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NEWSLETTER
SPRING, 1992

Dear Alumni:

Its hard to believe another Alumni year is coming to an end, as we look forward with anticipation of the thousands of scouts that soon will be experiencing that "Yawgoog Spirit" that we all had previously. This generation of scouts will again be benefiting from the generosity of the many Yawgoog Alumni that continue to support Yawgoog Projects through their dues and project donations.

This year we have completed, duplicated and distributed the very first "Yawgoog Promotional Videotape" to all scouting units that have attended Yawgoog in 1991 and to those that have made inquiries about this marvelous camp. This Story of Yawgoog is now being spread by Television to a multitude of youngsters and their parents - hopefully so that they too may take advantage of this Scout Adventureland in the summer of 1992.

Another Alumni Project which the Association was able to complete thanks to your dues and donations is the new "Scaling Tower" which was constructed as part of the exciting Challenge Program. This tower will prove to be a fabulous addition for the "older scout".


An additional project for '92 was to repair the H. Cushman Anthony Crafts Pavilion after Hurricane Bob did some construction damage. I'm happy to say, thanks to our very talented Ranger Staff and Alumni funding, the shelter looks as "good as new".

Two Alumni work days were also added this year for painting, staining, plantings, and clean up around the J. Harold Williams Amphitheatre.

I hope you enjoy the contents of our Spring Newsletter, and hope you will join us at the annual reunion this summer at Yawgoog - Mark your calendar - Saturday, August 1st starting at 1PM.

Thanks for all your support of Alumni activities, and remember if you cannot make the reunion, every Sunday is still visitors day at Yawgoog - so stop down during the summer and visit.

Sincerely,


Joseph J. Herbold
Chairman



12th ANNUAL YAWGOOG ALUMNI REUNION

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! TELL YOUR FRIENDS!! THE 12th ANNUAL YAWGOOG ALUMNI REUNION IS SET FOR "SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 1992".

The Reunion Sub-Committee has been working overtime to plan this year's events. So far they include the ever-popular Rifle and Archery Tournaments, a Horseshoe Tournament, a showing of the Yawgoog Promotional Video (funded by the Alumni Association), and a Dedication/Demonstration of the 30 foot scaling wall in the Challenge Area (also funded by you - the Yawgoog Alumni).

In addition, Alumni Members will have the option of enjoying either the Traditional Chicken Barbeque or dining with the troops in one of Yawgoog's 'five star gourmet' dining halls. Sound interesting? Further details will be forthcoming.

So, keep your eyes open for more information which will include a program of events and registration forms. Mark Your Calendar!! **SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 1992.** We hope to see you there!!!

YAWGOOG ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNT BALANCES

1/31/92

RESTRICTED:

Membership & Memorials	\$91,248.27
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UNRESTRICTED:

Operating	\$ 421.74	
Book Sales	657.27	
Project 1992	(2,834.53)	
Maintenance of Completed Projects	10,217.65	
Interest	<u>12,514.40</u>	
Total Unrestricted:		<u>20,976.53</u>
		<u>\$112,224.80</u>

Y A W G O O G '92

By: Timothy Sheldon, Deputy Reservation Director

The Summer of 1992 and Yawgoog's 77th season are just around the corner! All of the pre-camp planning is going very well and we've hired about 98% of the staff. Attendance projections look very promising.

This summer will bring with it many changes. The least of which is that we have a new Director. Paul Bernetsky, Senior District Executive from Pokanoket has been appointed as Yawgoog's eighth Director. Paul has a lot of enthusiasm and a great deal of camp experience. He has worked in summer camps for most of his life and served as camp director in the Long Rivers Council. His vision for Yawgoog is to maintain the traditions that make Yawgoog so great while improving existing services. We're very fortunate to have Paul filling this most important job.

Joining Paul and I on the Key Staff this summer is Gale Follett as Director of Purchasing; Larry Jette as Director of Food Services; Peter Berthelette as Business Manager; Robert Bernard as Director of Three Point; Geoff Gurney as Director of Medicine Bow; and Matt Sheridan as Director of Sandy Beach. This team is very dedicated and has over 52 years of camp experience. You'll all be happy to know that we're committed to making the Yawgoog experience in '92 as good if not better as all of the seventy-six previous summers.

Al Gunther will be celebrating his 34th summer as Reservation Ranger in 1992. We're very fortunate to have someone as dedicated as Al and who has a love for Yawgoog that can't be matched. He continues to keep Yawgoog a beautiful setting for all those Scouts and Scouters who enter the T. Dawson Brown Gate. Paul Forbes, Al's assistant for 14 summers continues to play an integral role in the maintenance and up-keep of camp. Clem Gormley and Randy Williams, both former staff members, complete this magnificent team.

The Scouts who come to camp this summer will have more opportunities coming their way. We've added a new mountain biking program and a rappelling tower. These programs are geared towards the older boy so that we can continue getting them back each year.

Finally, on behalf of the Key Staff and the 5,500+ Scouts who will come to Yawgoog this summer, we'd like to thank the Executive Committee and general membership of the Alumni Association for all you've done and continue to do for the benefit of Yawgoog. In particular, we'd like to thank Joe Herbold, Jim Lanzi, and Bob Loring for their help in making the promotional video a reality.

ALUMNI MEMORABILIA COLLECTION

You may have seen some of it at one of the recent reunions, even spent a few minutes browsing through it yourself. Or maybe you've got a copy of the alumni pictorial history of Yawgoog and seen some of it there--or possibly in the Factor's Club at camp in the summer.

