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ONAWAY VALUES LIVE ON

What brings Onaway women to tears faster than singing "Dear Friends" on the last night of camp? An article in the *Harvard Magazine* by an Onaway woman recounting the many ways that the values instilled at Onaway have prepared her to be a generous and humble leader at Harvard and her whole life long. ("At Camp, a Community" by Isabel W. Ruane '14, *Harvard Magazine* Nov-Dec 2011)

In her article, Isabel Ruane ("Miss Is") explains how clearly defined values help establish and perpetuate important community norms, and more importantly, teach campers how to be their best selves. She stresses that Onaway's seemingly old-fashioned traditions – like tucking in your shirt or respecting the quiet of chapel – are what allow a bunch of girls to become a community.



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An undergraduate wonders if the College

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Rosemary Moukad This is such an beautiful and well-written article!!!!
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Jon Hawkinson That article is wonderful and amazing. Of course I loved the pics of sailing and on top of Cardigan (?) Onaway sure is a special place!
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Anne P Conolly I cried, of course! Very proud also of Miss Is and Onaway!
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Isabel Ruane aww shucks, thanks guys! on-on-on, for sure!
October 21, 2011 at 1:37am · Like · 1

We are so grateful to Isabel for celebrating what makes Onaway special in her article. For this newsletter we wanted to continue the conversation on Onaway values. We asked alumnae of all ages about how the Onaway values of honor, respect and community have played a role in their lives – their responses share a common thread, but are each expressed with striking individuality.

From **Sue Hatch** on giving back:

"Onaway's bring-out-best-in-people community allows girls to live the idea that that the more you give, the more you get back ... It's made me want to stay involved with Onaway and volunteer with the other communities in my life."

From **Kristen Barton Eyler** on building relationships on a foundation of respect:

"Reflecting back on my summers at Onaway, I am thankful that the 'Golden Rule'- treating others as you would like to be treated yourself- was ingrained in our day-to-day lives. The importance of abiding by this valuable 'rule' is something that has always stuck with me. Life after Onaway is a series of communities and relationships- college, the workplace, a relationship with a boyfriend or spouse, etc.... Although many of these communities are very different from the one that I found during my summers on Newfound Lake, I have confidence that if I build my relationships on honor and

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Close friendships provide the safety net for character development.

respect, I can generally face any obstacle or difficult situation with integrity and a sense of doing what is right. This kind of confidence in my internal compass is one of the biggest gifts Onaway has given me!”

*From **Liz Porter Hawkins** on recognizing the specialness of Onaway:*

“It has really struck me recently that everything I learned about honor in life came from my experiences at Onaway. As I live in cities all over the US and travel and meet people, I realize my values and standards are quite high because I have been a part of a very special place in the world called ‘Onaway.’

One more thing - I say the prayer every single morning to get my day started - It might be nice to print the words ...”

*Lord, in the quiet of this morning hour,
we come to thee for peace, wisdom, the power
to view the world today through love-filled eyes;
to be patient, understanding, gentle, wise;
to see beyond what seems to be
and to know Thy children as Thou knowest them
so naught but the good in anyone behold.
Amen*

*From **Claire Eberhardt** on how cool it is to do the right thing:*

“At Onaway, I learned that I am responsible for my own actions and that it felt right to do the right thing even when nobody was watching. It was refreshing, even at a young age, to find a place where it was cool to do the right thing. I think the most important thing that I’ve taken away from my years at Onaway is the value of being a part of a community that supports and cares for one another. The sense of community is what drew me to Virginia Tech and yet, even amongst the outstanding school spirit and camaraderie, I sought out a smaller community within the school and found it in a community service fraternity. I believe that the sense of philanthropy that is instilled in each Onaway girl drove me to be very involved in community service. In addition to the countless memories and lifelong friends, Onaway gave me an understanding of what it means to be a part of a community and the responsibility that each of us has to treat both friends and strangers with respect and kindness. It goes without saying that I am who I am today because of my incredible experiences at Onaway.”

*From **Katherine Howorth Bouman** on the joyful silliness that comes from friendship:*

At Onaway I first learned that girls and women are strong in ways that continue to amaze me. I learned to sing joyously through hikes with giant blisters on my feet. I learned to laugh when caught in a thunderstorm in a metal canoe. But, best of all, I just had silly fun with the best friends I had ever had before

or have had since in life and that is a privilege worth preserving for future generations.”

*From **Lela Schaus Philip** on how a supportive community can make anything seem possible:*

“I don’t think I would be the same person if it weren’t for Camp Onaway! Onaway played a huge role in my life, and still continues to since being a part of its community laid the foundation for who I am. The bonding with friends and singing songs every night by the lake, and the exciting challenges that forced me to try harder were priceless. I love Camp Onaway!”

*From **Melissa Briggs** on recognizing the responsibility and opportunity in being a role model:*

“It was at Onaway that I first had the chance to be a teacher--have an idea, create a lesson plan, try it out, develop important communication skills with students (campers). I realized that every moment I was up in front of a group of young people, I had the opportunity to be a role model. Sure, I was communicating information to them, but beyond that--what did my actions and words represent? What kind of a role model did I want to be? How could my actions--beginning in one small moment--ripple out and affect the larger community--perhaps even the world?

“Today I work for National Dance Institute of New Mexico, an arts organization that goes into the NM public schools. Our mission follows Onaway’s values very closely--we teach our students that if they work hard, do their personal best, and never give up (even if faced with a challenge), they can achieve excellence in their lives--whether it be on a math test, or in a dance performance.

“So, it seems that our little cabins in the woods have made a very big impact on our lives. In her article, Isabel challenges Harvard – a place where success is measured by *what* you do in the world – to be a little more like Onaway – where the emphasis on *how* you do it.”

*And finally, from **Tibby Bolton Christenberry**:*

“How can I express what Onaway taught me about honor, integrity, kindness, and compassion? Even now I remember, with gratitude, the faces of Onaway girls, from campers to directors, who daily demonstrated those virtues. Thank you, Onaway, for teaching me that character is more important than achievement.” □

Anne Thompson

OLD VALUES; NEW CUP



The Camp Cup has represented Onaway values for 100 years. This summer marked the introduction of the fourth Camp Cup, made by Reed and Barton in as much of the tradition of hand molding and hammering as possible. Each Cup holds between thirty and thirty-five names, another record of Onaway history. We are grateful to an anonymous donor for this beautiful replica.



Game, Set, MATCH!

