



# SONGS of the PADDLE

SUMMER 2005

NEWS OF CAMP OGICHI DAA KWE

VOLUME 2

## 2005 Season Update - Kathy Dix

Come June 22, The Camping and Education Foundation's land base property in International Falls, Rainy Lake Lodge, will be populated with a new breed of camper – FEMALE! Ogichi Daa Kwe's first official season launches a new chapter in C&EF history now in its 81st season of wilderness camping traditions for young men. Ogichi Daa Kwe will welcome 14 CITs, 24 campers, 10 staff and several very excited founding board members to be part of this highly anticipated first camp season.

One of the differences between Koochiching and Ogichi Daa Kwe is the age of the camp population. As a "virtual" camp, one without a permanent base camp, our initial efforts are focused on developing our tripping program with an older group of girls capable of handling longer trips and tougher portages, young women who will help to establish the Ogichi culture and traditions. Our camp experience targets ages 13-21 year olds, and offers a program unlike many of the established camps for ages 8-16. Accordingly, most of our staff are veterans of wilderness camping in their late twenties, teachers and year round tripping guides.

Because we are focusing on developing leadership for Ogichi's future, we have two tracks for young women this summer who will be 16 – 21 years old. The CIT track offers certification courses and leadership training for those interested in future staff positions, while the camper track offers a straightforward wilderness tripping experience with an in-camp program designed to prepare for and commemorate the trip and its personal value. Additionally this allows a choice between a 3-week and 2-week time commitment.

Ogichi Daa Kwe is delighted be able to initiate a scholarship program this season made possible through donations generously given to the Ogichi Scholarship Fund. Half of our scholarship campers will come through a partnership with Summer Search, a national program that focuses on identifying and developing leadership potential and character in low income high school students. A demanding selection process identifies students that demonstrate a resiliency in overcoming hardship and the desire to help others. 93% of Summer Search students go to college and 89% of them graduate from

college. It is a privilege for Ogichi to be selected to provide the wilderness experience component of their curriculum. We welcome the geographic, religious and cultural diversity.

With only a month and a half until we pack our duffels and head up north, it's now time to get some serious momentum going in personal work-outs as well as getting travel and medical forms filled out. I recently pulled my gear out of the dry sack and enjoyed smelling the smoky scent of last year's campfires. I love that our sense of smell so quickly transports us to another time and place. The excitement to see friends from last summer's inaugural trip is at a peak. For those that have made a commitment to join us this summer, we are so excited to have your pioneering spirits a part of Ogichi.

And for those of you that haven't but would like to come up and go out on a trip with us, we have just a few more camper spots open for this summer.

# Journal Entry

Aside from seeking fun and adventure, friendship and community, there is a gentle space that unfolds when we spend an extended time in nature allowing us to be free of the weight of the cultural yoke and savor the insights into who we are at our core. We learn about ourselves through being present... really present to every moment; not racing ahead in a whirlwind of anticipation or being stuck dipping our experience into some emotional fondue of the past. We're simply there, grounded to the moment by every canoe stroke, with a stillness of mind whose combined gift is an opening of the heart and an authentic experience of each other and of ourselves.

– Kathy Dix

# Spring Message

Greetings to all of our friends of Ogichi Daa Kwe! Spring is fast approaching the great northwoods and the staff and Board of Directors of Ogichi are busy preparing for our first official camp season! We have made substantial progress over the last several months and I want to take just a moment to update you on the work of The Board and our strategic plan for 2005.

What comes first the chicken or the egg? The Board kept asking a similar question – property or people – where do we invest first? Given the work involved with a start-up organization, we quickly came to the conclusion to strategically focus on people first. We needed a director who could devote full-time attention on the development of the 2005 season, recruit talented counselors and focus on the success of the camp long term. Thanks to Kathy Dix, Ogichi now has some of the best and most talented staff in the camping business for this coming summer!

