

Coniston Annual 1979





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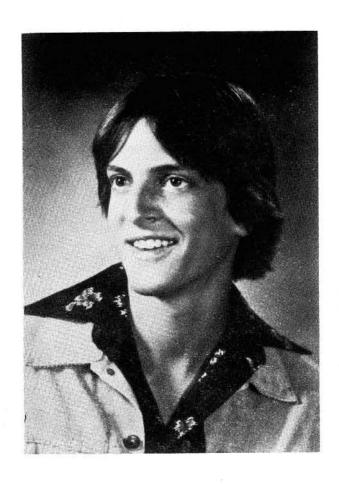
PHOTOGRAPHY: "The Studio" of Claremont - Paula Craig; Hilary Isbister; Don Reny; Bob Sanders;

Sue Taylor









IN MEMORIAM STANTON J. COLLINS, III BORN IN BALTIMORE, MD, OCTOBER 25, 1960 DIED IN OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA ON NOVEMBER 13, 1978

STANTON ATTENDED CAMP CONISTON FOR FOUR YEARS FROM 1974 TO 1977. HE WAS A CIT IN 1976 AND AN LIT IN 1977. HE DIED TRAGICALLY IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT WHILE A FRESHMAN AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA. STANTON WAS ONE OF THOSE YOUNG MEN WHO EXEMPLIFIED NATURAL LEADERSHIP ABILITY AND A GENTLEMANLIKE PERSONALITY. HE WILL BE MISSED VERY MUCH BY ALL OF US AT CONISTON.



THE DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

Camp Coniston has a special place in our hearts, not only because we work here but because it is such a special place. It was, therefore, especially meaningful for us to experience a milestone in the history of this beautiful camp when we burned our mortgage on August 8th. This marked the fulfillment of a goal for which many people worked many hours during and subsequent to the capital fund campaign in 1964. It marked our eleventh year as camp directors and brought us a sense of satisfaction. But the real joy is experienced in the happy faces of our campers and staff. Through the years they are the ones who made all of this possible by their gifts, their trust and their loyalty. We dedicate ourselves anew to the task of providing a quality camping experience, a well-maintained site and a talented and dedicated staff such as we have had this year and every year. The challenges of the future to YMCA camping are many and serious but we shall face them with the assurance that Coniston will be providing boys and girls with a meaningful outdoor experience well into the twenty-first century and beyond.

BOB AND ERMA SANDERS

N.H. State YMCA Camp Coniston

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Summer Box 285 Grantham, N.H. 03753

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Nelson MacLean - Chairman



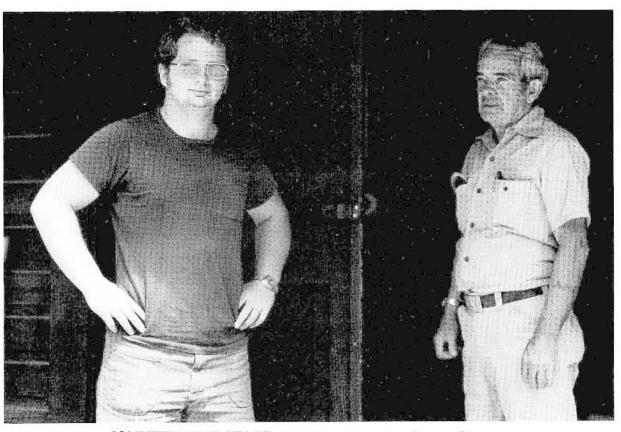
PROGRAM STAFF: Debbie Greenawald; Nancy Neiterman; Sue Taylor; Dale Devoe. Missing: Don Reny; Ed Loos



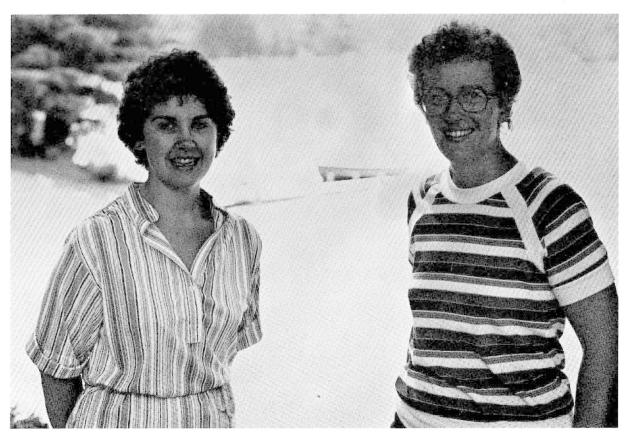
RIDING STAFF: Wendy Howes; Laura Graves; Lisa Loos; Rhea Nowak



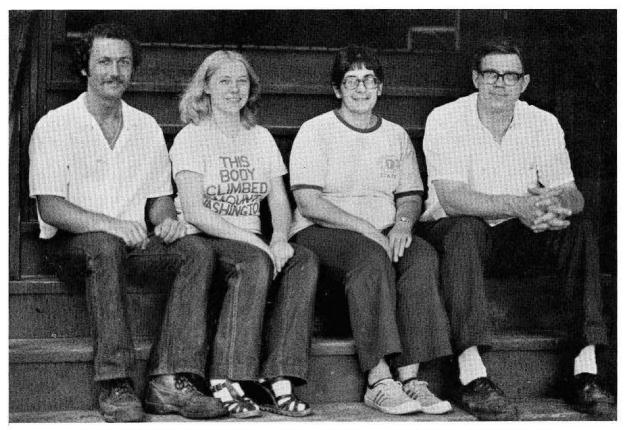
OFFICE AND STORE STAFF: Janet Loos; Marie Fitzgerald; Erma Sanders



MAINTENANCE STAFF: Eric Cummings; Art Carver, Director



MEDICAL STAFF: Pat Reny, R.N.; Jean Farrar, R.N.



COOKING STAFF: Jeff True; Eleanor Frisken; Sheila Rainey; Bill Rainey



KITCHEN STAFF: Front Row - Tracy Couitt; Beth Hodil; Second Row - Kevin Brown; Darrin Rodeschim; Mark Rainey; Colin Nelson; Third Row - Martha Sweet; Sue Rainey; Sue Newfield.

