



# THE TRAIL MARKER

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**Synergy: The increased effectiveness that results when two or more people or businesses work together.**

I'm not sure how many of us will immediately recognize the name Meade C. Dobson, but we all know the organization he worked to form, for it is the Adirondack Mountain Club. Dobson, who was an official of the New York State Association of Real Estate Boards and of the Palisades Interstate Park Trail Conference, came up with the idea of forming the ADK. He felt there was a need for a private organization that could help the State develop trails and shelters to make remote areas of the Adirondacks more accessible to hikers and backpackers.

Encouraged by support from George D. Pratt, Conservation Commissioner of New York State, and William G. Howard, Superintendent of Forests, Dobson invited other like-minded individuals to an organizational meeting. And so it was that, on December 5, 1921 in the Log Cabin atop the Abercrombie and Fitch sporting goods store in New York City, forty people came together for the initial meeting. In April of 1922, the Adirondack Mountain Club was formed, and by October of 1922, the first two chapters were established: The New York Chapter and the Albany Chapter.

What has just been described is an illustration of how ideas and insights, no matter good and true they might be, need to be organized and put into a system so that they can be made into an enduring and effective reality. The system, in our case the organization we call the ADK, is what will ensure a memory longer than that of the individual and what can guarantee the 'handing

on over time' (which is what the word 'tradition' literally means) of the goals, mission, and works of the original founders.

A system has structure, behavior and interconnectivity, all of which we see in the committees, publications and activities of our club. Such a system is open to change and growth, to evolution and refinement, that help keep it relevant and vital. New methods of communication (for example, the Internet, Facebook and Twitter, all of which the Main Club and ourselves now use) become new ways to help carry on the works of the club as well as attract the next generation of members. The concept of 'synergy' illustrates how the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.

'Cooperation' and 'teamwork' are other words for synergy. The community-dynamic, which has been the hallmark of the New York Chapter, illustrates the idea very well. And the secret to the success of all this, what has made it all happen and come together for over 93 years, are the member-volunteers of the club. All of us working together, whether on weekends, hikes, committees, Spring and Fall Work Days, or trail maintenance, continue the work of that first founding group. Our individual members are the life-blood of the club. Together we keep the Adirondack Mountain Club alive and growing.



We are grateful for Meade C. Dobson and those early ADK pioneers, and we are grateful for all of you, all of us, the Membership who carry on the heritage received from those who have gone before. Thank you all. It is quite an exciting adventure!

-Ray Kozma, Chapter Chair

**Be sure to mark your calendars and attend the Annual Open Board Meeting that will take place at Nawakwa on August 8th at 11 AM. Plan to spend the weekend with super hosts Elizabeth Ruiz-Gomez and Carol Burns!!**

# Hosted Weekends: June–July 2015

(visit [www.adkny.org](http://www.adkny.org) for frequent updates)

Unless specified, please register by Thursday prior to the weekend.

To host a weekend or midweek, contact Host Chair:

**Janet Sibarium (212) 254 0738**

**Email: [jansib@mindspring.com](mailto:jansib@mindspring.com)**

Commissary Concerns?

**Call or email Maryann Poris (973) 731-7117**

**[maporis@aol.com](mailto:maporis@aol.com)**

A note to hosts: There is a limit of one host plus one co-host per weekend or midweek, and both host and co-host must be either a keyholder or an applicant. This includes summers and holidays. This also includes families with adult and minor children.

## June 6 – 7 • Wanted! Hungry Vegetarians and Omnivores, while enjoying Mountain Laurels Blooming

Take a swim or hike and stay for dinner. Bring your camera and stay the weekend to enjoy simple, tasty seasonal meals with easy clean-up. Join Diane Booth and Suzanne Rocheleau, in their hosting encore. Seasonal menu is guaranteed to satisfy hungry vegetarians and omnivores. When registering, please specify if you prefer vegetarian or chicken.

**RSVP to Diane Booth @ [dbooth108@aol.com](mailto:dbooth108@aol.com)**

**by Thursday June 4th, @ 9pm.**

**Co-Hosts: Diane Booth and Suzanne Rocheleau**

## June 13 – 14 • Last Spring Weekend

Hike, swim, view mountain laurel blossoms (near their peak), and enjoy plenty of tasty seasonal food. When registering, please indicate if you are omnivore or vegetarian.