The summer of 2012 marked the beginning of Onaway's Second Century. Remarkably, very little has changed since 1912. Nails are still inspected before breakfast and good table manners are still in vogue at Onaway, as are uniforms. Campers who achieved perfect beaning this summer enjoyed trips to the Mary Lamb, girls were up at 6:30 a.m. swimming triangles, and sunsets and singing on Campfire Rock is still the end of a perfect day. As the newsletter reflects, Onaway values remain as strong as ever and the magic of an Onaway summer still delights.

Some things have changed at Onaway, such as a new dining hall, a few more showers, no "land drill" on Sundays, and the bell has replaced the bugle (temporarily we hope!). Onaway is also facing the rising cost of running camp, the need for more scholarships, and the growing importance of caring for her lake and the environment. To put ourselves on the right path, we must continue to both increase our annual giving and grow our endowment.

With this in mind, the staff and trustees have set their priorities to ensure that Onaway is strong in her second century. The title of our history book, *Let Her Strong and Ageless Be*, from our beloved Onaway prayer, is truly a call to action.

We are very pleased to announce that a loyal three-generation Onaway family has answered that call by offering a **\$20,000 matching gift challenge**. This generous family, comprised of past campers, counselors, parents, and trustees, prefers to remain anonymous and sends this thought:

"Our hope is to have the focus of this gift be about preserving the spirit of Onaway into the future, and we hope all alumnae will consider what they can do to give back to the institution that has given them so much."

What an amazing gift!

"What can I do to help?" you ask? Continue to give or begin to give to Onaway every year. Your annual support is so important to our ability to fulfill Camp Onaway's mission. It's easy to do by either sending in a check when you receive our appeal or by going online to our website www.camponaway.org and clicking Donate Now on the GIVING page.

Oh, and about the name, Annual Fund....



"Annual Fund"? Really? That's SO last century

Same purpose, new name.....**THE ONAWAY FUND**



Two thumbs up!! Much better!

Infused with Onaway spirit and your generous contributions, **The Onaway Fund** enables 90 girls to come to camp each summer, covering the costs that their tuition does not because we want to keep tuition affordable for ALL Onaway families.

It's also important that we grow our **Endowment funds**. Through this exciting matching gift, **your new or increased contribution to The Onaway Fund this year will be matched dollar for dollar**, with the match going into Onaway's Endowment.

So, if you gave \$100 last year and you increase your gift to the Onaway Fund to \$200 this year, an extra \$100 will be given to the Endowment by our donor family. If you have never given to Camp, or haven't given in 5 years, now would be a wonderful time to start because your gift will be matched dollar for dollar by this matching challenge to support the Endowment.

THE ONAWAY FUND 2013 GOALS

\$130,000

500 Supporters

I always find myself thinking of Onaway during June—as soon as the page of the calendar turns, I begin to mentally pack my trunk and transport myself to Newfound Lake. But I suspect that all Onaway alumnae and friends find themselves thinking about Onaway throughout the year. I certainly do: when I catch the scent of pine trees in the air, when I sing dining hall songs with my friends' children, or when I need a little extra support to “be strong.”

There are so many ways for us to keep Onaway close throughout the year: reading the *Alumnae Circle*, checking in on the Onaway Facebook page, and getting together for local reunions. We cherish these modes of connection, because they remind us of Onaway's importance in our daily lives.

One way to honor Onaway's role in



*In winter and in
spring-a-ling-ling.*

This program has many advantages for contributors and for Onaway alike, and we on the Board of Trustees are hoping that many of you will consider converting your giving to this monthly program.

You get to decide how much you give each month—and the best part is that small amounts add up! Just \$5 a month is \$60 a year. Two movie tickets a month amount to an annual contribution of almost \$250! You can always change your

our everyday lives is to give monthly. Rather than writing a once-a-year check in December or September, you can now give to Onaway year-round.

monthly amount if your circumstances change. It's easy, safe, and cuts down on your solicitations (saving lots of paper!). You can give either through your credit card, or directly through your bank. It's easy to sign up—just click on the “Donate Now” button on the Camp Onaway webpage, and select “make a recurring donation.”

Giving monthly means that I never forget to include Onaway in my charitable giving.

Don't roll your eyes, but I actually *like* seeing that little line on my bank statement that says “Onaway Camp Trust”! I love knowing that I am supporting the training of counselors, the activities on Newfound Lake, and the scholarships of campers all twelve months of the year. □

Paige McGinley

SUMMER 2012 AT A GLANCE

For some time now the Skytops have enjoyed a special dinner at the Moosilauke Ravine Lodge during the last week of camp. They dress up, they celebrate and mourn the end of their camper summers, and they talk about their future opportunities at Onaway: OWLE, Aide, counselor, alumna and who knows, maybe parent or Trustee. This summer I asked the girls to write a six word memoir that summarized their Skytops experience. Their answers were moving and reassured me that Onaway continues to do her job. Here are a few examples:

A place where I have grown.

Picture perfect memories, young forever.

Learned from both mistakes and triumphs.

Seven weeks of strength and honor.

If only I could stop time.

Just the thing that I needed.

and finally what we were all feeling.
The best summer we ever had.

Our 89 campers came from 21 states and from 5 foreign countries. We had 11 pairs of sisters and 50 members of the community had a mother, grandmother or aunt who attended Onaway in the past. There were 26 full time counselors; the 10 new counselors were mentored by the 16 returning and many Onaway years were represented. There were 10 Aides for the whole summer and 8 OWLES in one session.

Miss Ebes (Claire Eberhardt) was Assistant Director for the first time. After running the waterfront, leading many trips, supervising cabin groups, and living



Assistant Director, Miss Ebes

with the former Assistant Director, Miss Ebes was well suited for the job and it was a smooth and successful summer. She was supported by Miss Alisha Saini as Scheduler and Miss Kala Bolton as Head of the Waterfront. The list of impressive accomplishments by the campers could not have happened without their leadership and the hard work of the council.

Over Fair Weekend, the Upper Camp performed *Arsenic and Old Lace*. The innocent but not so innocent Brewster sisters had us all laughing and the set was both authentic and detailed. Miss Isabel Rollison was the Director and Miss



Arsenic and Old Lace

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Laura Ware headed up the crew. Over Cup Weekend the Lower Camp, with the help of the Topnots and the same strong counselor team, performed *Annie*. Miss Emmy Mudge was the live accompanist which added in so many positive ways. Their only disappointment was not being able to try out the new sound system in the Outdoor Theater as the rain drove the performance inside. The dance pageant was a delightful version of *Mary Poppins* under the direction of Miss Catherine Ostholtzoff, assisted by Miss Jules Heroy.

