

White Birch

CAMP PASQUANEY

WINTER 2005

Wayne Southwick and the Yale Doctors

45 Orthopaedic Surgeons have served Pasquaney since 1961

It all started when Charlie Stanwood, then Assistant Headmaster at the Choate School, was seeking medical advice for his son, Mike, in early 1961. He asked to see the Chief of the Section of Orthopaedic Surgery at the Yale University School of Medicine, and he met Dr. Wayne Southwick. He found Wayne suffering from a recent disc operation and suggested that he consider recuperating on our hillside that summer -- and serve as camp doctor. Wayne took the offer and spent the entire 1961 summer, and parts of thirty other summers between 1961 and 1997, as camp doctor. When he could not spend the whole summer, he encouraged his residents to serve a week or two. That began a relationship with Yale Orthopaedic residents that continues to this day. Since 1961, forty-five Orthopaedic Surgeons from Yale have served as Pasquaney doctors. All camp doctors between 1961 and 1985 were Yale residents introduced by Wayne. Since then, other doctors, including alumni Tom Valk, Chris Granger, Bill Matthai, and Neil Russakoff, have taken weeks that Yale could not fill.

Thirteen of the Yale doctors served Pasquaney for three or more summers: Wayne Southwick (30), Jacques Bonnet-Eymard (28), Steve Gunther (22), Ted Collins (13), Jim Albright (11), George Nichols (8), Mike Murphy (7), Joe Wu (5), John Ogden (3), Peter Jokl (3), Dewitt Jones (3), Tushar Patel (3), and Dan Albright (3). Jim Elting (2) and Don McAllister (2) both had sons who attended camp, and Jack Sherwin, who was camp doctor only in 1965, was a close friend who continued to help the infirmary until his death early this year.

Fourteen sons and grandsons of the Yale doctors have attended camp as campers and some have served as counsellors. Wayne's sons, Fred and Steve, led the way as campers in the 1960s and both are now doctors. Fred has published a book on infectious diseases and Steve is working on one on post-traumatic stress disorders. Fred was camp doctor for several summers while his son attended camp in the 1990s.

With bachelor's and medical degrees from the University of Nebraska and a residency at Johns Hopkins, Wayne was named Chief of Orthopaedic Surgery at Yale at the age of 35. He served there for 40 years, 36 as Chief, doing mostly spine surgery. In 1998, he retired, "pushed by malpractice," as he did fewer operations. Wayne and his wife, Ann, who was often with him at camp, continue to live on Long Island



Wayne Southwick (left), and his son, Steve, stand next to one of Wayne's sculptures entitled "Reveille."



The cover of the 2003 Yale Orthopaedic Association Directory was drawn by John Ogden, camp doctor from 1981 to 83.

Sound in Old Lyme, Connecticut. They keep in touch with the many residents he worked with over the years through gatherings at their home and a Yale Orthopaedic Association Directory that Wayne puts together, most recently published in 2003. Jacques Bonnet-Eymard admires Wayne's efforts with the booklet, "He keeps track of every resident and their family histories. It's like a college alumni group."

Last year the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons presented Wayne with its first Diversity Award for his work over the years to help women, minority, and foreign doctors become orthopaedic surgeons. He brought the first black orthopaedic surgeon in the United States to Yale in the 1960s when it was not a popular thing to do. He expressed concern about women in orthopaedics facing discrimination.

In the 1970s, Wayne took an interest in sculpture, taking lessons at the Lyme Academy of Fine Arts. His admiration for the work of sculptor Bruno Lucchesi led to a friendship and collaboration with the artist which has taken Wayne and Ann to Italy "once or twice a year for over ten years now." His sculpture combines his love of art and knowledge

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of human anatomy acquired in his many years as a surgeon. In the Summer 1995 *Alumni White Birch*, we featured his life-sized sculpture, "An American Dream," of female and black male basketball players, which now stands outside the Yale Sports Medicine Clinic and at Emory University. As I talked with Wayne this fall, he was preparing to show forty-five of his sculptures at the Koerner Center at Yale, on the green in New Haven in November.

