



The Bagpipe

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News

Happy New Year! Summer Camp 2014 is right around the corner, and we are preparing to make it an incredible summer! It is exciting that many counselors from the summer of 2013 are returning, and they can't wait to see all of you Lassies. The new camp dogs, Sadie and Scout, are dreaming of the lazy fun days they will spend at Lake Fairlee - chasing butterflies, and being awed by the breathtaking hot air balloons that drift over the water. One program area that is brand new is our fresh summer garden. Vermont offers such a bounty of fresh and healthy food, and has long been a state that promotes "farm to table" cooking. Lochearn is proud to bring that tradition to Camp. It's our goal to have vegetables grown in the Lochearn garden and then taken to Highland Hall to be served on the salad bar. The garden will be located behind the office next to the bunny area, and will need campers to tend and nurture it. Any volunteers?

Sadie and Scout celebrate the Holidays!



Groundbreaking of the Garden with Tony, Eliza, Ann and Kevin.



Director's Message

Snow, snow, and more snow! Winter arrived at Lochearn just in time for Thanksgiving! Stacie and I were grateful for the chance to share Lochearn with our families for the Thanksgiving holiday. We grilled a turkey, frolicked in the snow, and spent time with the wonderful office staff and maintenance crew at camp. After playing at Lochearn, we ventured out to explore the rest of beautiful Vermont. On our way to Stowe Mountain Resort, we stopped in Waterbury at the world-famous Ben & Jerry's for ice cream. Yes, there was snow on the ground, and we shivered as we ate our cones, but every day is perfect for ice cream! I even got a free cone because it was my birthday. On to Stowe for skiing and snowboarding with five kids and six adults. The slopes were gorgeous and challenging to all of us. We thoroughly enjoyed this New England experience. While recuperating and relaxing at the Stowe Inn, we read the local welcome magazine, and were thrilled to see an article about Dylan Walker the snowboarding Junior Champion. Dylan is a Session 2 "Junior Line" camper from Lochearn. Dylan and her family live in Stowe. At the end of our trip, we all agreed that it was the perfect way to spend our Thanksgiving break. We grew closer as a family, grew closer to Vermont, and even more importantly, grew closer to beautiful Lochearn. A week at Lochearn was not just well spent; it was just another week in paradise. —Tony and Stacie

Stacie and Tony at Lochearn



*Lindsey**Adair*

Name: Lindsey Howe
Birthplace: Nashua, NH
School: Just graduated from Westfield State! Now I work in a school!
Fav Color: Purple
Fav Animal: Turtle
Fav Camp Dish: Scones or hotdogs
Fav Camp Song: Love them all!
Activities in 2013: Water Zumba & Kickboxing



Fav Camp Activity: Building Campfires
Fav Music: I enjoy all types of music. I can make up my own raps, step to some funk, line dance to country, and relax with classical.
Hobbies: I love to hang out with friends at home, working out, and volunteering.
Fav Memory of Lochearn: Always having my birthday at camp! I was surprised two years in a row with a decorated cabin, beautiful cake, and being woken up by campers/counselors jumping on me and singing birthday songs.
Advice to new members of the Lochearn Family: For staff, my advice would be to cherish the little things at camp. The sunrises are remarkable, the lake is so much fun, and memories in Thistle will be longed for once camp is over. For campers, try new things and be open to making new friends.

Name: Adair Creach (but my real first name is Marian!)
Birthplace: Richmond, VA
School: University of Oregon
Fav Color: Green
Fav Animal: It's a tie between rabbits and manatees.
Fav Camp Dish: I'm a sucker for the raspberry bars.
Fav Camp Song: The line cheers. Everybody gets so excited!
Activities in 2013: Outdoor skills,

OAP, Girls Gone Green, and the occasional ukulele crash course.
Fav Camp Activity: Hiking, of course! But I also love Thursday night campfire.
Fav Music: Folk, bluegrass, alternative...just about anything!
Hobbies: Outdoor stuff of all kinds, reading, sewing/knitting, exercise, and playing instruments.
Fav memory of Lochearn: After the last Sunday night campfire, everybody was at the point, and a bunch of us had a blast doing a goofy photo shoot. Those pictures still make me laugh out loud.
Advice to new members of the Lochearn Family: Get ready for the best summer of your life! Come in with an open heart, a positive attitude, and a friendly spirit.

Lori

Lori Earle is the new parent liaison at Lochearn. She not only has 35 years of experience working with kids and as a teacher, she has spent 13 years at Lochearn Camp starting when she was seven years old. When asked to describe the impact Lochearn has had on her life, Lori speaks of a very special group of 12 "Lassies" that she has remained friends with over 40 years ago at camp. "We grew up together at Lochearn and through the years," Lori said, "we have shared everything — marriages, births, deaths, divorce, birthdays, ski trips and many reunions throughout the country." Lori said her friends at Lochearn came from all different walks of life, but none of that mattered at camp. "All we knew was that we were lucky enough to spend our summers together and we were going to enjoy every minute of it." Lori is very excited to have a new experience at a "favorite and familiar place" this summer, and looks forward to learning how the camp traditions bridge into the lives of today's young ladies. "I want to be a part of ensuring that every child feels comfortable and connected at Lochearn so that she will have a memorable experience. I want every girl to reach her potential and have the confidence to make and achieve goals in her life."

