Dear Friends and Supporters:

Season's greetings to you and your family from the Hawkeye Campership Fund Board of Directors. It's been another banner year for both the Hawkeye Campership Fund and Camp Hawkeye. HCF again has secured local grant money for youth from the Lakes Region of New Hampshire. Our success is due to your sustained generosity and commitment to underserved youth. 2019 highlights were:

- our 3rd 10% increase in the level of camperships awarded, funding 50 campers!
- > \$10,000 raised during our Stache for Cash fundraiser in April;
- ▶ a \$3,000 grant from The Natalie Bailey & Herbert J. Kirshner Foundation;
- ▶ a \$3,000 grant from the Heart and Hand Thrift Shops for 2019 & 2020 seasons;
- a \$1,460 grant from the Essex County Community Foundation John Welch Productions;
- a \$5,000 gift from a private donor; and
- contributing collectors in a local UNH scientific research project on Lyme tick disease.

HCF depends on this annual appeal to raise the last amount of money to break through the \$30,000 goal for this year! HCF will fund 44 camperships earmarked for returning youth because we believe that a sustained yearly commitment allows youth to come back not just to have a safe, enjoyable and enriching experience but to build upon social and leadership skills learned in the areas of cooperative living, decision making and managing differences. We know extra-curricular opportunities for underserved youth during the summer make a huge difference in their success at school. Summer is a time for fun, getting unplugged, experiencing the joys of nature, and making friends across cultures. It's also a time for learning, improving interpersonal skills, playing bunk ball, welly wanging, Eggy games, hiking in the White Mountains and canoeing across Lake Kanasatka for island overnights.

We appreciate every gift we receive! But maybe a few of us can give more? Please send your tax deductible donation in the enclosed envelope or go to our website hawkeyecampershipfund.org and click on the donate button. Thank you for making the difference in a child's life and joining HCF in the belief that the power of a diverse and inclusive camp experience can be transformative in the lives of youth, their family and community. And remember, CAMP IS FOR EVERYONE!

With gratitude,

Deborah Colgan



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"I love the DIVERSE COMMUNITY OF CAMPERS AND STAFF at Camp Hawkeye. The camp is A SAFE PLACE to explore new experiences while building the skills to live in a diverse world. The campership fund expands that community to include everyone. And the international component to the camp OPENS UP NEW CONNECTIONS that youth can make across culture, language and geography. LEARNING TO LIVE TOGETHER PEACEFULLY, having fun and building friendships is THE GIFT I WANT TO GIVE YOUTH through my support of the campership fund."

-Judith McCabe, 10-year donor, Wilmington, DE



EXPANDING HORIZONS: HAWKEYE JUNIOR COUNSELORS TAKE ON SCIENTIST ROLES IN THE FIELD

The Hawkeye Community partnered with Bebop Labs in Plymouth, NH, and the New Hampshire Camp Directors Association as the data collection resource for ongoing research to find a vaccine to Lyme Disease. More than a dozen camps collected ticks throughout the months of May — August bagging and tagging them before mailing them along to Camp Hawkeye.

year leadership development participants), as part of their program requirements, take on a research project. This year marked the first instance where the project work extended outside the Hawkeye Community.

As the data collection resource, Hawkeye's Junior Counselors were tasked with receiving, organizing, identifying and electronically cataloging the specimens for Dr. Kaitlyn Morse. These 17 year-olds handled over 1,000 ticks, which increased the data set for Dr. Morse and Bebop Labs by 50% over 2018.

"What a great place for children and youth to learn and grow! We have loved to see Ari & Tiana & Ella & Curtis enjoy their time at Hawkeye."

- Curt & Maura Randall

"This is my first summer in this camp and it is being amazing! I am Spanish and I am living the American summer. I made many friends and also I am improving my English. Thank you!"

- 2019 CAMPER

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