**Co-Hosts: Jane Prendergast and Noel Schulz (registrar)**

Tel 201-445-6445 or e-mail [noelschulz@verizon.net](mailto:noelschulz@verizon.net), no later than 8:30 PM Thursday.

## June 20 – 21 • Father's Day Weekend:

In celebration of Fathers, we are offering the popular make-your-own-salad for Saturday dinner with an assortment of greens, veggies, seafood, and meat. Additionally, we will have hors d'oeuvres and a sweet dessert. This is becoming one of our regular meals when we host and is enjoyed by vegetarians and meat eaters, so no need to specify when you RSVP.

Sunday breakfast is Panatone French toast with a meat (bacon or sausage, turkey) and fruit, and, of course, a hikers lunch. We are very excited to be sharing the Hosting duties this weekend with **applicants/co-hosts: Ray Lustig and Ana Berlin.**

**Please RSVP by 10:00 Thursday evening, June 18 to Teri and Don Gabel at 845-359-7518.**

## June 27-28 • AMC Invitational Weekend

Please join and welcome AMC members to Camp Nawakwa. Swim, use the camp's canoes or kayaks, hike in the area, or just relax on the big, open front porch. Cost is \$45 for overnight accommodations in sleeping cabins and three

meals: Saturday dinner, Sunday breakfast, and Sunday trail lunch. **(Note: NY Chapter Keyholder- Members with Nawakwa Passport will deduct the \$20 overnight fee from the total).** Please specify whether you will drive or take public transportation. Registration with \$45 check or money order, payable to "Raymond Kozma", must be received by June 19th. On the check, please write "omnivore" or "vegetarian".

**Co-Hosts: Kim Waldhauer and Ray Kozma, (Registrar)**

**To register, mail check to:**

**Raymond Kozma,**

**585 N Railroad Ave, #3D**

**Staten Island, NY 10304-3938**

**Questions? Please contact Ray: [rmk129koz@aol.com](mailto:rmk129koz@aol.com)**

**tel. 917-406-3782.**

## June 29 – July 3 • Need Midweek Host

### July 4 – 5 • Independence Day Holiday Weekend

Take a swim or hike and stay for dinner. Bring your camera and stay the weekend to enjoy a festive meal grilled on the BBQ and a hearty breakfast. Join Amy Scharfman and Suzanne Rocheleau for a seasonal menu guaranteed to satisfy hungry vegetarians and omnivores. When registering, please specify if you prefer vegetarian or chicken. Please RSVP to Suzanne [srocheleau@cantor.com](mailto:srocheleau@cantor.com) by Thursday July 2nd, @ 9pm. **Co-Hosts: Amy Scharfman & Suzanne Rocheleau**

### July 6 – 10 • Midweek Host: Doris Repke

### July 11 – 12 • Simple Summer Fare

Come enjoy the weekend at camp. Dinner will include BBQ chicken, rice and beans and great desert. Please RSVP by Thursday July 9th @ 9:00 p.m.

**Co-Hosts: Lisa North and David Miller (Registrar)**

**Call or Text: 516-316-7658 or e-mail: [snoop353@aol.com](mailto:snoop353@aol.com)**

### July 13 -17 • Midweek Host: Lisa North

### July 18 – 19 • Post Bastille Day Celebration

A post Bastille Day celebration is being hosted by **Lewis Ports/Rosanna Hamilton and Susanne/Jerry Flower** on the weekend of July 18th & 19th. Saturday evening happy hour and dinner and Sunday breakfast and trail lunch will be seasonal French cuisine.

There will be casual waterfront activities and hiking on Saturday afternoon and hiking on Sunday morning.

Please register with **Jerry Flower, [jerry.flower@verizon.net](mailto:jerry.flower@verizon.net)**, indicating number of meals and vegetarian option by 10 PM on Wednesday, July 15th. Shopping and food preparation will start early Thursday morning.

Saturday happy hour and dinner are limited to 30 people, so register early!

### July 20-24 • Midweek Host: Maryann Poris

### July 25 – 26 • Wanted: Hungry Vegetarians and Omnivores!

Take a swim, hike and stay for dinner. Join Leni Tabb & Ira Stahl, new member, for the weekend. Seasonal menu guaranteed to satisfy all palates: Chicken on the grill, fresh corn & Veggie Chili with fixins'.



