My Green Lake Story: George Kimsey

On 4th of July weekend in 1952, a good buddy and I drove to Green Lake with two sisters who were Baptist friends. We had not made reservations. We got a late start from Indy, thus didn't arrive until after 11:00 p.m. - to find the gates padlocked. We pulled off the highway in the grassy area and we guys slept on the grass, while the girls slept in the car. Up at sunrise, we entered the open gates and found that there were no rooms available. We drove into the town of Green Lake and luckily found a tourist home. The lady who came to the door was very kind and showed us to two lovely rooms upstairs. We dumped

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our suitcases and headed back to enjoy ABA the next two days. We'll never forget that trip! (Oh yes, I married one of those sisters!)

My wife Joyce actually first came to Green Lake with her parents in 1946. She was on the Student Staff in 1953. I was on Student Staff n 1950 and was often a guest from 1958-2015. We volunteered 2002-2018, and led work groups for 10 years.

Because of Green Lake, We have been challenged to follow Christ more intentionally and have been renewed in body and spirit by close relationships with many friends through these 70+ years of coming to Green Lake.

I like the natural beauty and Lawson history/story of generous and caring philanthropy! AND knowing many of the people who have given their means, devotion and love to make these 75 years a reality.

Because of Green Lake our ministry has been enriched; we appreciate church music more deeply; and Christian education has taken a high priority in our service.

