



CAMP SEQUASSEN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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President's Letter – Sequassen Alumni Association

Greetings all,

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of some new and exciting things with the Alumni Association. As was mentioned in the last message, the spring event this year is going to be the Gala at Sequassen starting at 5:30PM on June 9th with the spring meeting occurring just prior to the event starting at 4:30PM. We are also continuing the Alumni Days at Sequassen each Wednesday evening this year during the firehose competition down at the Bogan Waterfront.

Recently, we have updated our website to increase the functionality and availability of information. The address has not changed, it is still sequassenalumni.org but when you check it out, there are some new features on there. We are now able to accept payments through our website for things like membership renewals, any event fees, and general donations to the organization to help support camp. We have created the location for the Virtual Patch collection for both the Alumni specifically and the camp in general. If you have high quality images of any patches from the Association or camp, please forward them to us with a description of the patch (approximate year(s) used, what special event it marked, etc.) so we can build this collection it would be appreciated. Additionally, if you have any thoughts or suggestions for the website, please pass them along as well and we will take them under consideration.

Since the last communication, there has been a lot of work done towards the Gala dinner and making this a very nice event. We are receiving donations for raffle items as well as auction items. As we continue to obtain donations, they will be posted on the website under the Gala menu so you can see what auction items and raffle items are there. We also have a location to thank our supporters, so if you solicit a donation, we have a location to recognize those individuals, companies or organizations. The sale of tickets is underway and if you are interested in attending, I would recommend you get your ticket early as there are a limited number of tickets available. With the new website, as mentioned above, you can use the website to register for the Gala and pay via credit card through PayPal for your convenience. Please help us in getting the word out.

Attached to this e-mail, there is an order form for Alumni Association apparel that is available as a pre-order. We ask that if you are interested in an item you place the order by the 15th of May. After that point, we will make the order and have the items available at events once they become available.

As far as the Camp itself goes, it continues to not only be well maintained, but improvements are present each year. During a recent review by the National Office conducting an audit of all the scout properties, one of the inspectors complimented Sequassen as looking better in the off-season than many

camps in the heart of summer operation. Since the last message, the portable changing areas for the waterfront have been completed and should greatly improve the campers experience changing at the waterfront this summer. The Major Work party is coming up on May 19th and if you can attend, your help would be greatly appreciated. If you can attend and have not replied to another message, please let me know (sequassenalumni@gmail.org) so I can pass that along to the Maintenance Committee for the planning of the day.

May the Trails Invite Us Still

Yours in Sequassen,

David J Applegate

Sequassen Alumni Association

President



One of the two new changing areas for the waterfront this summer (Photo courtesy of David Applegate)