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## Chapter Chair's Message

by Ed O'Donnell

**D**ear Members:

I am pleased to announce that we have been the recipient of another very generous bequest. Anne Brack, who became a Nawakwa member in 1957 (at age 26), left our Chapter \$18,000 in her will. [Editor's Note: Read her obituary on Page 7] We are entertaining suggested ways to spend this money, so feel free to share your ideas with any Board member. In this issue, we have published an open letter from long time member, Glen Nison, suggesting a revised fee structure. We have also included a response from our Treasurer, Bruce Rosenbloom, as well as his detailed article which breaks down camp expenses.

With all of the above dialogue about donations and fees, it is important for members to know that we have an annual operating deficit of \$3,000. This means that camp fees fall short of current operating expenses every year – and by a lot. We need to have solutions to our ongoing financial issues. While Anne Brack had not been at camp in many years, she had fond memories of her times there and remembered us in a very generous manner. Would you consider this also? I am. Including the NY Chapter and Nawakwa in your will would be a great help. How long have you been a member? How many times have you come to the camp? The fees have been very low for a long time, maybe now is the time to think about a gift. If you don't currently have a will, or have not reviewed yours in many years, now is the time to consider a bequest.

On another note, it is election time again. Our Nominating Committee is comprised of Ingrid Strauch, Steve Zubarik and Giacomo Servetti. The Election Trollers (those that count the votes) are Gary Brazel, Suzanne Gentner and Deirdre Tourin. Every vote counts, so please participate in the process. Nominations are due by August 31. Ballots will go out by October 1, and must be returned by November 1.

The camp has been looking better lately, due in large part to the energetic Bill Hladky, who has built steps and water bars on the property. Soil erosion should lessen and moving up and down the paths will be easier. We purchased two kayaks: a used 11' 1", and a 14' new one. Along with our spiffy new sailboat, we have a real flotilla now!

Let's not forget: **Annual Fall BBQ: Saturday September 29:**  
**Co-Hosts: Rob and Rosalie Goldberg**, see you there!

Ed O'Donnell, Chapter Chair



### An important reminder from Harriman Park:

If while at camp you have a maintenance issue that requires immediate attention on the weekend or before or after park office hours (7am - 4:30pm), call the Park Police at **845-786-2781**. They will notify appropriate Park Staff who will assist you.

If it is an electrical problem **do not** call Orange and Rockland. Call the Park Police.

If you require an ambulance or there is another type of emergency call the Park Police.

### Regarding Black Bears:

- If you see a bear, immediately call the Park Police **845-786-2781** and Camp Office **845-351-4245**, so we can keep track of the sightings.
- Always make sure your garbage is in the dumpster with the lid securely closed.
- Do not feed the bears. This can happen accidentally when food is left lying around. All food should be secured in the mess hall.
- Have air horns available, and use them when necessary.
- Put bleach over the garbage in your dumpsters to eliminate the odor.

Thanks  
Bill Ledwitz  
Director - Harriman Group Camps

### CAMP IMPROVEMENT FUND DONORS IN 2012

Graham Bright  
Jerry & Susanne Flower  
Donald Gabel  
Walter Jaeckel  
Julie Nixon  
Lisa North  
Ernest Spillar  
Phyllis Stewart

A generous donation to the Camp Improvement Fund was made by two veterans, Lucille Astrella & Elisabeth Niemeyer, in memory of long time Nawakwan Carl Mockert, who passed away on February 5, 2012. Sponsored by Julia Krause & Elisabeth Niemeyer, Carl proved to be a very enthusiastic member, who spent as long as his health permitted-countless hours during the week and on weekends to improve and repair Nawakwa and trails.

*Many thanks for all your generous donations!*

### Welcome, New Keyholders!

Ellen Sackstein  
Nina Ziv

## Camp Fees

**As always, members are encouraged to voice their opinions about any camp issues. Below is the correspondence between Hikes Chair Glen Nison and Treasurer Bruce Rosenbloom as mentioned in Ed O'Donnell's message on page 1**

*Glen Nison's e-mail:*

Hi Folks:

Unfortunately I won't be able to make the board meeting but I wanted to put my 2 cents in regarding the new camp fees structure. If time allows please read this brief message to the group attending.