It is the collection of Yawgoog and Boy Scout memorabilia donated to the Yawgoog Alumni Association over the last 10 years. We have a bit of everything, from newspaper clippings to patches and neckerchiefs, to books and uniforms. (There's no truth to the rumor we saved the Boy Scout socks Gus wore as a rookie--or would want to!) Quite a variety of things has been sent our way.

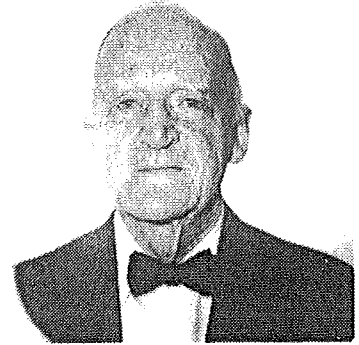
We are now in the process of sorting and cataloging all of your donations to bring some focus to the collection. This includes preserving and storing everything to keep it in the best condition possible. We are also working with the staff at Yawgoog to find a spot to display this part of camping history each summer to the scouts in attendance. We hope to help preserve some of the traditions and history of Yawgoog in this way.

If you have any items you would like to donate (or are just cleaning out the attic), please send or bring them to the Scout Office in Providence in care of the Alumni Association. Any donation would be greatly appreciated--and you might see it on display at next year's reunion!

WILLIAM CHESLEY WORTHINGTON - THE EDITOR

By: H. Cushman "Gus" Anthony

"Ches" is possibly the oldest of all the "Old Timers" of Narragansett Council and also a "Founder" of Camp Yawgoog. He joined the Scouts in February of 1915 at the age of 12 and served our Council and Yawgoog as Tenderfoot through Life Scout; a Yawgoog Staffman for 10 years; and as Council President in 1961.



As a Scout he joined the famous "Third Providence Troop" under Scoutmaster "Chief" J. Harold Williams. He missed getting his Eagle by one Merit Badge, Bird Study. He is sure he could pass it now because of his life-long interest in nature, birds and conservation. He frequently walks through Blackstone Park and spends much time at his 'camp' in Chepachet. He went through all the Troop leadership positions and served as Scoutmaster of "The Third" while he was a student at Brown University. His first publication was the troop's newspaper, "The Echo", a pasteup on a large piece of cardboard.

At Yawgoog, he started his ten years of service as a camper in 1916, the Camp's first season. His titles on the staff included Scribe, Lifeguard, Commissioner, and Director of the old "Upper Camp". The four sites in the "Upper Camp" were Marvel, North, Davis and Lawrence. At this time, the "Lower Camp" was formalized and included four unit sites, Tuoca, Oak Ridge, Musketeer and Pioneer. When "Medicine Bow" opened in 1929, the "Upper Camp" became 'Headquarters'. Today, the "Wojack Trail", cut out by Ches and Eric P. Jackson, a professional executive for a short time, is still hiked along our south western border with Connecticut.

On the Council level, Ches worked with various committees and served as Council President. In the late 30's or early 40's, he became a member of the Council's corporate body, the Rhode Island Boy Scouts. He is still an active member of this all-important corporation. He also served for a short time on the New England Region 1 Executive Committee. He is a Silver Beaver.

Starting with the Third Providence Troop "Echo", Ches has always been an 'Editor'. Before graduating from Hope High School, he served as the editor of the "Blue and White", the school yearbook. While at Brown, he served on the Editorial Board of the "Brown Daily Herald" and in his senior year he became the 'Editor'. Upon graduating from Brown in 1923, he went on to get a graduate degree in Journalism at Columbia University. While there, he won the Columbia Medal and received a Pulitzer Award (not the Pulitzer Prize) of \$1,000 which allowed him full expenses for one year's travel and study in Europe (imagine that in this day). Upon returning to Providence in 1926, he started his first job as a reporter for the Providence Journal. Soon he was made Assistant City Editor, Critic, and finally, the Editor of the Sunday Magazine Section of the Journal.

In 1930 he began his 38 years service to his alma mater as the editor of the Brown Alumni Monthly. This University affiliation led him to many national awards and opportunities to serve both editorially and educationally through national positions to which he was elected and selected. He served as National President of the American Alumni Council as well as being a consultant and speaker for many college publications.

WILLIAM CHESLEY WORTHINGTON - THE EDITOR (Continued)

Along the way, Ches found time to serve many local agencies besides Scouting and Brown University. These include the Providence Athenaeum, Grace Church, Providence Country Day School, and the Providence Art Club. Sometimes serving as a Trustee, a Vestryman or President....but always a top leader.

He and his late wife, Diana Scott, enjoyed trips to 67 different countries as well as bring up a son, Bill, Jr., and a daughter, Connie. Bill was a Yawgoog Camper and went to Philmont. Connie's son was a Cub and a Scout.

I always feel very proud when I can say, "Oh, yes! I have known Ches Worthington for years. We grew up together through Scouting and Yawgoog".

YAWGOOG - A FAMILY AFFAIR!

Seems that this section of the 'Fall 1991 Newsletter' was a big hit. Unfortunately, I didn't remember everyone. That's okay, though, cause it prompted the following responses:

Marc B. Bertholet (NY) - Reported we missed the Brothers Bertholet

Staff Members at Yawgoog: Marc - '73, '72, '71
Paul - '74

Michael Fallon (NY) - Mike wrote: I enjoyed Gus' list of brothers who served on the staff. Please add my brothers & myself!

