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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!

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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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From the President, Board of Directors, Allan D. Shafer '70

Welcome to the first electronic edition of the **Orange** and **Blue**! Like many other publications, we are attempting to reduce our carbon footprint by “going green” this year. For any who need or would prefer a “hard copy” edition, please let us know and we will send it out right out. Otherwise, enjoy reading this season’s O & B On-Line, whether it is on your Blackberry, Kindle or computer and please stay connected to the Camp family of friends that you have. I want to inform you of few other new things happening at camp this coming summer.

The Post Office has changed our address again. I think this is about the fifth one I can remember for years from: Box 71, RR1, Box 1375, and then of course Box 48, Friendsville and now we are:

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for all mail *and* deliveries.

In the staff department we are happy for S4G Directors, **John** and **Heather Pufky** who added another daughter to their family in December, but also appreciate the large demand this has placed on them as a family. They will not be returning to Susquehannock as they will be getting out of their teaching responsibilities very late in June and will then focus their attentions on the their family this summer. We look forward to their visits and getting to meet **Avery**! As many of you know, **Win Shafer** is taking his first summer away from Camp in about thirty years. He and son **Blake**, also missing his first summer ever, are currently hiking the Appalachian Trail. **Cannie** has accepted the responsibility (she laughs that it is only for this summer) of being the Director of camp. She will oversee both programs and will be assisted by **Tim Kent**, as Director of Susquehannock for Boys and **Trish Pearson**, as Director of Susquehannock for Girls. **Jon Savitch** will be Program Director and scheduler for both camps. **Rob Kent** will be the Assistant S4B director and **Mima Wellington** will be the Assistant S4G director. In addition, **Jay Pearcy** will be Director of Operations and head up the Waterfront with **Katie MacNabb** running the S4G Waterfront and **Seth Brownold** running the S4B Waterfront. We are fortunate to have so many veteran staff back in both camps! We are also looking forward to summer staff visits this summer which include **Tony Meyers**, **Andrew Hano**, **Cory Wood Cox**, **Francie Shafer**, and from England we hope both **Ben Cottenden** and **Stuart Walton**.

I also want to take this opportunity to extend a sincere thank you to **Liz Askew**, as she steps down from the role of CSI Board Chair. Liz is a former camper and counselor and her love and support of Susquehannock are evident. She and other former board members all have a special place in their hearts for Camp and I know they will remain connected and help out in any way they can. Speaking of helping, we want to “welcome” a familiar face to the CSI Board in **George “Buff” Weigand**.

We are looking forward to another camp summer where we live the mission set before us 104 years ago. While the world is very different from the summer of 1905, much of what is important about relationships and giving young people experiences for a lifetime has remained unchanged. Thank you for supporting and caring about Susquehannock as much as I do.

Allan D. Shafer
President, Camp Susquehannock, Inc

Congratulations!

Announcing the arrival of **Avery Jane Pufky**, daughter of **John Pufky '96** and **Heather Pufky '05** and little sister to **Jaidyn**. **Avery** was born on December 5, 2008 at 4:15 PM, weighing 8 pounds, 4 ounces and measuring 20 inches long.



We are very excited about the Pufky's new addition to the family, sadly though, this means that John and Heather will not be working at camp this summer. John and Heather had this to say to all of us:

Dear Camp Susquehannock Family,

The past four summers Heather and I spent with all of you presented us with some of the most challenging and rewarding experiences we could have imagined as well as memories to last a lifetime. Our new addition, Avery Jane was born this December, and we are beginning to realize that our children are growing by leaps and bounds each day. The memories and experiences of their childhoods are ones that are passing us by more quickly than we can take in. Therefore, it is with a heavy heart that Heather and I are stepping down from our posts at Susquehannock. We do not feel we can devote the time and energy that is required to give our best to camp, while at the same time giving our best to our children. Please understand that this decision was not made lightly, and is one of the most difficult choices we've ever made. We wish you all the best of luck.

John and Heather Pufky



Win and Blake Shafer on the Appalachian Trail

Dare to dream! Dreams really can come true! This is currently happening for **Win and Blake Shafer**, as they are currently hiking the entire length of the Appalachian Trail. The duo set out in March at Springer Mountain in Georgia and will finish in early August – some 2,178 miles and fourteen states away, atop of Mount Katahdin in Maine!

The roots of this plan ironically started with a Camp connection! After Camp is over every year Win, Blake, Cannie and Francie Shafer have jumped in the car and headed to Squam Lake for a brief vacation before school started. When Blake was very young we began a tradition of hiking in the White Mountains. At age seven, Blake climbed his first of the 48 peaks in New Hampshire which rise over 4,000 feet. Blake was hooked on hiking and each summer after that Win and Blake would work to “bag” the additional 4,000 footers until Blake was 16 years old and they had completed hiking all 48!

