## KIEVE WAVUS NEWS



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## LETTER FROM THE **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

hirty-plus years ago, my dad returned home to run what was then Kieve Affective Education. I was two, and my sister Blair had just been born in January. By then, this place had long been home to an undeniable magic. Generations of campers had grown up on Damariscotta Lake, forging a lasting attachment to their camp through experiences led by a staff of exceptional role models, each with a knack for sharing Kieve's magic with the world. And in 1990, taking over after his father Dick's three decades of stewardship. Henry dreamed we could do more.

In that spirit, as I begin my first summer as executive director, I can't help but recognize some symmetry between my dad's experience and my own. Our daughter Stella just turned two, Sarah and I welcomed our son Martin in January, and Kieve Wavus Education remains a place filled with wonder for generations of campers, counselors, and educators. And, like mv dad, I know we can do more.

So where do we dream from here? It's time to think about what it means to get a Kieve Wavus education. We owe it to those who've built KWE to dream big, to do so responsibly, and to set a foundation for the next 100 years. Following a long era of growth, our camps have reached capacity and, to remain good stewards of our environment, we shouldn't grow our programs' numbers. Fortunately, there are other ways that we can grow to share more KWE magic.

We can grow more diverse, reaching new KWE families and communities from near and far,

so our programs better reflect our world, enriching every camper's experience. We can grow more accessible, increasing financial aid available for KWE programs. We can use technology (not during camp!) to introduce many more students and teachers to KWE's experiential approach to social-emotional learning. We can train educators at The Leadership School so when they leave KWE they're equipped with teaching tools and strategies and the Department of Education certifications they need to succeed in any Maine public school. And we can formalize our growing alumni network to connect our staff with mentors and jobs, paving the path from cabin row to career.

Our dreams for KWE are aspirational, but in 1990, so were my dad's. He dreamed of a girls camp that could offer the same transformative adventures as Kieve. In 2005, the dream was finally realized when Kieve Affective Education merged with the Wavus

Foundation, uniting two storied camps on Damariscotta Lake to form Kieve Wavus Education. This summer marks 100 years since Wavus was founded, and as we celebrate this centennial, it's exciting to imagine our future.

So, yes, our dreams are aspirational, and we'll need lots of help to realize them. Thankfully, we're propelled by a team of dynamic young educators and experienced leaders, full of energy and wisdom. Our trustees-some of whom you'll read about in this newsletter-share our vision. Their combined support, and yours, will carry KWE into this next amazing chapter.

It won't be long before the campers return to the end of the point and top of the hill, filling cabins with laughter and cheers as kids reunite for the first time in a year. And when they do, we'll empower them to work together, think big, and support this community and theirs beyond KWE.

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Sam Kennedy **Executive Director** 





## NEW LEADERSHIP FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

illiam "Bill" Knowlton, who has served as a member of KWE's Board of Trustees for more than a decade, became its newest chair effective January 1, 2022. Bill follows Dixon Thayer, who completed his three-year tenure after shepherding the organization through a change in institutional leadership.

Bill grew up in the Philadelphia area, received his undergraduate degree at Yale University, and worked on Capitol Hill before attending the University of Virginia School of Law. Following law school, he began his career-long tenure at Ropes & Gray LLP, where he became a partner in 1991 and served on its management committee from 2002 to 2014. There he played a pivotal role in building the firm's healthcare and life sciences practice for more than three decades until his retirement in 2020.

To his board leadership role, "Bill brings a career's worth of nonprofit experience, a love for Maine's wilderness, and a deep appreciation for the impact this organization makes on its campers, its educators, and in the greater KWE community," says Executive Director Sam Kennedy.

We sat down with Knowlton to learn more about what's ahead for him and KWE.

Q. What is your first priority as chair of the board over the coming years?

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- A. It's serendipitous timing, really. I stepped into this role at the same time that Sam became executive director. His leadership marks an important moment of transition. KWE would simply not be the incredible organization that it is today without the endless talent and commitment of Henry and Charlie over the last few decades. As they shift their focus to mentorship and advancement, bringing in an experienced leader who could build upon their great work was of the utmost importance to the board. I'm happy to say it's been a huge success. And my first priority as chair is to ensure the transition continues to be successful-that Sam's vision is supported, that our existing pillar programs (summer camps and TLS) continue to thrive, and that KWE's mission propels forward. This new generation of leadership presents an important opportunity to invite the entire KWE community to come together to take KWE's potential to the next level. We're poised for a comprehensive fundraising campaign within the next few years, and I couldn't be more excited.
- Q. KWE's mission is to empower people to contribute positively to society. How does the board support this work?
- A. Each member of the board brings something different to the table, and we're all committed to working together to position KWE and its people to make the greatest contributions yet. The board's biggest fiduciary duty is to make sure that all KWE programs continue to blossom. If we do that correctly, KWE brings more kindness and

respect to this world, effectively stewards the environment, and meaningfully serves our communities.