Our next short term objective was to secure a base of operation for '05 while continuing our search for a permanent camp. The Camping and Education Foundation and our friends at Kooch-i-Ching stepped in and graciously offered a temporary solution by leasing Rainy Lake Lodge to Ogichi for our

short season this year. Both Kooch and Ogichi have worked together beautifully to make this happen without disruption or interference to either camp season or events.

Our last strategic focus for '05 is raising funds for our short-term and long-term operations. We are still raising money for the 2005 calendar year and have our goal set for at least \$2 million in order to purchase and develop a base camp.

Our board continues to evolve as our needs change and as interest grows in the camping community. We are delighted to announce our latest addition - Marian Welsh! Many of you from Kooch-i-Ching know Marian from valuable work she did in operations on Deer Island for eight summers and her work on the board. Marian's expertise will be put to great use again this summer as she helps Kathy out with our base camp. Welcome, Marian!

Finally, thanks to many of you, we are approaching a full season of 50 participants who will venture out on canoe trips this summer. On behalf of the the Board of Directors, I would like to thank all of you for your encouragement, enthusiasm and support for what will be the premier camp offering wilderness tripping experiences for strong-spirited women!

Janet Vandenberg

## Staff Profiles

We are pleased to share with you the following Bios of our highly qualified and experienced staff. As director of Camp Ogichi Daa Kwe, my philosophy and goal has been to retain the highest caliber staff possible to see the stage, not only for this year but for years to come, for a truly remarkable organization. This starts with positive leadership in whom both campers and parents have confidence and trust. The Board of Directors have been fully supportive in my initiative to provide the best possible leadership for the development of the campers. We feel we have achieved our goal and encourage you to read with interest, the background of each of the highly motivated and energetic staff members who are both excited and proud to have been selected as members of our team.

**Natanya Werner**, Ogichi's second full time staff member, is the Program Coordinator. Natanya graduated from Green Mountain College with a Bachelor's Degree in Adventure Recreation. There she acquired 5 National Ski Patrol Certifications including Outdoor Emergency Care, comparable to the National Emergency Medical Technician's Certification (EMT). She also received 3 American Canoe Association Certificates, and holds a valid Vermont Drivers License (CDL) class license. She has the knowledge and experience of both administrative and field related positions, working as a field instructor and a Human Resource Director for the past 4 years for a wilderness therapy program. On an experiential basis, she has led numerous backpacking trips in NH, ME, VT, CO and B.C. Canada, and canoeing experience on flat water to class III rapids and led numerous trips in NH and ME. She is an experienced rock climber and ice



climber, leading numerous trips in NH, ME, VT and CO. She has five years experience as a professional ski patroller. As a member of the Association for Experiential Education (AEE), Natanya has a strong commitment to experiential education.

**Henry Bangert**, also known as Hank, worked at Camp Kooch-I-Ching from 1996-2003. He worked as a Trip Head and was also promoted to Department Head of woodsmanship/woodcraft. As a graduate of Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME, Hank was active in the Outing Club, leading numerous trip from 1997-2001. He also served as Bowdoin's Leadership Training Instructor from 1998-2001 and their Lead Whitewater Canoe Instructor from 1999-2001. With 400 members and 5-8 trips running every weekend, Hank has acquired abundant outdoor skills. He specialized in canoeing, whitewater, survival/primitive skills training, and winter

camping/mountaineering. Hank also has worked for New Alternatives Inc., in Chula Vista, CA as a residential counselor for Severely Emotionally Distressed (SED) teenagers and Therapeutic Activity Coordinator. Hank was a trip leader for Ogichi's inaugural canoe trip last summer and will be returning to head the Counselor-In-Training component of our summer session. Currently Hank is enrolled at the University of Colorado Law School in his second year.

