



Homestead "Epitaph"  
Silver Saddle "Horn"  
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OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF COLVIG SILVER CAMPS

MARCH 2006

Reporting from the beautiful Red Creek Valley...and beyond!



Second term Homestead cabin Epitaph: (clockwise from left) AC Emily McMillan, Ana Gonzales, Counselor Julia Resnick, Mattie Toll, Sammy Martin, and Leigh-Alice Clark.

## Summer 2006

Enroll today to ensure a summer of significance in 2006! We are currently accepting enrollments in all terms and age groups--do we have yours? Enrollment forms have been mailed to all 2005 campers, but you can get one by contacting the office or by visiting our website at [www.colvigsilvercamps.com](http://www.colvigsilvercamps.com).

### 2006 Dates

Silver Saddle, Silver Spruce,  
Outpost, and Pathfinding:

First Term: June 12 - July 8

Second Term: July 13 - August 8

### Homestead:

First Term: June 12 - June 24

Second Term: June 26 - July 8

Third Term: July 13 - July 25

Fourth Term: July 27 - August 8

## From the Director's Chair...

As Tavia, Conor, and I were driving towards Phoenix, the first stop on the western leg of the CSC slideshow tour this year, we heard it for the first time - that statement that tells you, even coming from a four-year-old, the importance of our roles as parents and mentors.

"When I grow up, I want to be just like you, Daddy."

Conor doesn't know what an architect or a camp director does exactly, or an attorney or a financial director in Tavia's case. But it doesn't matter. He does know that we are the adults that are always there for him and so, at this stage at least, all things parental are to be revered. If we are responsible, supportive, and caring parents, this underlying sentiment may never change, though he will constantly redefine us, what we do, and our relationship with him as he grows and matures. His statement engenders a certain amount of legitimate but irrational pride. But it also makes me rationally hope that he has so many other positive mentors beyond us to guide him through his development into a caring, thoughtful, and responsible human being. This is where camp comes in.

We see more research every year, from inside and outside the camping industry, that re-emphasizes how developmentally important it is for youth to have caring, concerned, and committed adults from outside the family in their lives to provide additional support, advice, and guidance. This research examining many outcomes suggests that having these high quality relationships with adults outside the family increases academic achievement, emotional intelligence, and positive social skills and relationships. In short, access to positive and effective mentors means a greater likelihood of becoming a successful adult.

A Colvig Silver Camps experience is about fun, adventure, friends, challenge, achievement, and community among many others. And, yes, it is about enhancing youth opportunity to become successful adults. For 35 years our belief in the positive potential of counselor-as-mentor has guided the search for our staff as well as the social structures of our program. I remember the care and character that every one of my counselors exhibited, from Homestead to Pathfinding, when I was a camper in our program. I consider

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First term Silver Spruce campers enjoy some sun and snow during an early morning ascent of Engineer Mountain.

# Chatting With The Office Crew...

## Laughing with LJ

Hello friends and families of CSC: It's a quiet day in the CSC office—Michael and John are taking a wilderness medicine class in town, Clay is continuing the slideshow tour in Denver, and a thick blanket of snow is obscuring Rob's Ridge from my view.

After a winter full of traveling, I'm happy to be home for a few weeks. This is actually our first major snow of the year, which is bizarre for Durango in March. However, I'm content to take what I can get and take a snowy hike whenever I can. I'm trying to spend as long as possible up in the RCV without a single foray into town—I can probably make it a week and am trying for two.

Of course, I've spent very small amounts of time in one place this winter. Clay and I embarked on the month-long mid-west slideshow tour in January and had a blast cruising around the country in his new blue Expedition. I had the great fortune of observing camp families in their "home element"—Rachel and Noah Miller racing at a Pinewood Box Car Derby in Houston; a lazy morning of eating waffles with the Leonnigs in Dallas; my first Birthday Parade in the Murphy's house before their Austin slide show; attending Cooper Colvig's basketball game in Chicago; spending a day with Jesse Kornblum at a St. Louis camp fair before he trotted off to a school dance to be voted the Pepper King; and so many more. I even got to squeeze in a rendezvous or two with some friends from college and California. As always, Clay and I are honored that CSC families are so generous and dedicated as to host slideshows and us as guests in their homes.

