



# The Cachalotter

News, Information, and Memories by and for the Members of the Camp Cachalot Alumni Association

## Homecoming, 45 Years After "The Fire"

Join Us at Cachalot in July, and See What 45 Years of Recovery and Restoration Looks Like

Those of you who joined us for our Winter Gathering (see our web site for some photos) know that we started 2009 off with a look back at a history of fire in and around Cachalot, from the earliest days of Plymouth Colony all the way through to Cachalot's own "big one", the fire of '64. We're going to continue that look back at Camp Cachalot on Saturday July 11<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 12:00PM, and see just how far Cachalot's come since that fateful May weekend.

We'll be starting with burgers and hot dogs down by the pine grove near Tom Cullen Field, followed by a quick update from our Chairman on the state of our Association. Our resident expert on Cachalot's ecology, Brian Bastarache, will be on-hand to talk about the role of fire at Cachalot and about how Cachalot has been recovering. We also plan to have some experienced representatives from our local forest fire-fighting crews out, with a brush breaker and some of



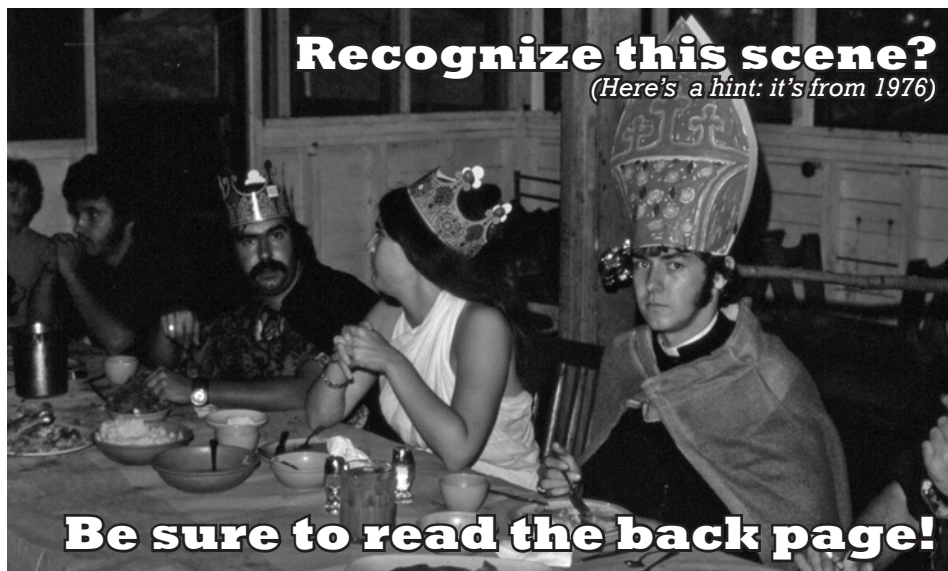
This photo of the Trading Post, from 1966, shows the state of the surrounding forest after the fire. (Photo from Association archive)

their other equipment, so you can hear from the experts just what is involved in controlling and extinguishing a blaze like the one that happened in '64. We'll also hear a bit from them about "controlled burns" and their role

in forest fire prevention. Then it's on to taking "class photos" of our attendees, and you'll have plenty of time left to get reacquainted with your old friends from camp, visit your old favorite haunts, or just enjoy a day at Cachalot.

Homecoming is free to alumni members and non-members alike (although a small donation would be appreciated if you're joining us for lunch). Homecoming won't be a success without you! If you're still in touch with any of your old Scouting pals, be sure to let them know about Homecoming—camp is always more fun in groups! If you were there for the fire of '64 or the restoration after, we'd really love to see you!

