

Waldemar Roundup



Summer Highlights

Short Term Highlights

Best Kampong Race Winners

A3 (Coyotes) and RH3 (Jackrabbits)

Best Counselors

Alaina Deans (returning) and Brooke Wharton (new)

Shining Stars

Lilly Grace Blakely (2nd grade); Lucy Herbert (3rd grade); Katherine Walters (4th grade); Maggie White and Elena Humphrey (5th grade)

First Term Highlights

Aztec Best All Around

Laura Werline

Comanche Best All Around

Catherine Draths

Tejas Best All Around

Charlotte Blount

Ideal Waldemar Girl

Catherine Figueiras

Best New Counselor

Amy Robinson

Best Experienced Counselor

Rachel Bryant

The Aztecs won both Field Days and the plaque!

2nd Term Highlights

Aztec Best All Around

Caroline Dickey

Comanche Best All Around

Brittany Hildebrand

Tejas Best All Around

Anne Kelley

Ideal Waldemar Girl

Coco Zentner

Best New Counselor

Elyse Landry

Best Experienced Counselor

Ann Block

The 2nd term plaque went to the Comanche tribe!

Letter from the Director:

A Season for Change

To: Waldemar Campers, Staff and Patrons

It is with a heavy heart that I share with you a necessary change at Waldemar. In the last 16 years, my identity has become almost inseparable from my role at Waldemar. As I write this farewell, I feel not un-like a first year camper, reaching my hand into the box and drawing a tribe. How will this Waldemar moment change my life? The undeniable truth is my heart will always remain at Waldemar even though the time has arrived when I must depart.

In the last few days while contacting Waldemar representatives to inform them of my departure, hundreds of experiences wash through my head of how Waldemar proves to be a valuable guide for young women. And I am forever humbled by those defining moments experienced by campers. I remember camper moments of anxiety about being away from home or wrestling with teenage challenges... young hearts in a difficult place. And just about the moment I reached for the phone to call in Mom and Dad, a shift occurred. We made the turn, together, and everyone in the room was certain we had witnessed a defining and pivotal moment in a precious life. There were times when the world changed right there, before my very eyes. I know that Ora Johnson would be proud of the experiences Waldemar is continuing to provide to young women.

In this, I hope some eloquence can be summoned to properly HONOR the exceptional staff of Camp Waldemar. It is humbling to work alongside a 70

year-young counselor, who has spent the better part of 50 years at Waldemar, watching as she experiences the aches and pains of an aging body and still finds the energy to work a 15 hour day. To the Waldemar staff, those who have proven a commitment to the ideals of Waldemar, thank you for allowing the Waldemar spirit to exist and influence young women at a time in their lives when they are most vulnerable.

The Waldemar staff is in a class all its own. As for my experience, you have enriched my life as well. Your daily and hourly split second demonstrations of good values and reliable instincts have made Waldemar what it is today. The value is your experience in camping and your love of camping is "the Waldemar spirit". You give me comfort and peace that Waldemar will continue to serve the campers of today.

For myself, my husband Clayton, our two healthy and happy daughters, Addie and Emmy, (can't forget the four mongrels, Honey, Teddy, Bo and Shaggy), we will pursue a new adventure. During the summers, we will be "doing what we do" at Camp Lonehollow, just down the road. There, our goal is to further establish "Lonehollow" as a summer camp worthy of the same distinction that Waldemar has earned over the better part of a century. We aim to make Aunt Ora proud.

Thank you for the best memories of my life....

Meg Clark

Welcome

Katie Blount

to our staff!

We are thrilled to have Katie on board to help us with assisting Marsha Elmore, the director. Katie is the daughter of Lyn and Jeb Blount from Longview, TX and she attended Louisiana State University. Katie is the perfect fit for Waldemar, being that she is from a long line of Waldemar girls. Her great grandmother was Myradell Finch who was a counselor here in the forties and served as our Longview Rep for many years. She is the granddaughter of Eva Jean Blount, a former Waldemar camper and Longview Rep, and Katie's mother, Lyn, is our current Rep for the Longview/Tyler area. She was an 8 year camper, former counselor, and sponsor. Her sister, Jane Anne, attends camp 1st term.



As an Aztec Co-sponsor with Joyce Jordan for the past couple of summers, she received many compliments for doing a grand job with her responsibilities! She helped Meg and Kathleen out this summer, learning her new role under the best! She will commute from Austin often, to help out in any way necessary.

