Pasquaney. Now More than Ever ...

Trustee Bob Thompson sent in his full-page ad for the 2001 Pasquaney Annual in late September. It read simply, “Pasquaney. Now more than ever.” Since September 11th, those words have echoed in notes from alumni and parents.

From what we have learned, eight Pasquaney alumni were in or very close to the World Trade Center or the Pentagon during the attacks. All of them escaped unharmed. Five of the eight -- Brad Cragin, Dwight Keysor, Bard Luippold, Jamie Stover, and Ed Swenson -- have been counsellors within the past five years. Jim Stover, a camper in the 1960s, was very high in the second tower to be hit, and was told to stay after the first tower was hit, but, thankfully, left anyway. Peter Carey, a camper and counsellor in the 1970s, and an Air Force Colonel, was in the Pentagon, but fortunately not where the plane hit. It was a huge relief to hear that all of them survived the attack.

Bard Luippold, a camper and counsellor through 1999, was just arriving at his office in the World Financial Center (across the street from the towers) when the second plane hit. He ran to Battery Park and was later evacuated to Hoboken, New Jersey, by tugboat. He wrote an extensive email about his experiences, adding that, “I started to see a few tiny silver linings on Tuesday and Wednesday. People acted selflessly and heroically on the streets and in the park. I was touched over and over by the wonderful love that New Yorkers showed for fellow New Yorkers ... (On Wednesday) people were crowding around a lady with a megaphone saying ‘No more volun-

September 11th: Reflecting
Pasquaney’s wider geographical range
in recent years, we heard from France -
Mireille Bourget, mother of 1980s
alumni Regis and Phillipe: “We are
sending you this short message to say
how much we sympathize with the
American nation after such a tragedy.
God bless America.” And on November
5th, from current Uzbek parent,
Saydulla Persheyev, “I just came back
from Tashkent (Uzbekistan). It is calm
there. I hope that situation would not
get worse. Thank you for your support. It
is nice to have good friends in America.”

Just three days after the attack, current camper Tim Cawthorne, age 13,
gave a speech at his middle school in
Tucson, Arizona. He concluded, “we
will grow as citizens, as a community,
and as a nation. An attack on our well-
being has been made, but this doesn’t
mean that this country is crushed. In
fact, we are far from it. This ordeal,
though horrific, will indeed bring us
together, and eventually, we will be
stronger than ever before.”

Alumnus David Sinclair (1970s)
 wrote from New York City that it
“seems we are now a true nation of the
world, no longer the new world, as our
city has experienced tragedy and war
like the cities of the old world.”

Trustee Chan Hardwick, Headmas-
ter of Blair Academy, gave a thoughtful
chapel talk to his students in late
September. After a thorough discussion
of what lay ahead, he concluded, “we
as a school shall discuss, debate, and
care about this war to come. Let us also
learn about the issues. Rather than

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accept rhetoric and posturing on both sides of this debate, let us discuss the meaning of war, this war and the wars of the past. Let us use this time to learn more about the peaceful religion of Islam, learn more about the value of our rights, to learn more about being part of an open democratic society. And always, always, let us show respect for each other and for the value of being individual and free.”

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That same week, Karen Elting, mother of a current camper, sent these words, “I have thought many times in the past three days about how much we take for granted, how much hatred there is in the world today, and how very grateful I am for a place like Pasquaney to help us instill in Will a sense of justice, faith in himself, and the courage to meet obstacles unflinchingly. And I’m grateful, too, for a place which allows him to be a boy just a little while longer.”

Finally, in a note sent just before the attack, alumnus Bill Benjamin (1930s), grandfather of a current camper, wrote, “Thank God that there’s a place like Pasquaney that teaches personal responsibility, fair play, honest effort, and group cooperation. It’s needed now more than ever.”

Mike Hanrahan’s Tree Talk
On the Question of Life

Mike Hanrahan, who joined the Council in 2000 after graduating from Boston University, delivered a tree talk in 2001 which resonates this fall. The following are excerpts from his excellent talk on the question of life:

As you get older, you’ll begin to ask yourself questions about your life. You’ll ask yourself what your life has been about, how you’ve lived it, and where it’s going. You’ll begin to question what your values are, and what your potential can still bring you. Most of all perhaps, you’ll begin to question what life is, and what your place is in it.

My life has been a mixture of joy, accomplishment, failure, and suffering....