If you have any questions about Homecoming, please send it via email to [homecoming2009@cachalotalumni.org](mailto:homecoming2009@cachalotalumni.org) and we'll try our best to answer you. See you at Cachalot! 🐾



### Homecoming 2009 Details

July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009  
12:00PM through 5:00PM

Cachalot Scout Reservation  
Plymouth, MA

Free admission for  
members and non-members  
(\$5 suggested donation  
for optional lunch)

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## The Camp Cachalot Alumni Association

The Camp Cachalot Alumni Association was founded in 2004 with the express purpose of supporting Camp Cachalot and being a social organization for the extended family of the Camp. Anyone who has ever had any involvement with Camp Cachalot, the former Moby Dick Council, or any of the predecessor camps or Councils is eligible for membership. It is a not-for-profit organization operated under the auspices of the Narragansett Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Our membership year runs from July 1st through June 30th, and all membership fees contribute directly to our endowment fund, the proceeds of which go directly towards the support of Camp Cachalot.

More information about the Alumni Association, including membership forms, back issues of *The Cachaletter*, Camp history, and online discussion forums, can be found online at our web site:

<http://www.cachalotalumni.org/>

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## Looking Ahead

*Jeffrey P. Dumais, Association Chairman*

Greetings Alumni!

As Spring comes into full bloom, it is time to get outdoors again. With that in mind, I'd like to thank everyone who attended our annual Memorial Day Family Camping weekend. As usual, much fellowship, a lot of fun and activities for the kids (big and small), was had, and many attendees happily gave a little sweat towards our project, giving the winter cabins a fresh coat of paint. We completed much of the exterior of Cabin 2 on the weekend, and hope to continue giving these cabins a much-needed makeover over Labor Day weekend.

Looking further ahead, we have our Homecoming scheduled for Saturday, July 11th. As with the Winter Gathering, we'll be focusing our presentation on the fire of 1964. We hope to have at least a couple of firefighters that were there, as well as representatives from a couple of local departments to discuss fire-fighting styles and equipment in the woods. Another important note for this Homecoming is the reunion of the Staff of 1976, we hope to see a lot of people just for that.

As we have in the past years, we continue to strive to benefit Camp Cachalot in many ways. This year, we are working towards raising \$2500 to benefit year-round programming in camp.

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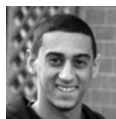
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The Alumni Executive Committee is working with Cachalot District Executive Peter Ashworth and Camp Director Mike Brown to determine what specific programming need can be met by these funds. Some ideas that are out there so far, telescopes and star charts for gazing into the heavens, GPS units and development of a course including geocaching, rebuilding the fishing dock in the lagoon area of Five Mile Pond, and more, and your

thoughts are always welcome as well. If you wish to contribute financially, please contact myself ([chairman@cachalotalumni.org](mailto:chairman@cachalotalumni.org)) or Peter Ashworth ([pashworth@narragansettbsa.org](mailto:pashworth@narragansettbsa.org)), so we can be sure funds are properly routed.

I invite you all to drop me a line and let me know what it is that we can do to make the Association the best it can be. Our commitment to the preservation of Camp Cachalot and the history of its predecessors will ensure many more young men and women can experience its unique magic.

Thanks to all you "men of faith and courage"! 🏹



## Camp-o-ree Report

*George Ramos, 2009 Cachalot District Camp-o-ree Chairman*

This year's Cachalot District Spring Camp-o-ree marked the 45th anniversary of the fire of 1964. As many of you already know, an arson-set fire blazed through a great deal of Camp Cachalot and surrounding areas of Plymouth and Wareham. In all, over 700 people were evacuated and 5,500 acres of forest were consumed.

To remember this significant event in Cachalot's history, scouts at this year's Spring Camp-o-ree learned about what happened that critical weekend in '64 at a special station. The theme for the weekend was "Survivor Cachalot," based off the hit CBS reality-competition show Survivor. This particular challenge was all about mental skill and endurance. Campers were to pay close attention as they were read a story about the fire. They then had to correctly answer true/false and multiple choice questions, survivor style. Every "tribe" enjoyed this challenge. One scout even said, "This is my favorite station!" Two alums, Dennis Wilkinson and Tom Bednarz, both CSR staffers from the 1980's, ran the station. For the rest of the stations, current CSR staffers came out and volunteered. The alumni station, and the entire weekend, was a rousing success.

