

THE WENONAH Warbler



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Jeff's Jottings!



It's been another great year for all of us associated with Camp Wenonah and we're pleased to share with you some wonderful moments from the 2008 season as well as a look ahead to 2009.

Our 2008 Wenonah Management Team members (*Caron Brick, Mike Stewart, Josh Bradshaw, Simon Wells and Renata Bradshaw*) are to be congratulated for another terrific year for Camp Wenonah, our popular Women's Weekend programs and The Camp Wenonah Centre for Outdoor Education. We are also thankful for the great leadership from our Period Five Director, Jason Monteith.

We also want to recognize Melissa McKenzie Wells, Jocelyn Butler and Craig Mitchell who led the way for another year of growth at the Shikoku Canadian Global Camp in Takamatsu, Japan. 2008 marked the 8th season of SCGC and we continue to be thankful for this remarkable partnership that allows children in Japan to enjoy the Wenonah program and experience.

Inside this edition of the Warbler:

- 2008 Completed Site, Facility and Program Initiatives (and a look ahead to 2009!)
- Find out who received Five Year and Ten Year Camper Awards.
- 10 Year Staff Awards are presented to Barb Janicek and Shannon Wilson.
- Read about the life of Scott Young and the enduring legacy of The Scott Young Foundation.
- Catch-up with some familiar Wenonah names.
- 2008 Schaefer Scholarships are awarded to Lindsay Babcock, Josh Bradshaw, Shannon "Max" Murray and Sam Wood.
- 2008 Simon Wells First Year Staff Leadership Awards are presented to Miriam Heavenrich and Rory Poole.
- Results from a thrilling 2008 Wenonah Games season.
- The 2009 Wenonah Foundation Golf Classic honours Caron & Mike Brick.
- We offer thanks to the many recent Wenonah Foundation donors.
- And, much, much more!

On behalf of my family (*Renata, Sydney, Madison, Chelsea & Bugsy*), our Associate Directors (*Caron, Stevy, Simon, Josh, Liz & Jason*), our staff and the entire Wenonah community, our very best wishes for a happy and healthy 2009!

See you at Camp!

Jeff Bradshaw
Owner / Senior Director
Camp Wenonah



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In 2008, four Wenonah staff members who displayed exemplary leadership and provided others with positive examples were honoured with Schaefer Scholarships:

LINDSAY BABCOCK
- 2008 Schaefer Scholarship Recipient



There are very few people still involved in life at Wenonah who have seen Camp grow as much as Lindsay. As Camp has grown up, so has Lindsay Babcock.

Referred to Camp by their cousin Mat Wohlgenut, Lindsay and her brother Cameron first attended Wenonah in 1997. Lindsay's enthusiasm and love for Camp quickly became her calling

card. As a camper, POLARIS, and WCIT participant Lindsay has "seen it all" at Wenonah. It seemed only natural that she would join the Wenonah staff team, which she did in 2005. Since becoming a staff member, Lindsay has touched countless lives. She spent one summer as a Resource Staff member, and two summers working as a Girls' Camp counsellor. Many of her campers look back fondly on Lindsay's compassion and friendship as a counsellor. She has also contributed to the Outdoor Centre as both a Program Specialist and Group Coordinator. Ever humble and unassuming, Lindsay was genuinely surprised, though enthusiastic, when asked to lend her leadership as a POLARIS trip leader in 2007.

That canoe trip piqued Lindsay's interest to become a POLARIS Director, which she did this past summer. Her many contributions in that role cannot be understated. Lindsay proved to be an organized, committed, and positive leader. The legacy of her hard work and devotion to the program will be felt at Wenonah for years to come.

We are thrilled that Lindsay returns to Wenonah in 2009 for yet another summer, this time as Leadership Director. Lindsay is completing her third year at Queen's University, where she is majoring in History.

JOSH BRADSHAW
- 2008 Schaefer Scholarship Recipient



Oftentimes we find ourselves thinking of Camp as a "family". Whether over the course of one summer or several summers, we grow so close to our friends and counsellors that we can't help but think of them as being part of our family. Those relationships are part of what makes Camp so special for so many.

Josh's family connections to Camp are obvious. Brother to Jeff, Jon (and Mike) and brother-in-law to Renata, uncle to Sydney, Madison and Chelsea, and now

SCHAEFER SCHOLARSHIPS

Since its inception, Camp Wenonah has been nurtured by a large number of people who have worked passionately towards providing the very best in program, leadership, service and facility. Two individuals who have contributed greatly to Wenonah are Jeff's parents, Patricia & Bruce Schaefer.

52 years ago, Pat founded the Burlington Dance Academy in Burlington, Ontario and until her recent retirement, was the Director of one of the most acclaimed schools of dance in Canada. Bruce spent most of his career with Valley City Manufacturing in Dundas, Ontario where he rose to be Vice President of the company. Over the years, Pat and Bruce have provided sage advice and counsel and have demonstrated their commitment to Wenonah in many practical and meaningful ways. In 1998, Pat made available the space for Wenonah's Main Office on Commerce Court in Burlington and redesigned the office for the use of the full-time administrative staff. Bruce travelled to Camp for many years and undertook the task of building new bunks throughout Camp. Pat and Bruce's ongoing devotion to Wenonah has inspirational.

To honour their significant contributions to Wenonah, the Schaefer Scholarships were created and awarded for the first time in 2003 to Maia Kurzawinski and Brendan Beamish. In 2004, Lorraine Sugar, Will Stratton and Jon Woolley were honoured followed by John Hollingshead, Pam Sidey and Mike Stewart in 2005. A further four staff members were recognized in 2006 including Kaleigh Fendley, Matty McEvoy, Jenn McKye and Jesse Sit while 2007 saw Scholarships presented to Matt Burke, Andrew Cohrs, Marie Eve L'Anglais and Craig Mitchell.

A \$1,000 prize accompanies each Scholarship. There is a plaque in the Main Lodge at Camp honouring each Schaefer Scholarship recipient.

husband to Maia, Josh's family connections at Camp run deep. While these relationships at Camp are special, his contributions to the greater Camp community are what make Josh stand out.

Josh has been a role model to countless campers and staff members since he first worked at Camp in 2003. He has held a number of roles with both the Summer Camp and Outdoor Centre programs. Josh has worked as a counsellor, Business Manager, and most recently as Boys' Section Director for two summers. He has also held numerous roles with the Outdoor Centre including Program Specialist, Group Coordinator, and Operations Director.

Josh's dedication to the Wenonah experience is unquestioned. His enthusiasm for his job and his genuine compassion for the well-being of everyone at Camp mean that Josh's impact cannot be measured. Whether through a quiet word with a camper or encouragement to a cabin group, Josh's mentorship is appreciated by a great many at Wenonah. Beginning in December 2007, Josh assumed a 10-month full-time role with Wenonah. Josh was responsible for many of the site and facility projects that were completed prior to the 2008 season, and he was also a familiar face to many new campers he met at several Camp Fairs during the winter.

A graduate from the University of Maine in Business Administration and Communication, Josh is looking forward to continuing his studies in Ontario where he hopes to become a teacher. In the meantime, Josh continues to make contributions to the Camp community as a computer program representative with the CampBrain software company.

