

# The Emerald Bay Chronicle

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## The Cat Came Back

I'm back as editor of the Emerald Bay Alumni Chronicle. You probably didn't even notice that I was gone with the great job Sean Gardinier has been doing over the last several years. Thank you Sean for the wonderful words and great pictures.

Once again, it is my job to keep you, the Alumni, up-to-date with what is going on in camp and in your Alumni organization. I hope that for former staff, looking through these pages will remind you of good times and fond memories and for the newer and current staff, will give you a glimpse of what you have to look forward to. The Chronicle does have an agenda -- to encourage support for Camp Emerald Bay. We hope that you will be motivated to give back to the camp that has provided us with so many opportunities: friendships, adventures, beautiful surroundings and a safe place to grow up. Enjoy the pictures and stories and then consider participating on a work party, coming to the summer reunion or donating to our current project of rebuilding the campfire circle.

Remember to check out the Alumni website at [www.emeraldbayalumni.org](http://www.emeraldbayalumni.org) for more Alumni news and electronic memorabilia.

Please feel free to email me with your thoughts, memories and stories about camp. You can email me at [bob@emeraldbayalumni.org](mailto:bob@emeraldbayalumni.org). See you at camp!

- Bob Fenton, Editor



Camp Doctor Larry Guinney addresses the camp in the campfire circle.

## Rebuilding the Campfire Circle

Some of our fondest memories of camp are of the campfire circle and the campfires that we attended there. The brilliant embers, funny skits, catchy songs and riveting stories have created indelible memories. Though the current staff continues the tradition of great campfires, the campfire circle is in need of repair. If you have attended a campfire recently at Emerald Bay, you know that the benches wobble, the fire rings are crumbling and there is not enough seating for everyone when the camp is full.

The Alumni have committed to rebuilding the campfire circle. The new Emerald Bay Alumni Campfire Circle will be constructed in the same general area as the old one, but will be turned to face the bay. It will be significantly larger, able to accommodate 1,000 campers and staff.

A rendering of the new campfire circle can be found on the inside pages of this newsletter.

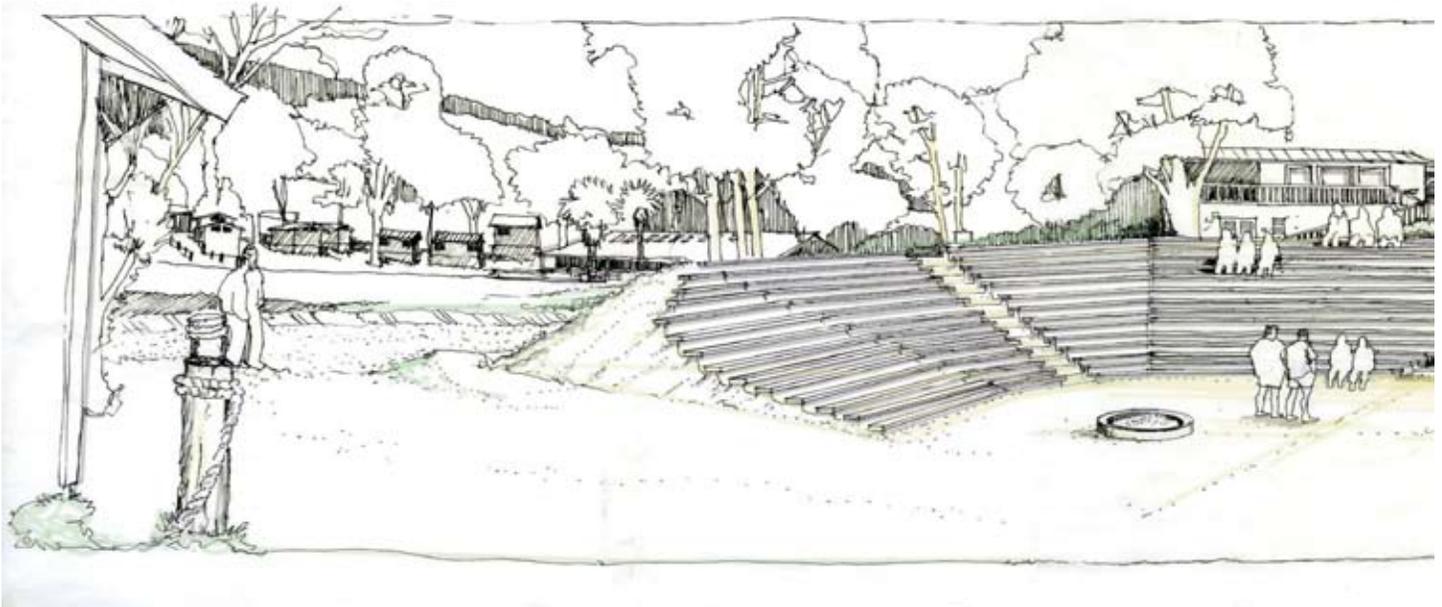
The Alumni is committed to raising \$60,000 to fund the rebuilding. To reach this goal and revitalize this important part of camp, we need your help. This is the EBA's largest fundraising campaign ever, but we know that together we can make it happen. It's important that everyone contribute, no matter the size of the donation. We also have special recognition available: \$1,000 will sponsor a bench, and \$10,000 will sponsor one of the fire rings. These special donors will be recognized with a small plaque embedded in the bench or near the fire ring.