So how do I feel about my life? What do I think life is, and what is my role in it?

I think that there are not full answers to these questions because life is a constant question that you’ll never fully answer. It is a constant struggle that you’ll never be through with – a full banquet of blessings and curses that goes on and on. If you’re in Wilson or Jackson this year, and you think that the boys on Dana porch know it all about life, you’re wrong. If you’re on Dana Porch and you think that the council has mastered life, you’re wrong. If you’re on the council, and you think our director does not still struggle, you’re wrong.

You’re wrong because life never stops – there’s no finish line to life, no summit, no point that you can just relax and say, “I’m done at last.” Life is the distance between a bottomless well and the heights of the infinite sky. It is the constant horizon of an endless ocean.

And of all that, finally, it is what you make of it. You’ll never have any control over the myriad, the boundless joys and sorrows that life deals you. What you do have control over, is what you make of it all. When you’re out on the ocean of life and the typhoon sets in, and that gale begins to rock you to your soul and your teeth chatter, you won’t have control over that wind - but you do have control over the sail. When you’re out canoeing on the river, you can’t control where those rocks are going to pop up to wreck you – but you do have control over the paddle.

And if you’re lucky, you’ll be out there with a friend. If you’re even luckier, you learned how to sail and canoe here at Pasquaney. I never got to come here as a boy, but how I wish I had. Why? Because here at Pasquaney, you build the foundation of your life that can take you through anything. You learn the value of friendship, and that friendship means caring about someone through thick and thin, and having them do the same for you. You learn how to be your best, and how to lead others to do the same. You learn how to be honest, and how to face life with honesty and courage. If you have these values as your foundation to build upon, and hold them to your heart with rings of iron, then no matter how hard you are battered during the storm of life, your house will still be standing at the end of the day.

Now, some of you may be thinking, how can I stay positive after all these hardships? Why don’t I just give up? Why don’t I just shake my fist at the sky and curse God and die? I’ll tell you. It’s because I’ve seen people close to me suffer, and survive to be joyful and thankful. I’ve seen my loved ones cry and weep on the floor, only later to see them laugh in my arms. This past year I spent living at home with my family, and I can’t remember a happier time with them. My sister and brother and I can sit in a movie theater together, and laugh at things nobody else laughs at. And when we laugh, it’s different from any other kind of laughter in the whole world. I can laugh with you here, and you can laugh with me, but when you laugh with your family, it’s like laughing in song. And it’s a laughter that knows pain. It’s a laughter that knows that the world isn’t always kind – but it knows that no matter what, laughter can survive if you believe in yourself and stay positive.

I hope that life brings you all no end of joys. But I know it is going to bring you all your share of sorrows. I pray that you remember that who you are is not where you come from, or what has happened to you, but how you deal with those things on a constant basis. You all have a better start here at Pasquaney than I did, and if I can do it, believe me, you can, too.

Life is an open question. Answer it everyday, answer it every second with Love and Courage. Answer it holding your friend’s hand, even if that person is thousands of miles away. Go now and become who you are.
Dick Beyer, Treasurer and White Birch Editor, to Retire
Brent Powell will be next Treasurer
Diane Morgan joins Winter Office Staff

This is a year of transition for our year-round staff. After twenty-seven years as Treasurer, Dick Beyer has announced that he will retire at the end of 2002. Dick is only the third Pasquaney Treasurer, succeeding Gil Bovaird in 1975, after Gil had completed a record fifty-two consecutive years on the Pasquaney Council. Before Gil, the camp Treasurer was Teddy Jackson.

Dick has assured us that, after forty summers on our hillside, he does not intend to move away. Brent Powell will become Treasurer on April 1, 2002, the beginning of our fiscal year, and Dick will continue to work with the year-round staff until the end of 2002. After that he looks forward to assisting with the nature program and writing articles for this newsletter, which he designed and has edited since it was begun in 1988. He also plans to produce a booklet on Pasquaney tree talks and chapel talks after retiring. He will continue as a member of the board’s Finance Committee.

Brent Powell will be adding to his work as Assistant Director when he takes on the Treasurer’s duties. Brent has already been helping with the organization of annual giving, the publication of the Pasquaney Annual, setting up new computer and communications systems, and numerous other administrative tasks since he joined the year-round staff in September, 2000. The winter office is running much more efficiently due to his good work.

