

SUNDIAL SUMMER 2017

**From Papa Bear to
Nobel Peace Prize Nominee:
David Ives, '90 -'00**

**'It is through the
actions of individual
citizens that the
world will change.'
- David Ives**

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Approximately one year into my service as Executive Director, I have had the privilege to sit across from hundreds of alumni and hear their Camp stories. I feel especially enriched to hear firsthand stories about Freddy. I find myself wishing for a time machine so that I too might absorb his wisdom and hear his views on current issues. I draw strength from the knowledge that in the life of LAJF, Camp Rising Sun, and the world around it have made it through many hard times. CRS can feel like a utopia, shielded from the world's challenges. In many ways, camp itself was, and remains, an innovation in the face of adversity. The politics of the world have shaped Rising Sun from its inception. Freddy purchased the property just before the stock market crash of 1929. He later remarked that if he had waited, the money would have been lost. Camp was founded during a point in history when there was great economic disparity between the wealthy and all others. Rather than live a lavish lifestyle, Freddy invested in the creation of a camp, in the first season to be named Camp Rising Sun.

In 1940, Freddy offered protection until the end of the war to five boys from England. In preparation, he amended the by-laws to include "The corporation shall have the power to render financial assistance and to furnish food, shelter, clothing and lodging and otherwise aid and assist subjects of any country who are victims of religious or political persecution and intolerance, or are victims of war conditions in their countries or elsewhere." While there is no record of the boys arriving, the fact that Freddy was so altruistic should not be forgotten.

Over the years, Freddy experimented with different ideas and approaches. In many cases in the evolution of the Rising Sun program, necessity was the mother of invention. Hiring male staff during the years of universal (male) conscription in the United States (1942-45) became particularly difficult. Perhaps it will surprise you as it did me to learn that it was due to this adversity that Freddy innovated our tradition of Campers running anything that didn't truly require adult supervision, hence the leadership roles for campers (and there were more such categories in the 1940s!) Finally the impossibility of travel between Europe and the U.S. led to the recruitment of CRS's first Latin American Camper.

The war shone a light on inequality and so in 1947 (the same year that Jackie Robinson "integrated" professional baseball in the U.S. and the year *before* Blacks were allowed in the U.S. Army) Freddy announced in the Sundial that CRS would welcome Black American campers. Freddy summarized that the executive committee of LAJF believed "that as the barrier of race was in direct conflict with our stated philosophy, that it should be recommended to Camp to welcome humans of any faith or race."

One of our most vaunted alumni – Pete Seeger – took issue with the fact that our definition of "humans" still did not include girls, and as a result boycotted Camp for many years. As the world progressed, it impacted CRS and paved the way for a girls program. In the 1980's, the stock market flourished and the LAJF investment portfolio grew considerably. There was an excess of funds and the decision was made that it was finally time to open a campus for girls. The funds were not adequate to fully fund two camps, however, the motivation to provide the opportunity to girls prevailed. In hindsight, this is when LAJF should have begun its fundraising efforts.

Bringing the story up to date, the collapse of 2008 put Camp, along with large swaths of the world, into a period of adversity from which we have not yet rebounded. For our U.S. program it meant canceling a season –for the first time ever– in 2009. The wonderful Danish Camp Stendis had its tenth and final year that summer. The Stendis Program founded terrific innovations which have carried forward into the current programs.

These anecdotes from the Camp Rising Sun history, authored by Rick Richter, are offered here to remind us that Camp Rising Sun has survived through international conflict, isolationism and financial crises, often for the better. Challenges and limitations lead to new ideas and creative solutions. We should be strengthened by this knowledge and confident that, like our predecessors, we endure this adversity and emerge, surely changed...but for the better.

I do not aim to be like Freddy, as no one can replace a founder. I only wish to lead the organization into the future and assure its sustainability. I am excited by the opportunities and challenges which lie ahead of us. With our community working together, I have no doubt that we will emerge from any challenge stronger and wiser.

Warmly,
Helene Mattera '97, '98, '00, '01, '10-'12, '15, '16, LCSW
Executive Director, The Louis August Jonas Foundation

Dear Fellow Alumni of Camp Rising Sun,

I'm often asked by friends why it is that I continue my involvement with a summer camp that I attended for one summer thirty years ago. Over time I have developed a 60-second explanation. I explain how CRS offered me the chance to be part of an exceptional international community in a place outside the normal demands and distractions of the normal world. That it opened my mind and challenged me to reconsider things that I took as givens and how it laid out a path for me, though it was not obvious to me at the time.

I then describe the talk given to us on the way back to NYC on the last day of Camp. Ed Capp, then the Executive Director, explained to us that we were all now part owners of Camp Rising Sun. This was stunning news to me. I was from a working class family and owned very little. As a 16 year old my concept of ownership was limited solely to "rights" and it seemed to me that a vast treasure had been handed to me at no cost other than a summer spent in a place that was better than I perhaps deserved.

It took some time for me to understand that ownership demands responsibility. That hook had been set in 1987 but it took me several years to notice it. Inevitable questions follow – "how is it that I never heard of this place before?" or "how can my son/ daughter/ niece/ nephew apply?" or most commonly "How were you so fortunate to have been chosen?" My stock answer to the latter question is "serendipity."

Thanks to the tireless work of volunteers and staff, this summer will bring us 120 campers from perhaps 40 different countries. Most of them are currently unaware as to how their lives are about to be impacted. These campers will work on projects, attend instructions, share hard won lessons around the Council fire, chop wood, go on hiking trips and take part in late night conversations in their tents. They will be enriched by the experience and return home to lives that have been changed in ways that are often not immediately evident but which can be traced over time through their many choices.

The world clearly needs more people now who understand the importance of building bridges rather than walls. There will be plenty of time in life to consider that which divides us. For the summer at least they can focus on those things that bind us together.

We keep these campers and future generations at the center of our decision making. I'm proud to say that we are on track for our third balanced budget in a row even as we devote more funds to the upkeep and improvement of our facilities. We have conducted a comprehensive engineering study on the Clinton campus and are pleased to announce that modest investments in maintenance and improvements over the next several years will provide us with a campus that can ensure generations of future campers a place to experience CRS for themselves.

We are experiencing a global uptick in both camper applications and alumni applications for summer staff positions. I'm also happy to note that our alumni have proven generous in their financial support. In short, there is much to celebrate and many to thank.

This wouldn't be a proper President's letter if I didn't point out that much remains to be done and that it is we as alumni who provide the time, talent and treasure that keeps CRS vibrant. Fortunately for me sharing the load is deeply embedded in our culture. We learn the importance of helping others and thereby ourselves at CRS on day one as we seek people to help carry our beds and luggage to tent hill.

Most of our volunteers come to discover today that spending time working with other CRS alumni on reunions, local alumni activities and fundraising really isn't all that much like work. Perhaps that's because we learned early on that scrubbing pots, or even bathrooms, isn't that bad as long as you're doing it with the right group of people.

Warm regards,
Damian Brennan '87, '91-'95
President, The Louis August Jonas Foundation



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It has been a little over a year since the Alumni Council was reestablished. In the past year, we have held meetings to discuss how best improve communication, the CRS program, the alumni community.

The council has come a long way in this short time! We hope that our efforts will continue to better the communication between our alumni associations, LAJF, and the Camp program, to help ensure the continued success of CRS.

Our greatest strength is our vast alumni community, which is why the council continues to spend a portion of our meetings identifying new and innovative ways to expand our membership.

If you would like to represent your country/region, or if you want to know whether your Alumni Association is currently represented, please reach out to us.

We also encourage individuals in regions without an alumni association to participate.

THE ALUMNI COUNCIL AND GOVERNANCE REFORM

A current discussion topic is the Ad Hoc Governance Committee's proposal for governance alterations with regards to the board of directors.

The proposal includes representation of the Alumni Council on the board of directors in the form of a ex-officio non-voting member to ensure a closer relationship between the direction of LAJF, CRS program, and our global alumni community.

Additionally, this helps facilitate a closer connection between the alumni community and the LAJF leadership, and ensures even greater diversity across the board.



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JOIN THE ALUMNI COUNCIL

If you or anyone from your local association would like to join the Alumni Council, contact: Mads Nissen at mnissen@lajf.org.

THE ALUMNI COUNCIL'S MISSION

- To provide a vehicle for developing local Alumni Associations;
- To create a measure of prevention against future disconnection between LAJF and the alumni community;
- To drive communications out to, and increase engagement from, the local alumni associations; and
- To serve as a formal forum for feedback between the Board of Directors and the Alumni Community.

AN INTERNATIONAL AND ONLINE PLATFORM

As our alumni community is an international community, our meetings are conducted via teleconference and a web-meeting platform.

Our goal is to have representation from all over the world. Through discussions and working groups we have found that meetings held over weekends are usually easier to schedule across time-zones.

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2016 SEASON REVIEW

CAMP STARTS WHEN CAMP ENDS: Campers reflect on the impact of 4-weeks at Camp

"In the beginning and before Camp, I didn't understand why people said it was amazing. After a month, I realized what they meant and I made over 50 brothers and sisters from all over the world. Camp opens your heart and mind so people aren't so judgmental and everyone feel closer to each other, because we look beyond the differences."

— Emil Dzhangozov (New York)

"When I was selected to Camp Rising Sun I thought it would be my best summer ever. I was right. I loved every moment of camp and loved all the people there. I wish I could live those moments again and again. But this camp is not just about the 4 weeks, it is the beginning of something...something bigger."

— Bálint Hederics (Hungary)

"Camp became my home. It was an adventure that helped me become stronger and to not be afraid to stand up for what I believe in. I learned so much. It's a place where I found a family. It's a place full of memories that I will forever cherish."

— Ariana Berumen (California)

"Camp is so beautiful. I crossed a mountain, lit a fire, spent a night in the woods alone, slept under the stars, became a family with 80+ brilliant young souls and learned about love. But it goes much beyond that."