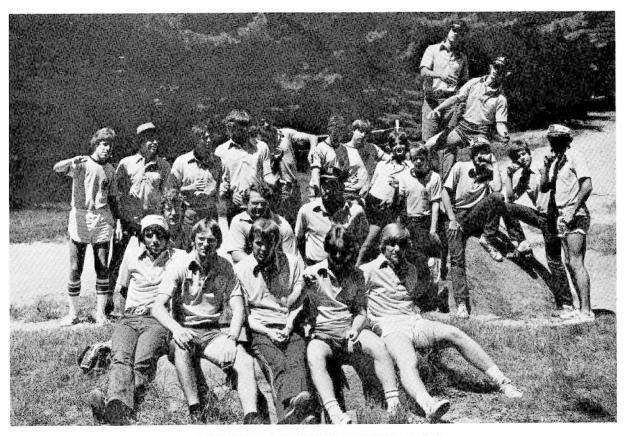


TENNIS STAFF

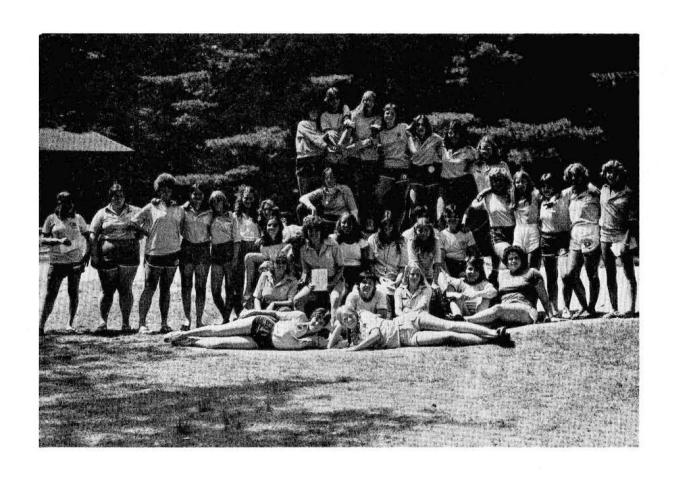


SWIMMING STAFF





COUNSELING STAFF PERIOD 1 & 2 GIRLS DIRECTOR: Cathy Smith BOYS DIRECTOR: Eric Cummings





COUNSELING STAFF PERIOD 3 & 4

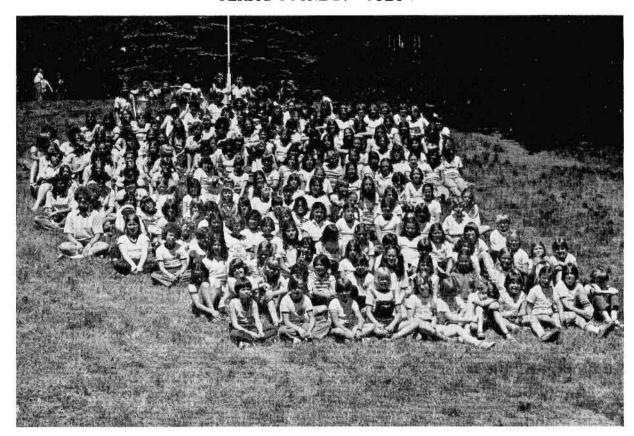




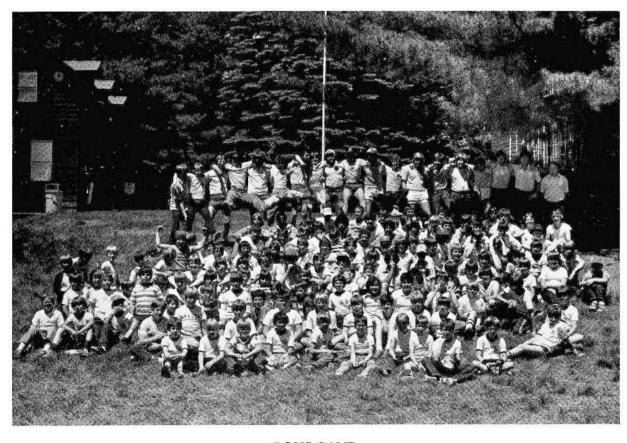


COUNSELORS – IN – TRAINING
DIRECTORS: Joann Hitchcock; Gordon Adell (Period 1 & 2); Dale Devoe (Period 3 & 4)

PERIOD 1 JUNE 24 - JULY 7

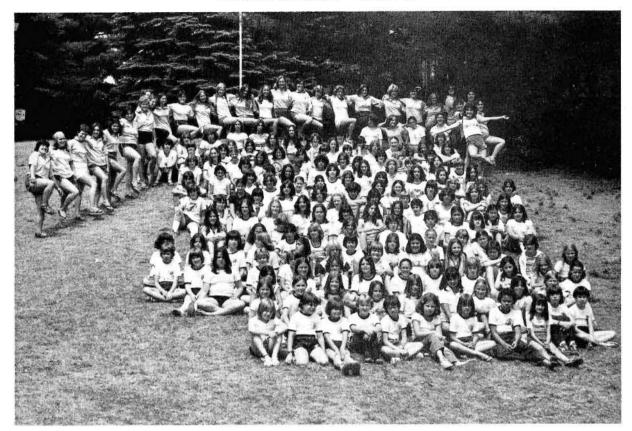


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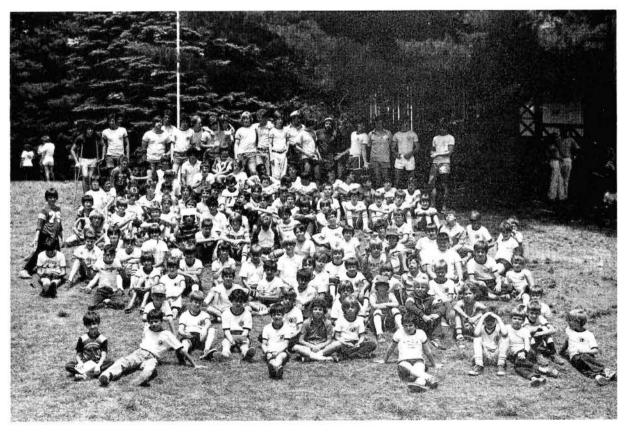


