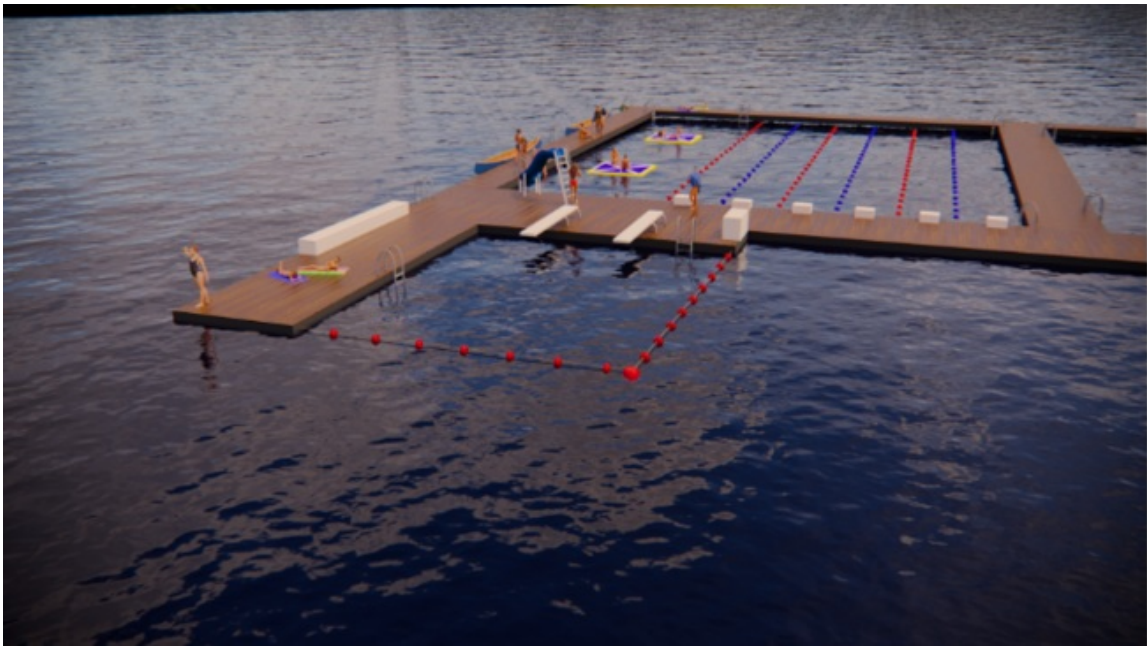


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BREAKING NEWS CAMP NAKANAWA: We've Made Waves with Senior Camp Waterfront Goal!

We're almost to the finish line for funding an **entirely new Senior Camp waterfront**. You heard that right: Our community has stepped up in fine fashion, and we're happy to report that we've acquired \$300,000 in commitments. New docks will be built for the 2024 Camp season! We are forever grateful to everyone who has helped us get to this point and our hearts are filled with glee!

But the news gets even better: An additional \$150,000 was needed to build a new boathouse and complete the renovation of the *entire* waterfront. We have commitments for most **but not all** of this project.



Renderings of the new boathouse in Senior Camp

Be sure to watch our [Senior Camp Waterfront Fund campaign video](#), created by Ashley Forgey Stroud ('TR '89), to learn about our plans and how you can "jump in" to assist. We are SO CLOSE to our goal:

**STROKE UP! *LEAN UP!* TOGETHER UP!
HELP US CROSS THE FINISH LINE ...**

SENIOR WATERFRONT PROJECT

GOAL \$450,000 by MARCH 2024

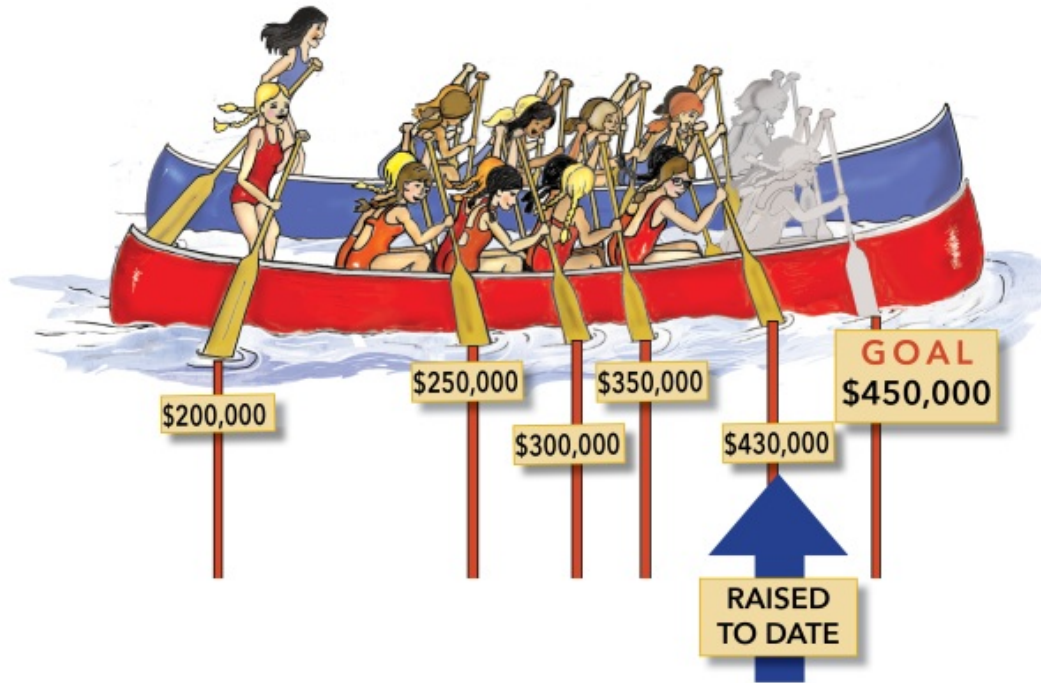


Illustration by Margaret Matens

Please join the Nakanawa family and push us across the finish by clicking here:

[donate to the Senior Waterfront Project](#)



MOTHER/DAUGHTER WEEKEND: Who Could Ask For Anything More?

More than 120 future campers, returning alumnae, mothers, and grandmothers enjoyed the magic of Camp with their family and friends September 15th–17th during our annual Mother/Daughter Weekend.

Friday night began with a fantastic taco buffet dinner, followed by a beautiful September evening filled with songs, games, and s'mores on the Crows Nest. As the weekend progressed, campers and adults alike enjoyed canoeing, playing cornhole, riding horses, exploring the nature hut, participating in arts and crafts projects, and splashing around at free swim. The day rounded out with a cookout on the Crow's Nest!

After a special Church session on Sunday—featuring *The Very Curious Caterpillar*—happy campers waved goodbye taking with them so many new Camp Nakanawa memories. Thank you to the 30+ staff members who made this weekend a success, especially members of TR 2023 who enjoyed their first opportunity to be Nakanawa counselors.



THANK YOU LYN BRANTLEY (TR '81), Outgoing President of our Board of Directors

Camp Nakanawa would like to extend a big thank you and Wo He Lo to Lyn Brantley as she wraps up her term as our fantastic Board President.

Read her farewell letter and find out what's in store as she passes the gavel to Wyeth Outlan Burgess (TR '75).



[read lyn's farewell letter](#)

2023 COUNSELOR STAFF SPOTLIGHT: Choice Mukundidza



Meet Choice Mukundidza, a first-year counselor who joined us at Camp this past summer all the way from her home country of Zimbabwe!

Choice, who has enjoyed acting since an early age, also played basketball in high school and college. Read on to learn about her Camp Nak experience:

"I applied to work at Nakanawa because I love working with kids and was really excited to experience the whole camp life thing in America, as well as the difference in cultures.

I had a wonderful summer. At first, I was a bit on edge with a lot of mixed feelings, but eventually, my bunkies made it easier for me. We had a great connection and helped each other have the best summer ever.

The most memorable moments from Camp include white water rafting (amazing!), playing games in the CB, spending quiet moments by the lake, Council Ring, and coffee cake! I also loved learning how to make friendship bracelets.

I can't wait to return next summer, and am currently looking for jobs in teaching or anything that involves kids. And I love living in America!"

NASHVILLE: LET'S GO KROGERING

If you shop at Kroger in Nashville and surrounding areas and use a Kroger Plus Card, Camp Nakanawa can directly benefit from your participation in the program! Simply visit <http://www.kroger.com>.

