North House is proud to welcome Matt Nesheim, Angela Robins and Lindy Lind as our 2013 Program Interns! Their internship will begin mid February and last through the end of November. Please enjoy their summaries to gain a glimpse into their unique backgrounds and interests. We're excited to have them as part of the team.

Meet Matt Nesheim...

Matt is no stranger to North House! He graced our campus in the summer of 2008 as our first sailing intern. Since then his experiences have taken him from the Hudson River to Puget Sound to Paraguay! He has led environmental education onboard the traditionally rigged tall ship *Clearwater*, served as volunteer and community outreach coordinator for The Center for Wooden Boats and is currently in Paraguay as a Peace Corps volunteer implementing sustainable practices and environmental education in the small, rural community of Jovere. He's looking forward to honing his baking skills using the wood fired oven, getting reacquainted with Hjordis again and immersing himself in the craft community that North House provides. Matt grew up in Duluth and is a graduate of St.Olaf College. We're very excited to welcome him back to the North Shore!

Meet Angela Robins...

We have Douglas Brooks, our 2012 Wooden Boat Show featured presenter/instructor to thank for introducing North House to Angela...boy are we sure glad he did (we owe you Douglas)! Angela was born in a fishing village in northeastern Japan and has grown committed to the preservation of wooden boat building traditions in that region. This past summer she took a boatbuilding class with Douglas Brooks at the Carpenter's Boat Shop in Pemaquid, Maine. She currently is traveling in the tsunami-stricken coast where she was born and has had the opportunity to meet one of the few wooden boat builders left in the region. She is also volunteering at a non-profit organization using traditional Japanese looms used to weave cloth out of reclaimed kimono cloth. Proceeds go back to the organization's efforts to employ people with physical and cognitive disabilities. Angela is eagerly anticipating diving into the many course offerings North House has to offer, saying her "heart was racing" as she read over the catalog. Angela hails from Whitefield, Maine and is a graduate of Tufts University.

Meet Kyle "Lindy" Lind...

North House first had the pleasure of meeting Lindy during Unplugged 2012! Lindy was one of our hardworking volunteers helping us before, during and after the big event. We didn't scare him away and apparently he was ready for more, because soon after we were tickled to receive his application for the 2013 Intern Program. Lindy is an accomplished student of wilderness living skills. He'll actually be assisting with David Cronenwett's Introduction to Wilderness Living Skills course during Winterer's Gathering this year. Lindy has an extensive background in sawmill operations working at Watershed Consulting in Missoula, MT and is an experienced builder, having led demo's on timber framing. Lindy has been a fishing guide, has a passion for the environment and loves working outside in natural areas. He's really looking forward to putting his skills and expertise to work on facility projects and sharing his knowledge base with others. He's no stranger to the "big lake" having attended Northland College and is from Rosemount, Minnesota.