- 1) I agree with Marilyn Varley that it doesn't seem equitable that members pay the same as guests/applicants.
- 2) Perhaps a solution would be to have an overnight fee of \$12 (more on Saturday night) which of course only members could take advantage of during Friday night and mid-week nights (if members bring guests/applicants we could still apply the \$10/day fee - this might spur guests/applicants to aggressively pursue their keyholder status).
- 3) I think the day fee should be brought back to the \$6 it was and make it \$10 for guests / applicants.
- 4) If a family comes up with one or two kids (especially if they're over 13 years old) for the weekend the costs really get prohibitive (\$40 day/ \$80 weekend just for camp fees for family of four with kids over 13

I know there was some concern about the hosts having a hard time figuring out the different fees but I think these few different fees would not be onerous.

From my personal experience there have been several times where I decided not to go to camp as I was going to arrive late in the afternoon and leave very early in the morning but the thought of paying \$20 for a brief overnight kept me from coming. In the past people have stopped by for a quick overnight on the way to their vacation location upstate and may think twice (or more) about doing this now.

I don't know if we'll be able to figure out if this new fee structure has kept people from coming to camp or not (hard to tell if the weather, economy of the country, etc would affect the results).

I'm not sure if this decision was based solely on the hosts complaining or it was an effort to make more money. I think the discontinuation of the TM should have made a big dent in the chapter's expenses so I think the money issue should not be considered.

Of course I will abide with whatever the board decides whether the fees remain or if there are changes.

Respectfully submitted  
Glen Nison

*Bruce Rosenbloom's response via e-mail:*

Glen-- Thank-you for your input. We are likely to discuss fees, attendance and the budget at the Board meeting tomorrow.

The new fee structure was necessitated by the need to raise additional funds for the camp and to simplify a ridiculously complicated fee structure inherited from years of adding special categories and fee policies. It is only recently that we as a Board, somewhat from my urging, have taken a fresh look at many of the decades-old policies and procedures of the past to see whether they should be continued now. The discontinuation of the printed Trail Marker was just one of those long standing practices that needed to be changed; having 15 categories of membership fees was another. The simplicity of "one price fits all" model clearly simplifies the fee structure so it's understandable, and brings it into the 20th century.

The need for raising our fees is clear. We have been operating in a deficit since I have assumed the role of Treasurer, and likely even longer. These deficits were masked by donations to the camp, but only recently have been closely examined. So, for example, our insurance coverage per year runs close to \$7000 which easily eclipses all we bring in from camp fees in a year--even with the new fee structure. We are only now looking into seeing whether the main ADK club can help us with this insurance issue. In a future Trail Marker, I will write an article on camp expenses so all members can better understand our situation. By the end of this year, we will better know to what extent, if any, that the new fee structure has bridged our operating deficit.

The issue of overnight you brought up--coming late one evening and leaving early the next morning, is the most extreme of situations that make the new fee structure seem unfair. However, it only seems unfair in the context of a historically low fee structure to members. Is \$6 per day for members enough to sustain the camp, or better yet, improve the camp for all day and overnight users? Clearly it isn't. Previous Boards needed to gradually raise these fees--but that did not happen. Consequently, the increase seems sudden and large.

Although other members may feel like you do, beside you and Marilyn, I have not heard anyone else bring this matter to the Board. The reality is that most camp users can afford \$10 per day, and are willing to pay the increase if we are clear about why it's needed. I think we could have done a better job in communicating the need for the new fee structure, and need to do so ASAP.

This Board has taken on some long needed reforms that may be unpopular, but needed. Our intent is not to discourage dedicated members like yourself from using the camp in any way. We are attempting to put the camp on a balanced financial footing for the future, improve the experience of the camp for current and future members, and have this wonderful resource available to future Nawakwans. I am sure you approve of the improvements we've made to the camp this season--with more planned in the future. This is the direction we are going. Nonetheless, we will take your views seriously on these and other matters, and continue to bring them to our attention.

All the best...Bruce

# Hosted Weekends: August–September 2012

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

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.

**MidWeek: August 6 – 8: Ron Engasser**

**MidWeek: August 9 – 10: Lisa North**

**August 11–12 • Wanted: Hungry Vegetarians and Omnivores**

Take a swim or hike, and stay for dinner. Join Leni Tabb 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 by Thursday Aug. 9th, @ 9:00 p.m.

Co-Hosts: Leni Tabb [lenit4@verizon.net](mailto:lenit4@verizon.net) (registrar) & Suzanne Rocheleau

**August 13 – 17 Mid Week Host Needed**

**August 18 – 19 • Simple Pleasures Weekend**

Simple food, simple pleasures of late summer at Camp and the best corn in town. Host will be at Camp Friday night if you want to come up early. Please register by Thursday evening.