I would like to genuinely thank Dennis and Tom for their coming out to camp and passing on some of Cachalot's history to today's scouts. Also, I would like to give a HUGE thank you to Peter Ashworth, Cachalot District Executive and CSR alum himself, for helping and supporting me along the way. Other big thanks go to the summer camp staffers that gave up a weekend of their busy teenage lives to help me run this Camp-o-ree. 🏹

# District Update

Peter W. Ashworth, Cachalot District Executive



Spring is almost over and the Cachalot and Massasoit Districts have had quite a start for 2009. The Klondike, camporees, new units, and successful Friends of Scouting Campaigns are just a few of the current accomplishments.

The 29th Klondike Derby, shared by both districts, had almost 50 sleds including the second year with the Webelos division. Tom Cullen Field was still snow covered leading to an exciting Great Race. Massasoit had their Spring Camporee first which was "Scouting Extreme Sports—Extremely Weird". Along with normal sporting challenges, there were fun games like toilet seat horseshoes. Members of the "Over the Hill" Gang came out to judge the baking contests. Cachalot, not to be outdone, did "Survivor Cachalot", based on the popular show. Along with classic Scouting challenges, there were some twists, such as a hidden immunity idol, which the "tribe" received clues about. The Alumni ran a station about camp history, which required contestants to answer questions before the buckets of sand they were carrying got too heavy. It ended with a tribal vote at the council fire to determine the winner.

On the Cub Scout side, the Pinewood Derby was a banner event for the Cub Scouts. Massasoit's race had 42 cars while Cachalot's had 46. The designs were amazing. Everything from classic cars to coffins to land speeders were on display. My favorite was one that looked like a Reeses Peanut Butter Cup wrapper. Each participant got a medal and the top winners in each division took home a large trophy.

In the membership department, Cachalot currently has two new Boy Scout Troops. Our new sponsors are the Nativity Preparation School and the Citizen Schools Program at Normandin Middle School. Only one crew has not rechartered in Dartmouth. Halfway through the year, Cachalot could have over 70 more Scouts than last year. They are still looking to restart Packs 1 and 74 and are currently looking for leadership for these units. Massasoit plans on having 3 new units by the end of June and is also looking at an increase in membership.

Both districts look to exceed the Family Friends of Scouting (FOS) that was raised last year. Many families of current scouts have given generously in this troubling economic climate. Last year, the FOS funds help fund over \$9000 worth of assistance to get needy scouts to Camp Cachalot. This year's need looks as though it will exceed this by a large margin.

Finally, Troop 3 New Bedford was recognized by the New Bedford City Council for 95 years of continuous service to youth. Also, the Massasoit district celebrated their annual Rededication Ceremony at city hall with a proclamation from Mayor Bob Correia. The Cachalot and Massasoit districts both have a proud history and are looking strong for the future. 🐾

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## Huzzah!

Michael Brown, Camp Director



Come on down to the magical Kingdom of Cachalot where kings and knights will welcome you at the gate. So, if you haven't figured it out, this summer's theme is "Medieval Times", complete with a King and a royal banquet in Ye Olde Dining Hall.

We have also added a few new programs that include a redesigned older boy program, space exploration merit badge, and a paintball range (fully approved by the BSA). Attendance this summer seems to be on the up and we may break 500 kids for the first time in a while. This summer is shaping up to be a great summer, so come on down and have some fun in the Kingdom of Cachalot! 🐾

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## Upcoming Events and Important Dates

June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009

End of 2008-2009 Membership Year

July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009

12:00PM through 5:00PM

Alumni Homecoming 2009  
Camp Cachalot, Plymouth, MA

September 5<sup>th</sup> through

September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Labor Day Family Camping Weekend  
Camp Cachalot, Plymouth, MA

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# Wild Cachalot: Return of the Fisher

*A Solitary Predator Makes a Reappearance in Southeastern Massachusetts (and at Cachalot, Too)*