We will all remember legendary staff member Dave Reeve! For a long time Dave taught at Princeton Day School, NJ but he frequently joined us in New Hampshire after Camp and accompanied us on these hikes. Ten years ago Dave was granted a sabbatical from school and hiked the Appalachian Trail (known simply as the “AT.”) Win had the opportunity to join Dave for several days on his hike as he passed through Pennsylvania. Cannie was able to bring Francie and Blake along to drop Win off to meet Dave. When Dave arrived on a cold and misty day in late May, he emerged from the fog, his 6’7” tall emaciated frame, a bearded and scraggly wonder! A young Blake was awestruck and stated in wonder, “Reeveman, you look awesome and I am going to do this someday!” Two of Win’s nights on the trail with the “Weatherman,” which is Dave’s “Trail Name” (all hikers who attempt to hike the entire trail in one shot are referred to as “Thru-Hikers” and they are given a Trail Name) were spent with a man and his daughter who had just graduated from high school. By the time Win had finished his days with “Weatherman” the seed had been planted that it would be a terrific experience to spend five months hiking the trail with Blake after his graduation!

So ten years later, a dream becomes a reality. Win has very kindly been granted a paid leave of absence from teaching and coaching for the Spring trimester. Blake went through his whole college process last year as a high school senior and was accepted by Bates College in Maine. He accepted the offer and then he wrote for a deferral. The Director of Admissions at Bates wrote a personal letter back supporting Blake’s trip! Now, a hike of 2,178 miles through fourteen states over five months averaging fifteen miles per day is no small task. Each year approximately 2,000 people attempt to thru-hike the AT but only about 20% actually complete the journey. Conditioning, carefully planning and mental toughness are necessary to be successful.

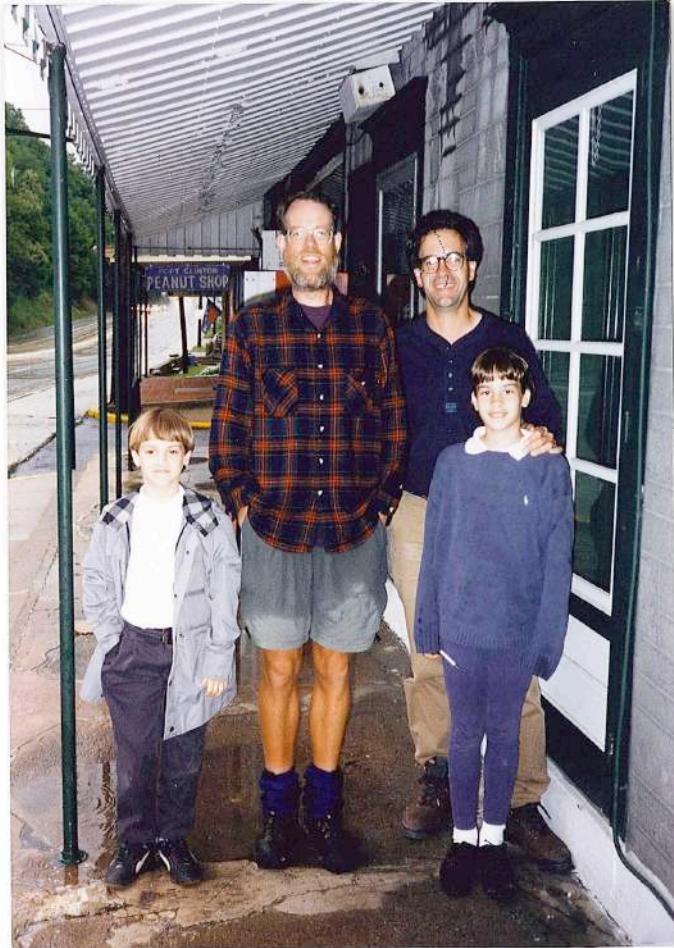
Win and Blake have spent several months planning, purchasing and collecting gear and preparing for the exciting trek. As you can imagine, since everything you use on the trail must be carried on your back, the weight of your gear, food and water is a major issue. When “Weatherman” hiked the AT, ten years ago, thru-hikers were typically carrying as much as 50 pounds of gear, food and water when foully loaded. Due to many advances in the technology of equipment that weight has now thankfully dropped to around 35 pounds. Much planning must go carefully into choosing each piece of gear to be carried. Some of the essential gear includes: a sturdy pair of hiking boots a tent, a sleeping bag, sleeping pad, stove and fuel, hiking poles, cooking and eating utensils, warm and waterproof clothing, water purification/filtration gear, headlamp, camera, binoculars etc...

The biggest challenge is planning and coordinating food menus and how to resupply our rations and equipment. The most common method is to have pre-prepared packages mailed to post offices in towns

along the trail. Most hikers plan to spend a night in a town every 7-10 days to resupply, eat a couple of real meals, do laundry, shower (!) and sleep for a night in a real bed. Some food items can be bought in local grocery stores but it tends to be more cost effective and easier to control weight by having most of the food mailed from home/camp, Cannie will play a key role in this process!

Win and Blake will stay in touch with school but also with the Camp Susquehannock community as well during their trip. There will eventually be information on the Camp web page in addition to a link to www.trailjournals.com/birdman where they will post updates regularly. Also visit www.episcopalacademy.org for video of Win and Blake's Earth Day broadcast.

