

The Orange and Blue

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Two Camps...
Now One Site!



The Susquehannock Camps

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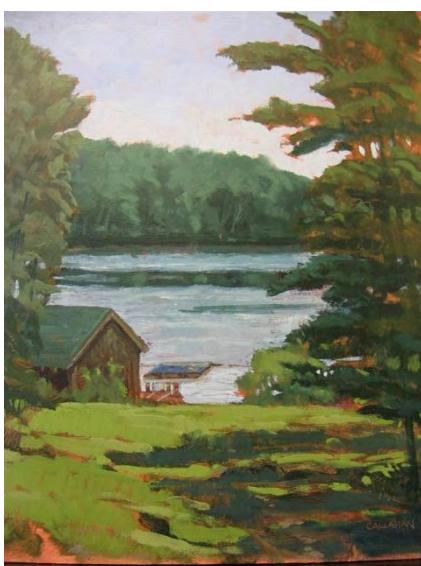


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Interested in owning this one of a kind painting of Tripp Lake by a noted artist? See page 7!

Dear Susquehannock:

Happy 2007! I am very excited about this coming summer! Last summer's remarkable success (see the Site Director reports on Pages 8-11) demonstrated that today's campers have the same indomitable pioneering spirit that existed 102 years ago when Camp Susquehannock opened and when, in 1986, Susquehannock for Girls opened at Lake Choconut. In 2006, the Susquehannock Camps embarked on a new journey: running two, independent programs at the same campus while maintaining each program's traditions – the traditions that create memories, laughter, smiles, and fun.

By all accounts, the energy and enthusiasm that permeated the campus last summer was the highest in recent memory. With due respect to the summers of the 70's and 80s when **MR. ED '34** and **MR. GEORGE '36** declared we were the most intelligent, athletic, and attractive ever to grace the campus, the campers and staff of 2006 rocked!

We are also very excited to have **TOM GLUCK '72** and **ANNA MORGAN CASSIDY '88** join the Board. Tom is a S4B alumnus having been camper and counselor during the 1970s (with his brothers Paul and Robert) and is also a Susquehannock parent as his son **ELLIOT GLUCK '04** is returning for his 4th season. Anna Morgan Cassidy is an alumnus of S4G having attended in 1988 and 1989 as camper. We are honored to have Tom and Anna join the Board and look forward to benefiting from the wisdom and perspective they bring. Please see their profiles in this issue (page 20).

Next to seeing that smile on a camper's face when he or she has reached beyond their comfort zone and succeeded, the part I enjoy most as a Board member of Camp Susquehannock is re-connecting with the friends I made during my summers at Susquehannock. This year, I have reconnected with a number of Susquehannock alumni from across the world including **JAMES MILLER '77** (Australia), **TIM PERCEVECZ '72** (Texas), **DANI AMBLER JAWORSKI '86** (Virginia), **MIKE NEWBOLD '77** (New Hampshire), **JORGE MARTIN '80** (Mexico), **SAM KOSOFF '80** (New Jersey), **PETER WOLF '78** (Pennsylvania), **JOHN ATHERTON '79** (California), etc. During our conversations, we exchange memories, laughter, and the shared belief that, no matter how long our tenure, Camp Susquehannock impacted who we are today.

As the next generation of campers experiences the grass fields of Camp Susquehannock, the pristine waters of Tripp Lake, and the camaraderie of cabin-mates, I am encouraged by the fact that they too are developing long-lasting memories and learning life-long values that they will be with them forever, no matter where they reside.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to thank you for your continued support of and trust in Susquehannock. I look forward to seeing you this summer!

Happy Camping!

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Why Orange and Blue?

Because the three founders of Camp Susquehannock attended either Princeton (orange) or Yale (blue) and chose their school colors for camp!

The Orange and Blue

is a publication for all campers, staff, alumni, Parents, and friends of Camp Susquehannock For Boys and Camp Susquehannock For Girls, as well as for alumni of Camp Choconut and Camp Choquita.

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A Riding Program, Reinvented – by Heather Pufky '05

An open field of summer hay sways to and fro while the warm July winds dance through the long tails of six beautiful horses as they stand at ease in the center of the ring. The mounted riders listen intently to the words of a Junior Olympian as he lets them in on the secrets to effective riding; rhythm, balance, flow, connection between horse and rider... The words echo across the gorgeous Pennsylvania landscape while the audience members take in each word, seeking meaning through his or her own experiences with riding and the amazing creatures we call horses.

This was the scene this summer when a talented young rider, trainer, barn-owner and competitor, Joseph D. Backer, journeyed to Camp Susquehannock to offer a clinic to both Boys and Girls Camp riders during the first session. This was just one of a myriad of successes of the Riding Program this summer.



A new ring.

A new barn.

A new string of horses.

A new joint program.

A vision for the future.

With a stunning new 100' x 230' ring and pristine new barn complete with a tack and feed room and 8 new stalls, in addition to the previously existing barn and ring, we were off to a fantastic start to the 2006 camp season. These capital improvements, coupled with a new class of horses leased from Brentwood Stables of Angelica, NY, and the joining of the camps at the Tripp Lake site, all served to significantly boost the quality of the Camp Susquehannock Riding Program.



Boys and girls were afforded lessons that met their individual needs, be they first-time riders or seasoned competitors, on quality horses with quality instruction, in a beautiful new facility. Small group and semi-private lessons taught students not only "how to ride", but about good horsemanship through the skills of horse care, grooming, tacking, and empathy for the noble species of the horse. Horse shows at the close of each session provided riders the opportunity to demonstrate their newly gained, improved, and polished skills on horseback.

As newly named Camp Season Riding Program Director and Riding Instructor, I am enchanted with dreams of the warm winds yet again sweeping across those open fields as horse and rider float seamlessly in the summer sun.

Introducing Some Familiar Faces In Their New Roles:

Tarryn Rozen '98 as Camp Administrator

At the end of the 2006 summer season, I was asked by the Board of Directors if I was interested in filling the role of Camp Administrator. Camp had undergone some restructuring and this was a position that I was excited to take on.

As Camp Administrator for the past few months, I have been the “front office” staff, responsible for helping to keep camp running in the off-season. I work closely with our Board of Directors, camp recruiter, Site Directors, camp secretary, and accountant. I’m the lucky one that gets to work for camp all year round.

So how does a mother of two, originally from South Africa, find herself as camp administrator of Camp Susquehannock Inc.? It’s essentially a love story, a love of camp and one of its alumni. I was an international staff member, recruited by George and Dede Shafer to work at S4G in 1998. My husband, Eric Rozen '79, was once a camper at S4B and then a staff member. Many of us hate to leave the place, so we find ways to keep coming back. Eric and I met working at camp in 1998 and two years later we were married. My job in the corporate world took us away from camp for 2000 and 2001, but we returned as a married couple to work at S4G in 2002, and from 2003 to 2005 I was Site Director of S4G. During that time we shared the birth of our daughter Dara with the camp family. With the birth of my son in 2006 we were unable to return to camp. However, our camp family is never far away and when the role of camp administrator was presented to me, I knew I had found my place once again.

It takes 10 months to prepare for a camp summer, and Susquehannock relies on help from our alumni and friends, current camp families and the people in the community of Brackney, PA. We are all currently working hard at increasing camper enrollment and staff hiring is under way. We need everyone’s help in generating new camper leads and we are always grateful for the financial support our alumni provide. Our board members donate their time out of a love for camp and we are always looking for friends to step up and lend a hand. Our alumni database is vast, but so many of you are not aware that we could really use your help. It’s the small things that count, spreading the word about camp to new campers and donors, taking a few minutes to update your contact information on the alumni data form, at <http://susquehannock.com/alumniform.htm> or just contacting us to see how you can share in the joy of camp once again. I have been fortunate to reconnect with some alumni this year and I would love to share more of your news in future Orange and Blue publications. The best part of my work day is hearing from one of you, or chatting to a prospective parent about how great The Susquehannock Camps are.

Before we know it, summer will be here. See if you can take a trip to visit camp in Brackney, bring your family, your friends, or anyone that would like to see the beauty of camp, swim in Tripp Lake or get to share the place you called home for a summer, or two or twenty.

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(left to right) Tarryn, Seth, Eric and Dara Rozen on top of a glacier in New Zealand.

Josh Oryhon '01 as Lead Recruiter

Filling the bunks at Camp Susquehannock rests on the shoulders of a man who never spent a night in a cabin as a camper. He has never swum the Lake, never crumbed a table or even had a luxury of being a member of the Work Crew. And what's worse – he attended *specialty camps* growing up (!).