**Lauren Whaley** comes to us as a graduate of Bowdoin College as well. She also was very involved in the Outing Club there, where she led numerous whitewater and flatwater canoe trips, cross-country ski trips and day and weekend hiking trips. Lauren has also participated in a 30-day NOLS trip of whitewater canoeing and desert hiking. As well as being a freelance writer, Lauren's most involved work with teens, was her work at the YMCA Camp Widjiwagan, in Ely, MN where she solo and co-lead a number of canoe expeditions on the Albany River, in Ontario and in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness, MN. Her most prestigious trip was a solo led 45-day Arctic canoe expedition on the Back River, Nunavut. We are most excited to have this strong spirited woman as a Trip Head for this summer session.

**Melynda Roscoe**, our camp nurse, will serve two functions. Melynda, a University of NH graduate, will be our nurse during the Counselor in Training (CIT) session and the in-camp session and will be a Co-Trip Head on one of the Turtle River trips. This strong spirited woman has two bachelor degrees in both Social Work and Kinesiology: Outdoor Education, making her well-rounded for working with young women and able to handle a multitude of situations. Melynda, a registered Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) and Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) instructor and Lifeguard instructor, has led many trips throughout CA, NH and ME working with diverse populations and working year round. For 4 summers, Melynda has also worked for Camp Hawthorne, in ME as an Assistant Director and Trip Leader giving her the experience of both administrative work and field work. Melynda also has a strong commitment to service as she

worked for AmeriCorps as a team leader and member. She was involved with Habitat for Humanity in Georgia; Open Space, Easter Seals, Sojourner Experiential School, Title School in Colorado, and Big Springs Residential Youth Ranch in Texas. Her medical experience comes from a Wilderness Therapy Program where she served as a medic for over a year. There she was responsible for all medical documentation, for the health and wellbeing of her students, disbursement of medication, and communication with the Facility Doctor. We are lucky to have such a versatile woman and leader with us for our entire camp session.

**Erin Kimball** has a bachelor's degree from Boston University, MA and has worked with youth in a variety of programs. She was a team leader with Summit Achievement, a wilderness therapy program where she led backpacking trip, moving water canoe trips, and ice climbing/ rock climbing trips throughout NH and ME. She also worked for the AMC in their Boston office running their Youth Opportunities Program. She has her Wilderness EMT certification, and worked this past winter as a fulltime Ski Patroller. Erin's strong spirit has inspired her to spend extended periods of time on ecological expeditions in the Amazon, Ecuador, Australian, New Zealand, Russia and much of Western Europe. This experience has helped Erin discover her love for diversity, live in the most unfathomable situations, and experience life through the eyes of many. Erin will be joining us this summer as a Co-Trip Leader for one of the trips down the English River.

**Curtis Simmons**, the son of Ogichi Board Member George Simmons, is joining us this summer as our Head Cook as well as a Trip Head. He comes to us with over 20



years of experience with the Camping and Education; a camper, counselor, trip leader, head, and department head in various capacities. We are also honored to have Curtis join us for the second summer of Curtis's involvement with Ogichi Daa Kwe. Last summer he ran as a Trip Head for the Inaugural Ogichi Trip designed to start the cycle of encouraging and inspiring life changing insights and experiences. Currently living in Denver with his wife, he has been a junior high math teacher for

the past 6 years. Soon he will be making the move to Texas where he will continue his work inspiring youth. We are honored to have Curtis with us this summer.

**Kenny Metcalf**, graduate of Kalamazoo College with a BA, and graduate of University of Illinois with an MBA, is joining us this summer as a Co-Trip Head. With a long history at Kooch-I-Ching, Kenny started his wilderness knowledge as a camper for 3 years. Moving up to a staff member for the following 7 years, Kenny worked as a trip head, a unit head and a Department Head over the years, utilizing countless skills in a variety of recreational and wilderness areas. Now a geologist in CO, Kenny has worked as a teacher of English and science at a private school as well as having a teaching experience at Miami of Ohio. Learning the lessons of diversity, culture, and ingenuity in education, Kenny also taught for 2 years in the Czech Republic. His understanding of Kooch practice, his amazing years of leading trips and his knowledge of teaching in a variety of circumstances will be a valuable asset to Ogichi.



