



New Team of Directors Delivers Energy to Arrowhead

Jeremy Gillespie, program director since fall 2004, was promoted to executive director this past fall. Speaking about the rest of the team, Jeremy said, "I look forward to further working with Jeff, Ben and Dave. I believe their commitment to camping and impacting boys' lives coupled with their sense of fun and spiritual life will create an awesome summer at Arrowhead."

A graduate of Winthrop University, Jeremy later completed a Masters of Theological Studies at Reformed Theological Seminary. Jeremy values a quality camp experience because of the impact summer camping had on his own life. His experience includes 16 years serving as a counselor, program staff and program director at various camps in the southeast and working as an Assistant Director at Camp Hope & Sertoma in Clemson, South Carolina. Jeremy and his wife, Elizabeth, met at summer camp and share a passion to impact children's lives through camp.



Ben, Jeremy, Dave and Jeff

Meet the rest of the team. Story continued inside.



Spencer Brings Camp History to Board

Robert T. Spencer, long time camper from Tampa, FL and supporter of Arrowhead recently joined the Board of Directors in December of 2006. Rob, Kelley and their two children Dylan (12) and Kate (9) currently live in Lexington, KY where Rob co-owns and serves as president of Equine Podiatry Center Inc. Both Dylan and Kate attend respectively Camp Arrowhead and Camp Glen Arden, Arrowhead's sister camp. Rob is proud that his family has been associated with Arrowhead close to its inception and look forward to helping Arrowhead continue its historic traditions.

Rob remembers the summers he spent at Arrowhead as some of the best times of his life, and he is excited about continuing his involvement in this storied tradition. "Arrowhead teaches young boys respect, independence, good decision making and most of all to be responsible for your actions. I can think of no better way to help these boys become men." Rob's son Dylan is the fifth member of their family and third generation to attend Arrowhead as a camper.

Dylan's great-grandfather was affiliated with the camp and the Bell Family in some capacity in the early days in the late 30s. No one seems to remember the exact story. Rob's dad and uncle were at Arrowhead from 1951 to 1959 as campers and counselors. "My dad was a riding instructor. He and my uncle are around the same age as Dr. Joe and Ed Bell and became friends with them at the time my great-grandparents lived near Arden, so dad and my uncle were in the area most summers. My brother and I were there 1971 to 1979 as campers, CITs and counselors. My brother ran the rifle range and I was what they called a woodsy - camping and rock climbing. As for progressions, I earned my scout patch and did two years of Spearhead, if memory serves me correctly." We asked Rob who he thinks will win the log this summer and about his fondest memories. He responded, "Chicks of course. This bias has everything to do with the fact I was the Chick medicine man in 1975, then chief in '76 and '77. My fondest memories? They are too many to list!"

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Jeff Killebrew rejoined our staff in January to focus on fundraising, marketing and developing our outreach camps. He graduated from the University of Florida with a B.S. in advertising and directed Arrowhead's first Children of Promise session in 2005 with boys from Desire Street Ministries in New Orleans. Jeff directed DSM's marketing/development efforts and adventure camps for the last six years.

Benjamin Darnell brings an extensive background in the outdoor education and recreation field, with more than ten years of personal experience in climbing, kayaking, mountain biking and backpacking. Professionally, Ben has directed adventure camps for at-risk youth, developed challenge course events for campers with disabilities and served as an experiential educator and ropes course facilitator. His education includes a B.S. in Therapeutic Recreation and a M.S. in Recreation Administration, both from the University of Tennessee. He and Kelley have been married for three years.

Dave McGlashan, former Arrowhead paddling staff, also joined the director team this year. He brings years of experience as a camper at Falling Creek and as a counselor/program staff at Arrowhead. Dave earned a B.S. and a M.S. in Therapeutic Recreation from the University of Tennessee. He is versed in climbing, kayaking, mountain biking and backpacking, and has led outdoor programs with Adventure Treks and others across the Southeast.