—Yanxi "Rosemary" Chen (China)

"Camp was the best thing that happened in my life. I learned so many different skills. I met my long-lost sisters and brothers I never knew existed! There are no words that can describe the love I have for that camp and all the people there. Leaving camp was one of the hardest things I have ever done (even worse than moving countries), but it is never goodbye, only see you later!"

—Rebecca Van Der Hagen (UK)

FOUR-WEEK PROGRAM

For the past two summers, Camp Rising Sun has been operating two consecutive 4-week sessions on the Clinton property.

The decision to continue operating for the next five years under the 4-week model as part of the strategic plan involved input from the alumni community, including a survey of alumni associations, individual alumni discussions, feedback from 2015 camper program evaluations, staff reports and input from LAJF staff. We believe this program model best suits our needs in this moment of time.

Operating two 4-week sessions in 2015 and 2016 challenged us to rethink how to accomplish our goals by adapting our well-established program model. Necessity is the mother of invention. The 2015 and 2016 leadership teams implemented 6-day weeks, creating 5 "Camp weeks" and allowing the community to move through the stages of group development with weekly Council as an anchor.

The 4-week model gave us an opportunity to build a co-leadership model in which two sachems collaborate to lead. The innovation provided incredibly meaningful growth in communication and interpersonal skills between sachems. The roles of Projects and Instructions sachems were added giving campers great community responsibility in managing important program areas.

Campers and counselors were compelled to make the most out of every day at camp, which was demonstrated through the high volume of additional instructions, discussions, and activities coordinated on rest days and during self-structured time. Our talented staff, with support from the Program Committee, will continue to improve upon the 4-week delivery of Camp Rising Sun.

Thanks to all the campers and staff for an amazing CRS summer, and a big thanks to all of our amazing counselors for all their hard work. We also want to extend a huge How How to all the alumni who supported Camp as volunteers or visiting instructors over the summer. We look forward to seeing how you put your leadership skills into action in the future!

SACHEM SPOTLIGHT

Tiancheng Zhou, Shanghai

"Part of the Camp's magic was that hot discussions on all kinds of deep topics can be evoked anywhere, anytime. Digging deeper on these topics, we found diverse cultural backgrounds to be the main underlying reason. So this was a glimpse of camp diversity, enriching our community at every instant. As it came to me, diversity helps people learn and appreciate each other, as well as our world, harmoniously with open minds and hearts.

"Food and clothing were the most explicit embodiments (体现) of cultural diversity (文化多样性). Twelve campers hosted a weekly dinner, with one cultural dish each. From that, we were able to learn recipes that taste authentic. Representing China, I cooked Chicken Chow Mein (鸡肉炒面) and Sweet and Sour Pork (咕咾肉). In turn, I learned to make British shortbread, Japanese carbonados, and Korean BBQ. But most significant of all, diversity was evident in everyone's mindset."

Ian Porterfield, Colorado

"CRS is the most influential and incredible program I've ever had the honor to attend. The opportunity that directly impacted me the most was being project sachem. Along with my good friend from New York, we completely remodeled the unused drama cabin on site into a functional performance and work studio. I remember the day when we walked in and had an epiphany that this had to be our camp project because it was unused.

"We went to the Project Counselor with our project idea and she jumped with joy that we were going to do this. I felt happy and welcomed to be at CRS. From this experience I gained knowledge about design, remodeling, organizing, scaling, cleaning, and various forms of physical handiwork that went into the remodeling project. CRS made my ideas become a reality and it inspired me to achieve what I thought was impossible."



2016 PROGRAM REVIEW

RISING OF A FLAME

Song written by 2016 campers and alumnus Adam Stickler

Verse 1 :

Too many flames
Too many strange faces
Too many songs
Too many unknown places
The sun was too hot
The bells always ringing
The moments of silence
Before people start singing

Chorus (2x):
Boom Boom Boom
The rising of a flame
Footsteps march
And nothing is the same

Verse 3:

The wax drips down my fingers

I hold in the pain
Wonder where we're going

Hoping that it will never rain

I've come to love it here

Where the crazy dogs roam
And sisters share cultures

In a place we all call home

Boom Boom Boom

The rising of a flame

Footsteps march

And nothing is the same

Boom Boom Boom

The rising of a flame

Oceans lie between us

But the feeling will remain

Boom Boom Boom

The rising of a flame

Rising Sun

We won't forget the name

INSTRUCTIONS

Instructions are vital to both learning and leadership at CRS. Through giving an instruction, campers practice leading and teaching their peers. They also develop self confidence, critical thinking, introspection, and consideration of the needs of others. Through attending a variety of diverse instructions, campers expand their artistic and intellectual horizons and brainstorm ideas for how to apply these new skills after camp ends.

Instructions are not just for campers! Alumni are welcome to join us for a day at camp as a visiting instructor. Adam Sickler ('11, '12) visited camp this summer to lead a songwriting workshop. *Rising of a Flame* is the song that was created from the instruction and performed at the weekly variety show.

If you want to give an instruction on something that you are passionate about, then visit the Alumni/Volunteer Opportunities page of the website for more information. We are always looking for enthusiastic alumni to pass the spirit of CRS to new campers!

INSTRUCTION BOARD

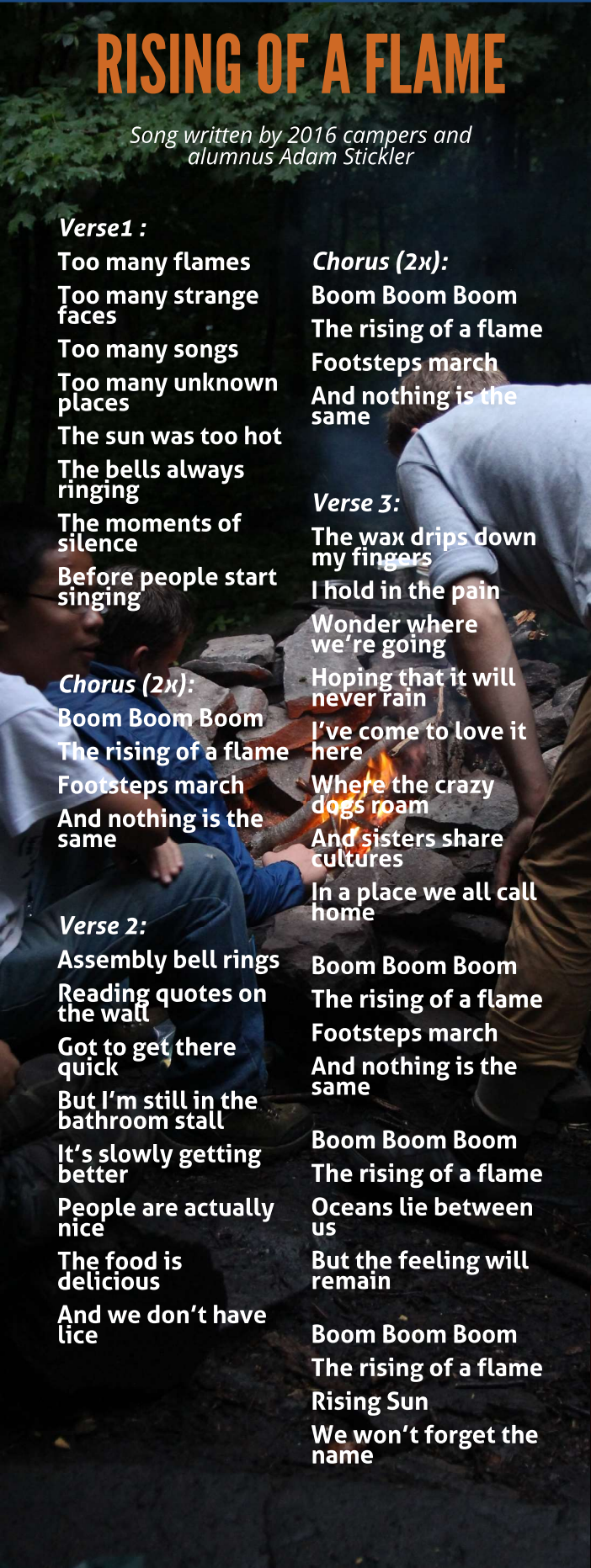
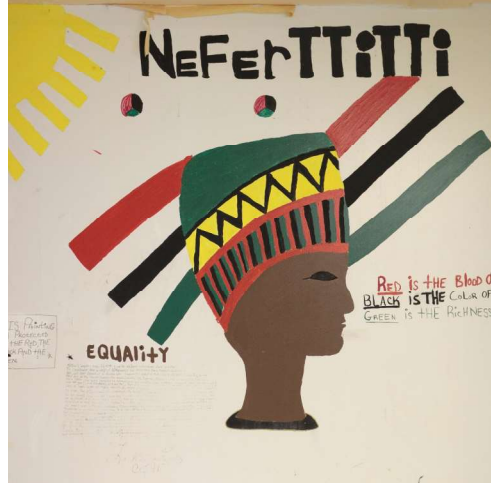
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- Hip Hop Dance
- The Hard Problem of Consciousness
- Transitional Justice
- The Ethics of Psychology
- The Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

PROJECT TIME

One of the beautiful aspects of project time is its ability to connect campers across seasons. In 2015, the campers worked together across two 4-week seasons to produce a new mural on the gym wall highlighting monuments from the countries represented at camp. The vision started by the boys' session was completed at the end of the summer by the girls' session. In 2016, the theme of collaboration across seasons continued. In the first session, a group of girls renovated the bathrooms in the drama cabin by repainting the walls and installing a new toilet and sink. The boys' session built upon this idea by renovating the cabin into a more functional performing art space, Ian Poterfield ('16) explains on page 9.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

- **Tree House:** A new tree house was built behind tent hill
- **Art Cabin:** The Cabin was renovated to open up more workspace and storage
- **Bridge Repair:** Repairs were made to the creek bridge, built in 2010
- **Vigil Trails:** All trails and vigil sites were cleared and new signs were painted for Red Hook and Clinton vigil site names
- **Peace Garden:** The Peace Garden was given a new archway and mosaic centerpiece with the help of Helene Mattera, our resident Mosaic artist
- **Tire Swing:** A new tire swing was built along the path to tent hill



ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS

JOIN YOUR LOCAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Many regions and countries have a local alumni association that arranges social gatherings, select campers and fundraise to support Camp. For a list of all alumni associations, or to find and contact your association, visit the [Alumni Network section](#) of our website.