Now before the weeping and gnashing of teeth begin, let me tell you how I ended up at Susquehannock, a twenty year old first-year counselor who had never bathed in anything besides a shower or kitchen sink up until that point.



I spent the latter part of my childhood and adolescence in the bustling metropolis that is Binghamton, NY. After spending the previous summer studying Ukrainian Language and History at Harvard, I found myself at home on 2001 summer break from the University at Albany. While poking around town for summer employment, my mother (a Binghamton City School District special education teacher) told me about a summer camp that needed counselors with a background in athletics. I had never heard of "Camp Susquehannock" and was mildly surprised to find out that it was a mere twenty minute car ride from Binghamton.

I figured I would give this camp thing a shot. After speaking on the phone with Win Shafer, he invited me to come down for an interview. I got out of the car extremely overwhelmed and immediately met a young lad named Blake Shafer, who at 11 years old already forgotten more about Susquehannock than I would ever know. He introduced me to Win and then Rob and Tim Kent. After deeming me somewhat worthy, Win offered me a job with a nasty caveat ...I needed to start at 9am the next day. I had gotten lost twice on the way down, had no idea how to get home or survive a bear attack and I needed to start tomorrow?!

Sounds like my kind of job.

While that seems like ancient history to me now, I wouldn't be in this position now without the warm welcome I received from the Susquehannock Family. I was immediately embraced by Win, Cannie and the entire staff, who helped me along while I tried to learn as much as I could. These people have become my friends and compatriots as we carry on the traditions of Susquehannock.

I never had the chance to attend Camp as a youngster, so I feel it is almost my calling to spread the word to as many people as I can. We all have been let in on a magical secret, one that has and will continue to influence countless lives for the better. We are all the custodians of Susquehannock's legacy and it is our duty to pass it on.

I'm extremely honored to have been selected by the Board of Directors to this position. The amount of work and time that the Site Directors, site staff and the Board have all devoted to this endeavor have been extremely helpful and inspiring. I consider myself lucky to work closely with both Tarryn Rozen and Buff Weigand, two quality people who have no peer.

It is within this climate of hope that we will continue to grow the Boys and Girls camps. Society is pushing our children to grow up faster than ever, and Susquehannock is a necessary tool in preparing the youth to become responsible and mature adults. If we introduce just one child to Camp, we have done something incredible.

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Surf Susquehannock's New Website

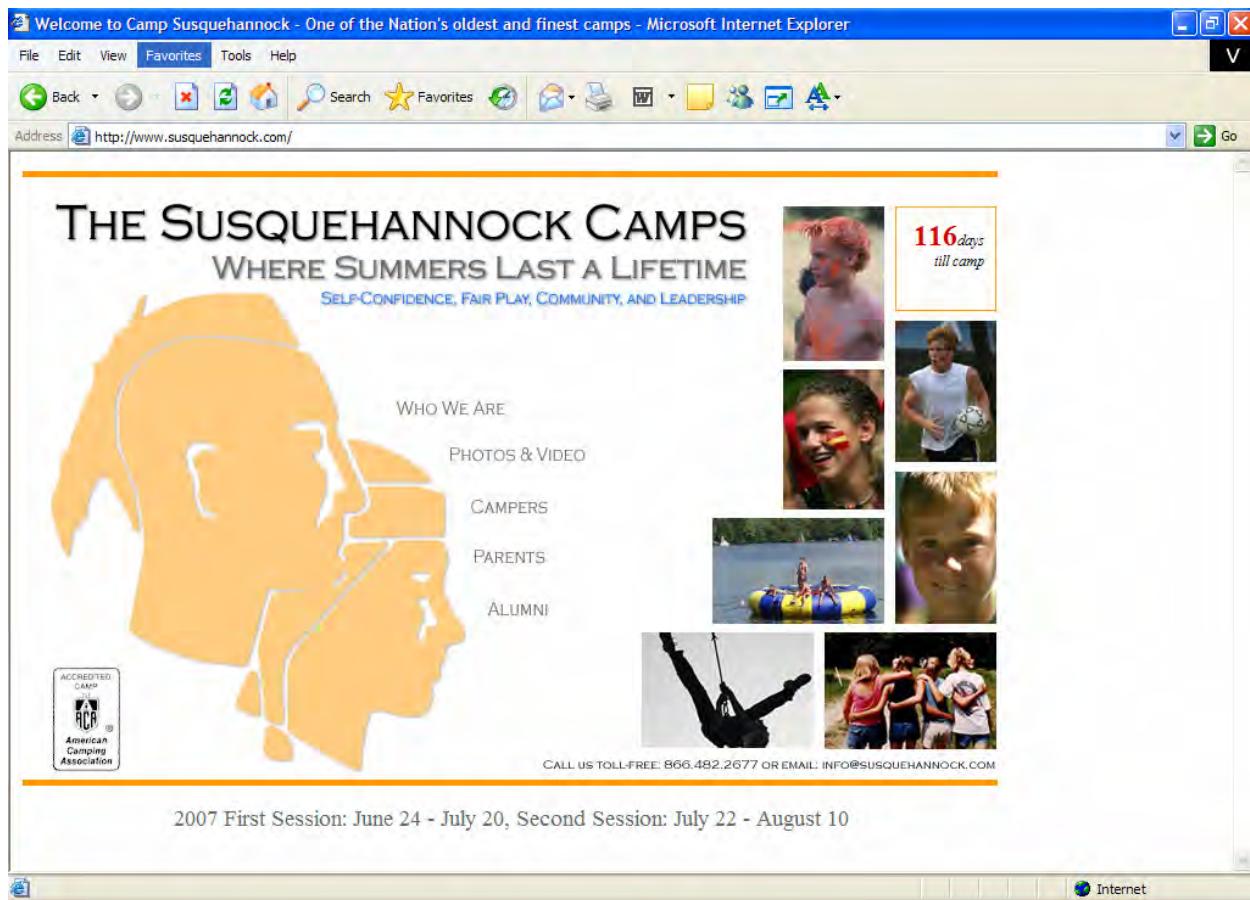
By Rob Kent '73

RK here, with my Webmaster hat on. I hope many of you have had the chance to check out camp's new and improved website. In part an effort to update the look of the site, first built in 2002 (Susquehannock has been on the web since at least 1997, but the first full-featured website was built five years ago), and in part an attempt to make it easier for people to find what they were looking for, the new (white background) site premiered shortly before Thanksgiving. As this spring progresses, I'll be posting photos that campers send (rk@susquehannock.com) up to the gallery page, and posting info on camp fairs, open houses, and a "who's signed up for camp" list on the news and events pages.

In the last year, more than 15,000 people have visited Susquehannock.com - an average of 263 every day. Most visitors head over to the photo gallery, but also check out the staff page, the news page, download online copies of the brochure and camp video, and find out about our schedule, location, and contact details. We also have hundreds of visitors who check out the alumni center, look at the "lost alumni" listing, and more than a thousand who have looked at the old cabin photos we have up on site (with more coming this spring). If anyone has suggestions for what they'd like to see on the website, please let me know.



RK in one of his many other roles:
Aikido Instructor

A screenshot of the Susquehannock website as it appears in Microsoft Internet Explorer. The title bar reads "Welcome to Camp Susquehannock - One of the Nation's oldest and finest camps - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The main content area features a large orange silhouette of a person's head and shoulders. To the right of the silhouette, the text "THE SUSQUEHANNOCK CAMPS" and "WHERE SUMMERS LAST A LIFETIME" is displayed, along with the tagline "SELF-CONFIDENCE, FAIR PLAY, COMMUNITY, AND LEADERSHIP". Below this, there are links for "WHO WE ARE", "PHOTOS & VIDEO", "CAMPERS", "PARENTS", and "ALUMNI". A box on the right indicates "116 days till camp". The page also features several small images of campers and staff, and a "CALL US TOLL-FREE: 866.482.2677 OR EMAIL: INFO@SUSQUEHANNOCK.COM" button. The bottom of the page provides session information: "2007 First Session: June 24 - July 20, Second Session: July 22 - August 10". The status bar at the bottom of the browser window shows "Internet".

Full Camp History Now Available!!

Camp Susquehannock: A One-Hundred Year History, 1905 – 2005, and the Story of its Founder, George Carlton Shafer, authored by **DEDE SHAFER '54**, has been published and is now available. Biographies and photographs of many fine staff and camper families from over the years are represented in this handsome hardcover book along with stories of life at camp over the decades. The book contains 240 pages and 197 photographs.