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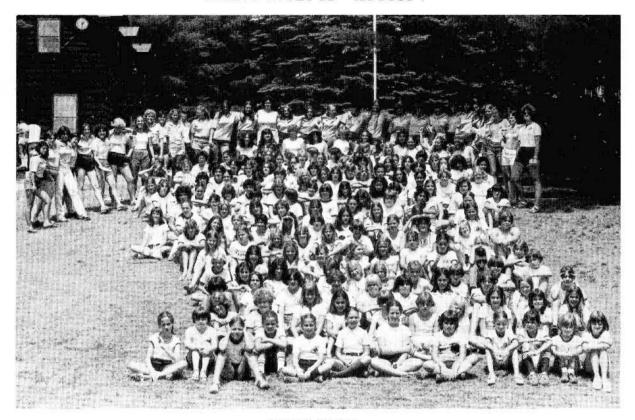
PERIOD 2 JULY 8 - JULY 21



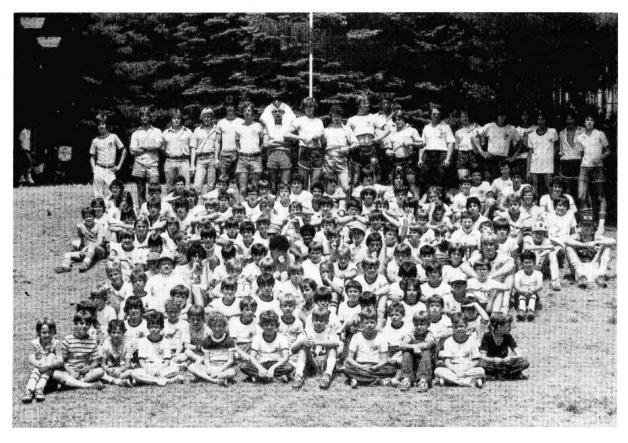
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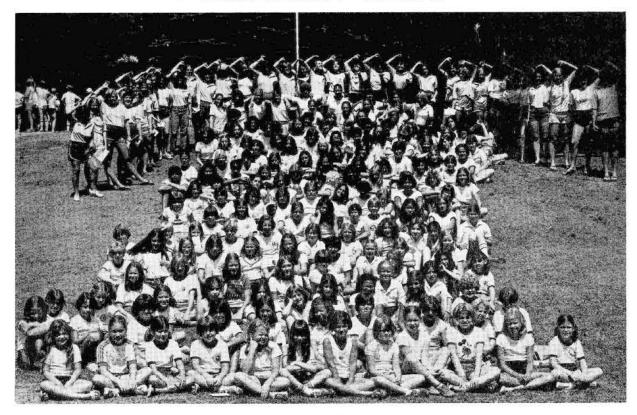


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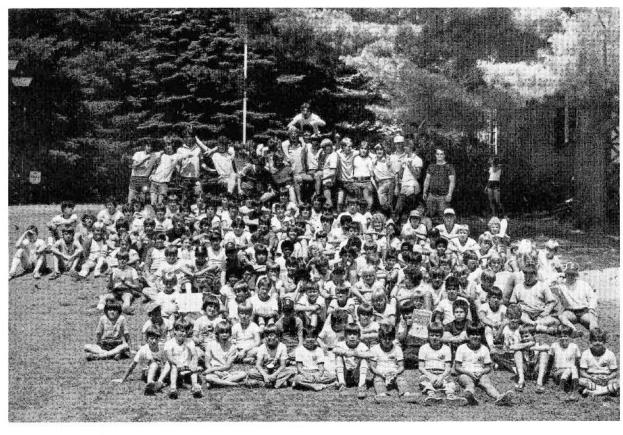