Host: Kim King [kimking@artpost.com](mailto:kimking@artpost.com) 845-679-3880

**Midweek: August 20 - 24 Mid Week Host: Kim King**

**August 25 – 26 • Late Summer Birthday Celebration**

Please join Despina and Giacomo for a Greek/Italian Fusion Feast! Register by 9:00pm Thursday, August 23.

Co-Hosts: Despina Metaxatos and Giacomo Servetti (registrar) [gservetti08@gmail.com](mailto:gservetti08@gmail.com) or 845-947-0054

**Midweek: August 27 – 29: Marilyn Varley**

**Labor Day Weekend: September 1 – 3: Host Needed**

**Midweek: Sept. 3 – 7: Mid-week Hosts: Ellen Libretto &**

**Adam Conrad**

**Sept 8 – 9 Host Needed**

**Sept. 15 – 16: Host Needed (Rosh Hashanah)**

**Sept. 22 – 23 Host Needed**



Host Callen Cooper submitted this photo from his very well attended August 4–5 Luau. Here are some of our Nawakwa Ohana (family members) doing a “not quite ready for prime time Hula dance.” Fun was had by all!

**Saturday, Sept. 29th: Annual Fall BBQ & 86th Anniversary of Camp Nawakwa**

Join the celebration with your encore hosts, Rob and Rosalie Goldberg, for this all day not-to-be-missed event!

Date: Saturday, Sept. 29th

Time: All Day: BBQ at 5:00 p.m.

Price: (Includes Day Fee and BBQ):

\$30 per adult

\$20 per child (4 – 13 years old)

Please indicate if you wish vegetarian or chicken or beef meal

Your reservation and check must be received by Thursday, Sept. 20th.

Please mail your check, payable to “Robert Goldberg”:

Mr. Robert Goldberg

118 Lake Avenue

Ithaca, NY 14850

Questions???? E-mail Rob: [robg741@gmail.com](mailto:robg741@gmail.com)

**Overnight and Sunday, September 30:**

Staying Overnight after the BBQ? Join Teresa for breakfast and lunch and catch up with this veteran host. Please e-mail registration by Wednesday, September 26th.

Overnight and Sunday Host: Teresa Marrero:

[tmarrero60@gmail.com](mailto:tmarrero60@gmail.com)

## Camp Fees Explained

by Bruce Rosenbloom, Treasurer

In January the Board approved a restructuring of camp fees in order to accomplish two goals; raise additional revenues to cover operating costs, and simplify a needlessly complicated fee structure. The current day fees are explained below.

Day Fees:

Fees for using the camp are based solely on the number of days you are at the camp. All adults are charged \$10 per day, with children under 13 paying \$5 per day. Whether you stay over or not the same rule applies.

Example:

Hiking Henry prefers to use either the cabins or tent overnight. He decides to stay overnight and leave early in the morning. He owes \$20 total—for 2 days (regardless of the time of checkout).

Basking Benny likes to frequent the dock area, but only for the day. He comes for 2 consecutive days and leaves in the evening on both days. He also owes--\$20--\$10 for 2 days.

This example shows that the new fee structure is based on per-day attendance at Nawakwa—whether you stay overnight is immaterial (other than the fact that you’re at the camp for 2 days).

The Board will review the new fee structure at the end of this year. We expect it will be more readily understood and accepted by our membership, particularly in light of increased operating expenses.

Note: As always, we urge you to please pay your camp fees upon arrival.

# Hikes: August–September 2012

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

**Hikes Chairperson: Glen Nison**  
**718-625-2182**  
**[gnisonbike@juno.com](mailto:gnisonbike@juno.com)**

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

## Volunteers Wanted!

We are always seeking volunteers to lead hikes. Familiarity with trails and hiking experience is all that is required. If you are interested, please contact the Hikes Chairperson, Glen Nison, 718-625-2182  
**[gnisonbike@juno.com](mailto:gnisonbike@juno.com)**

