

Green Cove Staff 2009

We are proud to introduce to you the most important part of our program- THE STAFF. From across the U.S. and abroad, they bring a variety of skills and talents that make the summer a rich and rewarding experience.

Charlotte Adams, 30+, from Houston, TX is here for her 1st summer on staff as our Head of Swimming during main camp; she was a camper as a child. Charlotte is a current full time mom to her 3 children and volunteer. She has many years of swimming, lifeguarding and teaching experience.

Terry Austin, 22, is here for her 1st summer as Head of Crafts. Terry is a mathematics student at Appalachian State U where she plays in the marching band.

Amber Ballard, 21, from Tuxedo, NC is a n Elementary Ed student at UNC Charlotte and is here for her 1st summer as an office assistant.

Megan Bannerman, 22, is here for her 1st summer as June Camp Photographer. Megan lives in Asheville Megan has worked with several photographers and spent time working at an orphanage in Haiti.

Jeanne Rene Barousse, 19, was a camper for several summers and is here for her first summer on swim staff. Jeanne Rene is a student at Washington & Lee where she is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority.

Nancy Bell, 30+, is Green Cove's wonderful Director! Her parents started Green Cove in 1945. Nancy ran GC's riding program for many years, has her MAT from Emory University, taught 4th grade for several years and has been in her current position since 1980.

Danielle Berkow, 19, is here for her 1st summer on the mountaineering staff. Danielle is a student at University of Florida. She is a member of the TRIP program and Tae Kwon Do Club.

Kelli Boswell, 30+, from Macon, GA is here for her first summer as one of our June Camp nurses. Her son Liam is a camper at Mondamin.

Hannah Brain, 18, from Hendersonville is here for her 1st summer as a member of the barn staff. Hannah rides at GC year round, and has volunteered for the barn.

Laura Bridge, 26, is back for her 5th year on staff. Laura is our Program Director for June Camp and is Hillside Line Head during Main Camp. Laura is from the UK and works for Camp Leaders but took this year to travel the world. Ask her about her Australian adventures.

Lee Burdett, 30+, from Tuxedo, NC, runs the year round Riding Program and is back as Head of Riding for both June & Main Camp. Lee has been on staff for over 30 years and is married to a former Mondamin Counselor. Their three children have been campers as well.

Mary Margaret Burdett, 20, is here for her 2nd year as a counselor, she was a camper for 7 summers. Mary Margaret is on paddling staff and is currently a student at Sewanee. In '06, Mary Margaret lived in South Africa, teaching in a preschool.

Meghan Burke, 21, was a camper for a summer and is back this year on tennis staff. Meghan is a student at Central Connecticut State U where she plays division 1 lacrosse.

Sara Casey, 21, is here for her 1st summer on the mountaineering staff. Sara will be a senior at UNC Wilmington, is the captain of her ultimate Frisbee team and loves climbing.

Alicia Catalfumo, 23, is back for her 3rd summer on Tennis Staff. Alicia is a graduate of Wingate University and is currently living in Charlotte, NC

Casey Chandler, 18, from Tallahassee, FL is here for her 1st summer as a swim counselor. Casey is a student at Florida State U and is a member of Phi Beta Phi sorority. Casey loves running, dancing and photography.

Malari Coburn, 21, is here for her first summer on mountaineering. Malari will be a senior at Centenary College of Louisiana. She is the Environmental Association President, co-captain of her fencing team and works at an indoor rock wall.

Stephanie Cohan, 21, is back for her 3rd summer on paddling staff. Stephanie was a long time camper and is an Educational and Psychology double major at Emory University. She is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Lee Conrads, 19, was a camper for several summers, an aid & a CT. She is now on sailing staff. Lee is a student at Carleton College studying history & theater. She is a member of the outdoor club & loves dance.

Margi Conrads, 30+, is back for her 6th summer on staff as the Main Camp Administrative Director. Margi is from Kansas, and during the year is the curator of American art at the art museum in Kansas City and teaches AP art history. Her 2 daughters are both at Green Cove this summer.

Malari Coburn, 21, is here for her first summer on mountaineering. Malari will be a senior at Centenary College of Louisiana. She is the Environmental Association President, co-captain of her fencing team and works at an indoor rock wall.

Katie Coz, 20, is here for her first summer on riding staff during Main Camp. Katie is a student at Sewanee University where she is on the riding team.

Claire Crews, 30+, Claire is back to Green Cove for her 2nd summer as our June Camp head of sailing. She was a camper and counselor as was her mom and now her two children will be at camp this summer. During the year she teaches in Oxford, MS & is working on her Masters in Education.

