Fall 2011

Florida Reunion February 18, 2012

Everyone Looks Exactly the Same....

The February Alumni reunion for pre-1969 Scaticonians will be the largest off-season camp together since the 75th anniversary reunion in 1996. Nearly 250 alumni (and family) have already RSVPed, including from the 1930s: Joan Greenwald Halpern (1937-49), Sue Kohlreiter Herzog (1938-52), Arline Morris Lubin (1936-50), Robert Morris (1936-53), Renee Brozan Goldsmith (1934-42), Philip Mintz (1933-38), and Phyllis Weinzimmer Botoff (1937-40). It's been 75 summers or so since they first attended Scatico—and the memories are still vivid. Phyllis writes: "I still have 2 Scatico Indian Head pins and 1 Green/Gray pin." Sue adds: "Can't wait for February 18th... What a wonderful day it will be, not long enough, but its glow will last 'til we meet again." Turn to page 7 for the list of attendees through November 1.



Nothing quite like those "Funny" pictures from the 1980s. That's head counselor **Carol Bloomgarden Schectman** (1967-84) in the middle of the top row. Carol plans on joining us at the Florida Reunion.

Calling all Scaticonians from the 1920s to 1960s!

A luncheon reunion is planned for February 18, 2012, at the Woodfield Country Club in Boca Raton, Florida. Nearly 250 alumni have already RSVPed, including many making the trip from the Northeast and the West Coast. To join the fun, e-mail Bruce Holman (1944-56) at **BocaBruce123@aol.com** and send a check for \$36 to:

Camp Scatico PO Box 6 Elizaville, NY 12523

In the note section of your check write: *Florida Reunion 2012* and include your years at camp and email address.

Don't delay. We need to confirm our final numbers by January 1st. You will not be able to just show up at the reunion without a reservation.

Special thanks to Bruce for doing an incredible job helping to organize this event. Given the response, we are looking to plan a New York City reunion for alumni from the 1970s-80s sometime in 2013. Let us know if you would like to help with the plans.

Through the Years....

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Calling All Photos

We are looking for classic (and even not-so-classic) photos for future issues of the Alumni Newsletter. Send by e-mail attachment to info@scatico.com or by mail to Camp Scatico, PO Box 6, Elizaville, NY 12523. We will return the originals, if requested.

To the right: Sue Kohlreiter Herzog (1938-52) sent in this photo from 1937 of her and Steve Atkins (1930s-40s). This was her first visit to camp, prior to officially beginning her Scatico career the following year.

To the left: **Annie Bierman Gruenberger** (1950s-60s) sent in this photo from 1968 of **Bob Miller London** (1952-73), **Hank Alpert** (1958-68), and a bouquet of roses. There's a story here somewhere.....





Steve Feldman (1962-65) sent in this 1962 photo from his home in Evergreen, CO. He is in the second row, second from the right (the only person not labeled). He shared the following story: *My sister Betsy was a counselor that year and one of her campers was Patty Antman—my "crush" during that summer. Five years later, Peter Leventhal was pleading my fraternity at the University of Bridgeport. One night he opened his wallet and low and behold it contained a photo of Patty. I flipped out! If you can relate this story to Patty, she will also laugh.*

Editor's note: **Patty Antman Drykerman** (1954-67) will attend the Florida reunion in February, so we'll have a chance to get her take on this picture.



Through the Years....

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Peter Jutro (1962-68) sent in these four photos of iconic images from the mid-1960s. To the left and above—Picture Day: the nurses in uniform and Uncle Nat (wearing long pants and a bowtie) arranging the troops. To the right and above—the Carnival on the boys' campus: the "I Dare You" booth and the threatened destruction of a camp car. Peter lives in Arlington, VA, and is the chef scientist for homeland security research at the Environmental Protection Agency: "I work in collaboration with all the other federal departments and agencies as well as with the White House to design and undertake the research we need to try to better prevent, prepare for, and recover from any natural, accidental, or intentional catastrophic event."