SHANNON MURRAY

- 2008 Schaefer Scholarship Recipient



Since her first year as a Wenonah camper in 2001, Shannon's cheery demeanour has brightened the Camp experience for so many campers and staff. Shannon is a former camper, POLARIS, and WCIT at Wenonah. She joined the staff team in 2004. Known to all in the Camp community as "Max", Shannon has held a number of significant roles

at Wenonah. Beginning as a Resource Staff member, she transitioned into a strong Girls' Camp Counsellor for two years. Max directed the POLARIS program for one summer, and assumed her biggest leadership role yet as Girls' Section Director in 2008. Max has also leant her leadership to the Outdoor Centre as a Program Specialist.

Max's leadership can best be described as "dedicated". She has dedicated so much energy, enthusiasm, and positivity to the Camp experience. Her sincere interest in the well-being of her campers helped create a Camp experience for numerous girls that won't soon be forgotten. Max never failed to take a moment with a camper in need, and made a considerable difference to so many children at Wenonah.

As Girls' Section Director, Max was a leader not just to the campers at Wenonah but also to the staff team. She worked hard to ensure the smallest details were covered for a given program, and cared so deeply about the success of all those who she works with. Max is looked upon as a mentor and role model, and takes her responsibilities as such seriously. To many at Camp, Max's compassion for others is admired with wonder. Her impact on the Wenonah experience is significant.

Max is currently enrolled at the University of Western Ontario, where she is studying psychology and nursing. Her commitment to school won't allow her to return to Wenonah in 2009, though she'll remain an important part of our community for years to come.

SAM WOOD

- 2008 Schaefer Scholarship Recipient



While Sam was not a camper at Wenonah, she never missed a beat understanding the importance of the Camp experience to all Wenonah campers. From her first day as a staff member, Sam has shown a laudable commitment to Camp, and has passed on that commitment to many of her campers and peers in the years since.

A former camper at Camp Tanamakoon, Sam first joined the Wenonah staff team as a counsellor in 2004. She has since been responsible for Special Projects, and was a highly-regarded POLARIS Director. Sam has worked both the Spring and Fall seasons for the Outdoor Centre. This past summer, Sam took on her greatest challenge yet as Outtripping Director.

As many families will recall, Wenonah's renewed commitment to outtripping was a significant development leading into the 2008 season. The new outtrip program saw any camper staying for a minimum of two weeks participate in an overnight canoe trip; campers staying for a month or longer had the option of taking part in a longer canoe trip. This initiative required an organized and mature staff member to facilitate, and Sam was the perfect candidate.

We now look back at the trips from the past summer and recognize what a success the reintroduction of this program was. Such successes would not be possible were it not for Sam's dedicated efforts. From the moment she was approached to take on this significant task, Sam has handled her responsibilities with a great deal of grace and hard work. Sam built the outtripping program from the ground up. She shared her passion for tripping with campers and staff members alike, and created a renewed interest for canoe trips at Wenonah. Many campers pointed to their canoe trip experience as a highlight of their summer, and this was a testament to Sam's work.

Sam is continuing her education at Algonquin College in Ottawa, where she is working towards a diploma in Massage Therapy.



SIMON WELLS FIRST YEAR STAFF LEADERSHIP AWARD

Simon Wells, over the past 12 seasons, has contributed immeasurably to life at Wenonah. While a fulltime staff member, he influenced a

great many others through his example of dedicated service and commitment. Simon has also played the central role in evolving our Outdoor Education Centre to a point where we now welcome thousands of schoolchildren each year during Spring and Fall. And, Simon has been responsible for the ongoing development and maintenance of our site and facilities and has overseen significant expansion and enhancement over the past ten years. Everywhere we look around Camp, we can see examples of Simon's vision and talents.

The Simon Wells First Year Staff Leadership Award is presented annually to a male and a female first year staff member and acknowledges the significant contributions that Simon has made.

Each recipient receives a personal plaque plus a cash award of \$500. As well, there is now a permanent plaque in the Lodge highlighting the award recipients.



MIRIAM HEAVENRICH

As a camper, POLARIS, and WCIT we always knew that Miriam was a conscientious and caring member of the Wenonah community. It wasn't until she joined the staff team that we came to realize what an impact these characteristics would have on a great many campers.

In 2008, Miriam spent her first full summer as a staff member at Wenonah.

A former Period Five counsellor, Miriam brought a perfect mix of sensibility and compassion to her job as a Junior Counselling Staff member. Her quiet and steady leadership became her hallmark. Her sincerity and care for her campers will be her legacy.

There are some staff members who go about their work at Camp with a natural ease. Sometimes, it is easy for their hard work to go unnoticed. It was important for us to acknowledge that Miriam's efforts most certainly were noticed, both by campers and by her peers. She made such a difference to the Camp experience for her campers. She was looked upon with great admiration by those same campers. Miriam emerged as a mentor, teacher, and friend to many in the Camp community.

A graduate of Leaside High School in Toronto, Miriam is in her first year at Queen's University. We are thrilled that Miriam will return to Wenonah in 2009 as a Girls' Camp Counsellor.



RORY POOLE

There is a photo from the last morning of Summer Camp that stands out among the thousands taken each year.

Snapped on a beautiful late August morning as the final Goodbye Circle wraps up, this photo captures a young camper sitting in the lap of the staff member he clearly adores. That staff member is Rory Poole, and that photo sums up Rory's great success at Camp

this past summer.

Rory held two roles at Wenonah in 2008. For one month, he worked as a member of the Operations Staff team, and for another month was a member of the Junior Program Staff. In both of these roles, Rory approached his responsibilities with a dedication and commitment that was greatly admired.

Rory is a thoughtful staff member. He never fails to think through his actions, and to consider the best interests of his campers and the Camp. Though never the loudest in the group, Rory's approach to his job does speak louder than words. Quite simply, Rory cares deeply about bringing out the best in those around him. He works hard to make his campers comfortable and to inspire in them the same love for Camp that he has.

Rory is a graduate of Ridley College in St. Catharines, and is completing his first year of studies at Queen's University. We are excited that Rory will return to Wenonah in 2009 as a Boy's Camp Counsellor.

WENONAH GAMES 2008: EXTRAORDINARY!

Wenonah Games is the much-anticipated final week program each month during Summer Camp. Campers and staff belong to one of three Houses (*Aki, Dawaa, Zibbins*) which is a lifetime association and includes other siblings and relatives.

Over five days, the Wenonah community engages in hundreds of events ranging from Sandcastle Building to Triathlons and from Sailing Regattas to Sock Puppet Theatre.

A House is crowned the victor of each month at Camp. At the end of August, following the announcement of the August Camp winners, the Wenonah Games Challenge Cup is presented to the House with the most combined points over the Summer.

In July 2008, Dawaa was victorious with a slim lead over Zibbins while Aki had a convincing win during August Camp.

When the scores were added together for the final Challenge Cup standings, we couldn't believe it! After accumulating a combined 17,000 points during both months, the final standings were:

Dawaa 5,890

Aki & Zibbins 5,885

Remarkable! Often the standings each month are close between two of the teams with the odd three way battle but we've never seen (*nor could have imagined!*) anything like this!