- Q. Expanding access is a top priority for KWE. How do you plan to lead the board in helping to make such a formative experience more accessible to people from all backgrounds?
- A. Access is so important to the organization's leadership, to the board, and to me personally. KWE's programming positively impacts campers, communities, teachers, and beyond. But it can and must be better. This means removing barriers of entry for people from all backgrounds—from increasing financial aid for campers to ensuring equitable and excellent facilities across both campuses, growing the reach of TLS across more of Maine, and more.

Anyone who has shared the feeling of camaraderie and achievement after a wilderness trip with fellow campers knows how meaningful that experience is; those experiences, which are core to KWE's method, will only become richer for campers when they're shared with people from all backgrounds.

- Q. Two of your children have spent their summers here at camp your son, Peter, was a longtime camper and counselor, and your daughter, Hannah, is about to take on Maine Trails in June! How have you seen them grow as individuals through their experiences at KWE?
- A. Peter spent 12 years total with Kieve as a camper and then counselor, making lifelong friendships. Alongside these



friends and amazing mentors (Sam included), he became more than just confident in wilderness tripping but also a compassionate, reflective, and committed young man.

Wavus had fully evolved to focus on wilderness tripping in the same way that Kieve does by the time Hannah arrived. She'd be the first to say she is a total urbanite, but she loves Wavus for two reasons: it pushes her as an individual and it gave her the best of friends—reasons that bring so many campers back summer after summer.

- Q. If you could be a camper right now, what wilderness trip would you be most excited about?
- A. Definitely Allagash and the requisite Mud Pond Portage. I love the water; paddling all those miles would be wonderful. Plus it's a signature camp challenge; I could really test myself. I hope to get out there someday!
- Q. This year is the 100th anniversary of Wavus Camp's founding, and Camp Kieve's

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100th anniversary is just around the corner. What can our community of alumni, campers, and families look forward to in the coming years?

A. These are significant milestones for both camps. To see Wavus flourish over the years since merging with Kieve has been extremely gratifying for me in my roles as both a board member and as a father. The Wavus 100 Centennial Celebration is the perfect moment to honor that—the camp's history and its future. It's a beautiful thing, following a very tough period of the pandemic, for the Wavus community to be able to celebrate on Wavus point this August. Kieve's 100th anniversary soon after will certainly come with its own moment for the Kieve community to celebrate together, one that I'm already looking forward to. Both milestones are an impressive and special reminder to everyone within the Kieve Wavus community just how lasting a connection this place fosters.

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## WELCOMING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**G** uided by KWE's values of kindness, respect for others, and environmental stewardship, members of the board act as ambassadors, advisors, and governors of KWE, helping us strive for excellence and progress across our year-round experiential programs. The board's newest members—James Blue, who joined in 2021, and Gabriela Perez Rocchietti, who joined in 2022—are instrumental in advancing KWE's mission.

#### TRUSTEE James Blue

James is an accomplished television news executive, currently with ViacomCBS where he is head of Smithsonian Channel and senior vice president of MTV News. Over the course of his career, James' work has won several national awards. He is excited to contribute to the great work KWE offers to so many on Damariscotta Lake and beyond.

James is the father of Alden and Effie, who attended KWE summer camps for a combined 16 seasons. He and his husband John currently live in New York City, having spent the past thirty years on a loop between New York, Washington, D.C., London, and Baltimore. They enjoy a rural antidote to city life at their home in John's hometown of Craftsbury, Vermont's Northeast Kingdom.

#### <sup>TRUSTEE</sup> Gabriela Perez Rocchietti

Gabriela's passion for providing access to education and educational opportunities is highlighted by her experience building Innova Schools in Peru, which provides an affordable, international standard of education to its large school network spanning across Latin America. Together with her husband Carlos, she also founded Peru-Champs, a non-profit organization which identifies and empowers underprivileged talented kids—in academics, arts, and sports-by providing them with scholarships and resources to a world-class education. Over recent summers. Gabriela has worked with schools around New York City to identify students of color who would love Camp Kieve; and Kieve has loved those campers right back. The network she started has expanded to include Wavus campers too.