Some highlights: In the real world, this was an Olympic summer and we loved following Miss Gevvie Stone's journey in London (see page 13). The girls made a banner in her honor and sent a photo of the banner and the camp cheering her on. We slipped in a little hi-tech web streaming so the camp could watch her races, not quite in real time but with all the excitement of live viewing. We also had our own Olympic games. The Onalypics included foot races, swim relays, tug of war, diving contests, crew races, and of course beach volley ball (not in bikinis!).



The whole camp cheers for Miss Gevvie

A new program this summer was spearheaded by Miss Katie Jackson (Miss Kjax) and became known as the mini-elective week. Each counselor in a team of two or three offered a class that would meet during the afternoon activity periods for three straight days the second week of camp. The idea was to give the girls the chance to try something new with an end goal in mind after the 3 days. One group visited local farms and learned about organic farming; they brought home vegetables and had a cooking class, serving their dish to the rest of camp.



Farm to Table



Regatta Flag

Another group looked at wilderness survival and First Aid and came away as certified baby sitters through the Red Cross. Several performance groups included a one act play, a Glee style choir, and an interpretive dance presentation. A group of sailors made regatta flags and flew them in a race on the last day. Counselors and campers alike learned a lot about the many resources in our area and at camp that we have not taken full advantage of and we hope to see the program grow in the future. Plans are in the making for a Shaker Box making class next summer.

At the same time, the usual camp activities continued at a furious pace. Girls made shelves and boxes in the wood shop, the dressed up for Sunday supper, they explored the woods in search of plants and animals, they faced the ball machine, and they worked on their beanie records.



Sunday Dress-up

Hiking was popular as four new campers added their names to the 175 mile hiking plaque. Eleven girls swam the

length of the lake, one became a Captain in sailing, four became White Chevrons in canoeing, four became Third Crescents in boating, two passed their Spruce in tennis, and three became Sharks, the highest level of swimming. Ten Skytops and Aides completed our rigorous Seacows program and are now certified life guards. It was exciting to watch the girls reach for their goals and to watch the staff help them.



Day one of the length swimmers



Mary Poppins

In the end, it was another special summer at Onaway – our first of the Second Century. As I said in my final chapel talk, “I feel a bit like Mary Poppins – I have spent this amazing time with you, not jumping through sidewalk paintings, but living side by side watching you grow. Like Mary Poppins, I have done what I can and it is time for me to get ready for the next family of Onaway girls.” And so the work begins! □

Anne Peterson Conolly

GIRLS OF ONAWAY Donations 2012

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Camp Carefree
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Watoto Charitable Trust (Wamba Hospital in Kenya)

ONAWAY ALUMNAE GATHERINGS

PAST AND FUTURE!

Last spring, over Memorial Day weekend a large group of alumnae from the 60s and 70s, inspired by their reconnection during last summer's Centennial celebration, enjoyed an entire weekend full of lobster, croquet, jacks, s'mores and Onaway memories, hosted by Anne (Miss Finny) **Finn** Nelson at her brother's home in South Dartmouth, MA. Lisa **Sarno** shares, "We sat on the porch around a fire-pit singing for two hours. The harmony was exquisite. Finny reported on neighbors being transfixed. Her Pop, who we serenaded by phone reported 'you should charge for the music!'" Another highlight was the appearance of Sally Brine Broderick, of the 30s and 40s, accompanied by son "Mr. Vinnie" of Pasquaney. Sounds as if this group found ample ways to appreciate the community and strength that Onaway has provided them - what a treat!



In South Dartmouth, 1st row: Anne **Finn**, Kathy **Broderick** Baird, Mary **Broderick**. 2nd row: Rosemary **Moukad**, Meredith **Funston**, Robin **Rice**, Valerie **Farias** Newton, 3rd row: Laura **Bemis** Rollison, Lisa **Sarno**, Anne **Wemple** Marks, Shelley **Hartz** Ames.

On June 23rd, as the Onaway girls were dragging their trunks up the hill, squealing with the excitement of seeing old friends and donning their brown and whites for the first time, Onaway women were celebrating opening day around

the world. For the second year in a row, a number of "Opening Day" parties were hosted from Central Park in NY, to a San Francisco apartment, to the Boston Common, to a small restaurant in Lugano, Switzerland. Everywhere, alums of all ages, sporting their brown and whites, were reminiscing about camp days and even singing some songs! Laura Barton, co-host of the San Francisco party, noted that "the best part is that we were reminded how many wonderful alumnae live in the area." Be on the lookout next June for an Opening Day Party in your area - Onaway alumnae are everywhere!



In Central Park, Jenn **Blessing**, Polly **Peterson** Wright, Sophie **Jacobi**-Parisi (and Violet), Paige **McGinley**. 2nd row: Beth **Crawford** Hucker, Vanessa **Gates-Elston**, Audrey **Aponte**, Phyllis **Woestemeyer**, Caitlin **Mixter**.



In San Francisco, Sarah **Paup**, Allie **Sweeney**, and Laura **Barton**.



Kath and Allie **Keen** in Lugano, Switzerland.

Upcoming events!! A number of events are being planned for the coming months so come join in the fun! On December 13th, Susi **Mudge** will be hosting a gathering at her home in Bethesda, MD. And in Boston, an evening of painting and wine is being planned for December 16th. Phoebe **Stone** will guide each participant in creating one of her paintings on canvas as we catch up with old and new alumnae in the area. This winter in New York City, we will repeat the ever popular wine-tasting.

In the spring Anne Conolly hopes to do a west coast trip to connect with our many alumnae and current campers who live out there. Potential gatherings are planned for San Francisco and Denver! Please send your email or get connected to Onaway's Facebook page to stay updated on alumnae gatherings near you. We always welcome news and pictures from all alumnae get togethers - large and small! □

Kath Keen

Campfire Rock Society

Lavinia Chase Almy
Jane Ludlow Bowne
Charles Buell
Anne Peterson Conolly
Katharine Wilson Denby
Mary Fisher
Meredith Funston
Katherine Francis Graff
Helen Stokes Greven

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Jane Johnson Kent
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Onaway's planned giving program.