The California Alumni Association



The Minnesota Alumni Association



The New York Alumni Association



The Dutch Alumni Association



The Hungarian Alumni Association welcomed back their three campers in September 2016. In the autumn, they reached out to schools to spread the word about CRS, and They conducted their selection in February. "It is always a fun event for the whole alumni body!"



The Colorado Alumni Association has grown these past few years, welcoming numerous campers into the CRS family. From recruitment to celebration, the Colorado Alumni Association has been busy fostering an association strong for parents and campers pre and post camp. Most recently some of our alumni have made great strides in living out the Camp Rising Sun Spirit. Colorado is proud to have such an awesome group of alumni!



The Israeli Alumni Association



The Danish Alumni Association



The Utah Alumni Association has plans to re-organize and have more ongoing events and communication.



The New Mexico Alumni Association



The Peruvian Alumni Association



The Spanish Alumni Association is on Facebook! They update information about the Association, alumni, and other news on their Facebook page. Follow and share their page with your friends, and visit their website <https://crs-spain.org> "Lots of love from España!"



The German Alumni Association

Alumni Association locations:

- Barbados
- California
- China
- Colorado
- Cyprus
- Denmark
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Hungary
- Iran
- Israel
- Japan
- Korea
- Minnesota
- Mississippi
- Netherlands
- New Mexico
- New York
- Norway
- Peru
- Poland
- South Africa
- South Carolina
- Spain
- Sweden
- Turkey
- United Kingdom
- Utah
- Washington D.C.

ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

"Being awarded the George E. Jonas scholarship means a lot to me and my family. CRS has always been in my heart. What I show to the college community is being able to work with one another, embracing who I am, and being able to pursue the role of a servant leader."

- Jose Galarza '11, '15, '16



THE GEJ SCHOLARSHIP

If you are an undergraduate or graduate student studying in the USA, you can apply for the GEJ Scholarship! The scholarship fund is dedicated to the memory of George E. ("Freddy") Jonas.

Thanks to the generosity of the George Lurcy Trust and CRS alumni and friends, the scholarship is available for all CRS Alumni, including former summer staff.

The GEJ Scholarship selection committee values intellectual ability, character and future promise of fostering the values of CRS. Visit lajf.org/gej-scholarships for more information.

THE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM LEGACY CAMPER PROGRAM

The Fellowship is an opportunity to learn about the nonprofit field while executing a project that will further the work of LAJF.

Launched in the summer of 2015, Fellow projects have included the Vigil Letter outreach, drafting the Camp Director's Handbook, and the re-design of lajf.org. We love to hear about what our applicants are passionate about to build an experience that they will truly enjoy.

Fellows are compensated for their work and must be alumni of at least 18 years of age. If you are interested, you can find more information at lajf.org/fellowship-at-lajf.

Do you want to give your child or grandchild a chance at the same wonderful experience you had at Camp Rising Sun?

Our Legacy Camper Program is an opportunity to do so!

Legacy campers join the community for one or two weeks during the summer and partake in all camp activities and experiences!

Legacy campers are an important part of our community that helps to strengthen intergenerational ties.

Email us at apply@lajf.org or call us at +1 (212) 686-1930 with questions.

JOIN A COMMITTEE

Alumni take an active part in shaping LAJF and CRS through participation in Committees. Being part of one is a great way to give back to the CRS community. Current committees include: Alumni Relations, Audit, Health & Safety, Building & Grounds, Finance & Investment, Fundraising, GEJ Scholarship, Program, Selection Policy, and Strategic Planning. If you would like to join a committee, email us at contact@lajf.org and we will put you in touch with that committee chair.

JOIN THE ALUMNI FORUM

The CRS Alumni Forum was developed and launched in the summer of 2015. Currently, the Forum has over 600 members and more than 3,150 posts on a variety of community-related topics. Dedicated volunteers Sarah Utterman- Merritt ('02, '03, '12-'15), Orian Marx ('97, '98), and Inna Kuvich ('01, '02, '06), show us that the spirit of alumni coming together to work on a project is not limited to being at Camp!

<http://forum.risingsun.org>

The Forum provides alumni an online space to come together and have meaningful conversations on various topics. The Forum is a platform for open dialogue and communication amongst alumni, LAJF staff, and the Board of Directors. Through great and respectful debate, much feedback was gathered and incorporated into a plan for the sustainable future of CRS.

CONNECT WITH THE ONLINE COMMUNITY

Join the CRS online community. Here are some ways to do so:

• Social Media:

- **Facebook:** "Like" and follow us on Facebook to receive updates. Alumni interviews, events and more are posted weekly on the [Camp Rising Sun Facebook page](#).
- **YouTube:** This summer, the LAJF Video Fellow will be creating videos for the [LAJF/CRS YouTube channel](#). Subscribe to the channel for new videos!

• **Newsletter:** Are you receiving our monthly newsletter with the latest updates and future events? If you are not, email contact@lajf.org to subscribe

• **LinkedIn:** Join the [Camp Rising Sun Alumni LinkedIn group](#) to connect professionally with CRS alumni across the globe.

• **CRS Alumni Forum:** The [Alumni Forum](#) is a virtual meeting place for our CRS community. It is moderated and run by alumni.

"I was an '81 and '82 CRS camper, and am a proud parent of a '16 legacy camper. As a parent of a girl, I am very happy and feel blessed to have had the CRS experience and to watch my daughter have a similar, but truly unique CRS experience all to her own. The specific activities and location of the camp have changed, but the CRS values, teachings and spirit is just as strong as I remember it. Thank you, CRS, on behalf of myself and my daughter. How How."

-Marc Filerman '81, '82.

"Working with the Foundation has been an extremely rewarding endeavor. I encourage everyone to join a committee and be active in their alumni association during this time when Camp Rising Sun needs us the most."

*- Jonathan Robertson '97, '98, '05
Buildings and Grounds Committee*



THE LEGACY OF GEORGE E. JONAS ("FREDDIE")

Bottom photo, caption, and essay by Vittorio Maestro '61-'63



Vittorio Maestro '61-'63, with Helene Mattera '97, '98, '00, '01, '10-'12, '15, '16

Freddie engaged with campers through self-deprecating, easy-going joshing and serious, one-on-one conversations. His weekly Council talks invariably reflected his serious side. I picture him rising after a suitable interval of silence, stepping forward to gaze into the campfire, and tucking his hands into the pockets of his slacks. Foremost among his words of wisdom was the philosophy, "It is better to light a single candle, than to curse the darkness."

A political expression of that sentiment might be, "Think globally, act locally." Good advice, if you aren't easily discouraged by the magnitude of the darkness. Freddie also espoused—and modeled—a spirit of giving: acting with kindness toward others has its own rewards, whether or not it can change the greater darkness.

With modesty, Freddie worked hard to sustain the camp in ways of which we were only dimly aware. During the year he traveled, lobbied, met with Camp selection committees, and visited individual alumni. Summer was no vacation for him either. In the Old House, as it was known, his small room had two single beds, one of which served only as a surface for sorting little piles of official papers to attend to and letters to answer.

Outside, he often seemed to relax by setting himself down on the edge of the lawn and weeding what was within reach. He referred to himself as the Janitor. These were times he was happy to talk informally with campers who joined him with weeding.

While we campers were not hit over the head with what camp aimed to do for us, or what (if anything) was expected of us in return, the shared activities of the camp season helped impart



Camper Paul Smith '61 (left) and Freddie exchange hats and glasses. They are traveling on the Hudson River Day Line, which took many campers downriver to NYC at the end of the season.

"The philosophy of camp is a very simple one, and it is that all of us seek happiness. We believe that in helping someone who can use help, one is already rewarded."

values, such takeaways as exemplary leadership, a broadened view of community with other peoples and cultures, and a readiness for giving (or "paying forward," to use a currently popular expression).

As it turned out, however, one can be too tactful in expressing goals. In 1962, my second season at camp (in those days many campers from New York City and "upstate" could apply to return for a second or even third year), questions arose as to what the purpose of camp was, or what it ought to be. This was despite Freddie's Council talks and even publication, in the camper newspaper, of an explicit list of four "Objectives of Camp Rising Sun." One of these was "to demonstrate by action a strong working philosophy of living." In fact, Freddie had in mind a particular philosophy, but conveying this by action alone was not foolproof.

The season ended with a debate still raging for many who had attended that summer. In the first issue of the post-camp newspaper, *The Winter Sun*, one camper complained that "it took us seven or eight weeks to finally realize why camp existed and a number of us are not sure even today."

The fourth issue of *The Winter Sun* was devoted to camper-counselor responses to the questions, "In your opinion, does a specific camp philosophy, remaining fairly constant from season to season, exist? If so, what is it and how has it affected you? If not, are there any factors that bind the 30 individual camp seasons?"

Printed last was a response received from Freddie, who expressed puzzlement that the 1962 campers could expect to arrive at a valid conclusion without, for instance, canvassing alumni of at least some of the past years:

"The answer to the question of whether camp has had a constant philosophy over the past 33 years can only be answered by one person, and the answer is a clear and firm 'YES.' The philosophy of camp is a very simple one, and it is that all of us seek happiness. We believe that in helping someone who can use help, one is already rewarded.