Originally from Argentina, Gabriela lives in New York City with Carlos and their two boys, Martin and Franco, Kieve campers since 2019. She is a member of the Lincoln Center Education and Community Engagement Committee, the Lincoln Center Latin America Advisory Council, and Americas Society/Arts of the Americas Circle.



Kieve campers on the Allagash Wilderness Waterway.



#### Additions to the KWE Leadership Team



Chris Renyi, our new business director, joins the KWE team after an 18-year career at Bank of America and Huntington Bank as a credit officer. Chris has a B.A. in English and a Secondary Concentration in Economics from Bates College and an M.B.A. from Babson College. Additionally, Chris is both an Outward Bound and NOLS graduate. He, his wife, and their three children all share a love for the outdoors.



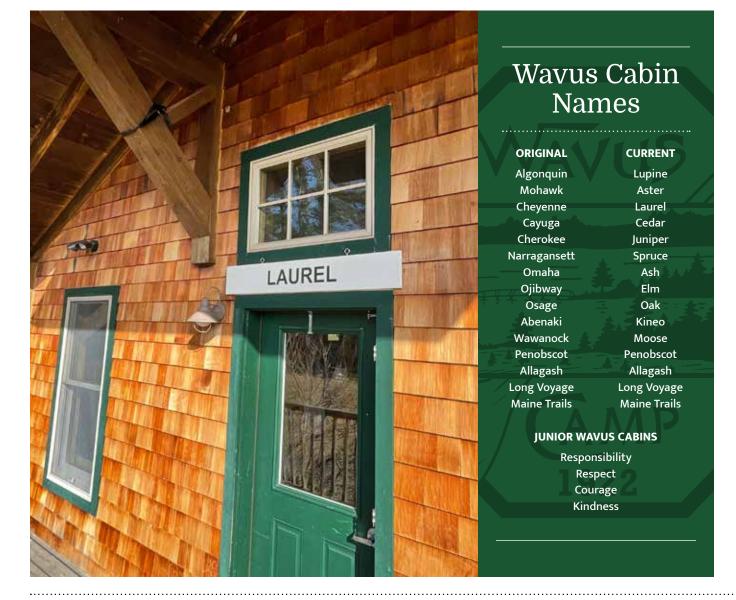
Erin Gilligan, our new director of advancement and communications, brings a breadth of experience managing communications and advancement for Fortune 500 brands to academic institutions. Most recently Erin helped run advancement communications at Colby College. She grew up in Portland, Maine, graduated from Bates College, and now lives in North Yarmouth, Maine with her husband Rich, their son Eddie, and dog Rosie.

## NEW CABIN NAMES, SAME WAVUS SPIRIT

ast spring, we announced coming changes to the Wavus cabin names. With support from staff, alums, KWE leadership, and our Board of Trustees, we're excited to share the new cabin names, effective this summer.

We talk a lot about growth at Wavus—the growth we experience when we treat others with kindness and respect, when summiting Mount Washington turns into completing the Mud Pond Portage, and when we all sit together at Closing Embers in that final spot with our paddles and blankets. So our Wavus staff—more than 85 percent of them Wavus alumssettled on names emblematic of the growth we see all around us, in the wild and in ourselves, by using the native trees and plants of Maine.

Our three youngest cabins are flowers and shrubs, the three White Mountains cabins are conifers, and the three St. Croix River cabins are hardwoods. The remaining older cabins are named for the trips campers go on while in that cabin. Thanks to our Environmental Stewardship Coordinator Sam Pierce, Kieve and Wavus have formalized the environmental education curriculum for summer campers. These new cabin names present great opportunities for campers to learn about the local flora. ■





## 2021 WAVUS ANNUAL DEDICATION— HENRY R. KENNEDY

or 32 years Henry Kennedy served as the executive director of Kieve Wavus Education. His accomplishments over the past three decades are countless, but three miles up the lake from Kieve we're cheering a bit louder for one in particular—Henry's leadership through the merger with Wavus Foundation and his integral role in making Wavus one of the best camps in the country, and as HRK insists, the world.