They will be staying for a rest day in North Carolina with camper-counselor Garner Kaiser's family and will stop in at Kent School in CT, (right off the trail!) where Win attended school thanks to "Coach" Bob Partridge who worked at camp for many years! They encourage any of you to join or meet them along the way to hike with them, bird watch and camp with them, or simply say hello and offer sustenance or moral support!



This photo will be retaken later this summer at the Port Clinton Hotel when Francie and Cannie meet up with the intrepid travelers

Camp Susquehannock Memorial Sponsorship

Allan Shafer '70, President of the board of Directors

Are you looking for a way to offer a child some life-changing summer camping experience?

During the past few years, five families have generously donated money to acknowledge the contributions of several former senior camp staff: **Bob Partridge '53, Jim Steen '47, Dr. Peter Cubberley '83 and Dr. Jack Doane '62.** With these funds, several fortunate young people have been able to enjoy the Susquehannock experience.

The Camp Susquehannock Memorial Sponsorship program offers you the unique opportunity to honor a member of the camp community (camper, counselor or staff) by sponsoring a child at camp. In doing so, you may or may not wish to choose the recipient of the memorial sponsorship. This is different from camp's scholarship program, because income level or financial need is not the overriding determinant of eligibility of a candidate being sponsored. This is a great way to share the benefits and experience you remember with the next generation. For more information, contact: Buff Weigand sportsbuffjr@aol.com, Sandy Denham toven2@stny.rr.com or Josh Oryhon JoshO@susquehannock.com.



Mr. Ed News

Mr. Ed was happy to have visitors this past summer of including **Chris Murray '72** (Ritchfield, CT) and his 8 year son Peter who stopped in to visit camp and swim in Tripp Lake. Peter is hoping to come to camp next summer! Chris was particularly surprised to see a picture of himself as a CIT on the bulletin board with a number of historic cabin photos and was able to name a lot of his friends from that era. **Dr. Ted Noehren '33** and his nephew Tom Chittenden also stopped in. Dr. Noehren is a young 91 years old and is living in Salt Lake City, UT. He recently lost his wife Maddie Chittenden after 66 years of marriage – they actually met at Quaker Lake! He was the doctor here at Camp before the second World War, following in the footsteps of his uncle **Dr. Arthur Noehren**, who was also the Camp doctor. It was for Dr. Arthur and his wife **Daisy** that the first infirmary Aspir Inn was built in 1931 and they lived there in the building with their family. It was Dr. Ted who suggested the idea of a scholarship fund and it was his great desire to make it possible for campers who might not be able to afford it, to have the opportunity to attend camp. He made contributions to make that possible!

2008 Highlights

By John Pufky, Cannie and Win Shafer

Camp Susquehannock Site Directors

Camp Susquehannock's 103rd summer was a winner! It was full of good weather and lots of fun with good friends!

We knew we would be missing one close friend in particular and that was **Dr. Peter Cubberley** who had passed away in January 2008. There is a little area under some tall pine trees along the Lake's edge used for gathering. We decided with the support and direction of Dr. Cubbs' family, especially his wife Martha, that we would design and build a garden spot dedicated to Peter. At the end of our first week we had a S4G/S4B joint Sunday Morning service down at the Lake. In the service we revealed our plan to the gathered. Each camper and staff member had been asked to bring a good-sized rock with them to service; these rocks were placed around all of the flower beds and along the flagstone steps. It took most of the summer to complete the project, with both staff and campers spending many hours doing work. We enlisted the help of a garden designer who helped with the plant and shrubbery selections and the planting process. We watched in awe as the Mason sculpted out the steps and terraces. Near the end of the second half, Martha visited Camp from her home in Cleveland, OH. Joined by many family members (including Cubberley grandchildren who were campers or staff) Martha attended the dedication service. We were able to pay a small tribute to our friend Peter but what is most important we will remember him and how much he loved nature and inspired all of us to do so when we enjoy Peter's Peaceful Place by Tripp Lake.



2008 was also an American Camping Association (ACA) evaluation summer!! Susquehannock has always been very proud of the fact that it has been an accredited camp for a very long time. This was the first time that we had a "double whammy" because it was the first time since S4G and S4B have been on one site that we have been able to do a joint accreditation. Despite what seemed like double the work, it did make it easier! We ALL passed with 100%!! A lot of credit goes to our office administrator Tarryn Rozen who helped get us prepared. We also extend enormous thanks to our support staff in our secretaries Jacquie Meehan, Terri Evans and Judy Ochse, the Maintenance team of Randy Hankin and Paul Travis as well as our great Nursing staff of Carol Nasser, Barbara Cook and Barbara McNamara.

