

Message from the CEO

Every summer before the start of camp I have an opportunity to address summer staff. It is a moment I anticipate with great excitement because our staff is the reason our campers continually return to Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA. While many camps focus on becoming a better athlete or musician, at Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA we are about building relationships, imbedding good values in young people and preparing them to be well rounded young men and women. And this can't happen without the dedication of our remarkable staff. This year, I shared with the staff that they are now the caretakers of our campers, temporary surrogate parents with a responsibility to pass on the traditions of Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA and becoming our campers' new found heroes.

One of these heroes, Tom Samuelson, a former Aides Director and Village Director, recently shared with me a letter he received, that is an eloquent example of how counselors, program staff and directors are heroes to our campers. I am pleased to share an excerpt:

This summer has been the absolute best time of my life. Not just because of the fun found every day, or the atmosphere of Becket, or the realization that I am important, but because I left there different, better, thanks to you and your work. Not only am I a better son, a better friend, a better brother and a better part of a group, I am more confident, more driven, a better speaker, a better listener,

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The Making of a Cabin Group: *A Counselor's Perspective*

It is the fourth day of first session and Pioneer Village's cabin Carson is enjoying some free time following a game of Capture the Flag. This is no ordinary Capture the Flag. Counselors Sam Michaels and Dan Wittenberg have taken on the roles of CEO of Coca-Cola and CEO of Pepsi and are trying to steal one another's secret ingredients. What may seem like a lighthearted game is really an activity that has been planned and orchestrated as part of the first three days of camp.

"We have 72 hours from the time the camper is dropped off to leave an impression and set the tone and example for what the whole summer will be," explained Sam. This Brookline, MA



First session campers take a break from morning cabin group activities and relax at Cabin Carson in Pioneer Village. Campers include: Top, Charles "Charlie" Hattabaugh; second row, Assistant Counselor Daniel Wittenberg, Graham Harris, Vicente Riguelme, Nicholas Darell, Jake Newman, and Zack Robbins; bottom row, Tom Briggs, Jackson "Jack" Hallagah, and Counselor Sam Michaels.

native and three year veteran counselor has already determined cabin policies, what activities to run to avoid home sickness and how to get his cabin to learn the rules of camp. Like his other fellow counselors at Camp Becket and Chimney Corners Camp, he is very strategic on how to turn a group of young strangers into a cohesive unit of friends.

For example, in this first week, Sam and Dan are taking turns reading *Sherlock Holmes* to their campers following cabin chat as a way to keep camper minds from wandering to thoughts of home and family and staying focused on a restful night's sleep at camp.

Lunch is another opportunity to reinforce that these 8 kids will become a family over the next four weeks.

"Where we sit at dinner time is intentional as well as whom we are engaging in conversation. Meal times are one of the best opportunities for the campers to

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Above photo: This year's Exuberantes Allison Huttick, Sara Groves, Julia Focone, Callie Atwell, and Laura Tingley welcome campers on opening day.

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a better person and a better leader. I have a much better grasp of who I am, and what I am capable of. You showed me what other people would think was impossible and we achieved it. ...You changed my life for the better, and I hope to never look back. Because of what you've done for me, I now want to do this for someone else. Maybe even everyone else. You've inspired me. And I mean that. I want to change the world.

This note came from a sixteen year-old who just completed his Aides year. I have been with the YMCA for over thirty years, yet every day I am at Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA I am continually impressed and humbled by the dynamics between our summer staff and campers. It is quite magical and why the Camps continue to be full every summer, graduating happy and inspired campers – campers who not only seek to set and achieve goals, but even “change the world.”

In this issue of the *Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA NEWS* we celebrate our summer staff which is the foundation of everything we do at Camp Becket, Chimney Corners Camp, Travel and Service Program and the Berkshire Outdoor Center. We'll take an inside look at what goes into building a cabin group, meet two former campers who have returned as adults to lead this summer, and a family whose sons' staff leadership motivated a substantial estate planned gift. Alumni will have a special insert in their newsletter on our upcoming Alumni Weekend, September 23-25 – a great way to revisit and reconnect with camp and be inspired all over again.