When his daughter, Blair, was born in 1989, Henry dreamed of a camp that she and other Kieve siblings could attend and have the same transformative experience as generations of Kieve campers. Henry found his answer up the lake at Wavus which was founded in 1922 but then closed in 1976 and lay dormant until dedicated Wavus alums purchased the land to save it from development. Henry worked with the Wavus Foundation and successfully led the merger in 2005. In 2006 Wavus reopened and Kieve Affective Education became Kieve Wavus Education.

There's a spirit at Wavus that's hard to define. It's our own Neverland where we're encouraged to dream about what's possible and are surrounded by people who make it happen. Though hard to explain,

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it's quite clear this spirit began with, and continues because of, Henry. At every step of the way since 2006, Henry has been a staunch advocate for our hopes and dreams for this camp-the renovation of the Jewell Lodge, the addition of the Long Voyage and Maine Trails trips to match Kieve, the construction of new cabin buildings and the Aviary, and a fiercely loyal following of campers who went on to become counselors and directors. Henry's passion, hard work, and tireless belief in what Wavus could be brought this dream to life.

In 2021, despite a global pandemic, Wavus welcomed a record number of campers. Wavus will continue to thrive and develop the next generation of strong, confident, and compassionate leaders thanks to Henry's dream, heart, and hands. With the loudest cheers ringing out from Wavus Point and with all of the love and gratitude in our Wavus hearts, we dedicate the 2021 Annual to Henry Kennedy.



## A KIEVE WAVUS EDUCATION— FROM CAMP TO COMMUNITY TO CAREER

he Leadership School is back in action and in the final weeks of its inaugural year as a trimester school. The success of this 10-month TLS program is already having a ripple effect, bettering the experiences of our educators, our local communities, and our campers.

The opportunities for TLS to empower both students and teachers will continue beyond its third trimester, with the majority of our educators signed on for next school year and more than 90 percent serving as Camp Kieve and Wavus Camp counselors and directors. A testament to the power of KWE's mission, eight of these dynamic teachers have been a part of our community since camp, following a path from cabin row to their career.

So what does this 10-month school year look like? During TLS's first trimester this fall, we led 11 weeks of on-campus and outreach programs serving well over 1,500 Maine students—often their first and an unforgettable experience on Damariscotta Lake.

After Thanksgiving, our educators spent their second trimester in residency at 22 Maine public schools. This expansion of our innovative educator-in-residence program from 10 to 20 weeks empowered our staff to deepen relationships within

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our local community, providing more life changing experiences and mentorship for their students. While in residency, our educators wore many different hats for their schools, ranging from after school program design and implementation to teaching EASEL (KWE's experiential approach to social-emotional learning curriculum) classes to managing the typical faculty duties of a traditional classroom teacher. They served as role models beyond the classroom by coaching middle school basketball, teaching how to tap trees for maple syrup, and bringing their students to the Buck indoor climbing wall to push boundaries and set higher goals.

Our educators returned to

campus on April 15 for our third trimester of transition programs meant to prepare our campuses for summer and each educator for the next step in their careers.

At a time where the need for great teachers and educational innovation is significant, we recognize the potential of TLS. Starting this spring, our first cohort of educators will begin the iteration of a program that KWE has established—in collaboration with the Maine Department of Education, the University of Southern Maine, Southern Maine Community College, and educators and schools from around the state—to make working at TLS and our summer camps an alternative pathway to the traditional classroom. KWE is committed to reimbursing requisite coursework so that by matriculating through this program our educators will be truly unique in that they were paid to become a fully certified classroom teacher. It's an exciting initiative that amplifies what it means to get a Kieve Wavus education while simultaneously raising the quality of all KWE programs with a more qualified teaching staff.

While the pandemic brought so many challenges, KWE embraced its entrepreneurial spirit to improve both the quality of our programs and our contributions to local communities. We're excited to see the impact of TLS grow in the years to come.

#### Educators of The Leadership School Take on Expanded Roles



"I'm eager to take on the role of EASEL coordinator for the upcoming school year! Originally from New York, I graduated from Florida Southern College with a B.S. in elementary education and M.Ed. in transformational curriculum and instruction. Before finding my way to KWE, I taught in the Netherlands and North Carolina. I'm looking forward to sharing my passion for social emotional learning with educators and visiting teachers."



"Hi! Brad here. I have been an active member of the KWE community (camper, counselor, alumnus, educator) since my first summer of Junior Kieve in 2005. I grew up in Maine, and I love to go into the woods in all seasons. I headed to New Hampshire for a few years to earn my B.S. in earth sciences at Dartmouth College. After college, I spent a few more years out of the woods exploring the environmental engineering world professionally.

