



December 2018

President's Letter

The holiday season is fast approaching for all of us, but many of us linger often with special memories of summer 2018 and the fun we had in one of our favorite places: Pinewoods.

I find myself talking to friends here in sunny San Diego about how I spend my summers.... two months back in Michigan, and they either know about "up north" or listen intently as I describe how my whole family is able to be together, coming from Seattle, North Carolina, Minneapolis and California. And to be able to be free of grocery shopping, because of the luxury of having a wonderful dining hall with delicious meals planned by Kathy Piehl and her terrific staff. We are so lucky.

Did you all get to look at the planets this summer through David Greenleaf's telescope? Did you dress up for the party night planned by Alex Eubanks, Bridget Cass and Georgia Geupel? See the Rainbow out on the lake for its 100th birthday? Play in the croquet contest organized by Ann Taylor, Paul Brown and Alyssa Wendt? Help sweep the tennis courts, so more could play without slipping? All of these events bring our community together so we can share the good times and know each other even better.

Association projects continue throughout the year, employing the talents of our much appreciated members and staff. Here are a few updates:

With the help of David Dewey and Curt DeVoe a new budget has been developed. The membership voted at the Annual meeting for increasing the membership dues. Pinewoods will be on better footing with a reserve in the bank, which should help us go forward with

projects that need attention. At the beginning of 2019 the Board will send you the end of the year financial statement and the proposed budget.

Caretaker Ed Babcock has begun working on new projects to upgrade our Dining Hall and the Annex. With the increase in revenue, we will be able to redo the dining hall floors, fix leaking windows and make the Annex into a place overflow cottage crowds can rent for a night or more for a nominal fee.

If you would like to get more involved in the leadership of the Association, we would love to hear from you. We know there is lots of talent in our midst, and the youngsters are now moving into an age when their skills could be helpful. In this Pinewords there is a list of all the Committees. Maybe you would even like to serve on the Board in the coming year or two. A great experience to help steer the operations of Pinewoods . Please let us know.

In the meantime, our Centennial Committee, under the leadership of Lily Fink Harrington is giving great thought to how we can celebrate in grand style. I know Ann Taylor and Beth Schultz have been putting together a history book with each cottage highlighted. Sister Mary and I have loved pulling out old photos and reminiscing about all the 71 years we have been at our cottage and loving life in Pinewoods.

Looking forward to 2019 and being with you again.

Fondly,

Jane Hoey

President Pinewoods Association 2018-2019

From the Secretary...

As Pinewoods Secretary, I now have the most updated email list of members, family and friends. If you have any information to disseminate for the Pinewoods Association please let me know and I will be glad to do it. My email address is elpavoreal@aol.com Any

changes in email addresses should be sent to me so that I can keep the association records up to date. Please notify Phil Will also of email and address changes so he can keep the membership directory updated.

Additionally, please send any changes in stock ownership to me so that I can update the records. This includes members acquiring or turning in stocks. It is very important for the Pinewoods Board and our accountant, Jamie Snyder at Smith and Associates to have this information.

Jody Foster

Secretary Pinewoods Association 2018-2019

From the Editor...

Autumn has treated us fairly well in Chicago this year. Halloween was warm and dry, which is a small miracle and meant more fun and candy for our own Hermione Granger (a.k.a. Mira Larkin).

As we head into December we are looking forward to seeing many friends and family and we hope you are too!

As always, thank you all who have sent in news and pics to *Pinewords*. Apologies for any omissions, misspellings or grammatical errors.

We wish you all a very happy holiday season and a healthy New Year!

Kristen Larkin, EBT Cottage

From the Memorial Committee...

LOOKING FOR MEMBERS

The Pinewoods Memorial Committee was established to provide a means to honor members who have gone on (although their loving and friendly ghosts seem to hang around the place, have you noticed?). It also provides a modest source of funds for projects or activities that enhance our experience at camp but are largely outside

the sorts of things that get budgeted every year to keep things going. Memorial Fund projects you may have noticed in recent years include the library and its deck and ramp, benches outside the dining hall, the lovely sign at the entrance to camp, and the CPR equipment and training in its use. As of the last annual meeting, there was about \$9000 in the Fund, some of which will be used for improvements to the dining hall annex to provide space for cottage overflow guests and for a staff resting room (some get there as early as 6 A.M. and stay through the day).

