

# The Huckonian



A publication for alumni and friends

Fall 2021

## Summer 2021

by Heather Kiley, Executive Director

Summer 2021 marked the healthy and joyful re-opening of Camp Huckins. Over 1500 campers and staff gathered under the pines to learn and sing and grow. New friendships were formed, and old friendships were deepened. There were plenty of dance parties, program day adventures, and even a baby loon born on Huckins Island! Some aspects of the camp day changed a bit, adapting to COVID protocols to keep the community safe, but the Huckins spirit remained constant and true.

The Huckins community was generous in sharing time, financial resources, support and expertise in our planning for camp and throughout the summer. COVID required us to look at everything differently and we were blessed with tremendous resources in helping us do that.

Staff, campers, families, and volunteers were patient and flexible as plans evolved and the layers of mitigation efforts took shape. We didn't know exactly what camp would look like, but staff demonstrated an unwavering commitment to creating a Huckins experience for our 2021 campers! 100% of our counselors and program staff were able to be vaccinated and families made sure pre-arrival negative COVID tests were submitted for their campers. Check-in looked very different, with families arriving at assigned check-in times between 9:00 and 4:30 to accommodate rapid testing prior to dropping off their camper and luggage. Families said quick goodbyes as campers were accompanied to their cabins by enthusiastic staff and luggage was delivered to cabins.

Our staff adapted programming in innovative ways to make sure that when we needed to limit mixing between cabins it was done in a way that did not limit the fun. A flagpole was added along the sports field and cabin letters were painted across the field so we could safely gather for Flag and

announcements. Program Days, including College and Olympic Days, maintained the spirit of competition with the teams organized differently to be in line with COVID safety guidelines. We added more outdoor spaces to allow campers to spend time with friends from other cabins and divisions, and we moved Vespers outdoors to the sports field. We wore masks when we mixed indoors, and sometimes outdoors when we couldn't physically distance, but it didn't dampen the fun or enthusiasm. It felt magical to be together, in community, under the pines!

After our negative day 5 COVID test results were received, Flag returned to the Program Lodge, we moved Vespers and the talent show to the Chapel (weather permitting), and campers and staff stood on their tables with masks on to sing! We had a lot of silver days, which made us grateful for the investment made to improve the acoustics in the Snell Dome so we could safely gather for Vespers, talent shows, and even Hucksters and Candlelight, on those rainy evenings.

One of my favorite parts of summer camp is the creation of community. The process is always a bit messy but also filled with discovery and newfound confidence. After 2 years apart, and in the context of COVID, coming together in community was uniquely challenging. We were all so happy to be together again, and at the same time nervous in unexpected ways. Our social muscles were a bit out of shape, and we had to be patient with ourselves and one another as we built them back up. Slowly but surely, we did just that and in the process demonstrated the power and resiliency of the Huckins spirit.

I am so grateful to be a part of this remarkable community and proud of what we accomplished. Thanks to all that helped us make it happen!



2021 summer staff.

## A note from the Executive Director

**A**s I reflect on the past year and my first real Huckins summer, I am in awe and filled with gratitude. As one Huckster camper wrote, "thank you to everyone who brought this summer to life."

A special thanks to our Medical Advisory Team for being sounding boards throughout our planning process, giving generously of their time for evening meetings and time sensitive questions during camp. The info around COVID changed rapidly in the months prior to summer, and this team helped us understand the science and make decisions based on it. Thank you to **Dr. Ben Hoffman, Dr. Christina (Smith) Paul, Dr. Andy Pelletier, Dr. Kara (MacDermott) Ryan, Kathleen Mulkern, CNM, MPH**, our lead COVID Safety Nurse on staff, **Melissa-Jo Nason**, and our long time Head Nurse **Kathi Santis**, for supporting our team in creating and delivering a healthy Huckins summer in the context of COVID-19.