Wayne also served Pasquaney as a Trustee from 1978 until 1988. As we sat in their beautiful sunroom overlooking the mouth of the Connecticut River, Wayne and Ann recalled fond memories of their thirty summers at Pasquaney. Wayne said it was "a joy to ride the old fire truck with Mr. Charlie at the wheel -- especially to Onaway!" He said that Pasquaney did a remarkable emergency service to the community in those days. He added, "Nowadays we couldn't do it because of malpractice. We were the only doctors around then."

Pasquaney was indeed lucky that Mr. Charlie got to know Wayne Southwick in 1961. And "thank you" seems inadequate for all that he and forty-four of his residents have done for the past forty-four years to see that our campers and counsellors remained in good health.

Jacques Bonnet-Eymard and Steve Gunther Continue the Yale Connection Today

Jacques Bonnet-Eymard has served as camp doctor for twenty-eight summers, and counting. When Dewitt Jones, his chief resident at Yale and another Pasquaney doctor, approached Jacques about serving at Pasquaney, his twin sons, Mark and Eric, were just 4 years old. He recalls 1977, his second summer, especially, "the year of the boot-a-bug, when half of the camp was in the infirmary." But Jacques and his wife, Carole, continued to come back, and in 1985, Mark and Eric began long careers as campers and counsellors. While at camp, Eric met Cathy Sanford, daughter of Bill and Roe Sanford, and, in 1996, they had one of the largest Pasquaney-Onaway weddings in memory.

Jacques and Carole moved closer to camp in the summers when they purchased a condo across the lake at the Ledges in the early 1990s. They have enjoyed their long relationship with camp. Jacques stated, "It's so important that kids learn



Jacques and Carole Bonnet-Eymard (on left, at 2003 Pasquaney Christmas party) and Steve Gunther last summer next to the plaque he made on infirmary porch.

to be themselves." He enjoys helping campers take control of their health and become more independent. "Pasquaney was a huge help to us raising our kids. It did things that our church didn't."

Steve Gunther has served as camp doctor for twenty-two seasons between 1970 and 2004. He recalls, with great respect, the influence that Wayne Southwick had in his coming to Pasquaney. "When Wayne asked you to do something, you didn't want to say no." Steve and his wife, Beverly, first came during the five summers of his residency at Yale, and returned in the late 1980s as their son, Matt, and daughters, Liz and Cristin, attended Pasquaney and Onaway as campers and counsellors.

Both Jacques and Steve have introduced other doctor friends to Pasquaney, spreading the Yale contribution to another level. Jacques has brought several doctors. One of them, Preston Reynolds, has served for 10 summers. Jim Vailas, a friend of Steve's, has come for seven summers. Both of them served in 2004.

Steve and Matt Gunther's Father and Son Tree Talk in 1998

Matt Gunther asked his father, Dr. Stephen Gunther, to join him with a tree talk on August 14, 1998. Here are some excerpts from their talk on "Community and the Individual -- Be your Best."

Matt began: In two days, each of you will go home to a new community. New? This statement may seem odd because you are all going to rejoin the families that you have lived with for your entire lives. The change that will turn your old homes into a new environment is you. Each one of you has grown, developed, and transformed in various ways over the course of the summer. Many are physically stronger and larger, but more importantly, your habits and treatment of other people have changed over the past seven weeks. We have all learned more about who we are and what we can do to become our best selves. Everyone sitting under this beautiful tree arrived at Pasquaney full of potential, and every bit of goodness that we have gained over the past weeks was already inside us. We have only begun to tap the power of both our unique persons and the community which we find here at camp...

Steve continued: Character development of campers and counsellors is what Pasquaney is all about... But character is different for each of us. The highest goals may be the same, but our real natures are not. You will agree that we differ in physical characteristics. There is only one tallest boy, one shortest, one fastest, one strongest, one smartest, etc. ..We also see that some are more aggressive, or more confident, or more outgoing, and others are the opposite... Pasquaney recognizes these differences and makes a point of mixing different types of people together in activities. It is extremely important because part of character is recognizing the differences in others and not expecting that everyone will produce the same effect from the same effort. Let's call this RESPECT... Respect for others is essential. The older you get, the more good you see in others and the more you find that you depend on them....

Do these differences and your own limitations, which you all have, mean that you accept mediocrity -- or even less -- in yourself? Of course not. There is an age-old motto that you should say to yourself whenever you have doubts or your efforts result in what you think is failure. BE YOUR BEST. Not another person's best, but yours. You can't do better, and neither can anyone else...