"That asking the recipient of help to pass on to others what has been given to him frees him from any sense of having accepted charity and encourages him in turn to discover the joy of giving. . . .To hear [this philosophy] preached is quite different from seeing it in action."

That I know it works has been the experience of my life. This is what I am offering boys to try out. I do not ask a boy to accept this approach to living on faith. He is merely asked to try it out for at least his stay at Camp and, I should hope, a fair test in living with other people. If, having tried it out, he finds helping others brings him no sense of purpose in life, I can see no reason to reproach him. ■

TESTIMONIAL: A PLACE OF LOVE

Written by Monica Janvier '15, '16



"The reason I love CRS is not its treehouse, which is great for watching sunsets, or the Health and Wellness Center, which is a great place to sneak in for air conditioning on hot days. It's because CRS is a community of love and acceptance."

I had to come back once more and break away from my "old, cautious, Brooklyn, New Yorker-self" to understand and accept this beauty. The CRS community does not end in July or August but continues through the years. It still supports me, and it still amazes me how much hope, sincerity and love I see in the eyes of every CRS member that I meet. At times, I cannot believe that I am lucky enough to be a part of this community.

The first time I arrived at Clinton was in 2015, when I was 14 years old. I was in an unknown place with strangers. I didn't understand what made CRS so special. It seemed a bit strange why a random bunch were placed in Clinton for four weeks. When the camp counselors and 2nd Year campers greeted us, I noticed their gleaming smiles as they sang and clapped along to upbeat songs. It was like we stumbled into an awkward musical.

On the first day of camp, they said we were a family, but they didn't look like *my* family members. I didn't even know their names. I was skeptical at first and didn't understand why complete strangers would be nice to others. However, what scared me most was that everyone loved to give hugs.

Most of the campers seemed affectionate, and when I saw them forming a human pyramid in the gymnasium on day two of camp, I had an internal battle with the idea of joining their pyramid—a part of me wanted to join because camp is supposed to be fun, and these people looked like they were having fun. I knew that as a camper, I was supposed to have fun too.

The other part of me wanted to stay guarded and return to my old, cautious, Brooklyn, New Yorker-self. *Keep away from strangers!* my innermost Monica warned me. But at camp, I felt stuck and there was no way to get me out of this corner since they pulled me in with loving, kind, and welcoming arms.

"I failed to realize that they wanted me to think for myself and to make my own decisions. I wasn't used to that...but CRS forced me to challenge this impulse and to 'Be my own Sachem.'"

"We were all individuals from different corners of the world, yet we all managed to find a place in Camp Rising Sun."

I had to hug back. Not only was it difficult to get accustomed to the new atmosphere, but it was also difficult to adjust to the new roles I took as a camper.

For example, at the beginning of camp, I constantly asked the counselors for permission to do things such as go use the bathroom, go to the Health and Wellness Center, or do my laundry. They all respond: "Be your own Sachem," or even more bewildering, "Ask the Sachem of the Day." *What the heck is a Sachem?* I later learned the Sachem is a camper who is the leader of the day.

At first, I thought the counselors were being rude because they didn't answer me. I failed to realize they wanted me to think for myself and to make my own decisions. I wasn't used to that; I was used to immediately looking towards an authority figure to receive answers. CRS forced me to challenge this impulse and to "Be my own Sachem."

Sitting around the Council Fire in 2016 as a 2nd Year, and feeling its warmth, I began to discover more about the world of CRS. I had to return back to understand more of why I loved this place so much.

During this year, I played a big-sister role and led the first-year campers. I gave them hugs when they cried from homesickness—even when they were timid to hug back. I talked with them when they felt out of place and didn't yet understand that we are a community. They thought that this was a strange place—and I agreed, but it's a strange place of love, and we are lucky to find it. I listened to them when they shared their deepest secrets, worries, and fears. When they asked me for answers I said "Be your own Sachem."

I thought the second summer was going to be a breeze since I was an old hand at it. At the beginning, I felt I had to be a perfect role model for the first year campers. The pressure was intense. It was more difficult than the first year, but the rewards were richer.

I had to return and sit around the same Council fire to see the other side of the magic that camp created. We were all individuals from different corners of the world, yet we all managed to find a place in CRS. During this camp season, we all suffered the same pressure, the same anxiety, the same hopes, and the same fears.

With these shared emotions, we became a family because when you talk, eat, sleep in a tent, and share a home with an intriguingly complex and loving diverse group of people for four weeks, you will become bonded to this group forever. Although we were each unique and different, I became molded into a part of them, as they became molded into a part of me. ■

FROM PAPA BEAR TO NOBEL PEACE NOMINEE: DAVID IVES

Written by Pete Comas '89

“WHAT DRIVES ME IS THE POSSIBILITY OF SMALL MIRACLES THAT MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN PEOPLE’S LIVES.”



David at 2017 CRS Maple Syrup Day in March.



David with Rebecca Abbott and Liam O'Brien. They won the 2008 Emmy Award for their documentary *My Life is My Argument*.



David at Camp with fellow alumni.



David in Guatemala in 2008.

David Ives ('90-'00) did not win the Nobel Peace Prize last October, but if the 2016 nominee had won he says that “part of the reason would have been because of my work at Camp Rising Sun, and my work at bringing kids over from countries in conflict.”

Prior to becoming the executive director of the Albert Schweitzer Institute at Quinnipiac University in 2002, David led the Louis August Jonas Foundation for over a decade. As the face of Camp Rising Sun from 1989 to 2000, he helped guide more than 1,200 campers through the camp program. His work with the Schweitzer Institute, he says, is a natural continuation of his service to LAJF.

“I have wondered whether Freddy knew or was thinking about Schweitzer when he talked about his philosophy of the spirit of giving, thinking rationally about the problems in the world,” says David. “They were contemporaries. Schweitzer would have been publishing books around the time that Freddy started the camp, and I always wondered if there was a connection philosophically between the two.”

At Quinnipiac University, David is charged with implementing Schweitzer’s ideas on a worldwide basis. “Schweitzer had a reverence for life,” David explains. “He was a philosopher, a theologian – and always looking for ways to help people resolve differences without violence. Schweitzer believed we are all life among life, and that if we have awe for one another then it’s more difficult to kill.”

In 2008, David won an Emmy award as the executive producer of the documentary “Albert Schweitzer, My Life Is My Argument.” He is a weekly commentator on international issues on WQUN-FM radio in Hamden, Connecticut, and he has co-edited two books, *Nuclear Proliferation and the Dilemma of World Peace in the Twenty-First Century* (2009), and *Reverence for Life Revisited* (2007).

Known as Papa Bear to the many alumni whose lives he touched, David was named to the LAJF Emeritus Board this January. “It is quite an honor to be granted this status from an organization I love so much and which continues to have such a great impact on young people around the world.”

Born in Lake Placid, New York, in 1951, David grew up in Ohio, where his family relocated in 1956. As a teenager, he and his family toured protestant missions in South America. The experience opened his eyes to a level of poverty in which he could not conceive of living, compared to the wealth of the United States. As a result, a career in community service became his calling.

David earned a bachelor’s degree in social work in 1973 and a master’s in counseling psychology in 1975, both from The Ohio State University. Five years later he joined the Peace Corps and was stationed in Costa Rica. What he saw in Central America in the 1980s – social unrest, government corruption, the lack of political will to serve people – changed him forever.



“...IT IS THROUGH THE ACTIONS OF INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS THAT THE WORLD WILL CHANGE.”

Since his return to the United States, David has been intimately involved with the Rotary organization. In 1987 he was named executive director of the Rotary Peace Forum, where he set up peace conferences in Africa, Australia, India, and Japan. And it was through the Rhinebeck Rotary Club that David created the annual Nicaragua School Construction Project. The project brings volunteers to Central America to build schools using Ecobricks, plastic bottles stuffed with non-biological waste.

“The local community makes the bricks out of empty plastic bottles – they are fairly hard and well insulated, but they are also quite flexible and can withstand earthquakes of up to about 6.5 on the Richter scale. Plus, they are expected to have a much longer life than traditional clay bricks. So far, we have built about 15 schools in Guatemala and Nicaragua.”

While he has had to battle health issues over the past several years, there is no quit in David, and it appears that his activism and service are only increasing. In addition to his work at the Schweitzer Institute and Rotary, he serves as the senior advisor to the youth program for the World Summit of Nobel Peace Laureates, an annual gathering of past prize winners such as Jimmy Carter, Mikhail Gorbachev, and Oscar Arias.

Earlier this year, David took several CRS alumni including LAJF Board President Damian Brennan ('87, '91-'95) to Bogota, Colombia, for the 16th annual summit. “I hope to be able to take many more CRS alumni in the future. Every world citizen is invited to attend, for it is through the actions of individual citizens that the world will change.” ■



David with President Jimmy Carter in 2016 at the Jimmy Carter Center for Peace Studies in Atlanta, Georgia.



David at a LAJF/CRS board meeting in New York City.

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GIVING: FAQ

“CRS inspired me to be the best version of me, expanding my horizons, and learning more about the world. It has given me countless gifts and I look forward to paying it forward as much as I can. This is truly a life-changing program.”
- Cristián Mendoza Gómez '15, '16



For over 80 years, LAJF has been committed to helping young people grow intellectually, ethically, and globally. We do this by operating Camp Rising Sun, our full-scholarship, summer innovative international leadership program for teenagers from more than 25 different countries and 10 U.S. states. Each summer, 60 young men and 60 young women practice leadership skills in a supportive community of peers and counselors.