Jessica Cutler, 21, is here for her first summer on barn staff. Jessica is a student at St. Andrews where she studies Equine Business Mgt where she is on the IHSA Western Team.

Susan King Danos, 39, GC has been lucky to have had Susan for many years. She has been on mountaineering staff, year round assistant director, program director and is back leading assembly music during June Camp. She is currently a full time mother of Marie, Henry & Liza who often help with the music ☺.

Katy Danos, 30+, is back as Main Camp's Program Director. She was a camper here for 6 years and this is her 13th year on staff!! Her family has been attending Green Cove and Mondamin since the '50s!

Elise Desloge, 20, is back to Green Cove as a sailing counselor for her 2nd summer on staff. She was a camper for 7 years. She is currently studying elementary education at Auburn University.

Sarah Dougherty, 20, is here for her 1st summer on Nature Staff during June Camp. Sarah is a Biology & Environmental Studies major at Kenyon College where she also runs varsity Cross Country & track.

Rosie Down, 21, Comes all the way from England for her 1st year at Green Cove. Rosie is on swim staff. She studied Home Economics and Sociology at the University and loves cooking, fashion & textiles.

Sarah Dugan, 20, is here for her 1st summer on Bike staff during June Camp. Sarah is a student at UNC Chapel Hill. She is a newspaper staff writer, Sustainability Floor Coordinator & runs club cross country.

Katie Durkee, 30+, is back for her 3rd summer at June camp. In the past Katie was a nurse here but this year she is the Head of Biking for June Camp. Katie is the mother of two campers (a girl and a boy). In her 'spare' time, she is a triathlete, and competes in Ironman Triathlons.

Maggie Eshenour, 27, was a counselor here for 3 summers and is back (with her baby Oscar) as a nurse for part of main camp. Maggie graduated from Johns Hopkins Nursing School and lives in Norfolk, VA.

Jordan Fedrizzi, 19, is here for her 1st summer at GC on riding staff during June Camp. Jordan is a sophomore at Sweet Briar College where she is on the Riding Council, Riding Program Advisory Committee and works at the barn.

Sophie Felts, 26, was first here in 2001 as a member of our Mountaineering staff. After her third year on staff, she 'vanished' for a while, graduated from VA Tech, married Mike Felts worked with her family's landscape business, and for an international foreign exchange program for teenagers. She returned full time in the fall of 2006 as GC's year round Assistant Director.

Betsy Fisher, 18, is here for her 1st year as an office assistant. She is a student at UNC Charlotte & grew up in Hendersonville.

Megan Galligar, 21, is here for her 1st summer on swim and biking staff. Megan is a nursing student at Santa Fe College. She loves surfing, waterskiing & wake boarding.

Jessica Gibbs, 29, is here for her 2nd year as an office assistant. Before coming here, she was the office mgr at a country club.

Sarah Gibson, 28, is here for her 2nd summer as our Head of Nature. Sarah has a Biology/Wild Life Science degree from Virginia Tech. She spent her junior year in Kenya at the Center for Wildlife Management Studies. She has spent summers working on various research projects. She received a grant to research plant defenses to herbivory, her work was published. Sarah is also an accomplished equestrian.

Mary Gilliam, 22, was a camper and is back for her 4th year on staff. This is her 2nd year as our June Camp Junior Line Head. Mary attends Cornell University where she studies Psychology. Mary is an EARS (empathy assistance & referral services) peer counselor and is and is an Actress in many Cornell productions.

Brynne Gingras, 20, is here for her 1st summer as a groom. Brynne is a student at Randolph College. Brynne has been around horses her whole life and also plays flute, keyboard & sings.

Maggie Goss, 19, is here for her first summer on swim staff. Maggie attends the College of Wooster, and is a part of the Education Club & Relay for Life.

Jessica Grisel, 28, originally from St. George, UT, has moved to Austin, TX. A NOLS graduate, Jessica works as a paramedic during the year.

She is back for her 6th year. This is her 4th year as head of our paddling program. Jessica has worked hard and made tremendous progress in building the strength of the program. Paramedic, WFR.

Deb Hall, 24, is back for her 3rd summer. Deb is Head of ACA for June Camp & on riding staff for main. She spent the last year traveling around the world.

Ashley Hardy, 22, is Here for her first summer as our Head of Tennis for June Camp. Ashley is a Graphic Design student at Ole Miss, she plays intramural soccer and in Pi Beta Phi sorority.