Thank you to the Huckins Board and Committee Members for the many hours spent planning re-opening to ensure staff had the plans, financial resources, buildings and equipment to make summer happen safely. Thank you to the volunteers that helped us literally re-open the camp in June, who helped with check-in days greeting and moving luggage, and who helped in the kitchen in support of Joel and our food program.



Thank you to our families for your patience, flexibility, and support of our COVID safety protocols. And a special shout out to our 2021 campers for bringing joy back to Huckins.

I also want to offer a heartfelt thank you to the 2021 Huckins staff. It was not easy to get this program and community up and running. Your effort to meet each day with a positive attitude, to create a Huckins experience for all our campers, and to be creative and brave in approaching

the unique challenges of 2021 are so appreciated. Thank you to staff that went above and beyond, keeping a sense of humor while doing whatever was necessary to make each day happen. Your commitment

was essential in making this summer a success. Thank you.

Please join me in a sincere "Ala-men" to all who brought life and joy to this community in 2021!

With Gratitude,



**Thao Trinh, Kathi Santis and Melissa-Jo "MJ" Nason - some of the incredible 2021 medical team who worked so hard to keep Camp healthy and happy.**

**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.**

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# Community Outreach

by Kara Couture, Director of Community Outreach

**T**his spring, the Carroll County YMCA was pleased to offer in-person programs for youth in Carroll County. Short Sports, an introduction to sports for 4- and 5-year-olds, ran for 6 weeks outside at the North Conway Community Center. Girls on the Run—a 10-week program empowering girls to be physically active while developing and strengthening important life skills—had 15 participants (a full team) on the Mount Washington Valley team. The season concluded in June with a 5k at Whitaker Woods in North Conway. Every team member wore a race bib with the number one.



**Kara Couture and Short Sports campers**

The Carroll County YMCA is expanding its outreach in the community with the help of two foundations, the Robert and Dorothy Goldberg Charitable Foundation and the New Hampshire Women's Foundation. The Robert and Dorothy Goldberg Charitable Foundation grant will help to expand community programs to Seniors. The "Senior Sneakers" program will provide an opportunity for much-needed socialization and healthy and fun activities for community members 65+. The program will meet bi-weekly and will focus on light exercise and walking. The New Hampshire Women's Foundation grant will help us assess needs, create a curriculum, and recruit and screen community members to participate in a mentorship-based empowerment program for Middle School girls. Each Middle School participant will be paired with a female mentor in the community. Program goals include finding your voice (exploring strengths), social/emotional learning (art-based creative learning), expanding leadership skills (including public speaking), and diversity conversations, to name a few. The expected start date for the program is January 2022.



**Coaches Kara Couture, Meredith Millen Wroblewski (volunteer and Huckins alum), Geraldine Walker (volunteer) and Carrie Burkett (volunteer) and the Mount Washington Valley Girls on the Run team.**

Thank you to the New Hampshire Women's Foundation and the Robert and Dorothy Goldberg Charitable Foundation for their support of our community programs. We are continuing to explore ways that the Carroll County YMCA can address the needs of our community. Please contact Kara Couture ([kara@camphuckins.org](mailto:kara@camphuckins.org)), for more information or if you have additional ideas.



## Food Bank Contributions



**This summer our campers and families donated 867 pieces of food to the Freedom Food Bank. Thank you so much to everyone who supported this valuable partner in our community.**



# We Welcome You to Huckins....

CCYMCA/ Camp Huckins is pleased to announce the addition of two new year-round staff positions.

## **Maddy Clapp, Program & Operations Director**

Maddy started her journey with Huckins in 2006 as camper in Cabin Q2. Since then, she has worked her way through the leadership program and has held positions including Cabin Counselor, Leadership Counselor, Horseback Riding Instructor, Program Director and Co-Director of our virtual camp in 2020. In 2021, Maddy joined the year-round staff in the newly created position of Program and Operations Director.

Maddy graduated from UNH in 2019 with a degree in Hospitality Management. Prior to joining Huckins full-time, Maddy held a variety of positions with TD Garden in Boston, including Luxury Suites Catering Coordinator and Finance Intern. Maddy also participated in the Disney College Program at Walt Disney World where she completed professional development in guest service and business operations.