We were blessed to work with Katie at Women's Week this fall, and we found out that like most of our staff, she is not afraid to get her hands dirty. *We love it so much here, it's not like "work!"*



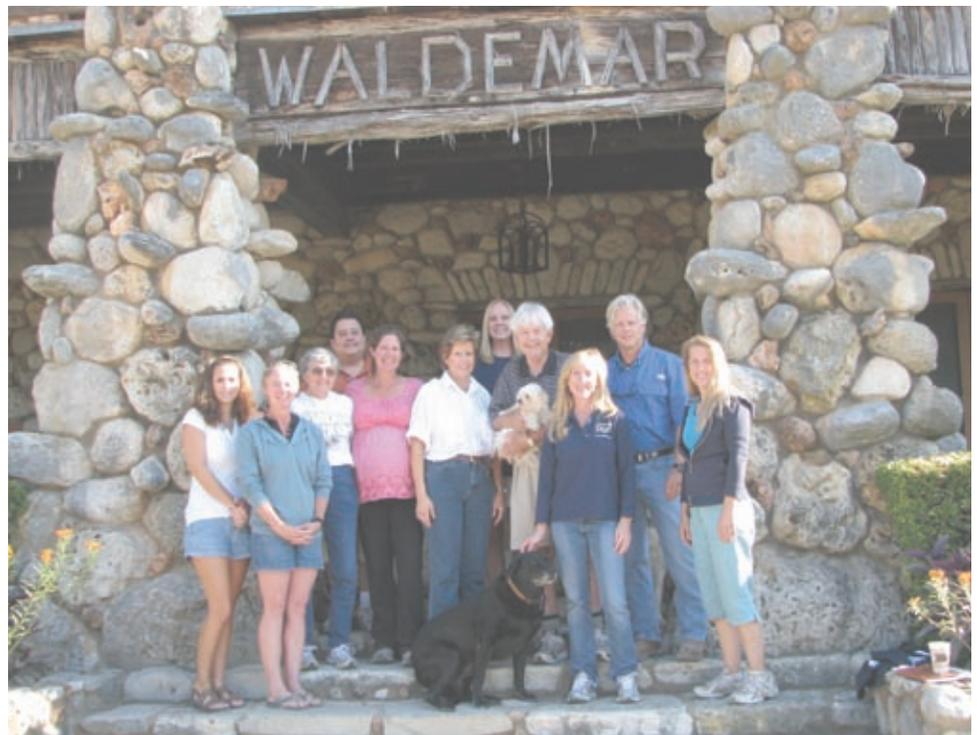
Greetings from the Waldemar Staff

We want to assure you that we are all here working together to continue the Waldemar success in tradition and excellence. Camp will operate as it always has for the last 84 years providing your daughters (some of them 4th generation campers), with the same wonderful experience their mothers and grandmothers had before them. Dale and I bought Waldemar with the understanding and commitment to Doris Johnson that we would perpetuate Waldemar as she and Ora Johnson, Waldemar's founder had intended, and that is our mission today.

We thank you for your support in this transition and look forward to a wonderful camping experience this summer with your daughter(s) and you as our patrons.

Meg has our blessings in her decision to pursue her dreams at Camp Lonehollow, which she and her husband Clayton own together. She was an outstanding director for Waldemar in her ten years, and she will be sorely missed.

The Waldemar Staff
Marsha Elmore, Director



Hammers and Nails

Construction Update

The new office project is moving right along. Building manager, Teak Elmore, said today that we will certainly be in by summer 2009, and hopefully by March 15th! Everyone at the table cheered because we have a busy spring ahead with an April Art Graphics group out of Austin(AIGA), Family Camp April 24-26th, and a wedding in May.

The rock work is outstanding. It went up before our very eyes during Women's Week.



Pool Party @ WWW

Waldemar Women's Week Shades of Green

Waldemar Women's Week began on September 22, 2008 and went through Sunday, September 28, 2008.

We had 116 women come enjoy the week of camp activities, crafts, spa services and lectures.

Some of the lectures included the practice of Reiki, Dermatology microdermabrasion and peels, Handwriting analysis, strength and fitness training, Labyrinth, Digital photography manipulation and software, Nature, Cooking with organic and



local co op foods, and self hypnosis. The evening parties were "South Pacific on the Guadalupe with live music, entertainment skit with 'My Friends & I', Western Night with Clifton Jansky, and Waltermore High School Reunion with a DJ.

Everyone had FUN! FUN! FUN!



Calling All Buzzards!

Counselor Reunion

January 16-18, 2009

Come join us and reminisce about old times and enjoy friends, great food and tons of fun! We also encourage all of you who are interested in becoming a counselor at Waldemar to come as well. We'll be brainstorming ideas for Summer 2009 and hanging out with new and old friends – you won't want to miss out!

Angels Coming and Going

Our hearts are with the families of Waldemar Angels Coming and Going. Go to www.waldemar.com to view all of the names. If you would like to add someone to our website, please contact us and we will be glad to add them!

Camp Store

Camp Store Online orders will receive 10% off their orders from October 15th-December 15th, 2008. It will be done from the camp office, not from the Miva Merchant Center so you will not see it on your online invoice.

The online orders will not be processed during Waldemar vacation time December 19th- Jan. 10, 2009.

If you have any Camp Store questions you can call George Anne Elmore at 830 238 6003.



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2009 Camp Dates

Short Term:
May 27 - June 2

First Term:
June 5 - July 4

Second Term:
July 10 - August 8

Please help us keep in touch! We want to hear from you on news of births, deaths, marriages, changing addresses, etc. Please take a moment to fill this out and send it back to us.

Name: _____

Maiden Name: _____

Years as a Waldemar Camper: _____ Term: _____ Tribe: _____

Address (check if new):

Street: _____

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News to share: _____

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