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PARENT COLUMN

A LEAP OF FAITH

It was Christmas night after the festivities had concluded, when I sat down in front of the fire with my college alumni magazine. After checking the class notes, I paged to the section featuring an essay written by an undergraduate. A tagline from the article by Isabel Ruane, an Onaway camper and counselor, read 'an undergraduate wonders if the College could be more like camp'. I expected a 'compare and contrast' about the fun and lazy days of camp vs. the work and long nights of college. I started paying attention in the fourth paragraph which described casting off the accoutrements and virtual connectedness of twenty-first century life and in its place planting 'friendship, community, and frank discussion of honor, values, and character.' I was alert by the end of the fifth paragraph which described camp as 'learning to be'. (sic)



Katherine Beavis

I couldn't shake the article as we moved into the New Year. My husband and I contacted Mrs. Conolly who placed our seventh-grade daughter on the waiting list. I was pleased to hear in March that a place had opened for Katherine. Bruce and I thought that the rustic conditions, traditions, and activities would be the perfect backdrop for our daughter to explore what it means to be an integral part of a community that strives intentionally to discuss and apply the values of kindness and friendship. Was this a mad scheme? Only time would tell.

All went well through the packing, travelling and arrival. Things that looked confusing, like picking out used uniforms or getting the name tapes sewed on, quickly sorted themselves out. There was a system; it had worked for a long time. Everyone else knew what to do. We just had to take a deep breath and trust that if we did what everyone else was doing that it would be OK. These activities were all happening in the misty light rain which, I was assured several times, was another Onaway tradition of opening day.

The first sign of possible trouble was the cabin. It was TINY – and it was a triple, not a double. The girls spent considerable efforts re-arranging beds, discarding non-essential tables so their trunks would fit, and convincing themselves that it would somehow work. I had that sinking feeling that I had sentenced my daughter to seven miserable weeks in the New Hampshire rain and cold and it would be even worse for her because everyone knew everyone else, and here she was, the OUTSIDER. My husband felt it would build character.

In this very tight environment, how could she make friends and get the support she would need to survive, much less thrive, that summer? Even though we toured the beautiful camp that afternoon and met many girls and their moms who were perfectly nice and perfectly well-adjusted and had obviously survived their annual seven weeks off the grid, I had that sinking feeling as we drove away. I left camp thinking,

"What kind of idealistic idiot could deposit her daughter in the New Hampshire woods for seven weeks after reading about a utopian community in a magazine article?" Bruce said, "That was pretty easy."

I checked the mail (several times every day) waiting for the first note. I confess I wimped out and reached out to Mrs. Conolly at the end of the first week and was reassured that all was well. My neighbors and family told me about the letters they were getting. It was a week later before I opened the mailbox and pulled out a notecard with a watercolor of Newfound Lake on one side and my daughter's note on the other side writing that camp was AWESOME!!!

I relaxed and enjoyed the next five weeks, making lists of closets that never got sorted and of manuscripts that never got written. One thing I did do was think about my daughter, now a teenager, and our relationship, and about what she would need from her parents in eighth grade and beyond. In her absence I was able to take a step back and see that it was even more important that I give her her own space and encourage her to make thoughtful decisions. I resolved that as she went through eighth grade, my focus would not be on her academics, athletics, or many other activities, but on going back to basics and making sure she took time to sleep (even if the homework did not get done), to spend time with her friends, and to figure out for herself what re-charged her most effectively. Was it brushing her dog? Jogging through the park? Curling up with a novel?



Katherine with her cabin mates, Annie Rotch and Carter Ramquist before a trip out with parents.

At Parents Weekend, it was incredibly gratifying to see Katherine so happy and relaxed, trying new activities, succeeding at some and not at others but full of confidence and energy nevertheless. It really stuck me what a special environment Onaway is. Onaway has high and uncompromising standards, but provides a place where girls can tackle new and difficult challenges, banish fear and embarrassment, and learn to truly be themselves.

Katherine had a great summer. She resolved on the second day she would return summer after summer. She had great cabin mates who were experienced in the Onaway ways. Both Annie and Carter showed her the way and I am indebted to them for smoothing my daughter's path. Bruce and I are similarly happy to have found a place for our daughter that is so congruent with our own values and outlook and to have her be a member of the Onaway community. □

Kathleen Beavis

To read Isabel's article go to: <http://harvardmagazine.com/2011/11/at-camp-a-community>

CIRCLE PROGRAM CELEBRATES 20 YEARS

On September 23, 2012, the Circle Program celebrated its 20th anniversary with a dinner and fund raiser at Church Landing in Meredith, NH. Highlights of the evening included a lovely film showing the Circle girls in action, an acknowledgement of the Girls of Onaway and Onaway Board of Trustees donations, a performance by the New Hampshire Master Chorale and a special recognition of Bill Davies, honoring years of service to all four represented camps: Onaway, Pasquaney, Mayhew and Circle. Carol Morgan Southall, Seton Lindsay O'Reilly and Art Mudge were present, three of the original visionaries who started the Circle Program. It was a great evening and all of us from Onaway swelled with pride to see the growth and progress of the Circle Program. □

Anne Peterson Conolly



Art Mudge, Seton O'Reilly and Carol Southall.



Bill Davies honored for his dedication to the area camps with Vinnie Broderick, Anne Peterson Conolly, Bill, and Meredith Funston.

JOHN GEMMILL NEWFOUND FUND AWARDS FIRST CONSERVATION GRANT

The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests is working to protect the 270-acre Hazelton Farm in Hebron, which lies directly across the Cockermonth River from NH Audubon's Ash Cottage and fields overlooking Newfound Lake.

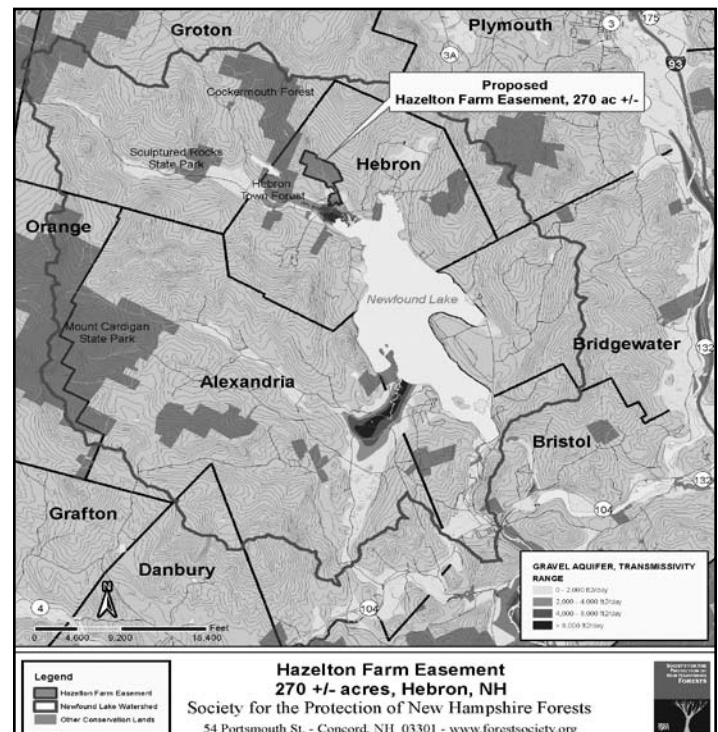
Reminiscent of earlier centuries, the picturesque and historic Hazelton Farm features extensive frontage along the Cockermonth River and Wise Brook, and its forested hillsides on Tenney and Crosby Mountains are visible from Newfound Lake.