Please visit the special website [www.campfirecircle.org](http://www.campfirecircle.org) for more information and to donate.



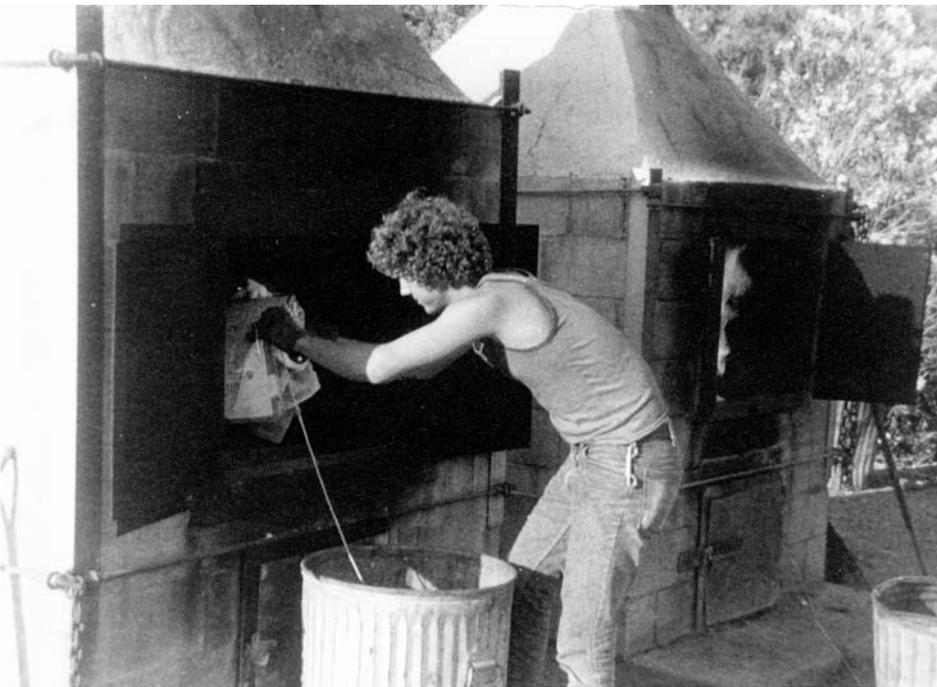


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This is a proposed rendering of the Emerald Bay Alumni Campfire Circle. Be a part of making this a reality.

## Where in Emerald Bay?



Before LCMs took the trash to the mainland, trash was burned in incinerators. Where were the two incinerators located in camp? Need a hint? The bushes to the right of the incinerators are oleanders. Give up? The incinerators were located where the Training Center (The Helm) is now located. The trail to the chapel above North Hill also began there. The maintenance man pictured is Steve Geise circa 1975.