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When registering specify which meals and if you are vegetarian. RSVP to lenit4@verizon.net or 212 677-1604, by Thursday July 23rd by 8pm.

**Co- Hosts: Leni Tabb & Ira Stahl**

July 27 – 31: Need Midweek Host

**August 1 – 2 • Second Half of Summer**

Menu includes seasonal produce and BBQ, with a minimum of setup and cleanup. Designed to leave more time for the truly critical activities of lazing by and in the water; boating and wildlife viewing.

**Co-Hosts: Emily Crowell etourincrowell@yahoo.com  
Yajing Li yajinglee@yahoo.com**

**August 3 – 7 • Need Midweek Host**

**August 8 – 9 • Annual Open Board Meeting**

Mother and daughter team will host a summer weekend with an eclectic happy hour followed by a simple pasta dinner with a surprise dessert. Please register by Thursday August 6th @ 9:00 p.m.

**Co-Hosts: Elizabeth Ruiz-Gomez and Carol Burns (registrar)  
718-816-1933 / carol\_kb@yahoo.com.**

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**Welcome, New Applicants!**

- John Armstrong Jr.**
- John Armstrong III**
- Bill Badinelli**
- Carla Bleiler**
- Raquel Feliciano**
- Ray Lustig**
- Martin McDonald**
- Anna Reycraft**
- Doug Witter**

**Welcome, New Keyholders!**

- Jordan Aitchison**
- Deni DeYonker**
- DeeDee Gomes**
- Linda Grunthaner**
- Katherine James**
- Tamannatul Kobra**
- Rosanna Hamilton**
- Gladys Sotomayor**
- Ira Stahl**

**Hikes: Summer 2015**

(visit [www.adkny.org](http://www.adkny.org) for frequent updates)

**Hikes Chairperson: Glen Nison  
718-625-2182  
gnisonbike@juno.com**

**For listings of hikes not led by members of ADKNY, (and not necessarily qualifying) try these links:  
<http://www.nynjtc.org/content/scheduled-hikes>  
<http://www.hudsonhikers.org/schedules.html>**

**Please check schedules of various public transportation options as fares and schedules may have changed.**

**Saturday, July 11 • Breakneck Pond Circular**

A moderate 7 mile hike from the TMI trailhead near routes 202 and 306. Drivers meet at Suffern at 9:35 a.m. at the parking lot next to the bus stop near the junction of routes 59 and 202 in the business district. Bus riders take the 8:45 a.m. Coach Shortline Bear Mountain bound bus from the PABT to Suffern. The hike will proceed via the TMI, Red Arrow and SBM trails past Third Reservoir to Breakneck Pond and return to the cars, depending on timing, via the same route or via the Breakneck Mountain and TMI trails and the outing will conclude at Camp Nawakwa for a swim. All hikers please call leader to confirm logistics. If logistics permit drivers can go directly to the trailhead, which is reached as follows: At the intersection of routes 202 and 306 turn west, then take the next right to Mountain Road, then turn left and go to Diltz Road and then turn left on Diltz Road and go to the large parking lot 1/3 mile on the right where the hike will begin shortly after 10:00 a.m. Qualifying.

Leader: John Lipsett (b) 212-867-8280 (h) 212-864-6109

**Saturday, July 18 • Hike to Breakneck Pond - 9:30AM**

What's the difference between a lake and a pond? It's not their overall size, but the depth that matters. Technically, lakes are deeper and have "thermoclines." This hike is to the highest elevated pond in the Park. Breakneck Pond is also the place where AMC is to open their new camp in 2016. Join in on this hike to see what the area looks like now, before it gets developed for the new camp. Hike is qualifying (about 6 miles). We will leave from the Boat Launch parking area on Lake Sebago (about a 1/2 mile north of the camp road) at 9:30AM. This is a gentle to moderate hike, with only one short, steep section as we follow a trail marked by cairns. Leader: Ray Kozma (917-406-3782) or rmkozma@me.com. Please register by Thursday, 9 PM, July 16th. Bring water, lunch.



They are vultures, and they are very graceful flyers.