Both S4G and S4B felt they had a stellar staff this past summer. S4G welcomed new faces but also said “welcome back” to many campers and the staff. This great mix of old and new helped to coordinate and cherish traditions such as the Candle Float, the Villa Hunt and the Olympic Field Day. A particular pleasure for the S4G staff was having Emily Cottenden return from England. Emily came as a camper with her brothers and Ben later returned to be a counselor as well. Emily represented a second generation from England because Emily’s parents Wendy and Julian Cottenden had been staff at camp before they had a family! Emily helped with the LIT Program and Tennis. Trica Pearson came back for her second year as Program Director and brought along her alumni husband Tim Percevecz to run the Arts and Crafts Program for both camps. Francie Shafer returned to Susquehannock not only to instruct horseback riding and sports but also to lead the CIT Program. Katie MacNabb was once again in charge of the S4G Waterfront, continuing to provide campers with a safe and fun time at Tripp Lake. We want to thank former camper/counselor Cory Wood Cox for returning and spending some special days teaching clinics. Jon Savitch came on board to do some work with Program by teaching some amazing sports and games clinics. He continued in his bigger role of overseeing the Overnight Program, the Tower and other activities such as Mountain Biking. Director of the Riding Program Heather Pufky reported the largest number of riders enrolled since S4G and S4B merged at Tripp Lake. This summer was enhanced by utilizing both Upper and Lower Barns. The Clinics were well-attended all summer and the Horse Shows provided a fitting end to a successful program. John Pufky adds, “it warms me to think back to events of last summer and I can almost hear that amazing song being sung by Holly Bailey, Mia Kent and Emily Cottenden....’S4G, S4G, oh S4 – S4G.’”

Cannie and Win Shafer comment that he S4B staff was almost all homegrown talent - under the dedicated senior guidance of Tim and Rob Kent and Jon Savitch. We were happy to welcome back Jay Pearcy into this group. Jay was a camper and counselor years ago and now is a teacher at Valley Forge Military Academy. He happily brought his wife Jennifer and his two young daughters Kaitlin and Elizabeth up to Camp for the summer. The Senior Staff had great assistance from the fantastic team of Seth Brownold (Waterfront), Lucas Carmalt (Sports), Ben Lieb (LITs) and Paul Moeller (CITs). We had visits throughout the summer from S4B alum who came to help out with clinics such as Tony Meyers, Whit Powell, Adam Brownold and Rich Pittenger. It was also terrific to have former camper-counselor Andrew Hano with us for several weeks, along with his three year old Drew while almost 7 year daughter Abby attended S4G! Tim Kent had a professional Tennis friend, Pascal Collard from Philadelphia, visit and run some clinics for everyone. Jamie Zimron, a friend of Rob Kent’s, is not only a terrific golfer but is also a world-recognized female Aikido instructor, visited and gave several instructional sessions for boys as well as for girls.

S4B had a fantastic group of campers both sessions with lots of returners and new campers as well - lots of thanks to Camp’s recruiting force Josh Oryhon. We had three new older CIT age boys who were brave and came to camp for the first time – one whose sister is a S4G counselor, another who came from Belgium because his father had also come years ago as a counselor and another whose grandfather had been at camp and he too had heard a lot of stories for many years!

Right now during the long off season or while daydreaming in a study hall at school, it is fun for all of us to go through our memories of last summer. While the Olympics were taking place in Beijing we our own version in Brackney, along with the July 4th Field Days, Gigantus & MC Fireball events, Super Mongo Goofy Relays and S4G/S4B Capture the Flag, The King’s Cup, tennis tournaments, Smitty’s meatloaf, Gaga, Chess games on the porch, Buff Weigand and faithful Ward watching every game, themed mixers, canoe trips and hikes, bike rides as well as trips in our very own newly painted Orange and Blue Bus (thanks to the artwork of the CITs,) ever-popular Counselor Skit Night and the inaugural Camper Skit Night as well as the reopening of Creek Bend miniature golf!

As always, our camp community at Tripp Lake hailed from literally *everywhere*. This year it was: Wilmington, DE to Washington, D.C.; McKinney, TX to Madrid, Spain; London, England to Los Altos, CA; Ft. Lauderdale, FL to Frederick, MD; Arlington, VA to Ardmore, PA; Hoboken, NJ to Honeoye, NY; and Monroe, CT to Malden, MA!!! Together we enjoyed shared events as well as our own instructional clinics, great hours at the lake, competitive Orange and Blue games and that amazing view from the Tower! During Camp parents enjoyed reading and seeing pictures weekly about all of our activities in *Tripp Lake Times* posted on camps' web site.

When all is said and done, we realize how important the phrases are that we repeated a lot last summer: "**People change, Places change, People change places and Places change people.**" All of these things happened for all of us at camp last summer and we on the staff hope you campers will be back to our shared special place next summer. You are an important part of camp and it is a part of you!

Found: Susquehannock Artifacts

Submitted by Ken Buergin '76

I just saw the latest catalog. Thank you very much for posting my first year (1976) cabin photo and the Wilderness Survival patch (that was hosted by Chris Storie, from England, who was also a Counselor in the cabin photo) in the booklet. I happened to come across the Bicentennial Celebration from that year that I've held onto with a list of the activities for the day on July 4. I've attached it here. It is a bi-fold.

The cover (Pg 1) is printed twice in the first file. The inside (Pg 2 & 3) is spread open for the second file. The back (Pg 4) is blank. I do remember most of us getting painted up as Indians on that day. Hope you can use it as Part of the Camp History artifacts. Enjoy!