Amici & Agape,
Phil Connor

You Can Come Home Again: Alumni Return to Camp to Lead

They say you can't go home again, but that sentiment doesn't hold true for Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA alumni, many of whom return every summer for the chance to work at camp. For Tim Murphy, Director of Placement at The Fessenden School and Stephanie Donohue, a librarian at Buckingham Browne & Nichols School, returning to camp is how they recapture the emotions and experiences of camp while influencing new generations to fall in love with everything *Becket and Chimney*.

“Most of us who went and worked here never lose affection for this place and Stephanie and I are lucky to have the flexibility in the summer to come back and be a part of camp,” explained Tim, a former member of the Board of Trustees who also sees many alumni returning to camp to work when they are at a transition in their life because Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA is where people feel at home while staying true to who they are.

“There is true purity about Camp Becket and Chimney Corners that people appreciate. You see that when alumni come back for Alumni Weekend. Life changes, but the camps always stay the same,” added Stephanie, an Alumni Council member who is returning this summer to lead ICEP Chile. A TLS alumna and former Aides Director, Stephanie never participated an international trip and can now “tie up a loose end” by brushing up on her Spanish and traveling with fifteen teenagers abroad.

Despite each of their past involvement as summer staff (Tim is also a previous counselor, Aides Director, ICEP Leader and Village Director himself), they continue to marvel at the intensity, thoroughness and quality training that camp leadership undergo annually.

“This is a top shelf operation. Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA is the *gold standard* in leadership development training – far better than any private school, college or grad school program I have attended. We do what we do unbelievably well,” explained Tim, who considers the training very “kid focused” with every precaution addressed.

It is not surprising to know both Tim and Stephanie's camp experience inspired them to pursue careers in education.



Stephanie Donohue this year's ICEP Chile Leader and Tim Murphy, Camp Becket's Upper Camp Advisor enjoy staff training in June.

“Fessenden is the closest approximation to Camp Becket I can get. There's a reason five alumni work there,” smiled Tim. Stephanie credits being confident helping teenagers at her school because of her time as a counselor adding “private school is like bizarro camp only with homework!”

Tim is excited to join fellow Fessenden faculty member and returning alumnus Bob Pflugfelder, in facilitating the leadership development of Camp Becket counselors as they collaborate on newly created positions – upper camp advisor and lower camp advisor.

“We want to ensure we develop the best counselors possible so they will be vested in Camp Becket and want to come back year after year,” explained Tim about improving the already stellar statistic of 80% summer staff retention. The new positions will share administrative duties and mentor counselors while helping them identify the transferable skills applicable to future careers after college graduation.

At the end of the summer, Tim and Stephanie look forward to leaving an indelible mark on the campers and staff.

“At the end of my Aides Director year I told the girls that this place is in their hands now and it is their job to maintain the mission and spirit of camp,” a message Stephanie will no doubt impress upon her Chile travelers as well.

“I want Becket staff to know they will never grow out of camp and that it will be a stabilizing factor for the rest of their lives. It will be the preeminent community in their life,” said Tim.

Meet New Moms' Executive Committee President: *Susan Beringer*



Susan Beringer, known best as "Suz", is a Chimney Corners alumna that keeps finding herself back at camp and taking on new roles. A former store keeper, Firefly editor and telephone operator for Chimney Corners Camp, and mom to Hayley and Nick Ryan, Susan has returned once again as the president of the Moms' Executive Committee, taking the reins from Stacey Turner.

She laughs at how her alumni connection was what enlisted her on the Moms' Committee years earlier, "I was a dead ringer. Other Moms' Committee members saw me at camp with my daughter and thought, 'oh let's peg her, she wants to get back involved.'"

It was an easy recruit for a camper whose mom spent half of her salary each year to send Susan and her brother to camp which Susan credits as a "safe place for me. Everybody is so accepting here – your talents are honored and your failures are supported."

