



Welcome to our New Counselors and Cooks!

Emma Jonté, a recent high-school graduate, lives near Washington, DC and will study studio art at Montgomery College next year, concentrating on painting and graphic design. She has worked in Friends Community School's Extended-Day program for two years and its summer art camp for five years. She enjoys DC's museums and cultural opportunities, but even more, she loves escaping its humidity and spending August in Northern California with her cousins, hiking in the Trinity Alps. She looks forward to going to Colorado for the first time and getting to know another Quaker community.



Amy Wagner: Denver born. California raised. Currently a student of architecture/ contemplating all the dots, lines, dashes. How they intersect one another and become the patchwork of who we are in the spaces we dwell. When not occupied with deadlines/ work I read hundreds of trade articles. Engineering, anatomy, physiology, history, geology texts are favorites of mine. Recreation-wise I enjoy hiking, fishing, climbing and playing tennis.

Dave Wells, an MFC parent from Tempe Friends Meeting, is eager to return to a camp environment. He worked as a summer camp counselor from age 16 through 21. Dave brings values of environmental sustainability and vegan cooking skills.

Dave makes his own vegan milk, cheese and yogurt and makes a fantastic pizza crust and naan bread. Dave's one of Arizona's renowned solar chefs. Sun willing, he'll showcase some of his assortment of solar ovens. He likes to hike, bike, run and kayak.



Gretchen Reinhardt: I grew up in Boulder, CO Friends Meeting, and attended IMYM and the work camp once held there in the '70s when I was a teenager. I have always loved being in the outdoors (sitting, hiking, biking, backpacking, rock climbing, caving etc.), and am delighted to be back in the Rocky Mountains for a few weeks this summer. My husband, two children, and I live in Tempe, AZ. I love to dance, sing, garden, sew, cook, read, notice beautiful things, and just hang out and learn about others. I am looking forward to meeting new f/Friends and getting to know those I already know even better.

Liadh Reilly: I am from the south east of Ireland, and plan to attend Earlham college in the Autumn, where I want to study the Humanities. I grew up Quaker and have been deeply involved with FGC for many years, attending Gatherings, Ireland Yearly Meeting and clerking. This will be my first time as a camp counselor and I am really looking forward to the connections I will make as well as positively impacting the Mountain Friends Camp community. I love the outdoors and mountains and am excited to hike and explore with the campers and staff, help around wherever I'm needed and have a wonderful time overall.



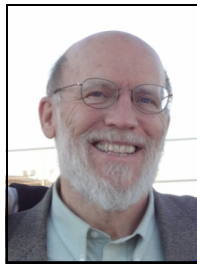
Dominic Ireland: I have been a counselor and care-giver since I was old enough to drive. I love the wilderness and the happiness it brings to those who embrace it. I am a practicing Quaker and a member of Inter Mountain Yearly Meeting. I am always looking forward to seeing old friends and making new ones at Mountain Friends Camp. I have been around since the start of this venture and look forward to returning every year that I can!

Welcome Back Returning Staff!



Ariel Bibby: I am very excited to return to Mountain Friends Camp for my fourth year as a counselor. When I am not at camp I attend law school in Washington, DC. My favorite parts of camp are playing games, telling stories, and getting to know new people.

Pat Easterling: I was a Navy brat who moved often, though Dad managed to get several tours in Hawaii. As an adult I came to consider myself a Quaker, and after Brenda and I had children we became members of Logan Friends Meeting. Now we live on the Big Island of Hawaii. Looking forward to the songs, hikes, old and new friends and lots of PLORK this summer!



Eric Wright: I'm a member of Mountain View Friends Meeting in Denver, and have been a Quaker all my life. I think my favorite job was working as a counselor and program director at Camp Dark Waters in New Jersey, when I was in high school and college. More recently I've helped run a Family Resource Center in Denver. My wife Judy and I have two grown daughters, Maya and Jenny and two grandsons, William and Thomas. I like being outdoors, cooking, playing guitar and singing, and getting to know people in a group. My goal for Mountain Friends Camp this year is still to be a good listener.

Beverley Weiler: I have been attending Santa Fe Friends Meeting for about 30 years. I have been part of summer camps for 50+ years, starting with Girl Scouts, 'way back when!' During the rest of the year I sew, make quilts and work with pre-schoolers to adults doing art therapy and re-evaluation co-counseling. I have been cooking for crowds since childhood and I'm looking forward to year #2 at MFC; sharing my energies and skills in the kitchen and during arts and crafts times.



Heather Bertram: I was born in Washington State, but I have lived in NM for a long time with my aunt Beverley. I like music, traveling, pen pals, collections, embroidery and I have a disability called Asperger's so you might think I'm shy, but it just takes me a while to get used to things. I really like watching 'American Idol'. Last year we went to their concert after camp. I have been practicing my singing this year and look forward to sharing and learning some new songs. I attend Santa Santa Fe Meeting and help with the First Day school.

Lucy Bauer: I was born and raised in England, but have now spent half of my life in Colorado. I live in the mountains in a small log cabin outside Bailey with Dave and the younger three of our six kids, where we homeschool, raise chickens and play lots of music. I trained as an ecologist at college and enjoy gardening and planting 300 trees each year on our 43 acres each year. I also love to play my doublebass, Hugo, in the Denver Philharmonic Orchestra. I was raised a Quaker, and attend Mountain View Friends Meeting whenever I can get down there.



Camp Director Anastacia Easterling: I grew up in Utah as part of Logan Friends Meeting. After camp in 2012 Ariel and I moved to Washington DC, but my heart is still in IMYM. My favorite activities are hiking, climbing trees, cooking, biking, and adventuring. See you soon!

We're so Proud of our Counselors in Training!

Kim: I was a camper for two years and a counselor in training last year. I look forward to returning for my second year as a counselor in training, and getting to know the new campers as well as staff. I love to hike, kayak, and swim.



Quetzal: I have been a Quaker for as long as I can remember. Growing up in different states all across the country, I have been exposed to many different Quaker meetings, and I am proud to say I was the first ever Mountain Friends Camp camper. It will be my pleasure and honor to become a Counselor In Training, and I can't wait for the 4th year.



Ceryn: I am from the Santa Fe Friends meeting, and have made some of my best friends at IMYM gatherings. I have been coming to camp since the very first year and have loved learning and growing with my faith. This year I plan to help with the volley ball court, do some arts and crafts, and dive into the service projects. I try to make "community integrity simplicity and service" the values with which I live my life.



Adri: I've been a Quaker since birth, and for the last four years, I've been a faithful attender of the Mountain Friends Camp. I love working with kids, being in the great outdoors, playing sports, and drawing anything in my path. I'm looking forward to another wonderful summer in Tincup, Colorado!