And after a couple weeks here, I'm heading back out into the big country for almost all of April—up to northern California for a week to visit some old friends; back home to Virginia for a long weekend to see my family; and then to two CSC weddings in a row: Eagle Deutsch in Las Cruces, NM and Megan Weidmann in St. Louis.

But when May peeks its head around the corner, we'll all be back in the office to focus on the summer—finishing up hiring, preparing camp for campers, and getting excited! Soon enough, it will be June and the valley will be rid of snow and full of life again.

I hope to see you there.

*LJ*

## John Once Caught a Fish This Big...

Greetings and salutations all you Colvigers. Well it's hard to imagine that in two months the valley will be bustling with the sounds of camp. Right now its pretty quiet down there and filled with snow. In the last week we have had more than three feet blanket us and there is more on the way. There was so much snow that Michael got his truck buried in powder in the horse field when he went out to feed them (I had to tell you this to draw the picture of how much snow we have, not that I wanted to embarrass Michael...this early in my article). It was late, but it's great to have winter in the Southwest.

The last couple months have displayed a series of near successes in a number of my experiments. I tried my hand at stand-up comedy and well, the best criticism I received was a "that wasn't all bad". I'm probably just a little bit ahead of my time. Michael and I also tried a number of winter escapades that almost worked. In a single weekend we attempted to telemark and snowshoe to the Piedra Hot Springs and then build a large "kicker" in the valley for my snowboard and his sled. Unfortunately, the road to the hot springs was closed for the season so our three-mile trek turned into something more like twenty-four round trip and we didn't quite make it. Our "kicker" was a little ambitious for the amount of snow we had, so every time



existence at Camp. Our enrollments keep pouring in and we are hiring counselors left and right. I cannot wait to put faces to the names on the "hiring wall".

I'm still rehabilitating my leg and ankle. Although they get sore and I can predict the weather, I am feeling strong and ready for the upcoming summer. Taking walks down to Spruce Gardens is the best therapy I know of for both my body and mind. March means basketball and we are all gearing for the Madness that is college basketball. John roots for his teams to win very loudly and I root against them just as loudly.

The month of March has been busy. John and I spent a week and a half taking a Wilderness First Responder course here in Durango. We are now trained to deal with everything from bumps and bruises to dislocations and fractures in the backcountry. At the end of this month Clay, John, and I will be venturing to Las Vegas, Nevada, not just for the glitz and glamour but for an ACA sponsored conference, Camp West. We will be participating in sessions that will help us become better at what we do and keep us up to date with the trends and breakthroughs in the camp world. The best part about the conference will be Bob Ditter. He is a pioneer in the field of summer camps and child development and I am very excited to hear him speak.

The summer is just around the bend and my job just got even cooler. I get to be the AC coordinator this summer. The AC Papa. I have always wanted to be an AC and now my dream has come true.

I hope the year is grand for all of you and we will see you this summer!

There is no crying in the dish room, *Gus*

we almost went off it, LJ's dog Arcas would run ahead and dive bomb our sickly mound of snow into pretty much nothing. But one time, Michael got maybe five inches of incredible air--it's a good thing I videotaped it for the highlight reel. Of course, there was one tangible success: Michael and I received our Wilderness First Responders from the Wilderness Medical Institute during the first week of March. Arcas hasn't said much but I'm pretty sure he is really proud of us.

This newsletter marks the beginning of the busy season at camp. Clay and LJ are back from their slideshow adventures and the enrollments are coming in faster than I can process them. April 11th will also be the one-year mark of my entrance into the Red Creek Valley and it's been a fantastic year living and working with some of the greatest people I have ever met. It's also been very satisfying helping young Conor Colvig realize that under that Denver Broncos exterior, he is really a New York Football Giants fan. I know that this year is going to be even better than the last and I can't wait for you all to come back and fill up the valley. And don't forget, April 14th is Clay's birthday and he does love his baked goods.

Do me a favor ... keep it real,

*John*

## Michael's Musings

Greetings from the Red Creek Valley! Old Man Winter paid us a visit last week and left several feet of snow blanketing the Four Corners area. It was the biggest storm this year and there is more on the way. 2006 started well and continues to be a good year. I have become fully immersed in my duties as Program Director. I am still learning a lot from LJ, who teaches me new things everyday. I think I am finally getting the hang of year round



# Alumination

Keeping up on  
the lives of former  
staff and campers of  
Colvig Silver Camps

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## Hello CSC Alumni!