BY BRIAN BASTARACHE

A few months ago Dave Goldrick, Tom Bednarz, Dennis Wilkinson and I were hiking around Cachalot during a Campmaster weekend. We found and photographed some marvelous fisher tracks on the north-west side of Abner's Pond. For the past five years or so, there has been a lot of talk about fisher cats in southeastern Massachusetts. Much folklore, mystery and misinformation surround this species, and with good reason: the fisher cat has been absent from much of the Commonwealth for more than a century. In recent years several fisher specimens (i.e. road kills) have been collected in Bristol and Plymouth counties and clearly identifiable photographs have been taken of fishers in the Blue Hills.

The fisher cat is not a cat, nor does it fish. The fisher, *Martes pennanti*, is a member of the weasel family (*Mustelidae*). It is much more closely related to weasels, otters, martins, and mink than it is to any cat. The name fisher cat likely originated from the French term for the related European polecat: *fitchet*. An adult male fisher may grow to 15 pounds and four feet long. Females are slightly smaller. Fishers are formidable predators and chiefly prey on small mammals found in the forests that fishers require. A luxurious coat covers the fisher's well muscled body. Fishers have all the speed and agility to catch squirrels on the ground or high in the trees. Their retractable, ever-sharp claws do not dull when walking or running on the ground, and allow to the fisher to run through the treetops. These sharp claws likely helped create the name "fisher cat". Fishers can swivel their rear feet 180° and, unlike a cat, descend a tree head first (MDF&W<sub>1</sub>, nd).

Squirrels and chipmunks are favorite prey, but fishers will readily prey on rabbits, snakes, mice, rats, birds, and eggs. Fishers are the only animal to regularly hunt porcupines. An experienced fisher can deftly wrestle a spiky porcupine onto its back and then attack its vulnerable belly. Ever the opportunist, fishers will also eat fruit, insects, carrion and suet (MDF&W<sub>2</sub>, nd).

Fishers can be active at any time of day or night. They tend to be more nocturnal in the summer and diurnal (active during the day) in the winter. Like many mammals they are most active at dawn and dusk (crepuscular). Stone walls, tree cavities, hollow logs, and brush piles are used as dens, but activity continues all year as fishers do not hibernate (MDF&W<sub>1</sub>, nd). Fishers are solitary and only seek the company of other fishers during the mating season. While fishers are not very vocal, they occasionally make a "gremlin-like growling screech" when defending food or territory (York, 1996).



A fisher cat (*Martes pennanti*) on the prowl (photo courtesy of MassWildlife/ Massachusetts Department of Fisheries and Wildlife)

Mating season occurs in February and March. Females mate within days of giving birth, but her fertilized eggs will not begin to develop for nearly a year (delayed implantation). A litter of one to four blind, helpless and barely furred kits will be born in the late winter. Their mother will nurse them for about four months. By five months of age the kits will be nearly as large as their mother and ready to fend for themselves and begin their solitary lives (York, 1996).

Fishers were once common throughout the region, but disappeared from much of southern New England by 1800. While fishers were a common component of the lucrative North American fur trade it was likely the wholesale clearing of New England's forests that extirpated the fisher. As we have seen so often: removal of the habitat lead to the removal of the species (MDF&W<sub>1</sub>, nd).

By 1900 many New England farmers had left for greener pastures to the west. Others moved to the cities. Many New England farms were simply abandoned. Red cedars and white pines began to grow in the pastures as the landscape returned to the forest that it once was (MDF&W<sub>1</sub>, nd). As the forest returned so did many of the animals that once lived in it. Some species needed a little help. The Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (a.k.a. Mass Wildlife) has worked for years to reintroduce many extirpated Bay State

species. Reintroduction projects for wild turkeys, bald eagles, and peregrine falcons have all met with success. Fishers did not need such help.

Fishers moved into western and central Massachusetts from healthy populations in Vermont, New Hampshire and the Adirondacks of New York (York, 1996). Fishers are now found throughout the commonwealth, with the exception of the islands. The Bay State has some of the highest fisher population densities recorded anywhere in North America (York, 1996). Fishers have even popped up in Brookline and other urban areas of eastern Massachusetts (O'Brien, 2005).