If you have an existing account:

- Go to "My Account" then select "Community Rewards"
- Search for Camp Nakanawa by name or by our Non-Profit Organization ID #JG156
- Click "Enroll"

If you are a new user:

- Create an account that requires some basic information, including a valid email address and a rewards card.
- Once your account is created, follow the steps above to link your account to Camp Nakanawa. This can also be accomplished by visiting the customer service desk at any Kroger.

Participants must swipe their registered Kroger Rewards Card or use the phone number related to their account at check out for each purchase to benefit Camp. Every little bit helps, and we thank you! This is a test pilot program for us, with the potential to reach beyond the Nashville area.

REUNION REMINDERS

Plan Now for 2024



Join TRs '68 & '69 who are already planning their May Reunion at Camp!

Contact your TR to see if gathering 'neath the pine trees on **May 17-19** will work for your group. The weekend includes lodging at Camp, five meals, two Happy-Am-I Hours, and lots of activity options -- including canoeing, hiking, visiting your Rocks, and s'mores at Council Ring. Open to all TR groups.

Contact Margaret Matens at margaretmatens@gmail.com for more details or to let us know your group would like to be added to our May weekend list.



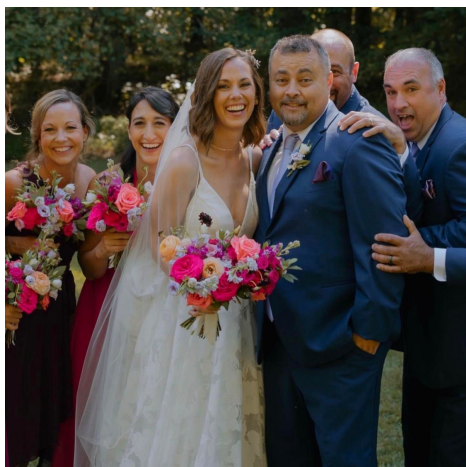
Special Anniversary Reunions are scheduled for these TRs on July 19-21, 2024. Listed below are the Reunion Chairs we have on record:

- 50th- TR '74 Libba Bushnell Williams
- 40th- TR '84 Lucille Hodges
- 30th -TR '94 Anne Bracken McGraw (confirmed)
- 25th- TR '99 Emily Eason
- 20th- TR '04 Diana Darling
- 10th- TR '14 Stokes Dunavan
- 1st- TR '23 (we need a volunteer!)

Please let us know if you are willing to continue as the contact point for your group or want to volunteer. Email Donya Rose at to.donya@gmail.com.

ALUMNAE NEWS

Day Lillies and Sunshine



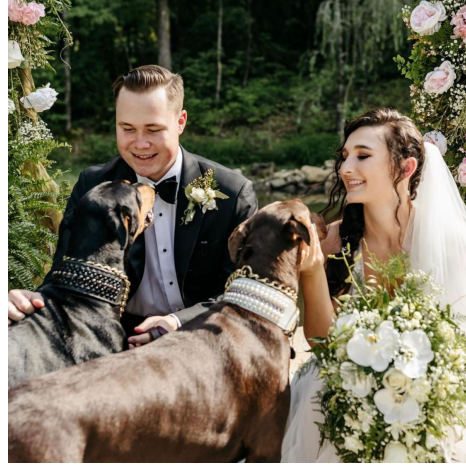
Elizabeth Robbins (TR '94)



Kelsey Hathaway Smith (TR '16)



Charlotte Sisk Spector (TR '10), with mother, Jennifer (TR '79) and sister Blakeley (TR '06)



Brylie Mays DeSena

Dancing Flames



Katia Reguero Lindor, (TR '11) welcomed a baby girl, Amapola Chloe Lindor.



Sarah Nowacki Shepherd (TR '04) welcomed sweet Margaret Shepherd.

The Spirit of Friendship

Gifts made in honor of:

Apryll Sunshine Geib
Karen Hale
Margaret Leatherbury
Nakanawa Staff
Annie Wagner
Libby Golden Jones & Anne Peden Robertson Watts
Corie Wilson
Margaret, Shelly, Donya & Wyeth

Gifts made in memory of:

Ned Schnacke
Emily McMahon
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Jesse Graham
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