Diane Morgan became Winter Office Manager in September, taking over the position held by Donna Gatnarek for the past three years. Diane brings over fifteen years experience as an administrative support person in the finance, publishing, and insurance industries. Her experience and energy have already made that transition a very smooth one. Diane lives in Hopkinton, New Hampshire, with her two sons, Hud and Luke, who are students at Stanford University and Vanderbilt University.

Charles F. Stanwood Chair Established
An endowed chair for a senior counsellor has been established by the trustees, using the gifts given in memory of Charles F. Stanwood, “Mr. Charlie.” The inscribed director’s chair was dedicated on Trustees Weekend and presented to Dick Beyer on his 40th year at Pasquaney. The chair, to be used in Memorial Hall, is inscribed: “In Memory of Charles F. Stanwood, Director 1940 - 1974.” Dick is delighted that the chair is already keeping Mr. Charlie’s memory alive as campers ask questions and Dick tells them about his inspiring leadership and influence. Photo of Dick in Mr. Charlie’s chair was taken by Charlie Buell.

Ed Swenson and Cornelia Suskind Elected to Board of Trustees

Edward Swenson was elected to the young alumnus position on the Board of Trustees at the November meeting, replacing Dan Russakoff, who has completed his three-year term. Ed was a third-generation camper, who served three summers on the council (1995-97), primarily as a tennis counsellor. A graduate of Germantown Friends School in Philadelphia, he attended Bates College, transferred to the London School of Economics for his final two years, and graduated in 1999 with a degree in International History and Economics. He has worked the past two years at Soloman Smith Barney in New York City and is currently an associate portfolio manager in asset management.

Cornelia Suskind was elected as parent representative on the Board of Trustees in November. She replaces Barbara Kryder, mother of camper and counsellor, Gus, and current COI, Will. Cornelia and her husband, Ron, learned about Pasquaney in Fairfield, CT, as neighbors and good friends of Ronde Baquie, a camper in the 1940s and father of four campers in the 1970s and 1980s. Cornelia’s son, Walter, was a first-year camper in 2001. A graduate of Sweetbriar College and University College Cork (Ireland), with a Masters in English and Irish Literature, Cornelia is a writer and journalist who has worked for Time and People magazines, CBS, and WGBH in Boston, working on “Frontline.” She moved with her husband and sons, Walt and Owen, to Washington, D.C, eight years ago, and is currently a fulltime mother doing freelance writing as time permits.

As Tennis Counsellor in 1995, Ed Swenson, center, is joined by two camper tennis champs, both from Belgium: Axel Böhlke, on left, was junior champion that year and served as a tennis counsellor in 2001. On the right, Sam Reigeluth was the sub-junior champion that summer.
Alumni News

Alumni notes are listed under the decade in which the majority of their camper years fall. If camper years are evenly split in two decades, they are listed in the decade in which the alumnus was an older camper.

The 1920s and 1930s

Sinclair Armstrong, lawyer, government official, banker, and foundation executive, died in New York City in November, 2000, at the age of 85. His father and uncles were among the first Pasquaney campers in the 1890s. A graduate of Milton Academy, Harvard College, and Harvard Law School, he left his law practice in the 1950s to serve the Eisenhower administration as Chairman of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, and Assistant Secretary of the Navy. He was a leader in the landmark preservation battle to save St. Bartholomew’s Church in New York City, taking the legal battle all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court. He had a passion for ocean sailing and a life-long love for Martha’s Vineyard, where he spent 70 summers, mostly at his home on Chappaquiddick.

Dick Gordon recently moved to an Assisted Living Home. At 91 he writes, “my legs are shot, but my memory of Pasquaney is as good as ever.”

Brad Watson, longtime camper and counsellor between 1925 and 1941, died in Hanover, New Hampshire, in June. Born in Newark, NJ, in 1915, the son of Ernest B., “Pop,” and Daisy Watson, he attended the University of New Hampshire and Bennington College. Brad served in the Army in World War II, and taught at Skagit Valley College in Washington. He was a watercolor painter. At Pasquaney, known as Junior, he directed plays in the theater, much as his father did over a period of sixty summers.

