



# CAMP SEQUASSEN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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President's Letter -- Camp Sequassen Alumni

Dear Members,

Greetings all. I would first like to thank Tom Gordon for his tenure as the President of this organization over the last four years. The organization has seen a lot of changes and we are now able to do more for Sequassen than we have been in the past. I am hoping to take the positive changes and move forward to making the organization even more vibrant while continuing to perpetuate the traditions and lore of Sequassen to scouts who come to camp. The raising of funds to repair the Bogan Waterfront retaining wall is underway, and will be a continuing effort until we have reached the goal and renovate the wall at the water's edge. The renovation of the Family Camp area has begun with the renovation of Cabins 2,4 and 7 being done this year and Cabins 3,5, and 6 scheduled for next year. This project is being completed with the assistance of Troop 608 who raised the funds to honor their former Scoutmaster and fellow Alumni member Bill Bunnel.

I look forward to working with Mike Migliore, Steve Rogalski, Matt Balls and Ray Bendici over the next couple of years. I would also like to see more members take an active role in the operation of the Association. There are a number of committees that need leadership or assistance in the running of the committee for the next years. If you are willing to participate or chair a committee, please let me know as soon as possible. If you have held one of these chairmanships and would like to continue in that role, please let me know as well. For those who are not familiar with the committees, they are: Camperships, Camp Projects, Programs, Historical, Plaques and Memorials, Honor Tree, Membership, Publications, and Quartermaster. If you have any questions about what the committees' responsibilities are, please send me an e-mail and I will let you know what is involved.

Sequassen is a place that creates a common thread among all of us and it is the type of bond that cannot be expressed adequately in words. I am hoping to be able to sponsor events that members will be excited to partake in and that can bring in new members. The alumni have progressed significantly over the last few years; and looking forward I would like to increase activities to help keep the spirit of Sequassen alive all year long. There are plans for a staff reunion this coming year scheduled for July 15<sup>th</sup> at Sequassen. Please help in getting the word out as we want to have a representation from camp staff though out the years at the event. More information will be available as plans are finalized. If any members have ideas of events that they would like to see, please let me know and the Executive committee will look into the feasibility of incorporating that into the coming years program.

May the Trails Invite Us Still  
Yours In Sequassen,

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