

90th Reunion



When is the last time you spent an overnight at camp in your favorite tent or cabin? Are you longing for the chance to swim in the lake, shoot a rifle, make a friendship bracelet, and reconnect with friends? Wait no longer! FDL turns 90 this year and we're planning a celebration that honors camp's history and future! Check out the FDL website's alumnae page (http://www.fleurdeliscamp.org/staff-and-alumnae/90th/) for all the latest information including a detailed schedule of activities, link to buy the coolest swag of 2019, and see who else is going to join you for the weekend. Links to registration are available there as well. Registration will be open through the end of June! If you have any questions, please contact Sarah Castro at sarah@fleurdeliscamp.org or 603-585-7758. We can't wait to see at the 90th reunion!

-The 90th Reunion Committee

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Kimball Farm Event

"Friday is a good day, but not compared, I think, to Wednesday and to Sunday (AND TO MAY 4TH) when ice cream dishes clink!"

The slightly warmer weather meands two things:

- 1. Camp is coming!
- 2. Kimball's Ice Cream

On Saturday, May 4, 2019 the Fleur de Lis Camp community hosted a meet up at Kimball Farm in Westford, Massachusetts. We had about 50 people attend the event despite the somewhat rainy spring weather. This was a great opportunity to meet new camp families, reminesce with current families and alumnae, and to get excited about Summer 2019!

FDL Month

The 4th annual #FDLmonth virtual event was a success! Thank you to all who met up with camp friends and then posted to our social media pages. It was a joy to see alumnae from all corners of the world meeting up for coffee, dinner, playdates, and even some specially planned trips. We had some fun contests anyone could participate in throughout the month. Check out the list below to see who the winners are:

- Most liked post on social media: Lady Mel Jones
- Most people at one meet up: Kate Constan
- Most scheduled meetups during the month: CT Edie Roth
- Most camp years represented in one meet up post: Ladies
 Anna Nelson, Lauren Shively, Sarah Coburn, Whitney
 Donaldson, Lizzie Smith, Bridget Scollan, and Amy Bates

Here are some photos we received throughout #FDLmonth, enjoy!











FDL Month (cont.)

Friends, Friends we will always be....



























Corporation Meeting





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Fleur de Lis Core Values

Integrity
Loyalty
Service to Others
Community



On Saturday March 16th, the Fleur de Lis Corporation gathered for our annual winter business meeting reviewing the 2018 fiscal year. The Corporation is made up of FDL alumnae and other supporters who have been nominated and voted onto the corporation. It is a similar structure to many not-for-profit boards, with FDL's board, or council, being similar to a typical Executive Committee. Corporation members

have demonstrated a commitment to the mission of FDL and to helping to sustain the camp well into the future. Members of the corporation serve as volunteer leaders, often those taking on organizing or sponsoring events. They lend their skills to committees ranging from financial work to recruitment strategies to physical plant prioritizing and more. They are champions of the FDL experience for girls and help bring new families to camp. They are leaders in their financial and volunteer commitment to Fleur de Lis.

At this year's meeting, we reviewed the yearly reports from the Treasurer, Director, and President. Several new members were voted onto the Corporation (see their bios on pgs. 5-7). It has been a big year of transition as we said goodbye to our Executive Director for the past 8 years, Carrie Kashawlic, and welcomed new Executive Director, MJ Parry. Some highlights from those reports include thanking the members of the Executive Director search committee and a review of the full search process; a great success with donations in fiscal year 2018 totaling just over \$220,000; property improvements from the year including the addition of new waterski and sailing docks; a review of the new gender policy process; and enrollment and program highlights.

After the official reports agenda, we were able to officially welcome Lady MJ to her role as Fleur de Lis' new Executive Director. She shared some of her observations both of the hiring process and her work to date. She has a great team working with her and it is clear that they are collaborating and striking a great balance together. MJ has both the business acumen and the hands on camp counselor skills that are so crucial to success within such a multi-faceted role. We are thrilled to have her as part of this incredible community.

Corporation Continued

Additionally, we were able to review the issues facing the Farmhouse together as a Corporation. The board presented a detailed account of the mold issues and other necessary upgrades and repairs needed, then outlined the process we have gone through and course of action determined. The Corporation meeting was followed by a communication to the entire FDL community sharing all of this with you (see that letter, reprinted on pgs. 8 -9).

The meeting was a great success. It is always uplifting to be part of a room full of people who have such long standing ties to Fleur de Lis. The stories shared and passion for ensuring Fleur de Lis remains strong for decades to come, are always inspiring.