Jim Fallon (The Three Point Flagpole is in Jim's Memory)
Mike Fallon
Joe Fallon

Charles W. Johnson, Jr. (NY) Writes: My father Charles, Sr., better known as Bill worked with Inky Armstrong doing maintenance for 4-5 years about 1953-58.

I was the first janitor of Bucklin Memorial Group during the summer of 1930, followed by terms at Medicine Bow for 2 years. My first tent-mate was "Zook the Spook" Zuccolo.

My son, Bruce, was on the staff along with Tony Booth, both from #1 Rumford. He spent three years on various positions mainly with woodcrafts.

William I. Smith (PA) - Gus writes: William I. Smith 1940-1948 Staff as Kitchen Boy and Assistant Chef at the Bow and then Waterfront Director at Three Point. Living in Red Hill, PA. A geneology buff, both he and I are related and have records back to the early sixteen hundreds and both claim Susan Brownell Anthony as an ancestor. Bill was with Troop 7 Prov.

Herb & Harry Speakman - 1930's - Herb was a cook at Medicine Bow and Harry was Waterfront at the Bow. Both attended the 75th Celebration.

Thanks, for the additional.

"PERSONALS"

ABRAMS, Jordan B. (RI) - 1937 - Reports "Status Quo".

ADLER, Steven B. (RI) 1977 - "I've been married for two years to a wonderful woman. Working in Jamestown/Newport managing a timeshare/hotel property. I'm still doing a lot of sailing in the summer and vacationing in the winter. Always look forward to coming back to Yawgoog."

ANDREWS, William (MA) - "Fifth year as Cubmaster of Pack 177 Wilbraham; also, now Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 177 Wilbraham." (Ah, volunteers....the backbone of the BSA!)

BECHTEL, Peter (NC) 1963 - "Continuing to build my business (Medical Computer Systems). Recently awarded the North Carolina Medical Society's sole endorsement for medical computer systems. Would like to get Larry "Mel" Mello's address. Anybody know it???"

BLOME, William A. (MO) 1940 - "Retired now for five years and really enjoying life. Wife (Jean) and I are in good health. Proud of our two children and three grandchildren. My best regards to all the gang at Camp Yawgoog."

BODEN, Herbert H., Jr. - (RI) 1935 - Herb reported that Phil Kenny says the original logs for the Bucklin Lodge came from his grandfather's Cedar Swamp in Hope Valley and he was the first Yawgoog Fire Department under Inky. Thanks for the info, Herb!

BOWKER, Alan (MA) 1965 - "I'm back in Scouting - Tiger Cubs with my son David. The Scouting Program in this town is booming with new families. I hope to be camping at Yawgoog again soon with my son. (The way things are going, his twin sister may be with us!)" What ever happened to little girls who didn't like bugs?????

BRICE, Lorrin (CT) 1929 - "I remember one day at Yawgoog in the early 30's, Nick Card and myself were full summer campers. We decided we would try the pond behind the Yawgoog Pond dam. We were paddling around this shallow pond when we came upon this blue racer. Nick said, 'let's get him' so we proceeded after this 6 foot snake and Nick proceeded to flip him into the canoe. We subdued him and brought him back to camp and took him up to the Lodge and washed him with soap - they do have an odor. That Sunday we were on parking duty for the Sunday visitors. Don't you know Nick had this 6 foot snake inside his shirt and was scaring the daylights out of the visitors' daughters. The snake would put his head out through the front of Nick's shirt and his tongue would flick around..all quite scary. I can't remember what finally happened to that snake, but I'm sure his grandchildren are still around Yawgoog. Bet you never heard that one!" Never did hear that one but thanks to you Lorrin, now we all know!!

BRITTON, Bruce G. (RI) - "Two years after the death of Charlotte, I have re-married to a wonderful widow- Anna Norberg. Very, very happy."

BROWN, Douglas H. (CT) 1958 - "Live in Brookfield, married with a son and daughter. One Tiger Cub and one Brownie. Am Den Leader for my son's Cub Scout Den. Product Marketing Manager at Union Carbide Corp."

BROWNING, Wayne (NY) 1954 - "I get to fulfill a dream by leading 6 of my Scouts on a Philmont Trek this summer. What will make it even more special is my assistant will be my son, Chris, now a sophomore at Notre Dame & his 15 year old brother, Adam, will be a member of our crew." Those are the kind of dreams I like to hear about. Gus

BUDLONG, Merrill P. (RI) 1925 - "Tom Gilbane was Bugler in 1925! Retired from Marine Radio Business 14 years ago. Spend my time bicycle riding and on ham radio, W1MB".

BUTLER, Alden H. (FL) 1933 - "Only 58 years in Scouting. Now a Unit Commissioner in North Florida". Hey, Al, 58 years is good but you got a ways to go to catch up with me! Gus

CARR, Charles E. (RI) 1928 - "Thanks for all the good things being done for Camp Yawgoog". You're welcome....

CHOQUETTE, Paul J., Jr. (RI) 1950 - "Was elected President of Narragansett Council on January 23rd, 1992. Real chance to give back the extraordinary impact Yawgoog and Scouting had on me". Paul, we're proud and grateful that you are keeping the tradition going. Thank you for all you do. Gus

CHRISTY, Ralph S. (RI) 1923 - "I am now in my eighties but hike 6 to 10 miles every Friday with several contemporaries in the Yawgoog, Paschoag Forest, Great Swamp, Wachaug Pond and Woody Hill areas."

