

# The Huckonian



A publication for alumni and friends

Fall 2024

## Huckins Leadership Legacies

by Jody Skelton and Emily Parker

*"You can tell a Huckins girl about a mile away."*

This spring saw the passing of two very inspirational Huckins' women: Audrey Frank Vorperian and Judy Wright Snell.

Audrey paved the way for female leaders by becoming the first female co-director at YMCA Camp Huckins. Judy followed in her footsteps, making history as the camp's first female director. We will honor their enduring legacies in the following tribute.

### Audrey Frank Vorperian (1929-2024)

Audrey met her husband, Zaven, while working at the YMCA in Springfield, MA, and together they embarked on a journey of leadership. In 1964, Audrey and Zaven arrived at Huckins, where they not only managed the camp but also raised their three children: Bruce, Robin, and Todd.



It is almost impossible to talk about Audrey without also talking about Zaven. They were a team, in every way. While Zaven was out in front, Audrey was orchestrating things behind the scenes. But make no mistake, the success of Huckins was due to the teamwork and individual talents of both Audrey and Zaven.

Zaven was in charge of the camp's staff and operations, while Audrey oversaw the campers, office, and registration. It was truly amazing to see Audrey in action. In 1964, before the era of computers, each camper's registration card was used for everything. The night before change day, Audrey could be found in the office "playing cards" — her way of memorizing every camper's details. She knew every camper's name, their cabin assignment, and the friend they had to be with. She and Zaven chose the motto "caring and sharing" and that was the culture and atmosphere they cultivated and modeled with all of us every summer.

Audrey was both friendly and smart, and when she donned her signature red lipstick and green and whites on

change day (after wearing her curlers to the dining hall for breakfast) she was a "force to be reckoned with." Although she could be a bit intimidating, we deeply respected and admired her every move. When Audrey said move, you did it. Whether it was to clean your cabin or to do the office Jon capers, we worked hard to get things done right because we wanted to make Audrey proud. And when we did, the compliments she gave were sincere. Audrey ran a tight ship, and we all were beneficiaries of her attention to detail.

Audrey and Zaven were more than just camp directors — they were our summer parents, our mentors and teachers, and enthusiastic cheerleaders in our lives. For many years, Audrey worked side by side with Zaven, but did not have the "YMCA professional status." She worked hard to have her accomplishments recognized, and attained YMCA Senior Director status, creating a leadership path for the women who followed. Judy Snell, Jody Skelton, and Heather Kiley would not be able to build on the pillars of Huckins without the groundbreaking work of Audrey.

Audrey never lost her zest for life or her commitment to caring and sharing. She was an amazing role model for us as women — way before women's empowerment was a thing. She empowered us every day, throughout the summer, with her own actions. She dried our tears, encouraged us to take on our fears, and pushed us to be our best selves. She lived life to her fullest capacity, and we can all honor her by doing the same: living our best lives, and taking care of each other, our neighbors, and our planet.

### Judy Wright Snell (1939-2024)

Judy first attended Huckins in 1966 with her husband, Ron, and their children Paula and Tom. Ron served as the Waterfront Director, while Judy was the Senior Division Leader. After their time at



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# A note from the Executive Director

As I reflect on this summer, I am inspired by all that the campers and staff created and achieved. One evening that captures what makes Huckins so special is the July camper show. It was one of those perfect Huckins evenings—the sky transitioned from blue to pink, the island turned golden, and a gentle breeze replaced the heat and humidity.

The camper show was an example of the Huckins spirit brought to life. The cast was kind and supportive, helping each other remember lines and find their places on stage. The crew moved seamlessly behind the scenes, and the audience cheered with enthusiasm. While the performance may not have been perfect, the way everyone responded to those imperfections made it feel perfect. The actors carried on with confidence, knowing they were surrounded by support rather than judgment, and the entire camp community celebrated the courage, creativity, and joy that radiated from the stage.

The final Vespers of each session, and our Mother/Daughter weekend, were heart-filling evenings. Campers and staff sat together with arms wrapped around each other, singing through tears that turned into laughter and back to tears. It's a unique moment when both happiness and sadness are felt so deeply and held simultaneously.

