



THE KNOLL NEWS

William Lawrence Camp
95th Season 1913-2007

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President's Message: Plain and simple, this past summer at William Lawrence Camp was a GREAT season. The boys had an excellent time and Camp Spirit remained at its highest level. Many parents of our campers have informed me that this year's camp experience met or exceeded all of their expectations. Much appreciation must be given to Director Nat Crane and all of the William Lawrence Camp staff for their hard work, dedication and commitment to Camp. All of us have no other goal than to continue to provide great Camp experiences for the boys each summer and we look forward to seeing many returning, and new, campers on the Knoll next year.

Charlie Cleary, President

Director's Message: Unexpectedly strong enrollment and a great staff made the 2006 season a wonderful success. Spirit was high, all seemed to enjoy themselves and I am sure our campers had a truly valuable experience.

It was very satisfying to see so many campers and staff who have been with the camp for many, many years. There were six members of staff who have been with camp for over ten years and many who have been with us for eight or nine years. This loyalty and the friendships that develop are what make WLC such a special place and are so important to our success.

With an eye toward our 100 anniversary in six years, the camp has outlined a long range plan that calls for a number of programmatic and physical improvements. As part of this plan, we have already re-roofed the dining hall, re-surfaced the Knoll basketball court and will be finishing the expansion of the counselors quarters in the cabins before next season. When all of our goals are met, camp will be well positioned for its next century.

Thank you for your support of William Lawrence Camp. We look forward to your continued involvement and commitment to the success of this fine institution.

Nathaniel S. Crane, Director

**William Lawrence Camp
2005-2006 Annual Fund Wrap-Up (ended 09/30/2006)**

Gifts not previously acknowledged:

Copp Knoll Society \$1,000 and over

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Sponsor \$250 - \$499

Jamie Clark and Family
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Peter S. Smith ('49-'51)

Other Contributions

Bruce and Sarah Barton ('80s – current)
Charles and Rebecca Cleary ('70s – current)
Gail W. Jessup ('70s – current)
Jennifer P. Goodyear in memory of Stanley H.
Palmer
Peter and Diane Smith
Orrin G. Wood, Jr

Note: Years listed after names are approximate years of personal or family attendance at camp. Under-lined names indicate membership in Braves. This also applies below in "Alumni Notes."

ALL contributions, great and small, are appreciated and important to us. If we have made an error of omission or in listing, please contact the Camp office so that we may make a correction. Thanks to the many of you who leave gifts in kind for the Camp..., magazines, household items, pictures, etc. And a special thank you to the many parents who generously donate the balance of their son's personal accounts to our Scholarship Fund at the conclusion of each session.

We had a change in Office Managers at the beginning of this year..., a very traumatic event for us. If you did not receive a receipt and acknowledgement from us for your gift, and you wish one, please contact Ann Bullitt, our new and very conscientious Office Manager, and we'll get one right out to you. Thank you for your understanding.

Finally, our 2006-2007 Annual Fund solicitation was mailed October 9th from Center Tuftonboro. If you didn't receive yours and are considering a gift, please call Anne at the Camp, and we'll get one right out to you or visit the Charitable Giving page of our website at www.wlcamp.org/charity.htm.

William Lawrence Camp, Inc is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) charitable corporation, and all gifts to the Camp are tax-deductible as allowed by law. Please be as generous as you can.

Bob Dorland



Website: Please check the Missing Alumni page frequently and let us know if you know where some of these people are. We continue to pick up alums who find us on a Google search.

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Future Communications: If you do not wish to receive future communications from us, we understand. Please contact us by e-mail, snail-mail, fax or phone with your request, and we shall comply.

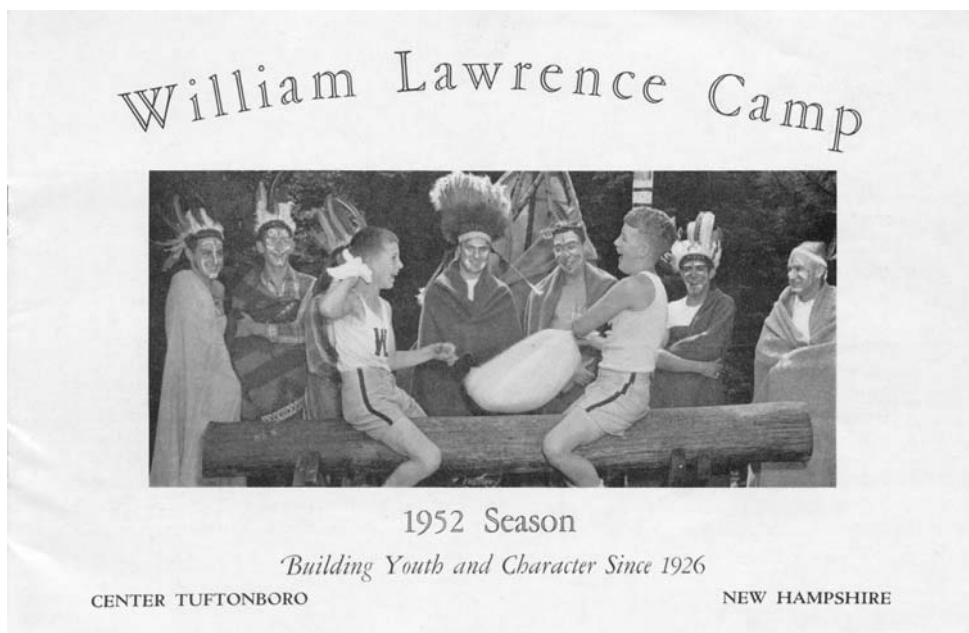
Calendar:

December 24	Christmas Eve - don't forget to light your candle and let the William Lawrence Camp Spirit shine throughout the land!
January 5	Reunion, Burr School, Burr School, Auburndale, MA
January 7	Reunion in Darien CT (Date is tentative)
May 6	Service Day, WLC, Center Tuftonboro, NH
May 26 and 27	Open House, WLC, Center Tuftonboro, NH
June 24	OPENING DAY , WLC, Center Tuftonboro, NH
August 12	CLOSING DAY , WLC, Center Tuftonboro, NH
August 14-19	Family Camp, WLC, Center Tuftonboro, NH

See the 'Calendar' page on the website at www.wlcamp.org/calendar.htm for more details and the latest information along with viewable/downloadable informational pieces.

95th Anniversary Reunion in 2007: That's correct..., 95 years young in 2007, and we're planning a celebration at Camp on Saturday and Sunday, September 1st and 2nd. Carol Pratt Zimmerman is heading up the Reunion effort and would love to hear from you on your ideas about what we should do. You can contact Carol by e-mail at campwl@hotmail.com.

Our **100th Anniversary** is only 6 years away, and this milestone event is closer than you think. We'd like to make the **100th** really, really special. Send Carol your ideas.



From the 1952 Brochure:
 “Building Youth and
 Character Since 1926”

Want to make a kid’s summer wonderful? Suggest William Lawrence Camp. Give us a call, we’d be happy to send brochures and a DVD about Camp. We can even meet with them or put them in touch with current campers and families.

Alumni Notes

'30s

William P. Bartlett has been sharing his memories of some former campers with us. Even though some of the information is not recent, it was new to us. Mr. Bartlett recalled his good friend Ralph Scherer. In 1939 they were camper-aids together and were on the rifle team, along with Win Turner, John Winch, Bill Martens and John Spencer. Mr. Bartlett was in charge of all the gas and kerosene lamps, plus being Mrs. Lincoln's cabin boy.

Tom Kay (staff 1932-34) has passed away. He was a member of the 1933 Class at Mount Hermon School, and Mr. Bartlett used to see him at reunions. Mr. Bartlett has not seen him in several years. He was a graduate of Yale, approx. 1937. He was the head of the water front at WLC.

'40s

Dana E. Shattuck (1948-1953) passed away in August 2004.

'50s

Craig Curtis recalled his days on the rifle team under the guidance of Alan Harding and Roy Henderson, and enjoys hearing about the matches with Fleur de Lis.

Tom Lever recently stopped by the camp with his wife. He recalled tying FDL in a rifle match when he was at WLC under Rifle coach Mr. Henderson. Tom lives in Vermont.

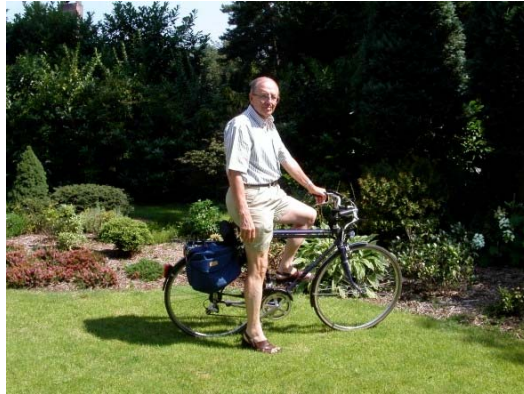
'60s

Peter Smith e-mailed us that after camp he went to college with **Les Brown** at Northeastern University and they both graduated with civil engineering degrees in 1973. Peter and his wife Dianne have been friends of Rick and Donna Brown for a long time. It's funny to look back now, but he says he went to

camp the first time kicking and screaming as he had no interest, but ended up asking to stay the whole summer and spent many summers returning. It was a great experience.

Bob Dorland dropped us a note after stopping by. He was glad to see camp was still in such great shape.

Bob Steel says that he enjoys reading the Knoll News off the web site from his home in the Flanders Region of Belgium. He's pleased to see that the spirit at camp has remained high and he enjoys reading about the preparations for the upcoming camp season. That's Bob in the picture below.



Jonathan Engram is sad to report that his brother **Tom Engram** passed away in August 2006 at the age of 56. Tom died of natural causes at his home in Maryland. Tom had been Program Coordinator at the University of Maryland for the English Department's Freshman Writing Program. Tom is survived by two brothers, Jonathan of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and **Stephen Engram** of Hollywood, Florida, as well as four nephews and a niece. Jonathan noted that both he and Tom had fond memories of WLC, and that in going through Tom's personal effects, he found Tom's Braves patch [1966].

'80s

Clint Chase reports that he now lives in Maine. He has an 18 month old and teaches boatbuilding to kids in Portland Maine and just graduated a year at the Landing School of Boatbuilding and design after 4 years teaching science in a high school without satisfaction. He hopes to send his son Oliver to WLC in a couple of years.

Bill McCabe and his wife Jen are proud to announce the birth of their son Bobby. We hope to see him on the knoll soon. (Below left)



Tom Kopff and his wife Lisa are proud to announce the birth of their third child, Katherine Elaine Kopff. This is the first grand-daughter for Tom's parents Fred and **Linda Kopff**. Linda is a former WLC board member. (Above Right – Tom with Katherine, Tyler and Carson)

Pat Rae recently contacted us. He lives in the area of Buffalo, NY hit hard by the October snow storm. He was left with 18 inches of snow, several downed trees and no power. Then as if the lack of heat and need to get a chainsaw to get out of his driveway weren't enough, when the snow began to melt he ended up with close to 2 feet of water in his basement, with no way to pump it out.

Will Yankus was married in San Francisco, Ca. on July 15, 2006 to Rachel Monday. The wedding was officiated by **Sean Haughey**. Also present were **Phil Page**, **Brad Yankus**, and **Alec Yankus**. (Below L to R: Alec, Sean, Phil, Will and Brad.)

John Geraghty wrote that he's living in New Jersey, with 3 kids, two of them boys.



'90s

David Paige fondly remembers **Pat Rae** taking his GameBoy away until David got a 97 on a ten-bull (as a 13 yr-old). He forced Pat to give it back by making the 97. Pat still wouldn't let him play it until he got a 100, but Pat did make him the youngest camper on the 15 and under team. David also recalls a tough match against our sister camp, but a great dance. David is now a chef, and credits his time in the Dining Hall kitchen and his time with **Art Makechnie** for inspiring his career.

We received a report that **Bailey Math** has received his B.A. in Music from Bennington College and is heading to New York City. Congratulations Bailey.

'00s

Eric Hellenen sent us the picture (above next to the Yankus wedding picture) from the Dominican Republic.

By the way ... Did you enjoy reading about old friends above? Well guess what, they'd like to read about you. Drop us a line and let us know what you have been up to. Send us a picture so we can include it in the alumni notes, whether you're an older alum, or even a recent one. Have you worn your William Lawrence gear in an exotic location? Take a picture and send it in. We'd love to see it.

Was it really that long ago? ... **YES**

Some of the campers from:		
10 years ago (1996)	20 years ago (1986)	30 years ago (1976)
Geoff Cantin	Barry Cowgill	Peter Evans
James Carter	Peter Crellin	George Finlay
Andre Chan	David Crockett	John Finlay
Michael Choi	Jonathan DeLima	Frederick Fowler
Tristan Clapp	Brendan Devlin	Stephen Galloway
Miles Clerkin	Jon Dodson	Stephen Golledge
Josh Colonero	Matt Dodson	Andrew Griffin
Nathan Conley	Matt Donahue	Scott Griggs
Andy Coombs	Craig Drollett	Edward Halloran
Jeff Coombs	Martin Dunleavy	David Haycock
Kevin Coughlin	Andrew Enright	Edward Hegerich
Mike Coutts	Ian Epright	Michael Hegerich
Nate Cox	Neil Erickson	Steven Hegerich
Jake Cram	Stuart Everley	John Holtrop
Vinnie Cullen	Bobby Fairchild	Paul Holtrop
James Cutler	Trey Faulkner	Mark Horan
Matthew D'Ella	Damon Ferrante	Thomas Hughes
Matt Dallos	Andrew Firestone	Thomas Hunter
Brendan Dane	Brandy Fish	William Hunter
Joe Dean	Adam Frawley	Jonathan Joslin

WLC fun: You might want to try the following:

- ❖ You might want to try out “Google Earth” – it’s fun and free. Download the software and find your house. Check out: earth.google.com, and click on “downloads” and “Google Earth” if your interested.
- ❖ Finally, as a tribute to Grinder (right - 1980), the best joke time sponsor in the history of WLC: Did you hear about the Belnap alum who was fired as an inspector at the M & M factory? He kept throwing away all the “W”s.



Old Rifle Range





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