Matt concluded: The most valuable aspect of Pasquaney is that it pushes us to become our best selves. The lessons which we have learned on this ridge and in the chapel urge us to love, serve, and devote ourselves to our fellow campers and counsellors, but we must also remember to maintain our autonomy. We have to be true to ourselves and discover what makes each of us happy and fulfilled. Our friends will help us realize who we are, but we also learn [here] in the absence of distractions which we typically find at home... We are judged on our actions, and this pushes us to improve who we are, not what we look like.

We must translate inspiration into change both here and at home. It is only through sincere effort that we can hope to turn eloquent words into behavior.... We will all miss camp over the next days, weeks, and months, so I urge you to deeply consider what it is that you miss about this place and recreate it in your homes.

Perhaps we should have another camp motto for the second century. Imagine entering Mem Hall and looking up to see "STOP AND THINK" on the left and "BE YOUR BEST" on the right.

Newfound Lake Group Works on Land & Water Conservation

Deb Johnson, Executive Director of the Newfound Lake Region Association, wrote the summer camps a note of thanks for their involvement in NLRA conservation efforts:

This summer I had the pleasure of briefing the directors of Newfound Lake's camps on the state of the lake. That opportunity has continued a dialogue that promotes closer ties, the sharing of ideas and collaborative efforts to protect our lake. On behalf of the trustees and nearly 600 members of the Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA), I want to express our deepest appreciation to Pasquaney and all the summer camps for their considerable efforts to protect this wonderful resource and to encourage stewardship ethics among their campers.

The NLRA has enjoyed strong ties to Newfound's camps. Pasquaney's John Gemmill and Dick Beyer were among the four founders of NLRA who recognized the need for a lake association in the 1980s, and served as trustees and committed volunteers. Recently, with the assistance of Pete Carey, our new board President, the NLRA has raised the funds to commit to a full-time Executive Director.

Our organization is working hard to protect Newfound Lake and its 62,000-acre watershed through initiatives designed to preserve and protect water quality and wildlife habitat; through education and promotion of stewardship; and through advocacy of sound environmental policies. Trustees, staff and volunteers are working hard to keep

Vanguard 470 Sailboats For Sale



Pasquaney has just purchased six new Vanguard 420 sailboats which will be in operation when camp opens next summer. Do you yearn for another sail in a Vanguard 470? There are still three of them for sale. Suggested price is \$1,500 (minimum offer is \$800 -- if you pay \$1,500, \$700 is a tax-deductible donation). Contact the winter office if you're interested (office@pasquaney.org).

Newfound one of the cleanest lakes in the nation.

Our school district's Triad project uses our floating aquatic classroom extensively, using the lake as an outdoor laboratory with an interdisciplinary model based on science, history and economics. Our weedwatchers inspect incoming boats to prevent milfoil, other non-native, invasive plants, and zebra mussels from entering and destroying the lake's ecology. Newfound is the only large lake in New Hampshire not infested with invasive, exotic plant species.

Our lake's water monitoring program helps us to understand short-term fluctuations and long-term trends. This summer Dick Beyer took Pasquaney campers out weekly to assist him as a volunteer monitor, testing the water for the state and educating those campers on lake ecology. Pasquaney and Onaway campers and counsellors have assisted in our efforts to detect the presence of exotic plants, map Newfound's native aquatic plants, and conduct wildlife surveys, including loon counts.

Following last year's very successful endowment campaign and this year's membership drive, the NLRA board has begun mapping the watershed, monitoring tributaries, and conserving land -- all projects designed to identify and preserve land within our watershed that is vital to protecting our views and surface waters. We will be accepting our first easement this fall -- truly a watershed event in NLRA's history.

You are a huge part of the reason that our lake has stayed so beautiful and unspoiled... and will remain so for generations to come.

For more information about the NLRA and its activities, please write to NLRA, 800 Lake Street, Bristol, NH 03222, or email info@newfoundlakeregionassociation.org, or call (603) 744-8689. We encourage you to join us.

Alumni News

Alumni notes are listed under the decade in which the majority of their camper years fall. If camper years are evenly split in two decades, they are listed in the decade in which the alumnus was an older camper.

The 1920s and 1930s

Bill Benjamin celebrated his 80th birthday, survived four hurricanes, and is still Mayor of Manalapan, Florida.