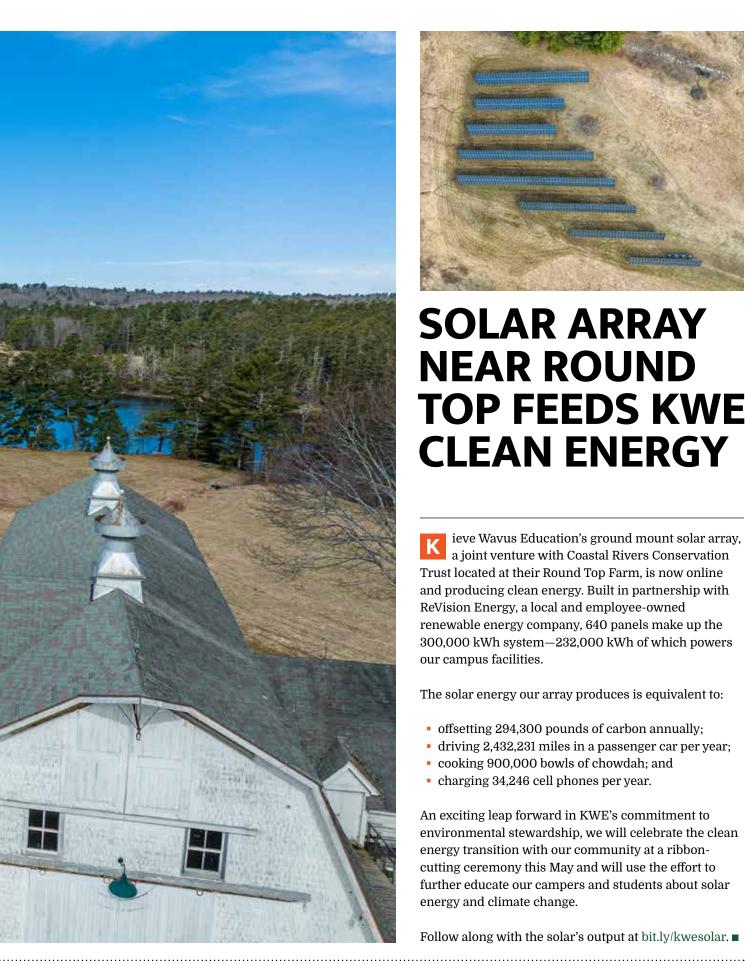
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Despite my wanderings, education and wilderness recreation have remained priorities for me. I made my way back to Kieve for summer 2021 and am excited to be stepping into the lead educator role for 2022. As a lead educator, I will wear many hats. I will use my professional experience to provide mentorship to my colleagues. I will support the logistical side of KWE's various programs and am excited to continue developing KWE's after-school program, which serves several local community schools. Finally, I will help advance KWE's initiative to produce diversity, equity, and inclusivity (DEI) resources for the KWE community and provide DEIrelated training for staff. When it's time to come up for air, I plan to swap out my hats for helmets. If I am not on campus, you can find me walking, hiking, climbing, mountain biking, kayaking, or skiing in the beautiful Maine woods!"

A shared venture with Coastal Rivers Conservation Trust, our solar array sits behind Darrows Barn at Coastal Rivers Conservation Trust's Round Top Farm—also home to KWE's favorite ice cream.



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## **SOLAR ARRAY NEAR ROUND TOP FEEDS KWE CLEAN ENERGY**

ieve Wavus Education's ground mount solar array, Κ a joint venture with Coastal Rivers Conservation Trust located at their Round Top Farm, is now online and producing clean energy. Built in partnership with ReVision Energy, a local and employee-owned renewable energy company, 640 panels make up the 300,000 kWh system-232,000 kWh of which powers our campus facilities.

The solar energy our array produces is equivalent to:

- offsetting 294,300 pounds of carbon annually;
- driving 2,432,231 miles in a passenger car per year;
- cooking 900,000 bowls of chowdah; and
- charging 34,246 cell phones per year.

An exciting leap forward in KWE's commitment to environmental stewardship, we will celebrate the clean energy transition with our community at a ribboncutting ceremony this May and will use the effort to further educate our campers and students about solar energy and climate change.

Follow along with the solar's output at bit.ly/kwesolar.

