



CAMP KNUTSON

ANNUAL

Report
2017





CAMP KNUTSON IS DEDICATED TO NURTURING THE WELL-BEING OF PERSONS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS IN A SETTING WHICH CELEBRATES GOD'S LOVE FOR COMMUNITY AND CREATION.



Camp Knutson provides camping services for individuals with disabilities and medical needs. Camp is open year-round, also hosting retreats, conferences, meetings and trainings September through May.



A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTORS



Jared Griffin
Jared.Griffin@lssmn.org



Caitlin Malin
Caitlin.Malin@lssmn.org

Reflecting on our first full year together as Camp Director and Program Director, we are humbled and amazed. It has been a year full of learning and growing – for camp, for our campers and for ourselves.

We started our fiscal year with a strong retreat season, hosting 24 retreat groups. Our incredible summer camping season was extended when several organizations came in late August or early September. We were especially thrilled this year to welcome a new camp partner, Firefighters for Healing, serving young burn survivors and their families.

This year we had a record number of volunteers, a full summer camp schedule and several improvement projects. With the help of volunteers, we were able to restore our signature Bell Tower. In addition, we completed a new waterfront accessibility project that will make life for our campers safer and more comfortable. The variety and complexity of orchestrating all that happens at camp over the course of the year is truly amazing. Seeing it all come together and experiencing firsthand the healing and joy of individuals who come here is magical. It is what inspires us and keeps us striving to make camp the absolute best it can be.

Our theme this summer was family. We intentionally work to build an accepting, inclusive community. It is who we are, who we strive to be and what makes camp remarkable. The longer we are here, the more we understand that what happens here is more akin to family. Family in how every person who touches camp in some way, contributes to camp's well-being. Family in how staff, volunteers, and campers all look out for one another. Family in how camp has become a seedbed for hope and healing for so many.

We are grateful to be part of Camp Knutson. In looking ahead, we continue to strengthen our programming, improve our facilities and look for ways to best serve individuals and families with identified needs.

We are deeply appreciative of your stewardship of time, talent, financial gifts, and most of all, your steadfast friendship. You help keep Camp Knutson strong.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jared Griffin".

Jared Griffin
Camp Director

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Caitlin Malin".

Caitlin Malin
Program Director

**"This has been an
unbelievable year for
Camp Knutson.
We are so thankful for
all the support that has
been given to us."
~ Jared**



1182

CAMPERS

"It's been amazing seeing Lizzy here. She's grown in confidence and poise at camp."

~ Sue, Grandmother and guardian to camper



8

CAMP PARTNERS



24

RETREATS

246

QUILTS DONATED FOR THE QUILTAUCTION



"It has been fun with the other people. At camp you get to be yourself. You get to be with other people who know what you're going through. You don't have to hide things. There's no judging."

~Gabe, Camp RED camper



1000+

PANCAKES SERVED AT THE PANCAKE BREAKFAST



1302  RETREAT PARTICIPANTS

450  VOLUNTEERS

"He has just blossomed. He's running around camp. He's so willing and excited to try every single thing that's available to him. He's engaged, he's laughing, he's happy and he's free."

~Sharyl, mother of camper



22
STATES
CAMPER
COME FROM



14 CAMPS 





• VOLUNTEERS •

THANK YOU

Our deepest thanks to all the volunteers for the time and energy they gave to enhance camp during 2017. Each of you has made a significant impact on our camp community with your involvement in the work crew, beading, gardening, mowing, cleaning, airport support, fishing, special events and more. We truly couldn't do what we do without your amazing support!



NIGHT UNDER THE STARS



PANCAKE BREAKFAST



ICE TEE OPEN

\$234,031

TOTAL AMOUNT RAISED THROUGH
CAMP K FUNDRAISERS AND COMMUNITY
EVENTS HELD ON OUR BEHALF.



QUILT AUCTION





• VOLUNTEERS •



NORTH AMERICAN BANKING

A group from North American Banking spent a weekend with us in May to prepare the camp grounds for summer. One of their largest projects was restoring our signature Bell Tower.



MOWERS

The 2nd Friday of every summer month, a group of volunteers assist with maintenance and facility needs. Every Friday our volunteer mowers keep our grounds looking pristine.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS.

Nearly 200 members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, St. Cloud Area Stake, gave a day of service to Camp Knutson, painting buildings, winterizing waterfront equipment and prepping the waterfront for our Accessibility Project.



MN TEEN CHALLENGE

Individuals from MN Adult and Teen Challenge joined us for a day in the spring and day in the fall to help put in and take our waterfront docks.



ZION LUTHERAN

Amor Zion volunteers helped prepare camp for the summer camping season.

2017 CAMP KNUTSON ADVISORY COUNCIL

Le Boyer

Annalisa Eckman – Rudser

Char Erikson

Dick Erikson

Dave Fischer

Ally Garin

Jared Griffin

Deb James

Steven James

Judith Jopp

Rob Larson

Karin Smalkoski

Caitlin Malin

Anna Mason

Dan Mason

Judy Morgan

Mary Ella Pratte

Jeri Schoonover

Dan Thorson

Mary Kate Williams

Susann Zeug-Hoese





CAMP RED – NEW PARTNERSHIP SERVES YOUNG BURN SURVIVORS

This summer, Camp Knutson welcomed a new partnership with Firefighters for Healing to offer Camp RED (Realize Every Dream) for the very first time to young burn survivors and their families. Former firefighter Jake LaFerriere founded Firefighters for Healing after he was badly burned fighting a house fire. Jake's dream included a camp for young burn survivors, a place where their stories, and emotional and physical scars could be shared, not hidden. That dream came true at Camp Knutson.

Camp RED served young burn survivors aged 5 to 15 and their families. While the youth participated in camp activities, the adults shared their experiences – the journey of their child's trauma and recovery, rehab and easing back into daily life.

Nothing demonstrated the success of camp like the campers' first activity at the waterfront. The campers were at the water's edge, wearing long sleeves and pants, or intentionally positioned towels, all covering scars. Dr. Jon Gayken, their Hennepin County Medical Center burn surgeon, joined them. There he was standing on the beach in swim trunks, 40 percent of his own body scarred by skin grafts. He encouraged the hesitant campers to join him swimming – then, one-by-one, the campers stripped to their swimwear and pranced into the water.

Planning for next summer's Camp Red has already started. One teen learned to joke again at Camp but declared in all seriousness: "When I am 18, I would like to come to Camp RED as a volunteer counselor."