This book is dedicated to the parents, whose wisdom and trust led them to provide an invaluable educational camping experience for their children, to the staff and counselors who helped provide this experience, and to the thousands of campers who experienced Camp Susquehannock over a century.



Did you know the first campers lived in tents?

The book has been accepted by The Historical Society of Pennsylvania for their collections as well as The Historical Society of Susquehanna County, PA. Susquehannock alumnus and Philadelphia Inquirer columnist **ART CAREY '63** wrote, “The book is sensational. What a fine and thorough job you did and...what a cast of noble souls and distinguished characters. You have penned a fascinating saga, created an enduring and amazing legacy!”

The sale of this book will benefit Camp Susquehannock, Inc. To order, send check for \$30.00 plus \$2.50 for postage made out to “CSI” and mail to Dede Shafer, 860 Briarwood Road, Newtown Square, PA 19073.

Auction of Unique Camp Paintings

Colin Callahan is a noted New England artist who teaches painting and art history at St. Paul’s School in Concord, NH. His daughter **SARAH CALLAHAN '06** was an S4G counselor last summer. On a recent visit to camp, Colin created several one-of-a-kind oil paintings instantly recognizable to camp faithful as scenes of the Susquehannock landscape. He very kindly donated the paintings to camp to be auctioned off as a fundraiser.

Go to www.susquehannock.com/auction.htm to view the 3 paintings and place your bid to own one of these unique works! Many thanks to Colin for his generosity and for capturing our beautiful landscape!



ANNUAL “STATE OF THE UNION” ADDRESS: Summer 2006

By Cannie '82 and Win '65 Shafer, S4B Co-Site Directors



For years we have jokingly referred to our annual report as “the state of the union” address but this year it is really the appropriate title for it!!! We certainly did celebrate a union this past year! In the Spring of 2006, the Board of Directors made an important decision to combine the two camps on one site by putting S4G over on the Tripp Lake site. It was really hard for those of us who had worked at or attended S4G to leave the Lake Choconut site but it was also a fun challenge to reinstate and reinvent traditions in Brackney and to keep the two camps separate but coordinated. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to John and



Heather Pufky for their can-do spirit and positive attitude and to their counselor and senior staff group. It was really meaningful to us to have the Pufkys be a part of the Camp Family for this important summer in Susquehannock’s history as they welcomed their first child, daughter Jaidyn in May! It reminded us many times of our first child, daughter Francie Shafer’s first summers at Camp!

We were able to celebrate the 20th birthday of Susquehannock for Girls while Susquehannock for Boys started its second century with camp season #101! Through careful, creative and thoughtful scheduling the programs shared the lake front at different times and then we had separate areas of the dining hall for meals. We were also able to use different parts of the campus facilities including the great new riding center without getting into each other’s way. Then there were times when we wanted to be together and it was a lot easier than the infamous yellow camp bus or van trips we used to make!



What are those camp colors again? Orange and...?

Our funny joint- but separated -Year Book tells it all with great stories and pictures about the summer including those about the floods that hit the Northeast and particularly around Binghamton, NY in June. The pictures of the water level in Tripp Lake are pretty amazing. The “101 Awesome Things About Camp” helps to remind us of not only the funny 2006 incidents but also of the real traditions and people and activities that make Susquehannock so special!

We had special coed trips in both halves for everyone and then the traditional favorite canoe trips for Seniors. We experienced the largest Loyal Guard Chicken Feed ever

during first half along with a very veteran, supportive and fun staff. Every cabin counselor and junior counselor was a former camper or had been with us three years! It was a great group to work with and they contributed tremendously to the successful “union” at Tripp Lake. We also could not function without our dedicated Senior Staff from Dr. Peter Cubberley, who earned his 25 year plaque in the Main

Lodge, to Tim and Maude Kent, Rob Kent, Jon Savitch and Dan Logue! We were also lucky with some of our Loyal Guard away like Carol Nasser that we had a great nursing staff from S4G in Donna Lees and Barbara Cook as well as a new nurse friend of Jon Savitch, named Carlin Feinberg. Carroll Bedford from S4G helped to lead the riding program with Heather Pufky along with S4B staff Becky Shultz and Alicia Rieselman. Our camp secretary Judy Ochse was away this summer caring for her sick father and she and our Business “manager” Jacquie Meehan brought their friend Terri Evans as the camp secretary. We loved Terri’s announcements over the loud speaker! Ed Ochse headed up the plant and maintenance all summer and we are always appreciative of that work!



We enjoyed Sundaes on Sunday, lots of wings, our goofy CIT's, Gigantusball, sandcastle building, Dr. Cub's bear warning, Elimination Newcomb and MC Fireball, Smitty's meatloaf, WOW's, Buff & Ward, Olympics, juggling and other “free choices”, counselor sports, gaga, lifting, and O & B games! We also had a blast with our coed Field Days on July 4th and then the Olympic World Games as well as The Coed Powder Bomb Capture The Flag Experience in the 2nd half with the 1986 Day and Coed Camp Open Double Tennis!

We are challenging each one of you reading this to follow Buff's idea from a few years ago to help build our Loyal Guard and also Camp in general. His charge to “Bring One Back” will help assure that the wonderful mission we all appreciate and that “King” Shafer intended for young people will be carried on into a second century. Talk to anyone you can about coming to share in the magic of Camp. Best wishes and we look forward to seeing you this coming summer!



Faces from July 4th Field Days

Susquehannock for Girls Site Director's Report 2006

By John Pufky '96, S4G Site Director



The 2006 camp season was one that was filled with many exciting changes and undertakings. First and foremost, we were warmly welcomed at our new site on the shores of Tripp Lake. How thrilling it was to have both parts of our camp family united on one site! With such a big change, we had anticipated many obstacles and were pleasantly surprised with how seamlessly the summer ran. The spirit of S4G could be felt everywhere, especially considering it was our 20th anniversary! What a pleasure it was to be part of this change which will go down in camp history.

Another new change presented a great opportunity to me. The Rozen family's commitments prevented them from returning to camp in their previous roles, and presented me with a chance to continue the great work they did running S4G. These were big shoes to fill. I'm happy to say Tarryn is back on staff serving as our Camp Administrator.

Despite the obstacles of Mother Nature, our 2006 staff rose to meet every challenge and gave our campers a summer of memories that will last a lifetime. Our staff this past summer included 10 veteran staff and 5 new members to Susquehannock. Nicole Marneweck took over the reins of program director. She did a splendid job as she carried out the planning of the daily program, organizing trips, and the sometimes daunting task of coordinating events on a shared site.



As always, we had a solid core of returning campers to S4G, and in true Susquehannock spirit, many of these campers "Brought One Back" adding new faces to our camp family. Many of these new campers were friends and family members of our veteran campers. It's nice to see the tradition of Susquehannock continue to spread from generation to generation. These campers were lucky in that they were the new pioneers of the historic first season on our new campus. They were privy to events such as the opening of our shower pavilion (now officially known as "The Flower Room"), the use of our new equestrian facility, and the burying of our time capsule commemorating 20 years since S4G first opened.



Clay basketball courts no more! The girls have enjoyed the facilities at the Tripp Lake site.



A little encouragement goes a long way in the 4th of July sack race.



Jaidyn Pufky was born in May 2006 and spent her first summer at camp. Lucky girl!

“1986 Day” was celebrated during the second session, honoring the original pioneers of Camp Susquehannock for Girls. The spirit of '86 was shared between both camps as all dressed in 1986 regalia. Our lodge was transformed into a museum displaying artifacts from that historic first summer. We were honored to have two S4G pioneers, **DEDE '54** and **CANNIE '82 SHAFER**, speak to our campers and staff sharing memories from when camp first opened. The event was capped off with an ice cream party and the burying of our time capsule.

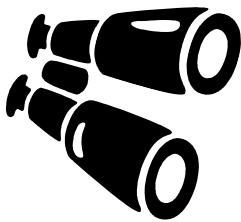
As Susquehannock for Girls continues into the next century, we must remember that our cherished traditions will be maintained no matter the change in site. History is a mainstay of our camp philosophy and I, as director, will continue to preserve these traditions in the years to come. My family and I look forward to seeing you all in 2007.



Burying the time capsule to be opened at the next S4G anniversary



The S4G Pioneer Year Logo, circa 1986



Focus on: **RECRUITING**

By Josh Oryhon

2007 Camp Fairs aka “The Susquehannock 2007 Winter Tour”

Have we visited your town?