As the Program and Operations Director, Maddy is responsible for the development, preparation, and execution of all programs at Huckins, with a large focus on the Summer Camp Program. She plays a key role in the hiring and onboarding of all staff. Maddy also manages the store and is the resident Excel wizard!

Maddy is a keen tennis player and enjoys walking and baking. In the off-season, she lives in Burlington, VT with her partner, Mike. Maddy enjoys being around animals, and helped to raise the Camp cats, Tuukka and Robin.



## **Jeremy Fullerton, Facilities Coordinator**

Jeremy comes to Camp with a variety of facility experience and a deep-rooted history with Huckins! You may recognize the Fullerton name from Sue, Jeremy's mom, who has worked at Camp for 26 years. Jeremy has been helping Camp for the past 10+ years. As a certified scuba diver, Jeremy has helped with setting-up the waterfront each June,

by diving down to attach the tower anchor and replacing chains when needed.

Prior to coming to Huckins, Jeremy managed a local ski outfitter while developing his passion for fixing, building, and renovating. He has worked with local contractors doing site work, septic installations, and everything in between. For the past 2 years, Jeremy has been building his house in Madison, where he has been involved in every step of the process from design to build.

Jeremy is an avid outdoors person who loves to ski, hike, and recreate in the White Mountains. Jeremy lives in Madison with his fiancé, Lauren, and daughter Isla (1). They enjoy adventures outdoors but also cozy nights by the woodstove in their new home (along with their dog, Kenzie and cat, Jerry).

Welcome to the Huckins family, Jeremy!

## 2-0-2-1 at Huckins: camper & staff reflections

### **Laura Guzman - Junior Camper - 1st year**

Some of the things I really liked at camp were playing knockout at the sport field, sailing, going to the nature hut, visiting the goats in the morning before breakfast, and Joel's delicious food!!

### **Jules Holland - W counselor 9th year**

My greatest surprise of the summer was how well the new dining hall system worked. As a W counselor, it was nice to work alongside my campers and help serve the buffet line!

I loved seeing all of the campers and counselors' faces as we served each meal.

### **Emma Swanick - CIT Counselor 9th year**

My greatest surprise for the summer was how good it felt to sing with all of Camp again. I didn't think I had missed it too much, but everything felt okay again when I was standing on the tables and singing my favorite camp songs. Missing time at camp and sitting through meals without any singing made the singing we did extra special and fun.



# From the Kitchen

by Joel Weeman, Director of Food Services



**"W" servers during Crazy Hat Lunch.**

A summer in the Huckins kitchen can have the sensation of spanning lifetimes while simultaneously inducing wonder at how it can be going by so quickly. Time in this kitchen truly feels elastic. Moments and happenings from a week ago can easily be confused with moments from 5 years ago. Eight weeks that pass in a blink are filled with some days that never seem to end. A single meal service can produce every emotion from despair to triumph, more than once! The contradictory nature of life is well represented here and Summer of 2021 was no exception.

As I think about 9 summers here, none have been as uniquely challenging as this summer. The season started with joy at the idea that camp was even happening and while we knew there would be bumps as we figured out how to do this in this new world, we were just happy to be here. Some bumps turned out to be a bit more mountainous. Every turn seemed to bring a new storm; immense staffing challenges, food supply chain issues, illnesses, injuries and injustices. I had more than a few moments of crisis wondering how we were going to get through the prep list, the day or the summer. However,



**Kitchen staff Santiago Vargas Vega, Max Bewley and Spencer Kiley and volunteers, Abby Brown and Mindy (Stewart) Sheehy.**

this is a special place and for every moment of darkness there appeared a moment of light. Never have I been so personally affected by the beauty of human kindness and selflessness that can be such a part of the spirit

of Camp Huckins. When the "loon call" went out that our food program was in need, the response was incredible. People just started showing up to work in the kitchen. Staff parents with an extra day or week came and volunteered. Counselors with some extra time in their day appeared and demanded to be put to work. Never in my time here have I heard the words "what can I do", "how can I help" or "I'll do anything" so many times. We had kitchen staff that took time away from regular jobs or adjusted their daily "normal life" schedule just so they could be here to help more. Board members, directors and former directors, program staff and friends of friends all dug in and made sure that the campers were fed and the kitchen was cleaned. A dedicated sous chef showed up at 5:45am for a 10am shift...everyday, not for personal benefit but because he believed in the goodness that this place represents and knew it wasn't just a job.