"It has been fun. At camp you get to be yourself. You get to be with other people who know what you're going through. You don't have to hide things. There's no judging."

~ Gabe, Camp RED camper

BEGINNING ANEW WHERE IT ALL BEGAN: AT CAMP KNUTSON

Weddings are not an everyday occurrence at Camp Knutson. So when Jake Garin and Ally Taubenheim got married there in September, it was an extra-special occasion. Ally started coming to Camp Knutson as a camper with the American Academy of Dermatology's Camp Discovery when she was 10 years old. She has been coming faithfully ever since. She has experienced camp as a camper, a volunteer counselor, summer program staff and now as program director for Camp Discovery, one of Camp Knutson's national partners for the same skin camps Ally attended as a kid.

Jake met Ally at camp when they were both volunteer counselors. It was only fitting that they got married where it all began. Jake now serves as Camp's airport logistics coordinator and Ally has also recently stepped into serving on Camp's Advisory Council. We are thrilled they both remain a close part of the Camp Knutson family.



• **CAMP STAFF 2017** •

CAMP K TIMELINE

2017

- RETREAT
- CAMP
- FUNDRAISER
- VOLUNTEER
- STAFF
- SPECIAL EVENT

OCTOBER

OCTOBER 4 - 5
LSS Safety Committee

OCTOBER 5 - 10
Scrap Around the
Clock Scrapbooking

OCTOBER 11 - 16
Scrap Camp 1 Scrapbooking

OCTOBER 27 - 29
Women's Spiritual
Network

OCTOBER 28 - 30
Utrinkets Knitters' Retreat

NOVEMBER

NOVEMBER 4 - 6
Celtic Spirituality Retreat 1

NOVEMBER 9 - 10
LSS Leadership Forum

NOVEMBER 27
Crosslake Lutheran
Advent Appetizers

DECEMBER

DECEMBER 13
Crosslake Lutheran Choir

JANUARY

JANUARY 3
Crosslake Lutheran Board

FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY 17 - 18
WELCA Women's Retreat

MARCH

MARCH 4
Ice Tee Open Fundraiser
sponsored by Moonlite Bay

MARCH 16 - 19
Minnesota Knitters
Guild Retreat

MARCH 23 - 26
Llama Mamas Knitters
Retreat



APRIL

APRIL 7 - 9
Celtic Spirituality Retreat 2

APRIL 18 - 23
Scrap Camp 2 Scrapbooking

APRIL 26
**Volunteer Spring Clean-up day:
Zion Lutheran Church of Amor**

APRIL 28
**MN Adult and Teen
Challenge put in docks**

MAY

MAY 5 - 7
**North American Banking
Volunteers help prepare
camp for summer and
restore the bell tower**

MAY 15 - 17
LSS Guardianship staff

MAY 15
Activities coordinators arrive

MAY 19
**LSS Brainerd Group Homes -
Adults with Identified Needs**

MAY 22
Summer staff arrives

JUNE

JUNE 1 - 4
AA Women's Retreat

JUNE 5 - 9
**Camp Benedict
(Families affected
by HIV/AIDS)**

JUNE 11 - 15
**Down Syndrome
Foundation**

JUNE 18 - 23
**Camp Discovery JR
(Skin Conditions)**

JUNE 25 - 30
**Camp Hand in Hand I
(Autism)**

JULY

JULY 2 - 7
**Camp Discovery
Teen (Skin Conditions)**

JULY 7 - 9
**LSS Benefit for
Life Wellness Winners**

JULY 10 - 14
Camp Odayin I (Heart Disease)

JULY 15
Night Under the Stars

JULY 17 - 21
Camp Odayin II (Heart Disease)

JULY 24 - 28
Camp Odayin III (Heart Disease)

JULY 30 - AUGUST 4
Camp Hand in Hand II (Autism)

AUGUST

AUGUST 6 - 11
Camp Hand in Hand III (Autism)

AUGUST 12
Quilt Auction

AUGUST 13 - 18
Camp Hand in Hand IV (Autism)

AUGUST 18 - 20
AA Men's Retreat

AUGUST 21 - 24
**Camp RED (Realize Every Dream)
(Burn Survivors)**

AUGUST 25 - 27
**Bridging Hearts (Young
Adults with Mild Disabilities)**

AUGUST 28 - 30
**LSS Youth Experiencing
Homelessness**

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 2
Pancake Breakfast Open House

SEPTEMBER 4 - 8
Minneapolis Community group

SEPTEMBER 9
**Church of Jesus Christ of
Latter-day Saints Volunteers**

SEPTEMBER 15 - 17
Duluth East Choir

SEPTEMBER 23
Wedding: Jake & Ally Garin

SEPTEMBER 26 - 27
LSS Senior Corps Staff

SEPTEMBER 29
**MN Adult and Teen
Challenge take out docks**

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER
Waterfront Accessibility Project

THANK YOU!

Children and youth find joy and self-acceptance at Camp K. They find out just how strong they can be. Volunteers come for a day's work and return year after year. Partners align with Camp Knutson and continue summer after summer. Staff retain strong allegiance to camp and return when they are able.

What is it about Camp Knutson that invites such deep loyalty and love? Camp is filled with the spirit of joy and possibility. It is inclusive, welcoming and designed so each individual discovers their best.

Your generosity and great heart for camp make our work possible. It is your unfailing support that helps us create this incredible community for our campers, staff, volunteers, and visitors. We are deeply grateful for the outpouring of love that comes to us through you – through financial gifts and gifts of time and talent. We truly would not be able to do what we do best without you.

From our heart to yours – **thank you!**



DONORS

This list reflects gifts received during our 2017 fiscal year.
Our fiscal year runs October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.