Bequest Received from Sterling Pile

Pasquaney has just received a $25,000 bequest from Sterling Pile, who died in June, 2001. His bequest, plus over $6,500 in gifts in his memory, will become part of Pasquaney’s endowment fund. The son and father of Pasquaney alumni, Sterling graduated from Pomfret School, and attended Yale University, but left to pursue a business career. As a decorated Air Force pilot in World War II, he worked many years for the Shell Oil Co., and later as a venture capitalist in New York City. Speaking of his love for travel, he was quoted in this newsletter as not wanting to die with any “sins of geographic omission.” His son, Sterling, assures us that his father “saw the world at least once, if not twice.” He was one of the first Americans to tour Vietnam after it opened to tourism. His favorite spot was his vacation home (forty-five years) in St. Croix. At Pasquaney, he entertained us at the Centennial Theatrical Extravaganza as part of a reprise of the 1929 production of “Jane Clay” in the Watson Theater. As a camper, Sterling won his swimming division three years in a row. In 1931, he was a COI, a camp officer, a member of the winning senior crew, and senior general excellence winner.

The 1950s

On opening day last summer Dave Dittmann married Gwen Calvier of Lomener, France. Dave is the owner of the Peninsula Pilots, a baseball team in the Coastal Plan League. Dave and Gwen live in Hampton, Virginia.

Bob Bulkeley sent this email to the winter office in late October: “Saturday night I was privileged to attend the retirement dinner for Dave Hughes which was given by his friends at Fenn School. I have perhaps never been so uplifted to see our friend celebrated for his kindness, thoughtfulness, friendship without equal, adherence to the best values, and his work as a mentor and precept. Over 250 people attended and perhaps 100-150 were either current students at Fenn or graduates still in school. Speeches, many musical and even theatrical pieces celebrated his 34 years at the school. I learned he read aloud Oli’s first touchdown to his 5th graders. The subjects of all [the] tree talks and chapel talks [that] I can remember were borne out through Dave’s career at Fenn. Echoes of Fuzzy Kneeland abounded in Dave (his great nephew!). The evening had presentations of pictures of the current 5th graders saying “we miss you”, a book of letters, and a sizeable monetary gift from his many supportive friends. Dave is still running his camp and will branch out with some other educational endeavors soon. Chad Hussey (70s) was also at the gathering [in addition to] Dave’s son Curtis (80s). It was a magical evening of praise and heartfelt appreciation.”

Chris Gray died in January, 2001, after a long battle with cancer. A graduate of Woodberry Forest School and Yale University, he had worked at Reynolds Tobacco and lived in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. He had an abiding interest in politics, and was a campaigner and fund-raiser for the Republican Party in North Carolina. In 1954, his last of four summers at Pasquaney, Chris was a COI, tennis doubles champion, and a member of the winning senior crew and the long walk rear guard.

The 1960s

Chandler Cudlipp recently moved from France to Michigan where he is the Director of Artistic Planning for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.
Jonathan Jackson is now the Quality Assurance Manager at Kuaemer Philadelphia Shipyard, Inc.

Vinnie Broderick recently ran into Jon Levine who was at a crew race in Pembroke, New Hampshire, watching his daughter. Jon lives in Newton, Massachusetts, where he runs a landscaping company.

Ted Marriott recently moved to Marietta, Georgia. He wrote, “I have caught up on this year’s summer activities through your website, www.pasquaney.org. There are so many familiar names, but then I have to remember that they are the next generation (or even more) from the boys I knew back in the early 60s. But I am glad to know that the values and traditions are still alive and well. I carry Pasquaney with me and appreciate the time I spent there more and more as I ‘mature’.”

Steve Monroe lives with his four children in New Canaan, Connecticut, where he continues to run a health care publishing company with his wife. They unfortunately had their house burn down last February. Steve wrote, “I stopped for a visit at camp with the kids in August, 2000 – saw Bob Bulkeley at the dock – some things never change (which is good)!”

Thruston Morton recently became head of the Duke Management Company, which manages Duke University’s endowment.

The 1970s

Peter Barry and his wife adopted Julia last April from a Romanian orphanage. “She is already fluent in English and in school five days a week.” They are living in Charlotte, North Carolina, with kids 8, 6 and 4. “We are busy.”

Jim Bolton and his wife Ginny have four children and live in Birmingham, Alabama. Jim has been working for the University for 14 years as a medical TV Producer and has just started his own video production company, Bolton Production Group. He hopes his nine-year-old son will attend camp in a few years.

Doug Boyle and his family moved to Houston last spring after Doug became President of Pennzoil-Quaker State’s Lubricants Division. He had worked for PepsiCo for 19 years.

