

# CAAA 2013 Annual Letter

*"Loyalty and friendship surround us here at camp."*

Happy New Year greetings to all Alumni and Friends of Camp Alleghany!

2012 was certainly a busy and successful year for our young association. Many thanks goes to the increasing and active involvement of our members! Let me share some of the highlights of the year. More detailed accounts can be found in your quarterly Lantern newsletter.

You may be quite surprised, and certainly pleased to know that our beloved camp saw the greatest enrollment in decades with wait lists across several terms of the 2012 season! The large staff needed to accommodate this enrollment included a growing number of alums serving in oversight roles such as Head Hopper, Post Mistress, Store Manager, and Cottage Assistant to name just a few! Family Camp was also bursting at the seams, with celebrations of JC reunions ('72 and '02), the life of Dr. Chesty Chandler, and a special happy hour honoring Franny Dawson's life.

What did the association accomplish this year? The CAAA launched the Lantern Scholarship fund, which will enable young girls to attend a summer at Alleghany beginning this 2013 summer! Capital enhancements supported by the association in 2012 include the completely rebuilt Play Hall and Dining Hall porches.

Additionally, fundraisers to support the goals of the association included firewood bundles made of wood preserved from the two above mentioned structures, as well as rustic decorative benches made of wood from the rebuilt rifle range; snapped up in just a few days! The holiday catalog introduced the now-to-become annual CAAA CD featuring camp songs sung by alumni. This year's inaugural CD, titled *Loyalty and Friendship*, was comprised of campfire favorites sung by golden 'Ghany gals on the cottage porch (complete with traditional harmony, and a recovered track from the 1950's serenaders!) Watch for future featured CDs! All proceeds support board administered projects aligned with CAAA goals.

It continues to be an honor for us to serve as your volunteer board. Charter members rolling off the board this season include Michelle Kahn Logan and Jeanette Foster. Their contributions enabled this organization to take shape and gain strength for the years and challenges ahead. New members of the board include Matt Gorsuch and Pattie Ames. We look with excitement to the many positive contributions they will make as we seek to serve you, our alumni and friends, through our mission "to unite, to give, to enrich!"

Please consider how you might like to be involved. We welcome your gifts of time, talents, and treasures! May this new year bring you all the best! Watch for updates in our quarterly *Lantern* newsletter. Feel free to send info you'd like to see included in it to [CAAA@campalleghany.com](mailto:CAAA@campalleghany.com). And by all means, come back to Alleghany and visit, where a beautiful new entrance will greet you! Yes, so much is refreshing and new, while "some things don't change come what may!"

Happy New Year!  
Beth Anne AKA "B.A."  
CAAA Board President

# *The Lantern Scholarship*

The CAAA announced its Lantern Scholarship program earlier this year and is proud to announce a very successful fundraising effort heading into 2013. As of the end of December, donors have contributed over \$10,000 to the program. CAAA will start administering scholarships beginning in the summer of 2013, and, thanks to our donors, we look forward to many more years of helping more girls experience Alleghany.

The CAAA would like to thank the below donors for their gracious contributions to the Lantern Scholarship Program:

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**NOTE: Tremendous gratitude is extended to the Scholarship Committee, led by CAAA board VP of Development Eddy Eckart, for the work in developing protocol and fundraising for this valued component of the CAAA mission!**