Bob Demont.



On February 22, 2005, The Main Idea at Camp Agawam was awarded the Eleanor P. Eells Award for Program Excellence by the American Camping Foundation at their National Conference in Orlando, Florida.



Alumni Work Weekend!

At the start of this summer, the Infirmary received its first coat of paint in over 20 years, thanks to the wonderful volunteers at our 3rd Annual Alumni Work Weekend!

After a great new porch was added to the Infirmary during the off-season, the whole building got a much-needed coat of "Pioneer Brown" with trim ever so delicately painted in "Agawam Green." But the Infirmary wasn't the only building to get some paint love. Volunteers were also able to paint the cabin of Bates, as well as complete some needed touch-ups to Mason Lodge, the Arts and Crafts building, and Clausen House. Over all, the work that was done helped bring camp back from its winter state to the clean, well maintained Agawam that we all know and love. As always, a good time was had by all the volunteers as they caught up with each other, shared some laughs, and enjoyed a beautiful weekend at camp. Please bring the whole family and join us next year starting on June 3rd, 2006! A big thanks goes out to our volunteers:

"Bos'n" John Calhoun
 "Mander" Scott Degerberg
 Will Degerberg
 "Capt." Diehl Estes
 Taylor Gotfredson
 Cathy Griffiths
 Dave Griffiths
 Rick Griffiths
 "SuperCoach" Mark Hogan
 "Bos'n" Bob Holland
 Benjamin Holland
 "Colonel" Mark Jones
 "Admiral" Stephanie Long
 "Bowman" Scott Malm
 "General" Jared Patton
 "Slugger" Tyler Peterson
 "Doc" Scott Pragoff
 "Chips" Chris Richards
 "Cox'n" Nick Tatar
 Ramey Tatar
 Allie Thayer
 "Doc" Joel Wylie



Ramey and "Cox'n" Nick Tatar painting Mason Lodge, and loving it!

"Colonel" Mark Jones and "Bos'n" John Calhoun paint the Infirmary porch!



Benjamin and "Bos'n" Bob Holland, armed and dangerous!



"Bowman" Scott Malm - "happiness is a clean Infirmary wayside!"



"Admiral" Stephanie Long painting the new interior of the Infirmary.



"General" Jared Patton, "Doc" Scott Pragoff, and "Slugger" Tyler Peterson touching up the backside of the Infirmary!



Rick and Cathy Griffiths working on the trim of Arts & Crafts. Yes, some paint got on the building!

Fifteen-Year-Old Campers Have a Great Summer

One of the biggest strengths at Agawam is the quality of the campers, and nowhere is that more apparent than in this year's 15-year-old class. The 14 senior campers provided valuable and inspired leadership throughout the summer, from Ag v. Wam competitions to inter-camp matches where Agawam continually showed great effort and sportsmanship. The 15-year-old summer is filled with responsibilities from covering cabin clean up on Saturdays when counselors are in Katiaki meetings, to setting the tone in Upper Campus for the rest of Camp to follow. Camp is only as strong as its 15-year-old class. From the Indian Peace Pipe Ceremony to completing the work on their Woodcrafters, their summer is filled to the brim with activity and goals and, most importantly, fun. One of the reasons this year's 15-year-old class was so successful was that they know Camp well. Together they have spent 85 summers at Agawam, averaging 6.1 summers each. Paying respect to that were the many counselors who wrote and read tributes to each boy at the "Senior Tribute Ceremony," a touching ceremony where counselors let certain boys they are close to know just how much their friendship means to them. Seven boys in the 15-year-old class were awarded Trophies or Totem at the Closing Ceremonies, further evidence of the strength of this class. Although their final summer as campers has ended, a long term relationship with Agawam has really just begun. We hope to see all of them back in the coming years.



15-year-olds in Acadia National Park



2005 Upper Campus

NAME:	AGAWAM YEARS:	TRIBUTE WRITTEN BY:	WOODCRAFTER IN:
Stefan Allard	3	"Major" Brent Locke	Soccer
John Aloian	6	"Cruiser" Meg Greenberg	Swimming
Kyle Fitzsimmons	6	"Commodore" Jeremy Cluchey	Challenge
Andrew Gwozdz	7	"SuperCoach" Mark Hogan	Trips
Mike Hauge	7	"General" Andrew Rogers	Sailing
Stephen Hilton	8	"Bowman" Charlie Hedlund	Archery
Matt McMorris	5	"Doc" Scott Pragoff	Swimming
Barrett McMullan	6	"Skipper" Drew McMullan	Lacrosse
Sam Mitchell	5	"Colonel" Seth Worcester	
Peter Murphy	8	"Swampy" Jimmy Forbes	Sports Training
Ted Moran	6	"Major" Brent Locke	Soccer
Nick Phillips	6	"Trapper" Dan Cluchey	Sports Training
Jake Sandler	6	"FM" Jake Shechtman	Basketball
Derek Sicotte	6	"Dodger" Andrew Phillips	Baseball
Total Summers:	85		
Average # of Summers:	6.1		

In Memoriam

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

David W. Cloos ('54-'62;'64-'65)

Charles P. Goggi ('26-'27)

Pio Paul Goggi ('27-'33)

Peter J. Heffernan, Jr. ('90-'93)

Robert H. McAleer ('28)

William B. Scatchard, Jr. ('52-'53)

News Of Alumni

Let us know what you are up to so we can include your news in next years issue –

supercoach@campagawam.org or write Mark Hogan, 30 Fieldstone Lane, Hanover, MA 02339

Robert Cornell ('36-'37;'39) – is living in Bloomfield, CT and was sorry to miss the 85th Reunion at Camp, but reports that he and his wife Pat were able to take a great week of vacation in Poland Springs, followed by three days in Ocean Park.

Allen “Bud” Jamieson ('36-'42) – writes to us from Sacramento, CA. He is still active and is thankful for it! He has recently turned 80 and is still riding his bike along Sacramento’s bike trail and hiking when he can. This past January he was splashing in the surf in Maui, and went on a Lewis & Clark canoe trip on the Missouri River this summer.

Dave Esty ('41-'44;'46;'48;'50-'54) – lives in Waitsfield, VT, where he is a member of the Sugarbush Ski Patrol. “Ranger” was also recently elected president of Friends of Tuckerman Ravine, a group dedicated to providing citizen support to the US Forest Service in order to preserve and protect Tuckerman Ravine and the Cutler River Drainage Area that surrounds it on Mt. Washington. Check it out at www.friendsoftuckerman.org.