CLARKE, Theodore S. (RI) 1930 - "Still on the right side of the grass. Ski, golf and sail when old bones permit. Always great to hear of Scouts in the early 30's. Go Gus!!

CLORMAN, Col. Bernard R. (NC) 1940 - I received a newsy letter from Phyllis and Bernie Clorman. Bernie gave me some news about Chris and Dan Shea, Jr. Chris Shea is an Army Captain in California and Dan, Jr. is an Air Force Captain. Dan Shea, Sr. was best man at Phyllis and Bernie's wedding. Seems both Chris and Dan, Jr. are staunch Yawgoog Veterans. Thanks, Bernie, for all the good information you always have. Gus

CORNELL, Elmer (RI) 1930 - "Retired and living here on the Cove in Weekapaug with my wife of 50 years Helen. For the record only, Chief J. Harold Williams presented me with my Silver Beaver in 1957 (Camden County, NJ)."

CORREIA, Mariano (MA) 1962 - "I'll be 69 years old soon and for some reason, I enjoy being with young people. It takes me back to the old days when I was a Scout myself. Going on hikes to leave the city behind. This is just a small part of Scouting...there's a lot more."

COWEN, Norman J., M.D. (DC) 1946 - Bought 50 acres of land on Morgan Bay in Northern Maine near Nova Scotia to build a family compound for summer and fall. All friends are invited to visit. Daughter Rosemary is back in Rhode Island as a graduate student at RISD studying landscape architecture." Thanks for the invite Dr. Cowen...we're packing our bags now! All the Executive Committee Members of the Yawgoog Alumni Association. Anyone else free this summer??

CUNHA, George Martin (KY) 1924 - "I am a part time professor at the University of Kentucky College of Library Science. In December 1991 I had a fabulous experience lecturing at libraries in St. Petersburg and Moscow in Russia."

CUSHMAC, George (VA) 1950 - I received a nice letter from George. He talks about his visits back to Yawgoog for the 10th and 11th Reunions. He says, "At the 10th, I took the opportunity to hike through Medicine Bow, Sandy Beach and up to Hemlock Ledge and beyond. I saw a couple new campsites but the trails were the same. At the 11th, I hiked through Three Point and out to "Fort Hilton". The trail was more like a 'firelane'. I remember standing on the roof of Ft. Hilton (1950) and looking over the tree tops to Yawgoog Pond. The fort is long gone and the trees sure have grown. Camp Yawgoog is a treasure; we're extremely fortunate." George, I couldn't have said it better! Gus

DARELIUS, Conrad S. (RI) 1936 - "Wife Gail E. (Farmer) Darelius. 3 sons, 1 daughter, 2 grandchildren. Three generations were in Scouting Program and enjoyed Camp Yawgoog."

DAVIDSON, Donald J. (RI) 1936 - "Two years into retirement and going strong. Busy as BVD Chairman and SME Chair (temporary). Son Jim moved to Culpepper, VA, July 91. Alice and I will attend Blue & Gold when grandson Brad receives his Wolf Badge on 2/29 in Virginia. Great to be free and travel."

DEBEVOISE, Charles H. (RI) 1969 - "Now serving my 9th year on the Yawgoog Alumni Association Executive Committee and my 8th year as Secretary. It's great to work with so many friends from Camp."

DONAHUE, Joseph B. (IN) 1946 - "I'll be taking a two-week trip in June to Switzerland and Germany with my Grandson's unit, Troop 24 Sarasota, FL. What a far cry from my Troop 5 Cranston "High Adventure" trips to Skeleton Valley back in the 40's. It was great to see Gus again while at my 35th reunion at Brown last June". Yes, Joe, it was great to see you, too! Don't forget, keep August 1st open for our 12th Annual Reunion! Gus

DRIFTMIER, Mrs. Frederick F. (CT) 1925 - "We lived (camped) across the lake and sold our property around 1938 to the Boy Scouts. I was then Betty Jane Crandall".

DRUMMOND, Jerry (RI) 1969 - "Married 5/8/83 - Daughter 10/26/85 - Son 4/4/90."

DUBOIS, Jacques E. (RI) 1933 - "Among other things, just recently elected Vice Chairman of National Catholic Committee on Scouting. Have 4 Eagle and 2 Life Scout sons." Well, Jack, we happen to know that the 'among other things' you mention is the fact that the Northeast Region is honoring you with the Silver Buffalo!! This news certainly makes all of us in Narragansett Council very proud of you. Congratulations!

FALES, Lester P., Jr. (RI) 1936 - "Virginia and I have been married 47 years. Our son, Stephen is an Episcopal clergyman in Cheshire, CT, with his wife Marian and two daughters Rebecca 11 and Bethany 9. I was pleased to read about Chesley Carpenter in the fall issue. I was in his Sea Scout Ship in East Greenwich and after the war (World War II) I lost track of him."

FOWLER, Bradford N. (RI) 1928 - "Retired 8 years, living in Charlestown and spend winters in Florida. Three children and six grandchildren. Oldest grandson (8 years) joined Cub Scouts this year at Waterman School in Cranston."

GILBANE, Thomas F., Jr. (RI) 1959 - "Enjoyed the write up about our family. Note I was on Yawgoog Staff in 63 or 64."