BOYS CAMP

PERIOD 4 AUGUST 5 - AUGUST 18

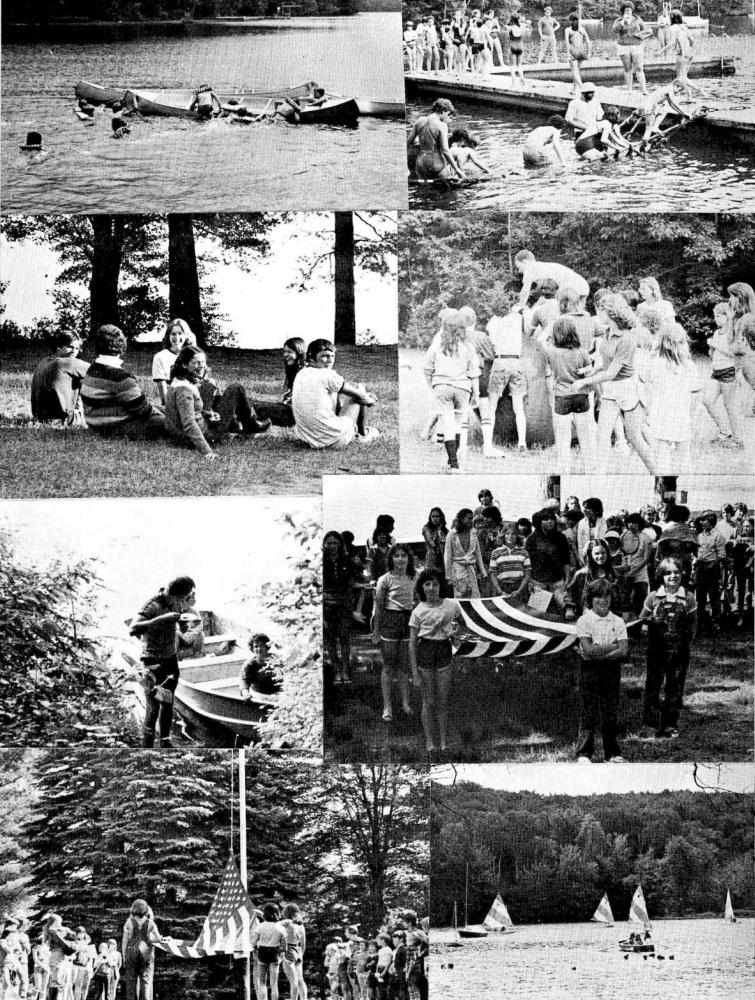


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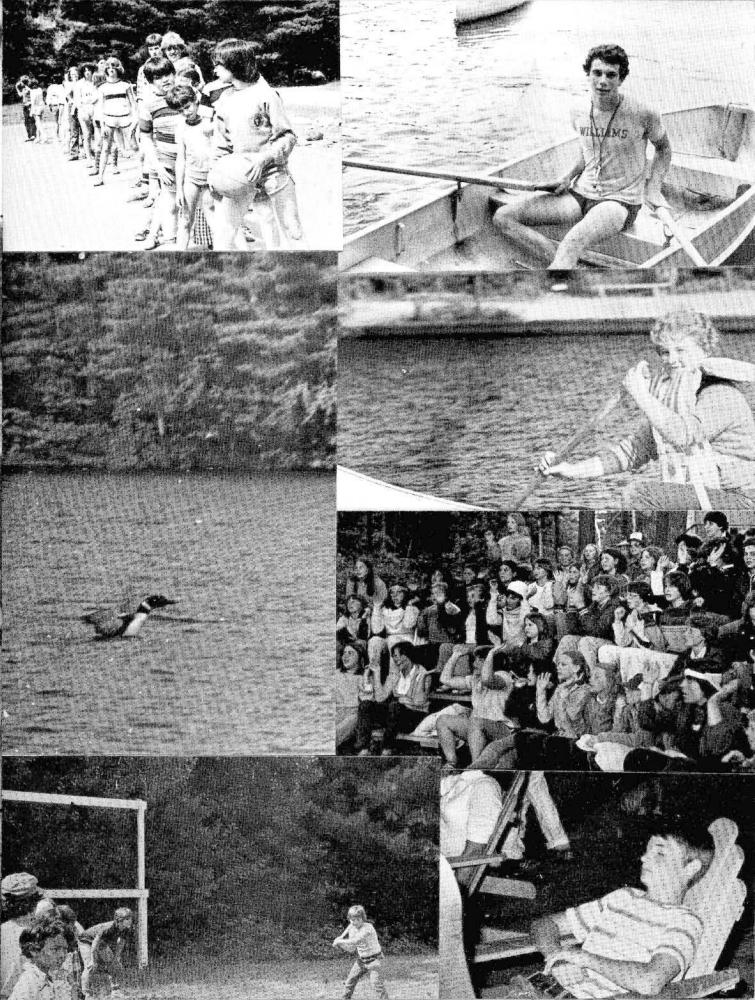
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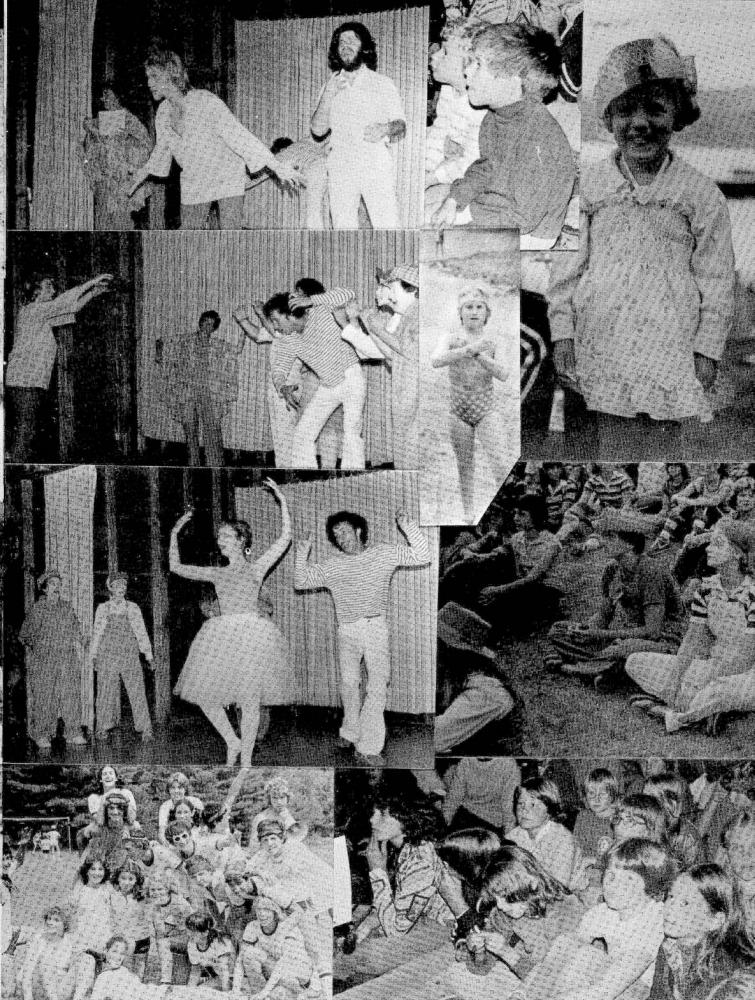