**Lindsey Hart**, graduating in May from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in Anthropology-Zoology, and English will be working for Ogichi as a Trip Head Assis-



stant. Lindsey comes with a well versed background in sailing, having been a 4 year member of her college sailing team as well as competing for the Mackinac Race. Her courage and perseverance have helped her in her years of swimming, water polo and triathlon training. She has certifications in Water Rescue and CPR, and understands how to promote a fun and safe environment having served as Head coach for the mentoring program Girls on the Run. Lindsey also has the wilderness and leadership experience of several trips through the National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS) where she learned white water canoe skills. We are excited for the opportunity to have Lindsey be a part of our strong spirited community.

**Jenny Logan** is a junior at Washington University in St. Louis, majoring in psychology and planning to pursue a career in Physical Therapy. She has attended the inaugural canoe trip last summer, saying it

was "one of the greatest experiences of my life." She has also spent several weeks backpacking and camping in the Wind River Mountain Range in Wyoming. As a volunteer to work as a basketball camp instructor and coach for middle and high school aged girls, she has come to enjoy teaching and leading young women. We are excited to have Jenny as one of our Trip Assistants and feel this will be a great growth point for her as well as Ogichi as a whole.

**Laurie Lucachick** is joining us this summer as a junior staff member from Interna-



tional Falls. She is currently pursuing a Bachelor's degree in English at the College of St. Benedict in MN. Working as an assistant cook at Koochiching for the past three summers, Laurie comes to us with a wealth of knowledge about the Koochiching way. As a volunteer at the Personal and Professional Development Center at St. John's University, Laurie was involved in the planning and production of campus events. She also has used her leadership skills to facilitate groups in Challenge Course activities and on wilderness trips including canoeing in the Everglades, an

extensive bike trip through Minnesota and a 13 day backpacking trip in New Mexico. Laurie has also worked for Wilderness Inquiry, a program designed to help participants of all ages, and particularly those with physical disabilities and weaknesses discover the natural world through extended canoeing, kayaking and camping trips. Laurie worked as a trail assistant for them, building her skills as an effective leader and a persevering spirit. We are extremely excited to have this First Aid and CPR certified, well versed, strong spirit woman with us this summer.

## Ogichi Permanent Base Camp Site Search

Continues to Make Progress But A Major Challenge Remains

Location! Location! Location! ... That is the old real estate adage and it is just as important to Ogichi Daa Kwe as it would be to anyone buying a house or locating a business. Members of the Site Search Committee continued to scour northern Minnesota over the winter and spring of 2004-2005 for available base camp site opportunities. Jeff Patterson, Ogichi board member and Minneapolis realtor, has now previewed over 90 site candidates and presented more than a dozen properties for serious Board consideration.

Most recently, Jeff uncovered a financially strapped resort property on Big Wolf Lake near Bemidji, Minnesota, approximately 100 miles south of International Falls. This past March, Jeff and an advance team of site experts, including George Simmons, Richard Thompson and Jerry Bergvall, inspected the property. Their first impression was that the property had more potential to adequately accommodate our camp operation than anything we've seen over the last year-and-a-half. Specifically, the resort on Big Wolf Lake offered an 80-acre site that was only about 30% developed (thus plenty of room for growth), over 900 linear feet of attractive, usable shoreline, 16 separate residential cabins capable of immediately housing the campers and staff, an attractive owner/director's cabin and an extensive inventory of personal property that could be purchased with the property, including motor boats, pontoon boats, sail

boats, and canoes ... all at a relatively affordable price of around \$1.0 million.

However, the stubborn challenge that continues to hinder the Site Search Committee is the lack of financial ability/strength in the present Ogichi constituency to seriously commit to a specific acquisition opportunity on a timely basis. Jeff's advance team estimated that it would likely require \$1.5 to \$2.0 million to acquire the Bemidji property and make the necessary improvements and alterations so Ogichi could feasibly be in business on the site. To conquer this challenge, WE NEED YOUR HELP! We need to either a.) raise this volume of capital through one or more major donations or b.) assemble a partnership of substantial investors who will help us buy such a property and lease it back to the Ogichi LLC for a period of years while we complete a more patient capital campaign to pay back the investor partnership.