## TEN KIEVE REFLECTIONS FROM NANCY "LAA LAA" KENNEDY

A s I write to you this spring, we are hurting from the world's news. I share some thoughts to try and make you cheer. There is nothing better than a Kieve cheer to build courage and feelings of hope. Sam asked me to write some memories from my many years at Kieve, so here goes...

- When you meet one, you will know a Kieve boy immediately because he is warm and wonderful.
- 2. It's still late winter in Maine while

I'm jotting down these memories. The lake is frozen solid, and my pond is covered in snow, but I so wish I could hear the sound of the Greyhound bus coming down the West Neck Road (or the Maine Line, or Cyr, depending on which Kieve era you remember-the bus companies have changed, but the rhythms stay the same). The bus starts honking when the driver can see the lake by the Red Farmhouse. I have listened for that sound for 65 years from my back porch. Like all the campers and counselors on top of the hill,



I get ready to wave wildly, and I hear the cheers at camp as the campers are greeted with gusto and introduced to their new home for summer.

- 3. I am remembering all the welcome-to-camp rituals like the happy cheers campers receive when they swim to the Island. But not today...
- 4. You might like to see Kieve in the winter. The lake is so frozen you can walk—or even drive—to Swim Island. You can see Sam skating all over the lake; the sound of skates on the ice is wonderful, as are the ice boats skimming by.
- 5. The chapel is most memorable to me. I'm always sitting at my little pump organ—listening to the brave campers sharing something that was special for them, the deeply felt talks by counselors, the Sunday choir singing very loudly, or campers trying to win B.J.'s choir cake. Chapel is all snow today, with long shadows and bare trees on soft white snow, but it will be alive again in no time.
- 6. Throughout this pandemic, the kitchen crew with Lee Giberson and Diane Impallomeni have been cooking meals for those in need in Lincoln County. It's terrific work, so appreciated by those facing food insecurity in our area. But I miss their amazing camp meals and the crazy announcements by the brilliant counselors at mealtime and the cheering for everyone's accomplishments.
- Innisfree is one of the most special buildings. I loved the plays we created there for about 20 years. Each summer I took a Broadway play and changed the

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plot to fit a Kieve situation. We changed the words to the songs and the campers gave it their all with about two rehearsals in the last week of camp. Give a camper an audience, and they will always do something terrific. All cheers. They should all win Academy Awards! I loved them all so much. When Henry was a camper, he was particularly good at dancing and belting out the music of Godspell, the Kieve version.

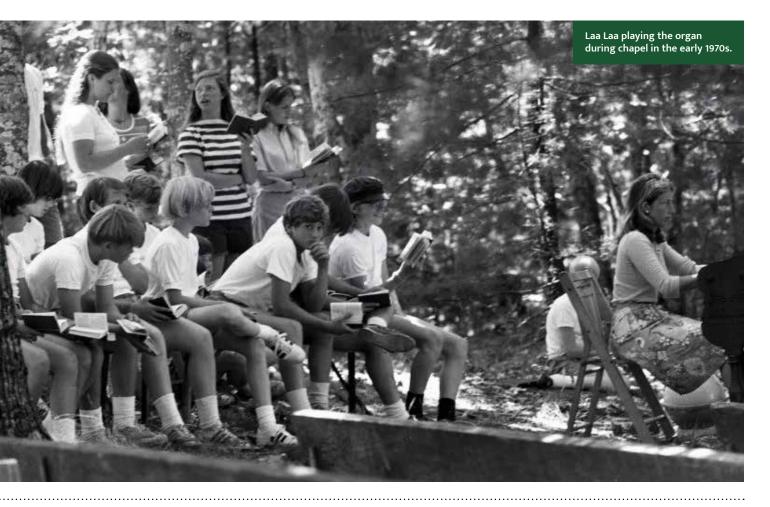
8. This winter at Kieve, Robert, Brian, and Joe are plowing and shoveling to keep camp safe and clear. Soon there will be vans on the Kieve Road, either heading out on wilderness trips or returning from their adventures in the Maine mountains or rivers or beaches. In the vans will be campers filled with thoughts I Believe that you can always tell who is & kieve Boy Because "He is when I wonderegal" And he knows how to cheer.

of all they have seen, their new appreciation for nature, their strengths from discovering new worlds around northern New England—and new worlds within themselves. When they return from their great adventures, there are more well-earned cheers.