1. Summer Fare '07 - Greenwich, CT - Wednesday 1/24
2. Summer Activities Fair - Lancaster Country Day - Saturday 1/27
3. Pittsburgh Summer Expo - Shady Side Academy - Saturday 1/27
4. Greater West Chester Camp Fair - Westtown - Sunday 1/28
5. Westchester, NY camp fair - Sunday 1/28
6. Summer Solutions - McDonogh School, Baltimore - Sunday 1/28
7. Main Line Camp Fair - Conestoga High School - Wednesday 1/31
8. Tower Hill Camp Fair - Wilmington, DE - Thursday 2/1
9. Chestnut Hill Academy Camp Fair - Saturday 2/3
10. The Shipley School - Sunday 2/4
11. Brooklyn Event - Sunday 2/4

We have been traveling far and wide recruiting new campers for Susquehannock on the camp fair circuit. We are extremely fortunate to have had an incredible amount of current staff, campers and friends volunteer to help out at these events. A display never fully represents everything that a camp encompasses, but Susquehannock was portrayed in vibrant colors by these volunteers. They are invaluable to our cause and the results were striking. Parents want their children to grow up to become the young adults they meet at these events.

Our recruiting efforts have been further bolstered by receptions hosted by the Kent family in Ardmore, PA, the Ruby family in Brooklyn, NY, the McCann family in Bryn Mawr, PA, and the Bianchi family in Haverford, PA. These events are integral in our success to get new campers, and I want to thank the Rubys, Kents, McCanns, and Bianchis for their generosity.

A special thanks to all that came out to help, especially Win, Cannie and Buff! Stay tuned to www.susquehannock.com for photos and stories from these events.

If you are interested in hosting or helping out with an open house, please send an email to josh@susquehannock.com.

Many Thanks to the Friends of Susquehannock Who Have Helped Recruit So Far This Year!!!

Liz Askew	Raj Marwaha	Cannie Shafer
Holly Bailey	Russell Mays	Blake Shafer
Paul Bendernagel	Helen McCann	The Simonds family
Katie Credit	Sarah Murdoch	Geordie Stewart
Stevie Dandridge	JT Norton	Rob Van Dine
Derek Edmonds	Leah Pellan	Buff Weigand
Tim Kent	Whit Powell	Nate Wineland
Maude Kent	Jon Savitch	Rachel Zuckerman
Ben Lieb	Win Shafer	

Ardmore, PA & Brooklyn, NY: “Open House” Recruiting Events

By Maude Kent ‘88

The Camp family has hosted two recruiting parties this off-season. In September, **MAUDE ‘88 AND TIM KENT ‘73** hosted a barbecue at their home in Ardmore Pa. Current campers were encouraged to bring friends who might be interested in attending Susquehannock. Fifty people were in attendance, including many siblings of current campers as well as prospective families. A great time was had by all. Photos of the event are on the camp website.

In February, Louisa and Michael Ruby hosted a recruiting party at their home in Brooklyn, N.Y. The Ruby girls, one returning camper, and her two siblings who will be first time campers this summer, had worked hard to invite friends who might be interested in camp. **HELEN MCCANN ‘00, RACHEL ZUCKERMAN ‘01, and LEAH PELLAN ‘01** represented the girls’ camp. Their enthusiasm and obvious love for Susquehannock came through strongly. The prospective parents were impressed with the program the counselors described and came away from the party with many DVDs and a great feeling for Susquehannock.

Recruiting parties such as these are a wonderful way to introduce your family and friends to Camp Susquehannock. Camp would like to hold more private parties. If you are interested in hosting one in your home please contact **JOSH ORYHON ‘01**, our recruiting guru.



Current and future generations of Susquehannock campers and staff gather in Brooklyn, NY at the Ruby’s home.

I BELIEVE IN SUMMER CAMP

A SUBMISSION TO NPR's "THIS I BELIEVE"



I believe in Summer Camp. In the simple joys of sunshine and sports and a spring-fed mountain lake. I believe in kids learning to live together, to play together, and to face challenges together.

I believe that kids learn who they are, and who they want to be, while immersed in intense activities of their choosing – where joy and challenge combine in equal measure to forge, one experience at a time, the responsible and caring adult each child will become. I believe that school may be good at filling heads, but that camp is better at filling hearts.



I believe that a few weeks away from home and from parents is a great opportunity to explore who you want to be when it comes time to be on your own; indeed that only by establishing a context away from your familiar home is it possible to see past everyone's expectations and examine who you really are.

I believe that kids are tribal – that they will be irrevocably influenced by their peer groups, and that the only way for this to be a good thing is for the peer groups to have leaders who are both cool enough to inspire and experienced enough to be safe. I believe that kids want and need healthy leadership from someone they can imagine becoming – someone younger than their parents and older than their peers.

I believe that kids need someone in their lives besides their parents, someone who doesn't have to care about them, but does anyway. Someone who can accept them as they are, and convince them that they are already worthy of respect, affection, and dignity. Someone who, while accepting their present, inspires their future.

I believe that the incandescent joy of a happy child transcends every ethnic and economic distinction humankind has invented to keep us apart. I believe that every prejudice, every oppression, every resentment, and every misunderstanding can be cured more quickly by mixing everyone's children together, making two teams, and letting them play than by any form of conflict resolution, court intercession, or legislation we've come up with so far.

Summer camp, it seems, is primarily and originally an American institution, with a few camps, including my own, having histories and traditions that date back more than a hundred years. Many camps attract not only staff from many countries, but also an international contingent of campers from families who want their children to grow up able to speak English and to have American friends. I have, conversely, been able to travel all over the world, connecting with camp friends in Spain, England, Switzerland, Japan, Ireland, Germany and the Netherlands – not bad for spending summers in upstate Pennsylvania.

I believe that every kid would prefer that school lasted for three months, and summer lasted for nine. Not a ringing endorsement for how we run schools, but proof we all could, and should, learn something from summer camp.

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A Landmark Summer for One of Susquehannock's Faithful: *Buff*

This year, Sir Buffington (George "Buff" Weigand) will spend his 60th summer at camp. To kick off the celebration of this milestone, we record a small tribute to Buff here.

"Buffisms"

- "Driving is like baseball - it's the number of times you reach home safely that counts."
- "If you have to yell, you've already lost" (Buff losing his temper occurs only on the rarest of occasions, and is the subject of lore)
- "Welcome Home" upon your return to camp, whether it has been 1 summer or 10 since your last visit
- "Less proficient" – a common phrase used for the uncoordinated or unskilled
- "You can do a lot of good in the world if you don't mind who gets the credit."
- "For the good of the order!"
- "Susquehannock – a place apart."
- "The reffing is as good as the playing."
- "Bring One Back!"



Known for:



- Teaching children of all abilities important life values via athletics, embodying one of the core philosophies of Susquehannock
- Offering you a seat on his porch
- Offering you a Starburst
- Ward, his canine companion always close at hand
- Helping homesick campers
- "His avoidance of the lake - which has made me wonder if he's made of the same stuff as the wicked witch of the west." – *Peter Cubberley*
- "Your infinite patience, your soft spoken and compassionate discipline, and your ever kind and gentle wisdom." – *Tim Kent*
- "Contributing lessons in life to hundreds of young people, such as being the best you can be; trying to reach a desired goal with passion and facing daily life with courage." – *Bernie Lemonick*

Yellow Card!!!

Memories:

I recall the part in counselor week, where Buff would demonstrate how campers fell into different categories of cereal-eater. The Bobber: - who would bob his head down to the cereal bowl so there was less distance for the food to travel. The Squabbler: - who would carry on chatting with mouth full and spray cereal and milk everywhere. The Gobbler;- who would fill his cheeks with cereal, keep spooning it in, but forget to chew, and would eventually have stuffed cheeks. There were several more categories, but those 3 stand out. I can still picture Buff spraying rice krispies on the table as he demonstrated the squabbler. – *Peter Repka*



Buff is the consummate story teller who knows exactly when the tennis court raking and back racking crew, standing under a hot, humid, mid-June, work-week sun, needs a break. So he tells a story. Do I remember the story, no. What I remember is that he took our minds off the “mundanity” of the chore, made us smile and feel that what we had accomplished was good and that whatever we had left to do would be easier. That didn't happen once, that probably happened hundreds of times over the course of twenty or more work weeks. – *Harrison “H” Williams*

As someone who was never a camper, just a counselor, the realization hit me a few years after having worked at Camp that Buff may have done just as much or more to help counselors grow up as he did for kids. Now that we're all old and gray/bald, we are well aware of how immature we were at 20 years old. But at the time ... we thought we were full-fledged adults. So, in a sense, his work with us was harder than with kids. He had to deal with us as though we were actually adults in order to get through. Far more finesse was involved than when working with the kids. – *John Haskell*

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As of March 27, 2007

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Grant Bianchi
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Many of these Palais Royale '78 campers have reconnected over the past year. They might just come back to camp too!

