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Camp Robin Hood

# The Woodchuck

THE OFFICIAL ALUMNI NEWSLETTER OF CAMP ROBIN HOOD



## Hello Fellow Alumni!

I hope this note reaches you all as a warm reminder of our love for camp as we begin to enter the colder months of the year. We are still reflecting on an incredible summer; with perfect weather, our best staff yet, a record-breaking number of camper extensions, and tons of visiting judges for color war, summer 2019 was truly one for the books! It brings me so much joy to see the past and present of the Realm come together.

As well, the back office was beautifully renovated and is now the official museum of Robin Hood! It was magical having the history of the Realm surround me everyday last summer while simultaneously looking forward to all that's yet to come. As I always say, the beauty of Robin Hood is shown through those who have experienced it, and how they show their love for the place itself, its traditions, and for one another. We really do come for a summer and stay for a lifetime.

We are beyond excited to see as many alumni as possible at the upcoming NYC reunion on Friday, November 8th. Our lives can become incredibly hectic throughout the year—spending time together has the ability to ground us and allow us to reflect on how lucky we are to know each other.

Our greatest pleasure is to keep as many alumni connected to Robin Hood as possible—connecting past and present campers and counselors is what keeps our camp alive! Please take a moment to ensure we have an email that works best for you on record. If you no longer know your login information, send your email to [Lizz@camprobinhood.com](mailto:Lizz@camprobinhood.com) so we can update your records in our system.

Warmly,

**WOODY**



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# John & Joan Cup

NEW  
in 2019

This year we introduced a new and improved trophy on awards night—the girls camp “Master Camper” trophy—which was crafted to match the Boys camp “Big Cup”. We were honored to be able to name the award in memory of former directors John and Joan Klein. John and Joan dedicated many years of their lives to the Realm. It was under their stewardship that Camp Robin Hood began the Robin Hood Sports for Girls Program. We are proud to say that the girls program took off quickly, was a tremendous addition to Robin Hood, and now boasts enrollment equal to, if not greater than, the boys division. The award was presented to the Klein’s daughter Leslie who graciously accepted on behalf of her four sisters and their families. CRH Owner / Director David Solomon gave a speech to our campers and staff highlighting the tenure of John and Joan and explaining the risk that they took by expanding camp and starting the girls program. This decision was not taken lightly and initially many people were not in favor of this change but as it turned out it was one of the best single decisions that our camp ever made. Thank you John and Joan—your legacy will live on for many years to come and is now permanently memorialized by this beautiful trophy.



## Magic in the Trees FOUNDATION



Magic In The Trees is a non-profit (registered 501c3) founded in 2014 by four former campers with the goal of providing children that don't have the means, the opportunity to experience the benefits and joy of camp. We focus on identifying kids that are both deserving and demonstrate that they will have a positive camp experience. Since our founding, we have sent over twenty kids to camp and are proud that over 75% of our eligible campers have returned for at least one summer. This past summer we were happy to send nine kids to camp. Everything we do is all about setting up our kids to experience the joy of being at sleepaway camp in the great outdoors!

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# The CRH Museum

During the spring of 2019, Les and the caretaking crew totally renovated the back room of the office. The room used to house a conference table and some old furniture but was never really utilized to its full potential. They began by tearing the ceiling out and expanding the room upwards. They then put in a beautiful pine coved ceiling with new lights and framing the prominent stone fireplace in the room. When we arrived at camp in early June, Woody asked me to spruce the room up and make it functional. Thus, the museum was born.

It is a room of history, memories, quiet contemplation. I embraced the rich traditions we have at the Realm and tried to put the pictures and memorabilia in some semblance of a chronological order. The first piece I hung is probably our most important picture. It is a 4"x6" picture in black and white of Andy Friedman getting out of the rowboat on a beach at our waterfront to investigate land that he would ultimately purchase and start the camp we all know and love. It is dated 1927 and is a treasure. It is the first picture we show people when we bring them into the museum. From there, we have a wall dedicated to Andy and his family with many pictures over his many years. We also have assorted all camp pictures over the years, paintings and other Founders Day gifts, old pennants and sports keepsakes, and trophies.



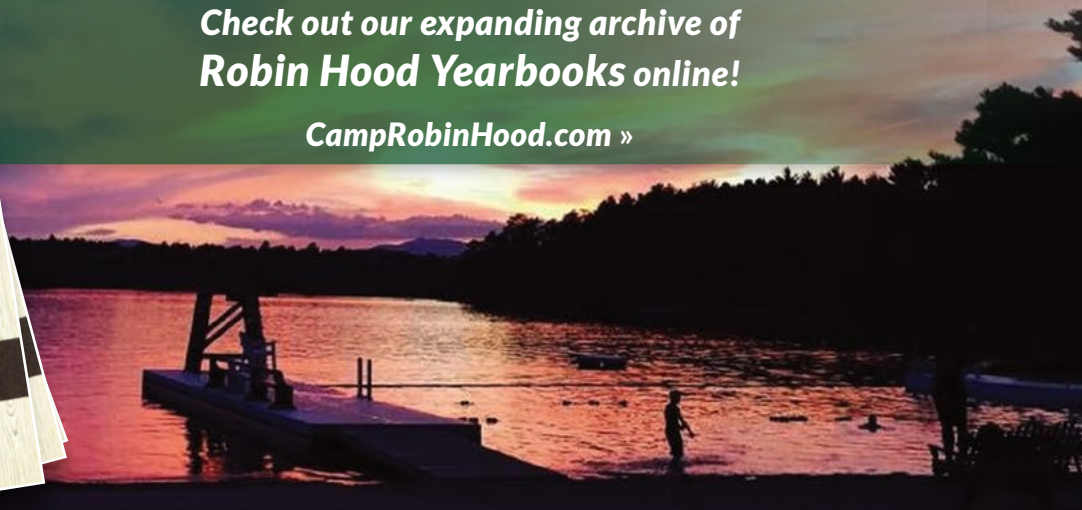
It took a lot of time and effort from a lot of people to make a vision a reality. Now it is utilized everyday for various activities and is a warm and inviting place to work and congregate. I think we are all most proud of the wall of directors with various pictures of the Friedman's, John and Joan Klein, and David and Jamie Cole. It is a great reminder of the love and dedication of all those people who were entrusted with the enormous responsibility of safeguarding the greatest place on earth. Stop by and see the museum when you're in the Realm. Of course, if I were you, I would try and get Chuck to show you around. It doesn't get any better than that.

—SCOTT

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# NYC Alumni Reunion



245 East 55th Street  
New York, NY 10022

(ATRIUM LOUNGE)

Sorry kids, this one is  
ages 21+!

Friday, Nov 8, 2019  
6:30-9:30pm

**A New Tradition!**  
Friday night before the Camper Reunion

First drink and appetizers are on us -  
Hope to see you all there!

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