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Confucius is quoted as saying, "Don't curse the darkness, light a candle". The amazing Huckins family was more akin to a bonfire than a candle. I will never forget the outpouring of time and effort that was given to the cause this summer and despite the ups and downs I am grateful to be part of this community. I feel a deep sense of gratitude to all who pitched in to help make this summer a success. Huge thanks and Huckins hearts go out to Mindy Sheehy, Abby Brown, Kara Evans, Karen Shackford, Anne Depew, Pat Swanick, Pete and Laura Holland, Jody Skelton, Terri Wilder, Tracy and Jamie Purinton (and a few that may have slipped my mind) for your willingness and eagerness and positivity. To Santiago Vargas Vega, Daniel Enriquez Mora and Michal Cohen for braving international travel and enduring visa struggles, quarantines and more to be here. And of course to any of the stunning 2021 staff that gave up minutes and hours of free times and meal times, that stayed late and came in early, that showed up with a smile and was a shoulder to cry on, that scrubbed pots and chopped vegetables and served till there was nothing left to serve, all to help prove that the Huckins spirit is alive and well and indomitable.

# Buildings & Grounds Update

by Mark Cadman, Associate Executive Director

**R**eopening Camp this summer required lots of planning and heroics from our team at Huckins. In 2020, the Huckins Maintenance Department, the Building and Grounds Committee, and Camp leadership identified several projects that needed to be completed before Opening Day in June.

First on the list was our Health Center which was expanded and renovated this spring. The changes allowed us to build two isolation rooms with private bathrooms and created an expanded more open ward. This improvement was part of our 2021 COVID planning, and resulted in a bright space in which we could care for our camp community safely and comfortably this summer and in the future. Thank you to local contractor Acadia Construction for getting the project completed in time for Opening Day.

The second project included improvements to the Snell Dome, our Sports Complex. For all of you who have experienced being in the Snell Dome during a rainstorm, you can appreciate how loud it can be. The existing roof was removed and replaced with a Zip (plywood) and shingle system. In addition, the interior of the complex was outfitted with acoustic sound panels. These updates allowed us to have a quieter space for the whole Camp to



**The Health Center is a light and airy space perfect for recuperating campers.**

gather inside while socially distancing by cabin group. With a wetter than average summer, we were thrilled to have a place for indoor Candlelight and Huckster ceremonies.

This summer, Camp instituted a new cleaning protocol to improve cleanliness, sanitation, and standards across Camp. Divisional bathhouses, communal spaces, and high traffic areas were priorities. We hired a service to professionally clean each bathhouse daily.

If you were present for a change day at Huckins this summer, you will have noticed that drop-off looked and felt different. Families no longer dropped their campers at their cabins instead they left campers with their counselors and luggage was delivered to cabins by a team of staff and volunteers utilizing utility carts and trailers. The addition of



**Acoustic panels have made all the difference at the Snell Dome.**





**The dining hall is more beautiful, inside and out.**



the carts and trailers not only provided a seamless luggage drop off, but allowed us to decrease the use of vehicles and trucks within camp for trash/ recycling pickup and supply deliveries.

One of our most noticeable changes was the new floor in the Dining Hall. The old floor was ground down and replaced with an epoxy system with a flake finish. The flake provides a slightly textured (less slippery) surface and looks beautiful.