Dave Brown lives with his wife and daughter in Connecticut where he has a small business in real estate finance.

Steve Brownell is living on a Navajo Indian Reservation in Shiprock, New Mexico. His wife, Kim, is a Pediatrician at the Northern Navajo Medical Center, and he is being a home dad working part-time as a physical therapist. “Great hiking, mountain biking, and skiing, but I sure do miss my Pasquaney friends and the White Mountains of New Hampshire.”

Brad Bull and his father, Sherman, summited Mt. Everest last May. Brad and Sherman were the first father-son team to reach the top, and Sherman, at age 64, is the oldest climber ever to have done so. The expedition also included the first blind climber to summit.

Nancy Hill Lindsay (1908-2001)
A True Friend to Pasquaney

The cover for her memorial service folder read “Celebrating the Life of Nancy Hill Lindsay - One of God’s Masterpieces.” Nancy had been coming to Newfound Lake for eighty years, arriving at age 12, the niece of Teddy Jackson, “Mr Teddy,” camp’s second director. She was a friend and helper to all five Pasquaney Directors.

Upon learning of her death, Vin Broderick wrote, “she was known for her hospitality, her intellectual curiosity, her love of the woods, her forthright communication, and her enthusiastic assistance to Mayhew and the Circle Program. Her taste and eagerness to help are visible in the structure and furnishing of Eastbourne and the Rosemary Stanwood Library. In fact, much of the effort to construct the library came from Nancy.”

She loved to enjoy the views from the camp office and library porches. She astonished us in August, 2000, several months after being diagnosed with cancer, when she appeared in camp after climbing Jacob’s Ladder on her regular post-camp walk. She seemed to will away her disease for another year, determined to get back to her house on the lake. She returned in May and died weeks later.

All of the Pasquaney staff and many, many alumni will miss her. Mr. Charlie wrote, in 1986, “through the years she has been, in the deepest sense, a friend to Pasquaney.”

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Michael Curtis has recently begun his own medical practice in White River Junction, Vermont. Last June he took four Dartmouth medical students to Zambia to help them set up for HIV/AIDS education.

Last year, Tad Davies and his wife, Tricia, spent a few weeks in Italy with his parents, Fifi and Bill Davies, who were celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. Tad’s brother, Peter Davies, also made the trip from his home in London.

Gino Freeman is completing his fourth and final year of medical school. “Hurrah!”

Tolly Merrick has moved with his wife and three boys (now 7, 6, and 3) to Charlottesville, Virginia. He is teaching English and coaching soccer at St. Annes-Belfield, and still doing an occasional triathlon. He hopes to do a marathon next year.

Dave Miller is the Executive Director of the New York State Audubon Society. He wrote recently, “we still manage to get the family to New Hampshire each summer.”

The 1980s

Cathy and Bobby Blue announced the birth of Helen Murphy Blue last April, just after the summer White Birch went to press. Helen joins Caroline and Rob.

Peter Bowles and his wife, Jakie, have returned to Richmond after two years living in New Hampshire, where he studied at Dartmouth. He has a two-year-old daughter, Holland, and “another child on the way.”

Vicky and Nate Carmody also announced an addition to their family. Brooke Victoria Carmody was born in late June, a healthy 9 pounds, 10 ounces.

Jack Cavanaugh recently moved to Princeton, New Jersey, where he commutes to Philadelphia to work for Morgan Stanley.

David Dunlap lives in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and works for a home building company. He is hoping to get into alternative energy building soon.

George Fitz-Hugh wrote “Danielle and I were married on May 5, 2001.” Also in May, he accepted a position as General Manager with Extended Stay America, and will be managing one of their hotels in Richmond, Virginia.

Robert Franklin has been working for Amazon.com and is applying to business school for next fall. He hopes to travel around the country a bit, and visit some camp friends.

Jon Meredith is the sixth grade chairman at Westminster School in Atlanta, where he also teaches social studies. Jon led the Long Walk again this summer.

Tommy Sutro wrote recently, “I was married on September 29, 2001, to Ms. Samantha Waring Goodman of Villanova, PA. The bright and crisp fall day provided a great backdrop for the festivities which were attended by (among others) fellow campers: Tripp Sutro (70s), John Sutro, Vinnie Broderick, Bobby Gray (50s), Bob Thompson (60s), Al Bocock, Brent Powell, Teddy Winstead, Peter Denious, and Sandy Holhoun. Hopefully a good time was had by all. Samantha and I will continue to live in Boston and visit camp frequently.”