This is our most formidable challenge for Ogichi. New, fresh capital needs to be raised. It certainly is not a lack of market demand for this camping concept. The inaugural 2004 canoe trip and the capacity enrollment for 2005 have answered that question. It certainly is not a lack of outstanding leadership and staff. Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will read that Kathy Dix has assembled an exceptionally qualified and experienced staff of program directors, counselors, trip heads, and CITs' to lead Ogichi into its first real camping sea-

son. The positive forward momentum for Ogichi is now rolling and it will not be stopped.

Nevertheless, the site search continues to challenge us and we need a substantial amount of capital to conquer it. Ogichi ultimately needs its own permanent home, distant and separate from the boys' operation. We need your help. If either of these concepts connects with you, please feel free to call either of the following individuals to ask questions, raise concerns, or discuss: Tim Heinle (cell: 513/293-3218 or summer cabin 218/286-5423) or Steve Shook (765/742-5096 or 765/477-5930).

Ogichi Visits Key Cities -- Camp Program and Kathy Dix Featured

In December of 2004, we presented our girls' camp program and introduced Kathy Dix to audiences in Kansas City, MO and Indianapolis, IN. We had enthusiastic participants and signed-up some outstanding campers along with some experienced staff. The reception was so warm that we decided to continue this program in 2005.

In January and February of this year we took our presentation to St. Louis, MO and Minneapolis, MN with similar results. Randy and Fiona Woods and Sarah Cordal hosted an outstanding gathering in St. Louis. Jeff and Edie Patterson did the honors in Minneapolis.

In April of 2005, Jay Stoehr orchestrated all the festivities in Cincinnati, OH and later in the month we got in front of a huge contingent in Chicago. Both of these receptions were very well received.

Yes, the word is spreading - - Ogichi Daa Kwe is fun, adventurous, friendship building, and a growing experience. Thanks for being part of all the energy and enthusiasm. We are celebrating an excellent 2004 season - - 2005 will be even better.

Kathy - these are very few words I really think we need 3-4 photos to surround this article.

## Fund Raising is Key to Ogichi Daa Kwe Growth

In any new venture raising funds is key to the success of the project; especially when you're dealing with a non-profit organization. As our girls' camp, Ogichi Daa Kwe, "climbs the hill", fund raising is of major importance. Our tuition does not cover half of the summer costs, so we need extra help. We must raise \$250,000 this year to break even, and these monies are basically for operating costs. Yes, you can give us a big lift.

We are revamping the kitchen at the girl's temporary base camp (old Rainy Lake Lodge). The kitchen equipment at the lodge is not suitable for food preparation. We are purchasing some excellent equipment that has become available because of a local school closing. This new kitchen equipment will go with us when we locate a permanent campsite for Ogichi Daa Kwe. Yet right now, the kitchen needs a lot of work.

There is a lot of camping gear and materials we need for this summer. We have a "wish list" that follows this article. Please look at these items and help us in these areas - - all your consideration is very much appreciated.

Kathy, please add the list of wish items.

# Ogichi Women's Retreat & Canoe Trip

Our first post-season program offers a delightful combination of relaxation and adventure. We begin Monday, September 12th at Wind Song Island on Rainy Lake with a welcome dinner served at Loon Manor Lodge. Wind Song is a charming Northwoods resort on a 50-acre private island surrounded by the pristine boundary waters. Eagle Nest Cottage, Wolf Den Cottage and Osprey House will be our lodging and meeting space those first three nights and two days while we enjoy the camaraderie of new friends and participate in Cruising School to learn the canoeing, camping and rescue skills for our trip. Nature trails abound on Wind Song Island and nearby Voyageurs Park - a perfect way

to enjoy the Indian summer days of September. Thursday morning we'll drive into Canada and launch our canoes for a 3 day trip in the Quetico ending in Lady Rapids on Sunday, the 18th. Renewed by youthful adventure, we'll head home to rejoin our adult lives, with a little more spontaneity and joy. Strong-spirited women.... let's go!