### Sunday, August 19 • Garrison

Around 7 moderately-paced miles. Mostly woods roads and trails, but a substantial uphill at the start (no scrambling). Take the 9:50 Hudson Line train from GCT arriving in Garrison at 10:56. You may also take the 9:40 train at the Marble Hill station (one block from the 225th St. stop on the #1 subway), changing at Croton-Harmon for the express. Please sit in first or second open cars of train, and please use restrooms on train. Out in time for the 5 pm train back to NYC. Drivers from NYC: Saw Mill River Pkwy. to exit 26, Route 9A North to Route 9 North to Route 403 West to Garrison station. Park in the large commuter parking lot on the east side of the station. It's not necessary to register but you must call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure that the hike is on, and if you need or can offer a ride from NYC. Sorry, but no children, no pets, no smoking. Qualifying. Bob Susser 212-666-4371; [rsusser@aol.com](mailto:rsusser@aol.com)

### Saturday, September 8 • Lake Welch

Around 8 moderately-paced miles. A delightful getaway in an area not often explored. We'll be guests of the SBM, LP, and Beech trails. It's not necessary to register, but you must call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure that the hike is on, and if you need or can offer a ride from NYC. Take the 9:14 Jersey Transit train from Penn Sta., changing at Secaucus for the 9:31 Port Jervis train to Sloatsburg, arriving 10:12. Or, take the 9:10 ShortLine bus from PABT arriving in Sloatsburg at 10:07. Out in time for the 4:28 train back to Penn Sta. Qualifying. Bob Susser 212 666-4371; [rsusser@aol.com](mailto:rsusser@aol.com)

### Sunday, September 16 • Fahnestock

Various trails through woods and high-level meadows with alpine-like vistas. Around 8 miles at a moderate pace. It is not necessary to register, but you must call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure that the hike is on, and if you need or can offer a ride from NYC. Take the 9:50 Hudson Line train from GCT, arriving in Cold Spring at 11. Connection to this train may also be made by taking the 9:40 from the Marble Hill station (a block west from the 225th St. subway stop on the #1 train) and changing at Croton-Harmon. Please sit in the 1st or 2nd open car of the train, and please use the restrooms on the train. Drivers from NYC: Saw Mill River to 9A, to 9, to 403, to 9D; make a left on 301, which is Main St. in Cold Spring. Go to the end of Main St. and park temporarily in the parking lot of the Depot Cafe or on a nearby street. There will be a short shuttle and we will be taking all of the cars. Out around 5, but plan to hang around for a while afterwards for some refreshment at the Depot Cafe. Sorry, but no children; no pets; no smoking. Qualifying. Bob Susser 212 666-4371; [rsusser@aol.com](mailto:rsusser@aol.com)

### Saturday, September 22 • Inwood & Fort Tryon Parks (with a visit to the Cloisters)

Around 3 miles at a moderate pace. After a stroll through Inwood Park, we cross over into Fort Tryon Park -- with its majestic outlook over the Hudson -- for lunch (bring lunch and beverage). After lunch, a visit to the Cloisters (admission is "pay what you wish" -- \$1 is fine), then through the rest of the park, including the Heather Garden. Take A train to 207th St. -- meet 10:30 on the NW corner of 207th & Broadway. The walk should end around 3. Give me a call Friday evening if the forecast calls for rain or thundershowers. It's not necessary to register, but you must call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure that the hike is on. No smoking. Not qualifying. Bob Susser: [rsusser@aol.com](mailto:rsusser@aol.com) 212 666-4371.

### Sunday, September 23 • Parker Cabin Hollow Loop

Walk a lumpy 5 miles over Parker Cabin, Tom Jones, and Black Rock Mtns. Qualifying. Leader Steve Zubarik 845-786-3247 or [szubarik@optonline.net](mailto:szubarik@optonline.net)

### Saturday, September 29 • Cat Rocks Appalachian Trail

Moderate 7-mile hike on the Appalachian Trail through woods and farmland to a panoramic outlook. Non-drivers take 7:48AM Harlem Line from Grand Central (7:58 from 125th Street) to the Appalachian Trail station, where hike begins at 9:45AM. Drivers go along route 22 two miles north of Pawling looking for a parking area just north of a garden and landscaping center on the west side of the road. Park and walk back south 200 yards past the garden center, turning right on a path to find the small station 50 yards to the west. Qualifying. Leader: John Lipsett 212-867-8280 (work) or 212-864-6109 (home)