Drake Williams was married recently to Julia Boscarino from Jamestown, NY. Drake’s brother Jordan was his best man.

The 1990s

Edouard Cabay has been studying architecture and Japanese in England and wrote that he planned to visit Japan. While there, he hoped to visit Steve Hibbard who has been there for over a year teaching English, learning how to backcountry ski, and thinking about starting a boys camp.

Shane Campbell works at Upper Bank Nursery in Pennsylvania for Wirt L. Thompson, a camper in the 1920s. Shane spent the last three years studying horticulture at Tyler Arboretum.

Mark Cattrell graduated from Colby College last summer. Brooks Comstock is at Trinity College and sees Chris Rorer and Sumner Hollingsworth around campus.

Tim Dittmann and his partner won the junior doubles race at the US Rowing Youth Invitational in Cincinnati last spring.

Owen Fink has just completed work at the Alpine Environmental Education Center run by Alison and John Curtis (40s) in Lenk, Switzerland, where Josh Olsen taught last year.

Scott Fulford is a senior at Stanford, studying economics. Peyton Gray is enjoying his freshman year at Hamilton College. Charles Hampton recently graduated from Marine Corps Avionics Technician course and is now stationed in San Diego.

Geoff Legg graduated from Blair Academy last spring, where he was a prefect and served on the class council. He is a freshman at Kenyon College.

Jake MacArthur has been substitute teaching in Connecticut and has been working to rehabilitate his injured back. Ken McNish is pursuing a Master of Science degree in Exercise Physiology at Ohio University. He writes, “I have never been this excited to go to class before…Lots of studying but I expected that.”
Matt Meredith returned to Germany after serving on the Council last summer. He studied German this fall, currently works for the German Stock Exchange, and is grateful for all the professional advice he has received from Pasquaney alumni.

Sandjar Nuritdinov is studying Chinese at the University in his home of Tashkent, Uzbekistan. David Sensinger is a senior at Rochester Institute of Technology.

Toby Reigeluth, who was a counsellor this summer, helped his tennis team at Williams College win the Division III Championship by winning the deciding match in a tiebreaker.

Ian Robinson, another excellent tennis player, won the Maine State High School singles tournament as a sophomore, without losing a set in seven matches.

Peyton Williams has been traveling in Asia this fall, visiting India, Indonesia, Laos, and Thailand, and learning much about Buddhism and meditation. He is keeping in frequent touch with the winter office through email.

Also spending some time in Asia was Trey Winstead, who last summer traveled with his brother from Iceland through Europe to Turkey, Cairo, Singapore, Australia, and New Zealand, before returning to the states in late October.

Matt Young was captain of his freshman crew at Episcopal Academy this fall.

Alumni Enjoy November Gathering in New York City

On Saturday, November 10th, three recent Pasquaney counsellors hosted a gathering for New York City alumni in their Manhattan apartment. Hosts Murray Fisher, Jamie Stover, and Ed Swenson welcomed Jed, Heather, and Will Davies; Larry and Susan Heely; Sam Adams; Edward Norton; Dwight Keysor; Brad Cragin; Joe Dillingham; Bard Luippold; David and Margarita Blessing; Barry Register and Susan Walker; and Brad Hall. They enjoyed Vin Broderick’s slides, two videos, a lasagna dinner, and some camp songs.

An alumnus from the early 1940s, Barry Register wrote an email to Vin Broderick about “a very memorable evening.” He said he “enjoyed the slide show, bringing back recollections of the Brown Bears, Woodchucks, Chipmunks; swimming the raft to be able to take out rowboats, and the triangle to take out canoes, (never made the half-mile), soak, COVER UP!, views of Sugarloaf and Bear Mountains, “Pigs is Pigs” in Baird Hall, Sunday dress for Chapel, and naming Charlie Stanwood when we all said [for the first time] “Goodnight, Mr. Charlie, I have brushed my teeth.”