In the 10 year history of the Challenge Cup, Dawaa has now taken the Cup four years with Aki and Zibbins victorious in three seasons each.

We can't wait for the 2009 Wenonah Games season!



CANADA CAMPS TOUR

A traditional lead-in to the International Camping Congress (ICC) is a tour of camps in the host country. As the 8th ICC was held in Quebec City in early October, a tour of Canada was an event that many international delegates were eagerly anticipating.

Associate Director Mike Stewart took on the task of Coordinator of this "Canada Camps Tour". Hosting such a journey in Canada posed a unique challenge, given the sheer size of the country and the hundreds of excellent Canadian camps that could be visited. Camping colleagues from across the country, including Wenonah alumni staff Brandon McClounie in British Columbia, helped plan the ambitious tour. The result was a three-week long journey across Canada, unlike any camps tour that had previously been organized.

The Canada Camps Tour included 32 delegates from Australia, Japan, Greece, Turkey, the United States, and Canada. During the various stages of the Tour, participants toured camps and other cultural landmarks in British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario, and Quebec. Participants even spent three days travelling from BC to Alberta aboard the famous Rocky Mountaineer train!

We were proud to host delegates for an afternoon presentation and tour at Wenonah in late September. The bright colours of an autumn day in Muskoka delighted the visitors, as did Wenonah's unique site and comprehensive program. Delegates were treated to dinner in the Lodge, and the warm hospitality of the Wenonah Outdoor Centre team.

The entire Canada Camps Tour proved to be a great success. Tour participants were struck by the beauty of Canada, and the diverse camp programs that are offered to children and youth across the country. For Camp Wenonah, it proved to be a tremendous experience for us to share in such an incredible event with our camping friends from around the world.



Jeff joins Australian Camp Directors in Whistler, BC in September, 2008.

INTERNATIONAL CAMPING CONGRESS

In our increasingly globalized world, it should be no surprise that the camping community has grown as a worldwide movement. In Canada it is easy for us to think of "Camp" as a place nestled in the forest on the rocky shores of a lake, while not giving much thought to the idea that children around the world are thriving in similar programs but in very different settings. Millions of children enjoy outdoor activities in nurturing environments, and share one significant thing in common: Camp.

Every three or four years, professionals with a passion for camp gather to teach and learn with each other. These International Camping Congresses have developed into "must attend" events for those in the camp community. Each Congress features its own unique blend of education, culture, and entertainment.

The 8th International Camping Congress (ICC) was held in early October 2008 in Quebec City, becoming the second Canadian city to host this gathering. Past Congresses have been held in Washington D.C., St. Petersburg (Russia), Tokyo, Melbourne (Australia), Mexico City and Toronto (twice). Hosted by the Canadian Camping Association/Association des camps du Canada in partnership with the Association des camps du Quebec, the Congress attracted over 650 delegates from around the world.

Wenonah offered current and alumni staff members the opportunity to attend the ICC with many registering as delegates and funding their trips to Quebec City to participate in this great event. No one left disappointed.

The Wenonah contingent included Jeff, Renata and Sydney Bradshaw, Pat & Bruce Schaefer, Caron Brick, Mike Stewart, Josh Bradshaw, Jeff "Willy" Willis, Dann Macias, Jan Vieth, Pam Sidey, Julia Stephenson, Lindsay Babcock, Steve LeMesurier, Andy Mager, Matt Henderson, Sam Perlmutter, Andrew Cohrs, Tanya Springer, Will Stratton, Laura Faulds, Christy Faulds, Mike Butler, Dan Sadler, Jeff Blair, Catherine Mercier-Linteau, Marie Eve L'Anglais, Amanda Verheyen and Dr. Troy Glover.

The ICC was held in the heart of Quebec City, at the state-of-the-art International Congress Centre. The location of the Congress allowed delegates to easily explore the Old City of Quebec. A pre-Congress tour of Quebec City was memorable for the Wenonah delegates, as they visited many historic sites including the Plains of Abraham, National Assembly, and port.

The Congress opened on a high note (literally!) with a stunning performance by the renowned McGill Conservatory Youth Choir. The Choir's fantastic show set the tone for several musical performances that followed over the next few days, including a reunion of Jack Pearse and the original Boys' Camp Band (two of the members hosted the 1980s television show *Camp Cariboo*), a dance performance by International Dance Troop Mackinaw, and acclaimed Canadian independent



musician Peter Katz (who debuted a wonderful tune called "The Camp Song").

Delegates also enjoyed keynote addresses from Georges Brassard (subject of the 2004 film *The Blue Butterfly*, starring William Hurt), Gaetan Morency (Cirque du Soleil), and a speech from Michelle Courchesne (Quebec Minister of Education, Recreation, and Sports). For one day, delegates were invited to share workshops and an evening at the Museum of Civilization with attendees from the World Leisure Congress. A "Night on the Town" rounded out the ICC program and gave delegates an opportunity to experience some cultural highlights in and around Quebec City; Wenonah delegates enjoyed a dinner cruise on the Saint Lawrence River that evening.

Wenonah Senior Director Jeff Bradshaw played a significant role over several years in planning the 8th International Camping Congress, and as President of the national camping association in Canada, formally acted as Canadian Camping Association liaison to the ICC Organizing Committee. Associate Director Mike Stewart and 2008 Boys' Section Director Andrew Cohrs along with Jeff presented workshops to delegates, as did alumni staff Jeff "Willy" Willis, Jan Vieth and Dr. Troy Glover. Associate Director Renata Bradshaw hosted delegates at an international craft table throughout the Congress.

It seems too often that we focus on our differences and disagreements with each other, and perhaps don't make the effort to find significant things and interests that we share. To those who are passionate about Camp, the International Camping Congress was an enriching experience shared with likeminded friends and colleagues from around the world. Whether on the shores of Clear Lake in Muskoka or a remote site half a world away, we can all smile knowing that shared passion will shine through as we continue to work somewhere that we all love: Camp.



OUTDOOR CENTRE

The four-month Outdoor Centre season was a great success in 2008! After rethinking and redesigning our program during the off-season, we were very pleased with the results when we welcomed our first school groups in early May. Among the significant program additions introduced were new canoe trip and hiking trip options, Wenonah Games Olympic-themed programs, and increased environmental science programming. We're looking forward to launching even more new programs for the 2009 season!

It is a thrill to welcome a mix of long-time and new schools to Wenonah each year. As one teacher wrote to us, "This was a great year ... again. The staff was high-spirited helping pump up the kids."