Robert Rex ('48;'50;'52-'54) – moved permanently to North Palm Beach, Florida in 2000 where he plays golf 3 times a week. “Ensign”, an All-American halfback while at Dartmouth, considers golf “the most frustrating sport he has attempted.” He has 10 grandchildren.

McLane Tilton ('49-'50) – is building target rifles for international competition and the U.S. Army Marksmanship Team. He credits Agawam’s Riflery program for “sparking an interest that has carried me through life.” He lives in Zephyr Cove, NV.

Hanson Reynolds ('52-'54) – enjoyed being at Agawam’s 85th Anniversary, as did his children and grandchildren. “Gunner” writes, “it was great to see Dave

Mason and many others. Wish my brother could have been there. The camp looked great!”

Bob Spence ('53-'56) – and his wife Linda write from New Canaan, CT, that Bob is on the boards of the United Way, Senior Men’s Club and the Congregational Church. He also raises funds for the Dartmouth Class of 1966. They enjoyed a Country Walkers trip to Glacier National Park last September. They also became grandparents on November 21st, 2004 when their son, **Kevin Spence ('85-'91)**, and his wife Susan welcomed Robert Pirie Spence to their family.

Felix Shaskan ('56-'59) – writes that his son Frank is still in the US Air Force and making a career of it, and that his daughter, Theo, is a mother of two!

Richard Nickerson ('57-'60) – lives in West Chester, PA with his wife Roxanne. Richard works at Augusta Aerospace. His son, Johnny, attends Elon University and his daughter, Molly, attends the University of Colorado. He writes that everyone is in good spirits and good health and that they’ve been blessed over the years. He would love to hear from old Agawam friends!

Charles Bowman ('64-'71) – spent “a very satisfying amount of time sailing our catboat in Vineyard and Nantucket Sounds” this summer. “Colonel” continues to work with the ministry of FOCUS, now especially working with chaplains and faculty in the independent schools. He lives in West Tisbury, MA. His son, **David Bowman ('97-'98;'00-'02)**, volunteered at Main Idea again this past summer.

Kelsey Biggers ('66-'68) – visited camp this summer and watched his two daughters, who go to Camp Arcadia, sail to a 1st and a 2nd at the Agawam Cup!

Tom Castle ('69) – lives in Bellevue, Washington where he practices medicine.



Scott Malm ('76-'80;'82-'86;'88-'04) – enjoys being a manager at Migis Lodge in South Casco, ME where, this Fall he is working with six other Agawam Alumni: including **Holly Carriere ('04-'05)**, **Joel Wylie ('03;'05)**, **Stephanie Long ('00-'02)**, **Tyler Peterson ('04-'05)**, **Rob Dunklee ('88-'89;'94-'95;'98;'00;'02)**, and **Meghan Greenberg ('01-'05)** Migis Lodge is only 15 minutes from Camp so “Bowman” was able to get over to Agawam a good deal this summer to generously volunteer his time or just say a quick hello.

Andrew Pillsbury ('76-'77) – is happily living in Chappaqua, NY and is operating www.Cartoonbank.com, which is the Internet's leading searchable database of cartoon humor.

Tom Barnard ('77-'82;'84-'86) – lives in Simsbury, CT with his wife Chrissy and children **Doug**, 9 (who attended camp for the first time this summer), Mallory, 8, Brendan, 6, and Patch, 3. His company, Connecticut Cottages, owns and manages residential apartment buildings in CT. "Bos'n" also enjoyed skiing with **Scott Malm ('76-'80;'82-'86;'88-'04)** and **Karen Malm ('95-'02)** at Mount Sunapee in New Hampshire this past winter.

Scott Hobbs ('77-'79;'81;'85) – is living in New Canaan, CT, and is still having a great time in the family building business. "Commodore" and his wife Lisa's twin boys, Jack and Charlie, are 6 ½ and sister, Ellie, is 3 ½.

Doug Jones ('77-'83;'86;'90-'91) – Visited camp this summer with his daughters Samantha Jane Jones, 2 ½, and newborn Emily Campbell Jones! "General" lives in Spring, Texas.

Scott Barnard ('78-'79;'81;'83) – writes from his home in California: "my oldest son, Ross, just turned 6. I look forward to the days he and his younger brother may spend on the shores of Crescent Lake!"

John Booth, Jr. ('79-'82;'84;'88) – has just finished his new website, www.fansurge.com, a live event discovery and promotion site where artists and venues can list their events. "General" is looking for help funding and growing the business and writes: "Hope everyone is well. Hope to get to Camp soon; still playing 30 – 40 gigs a year."



Judy Ziehl ('79-'80) – is living in Richmond, VA working as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner. She is happily married to her husband of 4 years, Mark. They are attempting to adopt and hope that will happen in the next year!

Benjamin Wallace ('79-'83) – is living in Philadelphia, PA where he is the Executive Director of *Philadelphia Magazine*.

Dan Kane ('80-'83) – traveled with his wife Katherine to Chaumonix and Zermatt France, as well as Patagonia and Antarctica this past year. When not traveling they live in San Francisco, CA.



Walter Gregg ('81-'85;'87-'90;'92-'96;'00) – is living in Bath, ME with his wife, Melinda, and their daughter, Racey Stream Gregg. Walter continues to teach French and work in the Communications Department at the Hyde School.

Derek Kouwenhoven ('81-'83) – is an emergency room nurse at Central Vermont Medical Center and is a nationally certified paramedic. He and his wife, Kris, live in Bristol, VT with their twins, Alexis and Cole, 3, and recently born Gavin, 1.

John McManus ('81-'85;'87-'88) – is living in Arlington, VA. "Sarge" is president of the McManus Group, a public policy consulting group that he started recently.

Livingston Haskell ('82-'86;'89-'94) – recently made Partner at Williams Mullen, where he focuses on civil litigation and state and federal trial and appellate work. "Coach" lives in Richmond, VA, with his wife, Katherine, and their son, Henry.

Peter Henderer ('82-'85;'89-'90) – and his wife Armistead welcomed their daughter, Anne Armistead Henderer, on September 29th, 2004. Both "Corp" and Armistead are tremendously excited about Anne's arrival!