INDIVIDUALS

Anonymous (7)	Adeline Baumann	Cheryl & Patrick Bronce	JoAnn & Charles Copeland
Jeannine Acker	Katherine Baumgartner	Karen & Harold Brown	Cheryl & David Copham
Sharon & Robert Adam	Kalsey & Christopher Beach	Mary & Lannon Brown	Madalin & Lewis Coppock
Merwin L. Adams	Pat & Bernie Beaver	Mary & Richard Brubacher	Patricia Cormaney
Debra & Michael Adducci	Karen Bellchamber	Lynda & John Bruder	Dana & Andrew Cossette
Lois & Russell Agrimson	Vernon Bengtson	Karen & Andy Bryce	Ann Coumbe
Janell F. Akerson	Bonnie & Jeffrey Benson	Penny Bryce	Wendy L. Coward
James Albie	Grayce & Ronald Berg	Gerald Bublitz	Larry D. Coyle
Dorothy A. Allen	Marjorie & Daniel Bergeland	Julie & Daniel Burkhardt	Corinne & Donald Craig
Linda Anderson Koch & Francis Koch	Ann & Tim Bergin	Marlene Burrell	Patty Crater
Carol & Larry Anderson	Kirby Berhow	Judith Burrichter	Sharon & Frank Cserpes
Darlene A. Anderson	Elaine & Donald Berry	Ken Burrous	Linda & Robert Culbertson
Elise Mae & Sigurd Anderson	Ardelle & Jay Berthe	Kaye & Gary Campbell	Arlene & Mark Dahl
Erik Anderson	Jane Best	Mary A. Campbell	Marjorie & Richard Dahlager
Helen J. Anderson	Cynthia & Mark Bialon	Mary L. Campbell	Mark P. Dahlen
Kristy Anderson	Luana & Leonard Bierlein	Geraldine & Thomas Carey	Margaret & William Dammann
Linda S. Anderson	Lynne & Paul Billings	Earl W. Carlson	Jan & Elgene Darnell
Linnea & James Anderson	Adam Bilski	Kathleen & Richard Carlson	JoAnne Dayton
Marian & David Anderson	Jackie & Michael Bilski	Nellomi & George Carnahan	Ann Delano
Mary Anderson	Londa & Dennis Bilski	Kathryn & Bruce Carlson	Monica Devers
Barbara J. Anderson-Fanslau	Matthew Bilski	Linda & Edwin Carpenter	Holly & James DeVinck
Eric Andrews	Rachel Bilski	Julie Carr & Bernie Asher	Janice DeVries & Laurie Mazanec
Linda & John Andrews	Sandra & Gerald Bilski	Mary & Robert Casper	Brenda T. Dickinson
Robert Andrews	Anita & Paul Bingea	Heidi Chamberline-George & Patrick George	Marti & David Dickenson
Marjorie Angell	Delia Bingea	Karen Chapman	Mary Lu & Richard Dietz
Amanda Arens	Samuel P. Bingea	Julia Cheasick	Laurel DiSera
Jeanne & Gary Arntzen	Myles Blomquist	Ruth & Paul Cheney	Russell Doering
Virginia & Gilroy Arvig	Kelsy & Michael Blowers	Elaine Cherro	Lynn Dupuis
Jennifer & Jon Aschenbrener	Shannon & Steve Boie	Kathryn Christenson	Marilyn Eberlein
Georgiana Ashlin	Mary & Robert Borgeson	Karen & James Clapper	Wendy & Mark Ebert
Elise Austin	Margaret Born	Judith W. Clarke	Tiffany & Joseph Eckberg
Jill & Mark Austin	Irene & Stanley* Borys	Sharon & Charles Clysdale	Andrea & Erik Eckman
Peter C. Austin	Margaret & Allan Bostelmann	Bonnie & Tony Coffey	James G. Eckman
Elaine & Neal Bailey	Barbara & Leroy Boyer	Mark Colburn	Kay & Matthew Eckman
Deanna & Glenn Bakke	Jacquelyn & James Brandt	Carolyn P. Cole	Connie & Kent Effinger
Priscilla Balmer	Patricia Brant	Mary Colleen & Allan Griffin	Toni & Ed Egan
Jean Ann & Ardell Banker	William H. Brauer	Kelly & Mary Conger	Andrea Eggert
William W. Barker	Josephine A. Braun	Jane & Michael Connelly	Marilyn & Gordon Eid
Martin Barnard	Thomas J. Bredesen	Karen & Theodore Contag	Jessica & Richard Eide
David W. Barnes	Mardy & Joe Brodil		Anne & James Eidsvold



Nancy & Michael Einan
Margery & Wallace Eklund
Barbara & Earl Elmquist
Sharon & Richard Elmquist
M. Kathleen Embertson
George E. Emrick
Deanna & Donald Engen
Matthew Engen
Dianne H. Engstrom
Charlotte & Richard Erickson
Galene & Douglas Erickson
Jean H. Erickson
Joy & James Erickson
Madelyn & Michael Erickson
Patti & Steven Erickson
Phyllis Erickson
Betty & Henry Ernst
Martha Esbjornsson
Linda Evavold
Rachel & David Faldet
Linda & Kurt Falkman
Sharon & Fred Fey
Abby Fischer
Lynn & Lee Fischer
Marie & David Fischer
Pam Fischer
Lisa & Michael Fix
Glen Fladeboe
Joyce & Dave Fleck
Ruth M. Flygare*
Elizabeth Forde
Karen & Paul Forde
Megan Fortun
Muriel & Luverne Foster
Sharon M. Frankenfield
Sydney Fransiscus
Doris & Leo Fraser
Helen Hopper Fraser
Marcia & Edward Frerk
Carolyn & Raymond Frisch

Jeanne & Glen Frischmon
Goldie Fristedt
Jane Froidcoeur
Sheila & Dennis Fry
Karen & Denis Fullerton
Jane & Dorman Fulton
Catharine Funk
Deanne & Todd Furan
Ally & Jacob Garin
Linda & Richard Gates
Deb & Thomas Gearou
Jean Gebhard
Leslie A. Geerdes
Gerri Gefre
Geraldine Gendreau
Barbara & Stephen Genereux
Carol & Ronald Germann
Linda Gibson
Ausma & Visvaris Giga
Elaine & Gerald Gilbert
Paul Ginter
Shelly Gintner
Cynthia Giusto
Cynthia & Thomas Gladwin
Virginia Glenn
Patricia & Robert Glorwick
Janice Godeke & Vern Kleinsasser
Eleanor & William Goodall
Jean C. Gorman
Marcia K. Gray
Donald F. Gremel
Joanna & Jared Griffin
Taylor Grootwassink
Karin Grossman
Kurt Hagestuen
Stephanie J. Haider
Mary & Michael Haigh
Judith & Bruce Hall
Samantha Hallgren
Diane & Jeffery Halseth