The mission of LAJF is to develop in promising young people from around the world a lifelong commitment to compassionate and responsible leadership for the betterment of their communities and the world. We seek to:

- Foster an appreciation of both diversity and our common humanity
- Expand intellectual horizons and heighten artistic sensibilities
- Develop leadership abilities and self-reliance in a safe environment
- Offer and demonstrate a philosophy of living to serve society through the pursuit of humanitarian goals

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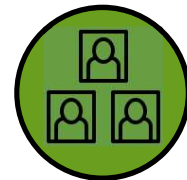
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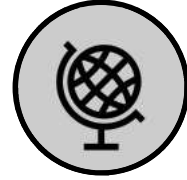
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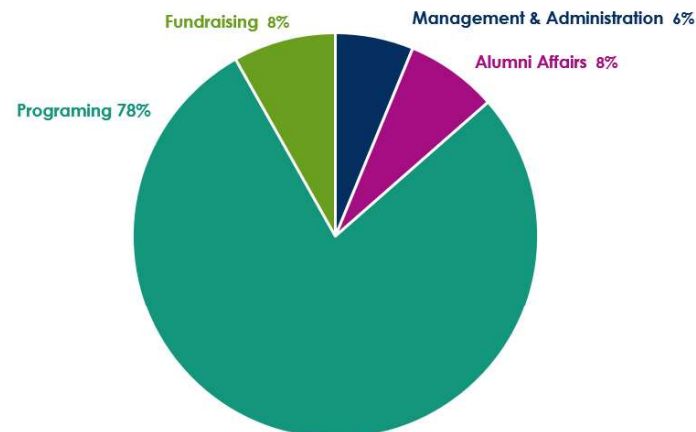


535 Alumni



BREAKDOWN OF EXPENSES

Total expenses: \$1,084,748



2015-2016 Expenses	Amount
Total	\$1,084,748
Program	\$848,960
Fundraising	\$88,779
Alumni Affairs	\$79,434
Management & Administration	\$67,575

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Here are some frequently asked questions about giving to the Louis August Jonas Foundation. Should you have further questions, email us at contact@lajf.org.

Q: Where does my donation go?

A: The LAJF 2016-2017 budget is \$1.2M with 60% going to Camp, 15% to Alumni Affairs, 15% to Fundraising, and 10% to Administrative expenses. Approximately 50% of the total expenses are funded through portfolio returns, meaning that incoming donations go directly to the Camp Rising Sun program.

Q: Why does my participation matter?

A: The success of the annual operating fund for Camp Rising Sun depends on the participation of every constituency – Alumni, Board of Directors, parents, staff, friends and corporations. Your yearly gift demonstrates your commitment to the mission and signifies Camp Rising Sun's strength as a community.

Q: If I can only make a small gift, is it really worth it?

A: Yes! Each year gifts range from \$5-\$100,000 so you are encouraged to give at a level that is meaningful for you. Every gift matters.

Q: Can I direct my gift to a specific area of the budget?

A: Yes. Currently you can direct your gift directly to programming, alumni engagement or facilities improvements.

Q: Can I set up an automatic recurring gift?

A: Yes! From our online donation page, select "Make this a recurring donation deducted," and then select an option from the drop-down menu: weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually.

Q: How can I make a gift?

A: You can make a gift in a variety of ways including check, credit card, Paypal, money orders, wire transfer, securities and stock.

Cash: Most community members choose to give their gift as cash, in the form of a check, credit card or Paypal. Visit our website: www.lajf.org to make a gift online. Checks or money orders should be made payable to the Louis August Jonas Foundation and mailed to:

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THE FIVE YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN

There are several committees of the Board that deal with specific aspects of Camp. One of those committees is the Strategic Planning Committee (SPC), which presented its draft recommendations to the Board at the alumni reunion this past July. That draft was circulated to the community as a whole and feedback was received from several regional alumni associations as well as from individual alumni. After incorporating that feedback into their final presentation the SPC presented its final report to the Board for adoption in October. You can find a copy of the committee's final report and supporting documentation on the forum at:

<http://forum.risingsun.org/topic/366-feedback-requested-on-2016-strategic-plan/>

To summarize the plan to its most basic points, we need to take the following steps in order to be able to reopen Red Hook:

1 – Fundraising: Increase annual fundraising to \$1m - \$1.1m to cover the operating costs of running two camps.

2 – Comprehensive Site Plan: Once we prove our ability to raise contributions on that scale we can move on to developing a comprehensive site plan for Red Hook that includes an analysis of the buildings that should be renovated, which ones should be replaced and what replacement buildings would be required.

3 – Capital Campaign: Once that site plan is finalized we would begin a capital campaign to raise the funds necessary to perform all of the work required to make Red Hook a suitable environment for CRS again.

4 – Maintain Camp Operations: While we are working through these issues it is critical that we continue to operate CRS in a manner which is true to our history and culture, and which continues to provide the highest quality Camp program to the promising young people chosen to attend CRS. This means investments in the Clinton facility, fundraising and program development.

This plan is within our reach. We have achieved fundraising at this level in the past. The key now, as it was then, is for dedicated volunteers to work together over an extended period of time with qualified staff to approach alumni one-on-one with a positive and achievable vision for the future.

SHORT TERM MAINTENANCE OF RED HOOK

One aspect of the plan deals specifically with how the Red Hook campus will be maintained for the several years that it will take to grow fundraising to a level that could support two campsites. The SPC, in cooperation with the Buildings & Grounds committee, recommends spending up to \$25,000 to more thoroughly protect the buildings against further wear from time and weather. That means moving forward with temporary repairs for leaky roofs, removing or trimming trees where there is a danger of them falling on buildings, installing appropriate locks to protect against intruders, etc. Incurring this expense now will preserve options for us moving forward. If we don't undertake this work now, the buildings will deteriorate very quickly making it prohibitively expensive down the road to renovate them.

As we have noted in previous communications to Red Hook donors, we have maintained those contributions to the Red Hook Campaign in a segregated account. Only expenses related to the renovation/reopening of Red Hook can be paid for from these funds. As of this point there is approximately \$107k in the Red Hook account, with approximately \$70k spent so far on engineering studies, urgent maintenance and other approved expenses. We expect to invest \$25k in this fiscal year from this account to pay for the long-term weatherization of Red Hook. On a go forward basis there will be modest annual expenses for mowing the lawns, pest control and limited utility service. These expenses should not amount to more than \$4k-\$5k per year for the next 4-5 years.

We have also implemented a system for regular visits to the campus by maintenance staff to identify problems as they appear.

We have consistently gone to great lengths to make this process as transparent and inclusive as we can and intend to continue communicating the status of both our overall strategic plan as well as our efforts to preserve the Red Hook campus.

LONG TERM MAINTENANCE OF CLINTON

As part of our strategic plan, we needed to assess the viability and sustainability of the Clinton campus. LAJF retained an engineering firm with significant experience working with camps in the region to conduct a comprehensive study of the Clinton campus.

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES:

- Fulfill the mission: Annual summer programs for 60 boys & 60 girls
- Set foundation for CRS sustainability into the next century
- Engage with alumni throughout the planning process
- Increase fundraising to support two camps
- Preserve and grow investment portfolio

We set out to answer the following questions:

- What is the status of the major systems and buildings at the campus?
- How much ought we to budget over the next several years to catch up on deferred maintenance and to resolve any problems uncovered by the engineering study?
- Is the Clinton campus in sound shape so that, with reasonable investments in maintenance and improvements, provide us with a viable long-term option for CRS?
- If we wanted to grow the program at the Clinton campus what is the current theoretical camper and staff capacity?
- How much should we plan on setting aside for the long-term maintenance of the campus?

The engineering firm has returned a draft of the report to us. The Buildings and Grounds Committee and the Board have discussed the draft and it has been released to the CRS community. It's a long document so the B&G has taken the liberty to summarize some of its key findings here. The final report will be completed in time for the BOD meeting this summer.

Overall the report provides good news. The main systems and buildings are in reasonably sound shape. There were some pleasant surprises such as a much lower cost estimate to update the gym. The bottom line is that the Clinton campus, though in need of significant maintenance over the next few years, provides a safe and healthy environment for campers and staff. That means that the improvements required, though not insignificant, should be within our projected financial means to complete.

At our request the engineers have divided the recommended work into three categories:

- 1) work that can be handled by our caretaker;
- 2) work that can be completed by CRS volunteers under the supervision of our caretaker and the B&G committee (This is in keeping with the request of some alumni who want to personally help with the work.); and
- 3) work that should be done by outside contractors.

In 2016 the Strategic Planning and B&G Committees recommended that we budget \$100k per year for five years in order to fund annual maintenance costs, to catch up on deferred maintenance and to make necessary improvements - of the \$100k, approximately \$40,000 is for annual ongoing operations

“CRS's infrastructure and buildings and grounds provide a viable base to which improvements can be made. Although improvements will be a significant expense, with careful budgeting and planning in the next five years, CRS can be restored, revitalized, and prepared to expand and flourish for many more years to come”
-Clinton Site Evaluation, 2017

expenses and the remaining \$60,000 will be spent on improvements. We are happy to note that the recommended fixes called for by the engineers fit within that anticipated budget.

We don't yet have a firm estimate as to the final amount of money that the LAJF should set aside as a long-term capital reserve. That will depend, in large part, on some decisions we need to make regarding some of the existing buildings. It is our understanding that this number will be easier to substantiate once we make certain decisions and complete the recommended work. It is our intent to continue funding our capital reserve fund while we develop the final estimate as our reserve is currently very small (~\$70k) and will need to be expanded steadily over time.

Currently, the Program Committee is comparing and contrasting alternative summer operation models. A sub-committee is considering options for extending the LAJF mission beyond the camp season. The Alumni Relations Committee, The Alumni Council and LAJF staff are collaborating to increase capacity for alumni engagement and enrich the relationships between alumni associations and LAJF.