- GODBOUT, Ernie (MA) 1950 - "Lost my mom to cancer 12/3/91. Completed 15 years as Clerk at Providence Post Office - still working there. My best to Al Gunther as always."
- GOLDOWSKY, Seebert J., M.D. (RI) 1920 - "1990 saw the publication of my second book titled "A Century and a Quarter of Spiritual Leadership". Also published was my first book, "Yankee Surgeon, The Life and Times of Usher Parsons".
- GRONNEBERG, Edward N. (RI) 1932 - "Enjoying these 'golden years' with my wife, children and grandchildren."
- GUY, Norman L. (FL) 1928 - "Keep in touch with Troop 15 survivors, Nick Carr and Ted Clarke. Enjoy your newsletter. Keep up the good work."
- HAGERTY, James A. (RI) 1929 - "I'm still alive and kicking at the spry age of 76. I know, Gus, compared to you I'm just a kid! Have 8 grand kids - oldest graduates from high school this year - youngest is 7. Hope to see you this year!" Yes, Jim, you are a mere kid yourself! - And, hope to see you too!! Gus
- HARRIS, Wendell G. "Wendy" (RI) 1940 - "The 'Wendy' Harris Family is all well and thriving. The 1991 Reunion - even in the rain - was superbly done. Saw many 'old' Scouting pals. As the years go by, my experiences in Scouting were a most valuable part of my life...and continue to be. God Bless All! Especially Jane & Gus Anthony." Hey, Wendy, thanks for the blessing! This ole Eagle needs all the help he can get!!! Gus
- HAMPSON, Ken (MD) 1931 - "We now have nine grandchildren and three great grand children".
- HERBOLD, Joseph J. (RI) 1823 - "Dear Joe, Heard you are doing a fantastic job!! You are a terrific person. You should get a raise. The Alumni should buy you a car. The Alumni should fund your pension. Keep up the good work". (There was no signature on this letter to Joe but the handwriting looked an awful lot like Joe Herbold's.....)
- HERBOLD, Richard F. (MA) - "Daughter Stacey is in the 8th grade at Hingham High School. My wife Nancie is a professor at Simmons College..she started up Nutrition Works, Inc., a nutrition consulting company. I am now the Program/Project Mgr. of Boston Harbor cleanup project, an 11 year project with a \$6 billion budget."
- HURLEY, Doug (WA) 1962 - "Wife, Lynn, and I are both consultants in public relations and public policy. Daughter, Katherine, is 12 and an avid jazz dancer. Son, Evan, 8 insists I stop writing this card so we can go play baseball in the yard". Thanks for the info.....now go play ball!!!
- HYDER, Maurice J. (CA) 1937 - "Still active in Scouting - Executive Board at Mt. Diablo Council in California - National Council International Committee and this year my 60th in Scouting. Best of Scouting to all in Narragansett Council."
- INGHAM, Bruce (RI) 1961 - "Presently Science Department head at Gorton Jr. High, Warwick, RI. Chairman High Adventure Committee of Narragansett Council, Vice Chairman Yawgoog Alumni Association."

JOHNSON, Alden P., Sr. (RI) 1936 - "I'm a former member of Troop 33 in Providence but haven't been connected to Scouting in over 50 years. At the kind invitation of Don Davidson, I attended the 1988 Alumni Reunion and enjoyed the occasion very much. I'm not much of a joiner these days and have given up nearly all formal memberships and subscriptions. Long live Gus Anthony and his marvelous spirit and enthusiasm! Continued success to the Alumni organization and its many wonderful objectives for Narragansett Council, BSA."

JOHNSON, Allan (CT) 1983 - "Eric entered West Point Class of 1995".

JOHNSON, Charles W., Jr. (NY) 1927 - A couple of old Yawgoog characters had a 'two-some' reunion in Idaho. Charlie Johnson ID '27 formerly the "Custodian" (janitor to you guys) of the Bucklin Memorial Group and 'Jim' Williams ID '38 (Chief's son). After 'remembering when' the two had lunch together and then Jim took Charlie on a tour of the Boise-Cascade Lumber Co. where he worked before he retired. Charlie was also in the lumber business. I don't remember either of them earning the 'Woodworking' Merit Badge!! Gus

JOHNSON, Clinton S. (RI) 1927 - "I'm Chairman of Cumberland Conservation Commission and a part-time tourguide in Blackstone Valley".

KEEFER, Scott K. (RI) - "Eight grandchildren and 9 and 10 on the way! Lost vision in left eye due to golf accident. Handicap is now 4 shots lower than at time of the accident. Proves you don't have to be able to see to play golf!" Hey, Scott - keep those Boy Scouts coming and that handicap lowered!! Gus

KNOX, Ken (RI) 1956 - "My son Kenny, my brother Wayne and I are all Eagle Scouts from Troop 2 East Greenwich. My son Kenny is currently working in Manhattan for William H. Mercer, a benefits consulting firm. He graduated from URI in '90 with a BS in Finance and a B.A. in French. My daughter Kim is a freshman at Tufts. My agency, Harbur Point Financial Group is RI's Connecticut Mutual agency. We were recognized in 1991 as a Presidents Organization Award winner. This is CML's highest honor to 5 agencies annually." Ken, thanks for the news! Glad to hear that everyone is doing great! Gus

LAFRENIERE, Oscar E. (RI) 1923 - "Still living alone at my farm here on Annaquatucket Road".

