



May/June 2025

Centennial Celebrations

The Pinewoods Centennial is here! Join us as we celebrate 100 years of music, dance, and song. At many sessions there will be special workshops, trivia games, and lots of great stories. A timeline display of Pinewoods history is now located outside the Camphouse. We are excited to unveil our newly-published **cookbook**, A Taste of the Kitchen, which is chock full of favorite recipes, photos, and stories. Two special Centennial sessions are also happening this season: the recent Fine Companions and the upcoming **Crew Reunion** (September 12-14) to close out the season (psst, there's still time to register!) If you have questions about Centennial activities, please reach out to centennial@pinewoods.org.

Pinewoods Centennial Merchandise

Check out our new Centennial t-shirt design created by Chris Reynolds!



Centennial t-shirts are available for \$25 each (\$22 for Youth) and are sold exclusively at "The Cave" under the Pinewoods Office.

Pinewoods T-Shirt Quilt Raffle



Kimberly Field stands with the completed quilt.

Photo Credit: Gabriel Vasquez-Billin

This beauty can be yours! Designed and sewn by the talented Kimberly Field, with final touches completed during this year's Memorial Day Work Weekend, this quilt is crafted from vintage Pinewoods T-shirts and scraps of cabin curtain fabric. Raffle tickets are \$10 and can be purchased while you are here at Camp. We'll draw the winner at the end of the summer season, and the proceeds will benefit Pinewoods and our Centennial activities.

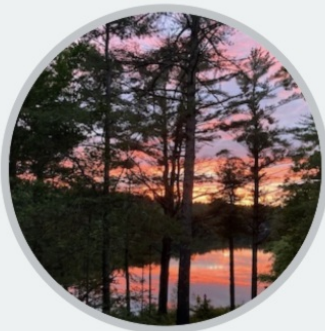
Not coming to camp this summer? Call the Pinewoods Camp Office at 508.224.4858 to purchase your tickets over the phone.



*Kimberly Field and Nell Wright work on stitching the quilt.
Photo Credit: Gabriel Vasquez-Billin*

Archives Workshops

At nearly every camp session this year you can attend one of our Archives workshops and learn how to create audio recordings of your memories as part of our Pinewoods StoryCorps collection at the Library of Congress. We can record you with a family member or friend, as well as teach you how to make and lead your own Pinewoods Storycorps interviews. Click [HERE](#) to check out some of the stories we've collected so far. We can't wait to chat with you at Camp!



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Celebrating 100 years of traditional music and dance with stories from campers, artists, staff, crew, volunteers, board, and more!

The Pinewoods Timeline

The history of Pinewoods Camp is displayed on five large panels hanging on the wall behind the Camphouse. The Timeline display, designed by



Chris Reynolds and based on the work by the Timeline Committee, is expected to weather one season. Pinewoods is applying for grants to fund a more permanent installation. This timeline is a living document; a digital version will be revised over time and live on our website.

The Timeline panels and information about its creation can be viewed on our [website](#). We appreciate your feedback. Use [this form](#) or complete a paper

version at Camp this summer.



(Top left) Ted Seigan and Ellen Judson studying panels. Photo Credit: Lisa Greenleaf

(Above) A session about the Timeline with campers, pond neighbors, and five committee members during Fine Companions in June. Photo Credit: Mark Wilke

Hats Off to 2025 Crew!

The season is here and we wouldn't have camp magic without Crew! The successful 2024 leadership team returns, seeing Amanda Barbour, Head of Kitchen; Beth Reagan, Assistant Manager of Operations and Communications; and Isaac Burr, Head of Grounds working with Executive Director Chris Jacobs, Head of Facilities Dennis Carchedi, and Accounts Manager Kim Crespi. We're looking forward to a summer of celebration, hard work, and the camaraderie that comes with it.



*Mayhem visits a Crew meeting.
Photo Credit: Elena Giacoletti*



*Crew members play for a Crew
waltz party.
Photo Credit: Audrey Tannous-
Taylor*



*Visiting Pots.
Photo Credit: Kira Young*



*Crew celebrates the solstice by "dancing up the sun" on the last day before campers arrive, using hankies
donated to Crew by Kimberly Field.*



While crew members go for a swim after dancing “Bonny Green Garters” (Bampton tradition) off the dock, concertina player, Seramay, acts as a human hankie stand.

Photo Credits: Beth Reagan

Fine Companions

The Pinewoods Camp Centennial event, Fine Companions, was a huge success. This unique midweek session focused on sharing memories and reflecting on the evolving culture of Pinewoods from 1944 when Lily Conant inherited the Camp, to 1975 when PCI purchased Pinewoods.