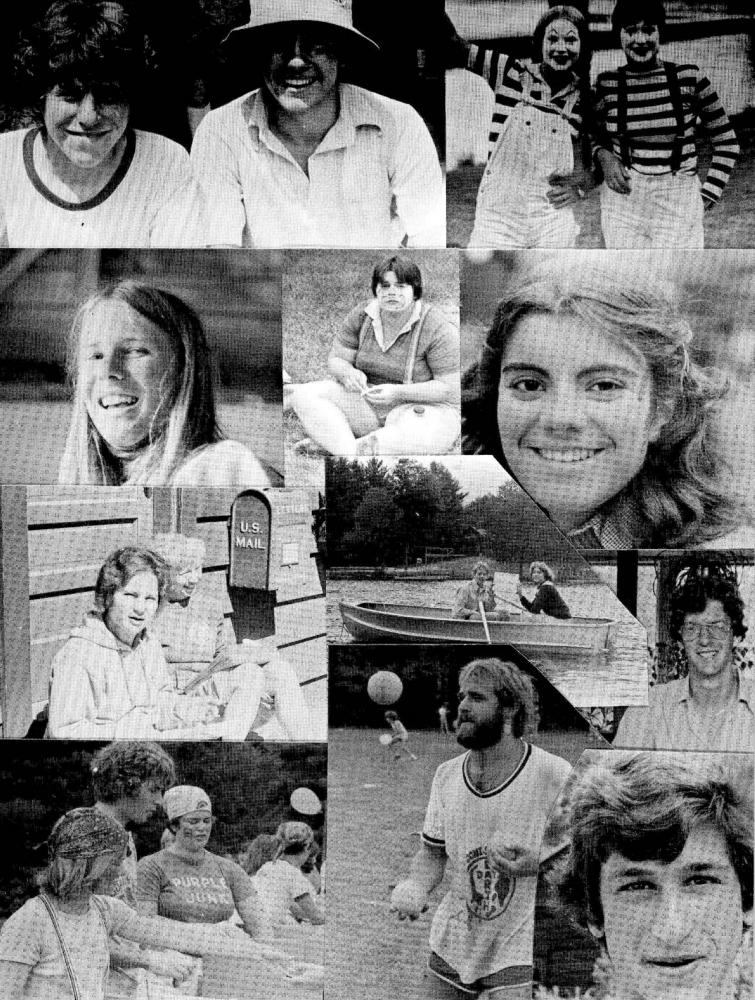


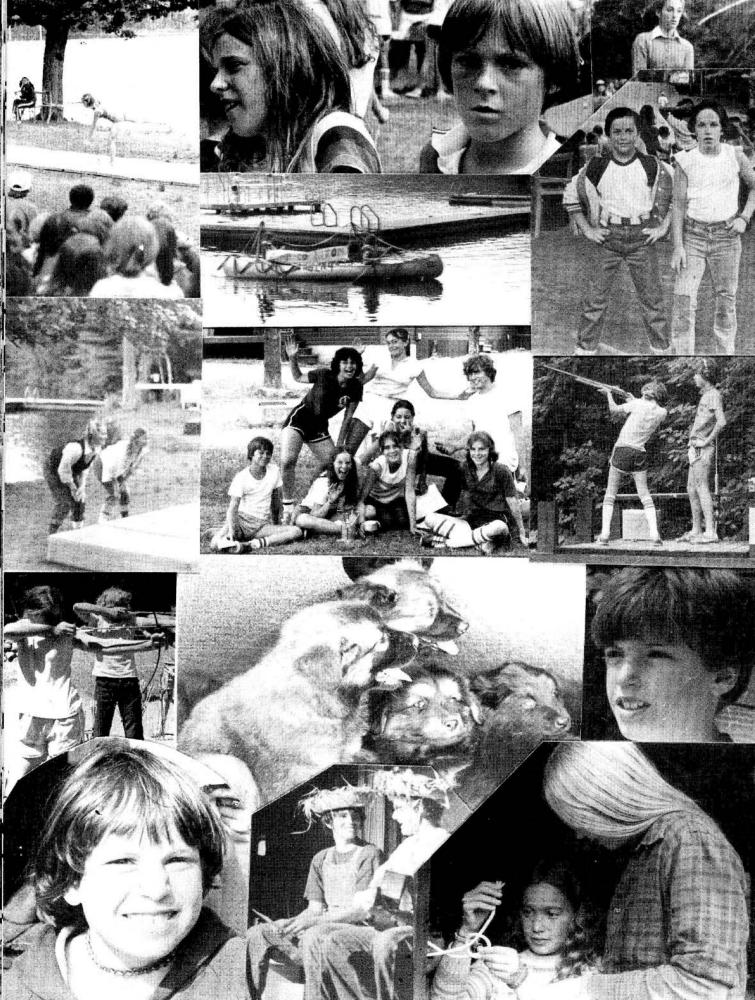


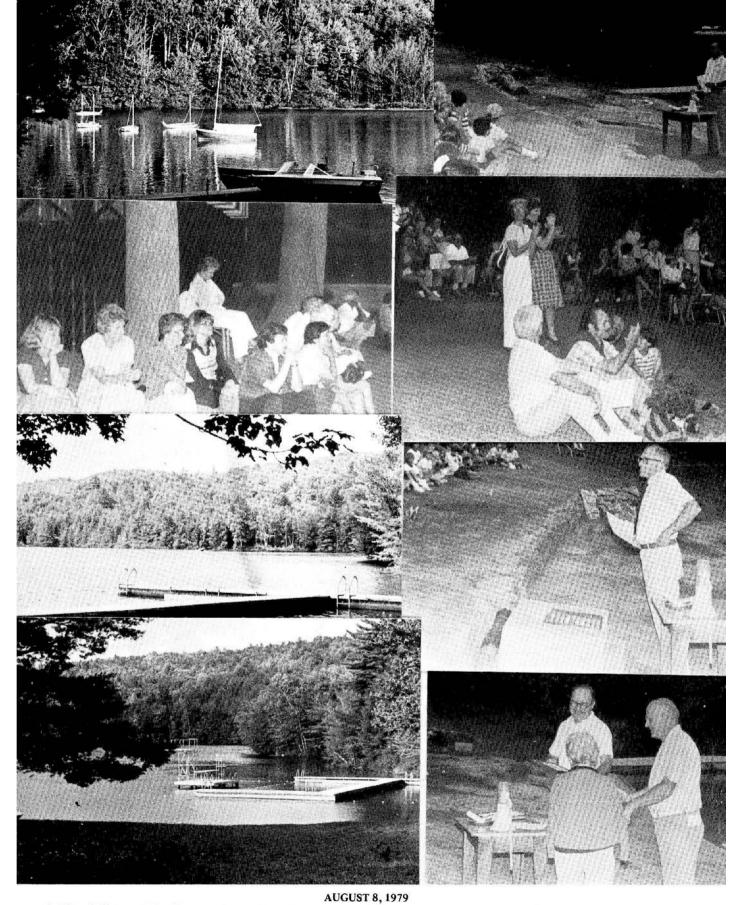












An historical moment for Camp Coniston. After 16 years we have burned our mortgage thus completing the efforts begun in 1963 to purchase this beautiful camp site on Lake Coniston. Under direction of George Dorr. Presiding: Richard H. Cummings, Chairman of Camp Coniston Committee; Guest Speakers: Harry C. Wardell, Executive Director of N.H. State YMCA; Douglas Reed, Executive

Director of Maine State YMCA – Former Director of Camp Coniston; Robert and Erma Sanders, Directors of Camp Coniston; Burning of Mortgage – Lauris O. Blake, Charter Member of Camp Committee.