We always invite suggestions for projects, and of course look for contributions. Current members of the Committee are Marion Foster, Karen Will, and Anne Sloan. What is perhaps most noticeable about this membership is that we are all in the generation most apt to be memorialized. We would like to have some new members to add their ideas and to whom the torch can be passed. There is a very modest amount of time and work required, so think about it.

From the Dining Hall Committee...

The annual meeting decision to keep the Dining Hall bills from increasing means we need to do all we can to keep costs down. Kathy Piehl does a wonderful job..and we need to help. Since Kathy orders her supplies a week ahead of use an accurate count of members for the next week is needed. It is important to let Kathy know many Pinewoodser will be in camp a week ahead of arrival. If you aren't certain of your arrival, give the earliest possible date. Any "extra" food will show up on Pinewoods Surprise Day!

The board and dining hall committee have decided to charge \$5 for anyone arriving at the dining hall without previous notice. This fee will help cover the expenses of extra food Kathy may have to purchase. We hope this will encourage everyone to give Kathy the best information for meal planning, thereby keeping our Dining Hall costs as low as possible.

In Loving Memory

From Timmy, Amy, Andy, and Adam Tinkham...

We wanted to share with the Pinewoods community that our beloved Dad, Richard Tinkham, passed away in October. Father, husband, coach, friend, mentor, athlete, entrepreneur, visionary, philanthropist, gentle giant. Tink, Dinky, Dink, Dick, Deams. One nickname, so close to “dreams,”

couldn't have been more fitting. He made so many dreams come true against all odds when people thought he was nuts, and said it couldn't happen.

He founded a law practice in the 1960s that continues to thrive. He co-founded the American Basketball Association (ABA) and launched the Pacers, made Market Square Arena a reality, and chaired the ABA-NBA merger committee. He and his wife, Wynn founded and ran the Food Link—a church-ministry-based food pantry that fed families in Indy for 32 years who had fallen upon hard times or who never had a chance. And for decades, he worked with entrepreneurs helping them launch businesses—a dream maker in the truest sense of the word. And his final project, the book, *We Changed the Game* that he wrote with Pacers player, Bob Netolicky and sports writer, Robin Miller.

Tink loved Pinewoods and, unlike many in-laws, was accepted as a Pinewoodser almost immediately. While at Higgins, he would go for long swims, play golf with Dick McCreary at Ye Olde Country Club, and compete in ping-pong tournaments—sometimes even beating members of the Flintermann clan. Much to the chagrin of our grandmother, Dorothy Schirmer, he would take part in food fights, hurling grapes across the dining hall and often hitting his target, one of the Flintermanns.

No matter what life dealt him, Tink never gave up hope. Hope that he could improve, grow, learn, and make the next day better than the ones that had come before. Later in his life after muscular dystrophy began to take a toll, you'd ask him how he was doing and he'd say with a smile, “95%!” when you could clearly see that he was 10% at

best. Muscular dystrophy slowly claimed his strength and mobility. But it didn't take his pride, his sharp mind, and never his dreams.

From Ann Taylor...

PINEWOODS CENTENNIAL BOOK

As you may know, I have been asked to compile the history of Pinewoods in a book which will celebrate our centennial in 2020. This note is a call for each of you to send me photographs, old and new, of your family, your activities, your boats, your Higgins experiences. They can be sent via email (scanned at 300 dpi or larger) or sent via postal mail to me at 7209 East McDonald Drive, #30, Scottsdale, AZ 85250. I promise to return any originals. If your older photographs are in your cottage, as I know many are, I will be happy to visit you in July to scan them for the book. Just let me know at anntaylorltd@gmail.com.

The richness of this book is dependent upon your participation so please dig deeply into your photographic stores. I look forward to hearing from all of you.

From Paul Brown (P3)...

NEED EXTRA ROOM?