The **Davis** girls with their dad Mort on a Visiting Day in the 1950s: from left to right—**Joan**, **Barbara**, and **Susan**. Barbara sent in the photo. She plans to attend the Florida reunion with Susan.

Barbara Cantor Palm (1950s-60s) sent in these two photos on the left and above. We especially love the shot of her dad Sam Cantor as a counselor in 1943, smoking a pipe on the porch of Bunk 7 and reading *The Daily News* with a "Mussolini" headline. To the left—Barbara (left) with Marcia Resnick outside of Lodge 2 in 1963, "where Marcia, as usual, was out of uniform." Barbara was excited to read in the Spring Alumni Newsletter about Scatico couple (and still married after nearly 50 years) Mark and Nancy Getzoff Tafeen: "Nancy was my counselor in 1964, the year she lived above the canteen with Mark. (The bunk was Cove C and my partners in crime that summer were Marcia Resnick, Gail Satter, Bobbi Davis, Ellen Alpert, and Charlee Brodsky.) I visited Nancy and Mark the following fall in Providence, RI, while they attended college. I felt totally grown up traveling by train solo from New Rochelle, NY. Nancy was fabulous, and Mark, with his outrageous blue eyes, was oh so dreamy to my 14-year-old self."

Staying In Touch

Keep connected with fellow Scaticonians by e-mailing news, photos, and recollections to info@scatico.com. If you prefer the regular mail and printed pictures, that works just as well. We will even return the photographs after reproducing them for the newsletter.

The Soopers of 1992 got together in New York City and sent in the photo to the right: Front row—Amy Paul Tunick, Debra Sloane, Robyn Polansky, and Brooke Kalick; Top row—Jen Kornreich Geller, Alison Goodman Ecker, Allison Fass, and Amy Rosenblatt. Amy traveled furthest for the get -together—all the way from her home in North



Carolina.... We received an e-mail from **Bonnie Erickson**, who ran the theatre program in 1961. She is the Executive Director of The Jim Henson Lagacy in New York City. "I drove to NY from Minnesota with the tennis coach in a yellow and black 1959 Buick convertible. **Leslie Gore** was my Gigi and I also



directed Westside Story. That summer was very special to me and I have some pretty great memories of that time"... We reconnected this summer with two Scatico alumni now calling California home. **Michael Smollins** (1953-58), who lives in Santa Monica, drove into camp on his motorcycle in July. He was back East visiting family... **Shelby Notkin** (1950-52) who lives in Los Angeles, re-united with camp when he discovered a longtime friend owned the insurance company that provides Scatico's coverage.... An Ohio State football game provided the setting for an impromptu reunion over Labor Day weekend. In the back row, representing the 1980s—Rick Bueter, Randy Au, and Dick Hecker. In the front row, representing the 2000s—Morgan Hecker, Kael Au, and Katie **Hecker...** Tom Rosenberg (1965-82—and self-professed owner of the worst tournament record ever as a Scatico coach) lives in Ohio and also recently ran into Randy and Kael (who was a division leader this past summer): "It was so

great to meet someone who is now at camp and suffers from the same Midwest pains about camp that I do. We talked and I would interrupt asking her who won Tribes, who won Color War, etc. It made us both excited because... she clearly had postcamp depression. She told me she was a judge in Color War and got to announce the final scores. I think I am one of a very few number of people in the entire state of Ohio that can tell her with enthusiasm how really great that must have been. I have not had this kind of experience meeting a stranger that is a Scatico person in 20 years. It made my day!"... If you are in SoHo in Manhattan, visit herb-n-peach at 1 Dominick Street (between 6th Ave. and Varick). It's a downtown eatery and café recently opened by **Ally Lipton** (1983-1993).... Congratulations to **Ken Vallario** (1999-2001) who was a featured artist at an October benefit auction for the Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art at the Robert Miller Gallery in Manhattan. Visit www.kenvallario.com to see Ken's most recent work. He was an art counselor and group leader during his three Scatico summers...