Photo by W.E. Hladky

## New York Chapter Trailblazer Award

### Presented to Noel Schulz

On Saturday, May 16th, as part of this year's Spring Work Day, Noel Schulz was presented with the Trailblazer Award by Chapter Chair Ray Kozma on behalf of the New York Chapter Board of Directors and all Chapter members. The Award recognizes extraordinary volunteer service that has been performed over a number of years and in several areas, all of which have made a lasting contribution to the over-all life and vitality of the Chapter. The inscription, which lists the many areas of service provided by Noel, is below. Congratulations Noel!



Photo by Glen Nison

*This New York Chapter Trailblazer Award is gratefully presented to Noel Schulz in recognition of, and appreciation for, the extraordinary service you have given to the New York Chapter and to Camp Nawakwa.*

*Since joining the Chapter in 1997, you have:  
Served on the Board of Directors and, as a Certified Accountant, helped the Chapter and the Board in the proper and timely filing of Federal and State tax forms and with other accounting tasks; Planned, organized and coordinated the 2009 ADK Fall Outing on behalf of the Main Club and run by the New York Chapter; Hosted and co-hosted numerous weekends and provided valuable assistance to others in hosting over the years;  
Worked and continue to work as a Trail Maintainer and with the West Hudson Trail crew, all the while finding time to contribute essential Maintenance Hikes when called upon for help by other Trail Maintainers of the Chapter.*

*Your friendly manner, your sharing of time and talent generously and without hesitation, whether as a leader or a team member, have made you well-respected and a model for others. Ardent Hiker. . . Trails Keeper. . . ADK Enthusiast. . .  
in these ways and more you have shown dedication and commitment to the New York Chapter and have truly blazed a trail for others to follow.*

## The 2015 Annual Nawakwa

### Passport for Key-holders

The 2015 *Annual Nawakwa Passport* is now available for Key-holders. The Passport covers the Day Fee for an unlimited number of visits to camp per calendar year and is designed to make the payment of the Camp Fee as convenient as possible so that key-holders may more easily make use of Camp Nawakwa on a regular basis. Upon arrival at camp, when you sign-in to register at the desk, in the column listed for Day Fee, Passport holders will enter the five-digit number of their Passport. The cost of the *Annual Nawakwa Passport* is \$125 per individual key-holder and is non-transferable. (Please note that the Passport exempts only one individual adult key-holder from paying Day Fees. There is no family category for the passport. If a key-holder with the Passport brings spouse, children, other family members or guests to camp, these other must pay the Camp Fees as usual.)

To obtain the 2015 *Annual Nawakwa Passport*, key-holders should send their request, with their name address, phone number and check (payable to the New York Chapter-ADK), to the Chapter Chair,  
Ray Kozma, at:

Raymond Kozma, Chapter Chair  
New York Chapter-ADK  
585 North Railroad Ave-3D  
Staten Island, NY 10304

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*The editor encourages all members to contribute articles and photos to be used in the Trail Marker and on our website.*

Please email to [editor@adkny.org](mailto:editor@adkny.org)

Deadlines for submission to the newsletter are:

August–September – Deadline: July 17  
October–December – Deadline: September 16  
January–March – Deadline: December 18



# Palm Sunday Hike to St John's in the Wilderness

by Ray Kozma

Seventeen hikers took part in this year's traditional hike to St. John's in the Wilderness. Palm Sunday came early this year (March 29th) and, once we left Seven Lakes Drive to enter the woods, we found a good amount of snow-cover on the trails. All hikers made good use of traction devices to have a safe and fun hike to the church. At the church we met up with other groups of hikers (including our friends from the Long Island Chapter). As usual, through the hospitality of the people of St. John's, a sumptuous feast was provided for everyone in the wonderful barn across from the church.



Photos courtesy Ray Kozma



# Notes from Camp

by Kim Waldhauer, Camp Chair



Thirty eight came to **Spring Cleanup** at camp with the typical Nawakwa spirit of cheerful volunteerism. We dusted and swept the sleep cabins and the main lodge. We carried the boats down to the boat dock. The new boat dock floating platform was launched successfully. The diving platform was towed out to its summer location. The swim ladders were reattached to the dock. We raked the paths. I sprayed a little wasp killer in the top of the ADK gate post where I've gotten stung before. (They love building nests there.)