Sharon & Ronald Hamen
Monica & Thomas Hammersten
Melani Hanisch
Patricia & Marvin Hannon
Betty Hansen
Christine J. Hansen
Judith Hansen
Barbara & Kent Hanson
Doris & Wallace Hanson
Marilyn A. Harder
Lauren Harn
Jodi & Stan Harpstead
Susan Hartig
Theresa Hartson
Diane & Danny Haugen
Angela Haywood
Deana Healy
Garen B. Hebeisen
Susan & Thomas Hedlund
Marlene & Warren Heidemann
Cynthia & Mark Heigl
Sarah Hennies Mader & Brian Mader
Joann & Henry Henricksen
Laura Hermansen
Ginny & Ken Hersey
Denise & Charles Hicks
Sheila Hiehn
Dorothea & James Higgins
Deb Hildebrandt
Marty & Don Hillerich
Mary & Roland Hirman
Nancy Jo & Craig Holland
Maria & Mark Holmen
Carol & Stuart Holmer
Linda & John Holper
Barbara & James Holterman
Michael L. Holtze
Philip Homen
James P. Holmes
Robert W. Horning

Janet M. Horst
Sarah Howard
Sigrid & Roger Hubley
Constance M. Hughes
Bonnie & John Hummel
Carla & Paul Hummel
Linda & Dave Huntley
Bethany & Paul Husby
Joseph Husby
Todd Iverson
Richard Jackson
Sharon & Daniel Jacobson
Carmen Jastrow
Betty Joan & Roger Jensen
Joanne & Kenneth Jensen
Jodi & Mark Jenson
Beatrice Jepsen
Nancy & Brian Jepsen
Reuben Jessop
Joanna & Brandon Johns
Arthur W. Johnson
Betty Johnson
Cindy & Paul Johnson
Constance & David Johnson
James L. Johnson
Linda & James Johnson
Lola & Phillip Johnson
Marlyce & Wayne Johnson
Mary K. Johnson
Sharon Johnson
Twila & Elmer Johnson
Virgene A. Johnson
Jean & Dave Jones
Fontina & Lyle Joyce
Carole & Mike Kahnert
Yvonne L. Kalahar
Nancy Kassekert
Almeda Kath
Kathleen & David Keeling
Kathleen R. Keeling

IN HONOR OF

Margot & Paul Address
Elizabeth & Shelby Address

Carolyn & John Forney
Kathleen McDonnell Forney & David Forney

Nancy & Duane Hanson
Barbara & Leroy Boyer

Anders Jensen
Jodi & Mark Jenson

Jo & Lee Knutson
Georgina C. Savat

Rob Larson
Jean Ann & Ardell Banker

Cynthia McLagan
Mary Ress

Will McLaughlin
Betsy & Jeffrey McLaughlin

Virginia & Ken Merrill
JoAnn & Charles Copeland

Annie & Elsie Myers
John W. Myers

Gordon Olson
Joan & Steven Loe

Alyssa Duke Schultz
Carol O'Neill
Kathleen O'Neill

Betsy & Gary Simons
Catherine & Gary Simons

Patrick Spehn
Renae Spehn

Janet Strand
Mary Ann Strand

Genine Zavala
Amanda Arens



INDIVIDUALS continued

Donna M. Keiffer
Colleen Keim
Sharon & Richard Keister
Mary Jo & Daniel Kelly
Judy* & Dan Kenobbie
Kay & John Keohen
Shirley & Aaron Kimball
Jane & Gary Kipling
Mary Kisch
Lyn & George Klauser
Jane & Warren Kleinsasser
Mary & John Knight
Angie & Steve Niss
Claire Knoploch
Christa Knust
Marilynn & E. Ronnie Koehler
Mary & David Kolesar
William Korman
Susan M. Krabbenhoft
Judith & Robert Krammer
Barbara & Thomas Krawczewski
Karen & Kurt Kreienbrink
Gloria & Norman Koreger
Eugene R. Kuehn
Mary & Joe Kuehn
Dina & Jason Kuhn
Pauline Kuhn
Katherine Kunkel
Lois Kuntz
Alice & Bob LaBarre
Jake Laferriere
Cynthia & Daniel Lang
Caroline Langfeld
Beth & Rob Larson
Darrell Larson
Donna & Kevin Larson
Joelle & Oliver Larson
Julie & Bruce Larson
Maedora & Norman Larson
Mary & Doug Larson
Sara & Eric Larson

Gladys Laughlin
Tim Laughlin
Janet & Jeffrey Laurel
Janis & James Law
William Leadens
Ronald Lee
Catherine Leindecker Foster
Kathe L. Lemmerman
Rose Lethert
Karen & Gerald Leverington
Renee Lieder
David Lind
Marlys Lindert
Betty & Bruce Lindholm
Maureen & Wayne Lindholm
Nancy & Eldon Lindquist
Anne & Scott Lingle
Alisa & Brian Linne
Jan & John Lobben
Joan & Steven Loe
Marilyn L. Loen
Mikkel Long
Elyse & Robert Longo
Barrette Lounsberry
Karen & Todd Lovaas
Mary K. Lovejoy
Kimberly Loven-Gregory
Barbara & Terry Lowe
D. J. Lund
Gloria Lund
Susan & Gary Lundy
Shirley Ann & Harley Luttrell
Louise & Scott Lystig Fritchie
Elizabeth Mader
Melinda J. Madison
Barbara & Wayne Maresh
Beth & Brad Martinson
Linda & Max Martz
Caroline & Dan Mason
Patricia & Robert Mattson
Nikki McBrien
Mary McCormick
Wendy McCulley
Dianne & Lloyd McDermott

Kathleen McDonnell Forney &
David Forney
Janet & Duncan McDougall
Maxine & Neil McEwen
Barbara J. McKay
Betsy & Jeffrey McLaughlin
Will McLaughlin
Robert & Sharon McPherson
Pat McShane
Glenn Mechelke
Karen Megazzini & Robb Reed
Jerry Meigs
Sharon Meister
Kathleen & Robert Mellas
Dina & Mark Menth
Margaret L. Menth
Virginia & Kenneth Merrill
Karen & John Meslow
Jacqueline Meyer Boie
Chloe & Daniel Meyer
Quinn C. Meyer
Sandra & Ronald Meyer
Doris & Jan Mezzenga
Leslie N. Milde
Dean A. Miller
Joan J. Miller
Miranda Miller
Renee & Bradley Miller
Andrew C. Million
Andriette & Steve Million
Jean H. Milton
Jane Mohr
Paul M. Mohring
Martin Mollenkamp*
Mackenzie Mondek
Sherry L. Monson
Joan & Robert Moody
Megan Moore
Judith A. Morgan
Kathleen & John Morgan
Ronda & John Morin
Donald Mork
Bonita & Dennis Morris
Gloria & John Morrison