### Sunday, September 30 • Garrison, Osborn Loop

Woods roads and trails, with a substantial uphill at the start (but no scrambling). Around 7 miles at a moderate pace. It's not necessary to register, but you must call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure that the hike is on, and if you need or can offer a ride from NYC. Take the 9:50 MetroNorth Hudson Line train from GCT, arriving in Garrison at 11. You can connect to this train by taking the 9:40 local at the Marble Hill station (one block from the 225th St. stop on the #1 subway) and changing at Croton-Harmon. Please use the restrooms on the train and please sit in the first or second open car. Drivers from NYC: Saw Mill River Pkwy. to exit 26, Route 9A North to Route 9 North to Route 403 West to Garrison station. Park in the large commuter parking lot on the east side of the station. Out in time for the 5 pm train back to NYC. Sorry, but no children; no pets; no smoking. Qualifying. Bob Susser 212 666-4371; [rsusser@aol.com](mailto:rsusser@aol.com)

### Saturday, October 6 • Bronx Botanical Garden

A leisurely stroll of around 3 miles. Chrysanthemum show in conservatory, plus conifers & primeval forest walk. Take the 10:23 Harlem Line train from Grand Central, arriving at the "Botanical Garden" Station at 10:42 (get "City Ticket"). Alternatively, take the 4 or D subway to "Bedford Park Blvd." and then the #26 bus east to the Mosholu Gate entrance -- or, the 2 subway to "Allerton Ave." and then the #26 bus west to the entrance. Meet just inside the Mosholu Gate at 10:45. Admission to the Gardens is free on Saturdays until 11, but there is a fee for admission to the conservatory. If driving, park in the lot by the station or on a nearby street. No coordination of rides. Visit will end by 3 but, of course, you can leave earlier or stay later. Not necessary to register, but you must call or preferably email me beforehand to make sure that the visit is on. Bring lunch and beverage, or buy it in the cafeteria. Not qualifying. Bob Susser 212-666-4371; [rsusser@aol.com](mailto:rsusser@aol.com)

# Nawakwa: The Cost Of Beauty

By Bruce Rosenbloom, Treasurer

All of us who have been at the camp realize what a gem it is. We're quite fortunate to have access to this beautiful facility, within an hour's drive of New York City. On visits to Nawakwa, things seem simple and easy. We take pleasure in a fresh breeze off the lake and its cooling waters, a relaxed conversation, and a dinner with guests at the main cabin. The issue of money and finances is not in this lovely picture, except for the payment of camp fees. It is understandable that one can easily come away from a visit thinking that the camp is there for enjoyment and issues concerning funding are inconsequential or of minimal importance.

Well....sorry to burst that bubble. In reality, myself and other Board members have the responsibility of ensuring the camp's finances and we've spent time debating the best way to accomplish sustaining the camp into the future. Despite visions of bucolic weekends at the camp, we are part of a greater economy where dollars do count. This short article will give our members a rough idea of the yearly costs to run the camp. In the next Trail Marker, I will focus on the income side of the ledger.

Like any camp, we have significant cost, most fixed, but with some variance from year to year. In the following list, I have smoothed over the variability to give you a sense of the major camp expenses. These estimates are based on my experience as Treasurer for the past 2 years, with expenses listed in order-from highest on down.

Camp Expense	Average Estimated Annual Costs	Comments
Insurance	\$7000	Liability and Directors & Officers
Repairs and Maintenance	\$4000	Ongoing repairs not covered by Park
Camp Improvements	\$4000-\$6000	Tent platforms, cabins, kitchen, kayaks
Camp Supplies and Equip.	\$4000	Appliances, commissary, tools, misc. items for camp
Park Rent	\$3500	Yearly rental fee to Park
Utilities and Services	\$3000	Propane, electric, phone, Port-a-San, inspections
General Administrative	\$1500	Website, accounting, postage, stationery, bank
Other/Misc	\$1000	Unforeseen expenses and those not categorized above
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$31,000-\$33,000</b>	

These expenses may come as a surprise, but they are as much a part of Nawakwa as the Main Cabin and dock. The Board, somewhat from my urging, has started taking a look at reducing some of these expenses—particularly insurance. We've already cut out the printing of the Trail Marker with a resulting saving of approximately \$5000. Moreover, this Board has shown a new willingness to look these issues "squarely in the eye" and not flinch in making the needed changes to ensure our financial viability. Yet, even with the most frugal approach, most of these recurring expenses are fixed, and, in all likelihood, will increase with time. These facts are important to acknowledge, and should give our members more perspective regarding the recent need to raise camp fees.