As the fall arrives, Camp is much quieter, and the team can now shift to post-season projects and putting Camp away for the winter. The front of the Dining Hall has received some much-needed landscaping with the addition of drainage, loam, and seed. We are hoping that with a little help from mother nature, we will have grass next summer.

Thank you to our Maintenance Team who do not stop and whose work keeps Camp Huckins Constant and True!



**On the move!**

## **The Second Annual Staff Raffle**

was held during Staff Week in June. Staff members were asked to donate items to be raffled off during lunch. Over 84 items were donated ranging from a movie basket to a yoga mat, handmade Huckins themed needlepoint to coffee delivery, and made-to-order cookies. Staff bought raffle tickets then put their tickets in corresponding bags. Following lunch, winners were picked. Seventy-nine staff members bought tickets raising \$1159 for Camp. Thank you to everyone who participated and a special thank you to Emma Swanick, Julia Himmelberger, and Jules Holland for their help with the event promotion and execution. We are so grateful for all that our staff does for camp and for their willingness to "give back".



**Staff members donated items and bought raffle tickets.**



# All About the Alumni ...

**Silvia Thayer** (50) and **Philip Zaeder** (50) watched their fourth grandson graduate from Tufts University in the spring and started at Tufts Medical School in July. They are proud grandparents!

**Alexandra Curley** (16) graduated from Villanova in 2020 and is currently working as a marketing coordinator/associate podcast producer in Boston, MA.

**Rachel Seyler** (17) is a student at the University of Colorado and is studying in Ecuador for the fall semester.



**Liz Abbott Wright** (86) and **Emily Hayden Baya** (88) at Castle in the Clouds.

Please send us news about your accomplishments — or brag about someone else — fellow Huckonians want to know! Email Kara at [kara@camphuckins.org](mailto:kara@camphuckins.org).



**Lauren Chrusz Leahy** (90), **Ashley Locke Anderson** (93) and **Carol Shultz Martin** bumped into each other in Newport, RI over the summer.



Family gathers for **Deb (Atherton) Atwood's** (53) 88th birthday in May: **Meryl "Beany" Atwood**, **Lesley Atwood**, **Hannah Pratt** (14), **Bear Atwood**, **Victoria Powers**, and **Deborah Atwood** (53).



Huckins alumni yearly summer reunion. Front row (L to R): **Christa Schmidt** (93), **Meghan Dorsey** (95), **Amanda Goodwin** (94), **Sarah Daley Popescu** (95) Back row (L to R): **Margaux D'Auteuil Peabody** (95), **Maggie Doben** (95), **Kristin Wenninger Ekborg** (14), **Kathy Vittum** (95), **Amily Dunlap** (15), Rosalind Keith, **Amanda Hinnant** (94) and **Stacy Denham Willenbucher** (14).



**Debbie (Rosenthal) Bronfeld** (81) and **Jackie Jepsen** (80) spent Mother/Daughter Weekend together. Not the same but fun to be together.

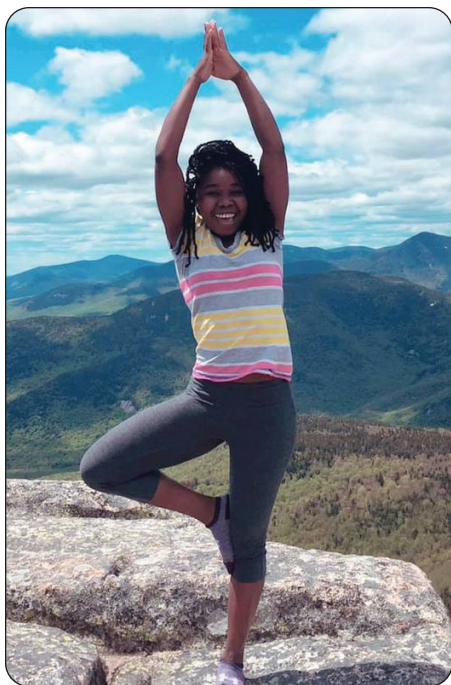


**Kristen Olson** (86), **Randi Katz** (85) and **Genevra (Buchanan) Casais** (86) missed Women's Wellness but still got a brief Huckins fix.



