

Our Mission at Christian Camps and Conferences is to foster vibrant Christian communities located in awe-inspiring outdoor settings in which young people are spiritually transformed through Christ-centered relationships.



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Since 1944, our mission has been to foster vibrant Christian communities located in awe-inspiring outdoor settings in which young people are spiritually transformed through Christ-centered relationships. It has been a privilege to do this work on the waters of Lake Winnipesaukee, through the mountain biking trails at Moose River Outpost, and in the quiet moments at camp accompanied only by the sounds of gentle breezes through the trees or lapping waves on the beach.

Annually, over 7,000 people come through our gates to be served by an incredibly talented and creative staff who consistently demonstrate what it means to serve—but we don't do this alone. In addition to the staff, hundreds of people donate their time, talents, and treasures every year to the organization, and this group makes up the core of the Brookwoods, Deer Run and Moose River Outpost family. The purpose of this report is to recognize and thank our many donors and to provide information about how we are stewarding the funds that have

been committed to this vital ministry. I hope it will also be an inspiration, and communicate how blessed we feel to minister to God's people in this place. Christian Camps and Conferences is an organization with a tremendous tradition of excellence and faithfulness in New England and beyond. It is truly my pleasure to serve.

With thankfulness to God for the unflagging loyalty and generosity of our camp family,

Bob Strodel

Executive Director

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Bob and Debbie Strodel have welcomed 7,155 campers, from 4,104 different families since they started serving on staff in 1994.

2015 HIGHLIGHTS

Servant and Leadership Training

year for our newest leadership program, SALT. The goal of this four week program was to go beyond the classic, short-term missions trip experience to enhance the way participants see service to others in their own homes, neighborhoods, and schools. The program culminated in camp's first international trip to serve the residents of Nogales, Mexico.



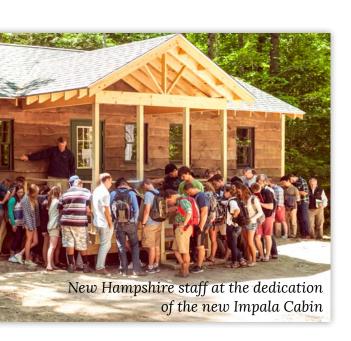
'Through the SALT program ... God made himself known to me and woke me up to the one certain truth that we have in this world: that our only hope through times of difficulty—is Jesus."



Continuing Our Heritage:

Excellence for the Next Generation

[COH]: 2015 marked the official finish line for the Continuing our Heritage Capital Campaign, camp's first since Brookwoods opened in 1944. While several participants are continuing to fulfill their pledges, the active phase is complete, with the challenge goal achieved – \$3.5 million!



The campaign established the Inspiration Point Scholarship Endowment Fund, provided for the building of cabins at Deer Run and Moose River Outpost, and for the renovation of the kitchen and dining hall area at Brookwoods and Deer Run. These additions make it possible for more campers to experience camp and participate in a Christ-centered community.

OFF-CAMP TRIPS:

This year we expanded our off-camp tripping programs to 4, one for each two week session. The Umbagog Trip took our campers up the Androscoggin River for some great smallmouth fishing in National Wildlife Refuge.

Other campers explored Richardson Lake and trolled for landlocked salmon, lake trout and brook trout.

The Mooselookmeguntic trip combined fishing with canoeing and hiking, and still other campers had the opportunity to hike and bike around beautiful Acadia National Park.





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Mackenzie:

Mackenzie visited camp this past summer for the first time since her Impala year in 2008 and shared her story about how camp has impacted her life. Deer Run was not only where she first experienced how rich a relationship with Christ can be, but also where she found her calling! Mackenzie took American Sign Language as an alternate camp activity when her first choice sailing class was full. She enjoyed the activity so much that she went on to further her knowledge of ASL and start a Sign Language club at her high school. After majoring in Deaf Education and Biology, she is now doing an internship at Pennsylvania School for the Deaf and working on a Masters degree in Deaf Education.