Many thanks to those groups that joined us at Wenonah in 2008:

Aldergrove Public School (Unionville)
Ancaster Senior Public School (Ancaster)
Balaclava Public School (Carlisle)
Centennial Public School (North Bay)
Dougall Avenue Public School (Windsor)
Dr. S.J. Phillips Public School (Oshawa)
Ecole Elementaire Antonine Maillet (Oshawa)
Front of Yonge School (Mallorytown)
Halton Waldorf School
 – Spring & Fall trips (Burlington)
Hillfield Strathallan College
 – Grade 8 (Hamilton)
Hillfield Strathallan College
 – Grade 9 (Hamilton)
Iroquois Public School (Iroquois)
JR Nakogee School (Attawapiskat)
Kempenfelt Bay School (Barrie)
Killarney Beach Public School (Lefroy)
M T Davidson Public School (Callander)
Orchard Park Public School (Niagara Falls)
People's Christian Academy (Richmond Hill)
Queen Elizabeth Public School
 (Leamington)
Raiders Cheerleading (Richmond Hill)
Randall Public School (Markham)
Silver Birches Public School (North Bay)
St. Catherine of Sienna School (Barrie)
St. Nicholas School (Barrie)
Stratford Montessori School (Stratford)
Whitchurch Highlands Public School
 (Stouffville)
Wismer Public School (Markham)

We can't say enough about those who worked with us during our Spring and Fall Outdoor Centre seasons. Thanks to our Operations Directors Matt Burke (Spring) and Josh Bradshaw (Fall), and to Jenn McKye (Office Director) and Matt Sirek (Operations Coordinator) for their support with the Outdoor Centre. Our Group Coordinators took on significant roles leading group visits throughout the Spring and Fall; thanks to Lindsay Babcock, Josh Bradshaw, Andrew Cohrs, Kaleigh Fendley, Steph Ferguson, Diego Uribe Rios, and Sam Wood. Last but certainly not least, thank you to our Program Specialists for their dedication and enthusiasm: Katie Antilla, Sophie Brauer, Katie Gurski, Matt Henderson, Stephen LeMesurier, Sarah Morse, Sam Perlmutter, Emma Pickard, Cam Rowlands, Julia Stephenson, and Kristy Upchurch.



2008: A YEAR OF GROWTH



hat a busy year!

We were delighted to accomplish a significant number of site and facility projects as well as introduce several program and service initiatives including:

- Barb's Place was built in the Spring of 2008. Named for long-time staff member Barb Janicek (*with Barb herself present for the official opening in June*) this multi-purpose facility is the new home of the WCIT program. The building includes a large indoor teaching facility, office space for leadership and program directors and an external deck with a great view of the centre of Camp.
- After much planning and preparation, Wenonah was pleased to unveil a dramatic landscaping initiative which included a fresh appearance for a number of areas around Camp including the front of the Office, tennis courts, the Lodge, Health Centre, Girls Section Campfire and Driftwood.
- The back of the Lodge was remodelled with a new loading dock while inside, another convection oven was purchased along with a new grill, oven and professional mixer.
- Our newly revamped tripping program was launched with terrific reviews from campers and staff alike.
- The new Main Office was unveiled (*formerly Tamarack*) with the old office space rechristened as the General Store and with a large wrap-around deck providing a great welcoming and gathering space.
- The Wenonah General Store opened for the first time during the 2008 season with a wide variety of clothing, toiletries and souvenir items.



2009: A LOOK AHEAD...



We continue to look at ways to enhance the experience for everyone at Wenonah. Projects and initiatives underway for the 2009 season include:

- Two new tabins in Leadership Village.
- Additional benches at the Main Campfire.
- Enlarged shower facilities in Girls Camp.
- A walk-in freezer added on the Main Lodge.
- A dramatic addition on the Main Lodge (*with a screened-in porch and new Outtripping Centre scheduled for completion in late Fall 2009*).
- The General Store inventory increased to include food and beverage items.
- Additional canoe racks on Saw Lake for overnight programs.
- Dramatically revamped Womens Weekend program.
- A new Executive Chef cabin built in Cookstown.

And lots more!



5 YEAR CAMPER AWARDS



Once again, a large group of campers celebrated their fifth year at Wenonah during the 2008 camping season.

We were pleased to honour the following campers with their awards (*engraved mini paddles*) at presentations over the Summer:

Dalton Abbott	Katie Lonsdale
Rachel Abram	Adam Loveland
Tasha Addo	Andrew Loveland
Emmanuel Amponsah	Kathryn MacDonald
Rhoda Amponsah	Jessica McCutcheon
Jack Arfin	Mark McCutcheon
Stefanie Bieberstein	Evan McIntyre
Peter Boivin	Chris Miles
William Bradbeer	Gavin Moore
Madison Bradshaw	Beth Morris
Paolo Brindley-Pantalone	Malcolm Morris
Matthew Bureau	Keira Page-Davis
Niki Burke	Catherine Parry
Andrew Case	Alex Paynter
Thomas Cavanagh	Jade Ponce-Ha
Douglas Cousins	Megan Rippin
Jamie Craig	Erin Roach
Aidan Crump	Alexander Ross
Hannah Domsy	Breanna Rowe
Claire Doucette	Nic Rowe
Gillian Dunlop	Matthew Schafler
Dominic Faoro	Nicole Schroder
Jessica Florence	Amanda Schutz
Samantha Florence	Arielle Skolnik
Tiffany Fraser	Graham Steele
Rhiana Gerow	Emily Stein
Aaron Goodbaum	Ben Waite
Hilary Goss	Chantell Washington
Melanie Gouda	Peter Webster
Stuart Graham	Nicholas White
Ryan Grassi	Brant Wlodek
Eve Gregory	Nicolas Wlodek
Christopher Hannon	Blake Zigrossi
Andrew Harkness	Derek Zigrossi
Trevor Harrison	Ryan Zigrossi
Jesse Harton	Lauren Zucker
Samuel Heavenrich	
Kenny Hertzberg	
Michael Hetherington	
Julia Hollingsworth	
Blake Hudgin	
Cyra Humber	
Michael Jay	
Claire Jones	
Spencer Jones	
Alexandra Kozlov	
Alison Kruse	
Jonah Lazar	
Aaron Levy	
Andrew Lonsdale	



10 YEAR CAMPER AWARDS

Five names were added to the list of 10 Year Campers in 2008. Each received an original piece of stained glass from Ted Tiemessen at Think Muskoka to mark their milestone season at Camp.

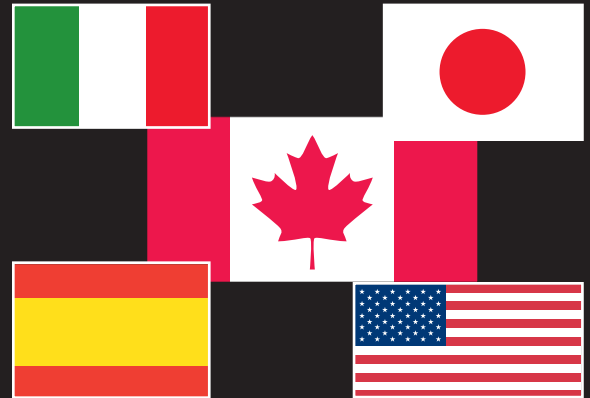
Ross Blair
Jessica Rew
Adam Rogers
Colin Sanders
Gareth Tutton-Price



THE WORLD AT WENONAH!

Wenonah has truly become a destination for many international campers and staff. In 2008, we were thrilled to have many international friends with us from around the world whose countries of origin included:

Australia
Colombia
France
Italy
Japan
Martinique
Mexico
Netherlands
Singapore
Spain
South Korea
Switzerland



United States (*California, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey, Illinois, Massachusetts, New York*)

And,
Canada (*Ontario, Quebec, British Columbia*)



CAMPERS RAISE THEIR VOICES IN SONG!

