



# THE ALUMNI CHRONICLES

LAKE OF THE WOODS CAMP FOR GIRLS AND GREENWOODS CAMP FOR BOYS

## MEET DANA COHN!

As a first time camper in 1991, Dana Cohn probably never dreamed that she would have just completed her 20th summer at camp in 2010! During that first summer, Dana experienced bouts of homesickness, and often sought comfort from then LWC Program Director, Dayna Glasson.

However, her love for Lake of the Woods grew that winter (and beyond) and by 1992, Dana was in Sara Lawrence cabin for the full 8 week season.

Dana moved her way through all of the LWC cabins and as a Bryn Mawr, was the captain of both the Gold and White teams for Olympic and Color Days, respectively. When her camper days ended, Dana continued on to become a CIT, JC and counselor. Spending her staff summers at the ski dock, Dana helped hundreds of LWC and GWC campers get up on skis and around the lake. During these summers, Dana's commitment to Lake of the Woods continued to deepen. The summer before she graduated with a degree in Journalism and Political Science from Indiana University, Dayna Hardin approached Dana Cohn with an offer: work full time for camp.

And so she did! First as an assistant director, Dana's main year round responsibilities were recruiting campers and planning the girls' program.

As the years passed, so did Dana's passion for the camp industry and her commitment to our campers, their families and our staff. Today, Dana is Dayna's "right hand woman" and is responsible for a variety of tasks both in and off season. Over the summer Dana helps oversee all 4 of our camp programs and focuses mainly on guidance issues, managing the staff and communicating with parents.

Dana's favorite thing about camp is watching how campers grow and learn so much about themselves in only 2, 4 or 8 weeks. She knows that our campers count down the days to return to Decatur to reunite with old camp friends and make new ones... just as she did!

In addition to her roles as our Associate Director, Dana is the co-founder of SCOPE Midwest, a nonprofit organization that sends economically disadvantaged children to sleep away camps throughout the Midwest. As of the 2010 season, SCOPE Midwest has sent over 300 kids to camp!



**CONGRATULATIONS ON 20 SUMMERS, DANA!**  
**HERE'S TO 20 MORE.**

## Looking back on the 2010 season:

As always, our 76<sup>th</sup> season was deeply rooted in our camp's traditions. Campers participated in trips to the warren sand dunes, numerous games of capture the flag, the Vassar Mock Trial, Color Days, Song Fest, campfires and cabin cookouts and spirited cheering and knit one pearl twos in the dining hall. We also introduced a brand new special day called Camplified during second session. Camplified is an interactive experience between campers and musicians (activities included crafts projects and pool parties) that culminated with a rock concert by 3 rising artists performed right in Decatur!

We're thrilled to report another fantastic and memorable season had by all of our campers and staff!!!



## Looking ahead to the 2011 Season:

2011 will bring big changes to 47 1/2 Street. After over 70 years of service (and housing lots of hard work and laughs), our beloved camp office, also known as "The Big House" will be torn down and replaced during the upcoming winter. While we're all sad to see it go, we know that its replacement will be a necessary and welcome change to campers and staff alike. More information about the new building will follow in the spring newsletter.



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## SCOPE SWIMATHON



We're so proud of our campers for the success of our first ever LWCGWC Swimathon to benefit SCOPE Midwest!

SCOPE Midwest, a nonprofit co-founded by Dayna Hardin and Dana Cohn, works to send economically disadvantaged youth to not for profit sleep away camps throughout the Midwest. First session campers swam in the lake and were sponsored by friends and family members to benefit this great cause. In total, our 8 participants swam 360 laps, raising enough money to send one camper to an overnight camp in the Midwest for the 2011 season. **WAY TO GO!**





# AROUND THE CAMPFIRE...



Congratulations to **Alice (Andrews)** and **Don Schindel** who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in April 2010. Alice was a Lake of the Woods camper and staff member from 1948 -1956. Alice and Don were married on April 24, 1960 at KAM Temple in Chicago. They are the proud parents of Susan, Andrea and Judi.

The entire Schindel clan celebrated this milestone in August, just before heading up to Decatur for their fourth summer of Family Camp fun! The group consisted of 27 family members including former campers **Melissa (Granoff) Andrews, Paula (Andrews) Zacharias**, their families as well as current campers **Carly Andrews, Jaden Andrews, Zoe Zacharias**, and **Tyler Yost**.



The Schindel Family

A major kudos to Greenwoods Alum **Dan Projansky** who recently completed a 10K Coastal Crawl in Harbor Springs, Michigan. Four hours and 18 minutes after starting, Projansky finished his sixth open-water race by swimming butterfly (swimming's most difficult stroke) the entire way.

Projansky's sights are now on an 8 mile all butterfly stroke across Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

Projansky, both a former camper and counselor at Greenwoods (1966-1976), learned how to swim on the boy's swim dock.



A tremendous congratulations to former counselor and year round director (2001-2005), **Scotty Williamson** and his wife **Steph**, on the birth of their first child, **Thomas Charles** in Sydney, Australia.

"Tommy" was born on September 10, 2010 weighing in at 2.75 kg (6 lbs) and 48 cm. We're thrilled to report that both mom and son are happy and healthy!



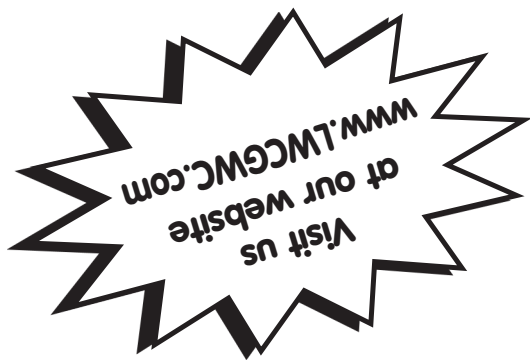
The Alumni Chronicles extends our very best wishes to former camper, counselor and Lake of the Woods Program director **Laura Ambrose** (camper-1987-1990, staff-1995-2003) and her husband **Ryan Bakker**. The couple was married on May 29, 2010 in Athens, Georgia and LWC Alumni **Sophie Terp, Dana Lasman** and **Emily Ferdman** were lucky enough to be in attendance. Laura, a high school teacher, and Ryan, a political science professor at the University of Georgia, are the proud parents to pups Brady Laverne and Theo. Congratulations!



The Happy Couple



Lake of the Woods Ladies



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