David:

David was a first time staff member in 2015, serving in the Penobscot cabin, the youngest of the MRO campers. His Christ-centered love for his campers grew out of his experience as an MRO camper and then as a participant in the WILD leadership program. As a camper, it was his exposure to a community of believers who struck him as being very authentic that drew him to

"My Deer Run activity leader's simple 'yes' to teaching ASL at Deer Run illuminated a 'yes' in my own story to follow where He leads on this journey and, perhaps more importantly, showed me the impact of obedience to the Lord and the power we have, through Christ, to work in the lives of those around us."

the WILD program. It was there David learned the message of servant leadership from observing and being mentored by the WILD staff and noticing how they deeply cared about him in a personal way. He came to realize that they were all dedicated to a common mission - to love each one of their campers, as different as they all were. This realization has changed the way David relates to everyone in his life and equips him with the passion and energy to lead and to serve.

"Love isn't an occupation –
love is a way of life which
defined those around me at
camp, and into which [I was]
invited...not as a potential
staff member, but as a person.
[It is] a life style that not
only characterizes but also
transcends camp."





"Every parent likes to think they are doing the right things for their kids, whether it's helping them with sports or in school or in anything else. But I would say, that of all the things we have done for our kids, in addition to being involved in church, allowing Camp Brookwoods and Deer Run to be a part of the foundation of their lives is probably the most important thing we've done for them, and they'd probably agree!"

John (Camp Dad):

John Arenas and his wife Kim have a son and a daughter who have been coming to camp since they were 10 and 8. Their son, John, participated in the LDP program and was on staff for the first time last year and will be coming back in 2016. Isabel, their daughter, will be a first year LDP this summer. John shared, "Our children think of camp as their 'first home'-a place where they feel safe and loved and they count the days until they return. It's also a place where they are spiritually recharged. This is especially important given the secular environment we live in and the many influences on today's youth." Like so many parents whose children might also attend church and youth group, John credits camp with being the center of their spiritual formation.



























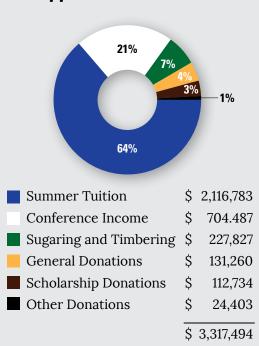
Leadership Development Participants

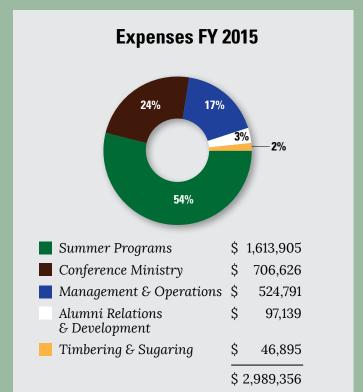
- Leadership Development Program (LDP)
- Brothers and Sisters In Christ (BASIC)

- Wilderness Intensive Leadership Development Program (WILD)
- 9 Servant and Leadership Training (SALT)

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Support & Revenue FY 2015





Donations

2015

General Donations \$ 131,260 Scholarship Donations \$ 112,734 Other Donations \$ 24,403

Campers receiving

scholarship assistance: 176 (18% of all campers)

2014

General Donations \$ 91,808 Scholarship Donations \$ 68,803 Other Donations \$ 28,991

Campers receiving

scholarship assistance: 154 (16% of all campers)

Continuing Our Heritage Capital Campaign





Accomplishments:

Scholarship Endowment: \$560,000 (and growing!)

Moose River Outpost

Kathadin Cabin Constructed Megalloway Cabin Constructed

Camp Brookwoods and Deer Run

Impala Cabin Constructed New Kitchen Constructed Dining Hall Enlarged

FRIENDS

It was my privilege to chair the Continuing Our Heritage: Excellence for the Next Generation capital campaign for Christian Camps and Conferences, Inc. This was the organization's first capital campaign since Brookwoods opened in 1944.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Christian Camps and Conferences, Inc., I would like to thank all of you for your generous support. We had 654 donors who participated in the campaign, which raised \$3,724,444 in donations and pledges over the last 5 years. Over 50 people actively assisted us in the campaign efforts. We were also able to meet and exceed our initial campaign goals by \$624,444. Praise the Lord.