New Corporation Members



Jessica Wojslaw

Jess spent the summers of 1998 to 2005 on the shores of Laurel Lake, starting as a second year Mid. She was Queen in 2001, part of the first CT group in the new dish room, and spent two years on staff in the the Mid and Senior fields. This summer will be Jess's 4th Circle Week and she is excited to co-chair the 90th Reunion Committee.

Professionally, Jess is an Associate Brand Manager at Stonyfield Farm where she manages the Kids yogurt product portfolio. Prior to working in the food industry, Jess was an Assistant Coach and Recruiting Coordinator for the Women's Rowing program at Rutgers University. While at Rutgers, Jess earned her MBA in Corporate Strategy and Marketing from Rutgers Business School. She graduated with her B.S. in Political Science and International Relations from Hobart and William Smith Colleges in 2008.

Jess currently resides in Contoocook, New Hampshire with her partner, where they enjoy skiing, hiking with their dogs and travelling. She is excited to have this opportunity to give back to a place that has given her so much over the years. Jess is also excited to see everyone at the 90th this August!

Rachel Schewe

I was a camper and CT at FDL in the late 80s and I am entering my 9th summer as a FDL mom. Emme was a camper for 6 years and a CT for 2, Kate is entering her 6th summer and Gretel her 5th. I was recently honored to be part of the Executive Director Search Committee during the fall of 2017 and the spring summer of 2018. All three of my girls have been a part of the FDL Ambassador program and we have supported camp fairs, held numerous open houses and participated in camp outreach opportunities with Lady Hannah.



I have a BS in Biology from Trinity College and a Masters Degree in Physical Therapy from Hahnemann University and worked in the field for 24 years before leaving practice two years ago. I am currently the Director of Transportation for the Milton Public Schools.

I have spent many years actively involved in the PTOs at my girl's schools serving as President along the way. I served on the board of the Milton Foundation for Education for six years, a parent run volunteer board with the goal of raising money to fund initiatives that fall outside of the budget of our school system. On this board, I served as Vice President, Chair of the annual Monster Dash road race raising over \$40,000 annually to supplement science/education and chaired the annual gala raising over \$175,000 for the Milton Public Schools. I currently serve on on the Board of Overseers at Beth Israel Deaconess - Milton Hospital on the Philanthropy and Gala Committees. Additionally, I have served on a search committee in the Milton Public Schools to hire a new elementary principal and a study group working on school assignment tied into the French Immersion program. I am thrilled to be joining the Corporation at FDL as it has held such a large presence in my life and the lives of my daughters.

Hilary Robinson

Hilary attended camp from 1998 through 2008, starting as a 3rd junior and ending after her 3rd year on staff, when she served as Mid Unit Head. She has been a volunteer for Circle Week since its second year.



Professionally, Hilary has spent much of her early career specializing in accounting for non-profit organizations and currently works as the Assistant Controller at Suffolk University in Boston. Even when living in in Colorado, it was always been a priority for her to stay involved with camp. The ability to be more involved was a large part of her decision to relocate back to New England just over a year ago. She is very excited to join the corporation and to continue giving back to FDL. She is also currently a co-chair of the 90th Reunion planning committee... hope to see you all there! In Hilary's free time she enjoys playing tennis and going on adventures with her boyfriend Jon, FaceTiming with and traveling to Texas visit her nephews, baking, and spending as much time near lakes or oceans as possible!

Annie Lundsten



Annie Kuniholm Lundsten attended Fleur de Lis as a camper and CT from 1985 to 1992. Her daughter, Gwen Lundsten, began attending Fleur de Lis as a first year Junior the summer of 2018. Most recently, Annie has assisted with the organization and structure of Fleur de Lis' Big and Little Weekend and served on the hiring committee for Fleur de Lis' newest Assistant Director. She is delighted to be able to continue her contributions to Fleur de Lis by serving on the Corporation.

Annie currently lives in Natick, MA with husband Craig, son Alex, daughter Gwen, dog Wilbur, and two elderly cats Sembee and Sirrus. She enjoys lap swimming, reading and writing, hiking, and going to museums. Annie possesses a BA in History from Colby College and an MA in Museum Studies from George Washington University. Annie works as an independent consultant and project manager for museums and arts organizations. Her recent clients include the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, the MIT Museum, Now + There, and Boston's Green Ribbon Commission Cultural Institutions Working Group.



🔤 Try It Days!

This summer we are offering the opportunity for prospective campers to come tryout camp for the day. Girls will be buddied with current campers and ambassadors for a day of fun and activities.