We mowed and weedwhacked in an effort to keep ticks under control. Did you know that barberry, an invasive shrub, is a favorite place for ticks to live? Any efforts to keep the barberry at camp under control will be welcome. If you want to lend a hand, please contact me at [kim@adkny.org](mailto:kim@adkny.org). New applicant Angela Johnson's husband Paul, a Master cabinet maker, donated his skills and materials in the form of the new wood window to the right of the basement door.

Ray cleared a beautiful tent site up in "The Heights". New keyholder Steve Adams hooked up the shower. A team led by Steve Zubarik started improvements to the logs at the turnaround. They will be set up a little higher so as to be more comfortable benches and will have sealer applied. Paul Bartlett and Milo Selin patched a leaking kayak. New applicant Akwanza inspected the termite stations.

We had a huge lunch (veggie chili, potato salad, pork sausage, chicken and/kale sausage). For dinner I made a smoked turkey chili and Giacomo made pasta primavera. Afterwards to our amazement people lined up for the chance to do dishes with the great new faucet Derek installed!

## My thanks to:

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| Ingrid Strauch   | David Miller     |
| Bill Hladky      | Crystal Williams |
| Glen Nison       | Akwanza          |
| Martin McDonald  | Mary Hilley      |
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| Carl Jackman     | Mike Poris       |
| Steve Adams      | Paul Bartlett    |
| Leni Tabb        | Derek Lomer      |
| Marty Kellerman  | Kira Lomer       |
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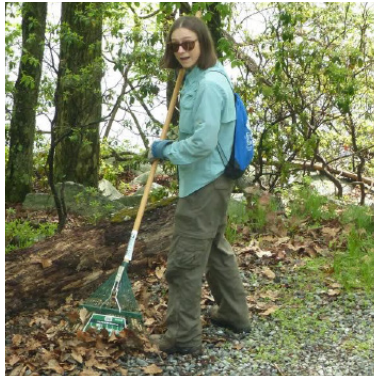
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Mike and Herman



Jason and Carl



lunch

Photos by Glen Nison



# Conservation Committee update May 2015

by Conservation/Education Chair Don Gabel

The Hemlock Project has taken another big step forward. Our goal of locating a suitable site in the Harriman forest to create a field insectary for predators of the Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA) is now within reach. Mark Whitmore from Cornell University is the leader/coordinator for the NYS Hemlock Initiative and has accepted the White Bar Trail site as a part of the state-wide effort to combat the HWA with biological controls. Additionally, in support of regional conservation, the New York Botanical Garden Science Department has agreed to join the Hemlock Initiative and will be coordinating with Mark on how NYBG could best serve the effort.

The White Bar Trail insectary site was found by ADK-NY members and applicants on a series of hikes last summer. Two different predators will possibly be introduced to the area as a part of the NYS Hemlock Initiative. ADK-NY has been asked to locate another release site for the second of the two predators. Now that the ADK-NY Hemlock Project is a part of the NYS Hemlock Initiative, there are many potential, related tasks that we might help out with. On May 29th, a meeting will be conducted with personnel from the Hemlock Initiative, NYBG, Harriman State Park, as well as a representative from ADK-NY (me) to map out a plan for surveying and data collection of the Harriman Insectaries.

As a part of this plan, I propose ADK-NY members camp out at Bald Rock Shelter July 17 - 19 (as mentioned in last quarter's Trail Marker) to begin the process of finding a new release site. This will be a backpacking overnight camp out. Base camp will be located at Bald Rock Shelter and we will work out of that area. I'm looking for members or applicants who are experienced backpack campers, who can operate in the forest with minimal support. Map reading and orienteering skills are a definite plus. Below is a timeline for the weekend. Campers are welcome to join us in the field (8:30 a.m.) for Orientation and Citizen Scientist training. Following training, groups of 3-4 hikers will begin to survey Hemlock areas on and off the trail system south and east of Island Pond.

Saturday night meal will be provided, as well as breakfast on Sunday morning for those camping out. Replacement drinking water, hot water, a cooking area, and fresh fruit will also be available. Other meals may be coordinated among attendees.

## Timeline:

Friday, July 17th 9:00 a.m.: Base camp is established. I will be making several trips from the camper parking lot on Route 106 near Lake Stahahe to the Bald Rock Shelter. All campers are welcome to come early and help set up base camp.