9. The flagpole sits like a beacon of many years of campers singing the Kieve song and listening to wisdom from the officer of the day. It stands now deep in snow, snow that would melt away with the day's final, tremendously rambunctious Kieve cheer.

10. The campers I first met during my very first summer at Kieve in 1959, the summer Henry turned one, are grandfathers now. In my mind they will always be the young campers I came to know at the end of West Neck Road. They will always be Kieve boys.

And as you now know, I believe you can always tell who is a Kieve boy because he is warm and wonderful. And he knows how to cheer. ■



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Paddle and Thistle Society friends have made arrangements to leave a planned gift to Kieve Wavus Education. Whether through an estate plan, charitable gift annuity, or charitable remainder trust, they help ensure that Kieve Wavus Education's mission will continue to make an impact beyond our lifetimes.

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### Breck Denny

With a heavy heart, Kieve Wavus Education mourned the loss of Breck Denny in January. Breck was a camper from 1999 to 2004 and a staff member from 2006 to 2009. He had so many friends—really close friends—and those of us who knew him from Kieve got to see Breck at his purest. Kieve encourages us to be exactly who we are, and Breck brought his unique self and his singular sense of humor as well as anyone who has ever graced the Pasquaney stage. You'll keep us laughing forever, probably in your Christopher Walken voice.

We love you, Breck.





"Breck was a singular presence in my life. So many of my best memories are with him at Kieve. Breck was simply the funniest person I will ever know, and he was also tender and kind. Just as Kieve cannot really be explained to outsiders (and just like my favorite jokes), to truly understand and appreciate Breck, you had to be there. For those that were, it was a privilege."

-Phil Field, Friend and Fellow Kieve Counselor





## Alumni Updates





















Claire Brady (Wavus 2010-2017; Wavus Council 2019 & 2021) and Julia Lyne (Wavus 2010-2017; Wavus Council 2019 & 2021) together in Spain!

#### 2 The Wavus Denver crew!

TOP: Natasha Lowitt (Wavus 2010-2012; Wavus Council 2016), Lindsey Stewart (Wavus 2007-2012; Wavus Council 2015-2018, Cat Wood (Wavus 2007-2009; Wavus Council 2016-2018), and Morgan Stewart

воттом: Molly Wood (Wavus 2006-2009; Wavus Council 2016-2017), Sarah "Swils" Wilson (Wavus 2007-2014; CIT 2015; Wavus Council 2016-2018 & 2021), and Alison "Lobby" Obstler (Wavus 2007-2013; KW West 2014; Wavus Council 2015-2019)

 Holly Bracher (Kieve Infirmary Director 2021) and Ted Watson (Kieve Wilderness Tripping Director 2021;



Kieve Wavus Education Environmental Educator 2019) were married this March in Virginia. Tripping and Infirmary together! Congratulations to this amazing Kieve Wavus couple.

Grace Begin (Wavus 2014-17;
 Wavus Council 2019 & 2021), Elizabeth
 "Scotty" Robbins-Cole (Wavus 2011-2017; Wavus Council 2019 & 2021), and
 Gigi Imperatore (Wavus 2010-2017;
 Wavus Council 2019-2021) reunited in the U.K.!

**E** Charlotte "Bubbles" Phillips (Wavus 2008-2014; Wavus Council 2016-2018 & 2021) and Gigi Imperatore (Wavus 2010-2017; Wavus Council 2019-2021) ran into each other in the streets of Rome!

G Emory Gatchell (Wavus 2010-2017; Wavus Council 2021) and Lindsay Kaback (Wavus 2011-2017; Wavus Council 2019 & 2021) sending Wavus love from Barcelona.

Courts (Wavus Wilderness Tripping Assistant Director 2021; Wavus Asst. Program Director 2019; Wavus Asst. Director CIT Program 2017-18; Wavus Council 2014-16; KW West 2013; Wavus 2006-12) and Will Bliss (Assistant Camp Director of Junior Kieve 2021; Kieve 2008-14; Kieve Council 2016-19) ran into Connor Kaniewski (Kieve 2010-2015; Kieve CIT 2016; Kieve Council 2017) on the slopes at Steamboat over Christmas!

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A Colby-Bates Wavus reunion!
 Here's Lucy Del Col (Wavus 20102015; Wavus Council 2017-2019), Anne
Seaman (Wavus 2011-2018; Wavus
Council 2021), Jess Woodhams (Wavus
2012-2018; Wavus Council 2021), and
Carter McGloon (Wavus 2010-2017)—
all signed on for Wavus Staff 2022!