Here is your opportunity to scout out your old camp friends and bring back those camp memories from so long ago. Thanks to everyone who took the time to call, write, email, or visit us and tell us what and whom you recall from your favorite summers. It is heartwarming to read these messages and see what an impact CSC has made on so many lives. Inevitably, someone's information will be incorrect or outdated, or maybe we forgot to include you in this issue. But there is a simple solution for that: CALL US! EMAIL US! STOP BY! WRITE US A LETTER! Believe it or not, we do get a little lonely up at the compound during the winter and each time we hear from our camp friends our days are brightened!

So here we go...



1975 Spruce Cabin "Rive Gauche": (top) Charlie Munson, Steve Curve, Dale Kunus, Head Counselor Dick Winslow, (bottom) AC Jim Roberts, Alexander Johns, Steve Barkley, Don Martinez.

## The Seventies:

Alan Ater, cmp'71-77,'80,stf'83, and his wife Jill are sending their son Matthew to Homestead from Aurora, CO;  
Steve Barkley,cmp'74,'75,stf'79-'82, will be sending his children Lyric,cmp'00, and Weston,cmp'00,'01, back to camp this summer after a few years' absence;  
Chris Bovard,cmp'74-78,stf'78,79, and his wife Allison are sending their son Charlie to Homestead this year from Dallas after attending a slideshow there in January;  
David Huttner, cmp'77,'78, and his wife Joelle contacted us from the Netherlands, hoping to send their children back across the ocean to CSC;

## Volunteer Week 2006!

Looking for a good reason to come back to camp for a few days? Trying to reunite with some old friends and meet a few new ones? Or just need something fun to do in May? Never fear--we've done your social planning for you. Join us for the 2006 Volunteer Week and have a great few days working to get the Red Creek Valley ready for 2006 campers!

Volunteer Week will begin on Friday, May 26th, with dinner at the Big House (Clay and Tavia's domicile) and continue through June 1st. Volunteers can choose to come for the weekend only or the entire week, depending on how much fun you're able to handle.

Throughout the week, housing, meals, and any tools will be provided--you're requested to bring some sturdy



work clothes and a smile. Volunteer work can range from the burly to the administrative--there's always plenty to do after a long winter and we can use your help everywhere! Tasks include (but are never limited to): doing an inventory of the Witch Doctor's office or the Camp Store, wielding a chainsaw, clearing trails, cleaning cabins, washing windows and

anything else that needs to be done.

Volunteer Week is a fun time to reminisce with other camp families and give something back to the camp community. Please give us a call at the office if you would like to join us.

We can't wait to see you here!

Louisa (Wren) Padgett,cmp'79-'81,stf'85-'86, and her husband Bob will be sending their son Christopher,cmp'04, to Spruce this year after they had a blast at the reunion;

## The Eighties:

Jessica (Buck) Rutherford,cmp'82,'84, lives in Crested Butte with her husband and daughter, Amelia. She owns and operates a preschool with 45 children and six teachers;  
Chris Frick,cmp'83-'90,stf'91,'93,'94,'97 and his wife Meghan gave birth to Elias Van Frick on March 17, 2006--congratulations!  
Kevin Goody,stf'88, works at the Thomas Memorial Library in Maine and spends his time doing a lot of yoga. He still thinks that 1988 is among his best memories;  
Cydny (Berry) Padon,cmp'81-'84, and her husband Matthew showed up at a Houston slideshow with their two daughters;  
Melissa Rubenstein, cmp'81-'85,stf'92, contacted us from Houston, eager to attend a slideshow;



1972 Saddle Cabin "The Sugar Babies": (top) AC Janie Graca, Counselor Kathy Pontius, (mid) Marcia Stein, Robin Blonstein, Kari Pierson, and (bottom) Barbi Miller and Kim Coats

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Joyce Sclar wrote us from Boulder, hoping that her son, former camper Bradley Sclar, will soon be able to send his own children to camp;