## Calendar of Events

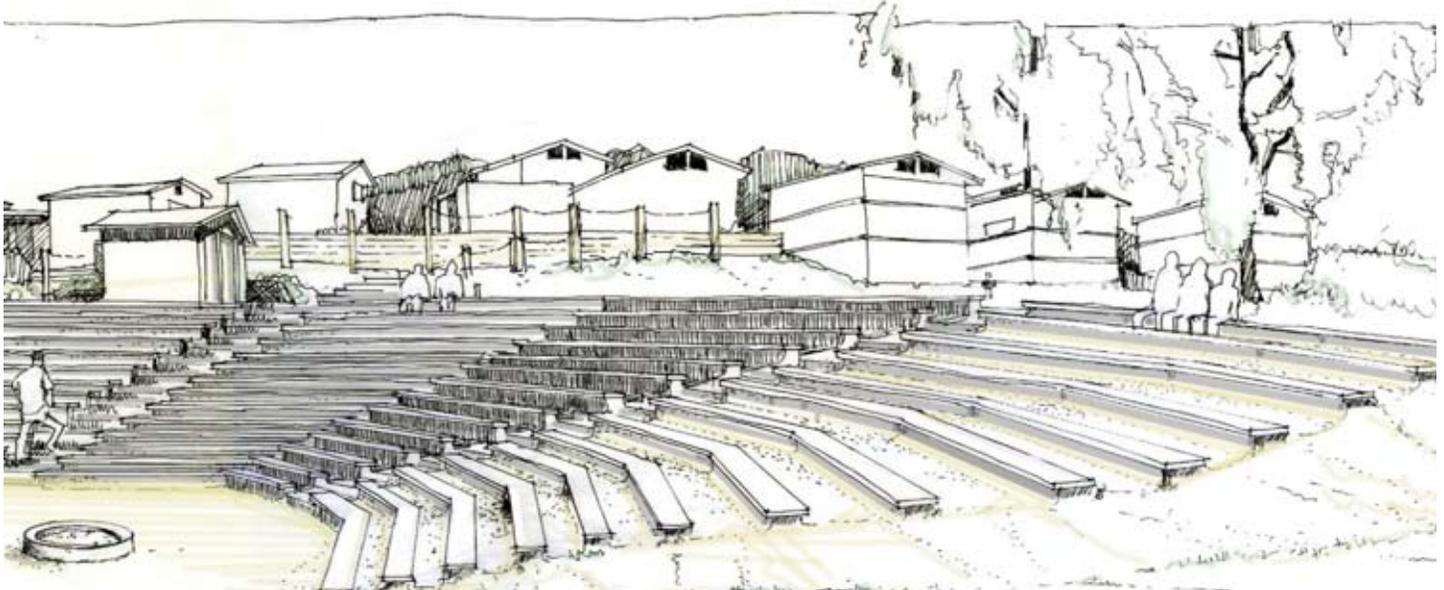
Nov 17 -18, 2007 - Work Party  
Jun 1, 2008 - Pre-Week  
Aug 16-17, 2008 - Alumni  
Reunion  
Sep 1, 2008 - Scout Sesions  
End

## Thank You Eric!

We don't usually advertise, but we are making an exception in this case. Eric Fulton of Fulton & Meyer prepared the EBA taxes for FREE!

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Make a donation that will be used for the construction of the campfire circle.

# Letter to the Editor

## Fond Memories

What a great job you do with the Emerald Bay Chronicle! Thanks! The Spring 2005 issue just emerged from a pile of saved mail, and I read it again with pleasure anew. Everett Sturdy, my life-long Scouting buddy, keeps me posted, but I'd like to pay my own way, and to do so an enclosing a check

for [the] EBA. I'll be glad to be on EBA's mailing list...

Thanks for the Ken Wise era photo of Camp from the water. The venerable Eucalyptus was our cathedral for Sunday Services. And the fabulous ancient, fig tree gave me many delicious desserts.

Some day I expect to visit matchless Emerald Bay again,

swim, and admire all the changes. For now, we moved near Portland, OR, last April to be near family...It will be a joy to follow Emerald Bay adventures through the Chronicle.

We wish continuing success to Camp Emerald Bay and thank all who contribute to its success and to the friendships and constructive experiences it brings.

Chuck Morse, Camp Staff  
1925-1935  
Beaverton, OR

Yes, I want to help rebuild the campfire circle at Camp Emerald Bay.

I am enclosing: ( ) \$25 ( ) \$50 ( ) \$100 ( ) \$500 ( ) \$1000 ( ) \$\_\_\_\_\_

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Please send your donation to the Emerald Bay Alumni, P.O. Box 959. Venice, CA, 90294  
To learn more and donate online, please go to [www.campfirecircle.org](http://www.campfirecircle.org).



## EBA TRIATHLON TURNS 5!



The 5<sup>th</sup> annual EBA Triathlon, a popular event held during the annual Alumni Reunion at Emerald Bay on August 5, 2007, drew huge crowds to see if Pat McDonald could out-run the youngsters to capture his 3<sup>rd</sup> title. With a full "Team McDonald" cheering section, Pat again lead all racers out of the water and into the kayaks. While a little ground was made up by a few competitors during the race around Indian Head, the real question was: Can Pat hold off the rest off the field on the run? The answer: YES! The *rumored* off season training with Marion Jones appeared to have paid off. Pat held off a charging Matt Davis to take the title..again! Pat's overall time was 28 seconds faster than the previous course record, set by

Bremner Morris in 2004.

At 17 years old, Matt will hopefully be back next year for a re-match. Faster transition times should have Matt right on Pat's heels. Clawing his way back onto the podium, former champion Kirk Hetherington, regained his form to take 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Perennial top finisher, Joe Lyon, took 4<sup>th</sup>. Fastest female racer of the day was Lisa Hetherington, who also took 5<sup>th</sup> place over all, knocking Lee out of 5<sup>th</sup> place for the first time in 5 years.

Strong performances were also turned in by Alec Contestable and Bob Cook. The "Spirit" award goes to Mrs. Hetherington (Kirk's mom), who refused to give up, inspiring many of the fans to sign up for next year's race.

A special thanks to the volunteers that make the race possible! You are all invited to come out next year to cheer, volunteer or set your own personal record.

- Richard Wise, Race Director



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