The financial picture for the camp is not dire, nor is bankruptcy imminent. The camp has a reasonable reserve fund, has raised \$6000 this past year for camp improvements, and we are gradually increasing our camp membership. So there are positives in this situation. I suspect, however, even with the increased camp fees, we are running a yearly deficit of between \$3-5000. What is critical in my estimation is that we become very conscientious regarding our camp's cash flow, in order to sustain this wonderful resource into the future. So, that is the "cost of beauty". May we both enjoy the camp and preserve it for future Nawakwans.

**Dear Nawakwans:**

At our last Open Board Meeting the time line of Elections was announced, along with the Nominating Committee and Ballot Tallying Committee. For those of you who couldn't make the meeting (the majority), here's the update:

Most of the Board of Directors are up for re-election. Janet (Secretary/a.k.a. me) has another year of her term. David Miller resigned and his Directorship also has another year. We are trying to appoint that position, as allowed in the ByLaws. Most of the current board has agreed to run for re-election: Treasurer: Bruce Rosenbloom, Directors: Steve Barre, Maryann Poris, Mark Fedow (also our Main Club Rep), Derek Lomer (also our Camp Chair)

However, our Chapter Chair, Ed O'Donnell, and Vice Chair, Jerry Flower, are bidding us a fair adieu, and have decided not to run for re-election. They have done a fabulous job, and Ed is always the master of precise and diplomatic communication, which seems to be a main requirement for Chair...whether you are communicating with members of the Parks Dept., the Main Club or members. Thankfully Jerry has agreed to still be Membership Chair (which is an ongoing job!) Ingrid Strauch has also decided not to run for re-election for the board.

Nominations for Chapter Chair and Vice Chair and directors must be e-mailed by August 31st to any member of the Nominating Committee. You can also nominate the current board or even yourself!

Nominating Committee:

- Ingrid Strauch [strauch11@yahoo.com](mailto:strauch11@yahoo.com)
- Giacomo Servetti [gservetti08@gmail.com](mailto:gservetti08@gmail.com)
- Steve Zubarik [szubarik@optonline.net](mailto:szubarik@optonline.net)

The Ballot Counting (Talliers) Committee are:  
**Gary Brazel, Suzanne Gentner and Deidre Tourin**  
**(veterans at this task!)**

Thank you members who have volunteered for the elections. Now we need your nominations, and most important we need a few more dedicated members to service on the Board. We only meet 6 times per year and on alternate months, we have teleconferences, from the comfort of your home. With e-mail, communication has become much easier.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Janet Sibarium  
Secretary



photo by Glen Nison

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## ADKNY Nominating Ballot 2012

**Chapter Chair** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter Vice Chair** \_\_\_\_\_

**Treasurer** \_\_\_\_\_

**Director** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Director for 1 year to fill a vacancy.** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominations must be received by the Nominating Committee by August 31, 2012**

Please cut out and mail this ballot to: Giacomo Servetti 369 N. Liberty Drive Tomkins Cove NY 10986-1118	Or email your nominations to any of the members of the Nominating Committee: Ingrid Strauch <a href="mailto:strauch11@yahoo.com">strauch11@yahoo.com</a> Giacomo Servetti <a href="mailto:gservetti08@gmail.com">gservetti08@gmail.com</a> Steve Zubarik <a href="mailto:szubarik@optonline.net">szubarik@optonline.net</a>
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## In Memoriam – Anne Brack

### BRACK

Anne Marie, was born April 16, 1930 in Bergen, Norway, and passed peacefully on New Year's Day, January 1, 2012. She was 81 years old. For the past 9 years, she had lived at the Glenaire Retirement Community in Cary, NC.

Born in Norway, she first visited the United States when she was a mere 8 weeks old. Her mother, Ingeborg, took ill with tuberculosis when Anne was four years old, which prompted a return to Norway to be with other family members. Sadly, Ingeborg would pass when Anne was just 8 years old. Anne continued to live with her father, Arild Brack, and her maternal grandmother. She attended New York University for 2 years when she left to start her career at Oxford University Press.

A 9 year resident of Glenaire, Anne was on so many committees (bridge club secretary, gift shop volunteer, Encompass activist) and welcomed many new residents into the community. Her long time hobbies included gardening, knitting (she knitted baby caps for the Rex Neo Natal unit), anything environmental, nature, and recycling oriented, and doing the New York Times Sunday crossword puzzles in ink. One of her friends mentioned that Anne could play bridge with the "Big Dogs", a comment I'm sure she would be proud of! She was also capable of the dreaded multi-tasking, by calling Bingo, playing Bingo, and knitting without having to look at her stitches.