The capital campaign focused on three major areas. First, the establishment of an Inspiration Point Scholarship fund containing annual and long-term endowment goals. We desire that an experience at camp be available for as many campers as possible, and a robust scholarship fund works to make that goal a reality. Second, we needed additional cabins at Deer Run and Moose River Outpost so we could continue to expand to allow us to minister to more campers. We added the Impala Cabin at Deer Run, which had been planned since 1997. At Moose River Outpost, we expanded from 4 to 7 cabins. Finally, the largest visible single project in the campaign was the renovation of the kitchen and Dining Hall area at Brookwoods and Deer Run. Additional space now allows for a single seating of all campers together for meals, and the kitchen is now properly sized and upgraded for the appropriate number of meals served. While it is easy to focus on funds and facilities, the campaign was about relationships and people, and creating temporary communities where the love of Christ can be shared. In 2015 Brookwoods, Deer Run, and Moose River Outpost, were blessed with 991 campers enrolled in the summer camps, and 102 in our life-changing leadership development programs. During the "offseason" we hosted an additional 6,470 guests at our facilities as part of our conference ministry.

While the formal campaign is over, and we celebrate its success, the on-going ministry of camp is not completed.

Lives are changed through attendance at camp made possible through scholarship assistance. Buildings constantly need upkeep and repair. Funds are sought for new programs, and enhancement of existing ones

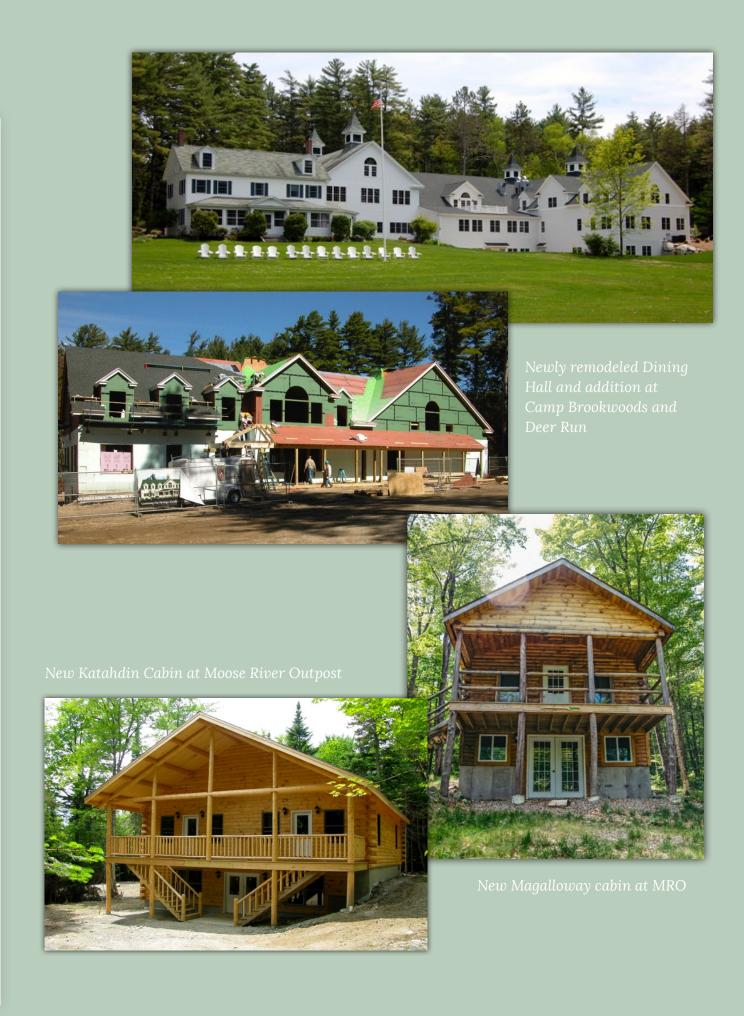
I encourage you to contact Bob Strodel, our Executive Director, for additional information on the long-term goals for the camps. New partners in this ministry are always welcome to secure the future for the next generation at camp.

Bill

Bill Voge, Chairman Continuing Our Heritage Campaign Bill.Voge@lw.com



Bill Voge has served on the Board of Directors since 2007. He and his wife, Jami, sent the first of their five children to camp in 1999. It's no surprise that the whole family considers camp their second home.







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