Jane & James Morrow
Kristi & Randy Morsch
Heidi Mouch
Janice & John Mozey
Mr. Thomas W. Green
Jeanne & Thomas Mueller
Jolene & Eldon Munholand
Andrea Murray
Darby Murray
Debbie Musolf & Arthur Wineman
John W. Myers
June & Robert Myller
Ann Neal
Barbara & Kenneth Neihart
Wayne Neis
Nancy & Karl Nelsen
Bette J. Nelson
Angela & Darryl Nelson
Claire & David Nelson
Deborah & Bruce Nelson
Gail L. Nelson
Kathleen & Larry Nelson
Lee Nelson
Lori & Herbert Nelson
Teresa J. Nelson
Roberta Nelson-Flohr & Ralph Flohr
Cheryl Newell
Susan & Jon Newsome
Jill & Gregory Newville
Carolyn & Wilbur Nielsen
Donna Nielsen
Mary & David Nielsen
Joyce Norals
Sandy & Darrell Norling
Lorraine M. Northagen
Shelley A. Norton
Anne O'Brien
Beverly & Stephen Ogren
Elaine V. Ogren
Carol & Gerald Olson
Courtney & Derek Olson
Erika Olson & Peter Eckman
John E. Olson
Kay & Dale Olson

Lisa A. Olson
Lucille & Wendell Olson
Lynn & Gary Olson
Sandra Olson
Kristin & Tony Oltmann
Jeanne M. O'Malley
Barb Ordris
Gwendolyn & Dale Orred
Terri & Douglas Oster
Elizabeth & Thomas Otteson
Suzanne & Daniel Parker
Craig Paulson
Gerald Paulson
Lois R. Pearson
Laura Pederson
Virginia Peters
Ahnna M. Peterson
Gail & Jerry Peterson
Claire & David Nelson
Illene & Martin Peterson
Jane & Art Peterson
Katherine & Robert Peterson
Linda & Andy Peterson
Linnea & Stephen Peterson
Megan Peterson
Nancy & Brian Peterson
Stacy & Ron Peterson
Barbara Pfaender
Peter Poepke
Diane L. Pogatchnik
Jeanne & Joseph Polaczyk
Mary & Gary Polaczyk
Jane & Jerome Pollock
Patricia Postlewaite
Shannon Powell
Mary Ella Pratte
Arlys E. Precht
Lisa Precht
Marcia J. Prescott
Barbara & John Pribyl
Jerica L. Price
Ruth & Steve Quisberg
Linda & Bill Randall
Jane & Donald Reiersen

WATERFRONT GETS AN EXTREME MAKEOVER!

Our biggest concern was for the safety and comfort of our campers."

~ Jared Griffin, Camp Director, on the new improvement project to our waterfront.

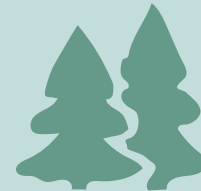
As most campers will tell you, sunny days spent at the waterfront are a highlight of camp. But after countless summers of fun, camp's waterfront was due for a much-needed facelift.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, camp's Waterfront Accessibility Project was completed in October.

The new waterfront boasts:

- Additional seating and towel storage by the boathouse
- A new sloped pathway to replace steps to the bathhouse
- A wider, paved path to replace the wooden boardwalk, increasing accessibility
- Wider steps to the patio
- Rebuilt rock wall to protect against erosion
- Two new outdoor rinse stations

We are deeply grateful to all who contributed to this project, including the volunteers who helped with the heavy lifting of preparing the grounds for LA Lawn Care and Landscaping to come in and complete the project.



WATERFRONT PROJECT NEARING COMPLETION

Linda & James Renner
Mary Ress
Reginald Rettinger
Ellyn M. Rhein
Janet Rice & Peter Bachman
Christine Rieffer
Clare & Jerome Ritter
Darlene J. Roach
Krista Roedl
Sylvia & Richard Rog
Nancy & Jeff Rosemore
Carol W. Rossman
Bonnie Rowan & Douglas Norwood
Barbara & Padraic Rowe
Delores & Quintin Rubald
Julie Rupert
Betty Ryan
Jennifer & Edwin Ryan
Cora & Gerald Rygh
Marna Sandgren
Cheryl & John Sandven
Kristine Sanschagrin
Joy & Gary Sarnier
Bonnie R. Sass
Georgina C. Savat
Linda & James Sawyer
Christian P. Schmidt
Margaret & Kim Schmidt
Thomas Schmidt
Michele & Kirk Schnitker
Jeri Schoonover
Phillip Schott
Lisa R. Schroeder
Dorothy & Wallace Schueler
Jeanne & James Schultz
Linda & John Schultz
Bryce Schumacher
Shari & Donald Schumacher
Nancy & Karl Schwaab
Edward Schwartzberg
Ann & Roger Seapy
John Sesin
Lucille B. Severson
Penne & Charles Sewall

Brenna Shaeffer
Becky Shawgo
Nancy & Alan Sherburne
Shirley & Glendon Shodahl
Helen & Ted Silva
Elaine & Donald* Sime
Betsy & Gary Simons
Catherine & Gary Simons
Mary Simonson & Dean Andrews
Brenda & Timothy Singer
Karen & Joel Skagerberg
Clarise & Don Skalman
Penny & Karl Skog
Bonnie & Richard Slomkowski
Iris J. Smith
Mary & Ronald Smith
Newton Smith
Susan & Gregory Smith
Anita Smythe
Vicki A. Snyder
Nancy & Ronald Soderstrom
Elizabeth & George Soldner
Betty & Dan Soller
Pamella & David Sonnichsen
Dennis Sorce
Martha Spear
Rena Spehn
Jean An Sprague
Eloise & Robert Stancer
Thomas J. Stanforth
Glen Stauffacher
Janice W. Steadland
James Steffen
Donna J. Stenberg
Jean & Michael Stevens
Maureen Stevens
Charlotte A. Stoudt
Janet Strand
Mary Ann Strand
Nancy & John Strom
Joy & Randall Stuhl
Mary & Edward Sunde
Amy Sunderland
Adele J. Suomela