Suzie Howick, 30+, has been away for a while but is back for her 19th summer on staff!! Suzie has been on canoeing staff, head of canoeing & June Camp program director to name a few. This year is her 2nd year in a row as our Middler Line Head for June Camp.

Stephanie Jasinski, 20, a student at Virginia Tech, joins us for her 2nd summer on our paddling staff. Stephanie is a member of the VaTech Crew Team and Kappa Delta sorority.

Meghan Kavanagh, 19, is here for her first summer at GC on crafts staff. Meghan is studying Art History at Central Piedmont CC and loves photography & dark room.

Ashley LeGros, 19, is here for her 1st summer on sailing staff. Ashley is a student at LSU where she is a member of the LSU sailing team. Ashley has been sailing most of her life

Alex Klein, 18, is here for her first summer at GC on riding staff. Alex is a student at Kenyon College where she is on the Cross-Country, Track & Field and Equestrian teams. Alex spent many summers traveling on the horse show circuit.

Carolyn Large, 20, is here for her 2nd summer at Green Cove as a swim counselor. Carolyn has lots of camp experience, she grew up at High Rocks which is run by her relatives! Carolyn is a student at University of Richmond.

Katie LaRue, 29, was back for summer #9! This is Katie's second year running our ACA program during main camp. She has worked to expand and take the program to a whole new level. During the year she works at the Asheville School where she also coaches basketball.

Ashley LeGros, 19, is here for her 1st summer on sailing staff. Ashley is a student at LSU where she is a member of the LSU sailing team. Ashley has been sailing most of her life.

Emma Lister, 20, is her for her 2nd summer at Green Cove on our tennis staff. She is here all the way from Yorkshire, England! She is a student at Liverpool Hope University working on a degree in Media.

Karen Lucas, 21, is back for her 4th year on staff. This is her second year on riding staff. She has worked for several years with a long time Green Cove Alum in Pittsboro, NC.

Erin Mann, 20, was a camper for 4 summers. She returned this summer as a member of our swim. Erin just finished her freshman year at LSU and loves ballet.

Janet McDonald, 21, is here for her 1st summer on biking staff. Janet is a nursing student at University of Vermont. She is co-chair of the DREAM mentor program at her school and is a member of Volunteers in Action.

Angie Moorin, 30+, from Louisville, KY is a CPA back for her 7th year. Angie is our fantastic Main Camp photographer. Both of her children attended camp.

LucyAnne Nolan, from Augusta, GA is back for her 8th year as our pro camp nurse! LucyAnne loves biking with her husband Bill.

Sarah Norman, 22 was a camper here for many summers and now is back for her 3rd year on staff as our Main Camp Junior Line Head. Sarah is currently a student at University of Vermont.

Adelaide Oneal, 19, Was a camper for several years and is back for her 1st summer on biking staff. Adelaide goes to Stanford, plays ultimate Frisbee and is an English tutor for Spanish speakers.

Flo Page, 21, back for her 2nd year on sailing staff. She is studying history at Appalachian State University and plays intramural softball there.

Mary Emma Pennington, 30+, is back for her 13th summer on staff! Mary Emma is our Head of Nature for June Camp. Mary Emma is an avid gardener, is our master fisherwoman and knows how to make wonderful homemade ice cream!

Lynn Penny, 30+, was on staff as a college student and is back with us on riding staff this summer. She is currently living in Hendersonville with her husband and 4 children.

Pepper Raper, 22, was a camper for many summers, and is back for her 2nd year on staff. Pepper is our Head of Mountaineering.

Pepper is a student at Ole Miss and spent last semester doing an internship in Vail, CO **Kate Reghenzani**, 25, from Numurkah, Australia, is back for her 4th summer, this will be her first year as Head of Tennis. Before she came to the States, Kate worked at the Telegraph Hotel and was part-time manager of a gourmet food shop.

Maggie Ruch, 19, Has been a camper for several years, an aid and a CT. She is back for her 1st summer as a counselor. She is on paddling staff. Maggie is a student at Sewanee where she plays volleyball. Maggie has been paddling for 10 years, traveled to Idaho for a paddling trip and has her ACA instructors certification.

Charlotte Ruppert, 24, is back for her 4th summer on staff. She is our Senior Line head for main camp. She has an international studies degree from the University of Richmond. Charlotte works for Easter Seals in DC & loves mountain biking.

Julie Ruppert, 19, was a camper for 2 summers and is back for her 2nd year as a swim counselor. Julie is a student at Virginia Tech studying Hotel & Tourism Management.