An early grant of almost \$30,000 from the John Gemmill Newfound Fund – established by Helen Gemmill a year ago – gave the project a great start, and NH Fish and Game followed with a \$60,000 grant. The Forest Society must raise a total of \$300,000 to purchase a conservation easement and cover transaction costs and stewardship in perpetuity. Helen says, "This is exactly the kind of conservation work that will make a lasting impact in ensuring a clean lake and healthy watershed for Newfound for many generations to come. Preserving the Hazelton land is key to protecting the headwaters of Newfound." The project also received a gift of \$300 from the Girls of Onaway Charitable Fund.

With its incredibly diverse habitat including forestlands, wetlands, fields and brooks this property has some of the highest quality wildlife habitat in the region. The hayfields are mowed late to protect bob-o-link habitat, and the forests are a registered Tree Farm and managed for timber stand improvement and wildlife habitat.

If you'd like to help you can go online to: www.forestsociety.org/Hazelton, or mail a check to The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, 54 Portsmouth Street, Concord, NH 03301. □

Martha Twombly



CELEBRATING ONAWAY LOYALTY... REMEMBERING CAKE NIGHT



We knew it would be tough to match the enthusiasm and generosity of 2011, our Centennial Year, but you amazed us! More heartening than the amount of money raised in 2012, are the growing participation of alumnae and new Onaway families and the loyalty of our supporters who've made their commitment to Onaway a habit, year after year after year. **Thank you, everyone!**

Reminiscent of a fun Onaway tradition, our annual giving donor list this year is arranged in layers... cake layers! Who can forget Cake Night at camp?! In the tradition of honoring girls who have been at Onaway for 4 or more years, each is presented a cake, lovingly decorated by counselors, each layer representing four years. The cakes and the celebration are shared by all, just as we hope you will all celebrate with us as you enjoy this newsletter, layered with stories which remind us of why we love Onaway.

Our **Onaway Cake Night Club** honors donors who have supported annual giving for 4 or more **consecutive** years. Please accept our gratitude. Your loyal, dependable support gives the Director and Trustees confidence to open camp every summer.

Gratefully,

Sally Jones Orr, Onaway '67
Trustee, VP & Fundraising Chair

SEE HOW WE GROW!

Fiscal Year	Annual Fund Gifts	Number of Donors
2012	\$118,296	455
2011	\$116,372	425
2010	\$95,736	393
2009	\$89,153	376

HONOR ROLL OF DONORS



Five Layer Cake (20 or more consecutive years of giving)

Winkie Chase Almy
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GEVVIE STONE'S OLYMPIC ADVENTURE



Gevvie in her final race. Number 1!

I don't know if I can capture how incredible racing at the Olympics was for me. Racing on the biggest stage against the fastest women in the world and doing it in a country that loves rowing all the while knowing that I had fantastic support back home. And, to have the opportunity to race as fast as possible just for the sake of racing as fast as possible. It was the first time in years for me that nothing hung on my result--not making the team, not qualifying a spot for the Olympics.

In my final, I had my "great" race. In the heats, quarters, and semis, I had good races, but I knew that I could do better and had something extra to give. In particular, I was disappointed after my semifinal race. Despite a very tough field, I had hoped to make the A final, and I had weaknesses in how I handled my rowing mentally and technically. But, in the final, I was able to race the best race of my life. I was really happy about that. I'm still really happy about that.

Aside from the rowing, there are lots of fun stories from London. I could tell stories that started the second my Dad and I stepped off the plane to find two men in pink shirts waiting for us so they could lead us through Heathrow around passport

control to the special no-wait Olympian passport control and that ended with the temporary terminal that Heathrow built for Olympian departures. It had fake marble poster-board around the metal detectors and actors dressed as Buckingham Palace guards. In between, I went through US team processing where I was fitted for opening and closing ceremonies gear by Ralph Lauren employees and then received two giant bags full of Olympic clothing. At the course and at the rowing satellite village, I ate meals with rowers from all over the world. I got to build two custom pairs of Oakley sunglasses. After rowing was over, I was able to go to other events and cheer on other US



Gevvie in her closing ceremony outfit.

athletes at women's basketball, water polo, beach volleyball and track & field. I walked through the tunnel at Closing Ceremonies into the roar of the stadium. I could go on and on.

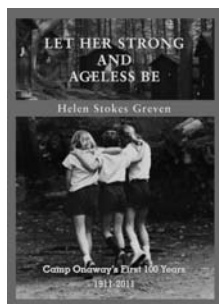
Now, I'm back at Tufts med school immersed in my third year rotations. Much more time using my brain and much less time using my quads. I'll graduate in 2014. Then, we'll see. I'm thinking about Rio 2016. As of now, I'm not ready to be done with rowing and racing. □

Gevvie Stone

RESULTS

Heats: 3rd Place
Quarterfinals, 2nd Place
Semi-finals, 4th place
B finals (not a medal round) 1st place

BOOK ORDERING INFORMATION: If you haven't seen Onaway's history, *Let Her Strong and Ageless Be*, you are missing something marvelous. Read what some of our alumnae have said after reading the book:



"I've yet to figure how you made it so easy to read. It flows, or maybe I just couldn't wait to share remembrances of all those years...Guess I have forgotten how important all those summers have been to me..."

"I found myself a place on the living room couch and stayed there all weekend until I had read every word - first time in a long time I've read anything with so much relish. It was wonderful...Of course I was startled to see myself in there. Yikes!"

"I love how Helen has intertwined the history with the thoughts and feelings about the camp. She has captured the essence of Onaway as no other believer could. As an alumna I am constantly reminded of the relationships, the events, and the songs, but truly Helen's writing has reminded me of the poetic and the spiritual beauty of the camp. The book symbolizes the strength, the integrity, and the soul of the Onaway girl."

For further testimonials, book ordering information, and how to purchase other Centennial merchandise, visit the website www.camponaway.org.

OBITUARY: BILL ST JOHN



And so, increasingly, I find that Onaway is anything but an anachronism in today's world. If our girls can in the time we have with them find direction, strength, and high standards, then we can have confidence in their right reaction to problems that will inevitably confront them in the future. Happily, within the whole process is fun as well as challenge, and Mrs. St. John and I look forward hugely to the coming summer.