More Board Members for Arrowhead

Greg Frady is Director of Strategic Partnerships with Compassion International. Compassion is a Christian child advocacy ministry working with over 800,000 children in more than 20 countries. He has almost 20 years working in non-profit development. Greg is married to Nancy and together they have three sons: Patrick (9), Collin (7) and Sean Thomas (4). Greg brings to Camp



Arrowhead a passion for seeing young people realize their God-given potential and reaching them with the message that Christ loves them.

Tim Bailey has been in the financial services business including investments and financial consulting since 1972. His education includes an MBA in Finance and Accounting. His wife and three children are residents of Winter Park, FL where he serves on multiple committees and specifically as the President for the United Way and Youth Center of Central Florida, as a board member for Brevard College for the past 25 years, and serves his church in various Christian Education areas. Tim was also a camper at Camp Pinnacle in Hendersonville, NC.

Keith Pruitt is a high school English teacher at Veritas Christian Academy in Fletcher, NC. After graduating from UNC-Chapel Hill, he spent four years teaching in Hungary before returning to the States for graduate school at UNC-Greensboro. Keith and his wife have three children: Esther (8), Isaac (6), and Jesse (4). Both Keith and his wife love summer camp and were campers and later counselors in Alabama and at Kanakuk-Kanakomo during college. Keith's desire is to support Camp Arrowhead in its endeavor to provide a camp experience that brings rich change into the lives of its campers and staff.

Rob, Greg, Tim and Keith join existing board members Jim & Judy Frady, Scott Donaldson and Andy Petree with enthusiasm and excitement about the future of Camp Arrowhead.





What Are Camp Staff Up To These Days?

Long-time Arrowhead staffers **Jim Ligori** and **Cora Amaya** are engaged to be married this upcoming summer. Jim served for over eight years as a counselor and senior staff leader as well as leading the fly fishing and other programs during his tenure at Arrowhead. Cora took the lead in the kitchen for the past three years and was also seen teaching dance lessons at various times. Congrats to Jim and Cora and best wishes for a wonderful life together!



Mike Whitsett (Charleston Southern) and **Charlie Warner** (FSU) met in the not so small land of Disney during the fall for a few days of sun, fun and from what we hear chasing a certain famous mouse.

Josh Langan (Charleston Southern) will be studying abroad in Costa Rica during the '07 spring semester. Although Josh will be busy studying Spanish and Marine Science, he pledges to hit the local surfing spots in his spare time.

Mary LaMontagne (Davidson) plans to spend part of her summer in Argentina for a study abroad program.

Nate Perry (Furman) is living in an eco-cabin (an environmentally friendly on campus house) this year, and participating in activities associated with the eco-cabin life. He has also taken a few backpacking trips in Pisgah National Forest and introduced some of his roommates to real Arrowhead style camping. Nate is planning to certify in NRA riflery certification/junior instructor status during the school year and a Wilderness First Responder certification in May.

Brian Aoyama (Davidson) was heard to have led a few hikes for his friends in the nearby DuPont State Forest where campers routinely hike the majestic waterfalls during the summer.



Arrowhead is celebrating its 70th anniversary this year and we want our campers to get involved.

When your family takes a trip over the next few months and passes a Mile 70 interstate marker, get out, take a photo (be in it!), email it to us and describe the adventure.

If you would like to raise \$70 for Arrowhead's Children of Promise scholarship fund, snap a shot when you get that 70th dollar in the jar and share with us stories about how you raised the money.

As long as the event somehow involves '70,' get in the picture and email it to jeff@camparrowhead.org. Check the website often for new entries and look for emails announcing monthly winners.

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Outreach Camp: May 28 - June 1		
June Camp: June 4 - 22	\$2900	
Mid Summer Camp: June 25 - July 7	\$2125	
Outreach Camp: July 9 - 14		
Main Camp: June 25 - July 27	\$4455	
Season Camp: June 4 - July 27	\$7400	
End of Summer Camp: July 16 - 27	\$2125	
Junior Camp: July 30 - Aug 4	\$950 <i>Great for young/first time campers</i>	
Outreach Camp: Aug 6 -11		