Cost: \$1,000.

Trip Leaders: Natanya Werner, Kathy Dix  
Number of Trip Participants: 10 (plus 2 staff)

Inquiries: Call Kathy at the camp office  
913-642-3378

## CAMP OGICHI DAA KWE DONOR FORM

Wilderness Tripping For Girls And Young Women  
Gifting Opportunities

### EQUIPMENT

\_\_\_\_\_ One fully outfitted canoe (\$1,250), including 3 life vests, 4 paddles, 1 wannagan, 1 Duluth pack, and 1 Penobscot 16' canoe with naming rights for the canoe.

### ONE FULLY OUTFITTED CANOE RECEIVED!!!

\_\_\_\_\_ One Penobscot 16' canoe (\$900). Goal 24.  
\_\_\_\_\_ One Timberline Tent (\$270). Goal 12.  
\_\_\_\_\_ One Wannagan /wooden-box pack (\$35). Goal 12.  
\_\_\_\_\_ One paddle (\$15). Goal 80.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Life Vests, PDFs (\$325). Goal 30.  
\_\_\_\_\_ One Duluth pack (\$150). Goal 15.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Cooking Equipment For Tripping (\$400).  
\_\_\_\_\_ Kitchen Equipment (\$1,500).  
\_\_\_\_\_ Sail boats (\$5,500). Goal 3.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Speed boats (\$9,000). Goal 2.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Tools (\$5,000)  
\_\_\_\_\_ Office Equipment (\$6,000). FULL GIFT PLEDGED!!!

### SCHOLARSHIPS

\_\_\_\_\_ Camper Scholarships (\$12,600 - \$25,200). Goal 35% of camp

### SEVEN SCHOLARSHIPS PLEDGED FOR 2005!!!

### RENOVATION/ REAL ESTATE

\_\_\_\_\_ 2005 Base Camp Renovations (\$16,000). FULL GIFT PLEDGED!!!  
\_\_\_\_\_ Permanent Base Camp (\$2,500,000)

### OTHER

\_\_\_\_\_ Staff Salaries For 2005 Season (\$21,400) FULL GIFT PLEDGED!!!  
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# Video Testimonials

“Our general day? We woke up at like 6:00 in the morning, took down our tents, ate breakfast, packed up, packed our duluths and were on the water at 6:45. “Average miles, ten to fifteen miles a day. The longest day was twenty to twenty-five miles. We found that we enjoyed the longer harder days. When we think back, they were the most fun days. It was a good feeling to be pushed.”

- Emily, Jenny, Tory, Sydney, Libby



Image

“You can’t be taught the stuff you learn on the trip. It’s just by experience.”

- Sydney Stoehr

“The values, like putting others before yourself, translate easily into everyday life.”

- Libby Dix

“We were kind of forced to go I’d say.”  
“Well, strongly convinced to go.” “I knew I was going to have fun and I didn’t go into it with a bad attitude or anything but then when we all got so close quickly; by the second day I was like this is awesome and I couldn’t imagine why I had wanted to stay home.” Lindsey & Emily

“I couldn’t believe we were doubting going.”  
- Lindsey

“It wasn’t really fears at all, any physical fears like am I going to make it, I just wanted to stay in Kansas City with my friends.” - Emily

“It’s hard to go back home and explain the experience you had on the trip because I mean you can talk about it for hours but they won’t understand. You have to experience it.”

- Sydney Stoehr

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!