Prior to moving into Glenaire, she lived in MacGregor Downs since 1990, when she relocated here from New Jersey with Oxford University Press. Anne would work for Oxford University Press for for 45 years. While in Cary, she participated in the Docent program at the Museum of Natural Science, instructed for Alive 55, Senior Driving program, H&R Block tax preparation volunteer, Cary Citizen Police Academy, Women's Health Initiative, volunteer at the Cary Library system, and even assisted as a train hostess! While living in the Northeast, she hiked, rock climbed, and enjoyed snow skiing. When she moved to Cary, NC, she started traveling with the ElderHostel group, which included trips to the Galapagos, US Virgin Islands, and the Grand Canyon, among other destinations. Any of her friends, new or old knew of her lifelong passion for photography and her love of Ansel Adams photos, in particular.

She is survived by her two children, Michael Zingone, San Diego, CA, and Carol Zingone, Jacksonville Beach, FL, her grandson, Shane Zingone, San Diego, CA, her niece Robin Zingone, Chester, CT, and her nephew, Drew Zingone Santa Monica, CA. A memorial service is planned for 1/27/12 at the Glenaire community with the time to be announced later. Her desire was to be cremated, and to have her ashes scattered over her favorite part of the Appalachian Trail in New York State.

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## Hello fellow Nawakwans,

I wanted to share a few thoughts with you about Anne Brack, whose wonderful bequest to our club stunned the Board of Directors, and whose published obituary truly intrigued me.

I never met Anne Brack - I understand she became a member in 1954 and has not been to camp since the mid 1990's -but I wish I had.

When we received notice of her gift I was intrigued that, despite the fact that she left children, grandchildren, and extended family, Anne still chose to leave such a sum of money to our club. And I was fascinated by the brief biography of her life. Anne was such an active, inclusive person, interested in so many things and welcoming to the newcomers. She sounded to me like the perfect first contact person at Nawakwa, someone I would be glad to see at camp when I arrived.

And I imagined that she, too, had fond memories of her experiences, profound chats, and relationships formed here at camp. How else to explain such a generous donation from a long- inactive member? Surely it was not the physical camp itself - the lake, the cabins, the hike up the hill to the outhouse (all of which hasn't changed since Anne's time). It must have been the camaraderie, the sense of sharing (work and play), and the respite we all seek from our "everyday" lives that we find at camp.

I appreciate my fellow Board members and all former Board members and so many volunteers through the years for giving what they had to give.

But Anne Brack, with her surprising and generous bequest, made me feel most humble indeed. I recognized it as an affirming and encouraging expression of her experience at Nawakwa. I wish that all current members could feel her affirmation as well.

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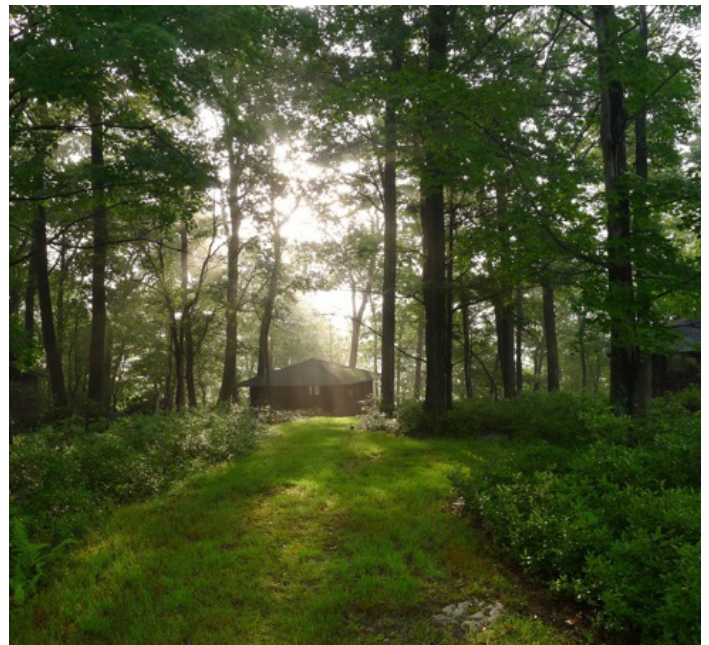


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