Foreword

"Change" is the word of today among youth and many adults, and as all concerned people recognize, there is much in our society that should be questioned and perhaps restructured, hopefully without violence; hopefully, with reason and perspective.

What place then for a girls' Camp which, in a way, is far removed from the mainstream of revolution; what place for an institution which, in all important ways, will *not* change?

Since its inception Onaway's Directors and Counselors have believed firmly in trying to instill in each camper values that work, values that really are meaningful. Off on a blue, white-capped lake, away from sham, false measurement, glitter, we have found that thoughtfulness and awareness do matter; that compassion, loyalty, integrity, and responsibility must be present in order for our group and for our individuals to survive with happiness and grace. Without true commitment to these values, there is selfish sham, and we are — and always will be — dedicated to the very opposite of that.

William H. C. St. John

Bill's thoughts on becoming Director of Onaway in 1970. Still so true today!

Yale and Harvard Graduate School. He was an English professor at the Hill School, Assistant Director at Pasquaney (which led to long time friendships with the Hurd, Mudge & Bolton families), an Admissions Director and, like his father before him, an Assistant to the Headmaster at Choate. He became Headmaster of the Brimmer & May School in the early 70's and took on the Directorship of Onaway shortly thereafter. With a house on Whittemore Point, Onaway was a delightful 20 minutes away by boat, Bill's favorite mode of transportation.

On stepping down from his position from Onaway, Bill later took on his most difficult challenge of his life: dealing with alcoholism. He was very proud at the end not only to have conquered the disease he had developed but also to help and counsel others going through similar struggles.

Bill delighted in knowing that Onaway continues to help girls find "their best selves" and was very happy and proud to have been a part of its rich history. □

Robert St. John, Bill's son.

SOME MEMORIES FROM ALUMNAE:

My father, Nick Bolton, used to entertain us children with stories of many shenanigans he and his friend "The Saint" got into at Camp Pasquaney. To my delight, years later, The Saint showed up at Camp Onaway as Director. Mr. St. John challenged Onaway to decide who we really were; and I think the camp traditions are stronger today in part because he led us to scrutinize them. I am thankful for his leadership during my Onaway years, and for his enduring friendship to my family.

Tibby Bolton Christenberry

All of my summers at Camp Onaway were wonderful and the two under Mr. St. John's direction were no exception. I always appreciated his cheerful demeanor and encouraging words. At Onaway we learned to face our fears, find our strength and strive for our best selves. I hope Onaway gave Bill some of the courage and strength he needed to face life's challenges and I'm touched that he shared his experience by helping others face theirs.

Meredith Funston

I was unhappy with his decision to make me wait a year before becoming a counselor. In retrospect, he was absolutely right. He challenged me to be more mature and take my responsibilities as an Aide and then a counselor more seriously, remembering that in those roles the relation with campers changes from peer to leader and mentor.

Polly Peterson Wright

ONABABIES

Onaway has added a new uniform item – Onaway onesies!
If you have a baby, be sure to let us know - boy or girl! Here's a look at our first group of baby recipients.



Marley Reese, daughter of Annie **Stover** Reece.



Violet and Charlie with their moms, Sophie **Jacobi-Parisi** and Anne **Thompson**.



Lizza **Miller's** Ona-twins, Kaspar and Heli.



Angela **Carini's** son, Euan.



Melissa **Briggs** with daughter, Annabelle



Izzy, daughter of Lexie **Rich** Mills.

ALUMNAE NEWS

News of the 40s

Ellie Stiles Dumdi went on a cruise last winter in the southern Carribean. She enjoys spending time with her grandsons.

Helen Stokes Greven writes, "a book coming out *Let Her Strong and Ageless Be* – all done! More time this spring for family and grandchildren, acting, singing, and being Vice President of the Pennswood Residents' Association – which reminds me of my days as a School Head! Life is very rewarding in our continuing care community in beautiful Bucks County. It's a great place to enjoy our older years. (Sometimes life here reminds me of Onaway too...)"

News of the 50s

Judy Jones Babcock and her husband spent a week at Hollister House overlooking Newfound Lake this fall. Judy writes, "Have such fond memories of last year's Centennial. Great girls go to Onaway!"

News of the 60s

Mary Broderick was recognized this September by the Academy of Education, Arts and Sciences International with a Bammy! for her work as a school board member in East Lyme, Conn. A Bammy! Award is a cross-discipline award that identifies and acknowledges excellence throughout the education field.

Michele Lamedica Fennell would like to share the loss of her husband of 30 years with her fellow campers.

Peter Fennell passed away this fall after a long battle with throat cancer at the age of 51. They both attended Onaway's 100th anniversary and "Pete enjoyed getting to know more about that magical place of my youth."



Peter and Michelle Fennell

Beth Gray-Nix shares that there is a "Book coming out that I worked on - *Images of America, Sudbury*, a collection of old images from our town and their stories."

Liz Porter Hawkins climbed her first 14,000 foot mountain in Colorado. "Anyone who remembers me as a camper knows I spent most of my time at the waterfront and did as little hiking as possible. I have always had 'fallen arches' but now orthotics makes it possible for me to climb!"



Liz Porter Hawkins at new heights.

Sharon Worthing Vaino writes that her son David graduated from John Hopkins University Phi Beta Kappa and started at the Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Bologna Program this fall.

News of the 70s

Stephanie Anderson shares news of her daughters: Lucibel (90s) owns a Zumba gym in Santa Rosa, Calif., Abril (2000s) works and attends school in Oregon and Alma Lupe will be a 5th year camper this summer.

Cynthia Mulliken Drew continues to work as a grief and loss therapist at a hospice in Las Vegas, Nev.

Estella Maresi Haines and her husband Peter have recently moved from New Canaan, Conn. to Wayland, Mass.

Lee Darling Kauper extends an invitation, "Come visit me y'all, we have a new lake house down here in Alabama! Not as beautiful as Newfound Lake but it will do!"

Lela Schaus Philip is teaching Lower School art at both a girls and boys school in Greenwich, Conn. She also paints in her spare time.

On September 30, 2012 in Philadelphia, an extended Baldwin School community gathered in the Science Building to honor the memory of Baldwin alumna, Kristianna (Kris) Keen Harvey Rouff, Class of 1981. A classroom was named for her forward thinking in



The plaque in honor of Kris Harvey Rouff

the areas of environmental awareness and outreach. She was recognized for raising the level of learning and teaching through technology. Kris attended Onaway from 1973-1978 and passed away in 2009.