Just as the Chimney Corners staff show young girls how to be strong leaders and good women, the Moms' Executive Committee's charge is to support that effort by being a resource to parents and raising campership dollars through their annual Moms' Weekend raffle, t-shirt and tent sale, and parent support of the Annual Fund.

This past spring Moms' Committee members reached out to new moms of campers to offer support, answer questions that range from what to pack and what happens on opening day to counseling nervous first-time parents who are entrusting their children to a camp for four weeks.

"We probably made contact with 40% of the moms via email and phone calls. This is a chance to reach out to other parents and let them know we are a resource while their kids are involved at Chimney Corners," explained Susan.

Above all else "we want to create opportunities for camp to be accessible to any girl who wants to come to Chimney Corners." Whether by early outreach, emotional support or encouraging participation in the Camp's financial health, all of the Moms' Committee's efforts help make this greater goal achievable.

The Making of a Cabin Group (cont'd from front cover)

get to know each other on a deeper and more personal level."

Of course cabin chat is another time Sam and other counselors encourage campers to open up about themselves and to reinforce lessons learned throughout the day.

"One of the questions we've asked is 'what is the best team you were on and why was it successful?' That question got the group to talk about their strengths and weaknesses within a team and they don't even realize they are slowly becoming a part of a new team."

As the weeks go on, Sam and Dan will begin to evolve their cabin group from learning the rules, to taking on more independence such

as determining the cabin chat discussion and choosing the morning and afternoon activities.

It is Sam's tenth year at Camp Becket and his third as a cabin counselor. While his friends back at Washington University in St. Louis are claiming to be "miserable" at their city internships, Sam knows he will learn a great deal at Camp Becket, already taking in a week's worth of staff training, gleaning knowledge and advice from his colleagues on various potential scenarios and how to address them over the next eight weeks.

"The wonderful thing is you have a great support system of counselors and other staff to turn to. Chris Burke (Executive Director of Camp Becket) talks about all of us being

one staff and if you see something that needs to get done it is your job to do it."

When Sam was a camper he wondered why all these college kids wanted to return to camp each summer. It wasn't until he reached Frontier Village as a camper that he began to appreciate the benefits of camp, where he could be himself 100 percent of the time and truly begin to shape his identity away from school and influences at home.

"For many campers this is the first time they have been away from their parents and they have this safe environment to try new things. I feel lucky to have the privilege to facilitate their process of coming into their own and help create a place of growth and learning."

New Program Coordinator Joins Berkshire Outdoor Center



Caitie Quinn

Executive Director Steve Hamill is pleased to welcome new Program Coordinator Caitie Quinn to the Berkshire Outdoor Center's full time staff.

Born and raised in Maine, Caitie graduated from St. Lawrence University in 2009 with a degree in Conservation Biology and a minor in African Studies. Since then, Caitie has enjoyed a winding road of various travels and botany jobs in Idaho and Montana before she landed in the Berkshires in the Spring of 2010 as a Berkshire Outdoor Center program instructor.

Earlier this year, Caitie was greeted with the prospect to be a Program Coordinator, a job that keeps her busy solving puzzles year round. Caitie is the liaison between the seasonal staff members and user groups, both of which she is perpetually organizing, planning, and scheduling for. She has worked to develop new art and environmental-based lesson plans and has also been afforded the opportunity to begin a wildflower and vegetable garden at Becket Day Camp. When not working, Caitie can be found rock climbing when it's warm, telemark skiing when it's cold, and always adventuring.