We will work towards a 4.8% draw by year five. We are currently drawing 5.5%, which had been a prudent amount; however, the new conservative target is 4.8%. Absent extraordinary circumstances, planned gifts will now be invested in the portfolio rather than considered as annual operating support. We will continue planning for a zero deficit budget. In FY15 and FY16, we experienced budget surpluses and will continue to identify cost saving measures.

NEXT STEPS IN THE STRATEGIC PLAN

Now we have solid data on our campuses. What happens next? The Board, Strategic Planning, Finance and Investment, Buildings and Grounds, Program and other committees will consider the engineering evaluation and program recommendations over the next several months. We will discuss their implications with staff, volunteers and the alumni. Alumni can discuss this on the Alumni Forum. After reviewing the information the Board will come to a decision about budgeting for the 2018 season and beyond.

We look forward to hearing back from alumni and to seeing many of you at upcoming reunion and volunteer events. There is plenty of work that needs to be done and we appreciate the efforts of all folks who can pitch in with their time, talent and treasure. ■



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Jan Peter Bosman: CRS 1963, 1966

Jan Peter Bosman passed away on October 12, 2016. He was a camper in '63 and counselor in '66. After his time as a counselor, he was at the center of the still small CRS community in the Netherlands - at least in my experience after 1971. When Freddy visited the Netherlands, Jan Peter was always present. We also had various alumni gatherings at his home. He had a serious car accident at one point, after which his direct involvement and presence at the alumni gatherings became less and less. - *Written by Harrie Hamstra*

Herbert Leeds: CRS 1931-1932

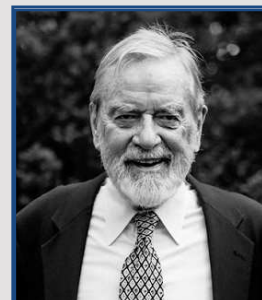
Herbert Leeds passed peacefully October 5, 2015, at age 98, in Bloomington, Minnesota. As a youth, his leadership qualities led him to CRS, in which he retained life-long ties and devotion to. He attended Columbia University and, from 1942 to 1946, served in the U.S. Navy- where he met and married Dorothy, his wife. Throughout his life, he served the community, wither it be serving on a board, or donating resources to organizations. - *Excerpt from The Star Ledger*



Roque Miño: Volunteer Selector

When Roque Miño, a Camp selector, first heard about CRS, and that up until 1995, the only campers that represented South America in our program where from Perú, he had the vision to see it as an opportunity to bring Ecuadorian youth together with kids from all over the world, especially from Perú. During those years there was a war between Ecuador and Perú, and Roque, as Freddy did in 1930, thought that the best way to help our countries come together, was by encouraging young people with an experience like CRS.

McKinney Hearn Russell: CRS 1945-1947



McKinney Russell died on February 17, 2016, at the age of 86. He was fond of saying that he “started in the same year as Camp.” In the summer of 1959, he came to Camp bearing a wonderful gift: a recording device the campers used to record the sounds of the summer and the reflections of campers, staff and LAJF founder Freddie Jonas. It is thanks to McKinney that we share *The Sounds of Rising Sun – 1959*, even today via our online archives. He made an indelible mark on all who had the pleasure of meeting him. He served CRS and LAJF in every way conceivable. Most of his grandchildren have attended CRS as Legacy Campers, including his granddaughter Ruby, who will attend this summer.

Jens Nørgård-Sørensen: CRS 1971

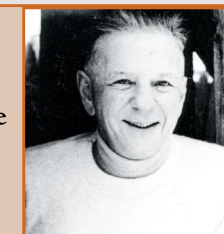
Jens Nørgård-Sørensen passed away in August 2015 of a heart attack. Jens was one of the most prominent academic leaders in Slavic Studies, a dedicated teacher, and an active organizer of educational and research networks. Jens was Chair of the Danish Camper Selection and a beloved leader in the alumni association.

Lynne Montrose: Volunteer Selector

Lynne Montrose passed away in 2015 after a long battle with cancer. Lynne was involved with Camp through her daughter, Shana ('99, '00). Lynne was a dedicated and passionate volunteer who led camper selection in Colorado. To many Colorado alumni, Lynne was the heartbeat of the association. She is greatly missed by all who knew her.

Robert Treuer: CRS 1939

Robert Treuer passed on January 8 2016, in Duluth, Minnesota, at the age of 89. He was a CRS camper one year after immigrating to the US to escape the Holocaust. In 1979, he relocated to the Bemidji, MN area where he became active in the local community. "He is remembered for being an inveterate (and creative) storyteller, an advocate for Indian people, and -no matter the difficulties or dangers or indignities that life posed- a man who always believed in equality and justice." -*Excerpt taken from the Star Tribune*



ALUMNI NEWS: BEINGS & DOINGS

1940's



Bill '40-'42, '77-'86 and Nancy Dubey, & Tim '78-'79 and Helen Wong

Bill, a former LAJF Executive Director, and his wife Nancy shared a meal with Tim and Helen Wong in San Diego, California. Tim is serving his third term on the LAJF Board and is Chair of the Finance and Investment Committee.

1950's



Rick Ritcher '50-'53 Rick is currently writing the latest version of the Camp Rising Sun History. He enjoys visits from Alumni (pictured here with Scott Lopez-Gelormino), and will give his annual Instructions on camp history and the college process this summer!

Sol Solomon '51 Sol is now Professor Emeritus of Medicine & Pharmacology at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis, where he still remains active as chief endo. He just turned 80.

1960's



Nita & Rick '61 Luis, Ginny Qing Ling '99 & Bianca Chan '13 The Luis' enjoy visiting alumni around the world. "It is a wonderful opportunity to update and demystify confusion about LAJF operations and establish relationships. We learn a great deal from the input and questions we get from alumni. This past year, we were fortunate to meet with alumni in Hong Kong (pictured), Uzbekistan, and France. We look forward to seeing Dutch alumni again in late April. We have also visited alumni in

China, England, Ghana, India, and Spain and enjoyed the World Reunions in Germany and Hungary. We also enjoy the fellowship at NY reunions, Board meetings during our U.S. travels, and at our MN CRS gatherings."

Christopher Allen Puello '68 Since 1995, Christopher has been teaching middle- and high school math in New York City public schools. He is also the primary caregiver for his mother and brother, a US Army Veteran. In 2007 he published the book *Papers from a Harvard/ Yale Man*, and in 2008, *Scholarly Papers from a Brooklyn College Columbia MBA Analyzing Selected Political & Business Issues of the 20th Century*.

Chuck Wardlaw '69 Rana, Chuck's daughter, married Drew Smith on October 29, 2016. They traveled to Singapore, Indonesia and Japan on their honeymoon. This June, Chuck and his wife Sonja are celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary. Chuck served on the LAJF Board for two terms and remains Chair of the Audit Advisory Committee.

1970's

Tom Berger '78, '14-'17 After one year as SVP BD EMEA in Genomic Data interpretation with Molecular Health, Tom started as a General Manager for CERNER Germany in Berlin. CERNER is one of the worlds largest hospital IT enterprises. As a guitarist, he kicked off *The Police Project*, as 2017 is the 40th anniversary of the band The Police. He just started his second term on the LAJF Board.



Tony Bonilla '74 '75 Tony is currently the Program Director of Clinical Immunology at the Boston Children's Hospital. Tony and Carmen recently married this past summer. He serves on the LAJF Board leading its evaluation process and is Chair of Health and Safety Committee.

Tim Connors '73 2016 blessed Tim with his sixth second-generation offspring. "I owe a world of thanks to Katie, Ryan, Steve, Amy, Mike and Krisiti for the gifts of Bem, Maeve, Keating, Paige, Abby and Sam." Tim also visited Tom Berger in his hometown near Dusseldorf, Germany. During the visit, German Alumni Association President Peter Siebel ('94), and German alumni Jens Olinger ('98), shared an evening of CRS comradery and conversation at Thomas' house. Tim is the President Elect of the LAJF Board and chairs the Strategic Planning Committee.



Jay Gammell '71 Three years ago Jay moved 25 miles south of Austin, TX to Dripping Springs. He renovated a 3,000 square foot (sf) town house, excluding the 1500 sf shop and a 1,000 sf car port. He also has a 3,000 sf garden with 20 fruit trees and 60 olive trees. "Life is good, come visit."



involved 20 years after I left and it has been a great experience!"

Mahmoud Mamdani '76, '77 Mahmoud is married and lives on the upper west side in New York City. His one son just graduated from the Trinity School and is taking a year off before going to college. "Get involved in LAJF if you haven't already. I got



Damian Brennan '87, Jason Rosenfeld '86-'87, Robert Schwarcz '87, Hooman Yaghoobzadeh, '87, '88

Damian, Jason, Robert, and Hooman met for dinner while starting to plan their 30th reunion which is being held at camp July 21-23rd. They hope to have a large turnout!



Jens Olinger '88 Jens recently joined the LAJF Committee on Governance, and serves on the German Alumni Association's board. Pictured from left to right: Tom Jones ('12-'13), Peter Seibel ('93-'94), Dorothee Wachsen ('00-'01, '06), Matthias Schulz ('06), and Jens.



Joe Riddle '88, '95, '97 Joe has been working alongside Utah alumni to revive the Utah Alumni Association. Joe serves on the LAJF Board and is Chair of the Alumni Relations Committee. In the photo (clockwise from the bottom), Jessica Crandall Erickson ('06,'07,'10), and her husband John, Lynn ('73) and Natalie Dearden, Glen ('71 - '73) and Jayne Steenblik, Stephen ('71) and Sharon Goodrich, Joseph Riddle ('88, '95, '97), Holly Harris Murray ('01, '03, '04, '10, '12) and Bryce Mildon ('03 - '05, '07), Jim Nielsen ('74).

1980's

Arthur Anthony '87 Arthur credit CRS with changing the course of his life. He hopes that young people from Mississippi can benefit from the Camp Rising program.