Each Summer, there are many moments at Closing Campfires that become difficult to describe. At the August Camp Closing Campfire, a song was written by Ally Soule and Mel Stevens and sung by Ally, Mel, Melanie Gouda and Olivia Flavelle.

I can't wait for tomorrow
To bring a new sunset
To bring new tradition
Fly away

I don't want the morning
As the tears fall down your face
Stand in the open
Rain wash them away

I'll miss the way we'd smile
Miss the way we gave those looks
Miss the way we always knew what to share
I'll miss all those comments
All of those inside jokes
Miss all the time we'd have to spare

I don't want the morning
The hug circle goes to fast
Linger a little longer
Please don't go away

Still I can't wait for tomorrow
It's another day closer
Waiting for next year
I miss you today

I'll miss the way we'd smile
Miss the way we gave those looks
Miss the way we always knew what to share
I'll miss all those comments
All of those inside jokes
Miss all the time we'd have to spare

I'll miss all those lunches
Singing along to Journey
Don't Stop Believing
We'll be here again

I'll miss just hanging out
Rave party in Basswood
Or even just silence
Being here with my friends

Don't forget those fun times
The laughs at the tables
All of those memories
They'll last me all day

Don't forget the nicknames
Especially Winnebago
Or all of those things
You wish you could say

I miss all the yesterdays
They used to be tomorrows
Wenonah days are numbered
I don't want to sleep

I know it's hard
To keep it all together
We're still friends forever
In memories we keep

In memories we keep

WEENONAH: NEW IN 2009!

We are delighted to offer a new three day/two night program in 2009 for 5-7 year olds.

Designed for young boys and girls, WEEnonah is as an intimate and engaging program for first-time campers and runs from Monday, August 24 – Wednesday, August 26, 2009.

Children live in a cabin with others the same age and participate in traditional Camp activities under the guidance of experienced Camp Wenonah counselling staff members. Campers also live in the same cabin as their counsellor, meaning they develop meaningful relationships with an adult mentor at Camp. We pride ourselves on having a 3:1 staff-to-camper ratio during the WEEnonah program.



The nature of WEEnonah allows counsellors to monitor the development of each individual camper, and provide the support necessary to help them succeed in the Camp environment. We recognize that each child adjusts to his or her first Camp experience in different ways. Our objective is to ensure that campers have a positive Camp experience, preparing them for a lifelong love of nature, outdoor activity, and community.

WEEnonah features all of the traditional Camp activities that make the Wenonah experience unique. Campers take part in cabin-based activities, which serve as an introduction to many Camp program areas (*canoeing, kayaking, arts & crafts, tennis, climbing, outdoor adventure*). The schedule is rounded out by other favourite programs.



REFLECTING ON CAMP



Every now and then, an invitation is made to reflect on the meaning of Camp during our Closing Candlelight program. At the end of August Camp 2008, the Sidey family (staff members Pam and Alex and POLARIS participant Richard) asked to share their thoughts after many Summers spent on the shores of Clear Lake.

Camp is like a family. There are people in your family – cousins, grandparents, and even siblings – who you may not see for a long time. People live far apart, sometimes in different cities, provinces, countries or continents. People travel to faraway places or might go to school away from home. In the same way, many of us live, travel and learn far away from Camp and far away from each other.

Despite all of that distance, and the fact that we come together here only once a year, we always come back to the same love and warmth that we left. And after that long time apart, we don't formally shake hands or casually nod to each other – we greet each other with high fives and hugs because that is how you say hello to people in your family.

For many of us, Camp is a constant, like a family reunion you can't wait to get to every year. No matter how much we ourselves may change, parts of Camp will always stay the same. Summer after Summer, we watch the fire burn and know that when it's low, it's time to go. No matter the different people we meet or the different places we sleep, the familiarity and sameness of Camp year after year make it, for the summer, our home away from home, and we become part of the Wenonah family.

That said, Camp is never exactly the same as it was last year. There are new moments, new memories and new faces. We welcome new family members with the same warmth and reassurance with which we greet the old ones. It takes a brave person at any age to leave home for two weeks, a month, two months or more. Each of us must trust all the others – sometimes when we have never even met them before. Despite this, every time we come to the end of a summer we care about each other in a way that no classmate, teammate or co-worker can ever really understand. We become family.



It is because we are a family that this place works. It's not where you are, but who you're with that really matters. Rain or shine, hot or cold, the people with whom we share this experience are what make Camp the special thing it is. They are our friends, our siblings and cousins, our support and our strength. People get to know each other well here. We sit down to meals together three times a day and go to sleep every night in bunks side-by-side. At Camp you have nowhere to hide who you are – no video games to distract you and no movies to lose yourself in. Sometimes when we get to know each other, we find we have a lot in common; we may also find out that we are very different. Regardless of those differences, we do what we have to to make this work. And just as your family will love you even though you are not perfect, you are accepted, appreciated and loved for exactly who you are, mistakes, faults, differences and all.

So look around. Beside you and around you are people who care about you a lot. This year, next summer, and in the years to come, you can come back to these people and they will always listen to you, understand you and be so happy just to see you. We began assembled around a campfire as strangers, but we have ended tonight as a family. We will always protect each other, care about each other and smile when we think about our days and nights on Clear Lake together. Whether this is the very first or the very last of many closing campfires for you, you will always be welcome here. From our family to the Wenonah family, we would like to say thank you for always being such a wonderful home away from home.



DID YOU KNOW?

- Three special weddings occurred in 2008 involving well-known members of the Wenonah community:
 - * Dr. Mary Grant married Darcey Shallow on Saturday, July 5th in Toronto. Mary along with her brother Jamie and parents Jane and Don were one of the Founding Families at Wenonah. Darcey made a special appearance at the end of the 2008 season to support our Period Five program.
 - * Tim Watson married Yuko Kyo on Saturday, July 26th in Toronto. Tim and Yuko met when Tim travelled to Japan to work at the Shikoku Canadian Global Camp where Yuko was employed as the translator! Tim along with his brother Dave (Mano) and sister Lauren have been familiar faces at Wenonah over the past ten years.
 - * Maia Kurzawinski married Josh Bradshaw on Saturday, August 30th at the Main Campfire at Camp Wenonah! Maia, our 2008 Wellness Director and Josh, our 2008 Boys Camp Director, met at Wenonah many years ago. The first challenge in their married lives was deciding their Wenonah Games allegiance (Maia is a devoted Dawaa and Josh, as a Bradshaw, wears the Aki green proudly!). At press time, no decision had been made!