We just heard of the death of **Robert Coons** in January, 2002. Father of four sons and grandfather of nine, he graduated from Taft School and Yale University. He was an investment executive for the investment banking firm Janney Montgomery Scott. In his four seasons at camp, 1935-38, he was active in the theater, went on two Long Walks, won a senior canoe race and tilt and natural history best collection, and served as a COI.

James Ethridge, of Hobe Sound, Florida, died in January, 2004, after a long bout with Parkinson's Disease. At camp in 1934, at age 14, he won junior general excellence in water-sports as well as the 50-yard swim and diving competitions.

Bridg Griswold watched the devastation in Florida from his home in Sun Valley, Idaho. Two hurricanes passed right over his winter home and "somehow our house survived."

Robert Longstreth died in March, 2004, in Coconut Grove, Florida. He attended Haverford School when he was a camper in 1930, 31 and 33. At age 14, he won the Junior Canoe Tilt and acted in *Jane Clay* in the theater.

The 1940s and 1950s

Pete Cudlipp and his wife have been leading student abroad programs for Aquinas College -- to Peru for 5 months in 2000, and to Malaga, Spain, in 2001 and 2002.

Norman Hines is now living in Fiji half the year, on Taveuni Island, "a wonderful place to visit." He spends the other half year in Claremont, California.

Art Mudge was honored this year by the Audubon Society of New Hampshire at their annual meeting, where he was elected as an Honorary Trustee after serving five terms in many capacities since 1984. The Board Chair said "perhaps most valued is his ability to take quick, wise, and



Pasquaney friends enjoyed a hike up Mt. Katahdin in northern Maine this fall: In back, from left, Kurt McCandless, Art Woolverton, Cesar Collantes; in front, Don Ryder and Kirk Phelps.

original assessment of just about any matter before the board. Art speaks his mind, and it is a sharp mind indeed." Art currently serves as an Emeritus Trustee of Pasquaney and has chaired both the Onaway and Circle Program boards.

Tom Richardson has moved from Connecticut to a senior living center in Roswell, Georgia. "After 52 years in Norwalk it is quite a change, but a correct one."

Bill St. John and his wife, Joan, recently got together with **Nick Bolton** and his wife, Barbara, for an annual lunch in Princeton, New Jersey. They also plan to visit with **Bud Bacon** and his wife, Joan, in New Hampshire soon.

Dave and Melinda Ryder kept in touch with camp by computer last summer as they drove to Alaska: "We are in Inuvik, Northwest Territories, as far north as one can drive in the Americas. This involved a 225-mile drive on a gravel road. Car, trailer and bodies made it in great shape. Alaska will seem tame after this."

Jack Spaeth writes of the birth of his first grandchild, Jack Charles Spencer, born last June in Santa Cruz, California.

Last fall, **Jack Wheeler** and his wife, Joan, sold their condo in Milford, CT, and their place in Florida and set up year-round residence in a retirement community in Hamden, CT. "Looks like our hurricane timing was pretty good."

The 1960s

Vin Broderick is coaching crew at the Derryfield School, coaching men's first and second boats, and women's first boat. The *Concord Monitor* recently reported that Derryfield's "men's first four narrowly defeated rowing power St. Catherine's Rowing Club from Ontario, Canada, to win the gold medal at the Head of the Fish Regatta in Sarasota Springs, NY. Over the 2.5 mile course, the Cougar crew bested 40 other crews from the eastern United States and Canada. Two weeks ago, the team won the gold medal at the NH Championships and last weekend placed seventh in the Youth Four at the Head of the Charles Regatta, the third high school behind victor Princeton University."

Chandler Cudlipp has a new job as Orchestra Director (Manager) for the Zurich Opera Orchestra in Switzerland. "This is a tremendous challenge... and it has come at the right time -- a blessing for my wife and daughter, and an affirmation that our move back to Zurich was the right one." The Zurich Opera presents thirty different opera productions, seven ballet productions, and seven symphonic orchestral concerts per season, plus two short tours and two Operas in concert in London next Spring.

Steve Dittmann ran into Gregg Stone and Chan Hardwick at the Henley Regatta last June. **Gus Franklin** retired from the Dana Corp. this fall and plans to visit camp next summer.