### The Nineties:

Former campers Elsa Anderson, cmp'96-'04, Anne Schoellerman, cmp'94,'96-'99, Jeff Crozier, cmp'99,'00,'04, Nora Schuchat, cmp'98-'03, and Cora Vorwald, cmp'94, are all excited about their first summers as CSC staff members!;

Ryan Montgomery, cmp'85-'89,'91,'92, stf'96, is working on his Master's and teaching at Durango High School;

CSC alumni abounded at a recent Breckenridge Bachelorette Ski Weekend for Megan Weidmann, cmp'85-92, stf'96,'00-'05. Attendees included her sister, Lindsay Weidmann, cmp'90-97, stf'00-'02, cousin Marianne Herr, cmp'91-'99, stf'03, and friends Amie Podolsky, cmp'87-'90,'92, stf'96,'00-'03, Jennifer "JJ" Jones, stf'00-'02, and Lindsay "LJ" James, stf'00-'06;

### The Naughts:

Mariah Casserly, stf'01'02, still keeps her camp photo albums by her bed for easy access for a quick pick-me-up. She is currently working as a physical education teacher in New York; Wyatt Hosmer, cmp'01-'04, showed up at the Boulder slideshow, puzzling over the decision of going to Montana or Virginia Tech for school next year.



Spruce 1988 cabin: (clockwise from top) Head Counselor Kevin Goody, Matt Glick, Ian Anderson, Gary Singer, Beau Pollock, AC Mike Onstad, Adam Wilk, and Matt Welling.

## Alumni Quiz:

Can you place the locations of the following early eighties pictures?



Answers: A--Campers enjoy a "jungle breakfast" outside the Big House; B--A cabin picture in the hayloft above the chicken coop; C--A cabin picture on top of The Can; D--Homesteaders climbing the treehouse by the Homestead entrance; E--Piling into the Spruce Washhouse

## Where Are They Now? A look back at our 2005 staff...

\* indicates staff members returning for 2006 as of press time



Renee Bacino is trying to keep dry in Seattle; Jaime Bechtel still finds her way out to Camp once in a while to ride our new horse, Dandy; Grant Bryans\* has mastered the art of ski lift technology at Durango Mountain Resort; Holly Bugh is in school in Missouri; Stephanie Carter is back in New Orleans studying hard at Tulane; Clay Colvig\* is resting after a long and successful slideshow tour; Tavia Colvig\* enjoyed a recent road trip with Conor up Route 1 in California; Conor Colvig's\* name spelled backwards is Givloc RonocI; UJ\* is plowing all the snow out of the way; Jessika Davidson is enjoying her spring break in Moab, Utah; Chris Davis is planning a Western Day at Tulane; Mary Donnelly\* is dusting off her Witch's Hat so she can be ready to take care of everyone again this summer; Mateo Ellis has a band that plays every Thursday night in Austin, Texas; Patrick Fleming\* is working for Patagonia in Reno, NV; Michael Gustafson\* is silly; Zane Hallock is driving an armored truck through the streets of Baltimore; Ryan Hanschen is working for the Denver chapter of the organiza-

tion Peace Jam; Brendan Hayes\* is paying rent for the first time in his life in Pittsburgh, PA; David Hirsh is drying out his apartment and getting ready for summer sessions at Tulane; Chris Hughes is getting married and finishing his Education degree at Fort Lewis College; Nancy Hushek\* won another award for her great cooking. UMMMM GOODI; Lindsay James\* is making some nachos; Eric Jamieson is taking serious advantage of the block schedule at Colorado College; Jesse Kornblum is finishing his senior year and is ready to be a CU Buffalo; Gretchen Lamar spent last fall in Europe; Heidi Lamar is enjoying a Vermont winter; Michael Lee is working at a gear store and a nursing home in Durango; Russell Loudon is enjoying his tricked-out Ford Mustang; David Lucitt is making walking sticks for all the children in Denver; John Magill's\* favorite color is English Racing Green; Emily McMillan is keeping tabs on all former staff members in the New England area; Jenni Meyers is smiling somewhere in Michigan; Suzanne Moreau\* returned from Senegal and is ready for another summer in the RCV; Cindy Murphy\* makes a mean bowl of GORP; Kaitlin Murphy is searching for the Coyote books; Melissa Murphy\* is working as a hostess at Red Robin; Brad Osgood\* is programming his way through a New England winter wonderland; Andrew Pierce is a Penn State Nittany Lion working towards a Master's in Geography; Julia Resnick is spending a semester at home in Chi-town and preparing to return to Bates in the fall; Heather Riggins is working as a nurse in Durango; Alex Sexton is giving massages in order to graduate from Massage Therapy School; Doug Siegel sent us a wonderful care package including items for the costume closet; Erica Simpson is traveling in Italy, Ireland, and France; David Temple is still the reigning bug-juice-chugging champion; David "Dave-O" Townes is moving to the Twin Cities and gettin' hitched; Jamie Vorwald is teaching wee ones in Denver; Tyler Whitmire is still wearing her Viking outfit and raiding local villages for candy; Kelly Williams is getting ready to teach equestrian therapy in Arizona; Rosie Williams is busy gathering spare change to purchase a house in Prescott, Arizona; Eric Wilson is making stickers for Nalgene bottles across the Midwest; and Sam Wilson is picking fruit in New Zealand.