Mary & Darcey



Yuko & Tim



Josh & Maia

- Will Stratton has been a camper, POLARIS, WCIT and staff member in a number of senior roles over the past 8 years and has always found a way to contribute each year to Wenonah. Will is now working in Ottawa as a Policy Officer at the Department of National Defence (DND) in the directorate of parliamentary affairs.
- Former Girls' Camp Director Tanya Springer is now working at Ottawa Life magazine as the Director of Operations & Sales (*and the Fashion Editor!*).
- Alumni staff member Brett Heneke, along with his wife Joah, is the owner and operator of the Rolling Earth Centre in British Columbia. They are doing some terrific work. Many Wenonah friends will enjoy visiting their website (www.rollingearth.ca) to learn more.
- Congratulations to Ryan Mueller, our 2008 Staff Singles Tennis Champion. After a Summer of ladder play (*involving*

over 50 staff members and many early morning, pre breakfast games) the top 16 qualified for the finals during the final two weeks of August Camp. Ryan was victorious in a gripping Championship Match over 2007 champ Dan Sadler.

- Wenonah alumni staff member Dan Chapman-Smith has been a driving force behind the organization Project: Humanity in Toronto (www.projecthumanity.ca).

In Dan's words:

Project: Humanity is a not-for-profit organization committed to affecting social change using art as their tool. We first came together in December 2005 trying to work out what a group of artists could do to contribute to the relief effort after the tsunami. Our solution was an event that featured over 70 local artists and raised \$3000. Since then we have created events and projects that support causes from local shelters to Darfur to Northern Uganda.

Our main focus at the moment is a program which we have initiated at one youth shelter in Toronto and hope to spread to others in the future. This program has two elements. The first is an arts program which we run at the shelter twice a week over a three month period. The second is the creation of an artistic work derived from our experiences at the shelter. In this first run at the project, we worked with playwright Andrew Kushnir. As well as helping us lead theatre workshops with the youth, he also conducted one-on-one interviews with anyone who wanted to lend their stories to our play. The result is "The De-Shelter Project", an hour long, documentary-style play that gives insight into the struggles of these youth and, in doing so, contradicts many stereotypes that people have about this neglected community. The play will be produced in the summer of 2009.

- Wenonah Senior Director Jeff Bradshaw spent a busy 2008 in his first year as President of the Canadian Camping Association/Association des camps du Canada. Jeff attended and spoke at conferences, meetings and annual general meetings (and led workshops and training) in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and Nova Scotia and at the American Camp Association National Conference in Nashville, Tennessee. In 2009, Jeff will spend part of January in Australia offering leadership to the 75th anniversary season of Lord Somers Camp (www.lordsomerscamp.org), attend the American Camp Association National Conference in Orlando in February and travel to Taiwan for meetings of the International Camping Fellowship in October (*Jeff has been a member of the Steering Committee of ICF since 1997*).

WOMEN'S WEEKENDS: ANOTHER GREAT YEAR!

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The 2008 Spring and Fall season saw six Women's Weekends and hundreds of women enjoying the fresh air, natural beauty of Muskoka, and the shared camaraderie of an experience at Camp Wenonah.

Our traditional Weekends featured an array of interesting workshops and Camp activities available for everyone to enjoy. Women had the opportunity to participate in Chinese Yoga, Self-Defense, Tai Chi, a Yin/Yang Workout, Hatha Yoga, and Pilates led by Sue Brown and Valerie Houston. As well weekend participants enjoyed traditional Camp favourites such as canoeing, kayaking, archery, wall climbing, tennis, swimming, hikes around the lake, swimming, campfires, and making S'mores.

For those women ready for a little rest and pampering, Diannah Benson, Gayle Barnett and Bev Stewart were there to provide Relaxation Massage, Aromatherapy, Hot Stone Massage, Reiki and Reflexology. Continuing on the theme of relaxation, many women also enjoyed simply chatting around the fire, reading a good book, or enjoying the natural surroundings of Clear Lake from a Muskoka chair on the dock. What better way to soothe sore muscles, relax, and rejuvenate!

Women interested in letting their creative juices flow, were able to choose from many crafty activities. Whether making greeting cards, Fimo items, bracelets, beautiful jewelry sets, or playing with watercolour painting, women were found enjoying the creative process. Thank you to Elke Scholz, Joyce MacDonald, and Melissa McKenzie for guiding us through these rewarding processes.

Our two Scrapbooking Weekends drew an avid group of women who created masterful works of art during their weekend away. These scrapbooking enthusiasts created beautiful keepsake albums and participated in workshops led by the talented Sandra de Medeiros, and Gwen Vernon, focusing on new ideas and techniques all while sharing the company of new and old friends. For many this was a crafty marathon where



dedicated women stopped their work only for food, perhaps a massage, sleep, and laughter.

Once again we enjoyed the pleasures of a weekend free of cooking and are thankful for Brad and his crew including Nick and Eden for all their tasty culinary creations. It goes without saying that no one left Camp hungry!

All this would not be possible would it not be for the hardworking people that help the weekends run smoothly. Thank you to all the workshop leaders and to the Wenonah Outdoor Centre Staff for making these weekends possible!

A heartfelt thank you as well, to the hundreds of enthusiastic women who joined us at Wenonah for fun, friendship and relaxation. Be sure to tell other women you know about this great opportunity for a weekend getaway. Details can be found on the Wenonah website (www.campwenonah.com).

WHAT'S NEW IN 2009?

With another successful season behind us we are already looking forward to next year! In the 2009 season we are offering four Women's Weekends filled with traditional activities as well as many new ones. Back by popular demand we look forward to activities such as yoga, Tai Chi, massages, creative pursuits, scrapbooking and traditional Camp activities. We are also excited about several new workshop leaders and opportunities such as Belly Dancing, Zumba (Salsa/Latin Dancing combined with toning exercises and cardio moves), and African Drumming just to name a few.

We are looking forward to sharing another great season with you!

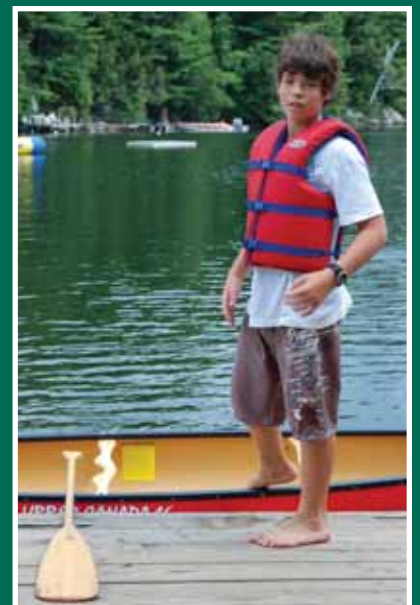
CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

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e were delighted to receive a very generous donation from Dr. Mary Grant and Darcey Shallow on the occasion of their wedding in July 2008. In lieu of bombonniers, a donation was made to Wenonah.

This donation from Mary and Darcey has become the seed money for our new Capital Development Fund which will be used for long-range site and facility expansion.

We appreciate and acknowledge with gratitude a second donation to the Fund from Maia and Josh Bradshaw on the occasion of their wedding in late August.



CAMP JUMOKE: CAMPER PERSPECTIVES

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enonah is very proud to be the permanent home of Camp Jumoke. Jumoke (pronounced Joo-MOH-keh) is a Nigerian word which means "Everyone Loves The Child." Camp Jumoke was founded in 1994 by The Association for the Advancement of Blacks in Health Sciences (AABHS) and is dedicated to enriching the lives of children who have Sickle Cell Disease (SCD).