No food provided: arrangements among volunteers may be made.

5:30 - 6:00: If there are enough campers, we will do an early bird orientation/training at about 5:30 p.m.

Saturday 7:00 a.m.: Breakfast on your own. Hike to the orientation/training site on the White Bar Trail.

8:30 a.m.: Hikers and campers meet at the site on the White Bar Trail for 30 minute orientation:

9:00-9:30: Hike to the areas to be surveyed. Begin surveying and work for 4-6 hours. Further details will be provided to participants.

No lunch provided

5:30 -6:30 a.m.: Dinner provided. Your choice of Veggie, Salmon, or beef burgers grilled to order with fixings, and a side.

Campfire

Sunday – Breakfast to be provided - dry cereals, granola, and fruit.

Break camp

I'm looking for 1-2 people to run base camp. Help cooking, firewood, and water.

Please sign up early as this will take a bit of planning, email [blaugabels@msn.com](mailto:blaugabels@msn.com)





## Welcome to Camp Nawakwa

The Summer months of June, July, and August see the camp season at Nawakwa in full swing. We encourage everyone to make the fullest use of our camp as their time may allow. We especially encourage all our members and guests to join in the many hosted weekends that are scheduled. These weekends, with shared Saturday dinners, are a hallmark of the community spirit of the New York Chapter and the embodiment of the special comradery that exists among Chapter members.

Camp Nawakwa can get busy, especially on the weekends (which sometimes have been filled to capacity). We take this opportunity to remind everyone of some of the protocols at Camp, and to announce a new sign-in procedure for those staying overnight (especially needed on the weekends), so as to ensure a relaxing and enjoyable time at Nawakwa for all:

1. Upon arriving at Nawakwa, please make sure to sign-in promptly and to pay the appropriate Day Fee(s). Everyone also needs to sign the Waiver form.
2. For those staying overnight, please be sure to indicate on our new form just where you will be staying (cabins, tent platforms, tent ground-sites). We do this to ensure good communication and the safety of all. On hosted weekends, this a courtesy to the hosts who have assumed responsibility of the camp for the benefit of all. Since overnight space is limited, and accommodations are on a 'first-come, first-served' basis, signing-in will help to know who is staying at camp at any given time. This information is also needed to make full and accurate reports to the Park about camp use and the number of people coming up for Day Use and for Overnight.
3. If you have been staying at camp during the week, but will not be staying over Saturday night, we ask that you make sure your over-night spot is vacated by 3 PM Saturday so that weekenders and those coming for the hosted weekends can get themselves set up.
4. Mid-Week hosts are reminded to have the kitchen refrigerator cleaned out by 10 AM Saturday morning so that the Weekend hosts can have ample room for the food they will be bringing in.
5. After 3 PM on Saturday, the kitchen is for the use of the hosted weekenders only. If you are not registered for the hosted weekend, please do not use the kitchen after 3 PM.
6. In general, whenever there is an official host (Mid-Week or Weekend), the host is in charge of the over-all running of Camp Nawakwa. Please be as responsive and helpful as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation and good will. We work together to ensure a relaxing and rewarding experience for everyone who comes to camp. And remember rule #7: Have fun!

New York Chapter Board of Directors

## Leave a Legacy

New York Chapter members might want to consider Planned Giving as way to help the Chapter and Camp Nawakwa. Planned Giving entails that a Bequest be made in one's Will or Living Trust designating the Chapter (Legal Name: The New York Chapter, Inc. of the Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc.) as the beneficiary. Each donor's gift enhances our ability to provide for current and future needs and ensures that others after us may enjoy the experience that we now treasure. For any questions, please speak to your Attorney or contact the Chapter Chair, Ray Kozma, by email: [rmk129koz@aol.com](mailto:rmk129koz@aol.com) or by telephone: 917-406-3782. All inquiries will be held in confidence.

## Notice to All Key-holders

With the recent replacement of all keys for Camp Nawakwa, including the upgrade to a new and more secure key for the Camp Gate and the Main Cabin, the Board has voted to raise the cost for a set of keys. This change reflects a more realistic accounting for the actual expense of the new keys. Effective May 1, 2015, a new set of keys (or a replacement set for lost keys) will cost \$35.



Photo by W.E. Hladky