Sarah Shachat, 20, was a camper for several summers and is back for her 1st year on paddling staff. Sarah is a student at Wesleyan University & enjoys Fencing and Kendo. She also tutors & helps with the lit magazine.

Anne Sharp, 30+, from Hammond, LA is back for her 7th year on staff and is our Hillside Line Head for Main Camp. Her family has a long tradition with Mondamin/Green Cove, beginning with her husband Sandy. Both of her children are currently campers.

Annie Smith, 19, was a camper for several years and is back for her 1st summer on Nature. Annie attends Boston Conservatory where she studies Music (voice and opera).

Gaither Smith, 20, Gaither is back for her second year on Mountain Biking Staff. She was a camper for 3 summers. Gaither is studying Neuroscience at Kenyon College. She runs track and cross country for her school.

Patty Smith, 30+, Is here for her 2nd summer at Green Cove as the Head of Mountain Biking during main camp. Patty was one of the founding members of the Dirt Diva's in Charlotte where she is know as "Patient Patty". She lives in Charlotte with her husband and daughter.

Alex Softness, 19, from Atlanta, GA, was a camper for a couple summers and is back for her first summer on our Riding Staff. Alex is a student at Earlham College in Indiana. She is on the equestrian team & plays varsity tennis.

Rachel Stewart, 20, is here for her 1st summer on Mountaineering Staff. Rachel is a student at the University of Florida where she participates in the TRIP program and Gators for a Sustainable Campus.

Kristin Sukys, 20, is here for her 2nd summer at Green Cove as part of our biking staff. Kristin goes to Virginia Tech where she is studying International Relations. Kristin has been a lifeguard and pool operator and she is a member of the Club Crew Team.

Katie Sullivan, 20, is here for her 1st year at GC on mountaineering staff. Katie is a student at University of Florida where she is the New Class Liaison for her schools TRIP program. She leads backpacking, caving & canoeing trips.

Lorett Swank, 30+, is here for her first summer at Green Cove as the Head of Swimming for June Camp. Lorett is a Licensed Professional Counselor and currently works at Southeastern LA University as an instructor and advisor. She worked throughout high school & college as a lifeguard. She enjoys running and has two children.

Sarah Talley, 19, was camper for 8 summers, and is back for her 1st year on tennis staff. Sarah is a student at Rhodes College where she is a member of Kappa Delta Sorority.

Becca Title, 18, from LA, was a camper for 3 summers and is back for her first summer on crafts staff. She spent this year traveling with Thinking Beyond Borders and will attend Brown University in the fall.

Amy Townsend, 27, is here for her 5th summer at Green Cove as a part of the riding staff. Amy is a graduate of St. Andrews College and is currently working at a school in North Carolina.

Ned Trice, 28, is back for his 3rd year helping our Climbing Program. He is from Richmond, VA where he spent 10 years at Passages Adventure Camp. Ned is a graduate from Virginia Tech, has a Masters in Education from Radford University. He enjoys windsurfing and rock climbing & just got married this spring.

Claire Tuttle, 19, is here for her 1st summer on mountaineering. Claire is a business student at Appalachian State & plays club soccer, & is a part of the rock climbing club.

Debbie Walker, 30+, is the GC secretary. She has been here year round since the Fall of '06. Before coming to Green Cove, Debbie worked with autistic children at an Elementary School in Greensboro. Debbie's Grandfather worked at Mondamin.

Britta Wiesner, 30, has been at Green Cove for 16 years. As a staff member, she began on paddling and ran the program for several years. This is Britta's 3r year as Senior Line Head for June Camp, she leads paddling trips during main camp & is our Early June Camp Program Director.

Lisa Williams, 30+, is here for her first year on paddling staff. She is the co-chair of the Chico Paddleheads which is a paddling group in her hometown and is the Event Coordinator at Chico Bike and Board.

Kelly Wilson, 22, is here for her 2nd summer as Hillside LH during June Camp and on paddling staff during main. Kelly is a Virginia Tech grad and will be attending Physical Therapy grad school in the fall. She loves climbing and anything outdoors!

Cassie Young, 18, is here for her 1st summer on ACA. Cassie is a Political Science student at LSU. Cassie is a member of Tri Delta Sorority & Volunteer LSU.

Kathy Yaw, 24, graduated from Virginia Intermont College with a Major in Equine Studies. She was a member of the VI Equestrian team, and had several years of camp experience with other programs. Kathy joined us year round in 2006 as the Barn Manager.

Mariette Van der Sluijs, 30+, is here for her 1st summer as the June Camp Administrative Director. Mariette has worked at several camps in the past and currently teaches. Her daughter Lilly is a main camper!