Fearing urban and agricultural barriers would keep fisher from naturally recolonizing their state Connecticut conducted a fisher reintroduction program in 1988. Using revenue generated by the sale of wild turkeys to the state of Maine (for a reintroduction program) CT Department of Environmental Protection purchased fishers from New Hampshire and Vermont (CT DEP, nd). Rhode Island has benefited from the Massachusetts and Connecticut populations. Fishers are now common throughout the Rhode Island mainland (RI DEM, nd).

While fishers are amazing and fierce predators many people have attributed them almost supernatural powers. Fishers are solitary.

They do not form hunting groups to bring down large animals. A fisher will feed on a large carcass (e.g. deer carcass) whenever one is found (MDF&W, nd). Fishers do not attack large dogs or people, but they will prey on cats and cat sized dogs (MDF&W, nd). Even though fishers are known to eat raccoons evidence suggests that they rarely contract rabies (York, 1996). More work is needed to definitively answer this question.

To avoid conflict with fishers (and other wild-life) follow a few simple rules. Keep your cats in the house, rabbit hutches and chicken coops secure. Do not leave dog or cat food outdoors (even on a deck or porch) as it will attract fishers... and raccoons, skunks, opossums, foxes and coyotes and rats. Bird feeders attract squirrels and chipmunks. Squirrels and chipmunks will eventually attract a fisher. This is not a problem unless you keep rabbits, poultry, outdoor cats and/or small dogs.

Follow the same rules at camp. Do not leave food, food packaging or dirty dishes out. Keep your campsite clean. Cook and eat meals away from the tents. Follow all the rules that you would when camping in bear country. Such etiquette will also reduce negative interaction and conditioning of raccoons, skunks, opossums, foxes and coyotes. It's just good outdoor manners.

Today fishers are well established in south-eastern Massachusetts, but they are not often seen. With so many red squirrels and chipmunks, fishers would eventually re-colonize Cachalot. The huge, continuous forest created by Cachalot, Myles Standish State Forest, Camp Squanto and adjacent protected lands may likely become a fisher stronghold in south-eastern Massachusetts. Even in areas where fisher populations are dense few people are aware of their presence. Keep your eyes and ears open and maybe you'll find some tracks or even see one chasing a red squirrel through the pitch pines.

Cachalot is a wondrous place filled with countless memories and wild beauty. With the return of the fisher, it has recently reclaimed a bit more of its former wildness. 🐾

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*years, and has been active both in Scouting and in several biology- and natural history-related organizations including the Society for Conservation Biology and the Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles.*

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Below: Fisher tracks in the snow near Abner's Pond at Camp Cachalot, February 2009. Note the 4" pocket knife for scale. (Photo courtesy Dennis J. Wilkinson, II)





# Collectors Corner

*So, There Was This Camporee in May of '64...*

At most Scouting events, the attendees receive a patch or some other item of memorabilia to add to their collections. The May 1964 camp-o-ree that was ended abruptly by the evacuation of Cachalot was no exception.

The patch, shown below (visit our web site for a color version of the picture) is a simple white shield shape with blue borders, red lettering, and a metallic-gold thread fleur-de-lis, about 3"x 3 1/2" in size. Some examples of the patch will be found with one corner singed; this was

done by some camp-o-ree attendees as a reminder of the fire.

This was a well-attended camp-o-ree, with around 700 in attendance, so the patch is not especially rare as camp-o-ree patches go, so they do occasionally show up for sale or trade. Got one in your collection? 🖱️

*Tip o' the campaign hat to alums Manny Bagaço and Everett Graviel for their help with this column!*



## Labor Day Family Camping

*Members-only Access to Cachalot for Alumni and Their Families*

Once again, on Labor Day weekend (September 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>, 2009), Narragansett Council is opening up Camp Cachalot for the exclusive use of the members of the Camp Cachalot Alumni Association and their families. Our family camping weekends are pretty laid-back affairs, and give you the opportunity to let your family see "the place we know so well" and enjoy a weekend camping, hiking, and swimming out at Cachalot. Full information about our family camping program can be found on our web site at

<http://www.cachalotalumni.org/events/familycamping/>.