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Staying In Touch (continued from previous page)

Andy "Troy" O'Brien (1999-2002), absolutely the best bat-catcher in Scatico history, checked in from Australia, where he is working at the Perth Zoo: "I start training on the tiger section tomorrow... I have had a busy last 4 months. I have been on a swap with our sister zoo in Sydney working carnivores, and I just spent 5 weeks in Cambodia on a project in the forest doing animal surveys."... Cory Schwartz (1988-2011) returned to Scatico for 4 weeks this summer to add a 4th decade to his camp resume. After 10-plus years in the working world, he has decided to pursue his passion and is taking post-graduate courses at the International Photography Center in Manhat-



tan and working part-time for Getty Images. In September, he traveled to Chicago to shoot a Pearl Jam concert (talk about tough assignments!) and he recently had his first picture published in *The New York Times*. At camp, he teamed with **Neil Seligman** (1998-2011) to run the 1-week Scatico-in-Training program (and all of their campers are enrolled for 2012!).... **Karen Himelson Cummings** (1950s) checked in from Newton Center, MA: "My year as captain of the Green team (we lost), tribes leader, and winning a special Character Award—the lessons of team work, friendship, trust and responsibility shaped me into the person I am today. I loved camp and still sing the song to my kids: 'One day they settled on a hill, Eliza and her boyfriend Ville...'" In the photo to the left, a New York



City reunion in October brought together 1960s-70s bunkmates Chick Atkins, Larry Hamburg, Rob Long, Roger Polisar, and Stever Sertner and their former group leader Peter Ehrenberg (being kissed on the top his head)... Ben Stern (1996-2006) is a social worker in Manhattan at a school run by The Children's Aid Society. In August, Ben coordinated a 3-day overnight trip to camp for approximately 35 students and teachers: "On the last night the students talked about the experience, and many spoke about how they felt so relaxed at camp... The sense of community they felt at

the end of the trip was tremendous. It is something we always try to work on at school, but the camp setting really made an impact. They all didn't want to leave... Getting to see the students experience a place that is so special to me was beautiful. Those days are the proudest of my work so far with my students."... Christian Down (1990s) sends greetings from England: "I am now working as a Head of sixth form (16-18 years old) in a school in Dorset."... To close the "Staying In Touch" section for the Fall 2011 Alumni Newsletter, we share this memory from Frank Gunsberg (1959-61): "As seniors, my bunk (Denis Plehn, Larry Fabian, Steve Heyman, Elliot Simon, Steve Schneider, and myself) decided we would sneak out one night, steal a bra, and put it up on the flagpole in front of the mess hall. We thought we were cool 15-year-olds in 1960... As boys camp stood there in the morning, Flick was not happy. We thought he could not know the identities of the culprits, so when he said he knew who had done this we were amazed! When [my daughters] Rachel and Shari were at Scatico years later, I asked Flick one day how he knew what we had done. He told me he used an old trick. By saying he knew who we were in front of the entire boys camp, we were the only ones that looked at each other and began talking. Flick was a great guy. I miss him."

Ah, halcyon days.... Larry Fabian, Steve Heyman, and Steve Schneider will join Frank at the February reunion (to confirm or deny this account)... Thanks to all for staying in touch—please email alumni news and photos for the Spring Newsletter to info@scatico.com.

We Will Miss You Ilene Meltzer Lieberman (1953-65) died on June 9. 2011. Her sister Dori and brother Billy (1950s-60s) as well as her sons Max and **Zach** (1990s-2000s) also attended Scatico.

Richard Rothman (1947-52) died on June 11, 2011. He was an accountant who lived in New York City.

To the right—Manny **Toonkel** is the division leader, so they probably won the Sing. We carbon-date this photo from 1972 or 1973.



Weddings

Howard Luks (1980s-90s) and Kristen Petuck on September 3. Howard was a camper, counselor, and division leader. There was a large Scatico turnout, including Randy Goldstein as the best man, Scott Yurdin, and Brett Moore as groomsmen,

Justin Lapatine and Judd Henry as ushers, and Ally Lipton and Mike Samuels as "Ketubah Signers." Also attending were Kerri Berkman Winderman, Sean Locke, David Locke, JJ Shapiro, and Iris Henry Warren.