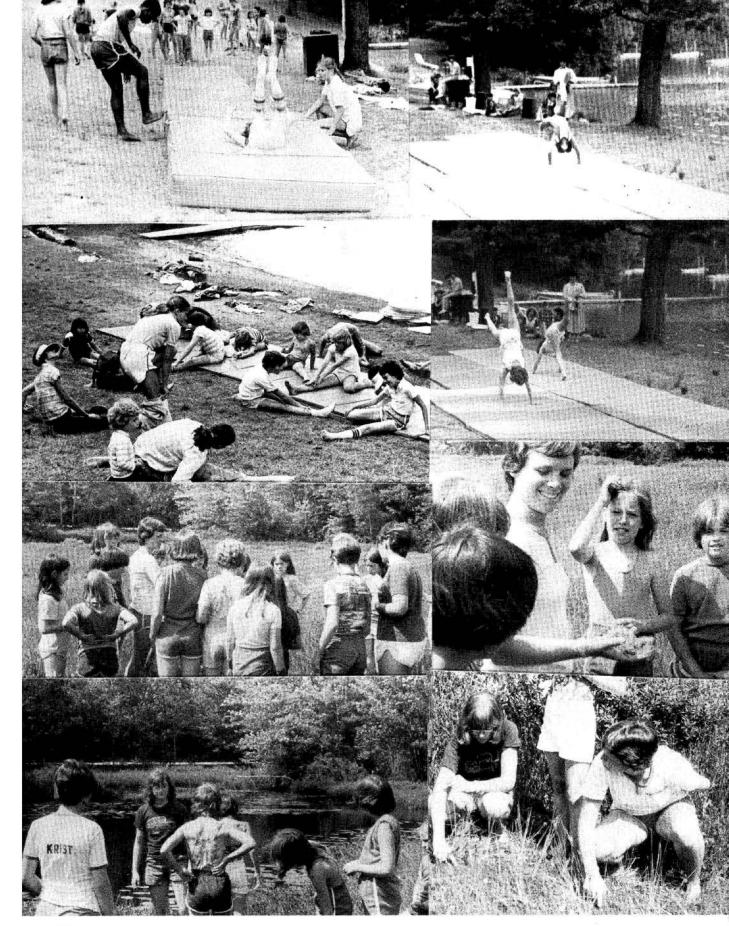


OUR INTERNATIONAL COUNSELORS

L to R in Center Picture: Kieram Brooks — England; Hilary "Lil" Isbister — England; Peter Martin — England; Barry McLoughlin — England; Eleanor Frisken — Scotland; Wendy Howes — England; Christina Westerland — Sweden.