Damian Brennan '87, '91-'95, '02, '15-'16 Damian and his wife, Sau-Ying, traveled to Bogotá in early February. They attended the Nobel Peace conference with David Ives ('90-'00) and met up with fellow alumni Daniel Pérez (16). Damian is President of the LAJF Board and loves volunteering at Camp each summer.



Eddie Kilgallon '80 Eddie sends a warm hello to the 1980 Alumni. He writes, "Life has kept me on the road, touring and playing music around the world. My wife Terry and I live outside of Nashville, TN. We would love to hear from any 1980 campers, please drop me an email."



Volker Wahl '85 Volker has managed the German Alumni Association's (AOD) finances for 25 straight years. The AOD's new Board of Directors thank Volker for his long-lasting dedication and service! Thank you and a big HOW HOW!



Benjamin A Smith '86' 87 Benjamin was elected Mayor of Readington Township, New Jersey. His term began in January 2017.

1990's



Christina Busso '93, '94, '99, '05-'15 Christina was glad to attend Alumni Weekend 2016 and looks forward to 2017. She enjoys working at the French International School with her new network and colleagues in Washington D.C.



Carl Manalo '95, '96, '11

This is Carl's 15th year in the New York City public school system, and 3rd year as Principal of Queens High School for Information, Research & Technology. The graduation rate increased 15% during his second year as Principal. He serves an amazing population of 17% special needs students and 28% English Language Learners. Carl also serves on the LAJF Board of Directors and is the Chair of the Program Committee.



Andreas Dalsgaard '95, '97

Andreas was honored to receive Grand Jury Prize on behalf of The War Show at Geneva International Forum For Human Rights. "It's especially an honour to receive it in the city that invented both the Geneva Convention and the International Red Cross. The tragedy in Syria is the crime of our time, and we need laws to fight such crime, pain and suffering to be alleviated, the guilty to be punished and dignity for victims to be restored. Thank you, Geneva!"

Zytoon & Andrea Dalsgaard Denmark/Finlande/Syrie, 2016



Stella Templo '94, '95

Stella is the Executive Officer and Assistant General Counsel at WeWork. This year, she was the key note speaker at the 2015 LAJF Women's Brunch.



Bianca Rey '07

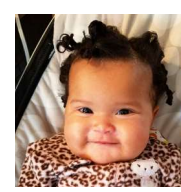
Bianca is featured here with the Visit Team, which includes (from right to left) Gus Haracopos ('79, '80, '87), Mariella Martinez ('92, '93) and Carl Manalo, and Bianca.



Christina Busso '93, '94, '05-'15 & Bor Yang '93 "Shout out to CRS 1993! Lots of love for Bor for meeting me before her flight home. We agreed: 24 years is long enough! Let's ALL go back to CRS for alumni weekend this July."

Shauna Haynes '97, '98, '10 Shauna graduated from Fordham University and works at the Marian Goodman Gallery. She spent last summer working in Northern Spain along the Camino de Santiago de Compostella. "I look forward to a CRS filled year."

Cord Campbell '93 Cord and his wife welcomed a baby girl, Carrie Antoinette. He recently moved to Philadelphia for a new job opportunity, and serves on the LAJF Board.



Nicolle Hamilton '97, '98 Nicolle now lives in San Francisco and caught up with Helene Mattera when she visited Nicolle and other CRS alumni in California this past November. Babies Peter and Elliott will be Legacy Campers together in 2032.



Jeff Orlovsk '99, '00, '02, '06 Jeff's new documentary, Chasing Coral, premiered on January 21, 2017 at the Sundance Film Festival. Critics call it a "stunning cinematic achievement." Both *Chasing Ice* and *Chasing Coral* are available on Netflix.

2000's

Shanique Adams '00 Shanique recently joined Deloitte's anti-money laundering advisory practice.



Rachel Canter '97 '98 Rachel currently lives in Jackson, MS and visited with fellow camper and current Executive Director, Helene Mattera this past December. Rachel is the Executive Director of Mississippi First and a proud mother of two strong little girls.

Ariana HELLERMAN '96, '97, '04 Ariana is a cultural producer and makes arts accessible to everyone. This year, she managed two US State Department cultural diplomacy tours. One was with Rajab Suleiman & Kithara, a band from Zanzibar, Tanzania on a US tour, and another with the New York-based dance company Reggie Wilson/Fist & Heel to Panama, Haiti, and the Dominican Republic. She will produce the fifth season of *Accordions Around the World* in New York City's Bryant Park, beginning this June, as well as other cultural events in public spaces. Connect with her online at www.arianaslist.com or via email at ariana@arianaslist.com.



Dan Pierpont '92 '93 '96 Dan and his wife welcomed a baby girl, Kensington Rose Howlett Pierpont.



David Baharvar Ramsey '95 David lives and works in New York City as a lawyer and mediator. He helped organize the Spring Mixer for the NY Alumni Association, and he would love to connect with any CRS alumni.

Camay Barrett, '05, '11-'14 Camay currently lives in Denmark, though she will be returning to New York City for an internship with Doctors Without Borders over the summer. In Denmark, she is learning Danish and planning on going back to school for her graduate degree this fall.

Chelsea Beyrand '07 Chelsea lives in New York City. She is a Masters in Nursing candidate at Columbia University. She serves on the Health and Safety Committee and is helping to organize her 10 year reunion.



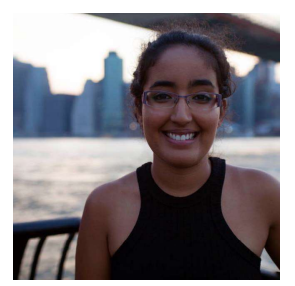
Allison Block-Chavez '97, '98 Allison and her husband, Mo, live in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Allison is an attorney and is currently serving on the State Bar of New Mexico's Young Lawyer Division Board of Directors. She will be celebrating her 20th reunion this year. Pictured at the Winter Reunion in New York, from left to right: Orian Marx, John Michael Reilly, Helene Mattera, Allison Block-Chavez, and Sean Campbell.

Julie "Juki" Kim '91, '92 Julie is at the tail-end of building a new space for her business, Littlefield, a performance and art venue in Brooklyn, NY. She is also opening a bar and restaurant with outdoor space called Parklife. "If you are ever in the area, please stop by and say hi! Stay for a show, drinks and food."

Jonathan Robertson '97, '98, '05 After almost 10 years of working in Oakland, California, Jonathan needed a change. He quit his job, strapped his BBQ onto the roof of his car, and embarked on a lifetime adventure across the US. Reconnecting and staying with, and cooking BBQ for fellow campers made his trip memorable. He now lives in Austin, Texas where he helped open a new office for his firm. He serves on the CRS Buildings & Grounds Committee. He helps LAJF assess and determine a sustainable path forward to the restoration and ongoing operation of CRS.



Elyem Chej '09, '15, '16 Elyem recently finished her degree in Political Science. She is going to pursue graduate studies in Urban Planning to apply the lens of urbanism to refugee issues. She has spent the last few months remotely working as the Social Media Coordinator at LAJF and has loved catching up with alumni. She has also been taking part in a European Voluntary Service project to promote renewable energy based in Finland and is looking forward to seeing the sun.



Liza Franke '90 Liza and Lennert live on a small- hold an hour north of Oslo, with their kids Stein (11), Lotte (10) and Ingvar (5). They have small flocks of turkey, sheep, chicken, and grow vegetables and fruits. Liza runs the farm, and holds food production and preparation courses from the big course- kitchen on the farm. "Anyone looking for a farm experience or wants to visit, please come!"



Helene Mattera '97 Helene and her husband Jon welcomed a baby boy, Peter Mattera Werberg, named in honor of alumnus Pete Seeger. Janiya has been a great big sister and loved spending her time summer at CRS in 2016.

Shana Montrose '99, '00 & Saori Kuramoto '99 Saori and Shana met up in Kamakura, Japan this year. This was their first time meeting since they were campers together.



Sylvia Suarez '97, '98 Congrats to Sylvia on running the New York Marathon this past November!



Kathryn Swanson '98 Kathryn welcomed a baby boy.

Camille Torres '90 Camille is AXA's director of Change Management. She looks forward to reengaging with CRS this upcoming year.



José Sáenz Crespo '01, '02, '12, '13 José and Maia, an artist in Buenos Aires, Argentina, got married on March 18th. José writes that Maia is an incredible woman, and they are happy.

Naomi Gleit '98, '02

Naomi was a camper in '98 and a camp cook in '02. She has been employed by Facebook longer than any employee except for Mark Zuckerberg. She is currently Facebook's Vice President for Social Good.

Naomi leads the team that strives to make Facebook a tool for social good. This is done by incorporating tools that connect people to each other, and various organizations during times of crisis. This includes Amber Alert notifications, Safety Check feature, and the ability to fundraise for a cause one is passionate about. Naomi helped LAJF to use these tools.

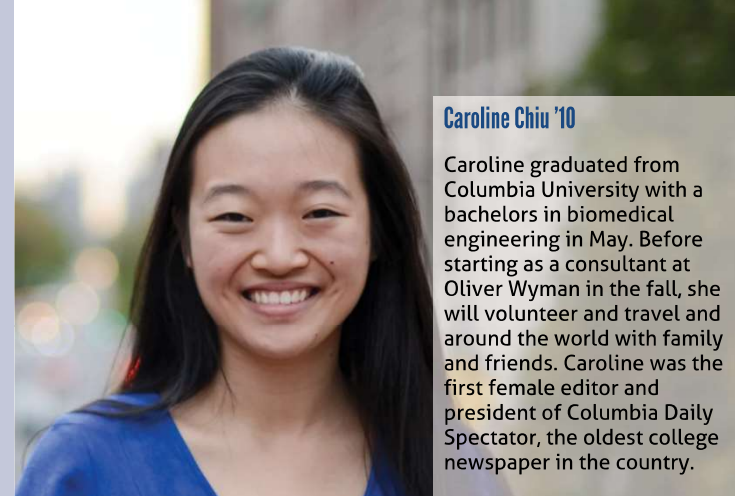
Naomi, in a 2015 Mashables interview, said that Facebook's goal is "to understand how people are already using Facebook for good, identify ways we can amplify that and make it easier, and then execute by building products."