These weekends are free to all of our registered members.

In return for use of the camp, we try to take on a small service project to help improve the facility for year-round use by the Scouts. This Labor Day weekend, we plan to wrap up

what we started over our Memorial Day family weekend and finish putting a coat of paint on the two Winter Cabins. We'll supply the paint and supplies, and we hope you'll volunteer to give a hand if you come out. Participation in the service project is optional as always, but if you do plan to help out, plan to bring out clothes suitable for painting in, and if you have a brush or roller you can spare, that will help ensure we've got enough equipment for everyone. We try to limit the service project to about 8 hours total; help for some or all of the time is appreciated, but we want you to be able to spend time with your families, too—that's the point!

If you do plan to attend, please RSVP by sending us an email with your contact information at [familycamping@cachalotalumni.org](mailto:familycamping@cachalotalumni.org). If your registration is not currently active, be prepared to renew it when you arrive.

See you at Camp! 🖱️

## <sup>Very</sup> A Brief History Of...

*The Cachalot Cheer*

Just a quick bit of history this month. But first: what's the best camp?

*Give a yell, give a yell  
Give a good substantial yell  
And when we yell we yell like this  
And this is what we yell:  
El-amen, El-amen, El-amendiego  
San Diego, Baby in a high chair!  
Who put her up there?  
Ma, Pa, Sis-boom-bah!  
Cachalot, Cachalot, Rah Rah Rah!*

That's the "Cachalot Cheer", and anyone who has been to summer camp in recent history has heard it quite a few times. If you attended camp before the 1980s, however, you may never have seen or heard this at all. You may have even heard similar-sounding cheers at other camps or even as a patrol cheer. How did we end up with it?

As already suggested, what we now know as the Cachalot Cheer was introduced in the early 1980s by Tom Johnston. Tom was the Wamsutta District Executive at that time, and was also the Summer Camp Director. He adapted the cheer, and promoted it in the summer camp program guide. By his last season in the summer of 1984, it had become a part of the skit, song, and cheer lexicon out at summer camp, and it's been with us ever since.

Tom has since moved on to other things in Scouting, including writing articles on Canoeing and Winter Camping in the mid-1980s refresh of the *Boy Scout Fieldbook*. He's currently serving Scouting in upstate New York with the Greater Niagara Frontier Council. Fellow alum, former Camp Director, and current Cachalot District Executive Peter Ashworth had the opportunity to talk to Tom about the cheer recently. While we've found examples of similar cheers dating back more than 60 years, Tom's inspiration was his training troop cheer from National Junior Leader Training at Schiff Scout Reservation in 1971 (although the call for that cheer was "What's the best troop?"). He saw the need for a cheer for Cachalot and adapted that one. He also says he's never used a similar cheer anywhere else since.

Do you have an idea for a future *Brief History Of...* column? Did you notice that we missed something in one of our previous columns? Are you interested in joining our History Committee and helping us describe even more of Cachalot's story? Send an email to [curator@cachalotalumni.org](mailto:curator@cachalotalumni.org)—we'd love to hear from you! 🖱️

*A big thank you to Peter Ashworth for his help tracking down some of this information!*

# Memorial Day Memories

## *Alumni Families Enjoy a Fun Weekend, and Cabin 2 Gets a New Coat*

Our Memorial Day family camping weekend was a bit quieter than usual this year, with only six alumni families making the trip out to Cachalot for some or all of the weekend (quite a few of the more-regular attendees had conflicts with the weekend running early this year). Despite the small turnout and colder-than-expected weather (not to mention clouds of pitch pine pollen blowing out of the trees on Monday morning), everyone had a

good time and we managed to re-paint most of the exterior of Winter Cabin 2, a task we plan on wrapping up at our Labor Day weekend in September.