**Lauren Chrusz Leahy** (90), **Beth Fleming** (91), **Dana Fleming** (93) and **Adrianna Clancy McGrath** (09) gathered over the summer.





Newly certified yoga instructor and the author of a book "A Day in my Village," **Atupele Machika** (19).



**Shreen (Barry) Zellers** (82), **Liz (Sanborn) Ventre** (80) and **Linda (Dow) Hayes** (82) met at a Portland Seadogs game over the summer with Peter Ventre.



Summer volunteers **Peter** (21) and **Jill King** (21) with Richard and **Joanie Rogers Leopold** (88).



**Kate Lawson** (02), **Carol Knerr** (98), **Sarah McLean** (99), **Meghan Anderson Parisi** and **Jody Skelton** (20) gather for a photo.



**Sara Day Guzman** (00), **Sarah Coombs Plummer** (21), **Molly Marsh Smith** (98), **Payson Plummer** (21) and (in front row) **Laura Guzman** (21), **Bay Smith** and **Sydney Smith** (21) gathered to cheer on Payson at her field hockey game.



**Stephanie Paine** (21) and family enjoyed a wonderful dinner at The Thompson House Eatery in Jackson NH. The restaurant, Farm Stand & Market are owned and operated by **Kate (Hughes) Fournier** and her husband Jeff.



**Jody Skelton** visits **June Loud** (30) on her 101st birthday!



Alums, forever camp friends and current staff mothers **Mindy Stewart Sheehy** and **Abby Brown** volunteered in the kitchen this summer.



**Millie Hillman** (21) and **Ingrid Bergill** (21) together at Scripps College.





**Erika Werner** (95), daughter of **Ronnie Flaschner Werner** (67), recently accepted a new position as Chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and the Louis E. Phaneuf Teaching and Research Professor of Gynecology at Tufts School of Medicine and Physician-in-Chief, Obstetrics and Gynecology, for Tufts Medical Center. Congratulations Erika!



**Kristin Packer Schuler** (91) and **Lauren Bicknell** (95) at a Jason Maraz Concert in Portland, Maine.



**Jody Sketon** (20) connected with **Laura Ryder** (81) after Laura dropped her daughter, Lila at Camp.



**Britt Conway** (12) visited **Floor Toxopeus** (10) and her children, Lotte and Wester, in the Netherlands. Britt is currently stationed in Belgium with the US Navy.



**Linda Dow Hayes** (79) reconnected with her former camper (from 1979!), **Lisa Manter Harris** (80) of Gilford. Lisa owns and operates a lovely gift shop, New Leaf, in Laconia, NH. A mutual friend brought them together again!



**Erin "Pupps" Kenison** (06) met up with **Kara Smith Couture** (21), her daughters, and **Kate Sullivan** (21) while visiting NH over the summer. Kate was the Senior Division Leader at camp this summer.



**Steve Duprey** (73), developer, spear-headed the revitalization of downtown Concord, NH in the 1990's and is now working to restore downtown Laconia, NH to make it a more desirable destination. Pictured here with **Peter King** (21).



**Chandra Wachs Hammond** (88), **Alison Purinton Hutcheson** (91), **Caryn Wachs Manning** (90) and **Tracy Purinton** (93) spent the day on Winnepesaukee.



**Jillian Rudman** (82) and her husband, Jim Humes spent two weeks in Maine while their daughter, Devon was at Camp. **Stephanie Paine** (21) loved hosting them for a few of those days in Freeport.



# Welcome to the Huckins family!

## Weddings and Babies



Theodore Edward was born on June 6, 2021, to **Siobhan O'Malley** (05) and Phil Capizzi. Teddy joins big brother, Leo, 2, at home.



Charlie was born on May 4, 2021 to **Tessa Churchill** and Robert Brinckman.