If you know someone who might be interested in getting a taste of camp for the day pass along these dates! We will be hosting Try It Days on Saturday July 13th and Saturday July 27th. Registration for these days is online: www.fleurdeliscamp.org/about/try-it-days/





Big & Little Weekend 2019

Our Big & Little Weekend is a terrific introduction into life at FDL. Littles, Bigs, staff, alumnae, and new families love this fun-filled program. They are able to get a feel for camp without the commitment to a full session.

If you know a girl (age 6-11) interested in camp but not quite ready for a full 2week program, encourage her and her mom/aunt/grandmother/mentor to register for our Big & Little Program. The program is desgined to introduce girls and parents to the sleepaway camp experience without the fear of homesickness. Go to fleudeliscamp.org/about/big-little for more information and to register today!

Farmhouse Plans



Dear Fleur de Lis Community Members,

On behalf of the FDL Board, I wanted to share some information with you about upcoming renovation plans for the Farmhouse building at camp.

The Farmhouse was built during the mid to late 1800s and has served as the centerpiece of Fleur de Lis Camp throughout its 90 year history. The building serves primarily as the living quarters and work center for the administrative staff during the summer months. The feelings this building generates have always been strong, both because of the beautiful craftsmanship and woodwork, and because of the exciting energy of the heart of camp.

We know that the Farmhouse needs some major renovations. This fall that was compounded by a mold issue that developed and intensified after camp closed. Due to the excessively damp end of summer and fall, as well as a dormer leak, an extensive mold problem developed in part of the downstairs of the Farmhouse. Mold remediation teams have advised us on what needs to be done to eliminate the mold as well as to take preventative steps. Remediation work cannot be done until the spring at the earliest because the building is not heated.

As we considered the scope and expense of this work, the board also took into account the other work that needs to happen in the near future to ensure that the building is functioning well, such as electrical and plumbing needs.

A Major Renovation

The board has decided that the best course of action is to do all of the renovation work at the same time. We looked at several scenarios and it doesn't make financial or practical sense for us to do the renovations in chunks of projects over the near future. For example, we know we will need to do some work opening up and replacing a few walls and ceilings due to the mold issues. We would also have to open up walls to rewire the building for an electrical upgrade and will likely have to be back in the walls for plumbing updates. The cost of doing the work in chunks is also higher than doing it all at once.

A Farmhouse Planning Committee has been working to determine the needs and potential uses of the Farmhouse. This group has made preliminary recommendations to the Board and will work with the contractors throughout the renovation process. Thank you to Planning Committee members Lexy Heatley, Jane Lawson, Steve White, Richard Whipple, MJ Parry, Christine Hassig Cressey, and Di Foster.

Based on the committee's recommendations, we are receiving bids for a major overhaul of the Farmhouse based on the work of the Planning Committee. We will explore plans that will include remediating the mold problem, updating and upgrading the electrical and plumbing systems, repairing and/or replacing some horsehair plaster wall and ceiling boards, adding simple ventilation upgrades to the upstairs rooms, adding at least one shower and possibly an additional bathroom upstairs, and possibly preparing the kitchen and coke shed areas for potential camper program use in the future. The scope of the work will depend on the estimates we get during the bidding process.

Farmhouse Plans (Cont.)

Capital Campaign

In order to complete this renovation, Fleur de Lis will engage in a Capital Campaign. This is our first capital campaign since the New Dining Hall campaign over 15 years ago. This campaign will require less money and less time than the Dining Hall Campaign, which was the first capital campaign in Fleur de Lis' history.

We had begun raising money for Farmhouse renovations and have raised \$72,000 to date. Thank you so much to those donors. All of that money will be put towards the campaign. Once we know the projected cost of this work and have determined any parallel work that the campaign will cover, we will share more information, including the financial and timeline goals for the campaign.

How Can I Help?

We are currently looking for community members who are willing and able to be a part of the Capital Campaign Committee. For those of you, with or without development experience, who have an interest in helping us reach our goals, please reach out via the contact information below. You do not have to live in the New England area to be a part of this work and there are different levels of involvement based on your available time.

We are in the process of receiving bids on this work. If you have ideas for contractors that we may not have considered or other professional connections, please reach out via the contact information below.

Meanwhile...

We are hoping that the renovation work will occur over this spring through fall so that the building will be ready for use for the summer of 2020. The Farmhouse will not be available for use at all this summer. MJ and her full-year team have been working on plans for the functions the Farmhouse space provides. They have strong plans in place and will help everyone ensure it works well.

While we strive to keep camp expenditures to a minimum, the Board has determined that undertaking this as a big renovation that addresses multiple needs, is both financially and practically the best course of action. We are excited about the potential for great improvements to a building we hope will continue to serve as the heart of camp for decades to come.