2006 S4G Campers celebrated Pioneer Campers like these this past summer: Nobody's Inn, circa 1986

New S4G Campers

Mackenzie Abernethy
Amanda Chabbott
Jodi Credit
Kathryn Land
Elizabeth Lewis

Emily Ruby
Natalie Ruby
Lisa Shoff
Abigail Skidmore

Returning S4G Campers

Marin Abernethy
Jill Barton
Hannah Bell
Lydia Bianchi
Isabelle Bradford
Nicole Cantor
Katherine Credit
Erika Ashley Cubberley
Lauren Dimes
Marina Dooney
Caroline Giles
Dana Giles
Catherine Iszard
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Ashley Kirby

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The Kents Celebrate Tom & Ann's 50th Anniversary With a Memorable Family Trip

Over Christmas vacation three generations of the Kent family, as part of an early celebration of **ANN '89 AND TOM'S '48 50th** wedding anniversary, enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Galapagos Islands and Ecuador's Andean Highlands. Those in attendance, in addition to Ann and Tom (former counselor, Interim Executive Director, Kings Counsel, and current Board member,) were: **CELIA KENT & JOHN ABERNETHY** (former Camp doctor,) **TIM '73 & MAUDE '88 KENT** (TK — former S4B camper, counselor and currently Senior Staff; Maude — tennis counselor.) **ROB '73 (RK** — former S4B camper, counselor and currently Senior Staff,) **JAMES KENT '95** (former S4B camper, CIT and counselor,) **MIA KENT '95** (former S4G camper, CIT and probably a counselor in '07,) **ABE ABERNETHY '91** (former S4B camper and counselor, currently at U. Mass. Med School,) **JAKE ABERNETHY '91** (former S4B camper, currently PhD candidate at Berkeley,) **MARIN ABERNETHY '98** (S4G camper,) and, last, but not least, **MACKENZIE ABERNETHY** (future S4G camper)

The clan gathered in the capital city of Quito where they got nearly acclimated to the nine thousand foot altitude and cool weather while touring the city sights, before leaving for the Galapagos Islands which are at sea level on the equator with warmer temperatures necessitating gobs of sun block. While visiting these islands over 170 years ago, Charles Darwin initially conceived his theory of evolution which culminated many years later (1859) in his book, "The Origin of Species," the corner stone of current scientific beliefs as to how animals, birds, etc, over the course of eons evolved into their current forms.

We had an entire section of the M/V Galapagos Explorer II to ourselves with spacious staterooms, each with large portholes and the dining room down the passageway. Twice each day, including Christmas, all 13 of us climbed into zodiacs to have wet or dry landings on various islands (Santa Cruz, Bartolome, James, Fernandina, North Seymour) where we were enthralled by the flora and fauna --- including three foot long marine and land iguanas, sea lions, fur seals, frigate birds, blue-footed boobies, Galapagos penguins, flightless cormorants, green sea turtles and Galapagos Giant tortoises (see photo of family and large friend.) Snorkeling with sea lions and the turtles was magical.



The Kent and Abernathy Clans with a Galapagos Island Tortoise

After a flight back to Quito we then drove a couple of hours into the highland city of Cusin where we stayed for several days in a hacienda. We explored several artisan villages, spent time at a farmers' market, and visited Poncho Plaza in Otavalo, the second largest indigenous market in Latin America. One highlight of this portion of

our trip was a luncheon at Hacienda Zuleta with Fernando Plaza, a grandson and great grandson of two Ecuadorean Presidents. He heard one of us mention Camp Susquehannock and noted that he had visited there as a teenager in the '70's, picking up his Dominican cousins Carlos, Aquilles, and Jose Bermudez. Win commented to RK that he remembered them. (See photo with Fernando Plaza.)



Susquehannock is truly global! The Kents with Fernando Plaza, who visited camp in the 70's to pick up his Dominican cousins Carlos, Aquilles, and Jose Bermudez

Another highpoint was our visit to the Condor Huasi Project where we were lucky enough to see a wild condor in flight. We also saw several condors in the project's huge cages. The hope is to breed young condors and release them into the wild. The condor is the largest flying bird in the world, and to have seen one in its natural surroundings was very exciting.

Ann and Tom enthusiastically recommend being married for 50 years and taking children and grandchildren on a family adventure!

Two Esteemed Alums Join Board

The Board is very pleased to welcome two new members to its ranks: **ANNA MORGAN CASSIDY '88** and **THOMAS (TOM) E. GLUCK '72**. Anna spent the summers of 1988 and 1989 at S4G. She is married to Todd Cassidy and is currently a full time mother to Tyler, born in June 2005, as well as a professional volunteer involved in numerous organizations. She is currently heavily involved with the Philadelphia Zoo, Main Line Animal Rescue, the young friends of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and on the alumni board of trustees at Episcopal Academy. She and her family live in Wayne, PA.

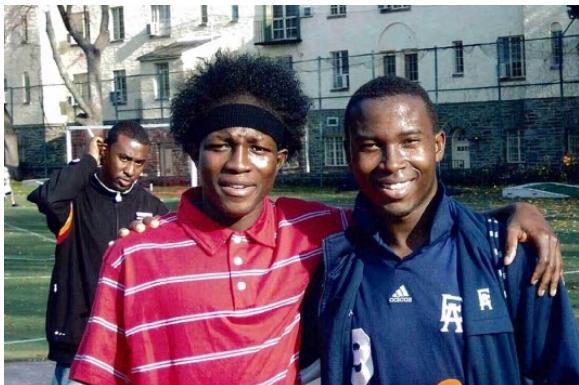
Tom spent several summers in the early and mid-70's at S4B. Tom serves as the Executive Deputy Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Education after being appointed by Governor Rendell in 2005. He has held a variety of advocacy and policymaking positions in and around Pennsylvania state government for 25 years. Tom is married to Joan Benso; his son, Elliott, has spent the past 3 summers at camp. He resides with his family in Mechanicsburg, PA.

STAFF, CAMPER, AND ALUMNI NEWS



The annual Philly-area reunion was well-attended, with campers **RICHARD SANDERS '02**, **GAVIN HATFIELD '05**, **SCOTT MCCONNELL '06**, **PHILIP WINICOV '06**, **JONAH FREY '02**, **EVAN BOTWIN '04**, **BRITT BUERKLE '06**; staff **BUFF WEIGAND '47**, **TIM '73** AND **MAUDE '88 KENT**, **CANNIE '82 & WIN '65 SHAFER**, **RICH PITTENGER '82**, **JOSH ORYHON '01**, **RYE BIDDLE '01**, **MATT BUTCHER '01**, **SASHA CERTO-WARE '04**, **BEN LIEB '98**, **DREW HAMM '97**, **VINNY MCCRINK '95**, **KYLE GIMBEL '98**, **MICHAEL WHALEN '04**, **BLAKE SHAFER '95**, **DYLAN KANE '01**, **MARK MOELLER '00**, **PAUL MOELLER '00**, and **JOHN LLOYD '99**. **FLYNN SKIDMORE '00** missed the reunion, but has been to Philadelphia for a visit.

CHARLOTTE RUBY '06 and her family hosted a Brooklyn, NY get together for veterans and prospective campers on Super Bowl Sunday. See Page 12 for the full story!



Ralph Elliott and King Saah

RALPH ELLIOTT '03 is playing soccer for the University of Scranton. He and **KING SAAH '03**, currently a senior at Episcopal, hope to spend some time at camp this summer.

HEIDI ZISSELMAN '05 reports, "These are all the people I've seen since camp ended...**CAROLINE '05** and **DANA '06 GILES**. I saw **CANNIE SHAFER '82** at a soccer game, EA versus PC (Blake was in it). I saw **LAUREN DIMES '06** at school. I also **SAW MARY KATE HATFIELD '00** and **BARBARA LALLY '03** at school." Heidi also attended the reunion.

STEVIE DANDRIDGE '04 came to help out at Chestnut Hill's Camp Fair (where he goes to school-**RYAN PRENDERGAST '03** was sorry not to be there but he had a game). Stevie reported that he had seen **BEN PERELMAN '04**, **SAM SULLIVAN '05**, **NICOLE CANTOR '01** and **ANDREW PRIMAVERA '04** at the Chestnut Hill v. Penn Charter boys basketball game the night before. We also were told that Stevie just got a great BIG part in the CHA/Springside play.

GEORDIE STEWART '00 has been accepted to Davidson College in North Carolina.