Bob Horner wrote from Prospect, KY, remembering his summers in Jackson and Birch in 1961 and 1962. "I remember a camper, Trevor Waters, who wore a Choate sweatshirt. Little did I realize that my own son would graduate from Choate-Rosemary Hall and go on to Georgetown University... The campers I met those years would enter and re-enter my life years later... Laddie Merck, Putt Houk, Keith Robinson, and Jonathan Bredin come to mind."

Join the 110th Anniversary Weekend Celebration, August 19th to 21st, 2005

Mark your calendars now so you can join us on the hillside for a weekend of camp activities, camp friends, and good fun, scheduled to start Friday evening, August 19th, and concluding with midday chapel on Sunday, August 21st. There will be many familiar activities, tennis, hikes, crew, canoeing, skits in the theater, and some new ones for those who find the hill steeper than it used to be. Meals will be served in Mem Hall, bunks available in the dorms, and lots of time to catch up with old friends and soak up the views on our beautiful hillside. Details will follow in the Spring, but put the date on your calendar now and plan to help us celebrate 110 years of Pasquaney.

Jonathan Jackson works as Quality Assurance Representative for Foam Fast Industries. His daughters, Emily and Kay, are at Penn State and Strath Haven High School.

Brother Scott sells investments for American Express. His daughter, Austin, is in the class of 2005 at his alma mater, Washington and Lee.

Tom Snow has been making music, recording albums and writing hits for the past twenty years. He was twice nominated for the Academy Award for Best Song from a Motion Picture: "Let's Hear It for the Boy" from *Footloose* (1984) and "After All" from *Chances Are* (1990). He has also been twice nominated for a Grammy Award. He has scored many films and was recently writing songs for and producing the soundtrack of *Lion King II*. Tom writes that he just moved from Los Angeles to Montecito, California, and semi-retired. "Got hooked on golf -- Oh Dear!"

Lewis Wilkinson wrote in October that he had proposed to Patricia on a cruise in the Florida Keys and a June wedding is planned in Florida with a later reception in Virginia.

The 1970s

Ritt Gayer moved to Freedom, New Hampshire, two years ago but doesn't spend much time there: He is on the road with NASCAR for FOX and NBC, and recently received his third Emmy.

Ralph Ludington is Assistant Vice-President for Credit Suisse First Boston in New York and lives in New Jersey.

Kurt McCandless enjoyed a fall hike up Mt. Katahdin in Maine with **Kirk Phelps**, **Art Woolverton**, **Cesar Collantes**, and **Don Ryder**.

Kirk Phelps is looking forward to hosting another New Year's Hike. If you want to be included in future mailings, please call him at 603-744-6600.

Don Ryder participated in a practice bike race up the Mt. Washington auto road last July, completing what has been called the hardest combination of length and steepness in the world in 1 hour 55 minutes. Speaking of the 7.5 mile climb

at a 12% average grade, Don said "I found the first mile, the middle five miles and the last mile the hardest... The first mile was littered with broken bikes and climbers... My strategy was very simple: to not get off the bike... I was very happy with my time, because just finishing was my goal... I can't honestly say I had fun, but I do have a sense of accomplishment at finishing one of the hardset physical things I have done. And now, of course, I think I can beat my time, and will be ready to do it again next year." Cesar Collantes added, "Remember it's not an official time unless you were wearing a 'P' shirt."

Greig and Peter Simpson were camping in the national park in St. John, US Virgin Islands, enjoying snorkeling, scuba diving, and hiking. Greig said he "missed the usual delivery of a Simpson clan member to camp this year."

The 1980s

Ben Ackerly is coaching track at St. Catherine's School in Richmond, Virginia. He also coaches his wife, Maureen, who trains with his team and has run in the Richmond, New York, and Boston marathons, with a personal best time of 3:05. Their one-year-old daughter, Cooper, often joins them in a jogging stroller.

David Bromley lives in Oakland, California, with his wife, Heather, and children, Jonas and Surya. The high school, Metwest, which he co-founded two years ago is flourishing."

Jack Cavanaugh, and his wife, Cynthia, announce the birth of a daughter, Payton Lee, on September 29th. She joins big brother, John, now nearly two. Jack says John is "working on his throwing and catching skills so that he can be ready for Sub-Junior baseball in a few years."