Does it look like your cottage may be overflowing at some point next season? Have no fear, the Dining Hall Annex is here!

With some major sprucing up last summer through the combined efforts of Bitsy, Anzie, Mary Taylor, Katie and her boys, the former Dining Hall Dorm has been converted into a nice space for use by Association members to house additional family or guests for short visits. The Annex, located behind the dining hall, has three rooms available to reserve on a first come, first served basis during the dates the Dining Hall is open. Two rooms have two twin beds. One has a double bed. All rooms have new comfortable bedding, towels and

their own bathroom. The suggested donation to the Association General Fund is \$25 per room night.

Annex rules of use: No smoking. No pets. Please leave it as clean as you found it. Remove the trash, launder the linens and towels, sweep up the floor and leave things clean and tidy for the next arriving guests.

Interested parties please contact Association Treasurer, Paul Brown (P3) at paul_brown_iii@yahoo.com and he will confirm availability and make your reservation. This is a first year trial run so any feedback before during or after the stay will be received with appreciation!

From Esther Greenleaf Murer...

Hayden Murer, son of George Murer and Phoebe Hwang and sister of Daphne, arrived Oct 2. This will be our first Thanksgiving without them, but we hope to see them at Christmas.

From Frank Cochran...

It's been a quiet fall in old New Haven. Frank Cochran and Stephanie FitzGerald stayed in town, mostly, postponing exotic travels and appreciating local foliage by day while perceiving Californian and Trumpist wildfires only via PBS and CNN. We did make two trips by car ferry, both to Long Island: one for niece Caroline Baumann's wedding at "Longhouse Reserve", the other to visit Theodore Roosevelt's home at Sagamore Hill and eat "oysters down at Oyster Bay"(Cole Porter). George and Suzanne Wilson, making their first ever stop in New Haven, and Phil and Karen Will were the only Pinewoodsers to visit. Staying in town does not mean that F & S have been idle, decrepit or bored. Involvement in numerous local activities keeps us busy. All Pinewoodsers are cordially invited to join us, either on our next scheduled major travel to Slovenia and Croatia next May, or here in New Haven most any time.

From Lucy Cochran...

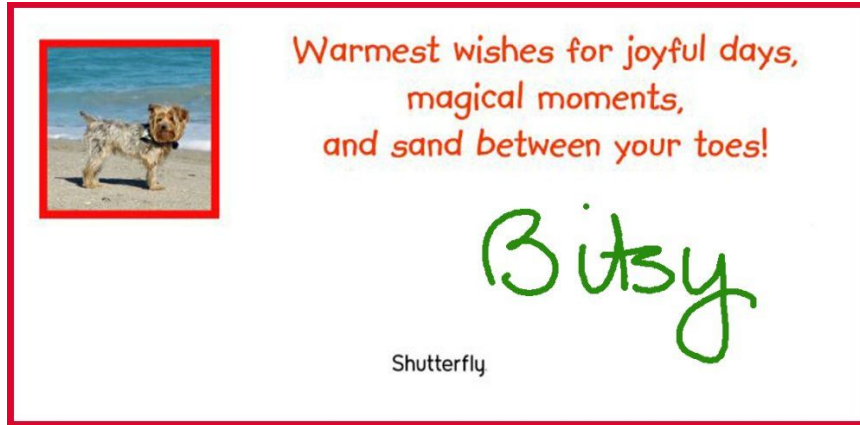
Veterans' Day Weekend a college friend and I had a great visit with David Greenleaf in chilly Montreal! Below is a picture of David and me.



From Bitsy Fitzsimmons...

With moving day rapidly approaching and the clock ticking, the possibility of being ready is rapidly becoming questionable. Therefore, my *Pinewords* submission will be brief and all about me!





From Liz Wade...

Taylor is our news for this half of the year. Taylor is getting married next month, just before Christmas!

From Mary Highberger

Jane and I have had fun this fall going through old cottage photos to pick out some the best ones for Ann Taylor's Centennial efforts. Lots of great memories, some that we couldn't even believe we had. We hope other cottages have gone down Memory Lane with this exciting project.

2018-2019 Pinewoods Leadership

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