Bike for Brent Rides Again, Raises Two Camperships

The second annual Bike for Brent finished its 125 mile trek from Newton to Becket on July 3rd. A team of eleven, including many Camp Becket alumni and Chimney Corners Camp Director Shannon Donovan-Monti were inspired by former staff member Brent Jackson to complete the ride and raise two full camperships. The two-day event was a success and alumnus and former parent Bob Persons was so moved by the experience that he sent this note of appreciation for the opportunity:

Phil, Chris, Shannon, staff, and campers --

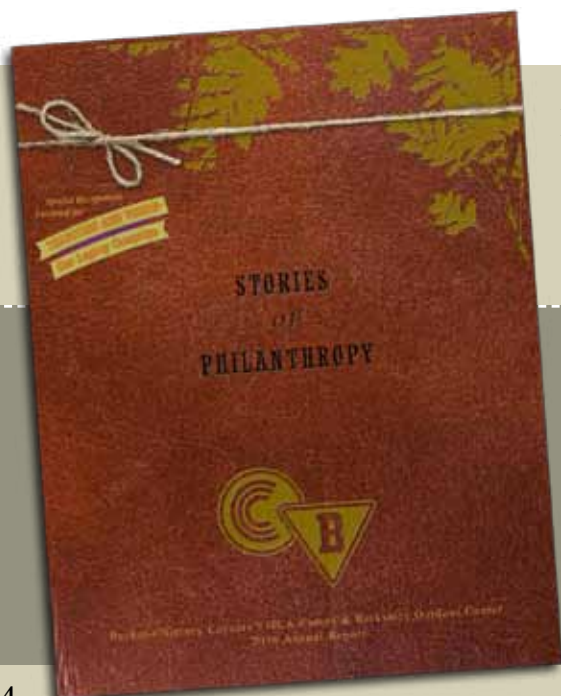
I just want to thank you for the reception we received at our dripping wet arrival at the camps on Sunday. There is nothing I have experienced in my 60 years more exhilarating than being congratulated for our efforts by hundreds of super-enthusiastic campers and staff.

Then there were lifeguards and the okay for a plunge into the clear, rejuvenating water of Rudd Pond, followed by the magical appearance of dry towels, raincoats, umbrellas, coffee, lunch, and camaraderie. Brent Jackson would be proud of us all.

We eleven, support staff and riders, were all Becket and Chimney Corners campers and staff once. We became better people there. It is an honor to be able to give back to the camps and, in the words of a well-known former camp director, to "let our reach exceed our grasp."

I hope to Bike for Brent for as many years as I can pedal, and I hope that many of you will join us. You can do it. I know you can. 125 miles with camp friends is like a walk in the park.

*Amici,
Bob "Percy" Persons*



Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA's **2010 Annual Report: Stories of Philanthropy** can be downloaded online now at bccymca.org.

We hope you will enjoy the five stories of philanthropy featured and be inspired to share your Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA story of leadership, service and support with all of us. Go to "Tell Your Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA Story" at bccymca.org. Access the survey in "What's New" on the Home Page or under Alumni.



Estate Gift a Family Decision

The decision to leave a substantial gift in Ian and Tina Winchester's Wills to Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA was a family affair.

"Our estate will one day be our boys' and we thought it would be appropriate for Stuart and Philip to have a say," explained Ian. The Winchester's are newly minted Heritage Club members – Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA's planned giving recognition society – having just updated their Wills last month. This future major gift will have a significant influence on the Camps and Berkshire Outdoor Center's advancement and was as simple as a little paperwork and a signature or two.

The idea to make a legacy gift evolved once their son Stuart enrolled at Camp Becket as a Frontier camper in 2002 with younger brother Philip following in his footsteps.

"They both came back from their first year at camp completely taken with the place," recalls Tina, "Becket is this little pocket of civility in a world where that is sometimes hard for kids to find. The boys know it exists at Becket and as a family we want to ensure that a place like that continues forever."

For their sons, Camp Becket was a respite from hot New York City summers and the academic pressures and demands of school. At Camp Becket the ability to focus on the camp's ethos of being a good person provides a wonderful compliment to their development.

"My parents understand that camp is *our* experience and so, to them, it just seemed that the right thing to do was to talk about the gift with us. This gift shows how much we care about leaving a strong legacy," and Philip, an assistant counselor at Iroquois Village this summer, is leaving a legacy by paying it forward to his campers and showing them a fun and fulfilling summer.

Stuart, this year's Aides Director and a recent graduate of Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland refers to their love and connection to Camp Becket as instantaneous.