Summer 2024 was my 5th at Huckins — my Huckster year! As I reflect on the last five years, I am overwhelmed with gratitude for this community. Together, we have navigated unprecedented challenges and celebrated exceptional accomplishments. I am constantly inspired by the courage, innovation, and creativity that our community brings to solving problems. And I love how we embrace our goofy, imperfect, authentic selves, fostering genuine friendships that last a lifetime.

Huckins friends are forever friends.

This summer brought together all the best aspects of the last five years. It was full of memorable moments, big and small, that deepened our connections to one another, this place, our shared history, and all that is possible in the future. This issue of *The Huckonian* reflects those connections. The pre and post camp programs connected different generations of families, new and old friends, as they enjoyed camp days filled with fun and friendship. I find that I breathe differently when under the pines with our Huckins community, a bit deeper and a bit more freely. It was a gift to help create that same feeling for our campers during these special camp programs.

Thanks for supporting and being a part of this incredible experience.

In the Huckins Spirit,



*It is the mission of the Carroll County YMCA through its many programs, to strengthen the Spirit, Mind, and Body of youth, families, and communities.*

*We strive to provide an honest, respectful and caring atmosphere where each person can grow to realize their full potential.*



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Huckins, Judy began her career in YMCA Camping. They first became the Directors of YMCA Camp Mi-te-na, a boy's camp run by the Manchester, NH YMCA. After many years there, they moved to Ohio and became the camp Directors of YMCA Camp Tippecanoe. After a while, they began to miss New England and took a job working for YMCA Camp Westwood in Rhode Island. While in Rhode Island, Judy learned of an opening at Huckins and applied for the Camp Director role. In 1989, she made history as the first-ever female director of Huckins, where she remained for 14 summers, retiring in 2003.

Judy made amazing transformations during her tenure at Huckins. She increased the number of women on the Huckins Board of Directors from 3 to 15 and made a conscious effort to hire women for as many staff positions as possible. She led the process of building the first year-round office at Camp and prioritized sustainability in camp improvements. Under her leadership, a new water system with wells by the ballfield was installed, solar panels were added to the Dining Hall roof, and all camper cabin roofs were replaced. She also oversaw the burial of many electric lines underground to enhance safety and reliability. Additionally, she built a CIT cabin, moving CITs out of the Junior Division, marking the first step in creating a separate Leadership Division. She was instrumental in building the indoor sports complex so there would be a space that fit the entire camp. This building became known as the "Snell Dome" in her honor and was dedicated in her name when she retired.

Judy helped build our pre and post-season programs. She introduced Alumni Work Weekends at the beginning of the season. These weekends have grown from under 10 alumni to nearly 50 joining us at camp to help prepare for the camp season. Additionally, our current Women's Wellness Weekend was inspired by a women's program Judy created.

Judy was instrumental in our local community programming. In 1990, she began the Squeaky Sneaker program. The program grew so quickly that it was

expanded to three towns (North Conway, Tamworth, Center Ossipee). Thousands of our local youth have participated in this long-standing program that is still thriving today, 34 years later. Judy also worked closely with our Board of

Directors to keep the camp tuition affordable for NH families. She partnered with local school guidance offices to increase scholarships for Carroll County families.

Judy was influential in the New England Camping Industry. She was an active member of the American Camp Association and New Hampshire Camp Directors Association, serving as

the NH Camp president for two terms. She was the first female Executive Director to participate in the state of New Hampshire YMCA meetings. She elevated the NH YMCA Camp presence within these state meetings.

Judy's presence was felt in every corner of camp, often accompanied by her dog, Winnie, on her golf cart, and her granddaughter, Taylor, who spent summers playing with other staff children. She is remembered for leading opening day songs like "Alice Where Are You Going" and "My Aunt Came Back," and for her warmth, humor, and dedication. She understood what YMCA service meant and was a great role model for her staff as she gave her all to camp each summer. She was funny, hardworking, and dedicated, and she truly

believed in the Huckins spirit. Judy paved the way for future women to be YMCA Camp Executive Directors and was inspirational in training her female staff, and especially her successor, Jody Skelton.

We are forever grateful to Judy Snell and Audrey Vorperian for their remarkable dedication to YMCA Camp Huckins, and to the state of New Hampshire and its young people. Their legacies live on in our memories through their favorite camp songs, the countless campers and staff they inspired, and the lasting improvements they made to Huckins. They will always remain a cherished part of Huckins' story.



**Judy Wright Snell**



**Audrey Frank Vorperian**



# Camp to Couture: How Huckins Shaped Two Fashion Careers

by Grace Smith

The world of high fashion may seem miles away from the shores of Lake Ossipee, but for Charlotte Spritz and Bianca Saunders, their time at Camp Huckins played an instrumental role in shaping their confidence, creativity, and leadership skills—qualities they carry with them into their thriving fashion careers today.

## A Foundation of Confidence and Leadership

For Charlotte, who attended Camp Huckins from 2005 to 2013, the all-girls environment was essential in helping her build the confidence needed for the competitive fashion industry. “It’s really important to be a tween girl and discover

what you like to do and who you want to be in an all-girl environment,” she explains. During a time when self-doubt was prevalent in school, she found solace and empowerment at camp. Surrounded by strong female role models, she learned how to lead with grace and kindness, qualities that have been vital throughout her professional journey.

Bianca, who came to Huckins from England as one of the Craftshop Directors in 2013, echoes this sentiment. She

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*Charlotte Spritz*

come out of her shell. “Camp taught me the importance of communication and confidence,” she says, both of which are critical in her current role as a fashion designer. For Bianca, camp fostered not only creativity but also the teamwork and collaboration necessary to thrive in fashion.



Charlotte Spritz

## Creativity and Collaboration

One of the strongest connections both women made between their time at Huckins and their careers in fashion is the importance of creativity and collaboration. Whether it was figuring out what to wear to a tacky tourist lunch or



Bianca Saunders

Bianca found similar inspiration in her time leading instructionals and free time specials in the craft shop. “The camp environment encouraged us to explore new ideas, take creative risks, and work as a team to bring those ideas to life,” she says. This collective creativity, where everyone’s input was valued, is something she carries with her today in the fashion industry.

Whether designing collections or working with teams on fashion shoots, Bianca’s approach remains deeply rooted in the inclusive, collaborative spirit she experienced at Huckins.

brainstorming with cabin mates to clean up in record time, Charlotte’s camp experiences laid the groundwork for her approach to fast-paced, collaborative work in fashion. “Learning to work as a collective and making it all happen in a short amount of time,” she reflects, are skills she uses daily in her creative endeavors.

*“Camp taught me the importance of communication and confidence.”*

*Bianca Saunders*

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## Welcome, Anderson!

We are pleased to welcome Anderson to the full-time Huckins team as Finance Manager. Originally hailing from Raymond, NH, Anderson is a proud father to his daughter Megan and Papa to his grandson Flynn. With a background in manufacturing, Huckins marks his first experience in the camp world! In his free time, Anderson is an artist, focusing on acrylic landscapes, wildlife, and pencil/charcoal sketches. He also enjoys spending time outdoors, particularly at his brother's camp in Maine where he enjoys boating and fishing over the weekends in the summer.



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### Mentorship and Full-Circle Moments

For Charlotte, mentorship at camp went beyond leadership—it helped shape her career path in fashion. One of her earliest role models in the fashion world was Bianca herself. As a CIT, Charlotte worked alongside Bianca in the craft shop, and the two bonded over their shared passion for fashion. “At the time, I was in love with fashion but didn’t know anyone else who was hoping to work in that world,” Charlotte remembers. Bianca’s ambition to be a designer inspired Charlotte, who would later interview Bianca for *Paper Magazine* after they had both entered the fashion industry—a full-circle moment that reflects the lasting impact of their camp connection.

### Carrying Camp Values into the Fashion World

The values instilled at Camp Huckins have left a lasting impression on both women’s professional lives. For Charlotte, camp’s emphasis on kindness and inclusivity continues to shape her leadership style. “It’s a huge priority for me that when we work on projects there is no hierarchy on set and everyone feels valued and respected,” she says. Bianca also credits camp with helping her create a positive, supportive work environment, especially in a competitive industry. “It was a space where everyone could shine in their own way, and I always felt safe to express myself,” she shared.

Both Charlotte and Bianca agree that their time at Huckins uniquely prepared them for the challenges of the fashion world, where empowerment, collaboration, and lifting others up are crucial to success.

## 2024 Huckins Reunions

This past year was a whirlwind of fun at camp and unforgettable reunions across the country, with gatherings in Portland, Denver, and D.C.! We’re thrilled to announce that this upcoming year, we’ll be hosting Huckins reunions in Boston, Chicago, New York City, and more! Stay tuned for exciting updates on social media—you won’t want to miss out!



Portland reunion



Denver reunion



Washington, DC reunion

# Women's Wellness Weekend

by Sarah Popescu

Women's Wellness 2024 had it all! With unprecedented registration, seventy-three women settled into their cabins Friday afternoon, with some traveling from as far as Florida, Missouri, California and the United Kingdom. Camp sparkled the entire weekend under bluebird skies and delightful, late-summer temperatures, as participants enjoyed iconic Huckins activities alongside friends old and new. Trinket boxes were a popular craft, the island swims were well-attended and the floating trampoline was the site of antics and laughter. A canoe expedition took paddlers far beyond Black Brook to reveal the wilderness of Danforth Bay. There was tower jumping and inside-area tubing aplenty. Saturday evening at the lodge was not to be missed with its bottomless fresh popcorn, chill vibe



and clever fiber arts options. For eight women, Women's Wellness was their very first time at Camp Huckins. Seeing them marvel at the clarity of Ossipee's waters, hearing them rave about the flavorful meals and observing them fully engaged in the annual finale of Skillet Toss were highlights that filled

my Huckins heart. Shout-out to Caitlin Mulligan for her event-winning Skillet toss of 28 feet, 2 inches. No summary would be complete without recognizing the outstanding efforts, spirit and organization of the Huckins staff and volunteers. They were amazing in every way!



## A Recipe from Joel's Kitchen

### SPINACH AND FETA BREAKFAST PASTRIES

These little pastries deliver big flavor with minimal effort!  
Yields about 12 pastries.

#### Ingredients:

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| 1 sheet frozen puff pastry dough, thawed | 1 clove garlic, grated     |
| 2 12-oz packs baby spinach               | 2 tablespoons lemon juice  |
| 6 oz feta cheese, crumbled               | Pinch of red pepper flakes |
| 1 cup sharp cheddar, shredded            | 1 egg                      |
| 2 tablespoons olive oil                  | 1 tablespoon sesame seeds  |

#### Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 400.
2. In a large skillet or a dutch oven, heat olive oil over medium heat. Add garlic and red pepper flakes. Cook, stirring, for 30 to 40 seconds.
3. Add spinach and turn heat up to medium high. Season with salt and pepper. Cook until the spinach releases its juices, and they are mostly evaporated.
4. Add lemon juice and stir.
5. Spread on a cookie sheet to cool.
6. While spinach cools, unroll puff pastry on a cookie sheet lined with parchment.
7. Cover the pastry dough with cheddar then distribute spinach evenly over the cheddar.
8. Sprinkle the feta over the spinach.
9. With the long side of the dough facing you, roll the dough tightly to form a log.
10. Cover with plastic and refrigerate for 10 to 15 minutes.
11. Remove pastry log to a cutting board and slice into 1½ inch slices.
12. Place on baking sheet lined with parchment about 1 inch apart. Brush with the beaten egg mixed with a splash of water. Sprinkle with sesame seeds.
13. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes.







## What ever happened to... Emily McCarthy?

I attended Camp Huckins from 1996 to 2008 as a camper, counselor, and small crafts director. I have also volunteered over the years during Alumni Weekend. Huckins and my Huckins friends are still very much a part of my life.

Of the many experiences I've had at Huckins, some of the most fun and important ones have been in moments of teamwork. In particular, I remember one such experience during an afternoon in the summer of 2008 when I was working as the small crafts director. It was freetime and a lot of campers had taken out Sunfish to sail. The wind picked-up and the sailors struggled to stay in bounds and were being pushed toward the marina. I asked a couple of counselors to jump in the Putt-Putt with me to go rescue them. About halfway across the lake, we saw the dark clouds rolling in and heard the rumblings of thunder. Then it started to rain. The counselor in charge on the Baywatch chair knew just what to do — she blew the airhorn three times — signaling for the boaters to go to the nearest shore and take shelter. She and



### IN THE HUCKINS SPIRIT – THE HUCKINS FUND

At Camp Huckins, we believe that every girl should have the chance to experience the magic and growth that comes with a summer at camp. The Huckins Fund plays a vital role in turning this belief into reality, helping campers and families in need by supplementing the cost of attendance and supporting essential camp programs.

Last summer alone, the Huckins Fund provided over \$350,000 in financial assistance, ensuring that 1 in 10 campers had the opportunity to take part in the unique experiences Camp Huckins has to offer. The Huckins Fund is not just a financial resource — it's the key to lifelong friendships, leadership development, and unforgettable summer memories.

The Huckins Fund does more than provide scholarships. It also strengthens the camp experience for every camper by funding program updates. From new archery targets for the archery range, to fresh clay in the Craftshop, to sailboats on the Smallcrafts beach — The Huckins Fund touches every corner of life at Huckins.

We are deeply grateful to our generous community members who support the Huckins Fund. Your donations make it possible for us to maintain the high standards and cherished traditions of Camp Huckins while continually improving and enriching the programs we offer. You are helping to create life-changing moments for every child who comes through the white gates. With your continued support, the Huckins spirit will thrive for generations to come, ensuring that each summer is a transformative and joyful experience for all campers.

the other counselors helped all of the canoers and kayakers back to the beach. Meanwhile, the Program Director heard the airhorn and hopped on a pontoon boat to help with the rescues. The sailboats started capsizing so the counselors in the Putt Putt jumped out to help the campers right their boats and get to shore. We were able to gather all of the campers on land across the lake and waited out the thunder and lightning. Even without having a singular leader to coordinate the response to the sudden storm, everyone jumped in to work together to keep the campers safe. Once the storm cleared, we brought all of the campers safely back to camp on the pontoon boat and went back later to collect the discarded Sunfish.

While none of my professional experiences have been quite so harrowing, I use the skills I learned at Huckins every day. I am an attorney and I currently work in higher education.

### Sneak Peek!

Our Spring 2025

Huckonian

will feature these  
Huckins alums... can  
you guess who they are?



While attorneys might not be known for working together, I truly do use my Huckins-honed skills in empathy and mediation all the time.

After going to college and law school in Colorado, I moved back to Vermont. My family and I now attend Labor Day Weekend Family Camp and my daughters love camp too. It's joyful to watch them eager to learn new things and live fully in the moment.

# All About the Alumni ...



**Jinny (Flitner) DeRoche (80)** and **Cathy (Coolidge) Craven (80)** have been best friends since they were Middlers and frequently enjoy meeting up for kayaking and looking for loons and eagles.



**Jules Holland (21)**, **Anna Weisel (18)** and **Hailey Weisel (19)** completed the 110-mile Tour du Mont Blanc trail in Europe this summer.

## NELLIES WHO NETWORK

This May, The Huckins Young Alumni Committee hosted their first Nellies Who Network event. The panel titled "Exploring Early Career Trajectories", was a tremendous success, with nearly 20 participants joining us for an evening of insightful discussion. Huckins alumni Emily Bland, Morgan Maradian, Annie (Colbert) Kazarnovsky, and Sarah Ploss shared their valuable career experiences, while Maggie Bland moderated the panel. A heartfelt thanks to all who attended and contributed to the vibrant conversation. This successful kickoff marks the beginning of many more exciting networking opportunities hosted by the Young Alumni Committee. Stay tuned for upcoming Nellies Who Network events and more chances to connect with fellow alumni!



**Kate Weston (21)** opened her own mental health private practice in New Hampshire called Evergreen Counseling.

## HUCKINS YOUNG ALUMNI COMMITTEE

We are delighted to kick off another dynamic year for the Huckins Young Alumni Committee! Founded in 2020, the YAC strives to build and engage a community of young alumni who will grow in their support of Huckins as partners, advocates, and investors, as well as develop a network of support among generations of Huckonians.

We are thrilled to introduce the committee for 2024-2025:

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| Molly Murphy-Badger         | Kayla Frain            | Sarah Pier                 |
| Julia Barron                | Julia Himmelberger     | Rebecca Raslowsky          |
| Amy Brennan, Co-chair       | Audrey James, Co-chair | Maggie (Bland) Ross        |
| Mia Christenson             | Anna Kuell             | Grace Smith, Staff Liaison |
| Annie (Colbert) Kazarnovsky | Morgan Maradian        | Katelyn Wackrow            |
| Christine (Weeks) Moore     |                        | Kate Weston                |
| Molly Denning               | Lydia Paris            |                            |

This year, we are rolling out an exciting lineup of events and initiatives designed to reconnect and inspire.

Stay tuned for updates and happenings by following the Camp Huckins Instagram @ymcacamphuckins and checking your email regularly. If you have ideas for engaging with alumni, would like to get involved, or need to update your contact information to stay informed about upcoming events, please reach out to Grace Smith, Director of Philanthropy, at [grace@camphuckins.org](mailto:grace@camphuckins.org).

Here's to a fantastic year ahead!



**Shea Dolce (23)** won the D1 lacrosse national championship.



# Welcome to the Huckins family!

## Weddings and Babies

**Kaitlin (Rok) Genco (10)** and her husband John Genco joyfully welcomed their son Patrick William on May 3, 2024.



**Jessie Felber (15)** gave birth to son Leo on April 17, 2024.

**Lauren (Kehoe) Roberts (18)** welcomed future Nellie girl, Eleanor Cecilia Roberts, on March 2, 2024.



**Grace (Schofield) Potts** gave birth to son Nolan in June 2024.



### MORE BABIES!

**Jennifer (Selinger) Miles (02)** gave birth to April Jade Miles on July 2, 2024.

**Tessa Churchill (08)** welcomed son Benjamin on June 25, 2024.



Alumni came together to celebrate the marriage of Maggie Bland and Ella Ross. From left to right: **Cirkine Sherry (12)**, **Tatum Mannion (16)**, Ella Ross, **Maggie Bland (15)**, and **Emily Bland (15)**.



**Maddy Clapp** and **Michael Skelton (15)** celebrated their marriage on May 11, 2024 with many Huckins alum surrounding them in Tamworth, New Hampshire.



**Becca Skelton (20)** married John Livecchi in June 2024 surrounded by Huckins friends and family.



**Kristen (Nelson) Peterson (00)** welcomed her fourth baby, Canon Paul Peterson, on April 8th, 2024.



**Hannah (Gisness) DeHoff (13)** welcomed baby William DeHoff on November 20, 2023, and **Katherine (Martin) Berry (Kmart) (15)** welcomed baby Claire Berry in December.



A big Huckins celebration at the wedding of **Jenna Dalton (17)** and Luke Mankus on June 1, 2024 on Plum Island.





# Community Connections



**The inaugural Huckins Summer Social.**

On a picture-perfect late August evening, community members gathered on the shores of Lake Ossipee for our inaugural *Huckins Summer Social* event. Huckins neighbors, vendors and community friends were invited to a cookout at the waterfront, tours of the facility and to hear camp updates from the past season. We are so thankful for all the support and care our community shows us, and it was so much fun to close out the summer season with them.

On September 10th, CCYMCA Camp Huckins hosted a community benefit night at Flatbread in North Conway. Part of the Flatbread Company mission is to support local organizations that have an impact in the community. We are thankful for all community members who came out to support us at this event. Almost \$500 was raised to support local kids and families attending our programs. Special thanks

to the Flatbread Company for supporting local organizations doing important work across Carroll County.

September was a busy month at Camp with school groups. We welcomed four groups from across the county. Kingswood Regional Middle School, Bartlet Elementary School, K.A Brett School (Tamworth) and Gilford Middle School all joined us for programs focused on team building and problem solving to kick off their school year. In addition, Katie Miressi and Abbie Ellis ran the Freedom Soccer program once again.

As we transition to our late fall programs, we are looking ahead to our Squeaky Sneakers and Super Sneakers programs.

*For more information about our programs, please reach out to Katie Miressi, Community Programs Coordinator ([katie@camphuckins.org](mailto:katie@camphuckins.org)).*



**Community Benefit Night at Flatbread Co.**



**Middle school students focusing on team building.**

**Freedom Soccer team practicing.**





# Alumni Volunteer Weekends

Spring Alumni Volunteer weekend this year was surely one for the books! We filled the LD with over 50 volunteers spending the weekend getting camp in tip top shape for staff to arrive later in June. Boats went in the water, the paths to SCB were cleared, the garden was planted, many memories were shared, and alumni from all different generations came together to celebrate and prepare the place we love so dearly.