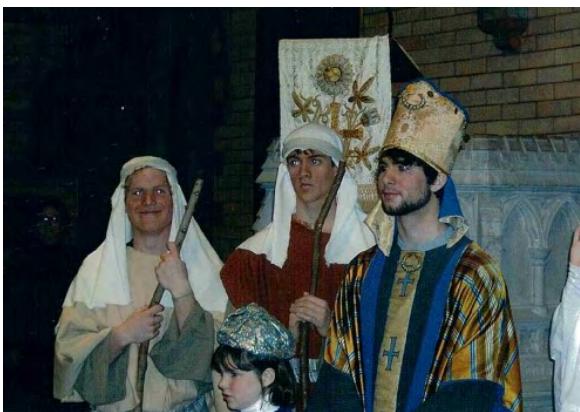
RYE BIDDLE '01 has been accepted to Trinity College in Connecticut.

NATE WINELAND '01 helped out at the Chestnut Hill Camp Fair. He too is waiting for college decisions and looking forward to returning to camp. He kicked for Episcopal's football team last fall and will be running track and looking forward to the Penn Relays.

BLAKE SHAFER '95, **DYLAN KANE '01** and **SCOTT SLOBODIAN '00** went to visit **ROB KENT '73** at Williams College while he is there as a visiting professor for the January Term!

BLAKE SHAFER '95 is teaching Sunday School to 3 & 4 year olds ...Currently at 6'4" he has to sit on the floor to look into their faces! His broken wrist has not prevented him from playing Varsity Soccer, Basketball and Lax this year.

Blake was cast as a shepherd along with **RYE BIDDLE '01** in the Christmas Eve pageant at his church while former camper **TOMMY GERRITY '99** sang as one of the three kings along with **PETER LISLE '00**! **HELEN '00** and **JOHN '05 MCCANN** were also there in attendance and so was **JIMMY GERRITY '99** and **JESSE EDGE '99**!



Three kings, or three campers?

HOLLY BAILEY '01 helped at the Chestnut Hill Academy Camp Fair and mentioned that she will be rowing for her school (Springside) when spring comes. Right now is she is busy looking at colleges and looking forward to being back at camp as a counselor!

LEAH PELLAN '01 wrote in: "Hi All! Senior year has been pretty hectic but I recently found out that I have been accepted to Franklin and Marshall College and will be going there with Sasha Certaware in the fall! I've been more involved with camp during this school year than I ever have before. I attended the camp reunion in Devon in January, and I did a camp fair with **HELEN MCCANN '00, RACHEL ZUCKERMAN '01, TK '73, MAUDE '88**, and **JOSHO '01** in Brooklyn in early February. I hope everyone is well and imagine that you are all as excited that I am for camp to start! See you all very soon."

HELEN MCCANN reports '00, '**LEAH PELLAN '01, RACHEL ZUCKERMAN '01**, and I traveled to Brooklyn to recruit campers. **JOHN MCCANN '05** (my brother, a fellow camper) won MIP for varsity soccer as a freshman for Shipley School, and I won MVP for varsity tennis as a senior...I played #2 on varsity squash this past season, and John played varsity basketball as a freshman. I hang out with **HALLIE LINCOLN '02** (a former S4G-er) and Rachel a lot."

RACHEL ZUCKERMAN '01 writes, "Senior year is going well, I'm going to the Cayman Islands for a small vacation. Swim season was good but is almost over and I'm very excited for lacrosse season to start. At the bowling reunion I saw a lot of counselors and campers which was a lot of fun." Thanks to Rachel for penning an article about Susquehannock's involvement in the "Relay for Life," which was

published in the 2007 Montgomery Newspaper Super Summer Camp Guide.

FRANCIE SHAFER '94 is sharing an apartment with counselor **SARAH CALLAHAN '06** and two others in Boston as they are both in their sophomore years at Northeastern University. Francie is rowing Varsity Women's Crew and playing Squash for NU's womens' team. She is a Communications major. Sarah is thrilled that she has just been accepted to be a nursing school major. Francie and Sarah will not be able to attend camp this summer sadly, because they have to do a semester of work in their majors at NU!!



Francie and Katie at the Regatta

Francie rowed at The Head of the Charles Regatta in Boston and saw **KATIE MACNABB '93** who was there rowing for University of New Hampshire!

ELAINE JOHNSON '00 reports "after my last summer at camp I came over to Edinburgh to pursue my MSc in Environmental Protection and Management. I'm currently living in Edinburgh working as an environmental consultant (a bit different from outdoor pursuit days!). Live quite near to **DEBS O'NEILL '02** and occasionally we meet up to reminisce about good ole S4G days."

We hear that **TROYE LARSON '99** of South Africa, a staff member at S4B for many years, recently asked Carla Smith, also from his home country, to be his wife. Troye now runs his family business, Larson Industries cc, in Johannesburg. Troye and Carla were vacationing in New Zealand with Carla's son Ethan, and Troye's family when Troye decided to "pop the question". **TARRYN LARSON ROZEN '98** and **ERIC ROZEN '79**

reported that it was a beautiful setting and the family is all very excited about the wedding plans. Troye and Carla celebrated their engagement with friends and family on their return to South Africa and some more ex-staff members, **JOLENE FILMER '99** and **NICOLE MARNEWICK '05**, were present. No wedding date has been set just yet since the couple is still trying to decide on a venue.



Troye Larson '99 and fiancée Carla in New Zealand

BEN LIEB '98 has received an invitation to try out for the United States Olympic Skeleton team in Lake Placid, NY in April. Skeleton, as you may know, is just like the Luge ...but head first!

JUSTIN VAN LOAN '98 wrote, "I am currently attending ITT technical school for computer network systems. It has been a long time since I went to the camp, but I can still remember every day I spent there. I learned so much from the camp and honestly, I wish I could go back. I can't think about my childhood, without remembering the days I spent at Camp Susquehannock. I will definitely be sending my children there." We look forward to having them some day!

ABBIE TRAJTENBERG '98 had a very, very close call last April. She survived a bomb attack that killed more than 20 others when she was visiting a restaurant in an Egyptian resort. Abbie wanted to travel and do volunteer work before entering New York University, and had backpacked in Nicaragua and Costa Rica, and was just finishing up a job at a kibbutz in southern Israel when she and two friends decided to take a week's vacation along the Red Sea in Egypt. They were very lucky to have survived, as most in the restaurant were killed. Fortunately, though covered with blood, they found their cell phones and communicated with home that they were OK. Also fortunately, their driver found them and

was able to return them safely to the kibbutz. What an adventure, Abbie!

PETER REPKA '97 reports that he was married to Lou on June 10th, and they spent 2 weeks in Italy for their honeymoon. He is looking forward to introducing Lou to camp where he spent 3 great summers.

CANNIE '82 & WIN '65 SHAFER weekly get to see and hear **STEPHANOS TSIRAKAGLOU '95** sing as a professional accompanist in the choir. People at church do not know how famous Stephanos was for singing his very funny "Soap Day" ditties at meals at Camp!



Nora Saunders '95 with father George '62 and mother Cynthia

NORA SAUNDERS '95 graduated from The Hun School with honors in June. She was president of her class the last two years and a member of the State championship tennis teams. After being a counselor at Camp Susquehannock for Girls last summer, she is now a freshman at Davidson College in North Carolina.

We were pleased to hear from **EVA KARAGIORGAS '92**, who is no longer a "Lost Alumnae" and is living in Brooklyn, NY.

We heard from **JOHNNY HALL '93** that he and his wife Becky have moved out of Edinburgh to a village in the countryside, giving him a chance to run and cycle on quiet roads. Johnny was training for a marathon and hopes to complete an Ironman. We understand he and Becky welcomed daughter Emily to the family last summer – congratulations!

ETHAN LACY '93 has settled down for the time being in Boston, where he is pursuing a Masters in Architecture at MIT.

LIZ ASKEW '91 heard from **ASTRID MEINL '93** that after 3 years of living in Italy, she is back in Vienna, Austria, working in communications for a biotech company there. She reports that **STEFFI MICHALEK '93** is married with a young daughter.

CLAIRE HALL '95 and **LORI STARTZELL TRICKEL '95** took a trip to New York City together in December. Lori hopes to visit Claire in England in the spring.

ADAM BROWNOLD '90 was married to Lise-Ann Dybala on July 9, 2006, a sunny beautiful New England day, in Newport Rhode Island. Many from the Susquehannock family were in attendance for the event, including **WHIT POWELL '86**, who helped introduce the bride and groom – Lise is the cousin of Whit's wife Stephanie! Congratulations as well to Stephanie and Whit, who are expecting a baby in June!