LANZI, James R. (RI) 1962 - "It was great to be Chairman of the Video Committee. It was exciting to work with a professional film crew and be part of this adventure. Thanks again to all who made this promotional film possible". Jim, you did a superb job with the Yawgoog promotional video. Everyone who helped with this project deserves a standing ovation. I'm very pleased....and everyone knows how tough it is to please me! Gus

LAWTON, Charles E. (RI) 1951 - "Retired in 1990; however, have been teaching a full schedule between Northeastern University and Rhode Island College. Also serving as a writing consultant/faculty trainer at Northeastern University. Hmm!! Some retirement!"

LIGUORI, Robert L. (RI) 1955 - "I am a Branch Manager at Met Life in Wakefield. My wife, Ruth, is on the Board of Directors of the South County YMCA in Wakefield. We have two boys, Craig age 14, a Life Scout and Jim age 16 an Eagle Scout who is on the Yawgoog Camp Staff 1991." Thanks a lot for all the news, Bob!

LUFKIN, Richard P. (RI) 1965 - "Working for Providence School Department as Teacher Assistant. Member of Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Belong to Bristol Train of Artillery and Knights of Columbus". And.....you are a member of the Yawgoog Alumni Association. You saved the best for last!!

MANNING, Brian H. (RI) 1957 - "Completed Computerized Accounting and am looking for work in this field."

MARTIN, Glenn (ID) 1968 - "I work for the U.S. Forest Service on the Clearwater National Forest. Member of First Providence Troop since 1968."

MASSOVER, Louis (RI) 1927 - "Retired since 1980. Keep busy volunteering".

MATTHEWS, Robert H. (MA) 1919 - "Hi Gus, Do you know that Dick Minor and myself saved a fellow Scout from drowning in Yawgoog Pond in 1922?" No, Bob, I didn't know that. I wonder if 70 years later is too late to put you guys in for a 'Meritorious Action Award'!!!

MCCOMB, William H. (FL) 1921 - "Wife Ann and myself living in Spanish Lakes Mobile Park #1. Busy every day - President of one club and on Board of Directors for two others. One son in Mass; grandson Norm (from old Troop 5 Cranston) now a market and consultant in YAP, Micronesia South Pacific. Miss my old pals in 'Over the Hill Gang'." Hey, Bill, we miss you too. Judy is still cracking the whip on us every now and again to help out at the Council Office. She keeps all us 'ole guys' in line. Hope to see you at the 12th Reunion!!

MCGARRY, Roderick A. III (RI) 1953 - "My son Rod IV continues the Yawgoog tradition as a 4 year camper and a 4 year staff member at Sandy Beach. He is currently at P.C. Also have two daughters who like to visit occasionally and take in a Saturday night show."

MCKENDALL, F. Donald, III (RI) '60's - "Married Tina DeMarco, have three children: Donny IV, 6 years old, Alex 3 years old and Christina born August, 1990."

NAGLE, J. Winford (RI) 1918 - "Was an all summer camper in 1918-1919. Was a Junior Officer and then Senior Officer - Camp Lawrence Campmaster in early 20's. My present hobby is collecting great grandchildren - 7 to date!" Good job, Win! Keep those Scouts coming!!

NELSON, Arthur (RI) - Found an article on our own Art Nelson in the State Council of Churches Bulletin. It read: "At the Council's Annual Meeting in November of 1991, Mr. Arthur Nelson was recognized for his sixty years of involvement with the Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Nelson joined Troop 82 in 1932 and remains active in that troop today. A member of Pilgrim Lutheran Church, he serves on the Council's Committee on Scouting. Mr. Nelson received a memento from Council Executive Minister, the Rev. James C. Miller." Good work, Art! Understand Troop 82 Providence will hold their 65th Anniversary on Friday evening, April 24, 1992.

O'CONNELL, Robert R., Jr. (MA) 1966 - "Captain in U.S. Army stationed at Ft. Lewis, WA. Married (wife Lynn). Served as Company Commander during Desert Storm; received Bronze Star". Congratulations, Bob!

O'GRADY, Daniel H. (AZ) 1924 - "Celebrated our 50th Wedding Anniversary at Los Abregados in Sedena, AZ. June 24, 1991 - 4 children, 6 grand children and 2 great grand children."

PALAZZO, Norman (RI) 1936 - "Wife and I both retired. Enjoyed the last reunion even in a little rain. Made a visit to Camp Dress Parade. It is always a pleasure to see Camp. Brings back many memories".

PARKINSON, Robert F. (FL) - "We managed to get back to Rhode Island for our 50th Reunion at Brown. Visited with many old friends and had a fun time talking with "Gus" and marveling at his tireless energy and strong leadership of his Brown Class. Also enjoyed a 'reunion' of the key staff from our 'time' in Narragansett as we gathered at the home of Mike DeCiantis. We enjoy hearing about the fine work being done at Yawgoog and congratulate the Alumni Association for all that has been accomplished. Continued success. Parky." Thanks for the accolades! Yawgoog is close to all our hearts!

RAFANELLI, Anthony J. (RI) 1973 - "My wife Karen and I are now living in Jamestown. I still stay minimally involved with Troop 5 North Providence and try to campout with them at least once a year."

RAYMOND, Michael (VA) 1967 - "My wife and two daughters enjoy our new home in Fairfax Station, VA".

RAYMOND, Raymond (MA) - "Little has changed with us. Things are fine over all. Thanks you for all your efforts."