CAMP SUSQUEHANNOCK July 4, 1976	
1776 - 1976 Bicentennial Celebration at Camp Susquehannock	<p>8:00 a.m. REVEILLE, FLAG RAISING, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</p> <p>8:30 BICENTENNIAL BREAKFAST Paul Revere Pancakes Philadelphia Sausage Benjamin Franklin Spiced Apples</p> <p>10:15 REVOLUTIONARY CHAPEL SERVICE</p> <p>11:15-1:15 LAKE ACTIVITY Watermelon Battle Raft Races Canoeing Sailing Boating Awarding of Prizes</p> <p>1:30 REBEL FEAST Ox-roast Patrick O'Henry Potatoes Susquehannock Indian Corn Martha Washington's Strawberry Shortcake</p> <p>2:00 BELL RINGING — NATIONAL OBSERVANCE</p> <p>3:00 PARADE OF PATRIOTS Floats Fife and Drum Corps Horses Surrey Dogs All campers and counselors Awarding of Prizes</p> <p>3:45-5:30 GAMES — FIELD DAY Tug of War Bunker Hill Sack Race Three-legged Race Potato Relay Race Jump the Cannon Ball</p> <p>5:30-6:00 PATRIOT PUNCH AND TORY TEA</p> <p>6:00-7:00 LAKE DIP</p> <p>7:00 COOKOUTS FOR ENTIRE CAMP Hessian Hotdogs Boston Beans Colonial Pennsylvania Potato Chips</p> <p>8:00 BONFIRE — SONGS</p> <p>10:30 TAPS Recitation by cabin of Declaration of Independence Sparklers</p>

Recruiting Corner



As always, our Recruiting efforts are bolstered by the tireless dedication of volunteers. Whether it's spreading the word about Susquehannock to friends, helping out at Camp fairs or enrolling family members, we wouldn't be where we are right now without you and your help.

Greater West Chester (Westtown, PA)
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Main Line Camp Fair @ Conestoga (Berwyn, PA)
Community Camp Fair @ Tower Hill (Wilmington, DE)
Chestnut Hill Academy (Philadelphia, PA)
Great Valley Summer Camp Fair (Malvern, PA)
IBM Summer Camp Fair (Binghamton, NY)

Thanks to the following people for spending their evenings and weekends at our events: **Marina Dooney, Steffie Ingalls, Tom and Rob Kent, Jim, Jackie and Elizabeth Lemonick, Ben Lieb, Jim, Mary and Whit Powell, John and Heather Pufky, Jon Savitch, Win and Blake Shafer and Laura Trichka.**

We were also extremely fortunate to have a northern New Jersey Open House at Glen Ridge Train Station, hosted by the **Crutchfield** family. Spurred on by testimonies by **Jim** and his sons **Carter** and **Jackson**, we had a lot of interest from local families – some of which will be joining us in 2009! These are by far the most effective events, so if you are interested in hosting please contact Josh Oryhon at (518) 424-5701 or josh@susquehannock.com. Thanks!

Bowling Reunion



The annual Philadelphia area reunion was held at Devon Bowling Lanes and was a blast for bowlers and non-bowlers alike! Along with the Eagles Bring-A-Friend BBQ hosted by Tim and Maude Kent in the fall, staff and campers look forward to these events that bridge the gap between the end and the beginning of the summer.

The following Camp folks were there and some provided some info on what they have been up to:

Holly Bailey '01 currently attends Hamilton College, **Grant Bianchi '07**, **Christopher Bone '08**, **Anne Bos '08**, **Maeve Cortese '08** loves Swimming, Volleyball, Skiing and school, **Emily Diaz '08** is at Penn Charter, where she played Soccer and Squash). Emily obviously sees **Maud Simms '08** and **Paige Fernandez '06** at all the time and, like all of us, cannot wait for camp. **Heidi Zisselman '05** is also at PC, did Cross Country in fall and is “crying without camp”. **Lucy Connell '08** played Soccer this fall, now doing a lot of drama and music at school. Told us her sister **Mimi Connell '01** played Field Hockey for Berkshire this fall and her team placed second in the New England Championships. She is now playing Squash while brother **Geordie Connell '00** is a senior at Berkshire and awaiting college decisions). **Marina Dooney '05** says “you bet I’m coming back!” She was captain of the Junior Varsity Field Hockey team this past fall **Tim Faber '03**, **Libby Foxman '08** reports that she’s been doing school, sports and hanging out with friends), **Kerry Fulton '07**, **Bethany Feinberg '06** played Soccer in fall. **Carlin Feinberg** (Bethany’s mother) was on staff as Nurse is now in law school! **Kyle Gimbel '98** is taking many Science courses in college right now - hoping to go into Pharmacology. **Caroline Giles '05**: “I miss camp! I am planning my summer around it and talking about it to people!” **Allie Handman '97** now lives with **Meg Carroll '05**! **Charles Hong '03** plays Lacrosse at Muhlenberg College and brother **James Hong '07** played Football and was on the Wrestling team, **Kelley Healey '05** drove himself to the bowling alley from Tunkhannock, PA! Kelley played Soccer in the fall. **Marykate Hatfield '00** is a Penn Charter senior, was also captain of the Varsity Field Hockey team. **Mia '95, Maude '88, Anne, Tom '48 and Tim '73** ably represented the entire Kent clan. **Jackie Lemonick '08** attended with her little sister Elizabeth, and her father former camper **Jim Lemonick '08**. Another great connection is step-sister **Sarah Murdoch '02** another long time camper, who promises to