We hear that **CHAS BARNARD '89** was recently engaged to Ainslie in Lubbock, TX. Congratulations!



Many of the camp family gathered for the marriage of Adam Brownold '90 to Lise-Ann Dybala

JENNE ATHERTON '88 writes that after traveling post-college, she is back home on Nantucket and has started a small garden/landscape business, Grey Lady Gardens.

BERNARDO VILLANUEVA '87 recently got in touch to tell us he is currently an MBA candidate at the Wharton School at U Penn. Bernardo completed

his undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering at the Universidad Catolica Andres Bello in Caracas - Venezuela in 2003, and worked as a Marketing Specialist with Telecommunicaciones Movilnet until 2006. We hear Bernardo caught up with some camp alums (**JON SAVITCH '77** and **WHIT POWELL '86**) recently in the Philly area.

JAMIE HARTER '89 told us "after college I moved out west. I have been living in San Diego for the past ten years. I am an Operations Manager for GES Exposition Services- we produce tradeshows and conventions throughout the United States." Jamie would like to hear from Cricket Smith, Nancy Crane, Kim Basco, Samara Pfholt, Kim Leonard, Bronwyn Price, Seth Joyle, Paige Pearcy... "the list goes on and on." Jamie says, "I look forward to keeping in touch - It has been far too long!"

WENDY YOUNG '88 is on sabbatical this year from her job as athletic trainer and physical education teacher at Northfield Mount Hermon School in Massachusetts. She is spending this February in Australia.

PAIGE PRATTER '86, just announced her engagement to Lt. Aaron M. Perrine, infantry, U.S. Army. Paige, one of the "pioneer" campers at S4G, graduated from The Baldwin School and Yale University, and received a law degree from the University of Pennsylvania. She is currently in private law practice in Washington, D.C., where she is an associate in the firm of Covington & Burling. A spring wedding is planned.

We heard from **JAY PEARCY '83**, who is a dorm parent and Social Studies teacher at The Phelps School. He lives there with his wife Jennifer and two daughters, Kaitlyn and Elizabeth. His sister and former camper **PAGE PEARCH CASH '87** and her husband Dave live in Florida and are expecting their first baby any minute!

PETER CUBBERLEY '83 reports, "Our major news is that Martha and I flew to Moscow (to celebrate our 50th anniversary) and then took a boat up the Volga River and canals to St. Petersburg. It was a great trip. The contrast between the opulence of the relics of the Tsarist era and the situation of the average modern Russian is startling!" They stay very busy outside of Peter's seven weeks at Susquehannock traveling, playing bridge, bowling, orchestra concerts and theatre. Martha continues singing with the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus, and

Peter gives time and expertise to the Free Clinic in Shaker Heights.



Peter and Martha Cubberley

We heard from **JOHN GERBRACHT '81**, who wrote that he graduated from college in 1996 and currently works for Booz Allen Hamilton in the Washington DC area. John has been married for 5 years and has a 3-year old son that he plans to enroll in camp when he is 7 or 8.

We were pleased to hear from **SAM KOSOFF '80**, who reports that he and his wife Emilie "recently (this past summer) returned to Lawrenceville, having lived/taught/coached at McDonogh School outside of Baltimore for a few years. I was really attracted by the opportunity to run the sustainability effort here." Sam reports that he and his wife both coach and teach classes, and are living happily with their 6.5-year old daughter Katherine and 4-year old son Jack. Sam stays in touch with **ERIC ROZEN '79** and **TONY MEYERS '77**, and recently met Lawrenceville student **PAT DELANEY '00**, who will be an S4B counselor this year. Sam and **JOHN ATHERTON '80** plan on playing on a master's lacrosse team out in Vail this summer.

JAMES MILLER '77 writes that he runs a corporate coaching and development practice in Perth in Western Australia in the area of leadership development. He and his wife Gill have 3 boys - Mitchell 11, Jarrad 9, and Cody 7. James says he thinks of coming and visiting camp - you are welcome any time!.

MIKE NEWBOLD '77 writes that he is living in Keene, NH with his wife and three young children. He works as general counsel for a large wholesale grocery business.

SCOTT THORBAHN '77 wrote to "recall fondly the summers spent at Tripp Lake, being away from my parents for the first time and being scared to

leave the cabin at night because of "Hugo". My first summer when the Blue/Orange chicken feast came down to a tie and everyone had to shoot foul shots to determine the winning team (I made mine!). Those great baseball games when my twin brother Fred and I would pitch against one another only to have Dave Young crush my fastball in to the trees in left field, repeatedly. Still can not get the song and image of the counselors, dressed in togas, singing about Reeveman to the tune of Steve Martin's "King Tut" out of my head. Those five summers I spent at camp were some of the best!"

SCOTT DUBOIS '77 caught up with us, recalling "My family's move to Atlanta during the summer of 1983 ended my Susquehannock years, regrettably. After finishing high school in GA, I graduated from Wake Forest in 1989, BA in English and Politics. My first job out of College was in development for Wake Forest College and Law School, where I ran into **STEVE LOEW '75** and Tony Trabert. I married a girl from Ohio in 1993 and we now live in Alpharetta, GA with two kids: Austin 11 and Madison 9. Monica, the smart one, has her own healthcare consulting business. I just started at Palm, after almost 9 years with Nokia, as an Account Director on the Cingular Account team. We attend Northpoint Community Church, and love to spend our free time (which is fleeting) in the Mountains of North GA/ Southern Blue Ridge Mountains. We sent our son to Camp Laney, on Lookout Mountain this summer. He absolutely loved it and did not want to come home. And while Mentone, AL and Laney were beautiful, all I could do was tell my kind-hearted, patient son Susquehannock stories."

We were excited to hear from **JORGE MARTIN '80** in Mexico City, an alum that some may remember as the camper who fell out of the Library window and broke his arm! Jorge plans on sending his twin 9-year old boys to camp this summer.

We were happy to reconnect with **KEVIN KULP '75**. He graduated from Babson College in 1988 and tells us after working as an industrial consultant, he is a video game designer with Helixe, and makes games based on Pixar movies.

PETER BRADLEY WOLF '74 writes from Warminster PA that he remembers fondly his 5 years at Susquehannock. His favorite memories included the Air National Guard helicopters landing on the upper soccer field during the 200th Celebration of Independence Day and Wink making ice cream on

Wednesdays. Peter hopes to return to camp this summer, and relive some of his memories – maybe Soap Day?!

We recently heard from **RICHARD BUSH '73** who wrote, "I was thinking about my years at Susquehannock from '73 - '79 both as a camper, CIT and counselor, and thought I would look up the camp on the internet. I am amazed how far the camp has expanded since my tenure. I will always look back on the six summers I spent there with the fondest of memories and truly believe Camp Susquehannock had a significant role in preparing me for adult life."

Through the grapevine, it has come to our attention that a Susquehannock alum helped coach an NFL team to the Superbowl! **HARRY HIESTAND '71** is currently the offensive line coach for the Chicago Bears, where in his second year he has been credited with the significant improvement for the team's offensive line.

As reported by RK, "**DAVID REEVE '68**, aka 'Reeveman' was married in a small ceremony on Santa Catalina Island, near Los Angeles. Yes, the man who scaled the climbing tower in a single bound, who canoed down the Delaware River in 8 J-Stroke, who wore cleats on King's court and lived to tell the tale, and who drove a car powered solely by cynicism, is now happily married. As if his legend were not secure - he and his fiancé Eleza arrived at the island prior to the ceremony by kayak." Congratulations Reeveman! We hear many camp alums are looking forward to them coming "East" for a celebration!

ANDY AHRENS '65 sent an update: After graduating Boston University in '77, " I'm involved in the real estate side of cellular installations all over CT. Married for 24 years to Jane, a great gal from Cleveland --our son Ted is a junior at the University of Richmond, daughter Annie is in 8th grade. I have great and affectionate memories of Susquehannock and am happy to see the camp is doing so well. I remember **JOHN REILY '66**, **KARL DARBY '65**, **LOGAN HOUGHTALING '63** and **DAVID DAVENPORT '51** fondly, and hope they are well. My favorite counselor was a wonderful guy named **AL STEERE '63** who played soccer at Princeton and let me sit with his buddies at a Princeton basketball game one year. Best wishes to all..."

JIM LUBRACT '62 writes from Harrisburg and indicates he is currently writing his memoirs about his life, including his experiences at Camp Susquehannock.