“I was a little nervous about the kind of people who were going to be on the trip. It turns out we were all really different but all related to on another.” -Syd

“Make-up? You get back and you put on make-up and it feels weird and it looks funny.” - Jenny

“And you look at all the pictures and your just like, I mean, wow I don’t really need it. You’re so comfortable without it.” - Emily

“Our muscles got a lot more toned; definitely got more toned and stronger. You’re working hard all day.” - Jenny, Syd, Libby, Emily, Tory, Lindsey

“I think it was a chance to see who you really are and experience it.” - Syd

“I didn’t feel I was hiding anything or trying to impress anyone.” - Emily

“You don’t take stuff for granted.” - Lindsey

“I’ve never seen my sister happier and more alive; she was totally living in the moment - I think we were all that way.” - Libby

“ I think one of the greatest benefits you get out of this trip is to get away from the hustle and bustle and drama of society and just all the different restraints it puts on you and all the distractions and just to be in a pure, beautiful environment and just to be yourself.” - Jenny

“It was really stress free and relaxing; you didn’t worry about anything back home.” - Lindsey

“We kind of took away the stereotypes of girls - exactly. Girls can do it. I’m not like a nature girl by any means but you learn to be on the trip.- Emily

“You’re missing out if you don’t go.” - Tory

“No one ever complained; it was just smiles the whole time.” - Emily

“We’d make the most challenging things fun.” - Lindsey

“We made every situation fun.” - Syd



Image

“It was a really great experience, the memories we made together and the values we learned were really helpful and will be for years to come.” – Tory

“The best part of the trip was the long days we had, even though it doesn’t seem like something that would be fun. It pushed our limits and it made us all work together and relate to the hard circumstances we were put into.” – Tory

“The good was really good. We took turns cooking it.” – Lindsey

“If I had to choose a worse part it was probably portaging. There really wasn’t a worse part.” – Lindsey

“The best part of the trip was probably just seeing everyone’s friendships grow and challenging ourselves.” – Syd

“The worst part, that’s hard to say. I don’t really think there was a worse part because during all the bad times we just found a way to laugh it off. I don’t think I could put a marking on the worse part.” – Syd

“The struggles didn’t affect the enjoyment of the trip.” – Jenny

“We got up early every morning, canoed all day, cooked all of our own food, slept in tents, saw some beautiful wildlife and nature and we bonded well the camaraderie was great. We just had a great time.” – Jenny

## T-shirt Information

Long-sleeved \$20 profit of \$13.16

Baseball \_ sleeved \$18 profit of \$11.86

Short-sleeved \$16 profit of \$9.11

Average profit \$11.37 per shirt

Description:

Short-sleeved

Pre-Shrunk 100% Cotton, Garment Washed, Anvil’s Authentic Pigment Brand, Color: Celadon



Baseball \_ sleeve

Pre-Shrunk 100% Cotton, Anvil Brand, Color: Navy & White



Long-Sleeved

Pre-Shrunk 100% Cotton, Anvil Brand, Color: Ash Gray



Image

“After a week it was like we’d known each other forever.” – Lindsey

“The best thing about the trip was the girls, we got so close.” – Emily

Waking up early was not a big deal at all. I guess the portages aren’t anyone’s favorite, but they’re not bad.” – Emily

“It was a blast! I think the best part was just the good times we had with the people and the friends I made in the short ten days. I think it was one of the best ten consecutive days I’ve ever had.” – Libby

“All in all, I would do every worse part all over again.” – Libby

“The good was surprisingly not bad.” – Syd

“One day we were going across a large lake to our campsite; it was an island in the middle of a lake. We had some great tailwinds so we attached tarps to our paddles and

we got to sail in our canoes. That was just a really awesome day in general. We sailed across the lake and arrived at this beautiful campsite, did some cliff jumping. At the end of the night we saw a double rainbow. It was great. We had a great time!” - Jenny

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## 2005 OGICHI CALENDAR

**Wednesday, June 22nd**  
CIT's arrive for pre-season training

**Thursday, June 30th**  
CIT's conclude pre-season training

**Friday, July 1st**  
Campers arrive to Rainy Lake Lodge Base Camp

**Tuesday, July 5th**  
Turtle River and English River trips launch

**Thursday, July 14th**  
All trips picked up and return to RLL

**Saturday, July 16th**  
Ogichi Daa Kwe closing ceremonies

**Sunday, July 17th**  
Campers and CIT's depart for home

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