return to camp, she played Varsity Field Hockey. **John Lloyd '99** attends Temple University, has taken in a number of Flyers hockey games this season with his buddy **Blake Shafer '95**. John and his last year camp convert, **Chris Bone '08**, recruited another buddy **Noah Benton '09**, during the Reunion! **Michael Whalen '04** attends College of William and Mary), **Nate Wineland '01** attends Susquehanna University and **Kristina Zahan '07** played Soccer and Squash this year. **Ben Lieb '98, Paul Moeller '00, Katie MacNabb '93** are all returning to Camp (and also **Seth Brownold '94** who promises he is as well once he returns from his trip to Israel). **Michael Sherman '05** and parents drove all the way in from northern New Jersey to attend – winning the award for farthest distance traveled! Also attending: **Vinny McCrink '95, Josh Oryhon '01, Mary and Jim Powell '86, Jon Savitch '77, Cannie '82 and Win '65 Shafer, Jay '84, Jennifer '08, Kaitlin and Elizabeth Pearcy.**



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The Board of Directors and staff of Camp Susquehannock would like to recognize and thank the following donors for their tremendous support. These donations were made from March 16th, 2008 until March 31st, 2009 in support of our programs and Annual Scholarship. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

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Who's Coming to Camp? 2009 Camper Statistics

As of May 2009

New S4G Campers

Eleanor Davis
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Emily Kunkel

Alexandra Pear
Angeles Garcia-Manso
Abigail Hano
Maleekah Love
Rebecca Romans Almagro



Returning S4G Campers

Hannah Bell
Erika Cubberley
Charlotte Ruby
Natalie Ruby
Heidi Zisselman
Jodi Credit
Hannah Kirby
Nell Murray
Josephine Trichka
Caroline Giles
Marina Dooney
Kerry Fulton
Georgiana Spencer-Minor
Brittney Washington
Hannah Ingalls
Sarah Shafer
Carter Gant
Lauren Dimes
Elizabeth Lewis
Emily Ruby
Caitlin Harrity
Isabelle Bradford
Moira Mahoney
Leslie Williams
Sarah Murdoch
Mary Trichka
Amy True
Hannah Harrity
Jamie Ranahan
Maud Simms
Lila Ingalls
Bethany Evans
Emily Shafer
Elizabeth Stone
Mackenzie Abernethy
Maeve Cortese

New S4B Campers

Raphael Rodriguez
Noah Condiff
Sam Loew
Prometheus Molony
Mathias Dierckx
Hugo Area-Roth

Returning S4B Campers

Quentin Crispin	Ian Hihn
Craig Williams	Graham Weinschenk
Rafael Diaz-Guardamino	Gavin Hatfield
Michael Sherman	Max Bell
Christopher Bone	Jace Cubberley-Thomas
Matthew Friedman	Jack Simonds
Timothy Faber	Carter Crutchfield
Fletcher Kirby	Brush Kirby
Conner Lauber	William Davis
Grant Bianchi	Erik Harvey
Timothy Duddy	Edward McCann
Patrick Ranahan	Trey Torres
James Richet	John Foran
Sky Jarrett	Ryan Smith
Brandon Shultz	Bryan Shultz



STAFF, CAMPER, AND ALUMNI NEWS

Sandy Thatcher '47: On June 30, during a trip home from Montreal where he had attended the annual meeting of the Association of American University Presses for which he had served as president during the past year, **Sandy Thatcher '47** stopped by Camp with his wife Robin to take a look around, especially at the reconstruction of the brown cottage on the road leading into camp where his parents, **Hal and Gingie Thatcher** had spent many summers after living many more years previously in the Lower Lodge of the Junior Camp where his mother had served as a camp "mother" and his father had tutored and led the camp orchestra. His brother **George '47** and wife **Hanne** had visited a few months earlier and described what was being done to rescue the cottage and turn it into a habitable dwelling once again, but Sandy and Robin were curious to see it for themselves.

Coincidentally, **Carl Shafer** drove by while they were there and stopped to give them an update on the plans for refurbishing the old homestead of which Sandy and his brother had had so many fond memories (and which many long years before had served as a one-room schoolhouse). They also knew that the Cubberley clan had been planning to gather at camp about that time to memorialize their beloved patriarch, **Dr. Peter Cubberley '83**, Sandy's first cousin, and they headed over to the former Elicker cottage hoping to see them. But, alas, the Cubberleys had held the memorial just the evening before and had already headed home (except for the Cubblerley children remaining behind to spend the summer in camp). So Sandy and Robin then ventured up the hill to pay a brief visit to **Ann and Ed Shafer** at their home, where they also met **John Titman '36** whom Sandy had not seen for a very

long while. They all reminisced both about bygone days at camp and also about common interests in Princeton where Mr. Ed and Sandy had both been undergraduates and also both been members of the Swimming team. Sandy was happy to report that he had won four gold medals in the Pennsylvania Senior Games last summer in the 60-64 age group, but that a broken ankle in March had kept him out of the water too long for him to enter the games again this July. Instead, he is filling in as drummer temporarily for a classic rock group called Overhead he had played with eight years ago for concerts in mid-July in State College, where he lives and serves as director of the Penn State University Press. Sandy was pleased to see Mr. Ed feeling pretty chipper, and it was great to catch up with him again on all the news.