### The Legend of Uncle Jim...

UJ works hard on the ropes course...



and gets into a fitting costume for a day at camp.

check out page six for more information...

*Love is in the air...*

and these CSC alumni know it.

Alexis Azar,cmp'89-93,stf'96, will marry Brian Posnanski on August 12th;

Her brother Nick Azar,cmp'90-96, will marry Jill Beilein on Memorial Day Weekend;

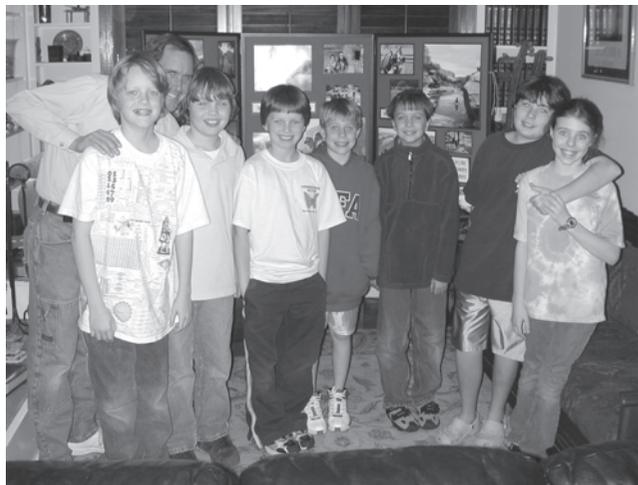
Jennifer "JJ" Jones, stf'00-'02, will marry Brandon Wade on Labor Day Weekend in St. Louis.

*Congratulations!*

## What A Long, Great Trip It's Been...

March marks the close of another year of successful slide shows and mini reunions. We traveled all over the country, meeting new camp families, seeing our current campers, and reminiscing with alumni from every era of CSC-dom. Thanks to all of the families who welcomed us into their homes and communities during our cross-country tour. CSC couldn't exist without the dedication and generosity of camp families everywhere.

Thank you specifically to the following families and individuals who made our experience a success! : San Antonio, TX: Neel, Allison, Andrew, Shelby, and Anna Lane; Barbi, Craig, Jake, and Sara Witz; Houston, TX: Adam, Gena, Rachel, and Noah Miller; Travis, Korey, and Klaire Bednarz; Austin, TX: Rob, Cindy, Kaitlin, Melissa, and Trish Murphy; Tracey, Michael, Nick, and



Joe Dileo; Dallas, TX: Michael, Walker, and Leigh-Alice Clark, Paula Washington; Marianne, David, Kathryn, and Grace Leonnig; St. Louis, MO: Whig Mullins; Jane Abrams, Jesse Kornblum; Belleville, IL: Eric and Ann Weidmann; Chicago, IL: Nicole, Cameron, Cooper, and Caden Colvig; Chris, Cynthia, and Kelly Thrall; Suzanne, Greg, Alyssa, Danielle, Scott, and Jenna Immell; Erin