RICHMOND, Gerald (CO) - I received a nice letter from Gerry a few months back. Gerry's two grandsons are in the Scouts. The older of the two is deep into winter camping in the Syracuse area and Adirondacks. Well, Gerry, seems like camping, Scouting, Yawgoog....all seem to get in the blood! Try to get to the 12th reunion this year on August 1st. Gus

ROITMAN, Aaron H. (RI) 1923 - A bit of proud news to report about Aaron - At the March Executive Board Meeting of Narragansett Council, Aaron Roitman was awarded the Whitney M. Young, Jr. Award which signifies outstanding service to inner-city and/or low-income rural youth. The award comes from the National Boy Scout Council in Texas and Aaron certainly deserves the recognition. Thanks, Aaron, for all you have done and continue to do for the youth of Narragansett Council.

SANDFORD, William (RI) 1925 - "Considering our age, my long suffering wife (a true Boy Scout widow) and I are bearing up remarkably well. Gus had a great idea when he started this Association and the present leaders are fantastic "fire balls". "A fine body of men!" - Quote - J. Harold Williams." Hey, Bill, you had a great idea when you began the 'Over the Hill Gang'. You guys certainly are helpful and quick to respond when I ask for help! Since you guys made me an honorary member, I do crack the whip more but you know I love you 'Wild Bill' and all the 'Gang'. Judy

SCHWAB, Michael L. (RI) - "I enjoy spending time with Judy Badessa and her male escort". (Bill and I enjoy Nancy's company and we've decided to find her a more suitable date the next time we go out together! Judy)

SCOTT, Mark F., M.D. (RI) 1966 - "Planning to come to camp for one week as camp physician with my family this summer".

SHERBURNE, Doug (VA) 1949 - "Retired from USN in 1987. Employed by Northern Virginia High Tech Company. Have one daughter in college and one in high school."

SHINE, Kenneth I. - Found the recent article in the 'Washington Post': "Kenneth I. Shine, a heart specialist and dean of the UCLA school of medicine since 1986, has been named to a five-year term as president of the Institute of Medicine. The institute, headquartered here, is a 468-member private nonprofit body that advises the federal government on medical and related scientific policy issues. Shine received his medical degree from Harvard in 1961. He was president of the American Heart Association from 1986 to 1987. Shine will serve part time until July, when he will join the institute as full-time salaried president. He succeeds Samuel O. Thier, who left to become president of Brandeis University." Way to go, Doc Shine!

SIPLE, Paul - Found an interesting question in the newspaper: Q: What can you tell me about Paul Siple. He was identified as the originator of the wind-chill factor in a recent Globe article. A: When Cmdr. Richard E. Byrd was planning his first Antarctic expedition in 1928, he asked the Boy Scouts of America to select one Scout to be a member of his team. Siple, then a 19-year old Eagle Scout from Erie, PA, was chosen from 60,000 applicants to make the trip. He was given only 36 hours' notice before leaving on the two-year expedition. In his book, "A Boy Scout With Byrd", Siple said his training as a Scout enabled him to take an active role as a naturalist. He proved himself so valuable to the expedition that Byrd invited Siple to serve as chief biologist on his second expedition in 1933-1935. During World War II, Siple was chief of the climatology and environmental protection section of the US Quartermaster Corp. In that post, he directed human climatology research, especially in basic principles underlying clothing protection. After the war, he led several Antarctic expeditions. Siple died on November 25, 1968. He was 59. (Well, folks, that's your lesson for today and a very interesting one, I might add.)

SMITH, Ronald E. (RI) 1947 - "Oldest daughter Tiffani married 11/10/90. Other daughter Monique on Dean's list at URI and will graduate June of 1992. Look forward to attending reunion as a former member of old Troop 1 Warwick. Last time I camped at Yawgoog was 1950. Over 40 years later should justify a visit!" Ron, don't wait another 40 for your next visit! Hope to see you on August 1st for the 12th Reunion!!

STONE, Elliot M. (MA) 1960 - "My older son Rob is a sophomore at Colorado College in Colorado Springs. Jeff is a senior at Stoughton High School. Janie and I will celebrate our 25th wedding anniversary this summer!"

SULLIVAN, Richard E. (RI) 1941 - "I'm still living in Westerly, but unable to be active in Scouting as in the past. Just me at home now since my wife passed away and daughter Linda married. Son John H., past Star Scout, in Army Paratroopers 27th Engr. Bn. (C)(A), back from Saudi Arabia and Iraq. Hope to make the reunion this year as being retired gives me more free time."

TOSTE, Father Frank A., CSC (NH) 1936 - "Gus, I am now retired from teaching HS (35 years) and back in theatre full time. Graduated from Harvard last June 6th with a Masters Degree in Drama. Worked in 3 films and one TV on PBC and presently writing a script for PBS. My love to you and Jane, your lovely wife. Father Frank. P.S. You left out under brothers at Yawgoog my late brother Edward, on the staff with me at MB and Bill Choquette, Paul's brother." (Father Frank, sorry about leaving you out....hope this doesn't mean you'll put in a bad report up above!! Gus)

UTTER, CHARLES (RI) - I received a very interesting letter from Charlie around Christmas time which began, "Dear Gus, Ever since I have known you...and that goes back into the 1920's....Yawgoog and Jamborees up on North Main Street....you have always had a smile on your face, a wisecrack to make and an ability to accept anything from the sublime to the ridiculous - without batting an eyelash!" You can imagine what the rest of the letter was like!!! I'll just quote one more sentence to give you an idea. Charlie said someone once asked him, "Are you the Utter from the 401st Bomb Group who flew a B-17 between two English telephone poles?" Well, that's our Charlie! Charlie, hope you get to come to the August 1st reunion so we can trade 'war stories', 'Scout stories' and any other stories we can both remember! Gus

VANDERSIP, Hank (RI) 1945 - "Had the pleasure of Gus Anthony's company recently at a Brown University weekend. He represented his class ('26) and I represented mine ('56). Gus was presented with the Brown Bear Award for Outstanding Service to Brown." (I always said you were a big 'Teddy Bear' Gus. Guess who!!)