David Ames ('83-'86;'88-'89;'91) – lives in Hanover, MA with his wife, Tanya, and teaches 9th grade science at Cohasset High School. "Admiral" is involved in salt marsh research projects in the summer months.

Tripp Frank ('83-'84;'86-'90;'92) – works in finance and lives with his wife and 3 children in Marblehead, MA.

Tim Nelligan ('83-'86;'88) – Tim and his wife Laura, now living in San Clemente, CA, recently took a leave of absence and traveled around Europe for 2 months. "Skipper" writes: "Needless to say it was fabulous, but what's even better is that we're expecting our first child in July 2005!!" They had a boy and named him Mason.

Pierre Sorel ('83-'85) – lives in London and travels back to the U.S. in the summer. His wife, Mary Ann, gave birth to their 2nd child, Joseph, in March. He would love to be contacted by Agawam friends at sorelpierre@yahoo.com.

Brian Spence ('83-'88;'90-'92) – is an assistant professor at Dartmouth Medical School and an attending

anesthesiologist at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center. He and his wife, Kirsten, a veterinarian, live in Post Mills, VT. They also welcomed their daughter, Fiona Mildred Spence, into the world this year. “I swear I did not even think about the fact that there are two FM Spences!”

Tim Carnes ('84-'86;'89-'94;'04) – and his wife, Sandy, are living happily in their new home in Norway, ME. They welcomed their first child into the world when their daughter, Sadie Elizabeth Carnes, was born on 5/25/05. Both Drs. Carnes continue to practice in the area, “Cox’n” as an internist with Oxford Hills Internal Medicine/Western Maine Health and Sandy in the ER at Stephens Memorial Hospital.

Baird McIlvain ('84-'86;'90;'95) – continues to live in Ardmore, PA. He is the VP of Domestic Purchasing for TBM Hardwoods, his family’s lumber company. “Major” also made it to celebrate **Billy Hogan’s** wedding on Cape Cod in July.

Kevin Spence ('85-'91) - and his wife, Susan, welcomed their son, Robert Pirie Spence to their family. Kevin and Susan have moved to Ashland, Oregon and have sold their glass studio in Boulder, CO. Kevin has taken a job at a local food co-op to learn wine retailing, which gives him time to pursue his interest in creating alternative energy sources.

Matt Strobeck ('85-'88;'90;'92-'93) – and his wife, Carey, recently welcomed their second child, Jacob Henry Strobeck. At birth, Jake weighed 8lbs 1oz and was 19.5 inches long. His godfathers are **Billy Hogan ('87-'90;'93-'95)** and **Ben Small ('86-'95)**. “Admiral” is a Senior Security Analyst at Westfield Capital in Boston, MA.

SJ Baxter ('86-'92;'94-'97;'99-'00) – continues to live in Washington, DC where he recently took a job with Korn/Ferry International, an executive search firm. He is getting married this October to his fiancée, Shelby Sundgren. There will be a large Agawam contingent at the wedding! SJ occasionally has lunch with **Ben Rogers ('94-'02;'04)** who works just around the corner at SunTrust Bank, and he sees a good deal of his brother, **Keith ('87-'96;'98)**, who works for UnumProvident and lives in DC as well.

Alan Enos ('86-'87;'89-'90;'93-'97) – is living in Boulder, CO and looking forward to ski season! “Skipper” was married to Heather Hampt this past August.

Michael Eberle ('86-'89) – has moved back east after nearly 13 years living outside Portland, OR. “Corp” started work this summer in Washington, DC for the Bureau of Land Management, writing national water right/water resources policy. He is enjoying being closer to family and friends and hopes to make it back to Maine this coming summer. In the meantime, if you’re in the DC

area “Corp” would love to hear from you at eberlemuellerathome@yahoo.com.

Yann Pigeaire ('86-'89;'93-'94) – is living in Yardley, PA with his wife. “Chips” wishes everyone well!

Chris Richards ('86-'89;'97;'05) – has recently moved back to Scarsdale, NY, where he will be attending Graduate school for paralegal training, starting this fall. “Chips” was a basketball instructor and Upper Campus Counselor during the 2005 season.

Jon Sands ('86-'90;'92-'93;'95-'96) – lives in the East Village in New York City and runs Artist Capital, an investment advisory group for hedge funds and private equity firms, which he started in 2003. “Cruiser” also invests on behalf of the Gods of the Four Winds, and would like everyone to know that “Wabinoden is doing very well in Japanese Bonds this year.”

Karin Whitten ('86;'90-'92;'95-'96) – writes from home in Rockland, MA: “Oh boy, we have been busy this past year! Our 17-month-old daughter, Jenna, is keeping us on our toes! In January, we moved to a larger house so that there is more room to chase her around! After having my first summer off ever, I am back at Hanover High School working as their Athletic Trainer and keeping “**Chief**” **Garth Nelson’s** soccer players on the field!

Jay Davenport ('87-'92;'96) – Was married last summer and is living in New York City with his wife Colleen, where he works for Morgan Stanley.

Chris Hansen ('87-'89) - is teaching in Alameda, CA

Bill Hogan ('87-'90;'93-'95) – was married this July to Jennifer Martinelli on Cape Cod. Agawam Alumni in Bill's wedding were **Ben Small ('86-'95)**, **Matt Strobeck ('85-'88;'90;'92-'93)**, and **Mark Hogan ('90-'94;'96-'97;'04-'05)**, who was also the Best Man. The wedding was well attended by Agawam Alumni. Bill and Jen are now living in Brookline, MA. Bill is the Director of Sales and Marketing for Fenway Sports Group, the sports marketing arm of the Boston Red Sox.



L to R: Baird McIlvain ('84-'86;'90;'95), Matt Strobeck ('85-'88;'90;'92-'93), Ben Small ('86-'95), Basil Murray ('84-'89;'91-'94), Billy Hogan ('87-'90;'93-'95) Jen Hogan, Scott Malm ('76-'80;'82-'86;'88-'04), Stephanie Long ('00-'02), Mark Hogan ('90-'94;'96-'97;'04-'05), and Matt Hogan ('05) all celebrated the wedding of Billy and Jen Hogan on Cape Cod this July.

Dave Miller ('87-'92;'95) – was married to Andrea Deutsch in March 2005. “General” is presently working for Goldman Sachs.

Garrett Hansen ('88-'92;'94;'99) - is a photographer in Chicago, IL.

Michael Smith ('88-'91;'93-'97) – just completed the first year of a three-year fellowship in Pediatric Infectious Diseases at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia.