INDIVIDUALS continued

Barb & Chuck Swanson
Susan & Darrell Swanson
Ann & Thomas Swenson
Barbara Swenson
Arlene M. Syring
Cecelia Szomi
Phyllis & Jerome Taylor
Marjorie & Robert Templeton
Karen Thiede
Juliann & Stephen Thomas
Mae & Onan Thompson
Sandi & Daniel Thorson
Luba & Patrick Thueson
Jo & Dean Tollefson
Pamela C. Tolve
Louise Tostenrun
Barbara Towey
Elsie Trapp
Patricia & Stefan True
Kimberly & Steven Umland
Steven Umland
Melanie & Charles Underbrink
Taylor & Benjamin Urbanek
Kay & Philip Vander Stoep
McKenzie J. Vermeire
Cynthia & Jason Vetsch
Donna & Robert Waataja
Marie & Anthony Wagner
Kenneth J. Wahl*
Marilyn & Lawrence Wannebo
Maureen Warren
Jane & Thomas Watson
Shelley & David Weaver
Mike Weber
Kathleen & Dennis Weisman
Linda & Dennis West
Barbara & Don Wetter
Anita A. Whichello
Doris & Lowell Wilcox
Carol & David Willey
Colin Williams

Shari Williams
Annette J. Wilson
Paul Wojciak
Ward Woodwick
Margaret & Thomas Woog
Lo Anne L. Worth
Lisa Yahr
Joan & Charles Young
Julie & Robert Young
Mary Zajicek
Kathleen & Leon Zender
Christine & Albert Zernitz
Susann Zeug-Hoese
Sandra M. Zimmel
Pamela Zinter

CHURCHES

Bear Creek Lutheran Church Women,
Grand Meadow
Bethel Lutheran Church, Battle Lake
Bethlehem Lutheran Church Women,
Brainerd
Crosslake Lutheran Church
Crosslake Lutheran Church Women
Crosslake Presbyterian Church
Faith Lutheran Church Women of
Swanburg, Pine River
Immaculate Heart Council of Catholic
Women, Crosslake
Nativity Lutheran Church, Minneapolis
Oak Grove Lutheran Church, Richfield
Our Savior's – Ten Mile Lake Women,
Dalton
Our Savior's Lutheran Church Women,
Outing
Shiloh Lutheran Church Women,
Elmore
Swanburg Church Women, Pine River
Zion Lutheran Church of Amor,
Battle Lake
Zion Lutheran Church Women of Amor,
Battle Lake
Zion Lutheran Church Women,
Grand Rapids

BUSINESSES

CoBank
Crosslake Yoga
Crow Wing Power Community Trust
DWB Pioneer LLC
Heath's Resort, LLC
Herregan Distributors, Inc.
Kummet Larson Bluth & Co., P.A.
Certified Public Accountants
Lakes Area Gallery and Frame Shoppe
Lands End Development, LLC
Liberty Diversified International
Midstate Insurance Services, Inc.
North American Banking Company
Novak Services, LLC
Reed's Country Market
River Valley Restoration
Whitefish Automotive, Inc.

FOUNDATIONS

Edward R. Bazinet Foundation
Conway Charitable Lead Annuity Trust
Double Eagle Foundation
Gesner-Johnson Foundation
Hardenbergh Foundation
InFaith Community Foundation
Initiative Foundation
Margaret Rivers Fund
Patch Foundation
Louis and Mary Kay Smith Family
Foundation
Thrivent Financial for Lutherans
Foundation
J. A. Wedum Foundation

ORGANIZATIONS

Anonymous
American Center for Philanthropy
American Legion Post 627, Nisswa
Crosslake Ideal Lions Club
LASAC Inc Senior Morning Club

Nisswa Women's Club
United Way of Metropolitan Chicago

IN-KIND

Bridget & Kia Allen
Rose Balazs
Sandy & Jerry Bilski
Jay Dregni
Sharon & Richard Elmquist
Char & Dick Erikson
Paul Furman
Michelle Hall
Ed Hammerstein
Mike Kahnert
Last Generation Band
Tom Miller
Kathy Morgan
Myra Nelson
Diane Peters
Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran
Church, Apple Valley
Amanda Szomi Family
Rev. Dr. Mari Thorkelson
Sandi & Dan Thorson
Michele & Kim Vermeire
Carol & David Willey
Zion Lutheran Church, Anoka

ICE TEE OPEN club members

Mike & Jackie Bilski
Jerry & Sandy Bilski
Adam Bilski
Dennis & Londa Bilski
Rachel Bilski
Matt & Jocelyn Bilski
Don & Corrie Craig
Peter & Lisa Dahl
John Sesin & Christine Davis
Doug & Leslie Deeter
Andrea & Chuck Duddingston
Sally Egan & Bill Terry

Jessica & Richard Eide
First National Bank
Deb & Tom Gearou
Denny & Jantze Haley
Peggy & Russ Huffer
Bob Jones
Deb & Dan Miller
Kathy & Tim Murnane
Nick Murnane
Molly (Murnane) & Russ Nelsen
Marian & David Peterson
Jane & Jerry Pollock
The Rocheford Family
Joy & Gary Sarner
Karen & Joel Skagerberg
Jean & Mike Stevens
Anja & Gene White

hole sponsors

66 Marine North
Crosslake Sheetmetal
Egan Family
Lakes Area Rental
Dan Miller Construction
Moonlite Bay
North American Banking Company
North Country Plumbing
North Star Endeavors
Reeds Market
Steve & Beryl Roe
Patty Ward & Corrie Craig
Waste Partners
The Woods Landscaping

NIGHT UNDER THE STARS in-kind

3 Cheers Hospitality
Ace Hardware, Crosslake
Adirondak Coffee House
American Legion Post 500



NEW MEDICAL BATHTUB HELPS PUT WORRIES TO REST

Every summer, campers with certain skin conditions need to go through hours-long excruciating bandage changes. The process is made safer and more comfortable for both campers and medical staff with the use of our Advanced Medical bathtub. Our old tub was leaking and it was getting harder to maintain the strict temperature control needed for campers.

Camp Knutson received a very generous gift of a brand new medical tub! Having the tub means campers have the opportunity to experience all the activities at camp they want without the added worry of risking infection due to soiled bandages.

"Because I am so tall, this is the only tub I have ever been able to lay flat in. I am absolutely grateful to have this at camp for my bandage changes."