After camp was over **Francie and Blake Shafer** were at Squam Lake, NH and visited with cousin campers **Hannah and Caitlin Harrity '08**. Hannah's older brother and former camper **Todd Harrity '01** was there too. Todd is a ranked player in Squash and plays Tennis for **Tim Kent's** team at Episcopal Academy. Todd is headed off to Princeton next year. Francie (Northeastern University) went on to have a great fall season rowing. She is still living with former S4G counselor **Sarah Callahan '06**. Francie saw **Holly Bailey '01** (Hamilton College) at The Head of the Charles Race rowing, and just recently she ran into **Rachel Zuckerman '01** (Franklin and Marshall College) at a Squash tournament at Yale. Francie also saw **Ben Lieb '98, Paul Moeller '00, Allie Handman '97 and Meg Carroll '05** over the holiday break. She sadly knows she will miss Camp this summer because she will be working and studying in Spain for six months. She hopes she will get to have a Camp reunion in Madrid with a lot of former

campers and counselors! **Blake Shafer** worked for a local investment firm this fall. This was the same firm he had worked with for his Senior Project last Spring. He enjoyed playing men's league Soccer in the fall (one of his teams was the Merion Cricket Club in the Cricket League where his father **Win** and also **Eric Solomon '66** played!). Blake also played men's indoor Soccer, indoor Tennis, Basketball and he managed to get some times in with **Josh Oryhon '01, Dan Logue '90, Vincent McCrink '95, Jon Savitch '77, Whit Powell '86 and Ben Lieb '98** playing street hockey.

Win Shafer, still following his bird passion, was named a Fellow of the Delaware Valley Ornithological Club (DVOC). If you listen to their recordings you will recognize Win's voice!

Paul Moeller '00 spent a day visiting classes at Episcopal Academy with **Cannie and Win Shafer, Tim and Maude Kent and Whit Powell** and yes, P-Moe *did* have on a coat and tie! There were many double takes in the hall from Susquehannock campers such as **Akaash Agarwal '08, Kerry Fulton '07, Caroline Giles '05, Scott McConnell '06**.

Former counselor **Harrison "H" Williams '67** and godfather to **Blake Shafer**, was able to make it down from New York City last spring when Blake had a lead role in Episcopal Academy's musical production of "Kiss Me Kate." Blake was one of the gangsters and "H" along with everyone else laughed out loud at Blake's rendition of "Brush Up Your Shakespeare."

The Class of 2008 from Episcopal Academy was well represented on Susquehannock's staff this past summer including **Richard Craft '00, Charles Hong '03, Mia Kent '95, John Lloyd, Blake Shafer and Michael Whalen**. Former

camper **Truitt Dwyer '02** (also EA '08) did come up and visit during the summer. **Buff Weigand '48** was at the graduation ceremony to see all of them receive their diplomas!

Yes...we have heard from and know that **Dave Reeve '68 aka "The Reeveman"** is happily living in Iowa, while his wife Eleeza is studying and teaching at The University of Iowa.

Former camper-counselor **Whit Powell '86** is still teaching 5th grade at EA and coaching girls varsity Tennis with another championship this year and then boys varsity Tennis as an assistant to Tim Kent and also Paddle Tennis in the winter. For fun he is coaching a girls 5th grade team Basketball with **Jon Savitch '77**.

Amy and Eric Solomon wrote that their daughter Sarah is headed off to Boston next year for college. **Eric** has just finished many years working for the IRS in Washington and they had an amazing experience watching the recent inauguration.

Al Mathias '74 reports that he is alive and well! **Cricket Smith Segaloff '89** just moved to a new house and two adorable looking little girls. **Barbeka Hurtt '87** was recently married in October of 2008 and is living in Colorado. **Jon and Carol Kulp '47** are reporting that they are selling their Chester Springs, PA home and relocating up near Binghamton, NY and will continue to enjoy their cottage which is on the edge of camp property and we will enjoy having them both around!

Nora Saunders '95 (Davidson College) visited camp this summer before heading off to study and travel in Australia. **Rachel Zuckerman '01** was also on the same program!

Troye Larson '99 traveled all the way from South Africa in the winter for a whirlwind tour of the northeast. **Troye**, along with his girlfriend Sandra, visited Rochester, Binghamton, Florida, and rang in the New Year with Susquehannock friends **Seth Brownold '94, Lucas Carmalt '95, Ben Lieb '98, Dan Logue '90, Vinny McCrink '95, Paul Moeller '00, Josh Oryhon '01 and Jon Savitch '77.**



Nell Murray '08 traveled with her family for six weeks through Europe in the fall. They visited Belgium, The Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland and France. It was a great trip!