**Erin Kenison** (06) married Brian Tornabene on July 18, 2021.



**Sophie Bellenis** married Adam Zeif on August 28, 2021.



**Lindsey Wiggin** (17) married Tom Hart at Camp Huckins on September 25, 2021.



Eli James was born on April 2, 2021, to **Lee Winer** (05) and Dale Eldredge.



Owen Nathan was born on July 14, 2021 to **Amanda Needham** (12) and Bryan Quick.



Oliver Steven was born in June 2021 to **Ally Brown** (12) and Tim Allen. Oliver joins big brother, Jackson, 2, at home.



Jane Atherton was born on June 24, 2021 to **Breezy Dwyer** (19) and Nelson Knudsen.



Jonathan "Jack" Brian Novello was born on June 2, 2021 to **Rachel (Pelletier) Novello** and Brian Novello. His favorite bedtime song is "House at Pooh Corner". Big sister Olivia and big brother Lucas are loving their new baby.



# What ever happened to... Randi Katz

I was first introduced to Camp Huckins by a family friend about 2 years before I was eligible to attend. I recall her stories of swimming, learning to paddle a canoe and singing songs while standing on benches in a dining hall. Mostly, what I recall are about her connections with new and old friends alike. So, as my parents dropped me off in 1977 in cabin V, I could hardly contain my excitement. I attended camp for a total of nine summers, and Women's Wellness Weekends for the past few years. There is no doubt that Camp Huckins has played an important part in my life and the lessons learned are still being heeded.

I graduated from Northeastern University in 1990 and then began my career as a drug and alcohol counselor. Working for several years in New England allowed me to be close to family and friends. Taking a leap of faith I moved to Florida's west coast in

1997. Leaving behind my family and friends I relied upon lessons learned at camp: "take a shot, give it a try, you can do it" rang loudly as I recall the encouragement provided to me on the shores of Lake Ossipee.

I graduated with my Masters in Social Work from the University of South Florida and I have worked for Pace Center for Girls for over 23 years. Pace is an organization with strong values of responsibility and integrity, encouragement and learning, growth and change. I have the honor to work with girls who are smart, creative, giving and willing.



There is not a day that goes by where I can't bridge my work with my summers spent at camp. Lessons about friendships, trying new things and overcoming obstacles are daily occurrences for girls at Pace — and girls at Camp Huckins. I am thankful each day that I am part of two wonderful organizations who exemplify courage and compassion.

Sending lots of Nellie hearts,  
Randi

**Our Spring 2022  
Huckonian will  
focus on this  
Huckins alum...  
can you guess  
who it is?**



## The Huckins Fund

**Please consider supporting the Huckins Fund, our annual fund.** Donations will help us offset the high cost of opening and operating Camp safely this summer. As we look ahead to 2022, we expect that some of the costs will continue. Your gift will help us reach our annual goal and will keep Camp Constant and True and Forever Huckins.

## Huckins Legacy Society

**Become a Member of the Huckins Legacy Society:** Choose the Carroll County YMCA/Camp Huckins (CCYMCA/ Camp Huckins) as a beneficiary. These gifts are important because of their permanence; planned gifts to the CCYMCA/ Camp Huckins will help ensure the Huckins that we know, and love will be around for generations to come.

Bequests can be made in a variety of ways including gifts through wills, trusts, retirement plans, financial accounts, or life insurance designations.

Unrestricted gifts provide the financial infrastructure to keep Camp Huckins growing.

For more information on how to become a member, please contact Stephanie Paine, Director of Advancement.



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Jody's Retirement Party**  
**August 21, 2022**



## 2-0-2-1 at Huckins: camper & parent reflections

### Jen Dolce – camper parent

*How did it feel to be away from your child after the past year and a half?* When we got our first letter I wasn't sure what to expect and then her words read of independence and emotionally growing into a stronger young woman while having the time of her life. It warms our heart to know what she is doing and with whom. Nothing is better than seeing them for the first time and catching the look in their eyes and knowing that they were exactly where they should have been.