Contact Information

To get involved with the Capital Campaign committee or share ideas about contractors or building design, please reach out to:

Di Foster president@fleurdeliscamp.org

Christine Cressey board@fleurdeliscamp.org





Important Dates

2019 Wishlist

6/8 Lady Nurse Service Day

6/10 Aquatics Training Begins

6/14 Pre-camp Begins

6/22 Opening Day

7/6 Two-week session ends

7/7 Visiting Day and Coronation

7/13 Try It Day!

7/19 July Campfire

7/20 July session ends. Changeover!

7/21 August session begins

7/27 Try It Day!

8/3 Two-week session ends. Family Day

8/10 August Campfire

8/11 Camp Ends

8/16 Big & Little Weekend

8/18 Circle Week Begins

8/24 90th Reunion

Vinyl zippered pillow covers

Masking tape

Knitting needles

Paint brushes

Foam craft brushes

Crazy Glue

• Ziploc bags (quart & gallon)

Sharpies

Markers

Thumb tacks

Highlighters

Clothesline rope

Clothespins

Sponges

Duct Tape

• Elmer's Glue

Ink Pads

Green Taper Candles

Red Taper Candles

Water balloons

Tie Dye

Poly Fill

Fabric

Bungee Cords

Brooms & Dustpans

• Re-usable ice packs

Circle Week Wishlist: amazoncircle.fleurdeliscamp.org



Lady Nurse Service Day 2019

June 8th 10am



We need you for Lady Nurse Service Day! The more people who can come out to camp and help the better. So mark your calendars for Saturday, June 8th at 10am, RSVP to our Facebook event (www.facebook.com/events/2291972904411436/), and invite your friends to come with you. Each year we offer this annual day of service in honor of Lady Nurse, Diane Haessler and all that she gave of herself to camp and the FDL community.

A cookout lunch will be provided for all of our volunteers. Who doesn't love working hard at camp and then enjoying some delicious food with friends by the lake!?

Some of the tasks we have in store for the day are:

- Raking
- Mulching
- · Clearing footpaths
- Getting the boats ready
- Putting up Tents
- Making linen packets
- Preparing tents & cabins for international staff arrival
- Cleaning the dining hall
- Dusting and wiping down windows
- Moving Program Supplies to program areas

Looking forward to seeing you at camp on the 8th! Call or email Lady Sarah Castro with any questions: 603.585.7758 or sarah@fleurdeliscamp.org

Announcements! Announcements!

Congratulations to **Lady Natalie Heffernan** on her upcoming wedding June 1st!!

Lady Hannah Shuman will be attending Boston College in the fall to earn a Master's degree in Clinical Social work.

Lady Maddie Greenberg will be pursuing a Master's in Higher Education Administration at NC State University this fall.

Lady Bridget Scollan will be the new Assistant
Principal at Guilemette School in Lawrence, MA where
she works with Lady Amy Bates. Bridget also just
completed her Masters in Education- Curriculum &
Instruction from UMass Lowell.

Congrats to Lady Liz Young who won a Leadership and Service award at ACA New England conference in Manchester, NH.





Ladies Maddie Nash and Kate Gladstone just visited with Hannah Risko & Katherine Collier in San Diego!

Congrats to Ladies Kate Gladstone, Julia Shively & Hannah Light are all wrapping up their first year of grad school.

Congratulations to **Lady Sarah Coburn** received her Masters of Social Work from Boston College.

Where are they headed...

Lady Zenshia Baker-Dunn will be attending University of Vermont in the fall.

Lady Emme Schewe will be attending Duke University.

Lady Mel Jones will be attending Elon University to study film.

Lady Chloe Howe will be attending Bowdoin College.

Lady Libby Kowalski will be attending College of Charleston.

Lady Emma Costin will be attending Emory University

Stay in Touch

We want to hear from you! If you have alumni updates please send them to sarah@fleurdeliscamp.org.

Follow us for updates about the summer, events near you, and so much more!



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Fleur de Lis Camp Mission Statement



leur de Lis Camp promotes the well being of girls and young women socially, educationally and physically. We provide opportunities and experiences to help them become self-sufficient and productive members of their community and the world.

Fleur de Lis Camp program is conducted in a natural environment, both safe and nurturing, with the intention of fostering leadership skills, citizenship, and self-confidence, while helping each girl reach her full potential. The girls and young women of Fleur de Lis are developed in a spirit of cooperation and respect with a focus on friendship, mentoring, positive example, and challenges appropriate to the individual girl.

Fleur de Lis affirms its responsibility and obligation as a not-for-profit, non-partisan organization serving the welfare of girls and young women. In this spirit we strive to make our program affordable to all.