 Abigail Slimmon (Wavus 2012-2018; Wavus Council 2021), Jackie Slimmon (Wavus 2015-2019 & 2021), and Charlotte Epker (Wavus 2011-2018; Wavus Council 2021) reunion at Boston College!

**D** Becky (Ford) (Kieve Staff 2008-2010 & Wavus Council 2009) and Parker Baird were married last October in Sebago, Maine.

Becky Baird's maid of honor was Melissa Haynes (Kieve Staff 2008-2011; Wavus Council 2008-2009), and the bridal party included Blair (Kennedy) Smith (Girl's Science 1997-2000; KW West 2005-2006; Girl's Camp Council 2005; Wavus Council 2009; Kieve Staff 2007-2010), Abby (King) McFarland (KW West 2006; Kieve Staff 2007-2010; Wavus Council 2009), Megan (McFarland) Krouse (KW West 2006; Kieve Staff 2007-2008), Melissa Haynes (Kieve Staff 2008-2011; Wayus Council 2008-2009), and Nancy Brown (KW West 2005; Kieve Staff 2007-2009; Wavus Council 2009).

## Future Campers



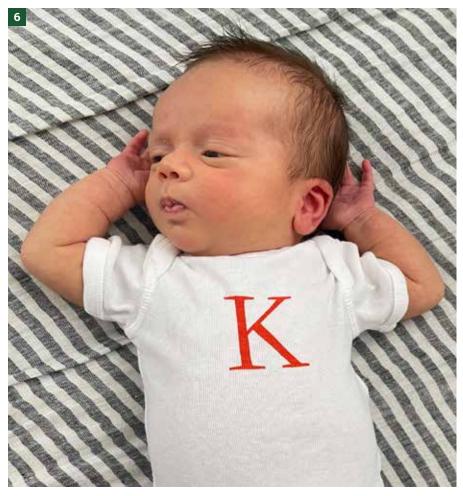












■ Future Wavus Camper Carter Perkins was born in November in Santa Barbara, Calif. after a labor that reminded her parents of the Mud Pond Portage. Congratulations to Ike (Kieve 2000–2001 & 2003; Kieve Council 2007–2009) and Kathryn Perkins!

Martin "Marty" Croft Kennedy was born January 21, 2022 to Sarah Kennedy (Healthcare and Risk Director, KWE Edu, Inc.) and Sam Kennedy (Kieve 1995–2002; Kieve West 2003; Kieve Council 2005–2008 & 2010; Executive Director, KWE Edu, Inc.). He'll join Crosby at Kieve in 2030!

Sumner "Sunny" Fernald Richards V was born on November 19, 2021 to Ricky and Rosie. Congratulations to our friends at Fernald's Country Store! Penelope "Poppy" Eldridge Pearce was born on August 9. Here's Poppy on her first hike up Mt. Chase with mom and dad—Chase (Kieve 1993-1997; Kieve Council 2002-2005), Greer (Kieve Staff 2005-2006; Wavus Council 2006; Kieve West Council 2009), and big brother, Teddy. See you at Wavus, Poppy!

 Eloise Kennedy Smith was born on February 27, 2022 at 5 lbs 20z and 18.5 in. Congratulations, Blair (Girl's Science 1997–2000; KW West 2005– 2006; Girl's Camp Council 2005; Wavus Council 2009; Kieve Staff 2007–2010) and Cody. See you at Wavus in 2030!

Crosby Krouse joined Megan (KW
 West 2006; Kieve Staff 2007-2008) and
 Chris Krouse on January 1, 2022.







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## A COMMUNITY THAT STICKS TOGETHER

This March Sam Pierce, KWE's environmental stewardship coordinator, tapped Camp Kieve's maple trees with TLS students to make KWE's very own maple syrup. The kids learned how to identify a sugar maple tree (without leaves!), use a drill and attach the spile, hook and bucket to the tree, and then how to collect the sap so that it could be turned into syrup. They were able to see part of the boiling process and, of course, taste the syrup as it got sweeter and sweeter—eventually testing out the final product of their hard work over pancakes.

Thanks to the help of Sam and amazing educators Annie, Zoë, and Garrett, the KWE staff officially marked the first annual Kieve Maple Saturday, March 26, over pancakes at Pasquaney! **kievewavus** 

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