- EB Berwitt and Scott Strauss on November 12. Scott and EB first met at camp in the 1990s. Eric, Scott's older brother, also met his wife Stacey Koretsky Strauss at camp. (Does anyone know another set of Scatico brothers that can make this claim?) The wedding party included Scaticonians Eric, Stacey, Katie Berwitt Goldstein, Jesse Strauss, Dan Fabian, Brad Green, and Lawrence **Thaler. Iris Berwitt Hiller** (at camp from 1959 to 1966 and EB's mom), Harvey Hiller (Iris's brother) Brett Bush, Josh Friedman, Josh Koretsky, Dan Altchek, David Sarraf, Harris Sarraf, Cory Schwartz, and Jared Dansky also joined in the celebration.
- Alan Berusch to Wakana Omija on September 10. Alan and his brother Brian were campers and counselors in the 1980s-90s. Alan lives in Singapore, where he is the International Director Of Human Resources at Paypal, Ebay, and Skype. The New York-based portion of the wedding was hosted at Top of the Garden in Manhattan, a new event space owned by **Ally Lipton** (1983-93).

CONGRATULATIONS

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Randy Goldstein sent in this action photo of now-married Howard Luks in the middle of a (presumably inspirational) speech at a Swim Meet as a Color War general in the early 1990s. If Randy had to guess the audio?... "Slap the dock! Slap the dock!"

See You on February 18th....

In addition to the 1930s alumni listed on Page 1, we look forward to seeing the following pre-1969 Scaticonians (and some spouses and friends who are not listed) at the Florida reunion (list through November 1):