News of the 80s

Nici Ash, who lives in N.H., shares, "We are doing well and making a lot of progress on our house in Bristol. Hope to be in by early spring. We drive by camp often and sing 'As Onaway goes marching along...' everytime."

Polly Burke has been babysitting her daughter Allie Burke's two children, Parker (5) and Eliza (20 months), and having tons of fun! Allie is the Assistant Director at Hosmer Point Camp in Craftsbury, Vt. Polly writes, "Wonder why!"

Kendra Motley Demopoulos and her husband are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth Marie on 9/27/12. She joins sisters Cate (7), Alexandra (5) and brother John (2 1/2).



Elizabeth Marie Demopoulos

ALUMNAE NEWS

Meg Tweedy Drazek writes, "Thanks to Kath and Allie Keen and Kathy Broderick Baird for getting in touch while visiting Prague in the past two years. I've been posted to the Czech Republic with the State Department, along with my husband Greg, who works for Diplomatic Security, since 2009. Greg is currently serving one year in Kabul, Afghanistan and will be finishing up in the fall of 2012 when I'll start a year in Baghdad, Iraq. Greg and our sons, Cooper (6) and Spencer (4) will move to The Hague where I'll join them after Baghdad, and we'll be in Holland until 2015. Anyone coming through is welcome."



Alice **Merwin** Tweedy visiting with daughter Meg **Tweedy** Drazek

Julie Thorp Kerr and her family recently moved to Richmond, Va.

Lizza Miller, her husband George and big sister Elsa were thrilled to welcome twins Kaspar and Heli this summer.



Big sister Elsa with twins Kaspar and Heli.

Jody Forester Pierce gave birth to Grayson Forester Pierce on October 17, 2012. Her older son, Jasper is now 19 months. Jody shares, "We still live in the Los Angeles area, and are still working on films and shooting photographs. Our first feature film has been released in 6 countries around the world, and will soon be available domestically via video on demand. Last fall we went to Costa Rica to photograph a resort property there, and will be going back in the spring to shoot another. It's such an exciting time, with a growing family and business. We hope to be able to come back east at some point to visit Onaway. It's just a shame that I don't have any daughters to be future campers!"

Jen Lind Semsak's daughter started Kindergarten in September!



Off to kindergarten!

Christina Bradley Smallhorn and her husband hope to bring their daughters to Onaway next summer to visit. They are excited to be campers in a few years! The Smallhorns are enjoying the Bay area and a recent camping trip brought back some fond Onaway memories to Christina.

News of the 90s

Kathryn Barrett lives in Paris, France and works for United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), an organization that, "Encourages international peace and universal respect by promoting collaboration among nations."

Laura Behrendt works for American Express in New York City as a Senior Manager of Digital Marketing. She and her mother recently "spent a week in Paris seeing friends, ballet and lots of culture."

Melissa Briggs still lives in Santa Fe, N.M. and teaches and choreographs for the National Dance Institute of New Mexico. Her daughter, Annabelle Grace was born July 14, 2011.



Melissa **Briggs** with Annabelle.

Leigh Bulkeley lives in San Francisco, Calif. and teaches English to students from all around the world. She lives two blocks from Annie Stover Reece and sees her and her new baby a lot!

Vanessa Gates-Elston shares, "My sister, Amanda and I were campers in the late 80s and 90s (Elston back then), both Cup Girls too, not sure how many sisters were Cup Girls! Onaway changed our lives and we wouldn't have gone to all-women colleges (Smith for me, Barnard for Amanda) if not for Onaway. I had an AMAZING time at the NYC Central Park reunion organized by the AMAZING Sophie Jacobi-Parisi on Saturday, June 23. I had so much fun reconnecting with Paige McGinley, the Howe sisters and young and young at heart alumnae of Onaway! I'm working for a renewable energy company headquartered in NYC after working on an undersea electric cable project connecting New Jersey to Long Island and worked on a US Senate race before that. Onaway challenged me, helped me find my voice, my strength, my

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resilience, and instilled my deep love of nature, spirit, creativity, and joy within my flowerpot:) Lots of love from the big apple to the Onaway family, Namaste."

Melanie **Antonucci** Hesketh and her husband announce the birth of their son Owen David Hesketh, born on August 6, 2012. She still lives in London, England and feels fortunate that the UK gives a full year of maternity leave.



Owen David Hesketh

Aimee **Young** Hopkins, (counselor "Miss Aimee" from 1989-1991) is still "Ms. Aimee," teaching Music and Theatre in Los Angeles with her company, Aimee Art Productions: Building Self-Esteem and Literacy Through the Arts. Aimee and her company members are Teaching Artists in the schools, offering integrated Arts Education in Theatre, Music, Dance and Visual Art, including instruction in all musical instruments, during the school day, after school, and in families' homes and preschools. Aimee now has 2 girls of her own, Margaret (Maggie) age 7, and Charlotte (Charley) age 4. Her husband Craig is a middle school teacher and has also started teaching a college class for educators in the evenings. Aimee sends her love to all the Onaway friends and family from the early '90's and beyond!



Aimee at the Birmingham Zoo.

Caroline **Howe** and Nina **Fink** had their own special Opening Day Party in Paris, France where Nina was studying and working as a translator. Caroline saw her sister Natalie and Julia **Harris** in Philadelphia this past July.



*Nina **Fink** and Caroline **Howe**
rendezvous in Paris.*

Elizabeth **Marshall** Leeds was married on March 16, 2012 to Jeffrey Leeds. They reside in New York City. Elizabeth would love to catch up with any campers passing through NYC.

Binney **McCague** writes, "I finished my residency in med/peds and am now working for the CDC in their Epidemic Intelligence Service (most recently seen in the movie Contagion). I primarily work in the occupational health branch, called NIOSH, investigating workplace illnesses, though there is the opportunity for other investigations as well. It's really interesting work, and I'm really enjoying it. My husband and I live outside of Pittsburgh, which is a really nice area, though I don't know of any other Onaway folks here."

Sarah **Paup** volunteers with a non-profit organization called Refugee Transitions which provides educational services to refugee children and families in the San Francisco Bay Area. For the past year she has been tutoring a Sudanese husband and wife in English and civics



*Sarah **Paup** with her pupil from Sudan.*

so that they can pass the US Citizenship Exam, which is a required step towards becoming a US Citizen.

After fleeing Sudan with their six children to Uganda, the family relocated to the US as refugees and have lived in San Francisco for 6 years. It took over a year of hard work studying US history and civics, but recently the husband, John, became a naturalized citizen at the age of 75! His wife became a citizen earlier this year.