Michael Bensen ('89-'96;'98;'00) – has moved back to Boston where he is attending Boston College Lynch School of Education, working towards his Masters in Education.

Todd Erler ('89-'90) – is living in Washington state where he is a teacher. “Sparks” is also starting his own venture, hoping to bring kids from the east coast out to the Seattle area for outdoor excursions.

Lee Milstein ('89-'92) – has recently moved from Washington D.C. to New York City, where he has taken a job with Kirkland & Ellis LLP. He specializes in intellectual property law. We were happy to see Lee back at Camp for a visit this summer after 13 years away!

Brandon Sim ('89-'92) – lives in New York City where he works in customer service for an investment company. He is also an artist and recently had two of his pieces published.

Sean Spence ('89-'91;'93-'95) - is living in Oregon near his brother, **Kevin**, and is back in school for construction management. He also is moving his real-estate license to Oregon so, if you’re in the market for a house in Ashland, be sure to give him a call!

Michael Vermynen ('89-'90;'92-'93;'95;'97;'00) – just graduated from the University of Chicago Law School and is looking forward to starting work in the real world as a teacher.

Alex Spence ('90-'95;'97-'00;'03) – is living in Boston, MA and teaches English at Concord Carlisle High School.



Travis Langer ('90-'94;'96-'97) – is in a two-year training program with Bear Stearns. He is living in New York City.

Josh Lemaitre ('90-'98;'00-'01) – lives in Salt Lake City, Utah and works for Overstock.com’s Marketing Analytics team.

Jamey Waters ('90-'96;'03) – is living in Washington, D.C. where he is a Navy Special Warfare officer candidate currently awaiting orders to Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, FL and Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL training in Coronado, CA.

John Waters ('90-'96) – is living in Greenwich, CT where he is working for his hometown church. He is in charge of their youth programs. He is also applying to medical school and hopes to hear back by the winter.

Adam Berg ('91-'97) – spent a few weeks in Istanbul, Turkey last December with his brother, **Josh Berg ('91-'98;'00)**, and their father. He is moving to Washington, DC to attend law school and public policy graduate program at night, and to work during the day.

Jeremy Cluchey ('91-'97;'99;'01;'03;'05) – has just taken a job as the Communications Associate at Experience Corps, a company that creates volunteer opportunities for retirees to tutor inner-city kids in reading and literacy. “Commodore” will be working in the headquarters in Washington, DC, where he lives, educating the public about the program, the importance of literacy, opportunities to volunteer and the benefits that come from it.



Ted Forbes ('91-'92;'95-'98) – loves his job as a Fireman and is living just outside Washington D.C.

Drew Himsworth ('91-'97;'99) – is working as the director of Group Sales for the Hagerstown Suns baseball team, in Hagerstown, MD.

Sam Hallowell ('91-'93) – is doing well living in Stamford, CT. He is the director of SCORE!, a supplemental education center in Darien, CT. He hopes that everyone is doing well at Agawam, as well as alums all over the world.

Brad Johnson ('91;'93-'96) – lives in Wiscasset, ME with his wife Emily and their daughter Maddie. “Trapper” is the farm and woodlot manager at The Chewonki Foundation.

Phillip Lohmeyer ('91-'95;'97;'99) – is teaching art at Eastern Middle School in Greenwich, CT. He is living nearby in Stamford, CT.

David Auld ('92;'94-'99;'02-'04) – writes: “I hope everyone is having a good summer. I unfortunately had to begin my long term job before summer began, and so wasn’t able to come back, but still wish I was there instead of sitting in an office pounding on my keyboard. I am going to try and stop by later in the summer to see everyone, but if not, there is always next year, and who knows what can happen by then. Hopefully I will see y’all soon.” “Ace” did make it to camp this summer; he flew from California and made it up to camp for one night before he had to head back. Now that’s commitment!

Zach Cutler ('92-'96;'98) – Is playing on the football team at Amherst College in Amherst, MA where he is beginning his senior year.

Tom Vermilyen ('92-'97;'00) – is working for UBS Bank in New York.



Steve Diamond ('93) – told us: “Since I was last at Camp I’ve been rather busy. Shortly after returning to the UK – after my time at Agawam and completing my degree, I joined the Atomic Weapons Establishment. Whilst there I was a Design Engineer and spent about 5 years designing nuclear warheads and manufacturing facilities for the UK’s nuclear weapons programme. I then joined Rolls Royce and started designing aircraft jet engines for a further 4½ years. Since this time I set up my own company and have been designing power station generating equipment, ‘Caterpillar’ excavation vehicles and also further developing aircraft gas turbine engines for Rolls Royce. I’ve worked quite extensively over in Switzerland and have spent a lot of my free time building “street-fighter” style motorcycles. I’ve been fortunate enough to win a significant number of national shows with these motorcycles that I have created. I currently live with my partner of 6 years, Jill, in Derby, UK. I still find that when I think of my time at Agawam I realize that it maintains an important part in my life and would very much like to spend time there again. I wish you all the absolute best and will try to get back to see you all!”

Bobby Fleiss ('93-'94;'97-'98;'01-'02;'05) – is living in Lexington, MA where he is the Director of Sales and Marketing for Builder Brothers, a web photography company that he started this year. Check it out at www.builderbros.com.

Will Fleiss ('93-'98;'00-'02) – has recently moved to Atlanta Georgia, where he is working for a marketing firm.

John Vermilyen ('94-'02) - is beginning graduate studies in geology at Stanford University in California.



Dan Cluchey ('95-'03;'05) – writes that school is unbelievable! Aside from classes he is in an improv comedy group, and is also active with the college democrats. His nine member improv group does a show every Monday night, and some weekends. They also go to private schools to teach their improv groups and do shows. Trapper also mentioned that he is “a little upset” that “Cox’n” **Eric Andrews** has joined the sailing team at their college, Amherst. He swears that the Ranger Trail club, though still in it’s planning phase, will become a reality!

Karen Malm ('95-'02) – teaches 6th and 7th grade at Kent Place School in NJ. She is also the curriculum coordinator for the middle school. She spent the summer taking graduate classes at Plymouth State College.

Brian Slovenski ('95-'00;'02) – has begun his junior year at Gettysburg College in Gettysburg, PA.