Sheryl Sanberg, Facebook's chief operating officer, said in Fortune 500 Magazine article, that "there are posters at Facebook that say, 'Nothing at Facebook is someone else's problem.' Naomi has always personified this – when she sees that something needs to be done she jumps in to help, regardless of whether it's her team's responsibility."



Sonia Wargacka '10, '16

After a summer of CRS as a staff member in 2016, Sonia is happy to be returning in 2017 to keep on helping campers with projects! She is currently in Bristol, UK, where she studies and works in film production. She keeps on returning to Poland to help with campers' selection, and she is also doing a video fellowship with LAJF this summer. "Expect a lot of amazing videos on LAJF/CRS YouTube channel!"



Caroline Chiu '10

Caroline graduated from Columbia University with a bachelors in biomedical engineering in May. Before starting as a consultant at Oliver Wyman in the fall, she will volunteer and travel and around the world with family and friends. Caroline was the first female editor and president of Columbia Daily Spectator, the oldest college newspaper in the country.

Janessa Schilmoeller '05, '06, '10, '11, '16, Janessa recently got married, finished graduate school, and moved to Columbia, South Carolina, where she is now neighbors with her camp sister, Ashlin Reid '05, '12. She looks forward to her second season as Camp Director.



Tazjuan "TJ" Star '00 TJ joined Related Management in July 2016 as a Multi-Site Property Manager.

Eva Stylianou '05 Last summer, Eva finished her Masters and training, which qualifies her as a therapist. She is currently working both as a child psychotherapist with children that have experienced domestic or sexual violence for a charity, and as a women's therapist for women experiencing anxiety or depression as part of a national health service psychotherapy program run by another charity. She is also about to run a therapeutic psycho-educational group for women survivors of domestic and sexual violence. She has also recently adopted a fluffy and lovable kitten Louis and enjoys living in a very leafy part of London.



Annie Chen '13, '14 Annie finished her second year of college at Yale, studying computer science and education. She's spent the year creating a program to bring computer science education to local middle schoolers.

Nathan Chen '15 Nathan writes he was lucky to go to camp. "Camp taught me how to listen to people and connect with them. Meeting fellow students my age from across the globe was such a gratifying experience, and it is always comforting to know that I have 120 brothers and sisters to lean on. Life begins where camp ends." Nathan will be interning at LAJF this summer to help archive valuable documents and media.

Cardon Furry '13 Cardon is a freshman at Villanova University majoring in mechanical engineering.

Monica Janvier '15, '16 From her time at Camp, Monica has been inspired to travel. She has accepted a Global Navigators Award and will study abroad this summer in Guanajuato, Mexico. She hopes to reunite with her CRS siblings in her journey around the world. Monica also volunteers at the LAJF office.

Jeremy Kaplan '12, '15 Jeremy currently cooks at 1 Hotel Brooklyn Bridge, a new and sustainable Hotel that focuses on seasonal, local ingredients in Dumbo, Brooklyn, New York. He is often reminded of camp while continuing his culinary career, and is making steps to become a culinary instructor in the future, inspired by his major roles in the kitchen at Red Hook '12 and Clinton '15.



Cristián Mendoza Gómez '15, '16 Cristián is a junior at Live Oak High School in California. Since camp, he has been inspired to continue seeking high positions of leadership and to constantly grow. He is the President of his FFA chapter, runs track and field, works at Starbucks, does photography, and helps out with selection for the CRSCAAA. He will spend the next two years at Armand Hammer United World College of the American West. He is excited to start this new chapter of his life.

Katleho Mohale '11, '12, '16 Katleho's NPO, Katleho's GiveTalent, is starting a mentorship program called Enrich Program. The year-long program mentors young leaders in the township so youth can recognize and reach their full potential.



Lydia Vainio '08, '10 Has been back in Finland working for the last 6 months and now looking forward to moving back to New York this summer to start her Master's studies at the CUNY Grad Center. Lydia recently visited the LAJF office in NYC, and is pictured here with Helene Mattera and Ruby Lainez ('10, '11).

2010's

Michael Blazanin '10 Michael received a prestigious Astronaut Scholarship from the University of Minnesota's College of Biological Sciences to continue his study of evolution and microbes.

Tim Bożyczko '11-'16 Tim graduated Nursing School last year and is currently in school working on a second Bachelor's degree in Nursing. He began his first nursing job in March working as part of the Float team at a local hospital. He recently got a Golden Retriever puppy named Sasha.



Inna Kuvich '02, '06 Inna lives in New York City and works in the consumer package goods industry. She travels and volunteers on LAJF committees in her spare time.

Hester Mourik '06, '07, '10, '12, '13, '15 Hester started a new job in politics in November. She writes that her job is a lot of fun, and that she met up with Marisa ('10) and Amanda ('15) Byrnes in Barcelona in December. "We had a great time!"



Mads Nissen, '06, '13-14, '16-17 Mads recently moved to Copenhagen, where he is currently finished his master's degree in Philosophy at the university of Copenhagen. He looks forward to returning to CRS as the assistant camp director this summer.

Liz Opper '06 Liz recently started a new job as an urban/architectural designer in Jersey City, NJ working on large scale residential development projects. This career move will enable me to work on local projects and give me a greater awareness of the city that I live in.

Tomasz Otlowski '06 Tomasz teaches at Regis High School in Manhattan, New York.

Kyle Pogemiller '08, '10, '12, '13 Kyle lives in New York where he is in his 8th year of teaching. He teaches in Red Hook, and teaches with Matt Funigiello ('12, '13). On July 1st, Kyle will marry his fiancé Jeremy Kermani. They plan to honeymoon in Europe in 2018 and would love to meet up with some of the overseas alumni.



Willeke Floppen '05, '11, '13 Willeke graduated from medical school and is exploring new career challenges and opportunities, both locally and abroad. She met her CRS sisters when they visited the Netherlands, like Adriana's ('12, '13) visit to Enschede, where her and Elise ('12, '13) both live. "Sending you all, as the sign on the photo says, 'Love from Enschede!'"

Shari Lewis- Gruss '00 Sharai lives in Queens, New York, working for a Danish engineering company in New York City as GIS specialist.

Marisa Hall '06, '10, '11 Marisa works in HR at Etsy. She loves living in Brooklyn, New York. Her apartment is becoming a greenhouse because each time she thinks about getting a dog, she buys a plant.



Fatema Jannat '06

Fatema is a second year law school student. This summer she will intern at the New York Lawyers for Public Interest (NYLPI). She is excited about this opportunity to work on disability and health justice issues on behalf of predominantly low income New Yorkers.



Megan Perpich '15

Megan is a high school exchange student in Germany. Last June, she studied in Guatemala and Belize to further her Spanish. Since camp ended, she has reunited with nine sisters, and hopefully 10 in April. She hopes to study in India this July, after the exchange year. "Many doors have been opened for me since attending camp. I am grateful for all my opportunities."

Lisa Zhou '13 Lisa has been working to connect the Chinese Alumni Association (CRSCAA). She has managed to establish a WeChat group, currently used by more than 40 alumni! In the past year, the CRSCAA website has also received a refresher, with several new posts and features – like the new Q&A section for interested potential future campers!

Zipei Liu '15 Zipei writes, "I am always heartedly thankful for everything that Camp has taught me and given me."

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Friday, July 21

- Cocktail reception
- Dinner
- Game night

Saturday, July 22

- Board Meeting
- Libby & Mandy Day luncheon
- Instructions, Projects, Council

Sunday, July 23

- Community meeting
- Group outings: Hiking or Wine Tasting

SNEAK PEEK 2017

LAJF will welcome campers from 35 countries and 14 US states this season. Thank you to our selectors around the world for all of the hard work they have done not only to select campers, but also to help guide campers and their families through the preparation process. Without our worldwide network of alumni, Camp Rising Sun would not be possible.

This year, we will welcome campers from:

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| Argentina | Italy |
| Azerbaijan | Japan |
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| Colombia | New Jersey |
| Colorado | New York |
| Dominican Republic | Norway |
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| Illinois | Utah |
| India | Vermont |
| Iowa | Zambia |

Bayanda Mvalo '12, '13 Bayanda started college in February 2016 and is majoring in economics and econometrics. He met up with Ezra Jerome ('12, '13) in August 2016 during his visit to South Africa, and Clare Willan ('12) in January 2017 during her visit to South Africa (featured left). He also works with Katleho Mohale ('11, '12, '16) in partnership with Alumni Relations to revitalize the South African CRS Alumni Association.

Lillia Noger-Onstott '16 Lillia runs cross-country and has made it to state, where she was team captain. She also participated in a youth Shakespeare production earlier this year.



Mark Oppen '10, '11 Mark is currently working with a new telecommunications company specializing in fiber optic submarine cables. In his free time he stays busy with Frankie, his enormous golden retriever.

Ian Porterfield '16 Ian will be attending United World College this fall.

Justin Shin '10, '14-'16 Justin graduated from Bard College this year with a Bachelor degree in Philosophy and Math. This will be his third year as Camp staff.



Haylee Sovell '16 Haylee was inspired to do good and make a difference in the world. She started the charity Race to Raise which brings global awareness to small communities and raises money for over-seas causes. This summer she plans to participate in a 5k to raise funds and awareness. "I remember coming up with the idea when I was sitting in the camper's lounge. I am thankful that I have the CRS community to back me in all I do!"





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