Sarah **Williamson** Pratt shares, "I'm absolutely thrilled to have my cousin, Frieda, living in the states these days! Frieda, Riley **Bright**, and I had a blast catching up in Boston. I had never met Riley before, but when Frieda said she was an "Ona Girl" there wasn't a break in the conversation among the three of us!

I've returned to teaching after taking some time off when my daughter, Abigail, was born. It was hard at first, but now we're into the swing of things. I'm teaching English at the middle school in Medfield - and loving it. I'm looking forward to spending more time with my cousin while she's studying at Emerson and finding balance as a working mom."



Riley, Sarah and Frieda in Boston.

Laura **Fitts** Waters and her family have moved to Manassas, Va. Her children Shelby (10), Hailey (8) and Colby (2 ½) participated in the White House Easter Egg Roll in April.



*Laura **Fitts** Waters and family.*

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News of the 2000s

Catherine **Blessing** moved to San Francisco, Calif. in May and works for IXL Learning, an educational technology company. Her sister **Jenn Blessing** and **Bailey Rice** have visited her.

Kala Bolton lives in Atlanta, Ga. and is a Production Assistant for the HGTV show *Mega Dens*.

Julia Bradshaw is studying abroad for a semester in Seville, Spain. She recently traveled to Madrid and saw **Loreto de Esteban** and **Ines Larrea**.



Ines, Marta and Julia in Spain.

Riley Bright is in Graduate school at Boston University studying for a Master's Degree in Public Health, concentrating in Social and Behavioral Sciences and Nutrition.

Liz Clark is traveling overseas for the next seven months! She plans to spend the first few months in Southeast Asia volunteering with World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms (WWOOF). In return for volunteer help, WWOOF hosts offer food, accommodation and opportunities to learn about organic lifestyles. Liz would love to hear from alumnae who have connections or recommendations in



Andie Cockerill as First Aid class "victim"

Southeast Asia. She will be documenting her journey in a blog: rachelandliz.wordpress.com.

Andie Cockerill is attending the University of Edinburgh

in Scotland. She spent several weeks this past summer teaching First Aid to outlying villagers in Tanzania.

Lindsay Crevoiserat won a place on Team USA and traveled to Barcelona, Spain for the World Junior Track and Field Championship in July. She competed in the 3000 meter race and came in 9th out of 22 competitors from around the world.

3000 m Women			
Official RESULTS Final			
1	M. CHEBMOGEN	KEN	9:08.88 PB
2	H. GEBREKIDAN	ETH	9:09.27 PB
3	E. GORECKA	GBR	9:09.43 PB
4	H. TESFAY	ETH	9:10.02 PB
5	B. KIPKOECH	KEN	9:14.32 PB
6	A. CUFFE	USA	9:19.95
7	R. GREENE	NZL	9:21.23 PE
8	M. UEHARA	JPN	9:21.81
9	L. CREVOISERAT	USA	9:21.88 PB

Impressive finish for Lindsay on the scoreboard!

After attending Cup Weekend to visit two cousins and a niece who were at camp this summer, **Jessie Daigneault** visited **Gevvie Stone** in Boston, Ma. and then set off on an adventure traveling abroad. Jessie wrote to us from Morocco and was on her way to Barcelona, Spain where she planned to see **Rachel Wolfe**. Jessie plans to return to the States in the spring.



Jessie hiking in Turkey.



Miss Lili and Miss Ebes at the half marathon.

Claire Eberhardt ran into **Lili Meyer** recently when both were running a half marathon in Baltimore, Md.

Nell Ethridge is living in New York City and attends Columbia Law School.

Jen Smith Farb is a Housekeeping Guest Service Manager for Walt Disney. She and her team worked from construction to Opening Day on Disney's Art of Animation Resort.

Frieda Guggiari has moved from Gravesano, Switzerland to Boston, Ma. to study at Emerson College.



Sarah Holmes

Sarah Holmes is studying at Lesley University in Cambridge, Ma. She switched her major to Expressive Arts Therapy with a specialization in Holistic Psychology. Sarah's taking Music Therapy this semester, which she loves, and hopes to practice more of in the future.

She's had a busy semester taking a full course load, being a Teacher's Assistant, and interning. Sarah interns at the Gay Men's Domestic Violence Project. She is also on the Alumni Advisory Board at Landmark College and works closely with the President to help to make future students' time there as great as it can be.

Brookie Lanigan is a sophomore at Colgate University studying cellular neuroscience. She is also on the dance team and works as a lifeguard.

Amy MacInnis and her mother **Kathy Fong** took a mother-daughter trip to France this fall that included stops in Versailles, Giverny and Provence. Amy is the "front of house" manager at the Hole in the Wall restaurant in Sebastopol, Calif. after receiving her Culinary Arts certificate from Santa Rosa Junior College.



Kathy Fong and Amy MacInnis in France.



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Jessie MacLeod graduated this past spring from UMass Amherst with an M.A. in History and Museum Studies. She now lives in Alexandria, Va. where she is an assistant curator at George Washington's Mount Vernon. She'd love to reconnect with other Onaway alumnae who live in the DC area.

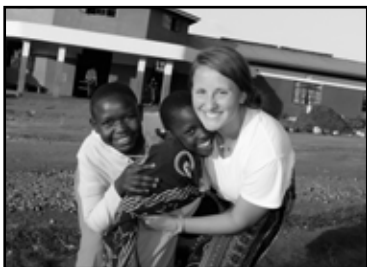


Marisol **Maddox** at Glacier National

Marisol **Maddox** spent this past summer working in Glacier National Park and is currently back in Missoula, Mont. working towards her Bachelors in Nursing (RN).

Alice **Matthai** volunteered for two months this summer in Tanzania at an orphanage called City of Hope. She also worked in the school and the medical center.

Fran **McNierney** is studying in Kenya for the fall semester. Her class work will soon be done and she will be spending the month of November doing



Alice **Matthai** in Tanzania.

research on the state of several reefs around Zanzibar. Her semester abroad will conclude with her hiking Mt. Kilimanjaro.

Emmy **Mudge** graduated from Skidmore College this past May and currently is interning for a music mastering studio in New York City.

Bailey **Rice** lives in Boston, Ma. and teaches three year olds at a school for the deaf.

Ellie **Shepley** graduated from Kenyon College in May 2012 and currently lives in New York City.



As they do each summer, The Onaway Board of Trustees held their annual August meeting in the Log Cabin while camp was in session.

Be sure to look at the photos from last summer and keep up with the latest news from Onaway on our beautiful redesigned website.

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