Chris Marsh ('96-'03) – writes from his home in Eagle,



Colorado: “Amy and I are enjoying the continued healthy growth of our daughter, Addison. Addison made her grand entrance just in time for Fathers’ Day this year. She was born on June 18th in Vail. Amy continues to work part-time, teaching 7th grade math, and I have stopped teaching for now to pursue a career in emergency medical services. I am working full-time for the local ambulance service and hope to go to paramedic school this next June.”

Elizabeth ‘Buffy’ Small (’96-’98) – Spent most of the summer in Hangzhou, China, working for the largest bottled water manufacturer there. Before and after the project, “Bos’n” spent time traveling in Tokyo, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Beijing and returned to Boston in August to start her second year in business school at Babson College.



Chris Scott (’97-’00) – is now a sophomore at Trinity College in Hartford, CT.

Dan Faron (’98-’02;’04)– attends Gould Academy in Bethel, Maine. He has started his senior year there and is currently taking a music technology course.

Charlie Hedlund (’98-’02;’05) – is currently pursuing a degree in Operations Research and Financial Engineering at Princeton University. “Bowman” is taking lots of math, economics, philosophy, and history. He is also an avid squash player, and is involved in community service activities, including the Princeton Water Watch, which works to address environmental problems in New Jersey.

Kenton Slovenski (’98-’03) – graduated from Oyster River High School in June, and is now in his freshman year at the University of New Hampshire in Durham, NH.

Julia Bensen (’99-’00) – has recently moved back to the Boston area where she is attending the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Aidan Donahue (’99-’01) – graduated from Dartmouth College in June of 2004 and is now working for Mellon Bank and living on Beacon Hill in Boston, MA. His brother **Peter Donahue**, a Main Idea volunteer in ’04 and ’05 is now a senior at Noble and Greenough School in Dedham, MA.

Joshua Lampe (’99) – is living in Philadelphia, PA with his wife, Sarah, who works in publishing. He is attending the University of Pennsylvania, where he is working on his PhD in Mechanical Engineering. He sees **SJ Baxter (’86-’92;’94-’97;’99-’00)** and **Tad Hershey (’79-’84;’87-’88;’90-’91;’97)** periodically!

Andrew Phillips (’99-’01;’04-’05) – writes: “Greetings to everyone from Camp Agawam. Although I miss the shores of Crescent Lake, I am enjoying my sophomore year at the University of Richmond. This year my brother, **Duncan Phillips (’99-’05)**, decided to join me at Richmond. During the fall, I am playing on and helping run the club lacrosse team. I am also watching as much football as humanly possible, of course, only after I finish all of my work. I hope everyone is doing well and I look forward to seeing you all back at Camp.”

Stephanie Long (’00-’02) – spent last winter living on St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands working for Black Dog Charters as the first mate www.blackdogvi.com. She spent the summer on Sebago Lake at Camp Wohelo, the fall at Migis Lodge, and plans to return to Boston this winter.

Seb Reetz (’00-’04) – spent the summer in Interlaken, France, mountain climbing in the Alps.



Meghan Greenberg (’01-’05) – writes to us from the shores of Sebago Lake: “Since Camp, I have been working at Migis Lodge on Sebago Lake in the excellent company of “Chips” **Holly Carriere (’04-’05)**, “Doc” **Joel Wylie (’03;’05)**, “Admiral” **Stephanie Long (’00-’02)**, “Slugger” **Tyler Peterson (’04-’05)**, “Slugger” **Rob Dunklee (’88-’89;’94-’95;’98;’00;’02)** and, of course, “Bowman” **Scott Malm (’76-’80;’82-’86;’88-’04)**. We are having a great fall and talk about Camp all the time. I have particularly enjoyed Rattlesnake hikes with “Doc” and “Chips”, afternoons of sailing with “Admiral”, and visits from “SuperCoach”. In January, I am planning to move to Chile to teach English as a Second Language. I hope that everyone is doing well!”

Tin Ha-Ngoc (’01) – moved to the Washington, D.C. area in January, 2005 and is working as a paralegal at a law firm while he figures out his next steps in life. He is interested in urban planning and development economics or perhaps being a professional ski bum!

Slide Shows From Summers Past Available!

We have un-earthed a few remaining copies of past summers slide shows. Summers available are: '99, '01, '02, and '04. Please send a check for \$5 to cover shipping and let us know which one you would like. Supplies are limited.



Keep Up With Agawam on the Web

Have you checked out the camp website www.campagawam.org during the summer? If you are looking for a way to check in on what is happening at Camp, how our teams are doing in competition, who is up in the Ag / Wam Season or what is on the daily schedule, the website is the place. Updated daily during the camp season with pictures, scores and news, the web helps current parents keep up with camp events and allows alumni to get a much-needed “camp fix” from their office chairs. During the off-season the site is updated monthly with pictures from the prior summer in the “Photo Album” and with information about alumni gatherings, the holiday ski trip, and happenings with the Board of Directors. Look for the addition of an Alumni Section (currently on the drawing board) sometime in 2006, and if you know of any good camper or staff prospects tell them to explore the site to get a good idea of what Agawam is all about!

www.campagawam.org

Agawam Is Back On The Slopes!



Many of us have fond memories of winter weeks on the shores of Kezar Lake during the days of Dave and Peg's Agawam Kezar Ski Weeks. We are happy to confirm that Agawam campers and counselors are again gathering each year for a few days of skiing and snowboarding during the holidays. Last year “Bos’n” Bill Auerswald, “General” Andy Rogers, “Swampy” Jimmy Forbes and “Corp” Geoff Slovenski accompanied eight Agawam campers at Sunday River Resort in Maine. When not skiing and riding during the day (or taking lessons to improve their skills), the group went bowling, watched movies, played games, and enjoyed classic Agawam evening activities. With lots of good word of mouth at camp this summer, the 2005 edition of the Ski Trip (December 26 – December 31) is expected to be larger and even more fun. As always, the trip is a great way for campers to catch up with each other during the winter and is a great way for Alumni Sons (ages 9-16), who might be campers in the future, to sample the Agawam experience. If you have an interest in the trip or want more information, please email “Bos’n” Auerswald at bosn@campagawam.org.

Mike Colt Recognized by Easter Seals

Congratulations to Mike Colt, a Senior Club member this past summer, who was recently recognized by the Easter Seals for his camper career. Below is a reprint of the article:

Easter Seals Camper Fits Right In at Camp Agawam Groton Resident's Courage and Commitment Inspire Others

April 11, 2005 – Last summer Mike Colt and his fellow 15-year-old campers from Camp Agawam took a trip to Acadia National Park to climb the Otter Cliffs. Once there, they were lowered down the imposing wall of rock and, with the waves pounding below them, they climbed back up.