ECOLOGY PROGRAMS GYMNASTICS

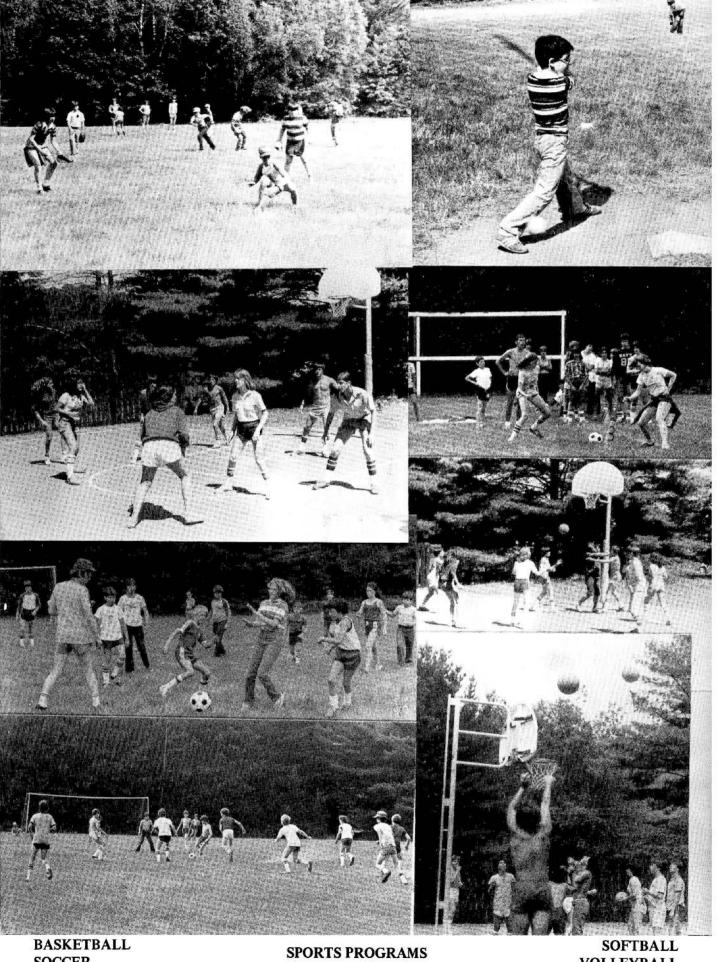




ARCHERY ARTS & CRAFTS

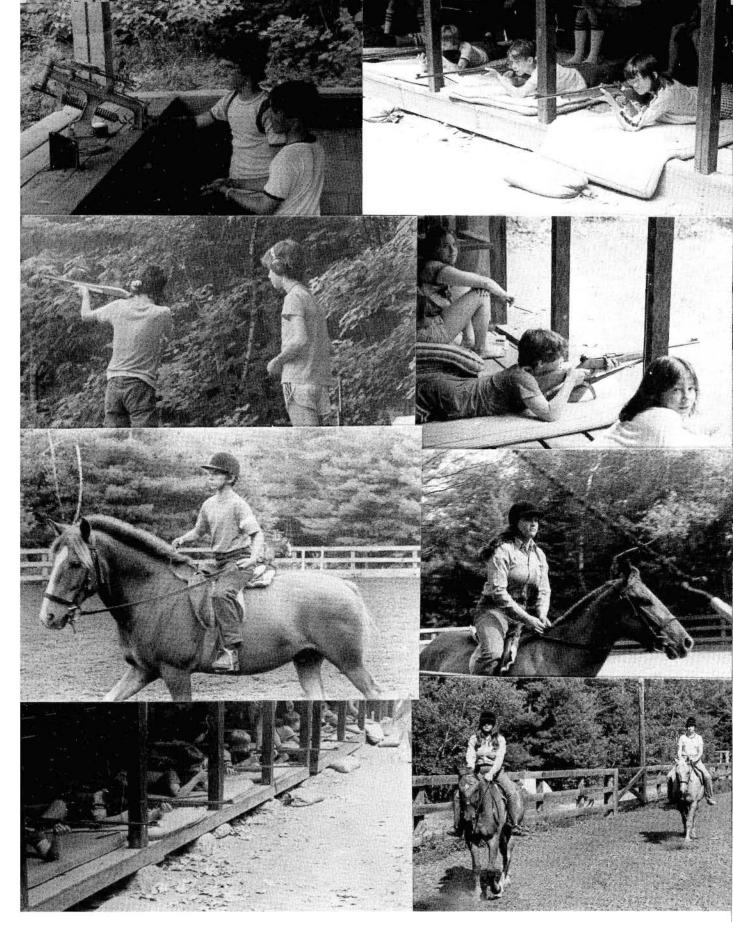
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CAMPCRAFTS



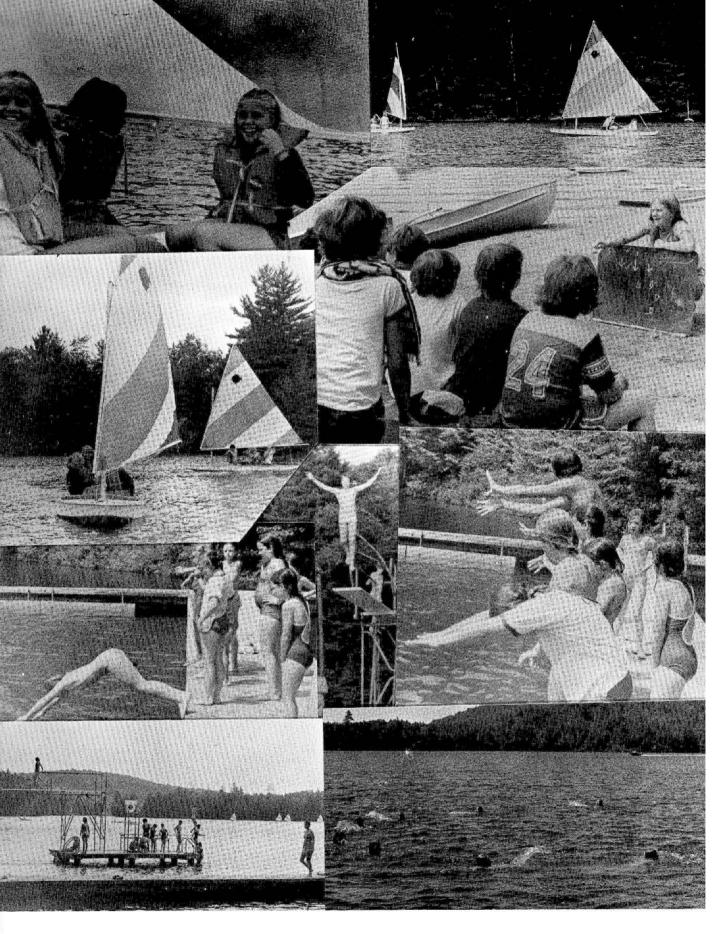
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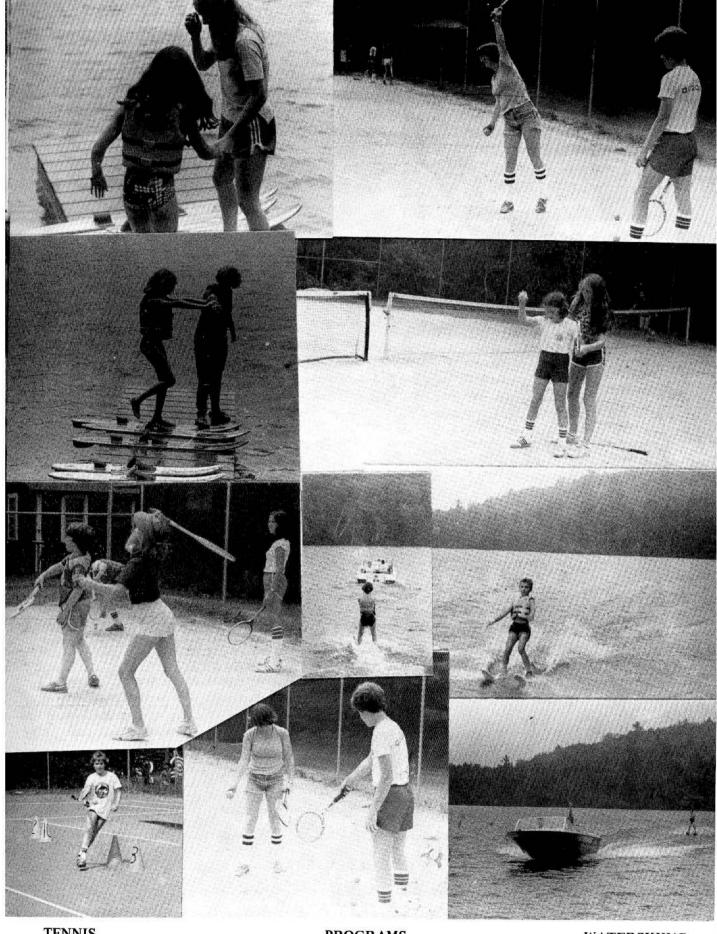


TRAP SHOOTING

PROGRAMS RIDING RIFLERY



SAILING PROGRAMS SKIN DIVING SWIMMING SYNCHRO SWIM

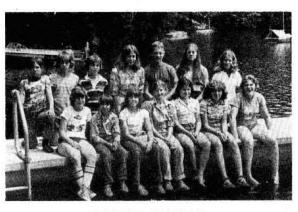


TENNIS PROGRAMS WATERSKIING



FIRST PERIOD

Beth Friedman; Andy Sundelin; April Dunlap; Holly Dickey; Ben Wilson.