SAM AND NANCY YOUNG '62 celebrated Sam's 75th birthday last February. He celebrated his 50th reunion at Gettysburg in the spring, where he and Nancy met. Now that Nancy has retired ("completely") from her "after retirement" jobs, they say they are really footloose and fancy free. They went on a church-sponsored week cruise to Bermuda in May. They have been going south each March and April to The Villages in Florida – both are playing a lot of golf.

BOB PARTRIDGE, '53, reports that he is still wearing a brace on the lower part of his right leg after his hip operation more than a year ago. Therefore he can walk without a cane or walker, but his mobility is limited. Louise does use a walker, but Bob says she's been trying to get a scooter! Bob and Louise are enjoying their retirement home at Bellingham in West Chester, PA. Bob reports that **GLENN '61** and Holly recently moved to Gladwyne. Both their boys are out of college and looking to join the work-force. Glenn works in Financial and Insurance Services, and Holly is a realtor.

We had a wonderful idea floated by **STEVEN RHOADS '52**. A current professor of politics at UVA, he wrote "I'm an alum from the 50s--camper and counselor. In my dotage I recently decided that I wanted to hear while I exercise the football fight songs that we used to sing at Susquehannock. I don't believe that such a collection exists! I've checked the web pretty thoroughly. There is lots of band music but nothing that includes the words--at least that I can find. Two questions: Do you know of such a collection? If not why don't you think about getting someone to record the songs and sell it as a fundraiser? I'll bet there'd be interest. We old timers want to teach the songs to our grandchildren." Steven, we know there is a book of all the college fight songs floating around Susquehannock, and plan to at a minimum post those songs on the website.

At a Barnes and Noble book signing for "Susquehannock's First 100 Years," **JAN QUACKENBUSH '52** came over to see **DEDE SHAFER '54**. Jan was a longtime camper, along with his two brothers, and he is the one pictured in the book with King Shafer at the time of camp's 50th

anniversary celebration - dressed as a girl! (For a play, of course) He is a writer himself and lives in Binghamton.



Dede Shafer '54 and Jan Quakenbush '52
at Barnes and Noble Book-Signing

NICK WILSON '48 and his wife, Ruth, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary by visiting the Scottish Highlands to check out some family history. Nick finished running his Princeton class of 1951's 55th reunion, very successfully! They won a trophy for the largest percentage attendance (25%) for any class over 50 years out.

CHARLIE SAUNDERS '47 has just published his revised, enlarged, and final edition of the family genealogy, *Four Centuries in America, The British Heritage of the Saunders/Carmichael and Shafer/MacIntire Families*. It is impressive! Charlie celebrated his 60th reunion at St. Mark's School in June, and he and Marnie went on a Smithsonian trip, "In the Shadow of Vesuvius" last fall.

A report from **BUFF WEIGAND '47**: "I stayed at Camp late into October. We had our family reunion at the end of September. My family moved me to another house (the former Cunningham Cottage on the other side of the Lake!) My son **FRANK '65** is happily busy with his environmental and safety business. His son **NOAH** will join him as an employee this year. Frank's wife Angel is a nurse in an emergency ward in hospital in York, PA. **TESS** continues to do well with her studies at Lancaster Country Day School. She is riding and playing soccer in her free time. My daughter Anne and her husband Brad live in Reading, PA and Anne teaches English and Brad teaches Math both at Penn State University campuses! My son **DAVE '67** and his wife Joan continue to live in Burlington, VT. Dave

is doing his architecture and Joan is teaching. Gina attends the University of VT, Luke is at Colorado Univ. in Boulder, Nick is a senior at Burlington High School, Andy is at Plymouth State in NH and **RYAN '94** is at Arizona Univ.!! In the late Fall, I went to Youngstown OH to see Ryan play hockey with the Arizona team. I also watched Andy play in a tournament in Manchester, NH and now is recovering from an injury. I did see the Ochse Family a lot in the fall...as you all know Judy's father died from his long illness and Ed has now taken a new engineering job. Matt is marching and playing in his Montrose area Band and Ryan was the top scorer in the middle school soccer team with a successful season.



Francie, Blake, and Buff at the Regatta

I did a trip in the Fall with **CANNIE '82** and **BLAKE '95** Shafer to watch **FRANCIE '94** row for Northeastern University at a large regatta at Princeton University. I also watched Blake play for EA v. Penn Charter in soccer and in basketball v. Germantown Academy. I have had several visits with **MR. ED '34** and **ANNE**. Mr. Ed continues to improve and his spirits are great!" Buff also made it to many camp fairs- thank you for sharing your love of camp to recruit a new generation of campers.

We hear that **TOM '48 & ANN '89 KENT** are leaving their beautiful home in Seabrook Island after 18 years, and will move to a new community at The Hill at Whitemarsh in Lafayette Hill, PA. Now they will be much closer to their families. Tom still plays fine tennis, and he and his partner retained their South Carolina State 75 doubles crown, and his Super Senior 70 team won the S.C. State Championships in November and will compete in the Regionals at the end of March in Columbus, GA. Ann plays very well, too, for her Super Senior 70 team tied for 1st place in the States. They have both joined the Merion Cricket Club and Tom is looking forward to getting back to squash with his old tournament friends there

We are happy to report that **EDWIN SHAFER '34**, known to all of Susquehannock as Mr. Ed, is making slow but steady health progress and stayed out of the hospital all of last year! He has been able to attend some meetings at the Montrose Country Club and at the Township Planning Meetings where he is still chairman. All six of Ed and **ANNE Shafer's** grandchildren were at the Tripp Lake site this summer, since the girls' camp was moved over from Choconut Lake. **FRANCIE SHAFER '94** was a counselor, **BLAKE '95** was a CIT, and the others, Allan's triplets, **SARAH '06**, **EMILY '06** and **BRANDON '06**, and Mary Shafer Hihn's **IAN '04**, were all campers.



Triplets Sarah, Emily, and Brandon Shafer

We were very saddened to hear from **BARBEKKA HURTT '87** that, "**WALLER A. HURTT '47**, born Nov 23, 1929 in Swarthmore, PA, passed away Mar 10, 2007 at his home in Colorado Springs, CO. He had been battling health problems in recent years. My father first came to Camp Susquehannock when his mother (Marietta Hurtt) was asked by the King Shafer family to run the Inn at camp (now called the Indian Mountain Inn) in the late 1940's, which she did for over 10 years. As my father recalled to me, those were some of the best summers of her life. They were also some of the best summers of his life, producing lasting memories and many stories of great times, great people, and a place that so many people hold close to their heart, as my father did. It resulted in a life-long friendship with the Shafers, which was highly valued by Waller and his brothers. His memories, stories, and friendships intrigued me, and when I was given the opportunity to work at Camp Susquehannock for Girls in 1987, I eagerly accepted. I stayed on for five years, during which

time I too met people I will value as life-long friends, and had experiences that have created lasting memories. I also had the opportunity to learn more about my father and grandmother (who passed away before I was born) from many people, including Ed and George Shafer, and the much-loved farmer Wink and his wife. They shared many great and fun stories of my father and grandmother, and helped me further understand why Camp Susquehannock was so highly valued and held such a special place in their hearts. In this way my father passed on his love of Camp Susquehannock: the people, the place, and the memories. Waller made Colorado his home in the early 1960's, and lived in Littleton, Fairplay, and Colorado Springs. He is survived by his wife, Janet, three children, Dalkkon, Barbekka, and Erikk Hurtt, and his two brothers, Spencer Hurtt and Caleb Hurtt. He will be dearly missed."



Waller A. Hurtt '47

We read the obituary of **VICTOR MAUCK, JR. '37**, who died of complications from Alzheimer's last summer. Victor attended The Haverford School, where he excelled in athletics. He was captain of the basketball and baseball teams, and lettered in football and track as well and inducted into the Haverford School sports Hall of Fame in 2005. He then graduated from Princeton University and the Wharton School of Business. Victor worked for his father's businesses, the John Wood Company and the Norristown Asbestos and Paper Company. He then was owner and operator of WNAR radio and the Norristown Box Company. He later served as director of the Montgomery Hospital Foundation. Victor is survived by a daughter, Toni Mauck Butterfield, of Falmouth, ME, to whom we send our sympathies.

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2007 Camp Calendar

✓ Sun, June 10	Work Week for Counselors to Open Camp
✓ Sun, June 24	Camp Season Opens – First Session Begins
✓ Fri, July 20	First Camp Session Ends
✓ Fri, July 20-22	Mid-Season Trips
✓ Sun, July 22	Second Camp Session Begins
✓ Fri, August 10	Camp Closes

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