"Becket is a huge force in my life and now I have the opportunity to see younger generations come to camp and be here long after me. This camp continually generates and attracts great



Ian, Stuart, Tina and Philip Winchester on the porch of Camp Becket's Library

talent and helps make future leaders," and Stuart has learned that being a good leader is more complicated than society makes it out to be, "you have to be empathetic and humble and stand by the choices you make."

As parents, Ian and Tina can't help but be proud of their children now that they are on staff and tending to younger kids and managing daily logistics including corralling parents during busy Dads' Weekends.

"It makes you very proud to know they know what they are doing and that it is the right thing to do," said Ian. "They do the work of Camp with love and respect and by teaching and leading by example."

The Winchesters recalled a recent college tour with Philip where he recognized a friend. Initially they did not know how Philip knew the other boy but then, when they greeted each other with a hug, they knew it must be a Camp Becket friend.

The Winchesters are living and enjoying camp life vicariously through their sons and Ian so much so that he joined the Board of Trustees in 2007 and is now Vice Chair.

Stuart made some final reflections on his parents' gift, "I have a lot of respect for my parents and their motivation to make this gift. Camp Becket was not a part of their childhood, yet they taught my brother and I that as you earn and become firm financially you want to make sure the people and places you care about are financially secure as well."

For more information on making a planned gift to Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA or to notify us of your intentions contact Brenda Marsian at (413) 822-7950 or bmarsian@bccymca.org.

The mission of Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA is to put Judeo-Christian principles in to practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.

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Alumni Weekend 2011

September 23rd–25th ...
What a weekend it will be!



Alumni Weekend 2011 in Becket, Massachusetts will once again be the place to be this fall. As the premier event for alumni, parents and friends, the weekend will have all of the many camp and family activities you've come to expect and enjoy over the

years: campfires, crafts, kickball, archery, waterfront and challenge activities, music, Wine & Cheese, square dancing, the Distinguished Service Award presentation, and so much more. Don't miss the chance to reconnect with friends old and new, but also to relive moments and share memories and stories from this very special place.

Why you can't miss Alumni Weekend 2011:

- **Travel options provided from NYC and CT for registered attendees**
- **A "kick-off" Golf Outing to get the weekend started on Friday afternoon**
- **A "Polar Bear" swim in Rudd Pond Saturday morning**
- **Special performances by outstanding alumni musicians Saturday afternoon**
- **A presentation on the "State of our YMCA"**
- **Honoring the 2011 Distinguished Service Award recipient – Jeanne Shellenberger**
- **Additional Saturday evening entertainment – Jazz Café and Coffee House**
- **Quite simply: There's nothing else like it!**

Save and secure the dates NOW – **September 23-25, 2011**. Then take the necessary next steps. Check out the Alumni Weekend pages at www.bccymca.org for all the details, full weekend schedule, registration materials, and even lists of those registered and planning to attend. **For the convenience of our ALUMNI, a self-addressed Alumni Weekend registration packet is included in this publication.**

So don't miss it. Alumni Weekend 2011 is shaping up to be the biggest – and the best – **EVER!** It won't be the same without you.

REGISTER TODAY!

Jeanne Shellenberger to Receive the *Distinguished Service Award* this Fall

By unanimous vote by the members of the Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA Alumni Council, the Distinguished Service Award will be presented to Jeanne Shellenberger for her nearly 50 years of devoted and selfless



service to the organization as a staff member, parent and friend, and for her 18 years as the Director of Chimney Corners Camp from 1972-1989.

Jeanne will accept the award at Chimney Corners Camp in front of family and friends during the Saturday night dinner of Alumni Weekend on Saturday, September 24, 2011. When contacted with the news by Alumni Council President Scott Taylor, Jeanne said "I am so deeply honored, and so very grateful for this enormous recognition." Jeanne is also very pleased to be accepting the award over Alumni Weekend, and hopes that many friends will join in the weekend festivities to help celebrate this honor and share so many stories and memories with her.

Congratulations Jeanne!