VINCI, Anthony S. (RI) - "My baby daughter, Elizabeth Rosemarie, was born on August 30, 1991. My son, William Anthony, will be 4 years old on May 7, 1992. My wife Patricia (McGowan) and I will celebrate our 13th wedding anniversary on August 26, 1992."

WALSH, Andrew S. (RI) 1928 - "Nothing new. Just getting older (Thank God!)"

WARREN, Frank L. (CA) 1942 - "Still in Los Angeles area and I am still looking forward to retirement hopefully in Las Vegas area where housing is affordable. Think of Scouting and especially Yawgoog when summer rolls around each year. I put 36 years of active Scouting in as I traveled and lived in various parts of the country such as Phoenix, Arizona, Maryland, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Say hello to my 'old' friends at Yawgoog '38-'42 and, of course, the gang at Troop 82 Providence. Hi, Gus, nice to see and read that you are still very active and one great Scout. We all love you." (Thanks, Frank, for the kind words.)

WESTCOTT, Ray (CT) 1922 - "Am still hanging in there at 82. Still actively sailing and racing my J-24 "The Silver Fox" and still wimming. Planning to make the '92 Reunion".

WHEELOCK, Ralph H. (RI) 1932 - "For the past 50 years, the date of December 7th brings to my mind that day in 1941 when four of us were doing repair work on the dam at Hidden Lake. Those present were Louis Roehr, Donald Verwiebe (both now deceased) Walter Remington (now living in Bradenton, Florida) and myself. We were driving back on that Sunday afternoon from Hidden Lake to our two cabins we built on the Curtis Track, during the years from 1938 to 1941 when the news of Pearl Harbor came over the radio. Three of us were just 21, and Lou Roehr was 10 years older; and needless to say we were all in the service within a year, and all came back in good shape."

WHITE, Nat (AZ) 1952 - "Say hi to my old Scoutmaster, Clint Johnson, Arnold Mills Troop 1. My son, Andy, received Eagle this fall and I'm leaving the Vice-Majorship of Flagstaff, AZ, April 1992."

WILLIAMS, C. Roger, Jr. (RI) 1929 - "Spending winter in Florida, boating and fishing with family. Looking forward to a reunion of Troop 82 in April. Miss Donald Dewing." (Yes, Roger, we all miss Don Dewing!)

WOLF, Walter R. (CT) - "My wife Sharon is still with Whelan Engineering Co. Robert, my son, who was at camp with me is still in high school. My daughter, Chrystal, is looking for work and I am still working in the finishing department at the Woodpecker, a woodworking factory. Now for Scouting....I am still with Troop 55 in Clinton, CT. My son and I went to camp with Troop 31 Clinton, CT. That dissolved and a few of us went to Troop 55. Sorry that I could not make the 1991 Reunion. I was on Block Island camping with my troop. I only wished it was a dryer weekend. See you at the 1992 Reunion on August 1st."

ZUCCOLO, Joseph A. (RI) - "I would like to dedicate my contributions to the Camp Yawgoog Alumni Association in loving memory of my two uncles, Angelo Zuccolo and his brother Ercole Zuccolo. Two Scouts who exemplified the "Scout Oath" throughout their lives". (Joe, I couldn't have said it better myself. Gus)

A "SCOUT SALUTE" TO DECEASED ALUMNI MEMBERS AND ALUMNI FAMILY MEMBERS

Walter Adler (Providence) November, 1991

Robert Alfred Bradbury (Warwick) 1991

Col. James Felch (Virginia) 1992

Anthony Perrotta (Johnston, RI) 1992

Joseph M. Hastings (South Kingstown) 1992

Edwin F. Morgan (Massachusetts) 1992

Millard F. Perry, Jr. (Cumberland, RI) 1992

Rose Roitman (Wife of Aaron Roitman - Providence, RI) 1991

Stacey Gordon Swift, Sr. (Warwick, RI) 1991

Let us all in our own way remember deceased Alumni members and Alumni family members.

ANOTHER - YAWGOOG - FAMILY AFFAIR!

Heard from Tom Whittingslow from Florida and he reported:

Now have three grandsons (Tom, John & Dan) - Hope they will attend Yawgoog some day as my dad, Tom Whittingslow (died in 1960) and my Uncle Walter Whittingslow did about 1920 - 1921; my brothers, Bob (T.P. Staff); Ed (S.B. Staff) and myself; from (1947-1955). Then my sons: Tom, Steve and John in the early 70's. Incidentally, every one of those Whittingslow's who went to Yawgoog is an Eagle Scout! When my grandson Tom attends, he will be the 4th Tom Whittingslow to go to Yawgoog. (He's two now, so we have to wait a few years!)

Well, Tom, that's quite a Family Affair! Sorry, I missed it first time around! Gus