



# FRIENDS OF CAMP CHRISTOPHER

January 2022

Happy New Year Friends of Camp Christopher,

I hope that you, your family and friends had a wonderful holiday season.

Have you ever had the urge to revisit those magical times at Camp Christopher? Ten years ago, a small group of friends had that urge and gathered to discuss how their love for Camp Christopher could be transformed into action. Their focus was:

- To provide financial resources to the campership program.
- Enrich the camp experience by supporting the camp staff and programs.
- Advance and improve Camp and its programs by providing consultation and resources.
- Maintaining a network of Camp Christopher alumni to continue participation in the rich heritage of "Camping at its Finest".

From those humble beginnings, Friends of Camp Christopher (FoCC) has always been focused on advancing our camp. Over the past ten years, we have given over \$57,000 in assistance to families so their children could have a Camp Christopher experience. We have provided \$44,000 for facilities improvements not targeted by Catholic Charities. This past year alone our members have given over 1,700 hours of time and talent to FoCC and camp.

2021 has not been without challenges. Camp reopened with a scaled down platform. The FoCC Dinner/Reverse Raffle (our main fundraiser) was virtual again this year. We are learning how to host membership meetings in person and virtually in real time

The new officers elected to a two-year term: Jerry Antonucci, president; Kitt Kurtz, vice-president; Barb Hertrick, secretary; and Larry Furman, treasurer. Mary Truax and Bernadette Sovacool are members at large.

Thank you for being a part of this journey. Your support is the reason for FoCC's success. On Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022, we plan to have a 10th anniversary celebration and Memorial Mass to personally thank you. Details will be forthcoming, so please save the date. We encourage you to come out to reconnect with camp friends. Members are always welcome to participate by attending meetings, volunteering for committees and staying up to date on Camp Christopher and Friends of Camp Christopher news through e-mails, our website ([friendsofcampchristopher.org](http://friendsofcampchristopher.org)) and by visiting our Facebook page.

As a friend of camp, I urge you to reconnect with the Christopher spirit and support FoCC this year. Your generosity in the past is the reason for our growth and success these past ten years. Thank you for your support this past year and thank you for continuing to support FoCC in 2022. Your donation of time, talent and treasure truly helps the Christopher Spirit to carry on.

Peace, Love and Daisies (jes)

*Jerry Antonucci*

President, Friends of Camp Christopher

*And I get the urge for going when the meadow grass is growing*

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