Townley Chisholm is running Phillips Exeter Academy's fall term in Stratford, England, teaching architecture and the land, and living with his daughters Amanda and Isabelle and the students on a farm near the school. During the rest of his sabbatical, his family is embarking on a round-the-world trip, beginning in Normandy. Townley will miss the 2005 camp season while traveling, but plans to return to the council in 2006.

Cameron Dewey will be married in London on February 5, 2005, to his girlfriend of four years, Elisabeth. He also has a new job at Goldman Sachs in Zurich, Switzerland, and will spend lots of time in Geneva, since he will be responsible for selling pan European equities to institutional investors there.

Will James welcomed "a future camper," Carson McDonnell James, on January 2, 2004. He joins his big sister, Allie, who is three.

Josh Kantrowitz completed his medical degree at Boston University last spring and is in residency at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Hanover, New Hampshire.

Ted Kerkam is engaged to marry Katherine Jane Acheson next August. She is in her second year of law school while Ted is working on his MBA. They will live in Portland, Maine.

Victor Kuo is living in Shanghai, China, where he runs a business with his wife. They were expecting their first child, a son, in September.

Pasquaney connections at NOLS continued last summer as **Jake MacArthur** and **Latane Frank** taught a course in Alaska together. **Tim Stetson** is also a veteran NOLS instructor. He runs into Latane and Jake occasionally, and led an expedition in Patagonia in 2003 attended by current counsellor **Jimmy Hooker**.

From San Francisco, **David Muchnikoff** and his wife, Jennifer, announce the birth of a second son, Manny. His older brother, Noah, is now fifteen months old.

Brent Powell, his wife, Wendy, and daughters, Isabel and Charlotte, have moved from Concord to Hopkinton, New Hampshire. Brent is teaching history and coaching soccer and lacrosse at the Derryfield School in Manchester.

Elliott Randolph and his wife, Sarah, and daughter, Harper, have moved from San Francisco to Minnesota, where he accepted a position with Feltl & Co., a small brokerage firm in Minneapolis.

Coleman Rose is married and living in Mexico City, where he is Assistant Professor of Sociology and Assistant Dean at Westhill University, a bilingual university. He and his wife, Mariana, are expecting their first child in May.

Dan, Steve, and Neil Russakoff climbed Mt. Shasta last August, beginning the California hike less than 24 hours after Neil completed another week as camp doctor. Dan completed his dissertation in Computer Sciences at Stanford in September on the interface between medical technologies, especially MRI's and CAT scans. He has presented his findings at international conferences in Europe.

Attending the wedding of **Alec Southall** and Kimberly Kos last July, roving *White Birch* reporter **Jay West** wrote "it was a great weekend with solid Pasquaney and Onaway representation, including all the **Southalls, Brandon Neblett, Nate Carmody, Peter O'Reilly, Seton and Gerry O'Reilly, Jon Callard, Marc Bonnet-Eymard, Eric and Cathy Bonnet-Eymard, and Andrew Possick**. It is safe to say that Pasquaney has never been discussed so much in Toledo, Ohio."

J. R. Tomkinson was married last August in Charlevoix, Michigan. J.R. and his wife, Jeanne, drove around Lake Michigan for their honeymoon and will be living in Chicago.

Steve Weinsier wrote last May, "Lauren and I have moved to Providence, Rhode Island. She has begun working at Roger Williams University and I'll be starting my cardiology fellowship on July 1st."

Butch West tells us that his sons are busy in their careers: **John West** is working in information technology in the Maryland Governor's office, **Allen West** is a Ph.D candidate in chemical engineering and electronics, and **Jay West** is an attorney and a partner with his father in Baltimore.

The 1990s

Jesse Allen wrote from Cappadocia, Turkey, while on the way to meet up with his brother, **Jon Allen**, in Sweden. Jesse had met lots of Australians in Turkey, and said they were confused by camp's "Australia" song, "which has not deterred me from singing it at the drop of a hat."

Alden Cadwell is Sports Health Coordinator at the East Boston Community Health Center, addressing the issue of youth obesity with nutrition and physical activity programming.

Chris Cadwell studied Spanish last summer at Middlebury, then put it to use with an internship at a local paper, "El Publico," in Guadalajara, Mexico.

Rob Caruso, after serving on the council last summer, is in his Junior year at Plymouth State University, and is observing art classes at Guilford High School, where he was a student three years ago.