Each year, during the first two weeks of our August Camp program, Wenonah is home to 35-40 Camp Jumoke campers who have the support of many medical professionals (doctors and nurses) while on site.

Two of our Jumoke campers offered their thoughts on life at Camp:

Dear Camp Jumoke,

This summer I attended Camp for my third time. I had lots of fun with my activities. The activities I chose were archery, landsports, guitar and arts and crafts. I liked archery the best because it was fun firing arrows and seeing your score. I also liked the food. The chocolate brownies were very delicious. I also enjoyed hanging out in the cabin because I could get the time to talk or play with my cabinmates. The best part about Camp this year was touring the Ontario Opposition leader, John Tory, around the whole Camp. We walked down to the boys and girls cabins and I showed him my cabin. We went everywhere.

The fireworks and slideshows, at night, were great! The fireworks were huge and beautiful. The slideshow brought back memories of camp. On the last day we had an event called the hug circle where we got to say goodbye to everybody and afterwards we went on our buses and left Camp Wenonah. Camp, this year, was very fun and I hope to go back next year.

*Sincerely,
Tristan Brown*



Hello my name is Maruf Yakubu. I am 10 years old and I live in Brampton, Ontario. Every year I meet new people, and make new friends at camp. This past summer I had another amazing camp experience. Camp Jumoke is a wonderful organization that helps children like me, with sickle cell to enjoy a great two weeks of summer fun. They give us the opportunity to do new things, and meet new people who don't share our sickle cell condition. We play and see friends from the previous years including people from all around the world. It's always a surprise once you get off the bus. Of course we have to give a big thanks to Camp Wenonah because without them there would be no Camp Jumoke. Camp is a really good place that's really fun. It's also a really good place to get active and still have fun. At camp you do three activities called pics. My favourite pics was rock climbing because it is always interesting to know how high and fast you can climb the wall. My other pics were outdoor adventure and aqua sports, two really good pics. Also sometimes people come from different places to show us new things. It's really interesting on what they teach us. I love going to camp year after year and hope to go for as long as I can.

I want to give a big thanks to the people who make this opportunity possible to happen as it is a great honour. I would also like to thank the nurses for taking good care of me when I wasn't feeling well. Of course most of all I would like to thank my mom for finding, paying for and putting me in this wonderful organization.

WENONAH FOUNDATION GOLF CLASSIC



Once again, the Wenonah Foundation Golf Classic was a day of great friendship, great golf and raising money for a great cause! Held in May 2008, the Classic saw over 60 golfers and friends of Wenonah come together at Carlisle Golf Club in north Burlington.

Our thanks to many that donated prizes and supported the day:

\$25,000 HOLE IN ONE CONTEST
FOW Alumni Group



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CARLISLE GOLF CLUB – Once again, special thanks to Neil Darragh and the Carlisle staff for their professionalism and support. We're thrilled that Carlisle is the permanent home of our tournament.

TOURNAMENT SUPPORT - Special thanks to Caron Brick, Larry Forsyth, Jon Bradshaw, Dan Harrison, Julia Stephenson and Renata Bradshaw for all their efforts towards another successful golf tournament!

THE 8TH WENONAH FOUNDATION GOLF CLASSIC – SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2009

Honouring Caron and Mike Brick



Beginning with the 2009 Golf Classic we will be honouring each year those that have had a significant impact on Wenonah. In 2009, our first honourees are Caron and Mike Brick. Many know Caron as an Associate Director at Wenonah and as one of the most recognizable voices at Camp (*she works year round at our Burlington Office coordinating all of our administration*) while Mike

has been an invaluable supporter of Wenonah and with his company M&C Contracting, has worked on numerous site and facility projects at Camp including the building of Barb's Place in 2008.

We look forward to celebrating the accomplishments and contributions of both Caron and Mike during the 2009 Wenonah Foundation Golf Classic.

PRIZE DONATIONS

- Tri M Promotions / Debra Mariciak
- M & C Contracting (Mike & Caron Brick)
- Donna & Bruce Hill
- Jane & Don Grant
- Bradshaw Family
- FOW Alumni Group
- Mike Stewart
- Think Muskoka Inc.
- Pat & Bruce Schaefer
- Gator Ted
- Bill Chadwick
- Jon Westover
- Rona Lansing

And all those who brought prizes for the tournament prize table!



REMEMBERING SCOTT YOUNG

Each year, Camp Wenonah welcomes 10-15 campers during Period Five from The Scott Young Foundation which was established to remember the remarkable life of a man whose example touched a great many. Marlyn and Doug Young, Scott's parents, offer their memories of their son.

When Jeff Bradshaw asked us to share some thoughts about our son Scott, many emotions came up for us. We were filled with gratitude to Jeff and the team at Camp Wenonah for keeping Scott's memory alive in such a generous and caring way. We also felt tremendous pressure to express this gratitude and to introduce Scott to those who never met him, but may have benefited from his story.

Born in 1964, Scott was diagnosed with Cystic Fibrosis at age 4 when the life expectancy was age 12. He died in 2003 at the age of 39, well beyond what was expected. Many medical advances prolonged his life, and in 1992, Scott had a double lung transplant that gave him several more years of good health. He continually beat the odds, so what was it about Scott that contributed to his longer life?

Scott loved his life, even with its pain and struggle. He once said he wouldn't change a thing because it all shaped who he was to become. He faced every challenge with courage and hope – the courage to get through the difficult times, and the hope that it would all be worth it. He also had a great sense of humour that fed his spirit, even as his body grew weaker. He approached these battles as a gentle warrior with dignity and grace – never complaining or questioning why. He just did whatever it took to meet the challenges head on. He was also willing to accept whatever the outcome might be.

Scott was a role model and an inspiration. He didn't seek this role, but it gave him a powerful sense of purpose. In some respects he was quite bashful, not fully aware of his influence on others. He always expressed compassion for others who were struggling, and he was more concerned about the effect his life had on his family and friends than on himself.

Scott loved children, although he did not have any of his own. He managed to maintain a child-like appreciation for the little things in life. This allowed him to connect with children at a wondrous and deep level. It's so fitting that a major piece of his legacy is making a difference in the life experience of children through the generous gift of Camp Wenonah.

During one of our last conversations with Scott, he said, "I don't want to be forgotten" We are forever grateful to all of you for honouring his wish and keeping his story alive.



QUOTES ABOUT SCOTT YOUNG

"Scott was someone I could turn to for perspective when my sights were set in the wrong direction. Scott is a friend I will never forget, he had such a positive impact on my life. I plan to use Scott and his perfect character as a guiding light in the development of my two sons."

"When I feel sad about Scott I remember his amazing life and spirit. All the wonderful and precious times that we shared and I remember how much better I am as a person for having had Scott in my life. He touched everyone who knew him"

"Scott was so appreciative of the gift of transplant that he was given he showed his gratitude a million times over and helped so many others"

"In his too brief lifetime he knew more moments of pure joy, appreciation, and acceptance for what is than most ever know or understand. His depth of character was forged in the struggles he faced and overcame. In all the roles of his life he brought joy and hope to those he touched, the joy of his tender spirit, his compassion, his quiet wisdom, and the hope he provided that we can endure any of our own struggles when compared to his own, and realize how very blessed we are."