A few folks showed off their Dutch Oven prowess, kites were flown, and marshmallows were roasted with musical accompaniment around the campfire. Cachalot's wild population even got in on the act: a pair of

wild turkeys made several appearances, strutting right on through the camping area a few times during the course of the weekend. You'll find a picture or two on this page.

Labor Day is another opportunity for our members to head out to Cachalot (see the story on the opposite page), and we hope you'll join us! 🦃



Above: Cachalot Alum and District Executive Peter Ashworth blows out the candles on his birthday cupcakes.



Alumni kids enjoying the beach (left) and flying kites in Tom Cullen Field (right).



Below: One of the two wild turkeys that paid us several visits over the course of the weekend.



# Were You a '76er?

*Cachalot's "Class of 1976" Plans Reunion at Homecoming 2009!*

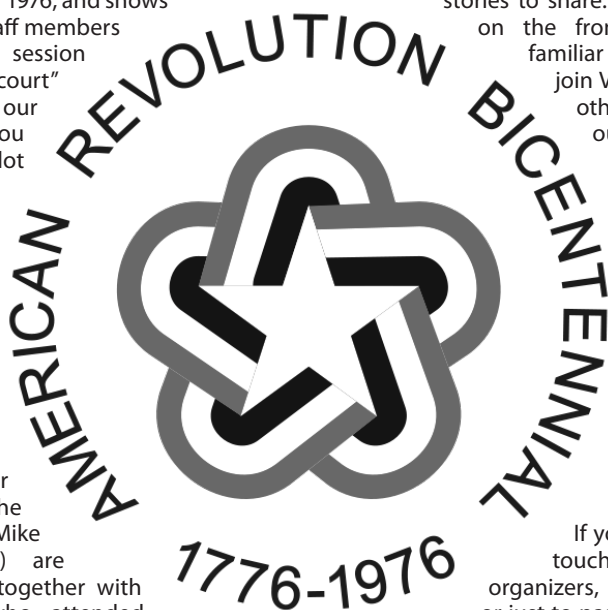
That scene on our front cover was provided to us by the mustachioed gentleman in the shiny crown: Mike Viera, Cachalot's Summer Camp director in 1976, and shows several of the staff members dressed for a session of the "royal court" during a meal in our dining hall. If you were at Cachalot during the summer of the bicentennial, hopefully that brings back a few good memories of your time at camp!

Vic Sylvia and several other members of the staff of 1976 (Mike Viera included) are hoping to get together with other alums who attended summer camp at Cachalot in '76, staff and campers alike, to catch up on what's

happened to you since. They'll have their staff yearbooks, a few photos, more than a few memories, and probably a few tall-tales stories to share. So, if that scene on the front page looked familiar to you, please join Vic, Mike, and the others on July 11<sup>th</sup> out at Cachalot at our alumni Homecoming (all the details are right there on page 1).

If you weren't there in '76, but you might know someone who was, please pass the word along!

If you want to get in touch with the reunion organizers, with questions or just to pass along a "hello", you can drop an email to Vic at



## 2009 Staff Scholarships Available

*\$750 in Total Awards to be Presented*

We're proud to once again offset two scholarships to members of our summer camp staff who will be attending any post-secondary education this coming fall. As with last year, two scholarships can be awarded, the \$500 Thomas P. Whelan Chairman's Scholarship and the \$250 Alumni Association Scholarship. Staff members interested in getting an early start on their applications can find a downloadable copy on our web site at <http://www.cachalotalumni.org/about/scholarship.php>. Applications will be available at camp as well, and must be turned in to the Camp Director no later than the end of the third week of summer camp.

Our scholarships are possible through the generosity of our members. Donations to our scholarship fund are always welcome and are tax-deductible. If you'd like to donate, have questions about the scholarship program, or would like to join our scholarship committee, please contact us at [staffscholarship@cachalotalumni.org](mailto:staffscholarship@cachalotalumni.org).

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