**"After all these years,
 we continue to enjoy
 the spirit of Lochearn."**

Lochearn Glossary

Important Dates

Some Hae What?

Check out these words and phrases so you can be in the know on Opening Day!

Bogs Bogs are the bathrooms! Even returners may not know that the name originated in Great Britain sometime between 1780-1790. We think it has a nice ring to it!

Crazy Creek A collapsible, portable lawn chair some campers will bring to morning assemblies in anticipation so as to not sit on grass moist with dew. Towels work just fine, too!

Banana Boats A delicious treat sometimes prepared at division cook-outs — keeping the peel on, cut a banana long-ways and stuff it with chocolate chips and mini-marshmallows. Wrap it in aluminum foil and cook it for a few minutes over a campfire. Delish!

Yeah! We are an enthusiastic bunch of lassies and often like to express our excitement with verbal exclamations. Is it chicken patty day? *Yeah chicken patties!* Did your cabin win the banner today? *Yeah winning the banner!* Did your friend Monica earn her purple award in canoeing? *Yeah Monica winning her purple award in canoeing!*

Blues and Whites We call the Lochearn dress our 'blues and whites.' This includes the white polo shirt, navy blue shorts, navy blue knee socks and the Lochearn Camp sash.

Bakers The most enchanting place in Post Mills, Vermont. The hike to Baker's General Store and famous King Kone is one of the most highly anticipated events of the season.

Harvey Camp Lochearn Pontoon Boat

Watermelon Island The hidden gem in the middle of the lake

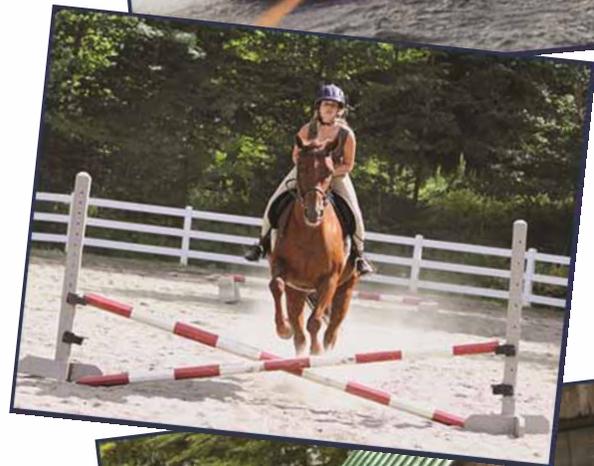
March 1

Lochearn Reunion in New Canaan, CT

March 2

Lochearn Reunion and Open house NYC

Make sure you **follow us on Facebook** to find out more about the Lochearn Reunions and check out the new line of Lochearn clothing and camp gear.





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Happy Birthday, Lassies!

January

Nora Davis	3	Mia Campbell	20
Zoe Gieger	3	Laura Segarra	22
Chloe Swildens	7	Mariana Gianulis	22
Eden Miller	7	Anne Lucas	24
Kimmy Troeller	8	Cameron Curtin	24
Daisy Fauver	10	Olivia Carbonell	24
Sophie Watkinson	11	Avigael	
Annabelle Brainerd	12	Heschel-Aronson	25
Lindsey Muldoon	12	Abigail Russo	26
Madeline Muldoon	12	Carmen Magallanes	26
Caitlin Swirbul	13	Madeline Arnold	26
Caleigh O'Connell	13	Elizabeth Jonasz	27
Charlotte Kelly	13	Alexandra Lind	28
Jackie Ayers	14	Katherine Kennelly	28
Victoria Hawk	14	Chloe Barbera	31
Sasha Meszoely	15	Isabelle Tousignant	31
Ava Powell	16		
Avery Budnik	16		
Cordelia Weld	19		
Barbara Susanin	20		

February

Halston Seton	1	Nicole Ganti	20
Mahika Chawla	1	Sintra Howell	20
Katherine Sidford	2	Jessica Mingalone	21
Margot Davis	2	Lila Karl	21
Ellen Ludtke	3	Lydia Austin	21
Sydney Stephens	6	Sylvia De Jesus	21
Piper Henderson	4	Catherine Wagner	24
Bailey Nortillo	5	Isabelle Garrett	24
Amelia Zug	6	Alexa Michael	26
Eva Martin	7	Lily Lind	26
Anna Fox	8	Olivia Gieger	26
Julia Edwards	9	Catherine Hyman	28
Katerina Savopoulos	11		
Teal McLane	11		
Alexandra Larrea	14		
Camille Glatt	14		
Anneliese Slamowitz	17		
Felicity Taylor	17		
Ashleen Hughes	20		
Bianca Howell	20		