Kevin Cattrell had lunch with **Mark Dembitz** in Budapest last February, and was hoping to return to the US for a Ph.D. program in English this fall. Mark has since moved to Zurich, and is working as an analyst for Goldman Sachs.

Pete Conolly is working as a consultant for Price Waterhouse Coopers in Manhattan and hopes to get to camp for a visit next summer. **Brad Cragin** is working for Goldman Sachs in equity research.

Tim Dittmann raced in the Head of the Charles Regatta in the Princeton first boat in Championship Eights. They beat all college competition, including perennial powers Harvard, Berkeley, and the US National team, losing only to Cambridge University Boat Club and the Dutch National team. **Geoff Hoffman** also raced there, in a Championship Single, and won the bronze medal. Geoff works at Cantor Fitzgerald in Manhattan and rows at the NY Athletic Club in Pelham, NY.

Nick Downing was stroke of Harvard's freshman light-weight eight last spring that won the Eastern Sprints. He also won a national championship in a freshman four.

Jaime Hickey-Mendoza entered University of Wisconsin Law School this fall after working in New York City helping to elect a city councilor and a summer on the camp council.

Ben Schramm rowed in the two seat of Kent's eight at the New England Interscholastic Rowing Association Regatta and was in a heated battle for second place. **Mike Murray's** Nobles second boat won the silver medal there.

Sam Madeira is enjoying an independent study with a naturopathic doctor on herbal medicine. It will take him to Asheville, NC, to the "Medicines from the Earth" 12th Annual Colloquium on Botanical Medicine.

Hunter Noell works in outside sales for Xerox in New York City and misses the peace and quiet of Newfound Lake.

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Alex and Will Nutt are both on the Vail ski patrol. Will graduated from Colorado College last May and worked for Greater Boston Legal Services over the summer. Alex was a NOLS instructor last summer.

Alex O’Rielly is a sophomore at Rochester Institute of Technology. His brother, **Chris O’Rielly**, is at Fairfield Prep and a member of their FOCUS group.

Christopher Riely graduated from Yale School of Forestry last May and worked over the summer studying wind damage prevention on timber in Northwestern Pennsylvania. His brother, **Andrew Riely**, returned from a semester in New Zealand, where he hiked in the fjords and Alps and even skydived.

Andy Stearns graduated from Tufts University and is working as a legal assistant for Sullivan & Cromwell in New York, living in Stuyvesant Town and loving his work.

Tyson Weaver is completing a major in Environmental Studies at Hamilton College. His brother, **Sam Weaver**, worked in a Lobstermen’s Co-op in Boothbay Harbor over the summer and returned to Holderness School this fall.

Peyton Williams writes that **Murray Fisher** turned 30 on July 4th. Also attending his party were **Ed Swenson, Jamie Stover, Forest Perrin, Wade Blackwood, and Dwight Keyser.**

Dan Wood is in his Junior year at Southern Methodist University.

Last Spring, *The Philadelphia Inquirer* did a feature story on **Matt Young**, who excelled at Episcopal Academy in both crew and debating. His crew coach said, “Episcopal’s whole thing is ‘Mind, Body and Spirit,’ and he’s the perfect fit.” Matt said, “In both you have to stay focused and can’t miss a beat.” This fall, Matt was rowing for the Harvard freshmen lightweights and was another alum rowing in the Head of the Charles Regatta.

The 2000s

Will Elting backpacked for a month with NOLS last summer in the Absaroka mountain range in Wyoming. “Many of the skills I learned at camp came in very handy.” He ran into **Hank Hunker**, who was working at the NOLS Rocky Mountain headquarters.

Mike Hanrahan and **Aimee Wadson** were engaged this fall and plan to be married next September. Aimee took over for Melinda Ryder in the camp store this past summer while Mike ran the shop program in Dave Ryder’s absence, as well as serving as COI advisor, council representative to the board, and numerous other responsibilities.

Phil Hooper rowed stroke in the Middlesex second boat at the New England Interscholastic Rowing Assn. Regatta. He spent his summer on a NOLS expedition in Alaska.

David Jussel is a freshman at the Harvey School in Katonah, New York.

Will Kryder graduated from Noble and Greenough School last June, spent the summer on the Pasquaney council, and is now attending Boston College.

