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# THE LAKE PATH THE NEWSLETTER FOR SUPPORTERS OF SKY LAKE



## SKY LAKE FOUNDATION, INC.

#### MISSION

Incorporated as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit with the mission to raise awareness and donations to help Sky Lake Camp & Retreat Center remain financially healthy for generations to come.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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# MAKE A SPLASH WITH YOUR DONATION

The Sky Lake Foundation is excited to help bring some attention to the waterfront. We invite you to help us crowdfund some new items. We are looking to get the best of the best in modern paddleboats. This will allow for increased accessibility for riders. The awning color is still under discussion, but incorporating an awning that provides riders with sun-safe shade is a must. This aluminum pontoon design will be much more durable than our long-retired old school plastic models,

If you have been on the East Shore Waterfront in the past four decades, you have seen the same lifeguard shed on the shore. This holds our life jackets as well as oars, paddles, and other important lifeguard supplies. The current shed has reached the end of its useful life, even with a door transplant in the past few years. A new shed will allow for life jackets and supplies to be stored securely and safely out of the sun.

Speaking of these lifejackets, they have also been around for a number of years and are near the end of their safe, useful life. New jackets will keep our campers safe and stylish.

# **OPEN HOUSE & WYOMING REUNION**

You won't want to miss visiting Sky Lake during the Annual Open House on Sunday, June 1, from 12:30-4:00 pm. In addition to guided tours, open cabins and rooms, a hot dog buffet, boat rides, and a bake sale, there will also be an opportunity for friends of the former Wyoming Conference to reconnect!

The Sky Lake Foundation and the Wyoming Conference Alumni Association invite all (however loosely one may have been associated with the former Wyoming Conference) to this informal reunion to catch up with old friends.

## UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

#### EASTER BAKE SALE

SATURDAY, APRIL 19 Order by Thursday, April 17

## REJUVENATE: A SPRING LADIES OF THE LAKE

MAY 2-4 Ages 18+

#### **VOLUNTEER WORK DAYS**

SATURDAY, MAY 17 SATURDAY, JUNE 14

## OPEN HOUSE/WYOMING REUNION

SUNDAY, JUNE 1 12:30-4:00PM

### 2025 SUMMER CAMPS

JUNE 30-AUGUST 8 Ages 5+

FOR DETAILS, VISIT: skylakecenter.org

## CELEBRATING THE FIRST YEAR OF THE SKY LAKE FOUNDATION

\$41,540 raised in our first year\*

> **251** unique donations



\*Donations received between April 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025



# ON THE LOOKOUT FOR CAMPER & STAFF ALUMNI

Part of our mission as the Sky Lake Foundation is to help raise awareness of our beloved camp and retreat center. One of the easiest and most efficient methods to do so is by producing and distributing these biannual newsletters. We have set the goal of doubling our mailing list by the end of October 2025.

If you received this newsletter in the mail, congratulations, you are already on our list (most likely because you are either a current or recent donor). If you are reading this newsletter elsewhere, we invite you to visit our new website, www.skylakefoundation.org, to easily add yourself to our list for next time.

We invite you to join us in meeting our goal through these easy steps:

- Make a list of friends from your time as a camper, guest, or member of staff
- Share this newsletter with that list (visit skylakefoundation.org for an electronic version that makes it easy to share)
- Like/share/re-post/tag @skylakecenter posts on social media
- Encourage friends on your list to submit their contact info on the Sky Lake Foundation website

# SKY LAKE WELCOMES CAMPERS AND GUESTS YEAR-ROUND

The classic summer camp experience is an important component of the ministry of Sky Lake, but thousands of guests and visitors come to this sacred place each year beyond those weeks of summer. In addition to offering year-round programs of its own, Sky Lake also hosts churches and civic organizations for day events and overnight retreats. This spring, Sky Lake has welcomed a number of groups from its sibling site, Casowasco, while goes through an intentional time of sabbath and discernment.

In theory, Founders', Riley, and Underwood Lodges are available to be booked outside of the camp season. However, in reality, there aren't many weekends still available in 2025. Contact the Sky Lake Office *today* to book your personal or group retreat.

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