SECOND PERIOD

First Row — Elena Laudani; Bob Khakee; Tanya Blumstein; Kim Woods; Elizabeth Fassberg; Julie Margil; Lyz Anderson; Second Row — Ben Hickin; David Margil; Lenny Berkowitz; Sylvie Blumstein; Steve Sheldon; Tracy Varvell; Carolyn Holmes.



THIRD PERIOD

Jay Burnside; Greg Apisson; Lee Ann Bailey; Kristen Abbott; Karen Berg; Louis Nixon; Jeff Apisson



FOURTH PERIOD

Seated — Michelle Amyot; Nicole Amyot; Tremaine Atkinson; Lisa Berkowitz; Robert Berkowitz; Jon Brink; Scott Chiozzi; Standing — Dan Reichert; Debbie Greenawald; Cathy Smith; Beth Hall; Laura Mahoney; Paul Sandock; Terri Laffan

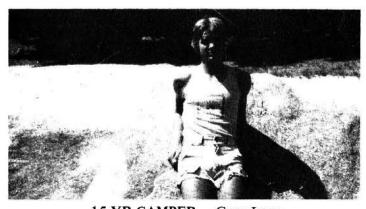


FOURTH PERIOD - 5 YR CAMPERS

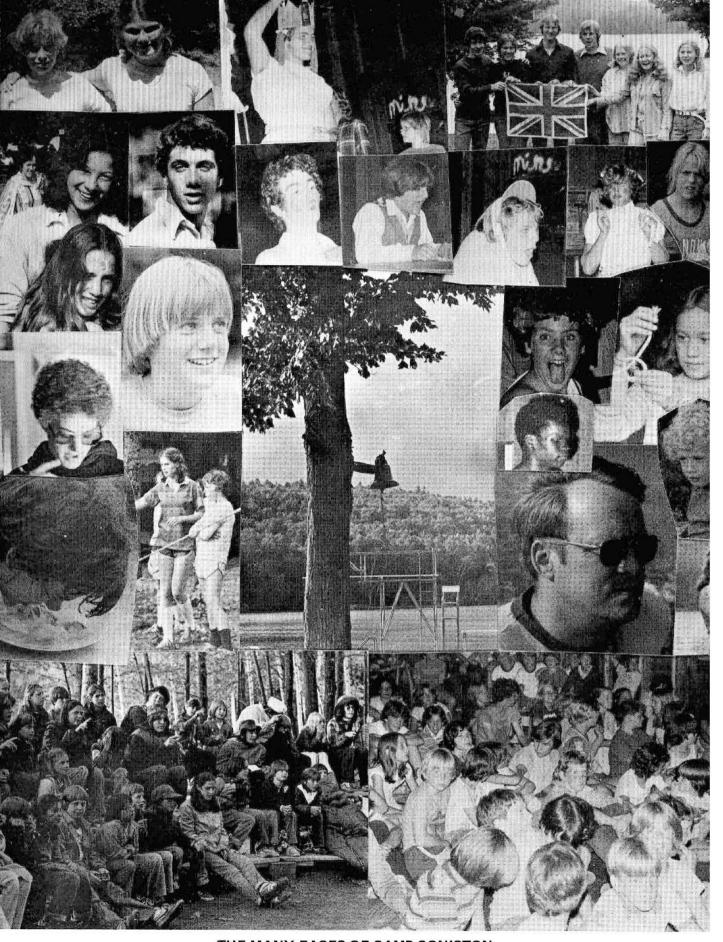
First Row — Scott Sandler; Barrie Stahl; Jill Whyte; Dana Zalkind. Second Row — Paul Marcotte; Heidi Dirrigl; Sarah Johnson; Rebella Judkins; Kathleen Kopf; Lucas Low; Chriss MacNeil. Third Row — Leslie Newman; Beth Phillips; Beth Sanborn; Karen Sandler; Heather Shackett; Dion Shea.



10 YR CAMPERS - Andrea Cummings & David Lifschitz



15 YR CAMPER - Gary Loos



THE MANY FACES OF CAMP CONISTON

ODE TO CAMP CONISTON

By Nancy Neiterman

I know of a place tucked in the hills Where the cold, damp nights give you the chills And the days are warm, sunny, and fun And you reflect at night on all you have done This community is one set apart from the rest We are "secluded" from life and think it is best 'Cause wrapped up here are the joys of camp And lots of fond memories sealed with a stamp And while at camp the programs we teach Arts and crafts, canoeing, or land sports we preach Have had their ups and downs, so we say But in all kinds of weather we continue to play Talent shows, games, campfires galore Character hunts, cookouts, dances, and more Are part of the program we offer for you With all going on there's plenty to do A usual occurrence in the daytime or night Is a cabin of kids in a massive fight Speaking of campers they deserve some space If not for them, what about this place? Cooperating and listening are for what we strive Without sharing and helping out we will not thrive For camp is for counselors and campers alike Like coloring, singing songs, or riding a bike This is a time for counselors to be free To act like a kid with no mentality!

But there are times for us to settle down Be dependable, responsible, and not be a clown To plan programs, organize, and carry them through Takes hard work, organization, and knowing what to do The friends we have made linger on and on We keep on writing all year long To reminisce over the good times we have had Even closing campfires when we feel sad Camp is like home to many of us now And as the summer zooms by, we say "but how?" During our time here we've become a big part Of this camp, its life, and each day at its start But the time will come when we say good bye To the cabins, lake, programs, and sky To new experiences we'll go, it's true But the friends we have made we remember -- we do For as we grow older, we'll think of these years And though happy memories, may shed some tears It won't be good bye' 'cause we'll meet, you'll see Just like at Coniston where the sky meets the tree.