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## A Tribute to a Tecumseh Legend

# ROBERT A. GLASCOTT

HUSBAND, FATHER, MENTOR,  
FRIEND, TECUMSEH MAN

## 1934-2015

This December Tecumseh suffered a tremendous loss when Bob Glascott passed away. Attending Tecumseh for nearly sixty-five years he was a fixture every summer whether running the kitchen, maintaining the facilities, and demonstrating exemplary leadership and dedication to Tecumseh's traditions. On behalf of the Tecumseh Nation our hearts go out to his family and we will never forget his guidance and love for Tecumseh, its staff, and campers. Thank you Mr. Glascott!!!

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### BOB GLASCOTT – AN APPRECIATION

This is re-print of an Article from the Sunbeam during the Summer of 2011 authored by Tecumseh Track Coach and Senior Staff Member Paul Poiesz reflecting on Mr. Glascott's retirement from Tecumseh.

The Camp Tecumseh website boasts about its excellent facilities on over 300 acres, with 2 miles of shoreline on Lake Winnepesaukee. Bob Glascott has been handling the task of seeing to it that those facilities are kept up-to-date and useful for more years than he would like recall. Think about it, though: Does anyone ever worry that a field, cabin, the dining hall, or the Lodge won't be ready for the start of camp? In the definition of a "Tecumseh Man", we should realize that Bob represents the spirit and the mission laid-out by Tecumseh's founders Grant, Orton and McCracken, by doing whatever is necessary for camp to be all that we and the campers hope it will be year-in and year-out! It is natural that we take it for granted that Camp Tecumseh will be in pristine shape when we arrive, because we know that Bob Glascott is on the job.

For Bob, there is not really ever a start or an end to camp as there is for most of us. It is a love affair that he nurtures day to day, month to month, each and every year. For his dedication and diligence, we are all grateful. Getting to know Bob on a personal level is not necessarily an easy task at camp because his responsibilities most often keep him out of the forefront of daily activities. Nor does he desire to be in the spotlight. Recognition of him as an integral part of camp, husband, father and grandfather is not something he has ever striven for. The greatest compliment to him would be a thank you for a job well done, as it always is with him. He rests easy each night knowing that he put himself into that day as best he could.

Whether at camp, officiating at numerous track meets, or the Penn Relays, it's comes naturally for Bob: there are things to do, so you do them to the best of your ability, then move on to the next task. It is as simple as this: if you want something done, ask Bob and get out of his way. Bob also holds others to the same level of responsibility and integrity, which is what we claim that Camp Tecumseh has taught everyone who has had the good fortune of growing up on its hallowed shores. Yes, he truly is a Tecumseh Man! In recognizing Bob for his years of service to camp, I would be falling short of my goal here if I did not talk about him as a friend and mentor. Think to yourself what makes a true friend. Traits that are important to me are: loyalty, faith, willingness to sacrifice, understanding, and openness. Bob has all of these attributes for those who are fortunate enough to get close to him. These are all traits that I have had the luxury of seeing displayed in Bob Glascott in settings as diverse as camp and the Penn Relays.

It is an honor to call Bob my friend. I have known Bob since my late teens and then in my early years as a high school track coach. He has not only been influential in my life and even me being at Tecumseh in the 1980's, but he became the sole reason I have returned over the last 7 years. Bob is a hard man to say no to; as I am sure you are aware. For me, saying no is not an option because of the value I place on his friendship and the opportunities he has given me. Bob is willing to go out on a limb for those he trusts. I have been a benefactor of his influence and kindness on numerous occasions. The fact that he calls me a friend is a distinction I do not take lightly. On behalf of all of those associated with camp, Bob, I say thank you to you and also to your wife, Pat and your children, Beth, Bobby and Meg for sharing you with us. You have had far more influence on the world than you will ever be willing to admit!

**Paul Poiesz, Track Coach, Senior Staff**

### BOB GLASCOTT – FOREVER SERVING CAMP TECUMSEH

Alexander Grant believed deeply in cultivating a sense of service in each camper and counselor at Tecumseh. Over the past sixty-five years I can think of no better example of this treasured credo than Bob Glascott. His work ethic was unrelenting, his dedication to Tecumseh limitless, his job description endless, and his sense of service unrivaled. Bob Glascott stood boldly as the definitive embodiment of hard work and service to others. So when our resolve weakens and our standards dip in the years to come, we must remember the consistent effort and dedication that Bob Glascott exemplified for so many years. We must never forget. His commitment to Camp Tecumseh will serve as a perfect example of Grant's most honored attribute to all future members of the Tecumseh Family.

**Mark Luff, Assistant Director**

### REMEMBRANCES BY JIM FRASER

Jim Fraser first attended Tecumseh during the summer of 1948 as a 12 year old camper. Three summer latter, Bob Glascott, would join the Tecumseh staff as a young counselor and the two would go on to serve over 120 summers upon Winnepesaukee's Wooded Shores. The pair new of each other before their Tecumseh connection as Mr. Fraser recalls seeing Bob Glascott for the first time motor around the track at the old Germantown Academy campus. Bob was "quite the specimen" and had a unique running form which combined grace and power, states Fraser.

"Bob would perform jobs up at Tecumseh that no one wanted to do or even thought about doing," recalls Fraser about the famous Glascott work ethic. Mr. Fraser remembers Mr. Glascott cleaning the Widdow every morning for almost 50 years.

Obviously, there are numerous stories about the two, but one comes to mind for Mr. Fraser. One night as young counselors they traveled to Weirs Beach for some fun. They missed their ride back to camp which is 16 miles to the north and east. Finally they were able to convince a milkman to drive them back to camp with the sun soon to rise. After arriving at camp, the pair scurried from the trunk room to their beds then located on senior campus when Pinky Shover, up early that morning, saw the two running down the hill towards senior campus. That night in prayers, Pinky brought up the pair in his evening talk commenting how dedicated these two young men were by training so early in the morning.

**Jim Fraser, 1948 – present**



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"My Camp Tecumseh experience was great. I learned a lot of things that will help me in life. The counselors made me feel at home... The first kid I met he helped me with everything, and we were in the same cabin so that worked out well... Everything about the camp was perfect... Camp Tecumseh was the highlight of my summer, and one of the highlights of my life. Thank you all for such a great experience and opportunity!"

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"I would like to thank you for letting me come to the greatest place on earth. As soon as I arrived, I fell in love with Camp. The people are great; they are friendly, supportive, caring and honest. I made a lot of friends at camp this summer; some older and some younger. When I left I was in tears. I don't think that I ever felt so emotional when I left a place in my life, but really camp is not just a place it is a home..."

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