Frank; Dave and Lucia Thoensen; Des Moines, IA: Bill and Jolene Fairbank; Scott, Ellen, and John Shumway; Boulder, CO: David, Sam, and Hank White, Patti Smith; Tommy Feldman; Lake-wood, CO: Steve, Agnes, Scott, and Holli Hipwell; Durango, CO: Mick, Linda, Brendan, and Betsy Ward; Jim, Carrie, Trace, and Duncan Whitley; Phoenix, AZ: Phil, Barb, Robert, and Christina McCreary; Tucson, AZ: Jill Caffrey, Steve, Weston, and Lyric Barkley; San Diego, CA: Nan-



cy, Amy, and Carrie Nicholson; Las Vegas, NV: Tom, Krista, Denise, Lisa, and Zach Waddell; Aspen, CO: James, Carmen, Kate, Libby, and Maddie Dowley; Denver, CO: Brian, Katherine, and Bayley Phillips; Louisa, Robert, Christopher, Ian and Michael Padgett; Santa Fe, NM: Nat, Leslie, and Sawyer Shipman; Telluride, CO: Todd, Kitten, and Devon Brown; Albuquerque, NM: Ron, Karen, and Ben Taylor.

We've extended the tour this year into April for a few post-spring break shows in Albuquerque and Durango—be sure to stop by and see us in one of these cities if you are in the area! Keep an eye on our website for details.

pictures, (l-r) Dallas, Phoenix, Houston

## Goodbye, Uncle Jim... We'll Miss You!

Well, friends and neighbors, it is the end of an era at CSC. Following this summer, "Uncle" Jim Colvig is retiring from active duty in the Red Creek Valley, though, to continue the metaphor, we hope there is such a thing as reserve status. He is moving on, eventually to the warmer climes of Phoenix, but that doesn't mean he is old (only as old as the backhoe maybe) or that he is unwanted. Jim has been a friend, mentor, occasional tormentor, and unparalleled resource to all. He knows every side of the operation of camp and we will greatly miss his experience and wisdom close at hand.



He has done it all—starting with building the original structures of camp in

1969 and moving into a full-time maintenance position in 1976. He contracted, then expanded his family in the eighties, marrying Jane in 1984 and having his first child, Jacy, in April of 1988. Jim then served as Camp Director for seven great years, taking the helm in 1987 and handing off to Cameron Colvig in 1994. After some time running Jim's Wood Chop, he worked back into camp as the site manager, the position in which he has been for the last ten years.



What, you may ask, will Jim do with himself away from camp? Well...maybe just relax. After all, a day in the life of UJ could include plunging three toilets at Outpost, jump-starting the AC vehicle, filling a gopher hole in the horse corral, patching a hole in a Homestead cabin, towing a van back to camp, changing the oil in the bulldozer, refilling the soap for Hobart the dishwasher, starting the grill for a cookout, re-hanging the monkey bridge rope, and finding Expo's lost key. And that's just one of around 100 UJ days each summer.

We want to thank Uncle Jim for everything he has put into CSC over the last 35 years of camp. He has had a tremendous impact on and been a valuable member of our CSC community and family. We wouldn't be here without his dedication and influence.

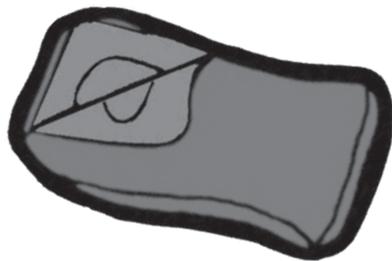
*Thanks for everything, Jim.*

# Games Games Games

## CSC Wordsearch!

Look for the following words in the wordsearch on the right. They could be up, down, across, forwards, backwards, or diagonal! Mail in your completed wordsearch for two free coronies at camp this summer!

Homestead  
Silver Saddle  
Silver Spruce  
Outpost  
Pathfinding



Mountain  
Desert  
Costume Closet  
Campfire  
Backpack



Witch Doctor  
The Lodge  
Main Lake  
Art  
Tipi  
Canoe  
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## Blast From The Past!