Mike was one of the campers who made it back up on his own. It took him a little longer because he had polio as an infant and wears braces on both legs. To scale the cliff, he used his legs and hips for support and pulled himself up with his arms.

"My arms were tired when I got to the top," he recalled. "I couldn't even lift them."

Bill Auerswald, Camp Agawam's business manager and assistant director, was watching as the campers scaled the cliffs, and he wasn't at all surprised that Mike succeeded. "One of the things Mike showed us at camp is that he wants to do things himself. It's wonderful to see his courage and commitment to doing what he can, his own way, without making a big deal about it," Auerswald said. "If he wants help with something, he speaks up, but that doesn't happen often."

Mike lives in Groton and is a freshman at Nashoba Valley Technical High School. He has attended Camp Agawam every summer since he was 10 through a special campership for boys with disabilities in conjunction with Easter Seals Massachusetts.

Friendly and outgoing, Mike has fit in so well at this camp in southern Maine that at the end of last summer he was elected to the Totem Society, an honor reserved for campers who have shown exceptional camp spirit, including positive qualities in leadership, service, sportsmanship and character. He is the first Easter Seals camper to win that distinction.

A new Easter Seals camper will follow in Mike's footsteps this summer, but Mike will be back as a 16-year-old member of the Senior Club, a counselor-in-training position. For one of his duties, he'll be handling a shovel and rake and maintaining the camp. "I think it's going to be a lot of fun," he said. "I'm really looking forward to it."

The campership that brings Easter Seals campers to Camp Agawam grew from a conversation between two men, Elmer Bartels and Reeves Callaway, as they were sitting on the dock at Camp Agawam one day a little more than 10 years ago.

Bartels, who heads up the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission, attended Camp Agawam from 1950 to 1960. When he was a senior in college, Bartels broke his neck in a college hockey game and became a quadriplegic. He went on to a successful career and became a nationally known leader in the movement to advance the rights and opportunities of people with disabilities.

When he was a Camp Agawam counselor, Bartels taught Callaway how to build things in the camp shop program. Callaway, today an internationally known designer and builder of racing cars, provided the funding for the campership.

Auerswald believes that the campership is an important part of the sense of community that is fostered at Camp Agawam, which has seven-week camping sessions.

"Our boys are here for an extended stay," he explained. "We develop a real community in that time, and that means being open to other people's differences and realizing that beneath all those differences, people are people. Some people may need a hand getting up the hill or getting ready for bed, but everyone is part of the community and it's no big deal. Everybody in a community needs help from everybody else."

The mission of Easter Seals Massachusetts is to help children and adults with disabilities expand their independence. Easter Seals provides technological assistance, job training and employment, home-based nonmedical services for elders, recreational activities, rehabilitation services and public awareness programs. For more information, call 800-244-2756 or go to www.EasterSealsMa.org.



Mike Colt was a Senior Club this year at Agawam. He also participated in the Golf Marathon and raised over \$2,000 for Maine Camperships. He is third from the right in the back row.

9th Annual Golf Marathon Provides Maine Camperships, Exceeds Goals

The Gods of the Four Winds smiled on August 18th 2005 this year, delivering a perfectly cool, yet sunny, day for our 21 golfers to complete 100 holes. The 9th Annual Agawam Golf Marathon, ably chaired this year by “Ranger” Jim Carroll, raises money for camperships for deserving Maine boys, many of whom have attended Camp for several summers. This year featured our first sponsored golf cart driver, and also the first foreign staff member to play the Marathon. The goal this year was to provide 6 camperships and raise \$37,000.

After an early breakfast, golfers got off to a shotgun start at 7am. Golfers and their drivers made their way around the front nine at Val Halla Golf Course in Cumberland, ME. There were varying degrees of golf experience, with some very experienced golfers, and a few who had never played before. But, everyone enjoyed a beautiful day, and the work for a good cause. Volunteers played a pivotal

role in helping the golfers reach their goals by driving carts, serving drinks and snacks, and keeping track of the scoring.

“Bos’n” John Calhoun even made it out for a full day of volunteering with a cracked rib! The golfers had some great



shots, some not-so great shots, and a lot of laughs. Most golfers were done and showered by 4:30, enjoying more camaraderie in the clubhouse at Val Halla.

The entire group then headed over to “Coach” Bob Demont’s house for the celebratory barbeque and awards ceremony. After totaling each golfers pledges, we were proud to report that our Golf Marathoners raised \$53,000 to fund Maine Camperships! It was an enjoyable day and all were proud to be involved with such a worthy and fun cause. Please join us next year for the 10th Annual Agawam Golf Marathon on August 17th, 2006. We hope to have every golfer who’s ever played, participate. For more information contact “SuperCoach” Mark Hogan at 781-826-5913 or supercoach@campagawam.org.

Thanks to Our Golfers!

***“Capt” Pete Caesar – 100**

Ted Demont – 100

“Ranger” Jim Carroll - 111

“Commodore” Jeremy Cluchey – 101

Mike Colt – 101

***“Coach” Bob Demont – 100**

***“Lt.” Bob Fryer – 100**

***“Colonel” Matt Gardner – 100**

“Cox’n” Simon Gerson – 108

Duke Haddad – 100

“Admiral” Stephanie Long – 111



***“Mander” Karen Malm – 100**

“Corp” Ted McDermott – 121

“Doc” Scott Pragoff – 110

Si Rioux – 100

Zach Rioux – 109

Mike Runser – 101

“Major” Ben Small – 110

“Sarge” Russell Sprole – 106

“Admiral” Peter Wilson, Jr. – 103

“Cruiser” Patrick Wright – 100

“Doc” Joel Wylie – 101

*** = have participated in all 9 golf marathons!!**



Thanks to Our Volunteers!