Grant Bianchi '07: My Lower Merion Travel Soccer team won our championship game, I turned 11 on thanksgiving day, I went to Park City, Utah to snowboard over Christmas and tore up Mels Alley (my fave run), I went to the Phillies Championship Parade, I got my haircut very short and I'm heading to Jamaica in April for spring break, I've been learning a lot of songs on my electric guitar, and I'm being honored on May 9th by the Wellness Community of Philadelphia for being a Junior Philanthropist. Can't wait 'til camp!

Jon Savitch '77, Ben Lieb '98 and Josh Oryhon '01 all coached 7th grade girls Basketball and Lacrosse at Radnor Middle School, frequently rubbing shoulders with **James Hong '07** in the hallways.



Mike Robinson '64: I attended in 1964 and 1965 staying in Ship Bottom and then Pepper Box. I'll always remember the Shaffer brothers and my 2 great summers spent there. I've been in Medical sales for 27 years and live in Whitpain, Pa. just outside Philadelphia. I would love to come and visit!

Tony McCaffrey '87: Around about 1987 I had the privilege and honor to be picked by yourselves and invited to spend the summer as a camp counselor.

I was in charge of horse riding for the summer, as well as participating in the other sports later on in the afternoon.

Since I spent the summer at camp, I have traveled around the world, got married to a wonderful woman, have 2 beautiful young daughters and have my own small company.

One thing I have learnt in life, through time spent at camp, as well as traveling across America, Europe and Australia is - when it comes to giving a gift - Birthday, Christmas, Anniversary - don't give them a gift; give them a memory. Gifts are usually not what they wanted, are put on a shelf or eventually get thrown out but memories last forever.

Karen Ogg '98: I am still in Zermatt, Switzerland working for Stoked Ski School. This is my 6th season. I was very busy at the start of December and all over Christmas and New Year. I felt like I never stopped! It was also my turn to cook Christmas dinner so I always seemed to be rushing around!!

At the moment we are pretty quiet so I feel a little more relaxed. I go home to Scotland on for a few days to see my family. My brother's wife is due a baby any day so I hope I see the new arrival!



We are right beside the Matterhorn so the views are fantastic. I wish you well for 2009!

David-Emmanuel Adès '89: I'm sending that mail from France where I live. I'm French came during the summer 1989. I remember very well that experience nearly 20 years after. It was awesome and I'm glad to see that the Camp still goes on. Hopefully, it's a great and deep experience for all of the youth that are living there today.



Will Bentley '08 and a friend at the Obama Inauguration with former President Bill Clinton!

Hold Fast to That Which is Good

by Rachel Zuckerman '01

They say it takes a village to raise a child. I'm sitting on the dock watching girls who remind me of myself as a camper enjoy their time together and the ever-growing number of youngsters exploring Tripp Lake for the first time. As they swim and splash, I cannot help but reflect on the importance of this vital phase in my own life.

The more obvious manifestation of this idea presents itself in the principles of camp life on the whole. Some of us started off here as infants, taking first steps and speaking first words in front of an audience of counselors and campers and utilized the fields, the lake and all other aspects of camp as a playground. Others began as children who being apart from their parents, many for the first time, sought comfort in older campers and counselors and of course Buff, learning that family was not necessarily only those we're actually related to. Then there are those, who like myself, came to camp in our formative pre-teen years. We arrived thinking we knew it all and had nothing to learn about life or ourselves and left with an entirely new sense of who we were and yearned to return to continue discovering. However, regardless of the age in which we started our lives at camp, all campers have one thing in common: though we may be raised by families at home for most of the year, we've also all been raised together by this village that we share summer after summer. Side by side we test ourselves both physically and mentally as we take on challenges like the tower and the lake knowing that, here, at this place, we will be praised not only when we accomplish our goals but will also be supported at the bottom for the times when we may slip or doubt ourselves. This is our village, our family, and here we know that at every turn we will find someone with a hand ready for a high five or to pick us up and brush off the grass stains.

As I continue to reflect on this idea it occurred to me that this principle is not limited to how camp affects us as children because some of our most integral members started long after their middle school and high school years. These are the ones who prove that we don't ever really truly figure ourselves out, but instead take chances and greet challenges in order to get one step closer. As a staff we aren't just here as surrogate brothers and sisters to our campers, but to each other as well. While it may hold true that as children we are most impressionable, we never stop molding ourselves into who we want to become. Maybe the phrase should read "It takes a village to raise its villagers" because I know for a fact that I have been equally affected in my growing up by those I've known and met in the past eight years and those I've only spent the past two weeks with. Regardless of age or years, as a village we come together, to live, to play, and to exist not just as separate individuals with one thing in common, but as members of something far bigger than ourselves. That is truly what this place is, something larger than physical space, it's something that penetrates our souls, and ties us together so that when leave, we know that we can always come home.