Mitch and Abby Schmelkin Araten (met at camp—1950s-60s), Linda Kane Patch (1959-69), Donna Blum Newman (1956-68), Julie Eisner Davidson (1963-71), Frank Gunsberg (1959-61), Beverly Minch Kupetsky (1954-60), Kathy Lehman Suisman (1950-60), Martin Minch (1950-55), Rita Alchek Angel (1948-51), Harriet Gladstone Plavoukos (1947-57), Jackie Gordon Friedman (1945-47), Judy Weinstein Krull (1949-54), Eileen Fleder Kahn (1961-64), Robin Herfort Healy (1964-71), Andi Barnett Budin (1958-61), Marjorie Beal Silverstein (1951-54), Larry Fabian (1956-65), Michael Bernstein (1948-51), Sherry Antman Lachman (1954-64), Judi Fleischner Ecochard (1962-75), Toni Sachs Hadi (1950-61), David Seldin (1950-57), Carl Karmin (1955-58), Matt Weinstein (1961-65), Linda Sachs (1950-58), Gail Fine Gnesin ((1953-62), Michael and Ellen Alpert Aronow (met at Scatico—1950s-60s), Liz Smollins (1954-60), Carol Schectman (1967-84), Randi Bachman (1958-69), Robert Sudack (1947-54), Roberta Honigsberg Eilberg (1954-60), Enid Rosen Nash (1944-46), Carol Goodrich Weiss (1965-68), Kathi Kassover (1965-71), Andrea LeBoss (1958-63), Harry Amer (1948-52), Lynda Goldberg Goldman (1968-78), Bonnie Honigsberg Fisher (1950-60), Lisbeth Hartzell (1960-71), Stuart Schwartz (1954-59), Ricky Frishman (1965-76), Helen Meyer Weinstein (1952-56), Lyn Zipser Rosen (1958-60), Fern Zipser Feldman (1958-60), Roger Hochstin (1940s), Joan Goldberg (1967-78), Howard Oshinsky (1946-50), Larry Hale (1960-61), Dossie Gaines Teitelbaum (1946-50), Richard Schlesinger (1956-59), Joel Fass (1966-70), Hilde Blum Fischman (1952-59), Liz Gerson Glatzer (1953-60), Ellen Schoenfeld Fischer (1969), Andrea Matles Savada (1963-70), Susan Fichtelberg-Dowling (1949-61), Robert Ascheim (1947-52), Susie Isaacs Edison (1959-63), Dick and Mimi Goldstein Nathan (met at Scatico—1950s), Nancy Schoenfeld Eisenberg (1968), Barbara Lehman Sheldon (1948-58), Nancy Rosen Rosenblatt (1959-68), Judith Jellinger Speiller (1951), Shari Sifter Green (1951-54), Mery Shorr (1952-55), Stephen Klein (1948-58), Gordon Sussman ((1946-56), Marc Hellman (1960-71), Roger Lorberbaum (1964-67), Lowell Gerson (1952-60), Alan Matarasso (1966-71), Dick Rubin (1942-56), Carol Steinmarder Kogan (1949-55), Richard and Cessy Goldman Rubinson (met at camp—1940s-50s), Carol Rubinson Strauss (1947 -56), Ira Briskman (1955-60), Adele Froelich Rubenstein (1948-58), Barbara Gluck Seligman (1944-49), Amy Herfort Gelman (1962-71), Patty Antman Drykerman (1954-67), Barry Danels (1947-57), Linda Brozan Klepper (1942-55), Alan Goldstein (1949-55), Brenda Kaye Pace (1952-57), Susan Kaye Melchner (1951-57), David Schwartz (1944-53), Roger Goldman (1948-55), Jonathan Greenleaf (1953), Jerry Spielman (1947-52), Richard Heyman Florin (1957-67), Jack Atkins (1955-69), Richard Hanft (1954-75), Judy Eigen Sarna (1952-56), Charles Borrok (1951-53), Sue Skollins Friedman (1945-59), Ellyn Bistner Cohen (1950-57), Vic Fingerhut (1947-54), Nancy Herfort Clarvit (1965-71), Nora Lee Smokler Barron (1950-55), Peter Ehrenberg ((1961-69), Joan Haskel Berlly (1950-60), Joy Goodkin Landau (1950-57), Neil Littauer (1961-67), Roger Stiefel (1958-63), Bob London (1952-73), Harvey Hiller (1957-62), Steve Hanft (1955-74), Alan Menachem (1953-63), Cheryl Fleder Sloane (1957-62)Kara Lorberbaum Beck (1952-57), Steve Heyman Florin (1955-64), Dennis Rinzler (1950-61), Mark and Nancy Getzoff Tafeen (met at Scatico— 1940s-60s), William Deutsch (1952-53), Norman Steinbaum (1947-53), Roger Whyman (1944-59), Arnie Goldman (1950-62), Barbara Davis Schwartz (1955-67), Susan Davis Shell (1948-61), Ilene Somkin Lowenthal (1946-54), Annie Bierman Gruenberger (1959-63), Karen Skollins Schwartz (1940-54), Adria Goodkin Kaplan (1950-56), Sue Kaplan Rudavsky (1941-56), Diane Terman Felenstein (1951) Barry and Carol Greenstein Stone—met at Scatico 1950s), Sandy Resnick Green (1947-53), Paul and Carol Genodman Jellinger (met at Scatico—1950s-60s), Carol Kohlreiter Mysel (1946-58), Stephen Scooter Schneider (1953-62), Arlene Kluger Newman (1944-53), Hank Alpert (1958-68), Richard Gould (1949-56), Louise Holman Roth (1947-54), Steve Leighton (1946-56), Joan Kohlreiter Croland (1944-55), Joan Lorberbaum Moore (1954-60), Fred Gurtman (1956-63), Glenn Parker (1950-59), Joe Gluck (1947-53), Arnie Horowitz (1948-54), Michael Riesel (1951-64), Peggy Goldberg Kalish (1960), Deedee Schneider Klein (1953-59), Lenny Deutsch (1953-60), Ken Schack (1957-65), Henry Kosiner (1956-57), Lee Nickelsburg (1956-59), Chas and Ellen Levine (1960s—2000s), and, last but not least, Bruce Holman (1944-56). (By the way, Bruce helped track down all of these years!)

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Uncle Nat from a 1950s newsletter masthead.





Vintage Scatico—Can anyone help with the dates?

To the left—down at the riflery range. That's the boathouse roof in the background and that model Scatico staff shirt can only date from a few years.

To the right—marching down to the Color War campfire.