“Ranger” Melanie Hemer

“Cruiser” Meghan Greenberg

“Bowman” Scott Malm

“Bos’n” Buffy Small

“Slugger” Tyler Peterson

“Ensign” Emily Auerswald

Allie Thayer

“Ensign” Allison O’Leary

Misha Isnardi

“Yeoman” Shane Bishop

“Bos’n” John Calhoun

“Corp” Geoff Slovenski

Kenton Slovenski

“Chips” Holly Carriere

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Barbara Nelson

BJ Grondin

“Sarge” Toby Brown

“Capt” Diehl Estes

“Sparks” Amy Butler



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AGAWAM COUNCIL'S 9 TH 100 HOLE GOLF MARATHON									
FOR MAINE CAMPSHIPS									
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CAESAR, P	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
DEMONT, B	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
FRYER, B	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
GARDNER, M	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
GERRARD, J	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
LONG, S	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
WYLLIE, J	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
CAESAR, P	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
DEMONT, B	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
FRYER, B	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
GARDNER, M	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
GERRARD, J	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
LONG, S	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120
WYLLIE, J	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	120

News Of The Masons

Congratulations to **Dave and Peg Mason**, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this summer at the Balsams Hotel in Dixville Notch, NH! 14 Masons were on hand to enjoy tennis, golf and fabulous meals. Dave was honored this summer by receiving the Halsey Gulick Award for his contribution to camping. He was also honored in Lovell for the 20th anniversary of creating the Lovell Annual Tennis Tournament and, happily, his daughter, **Barbara**, and sons, **Peter** and **Jim**, all played in the tournament. Dave and Peg's e-mail is dpmason@pivot.net.

This past September, **Tony and Bebe Mason** celebrated **Connie Mason's** 92nd birthday in Albany, NY. In attendance were **Dave and Peg Mason** ("Dave again concocted a Birthday song for Mom. "Connie, Connie Mason" was sung to the tune of Davy Crocket.") **Peter** and **Lynn** came from their new home in Connecticut. **Peter** was sorry to miss the Family Championship Tennis match, which ended just before he arrived. **Jim** and **Diane**, along with **Felicity, Louise and Rachel**, came from Worcester. It was quite difficult to extract the girls from the swimming pool when it was time to leave! **George Mason** sent a clever poem from Houston. **Tim** and **Kim Mason** and their daughter, **Maddie**, having just moved to Hawaii for Tim's job in NCIS, were not able to come. **Kim** did volunteer at the Main Idea again this year, just before their move. **Sarah**, Tony's daughter, came with her new baby, **Margaret**, making four generations in attendance at the party.

Peter and Lynne Mason moved from Calgary, Alberta to Canton, CT in June 2005. Having previously lived in New Canaan, CT before Alberta, they are back in familiar parts again. **Peter** has taken a position as Division Director for Konover Hotel Corporation. (Konover Properties is a 50 year old, large real estate company based in West Hartford, CT, with Residential, Commercial, Development, Construction and Hotel Divisions.) **Lynne** continues her retirement from the Orange County, FL. school system where she worked for almost 30 years, most recently as an Elementary School Principal. **Peter and Lynne** are settling in their new home in Canton, which is just west of Hartford. They have been busy with boxes, painting, getting organized and doing many jobs inside and outside the house. They have already been visited by **Jim Mason, Dave and Peg Mason**, who were some of their first overnight guests. They are enjoying being back in New England where the Agawam roots are close by. They welcome any alumni to call if they are in the Hartford area. Their number is (860)-352-2014 or you can e-mail Peter at pnmason@msn.com.

Barbara Murphy, Dave's daughter, is now working for Proctor & Gamble (who recently bought Gillette where she has worked for 28 years) as Sr. HR Advisor for the Information Technology Division. Her daughter, **Katie**, is at U Colorado at Boulder, studied in New Zealand for her

spring semester, and is majoring in Finance, and **Marianne**, her younger daughter is a sophomore at Elon University in Elon, NC. Her husband, **Neil**, is a fish broker for Rainbow Seafoods in Gloucester, MA importing most of the fish now from China.



Dave Mason Honored with the 2005 Halsey Gulick Award!

This summer, Dave Mason was honored by the Maine Youth Camping Association, when they awarded him the 2005 Halsey Gulick Award. The award recognizes distinguished service to the organized youth camping movement in Maine. In typical, humble, Dave fashion he had to be tricked to get him to the awards ceremony where he was surprised to find out that the entire program was for him! Those in attendance from Agawam were, Peg Mason, "Chief" and Barbara Nelson, "Capt" Diehl Estes, "Bowman" Scott Malm, and "Bos'n" Bill Auerswald. Following is an excerpt from the tribute that was prepared for Dave:

"Dave was incredibly generous with his camp program. He had a strong belief that Maine summer camps should also benefit children from the Maine towns in which the camps were located. He put his beliefs into practice when, in 1971, he and his wife, Peg, established the Main Idea, a free week of residential camping for deserving but disadvantaged boys from southern Maine.

Dave has been an inspiration to several generations of campers and counselors, through both the Main Idea and Camp Agawam summer programs. His leadership through the years inspired the creation of the Agawam Council, a non-profit organization that now runs Camp Agawam. While other camps moved to the auction block, Agawam's alumni were so dedicated to Dave Mason and his ideals, that, at his retirement, they purchased the camp in order to maintain the unique programs of Agawam. One of the first decisions the new Board of Directors made was to continue and to expand the Main Idea at Camp Agawam. Under Dave's sponsorship, the program grew to serve 40 campers. Today, under Agawam Council's direction, over 100 deserving boys from Southern Maine attend the Main Idea each summer."

To read the entire tribute to Dave go to:

www.maine camps.org.

Senior Boy Trip is a Fun Filled Success! A Great Ending to Their Last Summer as Campers

By "Lt." Mark Andrews

In mid-August I was privileged enough to finish up the Agawam season by going on the Post-Camp Senior Boy Trip. I was joined on the five-day trip by fellow counselors "Cox'n" Erik Andrews and "General" Jared Patton, along with recently "graduated" 15-year-old campers Sam Mitchell, Mike Hauge, Nick Phillips, Kyle Fitzsimmons, Ted Moran, and Matt McMorris. We left the morning of the 16th and traveled North to Baxter State Park to a nicely furnished cottage and spent the night preparing for the three days we would be spending in the Maine Woods. The next day consisted of a very lazy morning followed by a hike up Sentinel Mountain, where we had excellent views of Mt. Katahdin. On the hike down we got mentally prepared for rafting the mighty Penobscot River, which we conquered the following day with no casualties, besides almost losing Ted from the raft! That night we lamented leaving the cushy cottage that had become our home, but we packed up the next day and traveled down the Maine Coast to Boothbay Harbor. In Boothbay, we enjoyed our evening by walking around and eating the famous cuisine, which consisted of seafood and ice cream. We slept in tents that night after playing numerous games of 'Mafia' around the fire and awoke early the next morning to hop on the "Balmy Days II" ferry over to Monhegan Island. The island is a famous artist colony and despite the overcast weather we explored the island's rocky cliffs. During our exploration, we saw an old shipwreck and a few artists painting and photographing the scenery before we returned to the ferry. After returning to Boothbay, we drove back to camp and arrived in time to enjoy an excellent dinner with the Agawam Council Board of Directors. The trip was a lot of fun and we were able to enjoy new experiences, such as whitewater rafting and hiking in Baxter State Park. Most importantly though, I think, it was a great experience and a memorable final week to cap off the successful camper careers of these 15-year-olds.