### Harper Dolce – Senior 6th summer

During camp 2021 there was still the same amount of fun and energy. Everyone was happy to be there and back after a year of not being at camp. Here are some examples of the same things that I love: participating at the sports field, going to craft shop, singing at meals after day 5, having lake activities, and eating the same amazing food by Joel.

### Shea Dolce – CIT 9th year

My favorite memory from this year was either training in cabins or gathering with the whole camp at HCF to sing and hang around the campfire!

### Kelly Dolce – CIT 9th year

My favorite memory from this past summer was helping announce a program day where my twin sister and I reenacted a scene from The Parent Trap on the Lodge roof!

### Sarah Buckley - camper parent

*How did it feel to be away from your child after the past year and a half?* After so much togetherness since COVID began in March 2020, it felt surreal to be apart. But we could not have been happier for our girls or more grateful to Huckins for the meaningful, fun, safe weeks they were able to spend under the pines this summer.

### Eva Buckley - Senior Camper – 6th year

*What was the same?* We still had so many fun program days. The staff worked super hard to make program days as awesome as possible and I think a sense of normalcy was achieved. We also had all the cabin bonding moments like cabin activities, instructionals, and meals that help us make and deepen our friendships. Also, the same... camp is still my second home!

## Missing Huckins and Gathering for Mini Reunions

### Anne Depew

(88) hosted an evening on Ossipee with **Kristen Olson** (86), **Randi Katz** (85), **Genevra (Buchanan) Casais** (86), **Stephanie Paine** (21), **Jody (Hutchinson) Skelton** (21),

**Kara Couture** (21), **Beth (Coffey) McKay** (20), **Karen (Greene) Shackford** (80) and **Heather Kiley** (21).



Mother/Daughter Wolfeboro-style with Program Directors, **Sarah Bird** and **Krista Marschner** and campers **Abby** (21) and **Kristen (Parthe) Brown**, **Virginia Hudson** (21), **Kerry** and **Paige Hunt** (21), **Becky** and **Sierra Rose**.



Mother/Daughter Social in Tuftonboro with **Heather Kiley** (21).



**Happy (Bowen) Farrow** (91) and **Cecily Farrow** (21), **Karen (Moore) Johnson** (99) and **Emily Johnson** (21), **Mary-Sheila** and **Hannah Leese** (21), **Katie (Hoenecker)**, **Ashley** (21) and **Keira Moulton** (21), **Katrina Klaus**, **Nina** (21) and **Avery Wied** (21) met in Vermont for the weekend.



**Amy (Shluger) Waryas** (90), **Caroline Waryas** (21), **Diana (Beedy) Baruni** (96) and **Akira Baruni** spent the weekend together at Wentworth By the Sea.



# Alumni Weekend



# Labor Day Weekend



Above: Group 1; below: Group 2



From top:  
volunteers  
5 year Hucksters  
10 year Hucksters  
20 and 15 year  
Hucksters



# Family Camp



**Leadership Division**



**Middler Division**



**Senior Division**



**Junior Division**



**Family Camp 5 Year Hucksters**



**Family Camp 10 Year Hucksters**



**Family Camp 30 Year Hucksters**

## August Mother/ Daughter Weekend



**Mother/Daughter  
Hucksters**





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## YMCA Camp Huckins

### 2022 CALENDAR

**June 3-5** Alumni Volunteer Weekend

**June 6-10** Staff Pre-Season Week

**June 10-12** Mother/Son Weekend

**June 14-17** Early Bird Week and Certification Courses

**June 18-25** Staff Training Week

**Summer Camp Sessions**  
*Campers will arrive on SUNDAYS  
and depart on SATURDAYS*

**June 26- July 9** 1st Session

**July 10 – July 23** 2nd Session

**July 24 – August 6** 3rd Session

**August 7 – August 20** 4th Session

**Jody's Retirement Party** August 21

**Week of August 22** Family Camp

**September 2-5** Labor Day Weekend Camp

**September 9- 11** Women's Wellness Weekend

**September 16-18** Mother/Daughter Weekend

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