WENONAH FOUNDATION

For those campers who are only able to attend camp due to the generous donations from Wenonah families and friends, "thank you" just doesn't seem adequate. But the children do appreciate the opportunity to learn new skills, meet new friends, and gain a little bit of independence - regardless of their family's financial situation - all because other Wenonah families indicate their desire to contribute on the registration forms. Camperships are presented each year in the name of one of our Founding Families. On behalf of all families who have recently received assistance through the Wenonah Foundation, we would like to thank:

Dean Arfin & Carol Wallwork
Gayle Barnett
Michel & Anne Bourely
Tony Brouwer & Dorothy Loeffen
Randy Brown & Kelly Chapman
Tom Burrow & Helen Handfield-Jones
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Kit & Liz Ward
Allan Weinrib & Lisa Hemeon
Mike & Martha Wlodek
Scott Young Foundation & Julie Cissell
Richard & Randi Zlotnik Shaul



WENONAH ONLINE

Camp Wenonah continues to evolve its online presence through the official Wenonah website (www.campwenonah.com). In January 2008, a redesigned website was launched with a fresh look and several new features. The new website is easier to navigate, and offers more information than ever before!

The exciting new features on the Wenonah website include:

- Online registration available to all Summer Camp families (September 2008)
- All Final Instructions Information completed online (April 2008)
- Photo Gallery features over 250 pictures from July Camp, August Camp, and Period Five
- Jeff Bradshaw is regularly updating a blog with news and exclusive information throughout the year
- Special camper page includes words to favourite cheers and camp songs, plus answers to frequently asked questions
- Summer Camp menu posted
- Biographies of all Summer Camp and Outdoor Centre staff available
- Slideshow and PowerPoint presentations available to preview for all Summer Camp families and Outdoor Centre groups
- Interactive site map features photos and descriptions of Camp facilities
- Warbler and Mini-Warbler newsletters archived

We are looking forward to offering some contests on CampWenonah.com throughout the year. Be sure to check the website often to see how you can win some great Wenonah gear!



THE 2008 WENONAH STAFF TEAM

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e continue to be so proud of the staff team that assembles each and every year to create such lasting memories for our Summer campers and many others that visit Wenonah during the Spring and Fall.

The vast majority of our staff (over 95% in 2008!) have been on staff previously and/or have participated in our WCIT leadership program.

The staff listed below have worked during the 2008 season with one or more of our programs including Camp Wenonah (including Period Five), The Camp Wenonah Centre for Outdoor Education, Women's Weekends and the Shikoku Canadian Global Camp in Japan.

Many thanks to:

12 YEARS ON STAFF

Liz Mossington
Jeff Bradshaw
Renata Bradshaw

11 YEARS ON STAFF

Simon Wells

10 YEAR STAFF AWARDS

Jason Monteith (*to be presented in 2009*)

A great friend of Wenonah, Ted Tiemessen, creates an original stained glass piece with the Wenonah logo for our 10 Year Staff Award recipients.

Two 10 Year Staff Awards were presented in 2008 to honour past accomplishments and contributions to Wenonah. Barb Janicek received her 10 Year Staff Award on the occasion of the grand opening of Barb's Place in June 2008 while Jeff presented Shannon Wilson with her 10 Year Staff Award in Squamish, British Columbia in September 2008 at Camp Summit where Shannon is now the Assistant Director.



9 YEARS ON STAFF

Caron Brick

8 YEARS ON STAFF

Dan Harrison
Matt Jackson
Jenn McKye
Will Stratton

7 YEARS ON STAFF

Pam Sidey
Lorraine Sugar

6 YEARS ON STAFF

Matt Burke
Jocelyn Butler
John Hollingshead
Maia Kurzawinski
Mike Stewart
Jon Woolley

5 YEAR STAFF AWARDS

**** original stained glass pieces, depicting the blue lake and rocky shore so symbolic of life at Summer Camp, are created individually by artist Linda Bennett and presented to our 5 Year Staff**

Andrew Cohrs
Kaleigh Fendley
Colin Knott
Craig Mitchell
Shannon "Max" Murray
Jason Sadler
Tanya Springer
Samantha Wood



4 YEARS ON STAFF

Lindsay Babcock
Josh Bradshaw
Michael Brewer
John Brownscombe
Jo Chapman-Smith
Amy Craig-Neil
Justin Deyell
John Malcolm
Melissa McKenzie Wells
Ryan Mueller
Heather Parker
Emma Pickard
Cameron Rowlands

3 YEARS ON STAFF

Marleigh Austin
Mieke Barette
Laura Faulds
Ilyse Hoffer
Stephen LeMesurier
Andrea Mager
Sam Perlmutter
Matthew Sirek
Jonathan "Graeme" Steel
Julia Stephenson
Christopher Williamson



2 YEARS ON STAFF

Allison Bennett
Jeffrey Blair
Torrie Borland
Michael Butler
Janette Downie
Andrew Ellis
Christy Faulds
Stephanie Ferguson
Trevor Goodall
Miriam Heavenrich
Alison Hendrick
Franklin Hobbs
Vanessa Hoffer
Jamie Kennedy
Ryan Leuty
Christy Meagher
Catherine Mercier-Linteau
Nathaniel Moenck
James Parry
Daniel Sadler
Alexandra Sidey
Paul Sirek
Patrick Stothers
Tessie van Dijk
Amanda Verheyen
Geoffrey "Rudy" Williamson
Matthew Young

1 YEAR ON STAFF

Geoffrey Allen
Katie Anttilla
Sophie Brauer
Jeffrey Brewer
Ryan Budd
Duncan Bull
David Haskett
Matt Henderson
Katie Gurski
Andrew Lawson
Fraser McOuat
Sarah Morse
Brett Mueller
Rory Poole
Shannon Senyk
Darcey Shallow
Ellen Shantz
Brittany Shelly
Kevin Smith
David Tillmann
Sarah Tremblay
Kristy Upchurch
Diego Uribe Rios
John Webster

PERIOD FIVE WCITS

Each year, a number of our Summer Camp WCITs join us to offer leadership with our Period Five introductory program at the end of August

Charlotte Aicklen
Peter Dosman
Niki Edwards
Vicky Fenwick-Sehl
Natalie Fox
Cameron Gal
Patrick Hewan
Paige Homme
Mieke Leewis
Erik Luft
Celia Saunders

NURSES

8 YEARS

Anne-Marie Jewiss

7 YEARS

Louise Pope-Rhoden

5 YEARS

Margaret McIntyre
Sue Jones

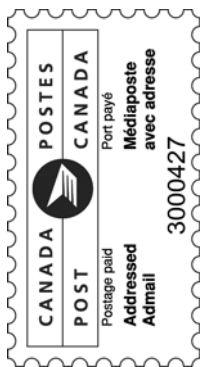
2 YEARS

Alanna Harrison
Barb Hoeve
Jane Lowes-Ciordas

1 YEAR

Lisa Baker
Dr. Karen Choong
Karen MacNeil Hartmann
Gwen Neizer
Nancy Vandenberg





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