*Senior Boys on the Post Camp Trip Explore
Monhegan Island*





Sons of Alumni: Row 5 - L to R: Jake Sandler, son of Andy Sandler and Karen Degerberg; Walker Stockly, son of Ayres Stockly; Pierce Ford, son of Paul Ford; Jonathan Esty, son of Dan Esty; Dougie Barnard, son of Tommy Barnard; Row 4: Kenn Fryer, son of Bob Fryer; Gabe de Selding, son of Peter de Selding; Will Nash, son of Stephen Nash; Row 3: Will Degerberg, son of Scott Degerberg; Ted Moran, son of Peter Moran; Sandy Brown, son of Toby Brown; Andrew Moran, son of Peter Moran; Drew Shaeffer, son of Skip Shaeffer; Row 2: Alex Przedpelski, son of John Przedpelski; Elliot de Selding, son of Peter de Selding; Emmet Murray, son of Morgan Murray; Cor Bensen, son of Robert Bensen; Jay Carroll, son of Jim Carroll; Row 1: Charlie Moran, son of David Moran; Connor Murray, son of Morgan Murray; Peter Moran, son of David Moran.

President's Message

Greetings from Maine!

As the weather begins to cool and dusk falls earlier each day here in Maine, summer loses its grip as we fall into winter. The H-dock has been pulled, the boats put away, the cabins closed and locked to wait out the snow that will surely fall. After an extended fall program with hundreds of New Hampshire and Maine kids, "Capt" Diehl Estes and staff have buttoned up our improved facilities and newly irrigated fields. Our Camp will be at rest next to a frozen Crescent Lake for the winter months.

But Agawam itself is alive, heart beating, going to school, planning board meetings, driving to soccer matches, doing Math homework. Agawam is not just a beautiful campus in Maine; Agawam is every boy, every counselor and every parent who has participated in Camp over the past 86 years. Agawam is here today because it grows, learns, and believes in what is good and right in the world.

Through active participation from Alumni, parents, staff, and present campers, we are able to keep Agawam on a healthy and positive track in service to a growing constituency. We have been able to create a place where more than 200 people gather every summer to teach and to learn, to grow and to counsel. A place where boys are encouraged to "be the best, whatever they are," and where hard lessons are not shied away from, but embraced as teachable moments. A place where character and honesty are what is important, not winning or popularity. The rest of the world could use a little Agawam and as the Main Idea and our service to our neighbors in the surrounding communities grows, hundreds more are experiencing the unique essence of Agawam.

Before the winter freeze, please consider joining the Board and staff in supporting Agawam. Support can come in many different forms, from sending in a check to volunteering your time. Please think about supporting Agawam in some way this year, and every year. If you haven't been back to Camp, go participate in the Alumni Work Weekend, or volunteer at The Main Idea or at least make your way up to Camp at some point during the summer. It takes contributions of all kinds from all of us to ensure Camp remains the place we all hold so dear.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, thank you for your thoughtful consideration of support in whatever way best expresses your belief in Agawam's mission and enduring values.

Sincerely,

"Coach" Bob Demont
President, Agawam
Council



Annual Report and Annual Appeal Acknowledgements to Come in Late Winter

Annual Appeal Update:

So far this year the Annual Appeal has raised over \$125,000. Your donations to the Annual Appeal are used to fund The Main Idea and (currently, 16) Camperships to Camp Agawam.

We will continue to gratefully accept contributions at our winter address:

**Agawam Council
30 Fieldstone Lane
Hanover, MA 02339-1941**

Donor acknowledgements will be included in the late winter Annual Report. Please direct any questions about the Annual Appeal to our Director of Development: "Chief" Garth Nelson. E-mail "Chief" at chief@campagawam.org or telephone him at 781-826-5913.



WISH LIST

There are always dreams and wishes that an organization has but can't always procure. If any of our friends or alumni have a source or suggestion that might help us get one of our wishes, please let us know. Currently our wish list includes:

Stereo Receiver and Speakers Big Enough For Dances
Gator Style Landscaping All Terrain Vehicle
Wood Splitter
Small Tractor With Bucket/Backhoe (John Deere) with Mowing Deck
Small Dump Truck (1-2 ton)
Maintenance Tools, Drills, Skill Saw, Radial Arm Saw, Table Saw, Bits, Hammers, Screw Drivers, Ratchet Sets
Committee Boat for Sailing Regattas
Laminator

Please contact "Chief" Garth Nelson with any questions or comments regarding the wish list at chief@campagawam.org or telephone him at 781-826-5913.



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Camp Agawam

Alumni News

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IF THIS AGAWAM FAMILY MEMBER
IS NO LONGER AT THIS ADDRESS.
PLEASE NOTIFY US:
chief@campagawam.org

Please Fill Me Out and send me back to Agawam!!!!

Alumni News Information:

Name: _____ Dates at Agawam: _____

Any Address Changes? _____

WE WANT TO EXPAND THE INVOLVEMENT OF ALUMNI WITH AGAWAM. PLEASE LET US KNOW HOW YOU
WOULD LIKE TO HELP AND WE WILL BE IN CONTACT WITH YOU:

<input type="checkbox"/> Agawam Council Board Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Alumni Work Weekend	<input type="checkbox"/> Camper Recruiting
<input type="checkbox"/> Hosting Events	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 th Anniversary Golf Marathon	<input type="checkbox"/> The Main Idea
<input type="checkbox"/> Phone-a-thon Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/> Visit During The Summer	<input type="checkbox"/> Agawam Ski Week

Please contact these families who might be interested in Agawam for their sons:
