## **YMCA CAMP HUCKINS**

#### **News from YMCA Camp Huckins - October 2016**



The Great Pumpkin

Jody and her team of Juniors spent the summer carefully tending a pumpkin. It grew and grew and grew until this week when the not so little pumpkin left camp to be exhibited at the Fryeburg Fair. The camp pumpkin weighed in at a whopping 290 pounds and was awarded a blue ribbon. We are all proud of our camp farmers who not only cared for the pumpkin but many other vegetables and animals throughout the summer. Campers and staff harvested and ate tomatoes, cucumbers, kale, peppers, potatoes, zucchini, string beans and herbs. Camp is also the summer home to a bunny, goats, chickens, pigs and horses. Our summer farm is a wonderful opportunity for campers to experience life in rural New England.



**Camp Nellie Turns Ninety!** 

#### Save the date!

The summer of 2017 is the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Camp Nellie Huckins. Way back in the summer of 1928, Camp Huckins opened with a two-week session for boys only. The next year it was open for 8 weeks, four for girls and four for boys. In 1966, Camp Huckins became all-girls. The rest, as they say, is history... and the laughter and shouts of so many camp seasons on the shores of Ossipee echo in the hearts of anyone fortunate enough to spend a summer here.

To mark this anniversary, we are very excited to announce a weekend of celebration on June 17-18, 2017. Please plan to come to camp and help us celebrate, and even spend the night if you can!

A party planning committee has been formed with several enthusiastic Nellie alumnae volunteers. We'd love your help too, if you are interested. Please email Kristen Fischer if you'd like to help: <a href="mailto:kfisch-er@holderness.org">kfisch-er@holderness.org</a>. Hope to see you here in 2017!



#### **Palace Update**

Click Here to learn more about the new home for the Camp Director.

Click Here to hear Jody talk about the project.

Click Here to support the project



#### Sail Bags

Custom made bags, from retired camp sails, created a lot of interest this year. "Alamen" to Patricia Sullivan who designed and made the bags. The sail bags were raffled to benefit the scholarship fund. The winner this year was the scholarship fund which raised \$1075.

The bags were won by Denise Lowey and Jen Weiblen.

Thank you to everyone who supported the scholarship fund.

### It's a Wrap!!

September is over and so ends the 2016 camping season. Under sunny skies, Huckins welcomed an amazing 2200 campers to camp for Alumni Weekend, Mother/Son Weekend, Summer Camp, Family Camp Week, Labor Day Weekend Family Camp, Mother/Daughter Weekend and Women's Wellness Weekend. Keeping campers happy, healthy and safe is no small feat and we could not do it without our wonderful staff and dedicated volunteers. Thank you to all!



## Save the Date

#### Chicago Alumni Gathering

Saturday, October 15, 2016

At the Leopold residence

#### **Boston Alumni Gathering**

Saturday, October 22, 2016

Sunset Grill & Tap, 130 Brighton Avenue, Allston

#### Boston University Club Dinner

Friday, November 4, 2016

#### San Francisco Alumni Gathering

Saturday, December 3, 2016

Location TBD

#### LA Alumni Gathering

Saturday, December 10, 2016

Location TBD

# Manchester, Portland and NYC Alumni Gatherings

Coming up in the spring.