~ camper, American Academy of Dermatology

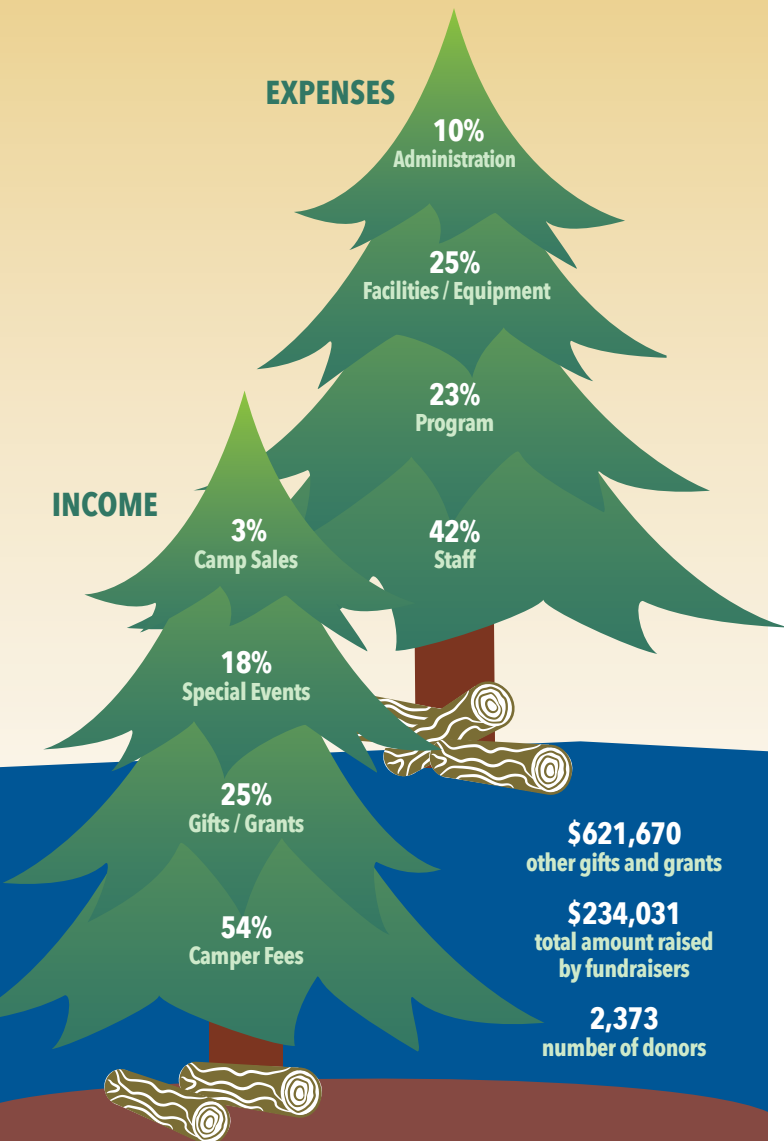


AmericInn Lodge and Suites of
Pequot Lakes
Andy's Bar and Grill
The Animal House
Appaloosa Ridge
ARTcrosslake
Glen Belgum
Bertha Boat Works
Big Axe Brewing Co
Billys at Breezy Point
Bilski Family
Booth Office Supply
Border View Lodge
Barbara & Le Boyer
Brainerd International Raceway
JoAnn Braun
Breen & Person LTD
Brothers Motorsports
Karen & Andy Bryce
Penny Bryce
Camp Knutson Volunteers
Cash Wise Liquors
Cedar Chest
The Chocolate Ox
Christmas Point
Coco & Co
Conway Charitable Trust
The Cottage Place
Country Doc Veterinary Clinic
Country Works
Cragun's Legacy Golf Courses
Crosslake Auto Body
Crosslake Dairy Queen
Crosslake Dental
Crosslake Hair Company
Crosswoods Golf
Crow Wing Cycle Works
Custom Comfort Beds
D & D Beverage of Brainerd
Down Syndrome Foundation
E. L. Menk Jewelers
Eagles Landing Golf Club
Nancy Einan
Emily Greens Golf Course
Madelyn & Mike Erickson

Marie & David Fisher
Carolyn & John Forney
Friday Morning Coffee Group
David Fuhs
Linda Gates
Grand Casino Mille Lacs
Grand Champion Meats
Great Furniture Gallery
Guthrie Theater
Stephanie Haider & Jon Rappath
Pat Hesli
Holiday Inn Express
Holly's Hair & Nails
Ideal Fire Dept
If The Shoe Fits
Indulge Your Senses
Lola & Phil Johnson
Johnson's Personality Plus Interiors
Jean & Dave Jones
Judy's House of Gifts
Kelli Engstrom Photography
Judy & Dan Kenobbie
KICKS on "Route 66"
LA Lawncare & Landscape
Lake Country Crafts and Cones
Lakes Area Gallery & Frame Shoppe
Lands End Development
Landsburg Nursery
Larson Group/Keller Williams
Mary & Doug Larson
Jan & Jeff Laurel
Leisure Day Rental at Al's Marine
Leslie's
Dr. Linda Lewis
Loide' Oils & Vinegars, Nisswa
Ed Lounsberry
Lucky's Tavern
Lundrigan's Clothing
John Manning
Martin's Sport Shop
Linda and Max Martz
Caroline & Dan Mason
Massie Creek
Maucieri's
Jack McChesney

Megs Cabin
Cindy & Lee Melsby
Merritt Jewelers
Mike's Tree Company
MN Zip Line Adventures
Moonlite Square Convenience Store
Morgan Design
Judy Morgan
Kathy & John Morgan
Bonita Morris
Colleen Murray
Natural Tone Furniture
Kathy & Larry Nelson
Susan & Jon Newsome
Mary & David Nielsen
Nordic Haus
North American Banking
Northland Pet Lodge
Northland Press
Northwoods Inne
Old Log Theater
Gwen & Dale Orred
Tom Otteson
Owls N' Things
Passages of Time
Pequot Lakes SuperValu
Pine Peaks Gifts and Restaurant
Quirks
Rafferty's Crosslake
Rapid River Water Park
Julie Rose
Route 66 Marine North
Rustica Home Furnishings
Ruttgers Bay Lake Lodge
Safari North Wildlife Park
Salon Couture
Shari & Don Schumacker
Seaberg Motorsports
Seeds of Sommer
Helen & Ted Silva
Simonson Lumber Co
Gail Smith
Betty & Dan Soller
Stonehouse Coffee & Roastery
Karen Struve