The schedule included a wonderful mix of dancing, singing, socializing, crafting, sharing memories, recording oral history, celebrating Pinewoods’ 100th birthday, and reuniting with friends and family. The joy was palpable as we celebrated together at camp. After a day of chill and rain, two exquisite, sparkling days were deeply appreciated.



135 people – campers aged 30-90, program staff and volunteers, plus a few extra crew volunteers – gathered at Pinewoods early in the season for a reunion with place and people. Forty-one people had not been to Pinewoods since before 2020, and fourteen of those had not been to Camp in the 21st century. Whether people had come more recently



or not, everyone was reuniting with people they hadn't seen in years. There were 7 sets of siblings, four parent & grown child pairs, cousins, and many Pinewoods-born couples. For many, Pinewoods continues to feel like another home, regardless of how long people have been away.

This session was made possible by a gifted staff, a generous team of program volunteers and extra crew volunteers, plus an extra-long golf cart nicknamed

"The Wandering Albatross." A special thanks to Marney Morrison and Susan Creighton who brought this Centennial celebration to life.



Judy Savage (foreground), Dishwasher Brenda Castro (white hat), Martin Barbour (red hat), and Nancy Barbour (background) on dish duty at Fine Companions.



Pinewoods "Birthday Party" Celebration

Photo Credits: Marney Morrison

Sharing Your 2025 Pinewoods Camp Photos

Contribute some of your favorite camp photos to the [Pinewoods Community Album 2025](#). Share your memories with fellow campers, and perhaps one of your photos will be featured in a future Articles & Announcements.



A butterfly in the kitchen herb garden during the Fine Companions session in June.

Photo Credit: Beth Reagan

Thank You Work Weekenders

Great progress was made to open Camp over our two May work weekends, thanks to a fantastic team of volunteers and crew members. **We could not have done it without all of you!**

Much appreciation to:

Abby Ehrenstein, Amanda Barbour, Audrey Tannous-Taylor, Barbara Morrison, Ben Rechel-McCormick, Beth Reagan, Boris Goldowsky, Brenda Castro, Carl Fristrom, Chris Reynolds, Chris Jacobs, Christine Ariel, Christopher Field, Cindy Dill, Claire G erin-Lajoie, Clara Stefanov-Wagner, Dennis Carchedi, Dragan Gill, Echo Lustig, Elliot Layton, Emilie Moore, Evan Johnston, Fiona Rogers, Gabriel Vasquez-Billin, Hannah McArdle, Isaac Burr, Janet Scudder, Jean-Simon Voghel Robert, Jim Greaney, Joel Bluestein, John Lam, Jordan Young, Judy Savage, Justin Giacoletti, Kat Dutton, Katherine Giacoletti, Katrina Bercaw, Kimberly Field, Kira Young, Kyle MacKenzie, Laura DeCesare, Mark Dooley, Micah Walter, Nell Wright, Noel Hess, Phyllis Stefanov-Wagner, Rebecca Jones, Rowyn Peel, Seramay Schultz, Seth Weidner, Steven Bluestein, Ted Bubbins, Teej Keyes, Terry Harvey, Th eo Hughes, Thom Yarnal, and Tom O'Connor.



*Joel Bluestein and son, Steven Bluestein at Hands Across installing the new sound system.
Photo Credit: Beth Reagan*



Teamwork makes the dreamwork, volunteers make light work of lifting and flipping a tree trunk turned bench at the new Nature Nook.

Photo Credit: Beth Reagan



*Moving felled tree trunk pieces; digging trenches for run off and erosion control;
team lifting a slice of tree for the Nature Nook.*

Photo Credit: Gabriel Vasquez-Billin

Lost & Found 2025

Did You Leave Something at Pinewoods?

Please click [HERE](#) to take a look at the photos of lost and found items collected at Camp in 2025 (this album will be updated throughout the season). If you have attended a session, one of your belongings may be here. Contact Beth at office@pinewoods.org, or call the office at 508-224-4858 to let us know if you would like to be reunited with your belonging. Any items not claimed will be donated before the next season.



Road Construction

Please anticipate traffic at the intersection of Long Pond Road and Halfway Pond Road this summer, as turning lanes and a traffic light are installed. Please plan accordingly. For updates, visit [the Six Ponds' website](#).



Road construction at the Long Pond Rd and Halfway Pond Rd Intersection begins.

Photo Credit: Caroline Chapin

A Sense of Place



A Round Pond dragonfly unfurls its wings (bottom) after emerging from its exuvia (top).

Photo Credit: Chris Jacobs

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