Events from Coast to Coast



One of the many stops on the spring event schedule was in Waterbury, CT March 24th to see a live taping of the hit NPR game show "Wait, Wait...Don't Tell Me!" More than 40 alumni, parents and friends joined Director of Annual Fund & Alumni Relations John Anz (far left), CEO Phil Connor (center) and Chimney Corners Camp Executive Director Shannon Donovan-Monti (just to the left of Phil) that night to enjoy the

show. After the show many stayed for a lovely reception to meet and mingle, and a chance to also meet the host of the show – and Camp Becket alumnus - Peter Sagal (just to the right of Phil).

Other events this past spring included Washington, DC, Los Angeles and New York City. Check the events calendar at the back of the newsletter and online for more events this fall.

Alumni News & Notes

Alumni News & Notes appear regularly in editions of the Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA NEWS. Send your news and photos by mail to John Anz, or email to janz@bccymca.org.

Julia Carroll (CCC camper '98-'02, ICEP '03, Aide '04, CIT/AC '05, Staff '06-'08) writes in "Those ten years of greatness I miss more and more every summer day I sit in an office! I graduated from Georgetown University in 2010 and have been living in Brooklyn, NY ever since. I work for a media company in the Chrysler Building and just returned from my first cable show in Chicago where I was lucky enough to meet Fred Armisen from SNL! In my spare time I have been working as a mentor on the weekends for a Catholic Sisters group located on the Lower East Side. It has been a really enriching experience, and the skills I learned at Chimney Corners are what have enabled me to progress within the program and to help the girl I mentor. I have also been planning a road trip throughout Europe for early September. I plan on taking two weeks of vacation and traveling thru France, Belgium and Germany. In May I reconnected with many Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA folks at a reception at Butterfield 8 in midtown Manhattan. I attended with old friends, but met many new ones. Talk of a roller derby reunion event was even tossed around, courtesy of **Aisha Bennett**. It was a great event with a large turnout and amazing cocktails and hors d'oeuvres! I plan to return to camp this summer in July to visit friends and my old campers, who are a lot bigger now than the little 8 year-olds I once played with!

Laura Christian (CCC camper '82-'86, ICEP '87, Aide '88, CIT/AC '89, Staff '91-'93 and '97) wrote in saying: "I am currently living in Cambridge, MA and working in the Development Office at Wellesley College. Throughout the year I keep in touch with Becket and Chimney folks via Facebook, but it was great to see David Hart, Steven Hart, Norah Hass, Jon Roy, Tom Samuelson and John Anz at the spring phone-a-thon in Newton where we raised over \$8,600 for the 2011 Annual Fund! I'm looking forward to another incredible Moms' Weekend where I get to share "mom" duties for my nieces, Emily and Samantha. While I don't love tenting in the rain, I do love swimming in the Salada Sea, honing my archery skills at the range, and singing at Good Night Circle. It's fun to be a Chimney Girl once again - if only for the weekend! I highly recommend being a mentor."

Andy Hurwitz (CB camper '75-'80, Aide '81, Staff '82-'83) reports he is now living outside our nation's capital, in suburban Maryland with his wife Julie and their two sons, A.J. (CB '04-'05) and Sam (CB '07-present). Andy works at the National Cancer Institute where his laboratory studies cancer-related immunology, serves as an EMS Lieutenant for the Rockville Volunteer Fire Department, and tries to get out on his mountain bike whenever possible. He recently served on an NIH grant review panel with **Chris Touloukian** (CB camper '76-'81, Aide '83, Staff '84, '88-'90), now a surgical oncologist and faculty



Nearly two years in the making, the 1999 Camp Becket Aides recently completed the research on the history behind each of the village cabins and inscribed their findings on plaques which were installed in every Camp Becket cabin. Above, '99 Becket Aides (l-r) Ben Black, Adam Farren, Dan Langmead and David Lind tour the cabins and witness the fruits of their labor. The plaques were installed on Spring Work Weekend and are ready for campers to read and enjoy this summer.

member at the Indiana University School of Medicine. Andy will be returning to Becket on at least two occasions this year. Sam (14) will resume the Hurwitz tradition of participating in the Becket Construction Cabin Program (sadly no daily trip to CCC for Sam) and plans are underway for the 30th Reunion of the 1981 Camp Becket Aides. Any '81 Aides who have not received information and want to return for a weekend of fun and reminiscing with the rest of the geezers from '81 should contact Andy (hurwitza@mail.nih.gov), "**Monk**" (jeff@hollowtreeimages.com), or **Spider Alton** (salton@fessenden.org).