FINANCIALS



NIGHT UNDER THE STARS in-kind continued

Studio Posh
Sunset Cinema
Sandi & Dan Thorson
Timberjack Smokehouse
The Village Inn
Waterfront Services
Wes Hanson Builders
White Birch Golf Course
Whitefish Auto / Craig Paulson
Whitefish Golf Club
The Wild Daisy
Kate & Tom Williams
Zorbaz

QUILT AUCTION in-kind

Anonymous
Abiding Savior Lutheran Church,
Mounds View
Lynn Achtelik
Pamela Anderson
Ascension Lutheran Church Quilters,
Burlington, Vt.
Bear Creek Lutheran Church Women,
Grand Meadow
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Aitkin
Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Brainerd
Brainerd Area Catholic Churches,
Baxter
Cambridge Lutheran Church
Sue Carroll
Nancy & Robert Christensen
Community of Grace Lutheran Church,
White Bear Lake
Cormorant Lutheran Church, Lake Park
Crosslake Lutheran Church
Crosslake Quilters

Jenny H. Davis
East Chain Lutheran Church Women,
Blue Earth
Emily Quilters Group
Kathy C. Everson
First Lutheran Church, Aitkin
First Lutheran Church, Brainerd
First Lutheran Church, Little Falls
Linda & William Forsythe
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Rochester
Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Saint Paul
Grace Lutheran Church, Andover
Sally & Rick Gusso
Halstad Lutheran Church Women
Gretchen Hanson
Marilyn A. Harder
Hazel Run Lutheran Church
Catherine Hendrickson
Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Duluth
Hope Lutheran Church, Walker
Ruth & Darrell Howieson
Tamara Hudrlik
Sharon Hultgren
Sharon & Daniel Jacobson
Carolyn & John Jentink
Cindy & Paul Johnson
Twila & Elmer Johnson
Yvonne L. Kalahar
Tammy Kepner
Susan M. Krabbenhoft
Connie Krueger
Katherine Kunkel
Ladies of the Lakes Quilt Guild
Dawn Leitch
Kathe L. Lemmerman
Laura Lemmerman
Shari & Denny Loechler
Lord of Life Lutheran Church Women,
Baxter
Joyce & Carl Lotze
Gloria Lund
Shirley Ann & Harley Luttrell
Carol & Lawrence Madison
Pam Marlatt
Diane Marsolek

Barbara J. McKay
Leslie N. Milde
Debbie Mirau
Mission of the Cross Lutheran Church,
Crosslake
Diane Moyer
Barbara Neal
Carol Neil
Kathleen & Larry Nelson
Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Outing
Brenda Peterson
Linda & Andy Peterson
Quilt Chicks
River Valley Quilters
Linda & John Schultz
Colleen Sheehan
Barb Sikora
Anita Smythe
Nancy & Ronald Soderstrom
Elizabeth & George Soldner
St. Andrew's Lutheran Church,
Mahtomedi
St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church,
Le Center
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church,
Hackensack
Laurie Sweeney
Julie Thomason
Trinity Lutheran Church, Brainerd
Trinity Lutheran Church, Hayfield
Jackie Viestenz
Dianne & Brian Wermager
Linda Youngs
Theresa Zeug
Zion Lutheran Church of Markville
Women
Zion Lutheran Church, Anoka
Zion Lutheran Church, Grand Rapids

*deceased

IN MEMORY OF

L.T. Austin
Peter C. Austin

Dean Becket
CoBank

Stanley Borys
Irene Borys
Jane & Dorman Fulton
Janice W. Steadland

Carole Brodzinski
Ward Woodwick

Lydia Brynildson
Deanna & Glenn Bakke
Bette J. Nelson

Shane Buntje
Linda & John Holper

Gordon H. Carls
Carol & David Willey

Maxine Courts
Ward Woodwick

Magnus Dahlen
Arthur W. Johnson

William Donovan
Nikki McBrien
Sandra & Ronald Meyer

Myrtle Eling
Linda & James Renner

Ruth Flygare Halberstadt
Phyllis Erickson
Hummel Family
Christa Knust

Larry Goshey
North American Banking
Company

Julie Hastings
Mary Simonson and
Dean Andrews

Paul A. Johnson
Linda & James Johnson

Virginia Koepke
Ward Woodwick

Isabel Kunkel
Annette J. Wilson

Rena Leverington
Karen & Gerald Leverington

Frank Lindholm
Karen Bellchamber
Angela Haywood
Kay & John Keohen
Darby Murray
Charlotte A. Stoudt

Margret Lindholm
James L. Johnson

Ron Loen
Alice L. LaBarre
Anne & Leon Mallburg
Barb & Dan Waldock

Carol Mchesney
Bonnie & Jeffrey Benson
Greta J. Peterson

Jenny McWhirt
Betty & Bruce Lindholm

Todd Morrison
Gloria & John Morrison

Richard Mullerleile
Peter C. Austin

Elizabeth Nelson
Matthew Engen
Helen Hopper Fraser
Marcia K. Gray
Mary & David Kolesar
Kummet Larson Bluth & Co., P.A.
Certified Public Accountants
Deborah & Bruce Nelson
Nancy & Brian Peterson
Marilyn & Lawrence Wannebo

Mildred Nelson
Renee & Bradley Miller

Pauly Polaczyk
Caroline Langfeld
Jeanne & Joseph Polaczyk
Mary & Gary Polaczyk
Amy Sunderland

Harriet Rake Johnson
Ward Woodwick

Ronald A. Ress
Mary Ress

Ray Runkel
Jean Ann & Ardell Banker

Leander Torberg
Peter C. Austin

Tim Woodwick
Mary & Edward Sunde

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
EXTRAORDINARY
SUPPORT IN 2017!**

If we have forgotten a name or made
an incorrect listing, we apologize.
Please let us know.



CAMP KNUTSON

campknutson.org

11148 Manhattan Pt. Blvd.
Crosslake, MN 56442
P: 218.543.4232 | F: 218.543.5201



CAMP PARTNERS

American Academy of Dermatology

serving children with skin conditions

Autism Society of Minnesota

serving children & adults with autism

Camp Benedict

serving families affected by HIV/AIDS

Camp Odayin

serving children with heart disease

Down Syndrome Foundation

serving children with Down syndrome

Firefighters for Healing

serving youth who are burn survivors and their families

Minneapolis Community Group

serving adults with mental health challenges

Plymouth Congregational Church

serving young adults with mild disabilities

LSS of MN Youth Services

serving youth experiencing homelessness



**Lutheran
Social Service**
of Minnesota