Our fall weekend also saw the Nellie spirit in full force as our volunteers braved the chilly lake to remove the waterfront floats, take the last of the boats up to their winter home of the



**Spring Alumni Work Weekend Volunteers**

## JOIN US IN 2025!

**May 30–June 1** Alumni Work Weekend

**Sept. 27** Fall Alumni Work Day

Craftshop, and put camp to bed for winter! Both of these weekends are wonderful ways to support camp, but also to reconnect with the place that has so many special memories attached. We encourage you to attend one of

the weekends in 2025, give yourself a weekend under the pines and join us for the opening or closing of the summer camp season!

*Alamen to all of our 2024 alumni weekend volunteers!*

# Mother/Son Weekend

Mother/Son Weekend launched the 2024 season with an incredible amount of fun! Join us for Mother/Son in 2025, June 6-8.





# Family Camp

Huckins Family Camp Week and Labor Day Family Camps create unique, intergenerational Huckins experiences. Campers of all ages build their day around department specials and their favorite camp activity, earning their “sharpshooter” in archery one day and an island swim the next. In 2024 we welcomed new families and celebrated those that have been campers for decades!



Family Camp Juniors

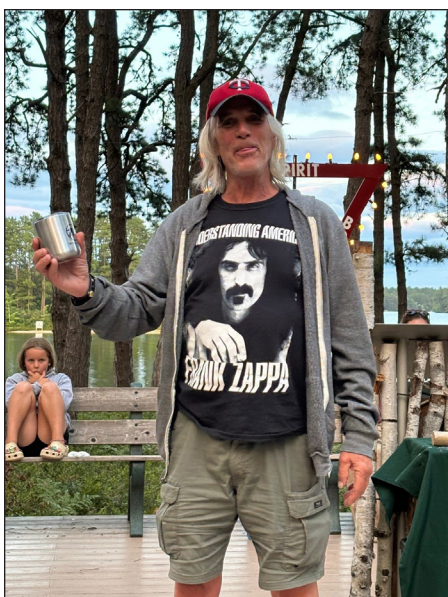


Family Camp Double Hucksters



Family Camp 35-Year Hucksters

*Come September, I will remember,  
our Nellie days of friendship true...*



Family Camp Triple Huckster



Family Camp Middlers





**Family Camp 20-Year Hucksters**

### 2025 ALUMNI AND FAMILY EVENTS AT A GLANCE

**May 30–June 1** Alumni Weekend

**June 6–9** Mother/Son Weekend

**Aug. 18–22** Family Camp Week

**Aug. 29–Sept. 1** Labor Day Family  
Camp

**Sept. 5–7** Mother/Daughter  
Weekend

**Sept. 12–14** Women's Wellness  
Weekend

**Sept. 27** Fall Alumni Work Day



**Family Camp Seniors**



**Family Camp Hucksters**



**Family Camp Leadership**



**Family Camp 30-Year Hucksters**



# Labor Day Family Camp

Labor Day Family Campers truly made every moment count! We can't wait to celebrate the holiday weekend with all of you again from August 29th to September 1st.



**Labor Day Family Camp Juniors**



**Labor Day Family Camp Middlers**



**Labor Day Family Camp Seniors**



**Labor Day Family Camp Leadership**



**Labor Day Family Camp Hucksters**



# Mother/Daughter Weekend

Lasting memories were made at Mother/Daughter weekend 2024. We look forward to seeing you all in 2025 on September 5-7!



**Mother/Daughter Weekend Juniors**



**Mother/Daughter Weekend Middlers**



**Mother/Daughter Weekend Seniors**



**Mother/Daughter Weekend Leadership**



**Mother/Daughter Double Hucksters**

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### IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE 2025 SEASON

**May 30 – June 1** Alumni Weekend  
**June 6 – June 8** Mother/Son Weekend  
**June 10 – June 13** Early Bird Staff Week  
**June 15 – June 21** Staff Week  
**June 22 – July 5** 1st Session  
**July 6 – July 19** 2nd Session  
**July 20 – August 2** 3rd Session  
**August 3 – August 16** 4th Session  
**August 18 – August 22** Family Camp Week  
**August 29 – September 1** Labor Day Family Camp  
**September 5 – September 7** Mother/Daughter Weekend  
**September 12 – September 14** Women's Wellness  
**September 27** Fall Alumni Work Day

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