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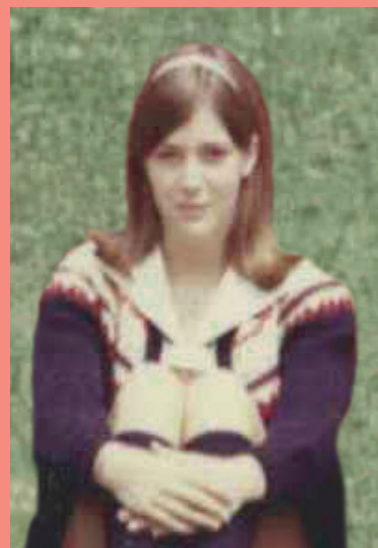
Do you know who these three are?



**She and her sister were
Hagan staff in the
1950's**



**She and her twin sister
were Hagan staff in the
1960's**



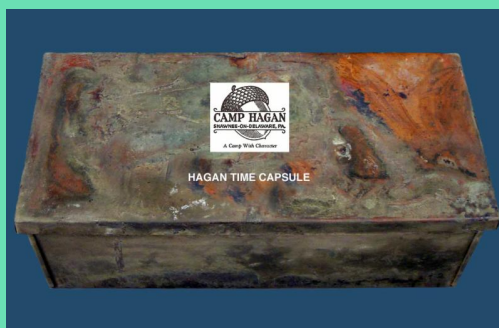
**She was the youngest of
four sisters who went to
Hagan**

**Here's a 3-minute preview of the "Then & Now" Photo
Gallery. See someone familiar? Put a name to
that face by visiting the website.**



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HAVE YOU WRITTEN YOUR HAGAN STORY FOR THE
TIME CAPSULE? **THE DEADLINE IS JUNE 1, 2015**



[The CampHagan.com website has all the details](http://TheCampHagan.com)

CAMPER PROFILE

Pat Wagenhals Coffey
Camp Hagan 1946 - 1954

Listen to Pat play her ukulele as she sings a Hagan
song. [Click to hear Pat sing Birdies](#)

I am very happy. I've been retired since 1997 from a computer
programming career. I wandered into computers in 1962 and
loved it. I ended up working at San Diego State University for 24



years. I was married to a chemistry professor for 14 years, and he did his sabbatical in Fukuoka, Japan. I got to live there for 9 months and living in a totally different culture changed the way I look at things.

I love retirement. I am 76 years old and go to classes at the gym 6 days a week doing Zumba and Turbo Kick Boxing. I am active in the House of Sweden here in San Diego, as well as the San Diego State University retirees group. I enjoy playing the ukulele and go to several ukulele groups each week. Playing the uke makes me happy.

I have been in a 30 year relationship with Sandra Gaudur, and we were legally married in California 5 years ago. Here's a link to our 2014 Christmas Card:

<http://sandynpat.com/Xmas2014b.pdf>

My "now" picture was a selfie taken with a friend in February who had broken her hip and given me her opera tickets. She had great seats in the orchestra, and I stopped by to thank her.

I went to Camp Hagan from 1946 until 1954. I was a CIT that year. I loved Camp Hagan and searched the Internet to find out what happened to it. That is where I found the Hagan Miller group.

The 1955 flood caused by Hurricane Diane was a real disaster. My brother went to Miller in 1955, the year we moved to Cleveland. He was caught in a terrible flood and Miller had to be evacuated. (My guess is that Hagan was too, but I wasn't there). He said the water came up so fast they had to form a human chain to get everyone out. Since we were in Cleveland, it took us a while to find him. We made many calls to the state police and the Red Cross, and they finally located him in Allentown. He had 2 mismatched shoes, neither of which was his. I wonder if anyone else remembers the flood.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3gnMne28Umg>

The Korn Kribbe was built a few years after I got there and when Bloody Mary's tomb was called Hitler's tomb. It got renamed when I was there as a result of a camp-wide contest between the odds and evens. We used to enjoy hiking up to Hitler's Tomb. One time I found a big black rock that was covered with shell fossils and I brought my treasure back to the Nature Tent. I spent many hours at the Nature Tent and my favorite place was the Craft shop.

I remember overnight hikes to Camp Ministerium and long hikes to Bushkill Falls. I really enjoyed canoe trips (especially the rapids) and our twice a day swims in the river. I remember movie night - one time they showed Phantom of the Opera and it scared me silly. I don't remember where they showed the movies. I also remember catching toads -- those

cute little critters were all over the place.

I still sing some of the songs we sang in the Great Hall during mealtimes and say the "camper's prayer" at bedtime. A few years back, my Swedish cousins came for a visit and we drove to Grand Canyon. I had them do most of the driving, and I sat in the front seat singing and playing my ukulele. Many of the songs were ones I learned at camp and they were amazed at how many songs I knew. When you sing them at every meal for 8 weeks, it is hard to forget them.

Camp Hagan was very special for me. I don't cry easily, but would cry my eyes out when leaving camp at the end of every summer. That must have made my parents happy.

NEWS & UPDATES

- **Sadly, we learned about the passing of two Hagan alum: Phyllis Wiest Gilbert and Skeeter Haun Shain. Their obituaries are on the CampHagan.com website**
- **Sing along with Lady Gaga to songs from The Sound of Music - go to CampHagan.com**
- **Do you know what you want to write about for your Time Capsule story? All the details are on the website. The deadline is June 1st.**
- **Thanks to folks who have sent additional photos to be posted to the Photo Galleries. Keep em' coming. Thank you Robin, Emma and Mary.**
- **Have you registered at the Shawnee Inn?**

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