Josh Olsen and his friend, Grace, purchased a house in West Hollywood, CA, and recently won \$10,000 on a game show called Cram, which involved running in a gerbil wheel!

Jamie Pew worked at Chili’s restaurant last summer and trained for soccer and swimming. He has been rowing light-weight crew. “I guess all the watching from the coxswain seat finally paid off.”

Reflections on the Summer

Two Campers Traveled Far to Attend

Mirlan Ryskulov-Kay has lived in Dundee, Scotland, for the past two years, but he was born in Kyrgyzstan, his father’s country, and lived for four years in Kazakhstan, his mother’s country, before moving to Scotland. At age 13, he was introduced to Pasquaney (in 2004) by alumnus Rick Kellett, who had previously introduced two of Mirlan’s cousins, Sandi Nouritinov and Alisher Persheyev, to camp.

During the final days of the season, Mirlan reflected on this new experience so far from home. His favorite activity was sailing with John Keyser. “It was awesome -- it’s like an ocean out there.” He also tried canoeing, enjoyed hiking on the 4th walk, and made a box in the shop. When asked what surprised him about Pasquaney, he enthusiastically responded, “the older campers treat you like you’re their age.” Mirlan added that he definitely wants to return in 2005.

After two summers away from camp, Vanya Vaganov, age 16, returned from Moscow in 2004 for a second summer. “Summer would have been very different at home. I didn’t have many opportunities.” His first year he tried many activities. This summer he spent a lot of time sailing. He had done some sailing in Russia, “in big boats with 5 or 6 people.” He played some tennis: “I’m not great, but you can find someone to play with who plays like you.” Vanya said “the Long Walk was fun and a new experience. It is not as popular to hike in Russia.” He enjoyed the ceremonies and traditions of the Long Walk especially. “Alisher [Persheyev] helped me my first year with the language, because he knew Russian. These two years I have enjoyed absolutely. Maybe I will work in America or Europe someday.”



Rick Kellett (left) met his wife, Aziza Nuritova, while serving in the Peace Corps in Uzbekistan. Rick, his wife, and son, Dalir, join Mirlan Ryskulov-Kay (right) at WaterSports after his first summer.



Owen Fink, our new young alumnus trustee, enjoyed sailing from his first summer at camp, at age 12. Photo from 1990 Annual.

Nelia Newell and Owen Fink Elected to Board of Trustees

At the October 30th meeting of the Board of Trustees, two new trustees were elected to serve three year terms: Nelia Newell was elected as parent representative to the board. Nelia is the wife of John Newell, a five-year camper in the 1970s, and mother of current campers, Will, who will return for a 5th summer in 2005, and Alex, who was a new camper in 2004. Nelia grew up in the Washington, D.C. area, graduated from Harvard College, and rowed crew for Radcliffe. She is living with her family in Weston, MA, having left a career in banking to devote full-time to her kids and their interests, including coaching soccer, various school activities, and boys scouts. Will is an eagle scout and Alex is close, while Nelia serves as Assistant Scoutmaster. She replaces Cornelia Suskind, who has completed a three-year stint as parent representative.

Owen Fink was elected to serve the young alumnus seat on the board, replacing Ed Swenson, who had completed his three-year term. Owen spent 10 summers at camp between 1990 and 2004, five as a camper and five as a counsellor. He grew up in Chevy Chase, Maryland, and graduated from Brown University. He is currently attending the University of Georgia Veterinary School. Owen's great love as camper and counsellor has been sailing. He was a COI for two summers, acted in theater plays, and was scheduler on the council.

Philadelphia Alumni Party Planned on April 27, 2005

Alumni, parents, and friends in the Philadelphia area will be invited to a cocktail party hosted by Bob and Sue Denious in Villanova on Wednesday, April 27, 2005. Mark your 2005 calendars now and plan to attend. Invitations will be sent in late March to everyone in the Philadelphia area. If your mailing address (below) is not in the Philadelphia area and you would like to attend, please contact the Pasquaney winter office (email: office@pasquaney.org) to be added to the invitation list. Everyone is welcome!

— 2005 Camp Schedule —

Saturday, June 25 — Camp Opens

July 4 - July 8 — Camping Expeditions

July 25 - 30 — Long Walk

August 6 - 7 — Trustees' Weekend

August 13 - 14 — Water Sports Weekend

Sunday, August 14 — Camp Closes



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