Jon Roy (CB camper '86-'90, ICEP '91, REACH '92, CIT/AC '93, Staff '94-'01) and **Katie Chilson** (CCC camper '90-'94, ICEP '95, Aide '96, CIT/AC '97, Staff '98-'01) write in that they "continue to enjoy working together on improving our house near Boston." Jon has recently completed his 11th year as a middle school teacher, and his 8th as a sixth grade teacher in Newton, for which he was recognized as a Finalist for Massachusetts Teacher of the Year last June – *Congratulations!* (editor's note in italics) Jon also keeps up to speed with camp life through the stories many of his students, who are also Becket campers, share with him throughout the academic year. Additionally, Jon is excited to be working in the same department as fellow Becketite **Evan Janow** (CB camper '89-'95, Aide '96, CIT/AC '97, Staff '00-'01), who joined Oak Hill Middle School's faculty just this past year.

In Memoriam

Robert A. Chevrier (F) of Westwood, NJ died on June 10, 2010. He is survived by his children Emily and Andre Chevrier, and by his wife and Chimney Corners Camp alumna Suzann Silverman Chevrier.

F. Morgan Taylor, Jr. (P) of Hobe Sound, FL died on October 29, 2010. In addition to sending four sons to Camp Becket, "Buzz" was best known for his long and devoted career with the United States Golf Association, ultimately serving as President of the USGA in 1998 and '99. He is survived by his wife Barbara Olin Taylor, and his sons and Camp Becket alumni Frederick Morgan III, John, Spencer and James.

Richard A. Case (A) of Needham, MA died on November 6, 2010. Dick served as Waterfront Director at Camp Becket, and later as Commodore when his son Christopher was Assistant Commodore. He is survived by his wife Barbara and his sons Scott, Charles and Camp Becket alumnus Christopher.

Dr. Anthony L. P. Halperin (A) of New Rochelle, NY died on April 7, 2011. Anthony was a camper and travel program participant from '93 to 2000. He is survived by his parents, Edward and Beth Halperin, his brother Alexander, and his sister and Chimney Corners Camp alumna Anna Halperin Rosen.

Michele Bradley (P) of Hingham, MA died on April 23, 2011. She is survived by her husband and Camp Becket parent Brendan Bradley, and her children Conor, Lillian, Michael and Becket camper Sean.

(A) Alumni, (P) Parent, (F) Friend

If you know or hear of the passing of a member of the Becket-Chimney Corners YMCA family, please contact John Anz in the Office of Development so that we can be aware, and so others may learn of the news in a timely fashion through this section in future issues. Thank you.



Chimney Corners Staff Tiffany Shih, Gabby Fiore, Nicole Kantor, Louisa Gemmer, and Margeaux Krebs direct traffic on first session opening day.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, July 30 **Annual Luncheon**

Saturday, July 30 and Sunday, July 31 **Board of Trustee Meeting**

Friday, August 12 – Sunday, August 14 **Second Session Moms’ and Dads’ Weekends**

Friday, September 23 – Sunday, September 25 **Alumni Weekend**

Wednesday, October 19 **Theater Night in Westport, Connecticut**

Friday, November 4 – Sunday, November 6 **Fall Work Weekend**

Saturday, December 3 – Sunday, December 4 **Board of Trustee Meeting**

*For updates, changes, and a full list of all alumni, parent and camp information events please go to the **EVENTS** page at www.bccymca.org.*



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