McLane-Pasquaney Connections;
Remembering a Friend and Neighbor

Pasquaney’s good friend and longtime neighbor, John McLane, died early this summer. John and his father, also John, (known as Judge McLane), were a father-son team who worked for eighty-eight years at the Manchester law firm known to most New Hampshire folks as “the McLane law firm.” Among the many New Hampshire non-profit organizations John served as trustee were: St. Paul’s School, the Audubon Society of New Hampshire, and Child and Family Services. He was the driving force behind the refurbishment of the old Palace Theater in Manchester. He was a trustee of the Spaulding-Potter Trust, which helped to purchase and build Audubon’s Paradise Point Nature Center in Hebron and created the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, one of the nation’s most successful community foundations.

Child and Family Services recently recognized three generations of the McLane family with their Voice for Children Award for their “100+ years of providing leadership and inspiration in the cause of children and families.”

Most Pasquaney alumni are familiar with the McLanes’ home, the beautiful yellow summer house and boathouse between Perch Rock and the Lindsays’ home, most often seen from a sailboat or crew shell. They probably don’t know the connections between Pasquaney, and the McLanes and their home, which began before the founding of Pasquaney. Mr. Ned’s father, Capt. Wilson, was first brought to Newfound Lake by his friend, Aaron Wellington. The two men purchased adjacent properties, probably about 1889. Wellington built the yellow summer house on the shore, which was later purchased by Dr. Bancroft, grandfather of John McLane, in 1909. There is still a sign over the door of the house which says “Pasquaney Lodge.”

In Portrait of Pasquaney, Mr. Charlie wrote about Judge McLane’s important legal work for Pasquaney in the early 1940s: “[Barty Bartholomew and Nelson Curtis] persuaded lawyer John McLane, one of the best friends and surely the best neighbor Pasquaney could possibly have had, to undertake the legal work of setting up a non-profit organization and getting it incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire.”

John’s brother, Malcolm, a Concord lawyer, and his wife, Susan, a former State Senator, are the main residents of the house these days, and are also very good friends of Pasquaney. Several members of the McLane family, who have cottages there, have become part of the Pasquaney community, including Paul Shiverick (1960s), Derek Lomas (1990s), and Sam Shiverick, who will be a second year camper in 2002.

Seeking Better Communication

Please send us your email address so we can communicate with you more effectively, more efficiently, and far less expensively. Email communications will include updates during the summer and details of events in your area. Please also send us a message, an update on what you are doing: office@pasquaney.org.
Nearly 300 people attended the New Orleans Jazz Fest held at Memorial Hall in late August. It was a big success: fun for all with over $22,000 raised for the Mayhew and Circle Programs. Vin Broderick greets the crowd and introduces the Mayhew and Circle Program Directors. Photo by Dick Beyer.

Celebrating the 100th Edition Of the Pasquaney Annual

In 1902, the first edition of the Pasquaney Annual, put together by Pop Watson, was twenty-two pages long. That year the camp community included forty-four boys and seven counsellors, including Mr. Ned. In Portrait of Pasquaney, Charlie Stanwood wrote, “it was Pop who set up the plan for the first Annual (in 1902), and enlarged upon it when he returned to camp in 1906. From that year, the Annual has always had essentially the same format.” Your editor keeps all 100 Annuals over his desk, and they are an invaluable source of information about camp and campers.

Speaking of changes over the years, Mr. Charlie wrote that “perhaps the most important (was) the increase in the number of snapshots and more formal pictures. These certainly provide enhanced visual reminiscences of each season.” In celebration of the 100th edition of the Annual, which is 108 pages long, we are publishing seventeen photo collage pages in color for the first time. Last summer’s camp community of ninety-four boys and twenty-eight counsellors will receive their 2001 Pasquaney Annual in December.

Alumni Party Planned in Richmond on May 9, 2002

Alumni, parents, and friends in the Richmond, Virginia area will be invited to a cocktail party at the Commonwealth Club in Richmond on Thursday, May 9, 2002. The Board of Trustees will have their Spring meeting the following morning in Richmond. We encourage alumni in that area to mark their calendars now and plan to attend. Invitations will be sent in the Spring to everyone in the Richmond area. If the address on this newsletter (below) is not in the Richmond area and you would like to attend, please contact the Pasquaney winter office to be added to the invitation list. Everyone is welcome!
(Contact us by email: office@pasquaney.org).

— 2002 Camp Schedule —

Saturday, June 22 — Camp Opens
July 1 - 5 — Camping Expeditions
July 22 - 27 — Long Walk
August 3 - 4 — Trustees’ Weekend
August 10 - 11 — Water Sports Weekend
Sunday, August 11 — Camp Closes

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