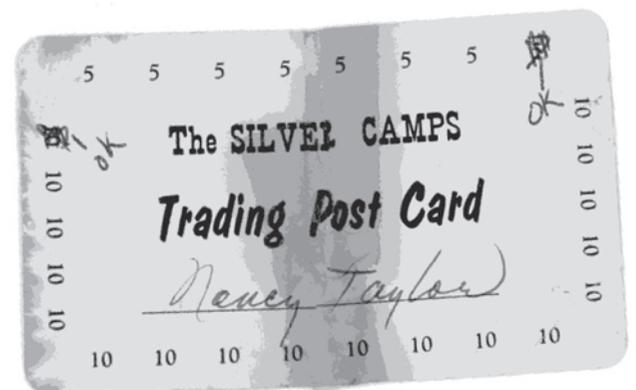


Thanks to Nancy (Taylor) Hushek, cmp '70,'71, stf '72,'77,'91-'06, for sending us a few momentos of CSC history.

On the left, the original coronie: made of bright red cardboard.

On the right, Nancy's old Trading Post Card, a punch card used to keep track of candy store purchases.

Thanks Nancy!



### From the Director's Chair, continued...

them friends and mentors to this day though I have not seen or spoken to some of them since I left their cabins. And I consider that a goal for every camper and counselor at CSC. As FDR said,

"We cannot always build the future for our youth, But we can always build our youth for the future."

We look forward to lots of fun and lots of building this summer with campers and staff both old and new. We hope that you will be a part of it!

--Clay Colvig



## Craig I. Colvig Fund

This past summer, six deserving campers came to camp through the CIC fund and the John Austin Cheley Foundation with which it is associated. We expect the same this year and it is all possible through your generosity. The campers that have attended so far from this effort report very positive experiences and they have been wonderful additions to our summer family. We are so excited to be a part of a community willing to provide this opportunity to those who would not otherwise be able to afford it.

We invite you to become involved in this effort in recognition of how critical life-affirming and defining experiences are to a child's development. Your donation will be used directly towards a future "campership". If you have questions regarding how you can help change a life by donating to the CIC fund, please contact the office.

## News, Notes, and Reminders

All 2006 enrollees: keep an eye out on your mailbox for the Preparing for Adventure Packet that will arrive via snail mail in the next few weeks. This packet will include all kinds of fun paperwork to guarantee an exciting and safe summer for you. Also, make sure you've returned the blue confidential forms and camper questionnaires so we can tailor your CSC experience to you!

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Too old to be camper? Check out volunteer week--a great time to spend quality time in the Red Creek Valley and help open camp for summer 2006! (Details on page 3.)

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Looking for a break from a tough year at college? We still have available spaces on our 2006 summer staff--check out our website or call Lindsay & Michael for details.

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### FOR SALE:

Always wanted to live in the Red Creek Valley? Jim and Jane Colvig's beautiful home on 6 acres is on the market...check out [www.realestatedurango.com](http://www.realestatedurango.com); property search MLS# 562571 for details. We would love to have you as a CSC neighbor!

## Dreaming of the Red Creek Valley?

Show your RCV pride with an RCV sticker on your car, water bottle, or notebook.



Pick one up at the camp store this summer or send a check for \$2 to Colvig Silver Camps "I love the RCV" 9665 Florida Road Durango, CO 81301 and we'll mail one back.

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Second-term Outposters charge the camera on their five-day...

## The Magic of CSC...

For 35 years, CSC has been committed to providing the best summer camp experience possible for you and your child. The magic of CSC lies in our limited program size, our incredible staff, and our dedication to the CSC ideals and goals that have put such large smiles on so many faces...

providing a personal approach to camping with a focus on individual growth...

offering a non-competitive educational experience that consistently combines responsibility, fun, learning, and adventure...

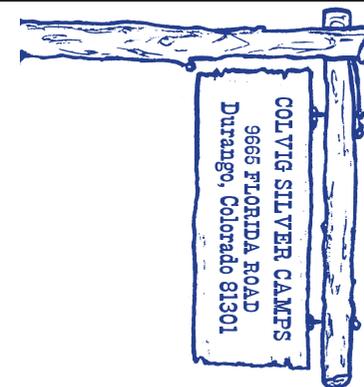
developing relationships with others, within ourselves, and with our environment...

offering expeditions that require a cooperative yet individual effort, fostering both self-reliance and group awareness...

providing inspired and dedicated leadership that encourages positive life skills...



We always enjoy hearing from our friends and families across the country. Please feel free to give us a call or drop us an email with any questions, comments, or concerns you may have. Working together is the best way to make the CSC experience as unforgettable as it is valuable.



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