

Dear Staff and Counselor Alumni:

How has Camp Stevens inspired, challenged, and empowered you?

- Did you learn to **identify** an opportunity or problem, **analyze** the situation, and **generalize** the experience to learn & grow?
- Perhaps you dreamt about new & groundbreaking ways to further Camp Stevens' (and your own!) **environmental ethic** through food, farming, and facilities and then made it happen.
- Did you learn about **adventure**: that sweet spot where groups put their collective best foot forward and do or create something life changing?
- Or maybe you were inspired while **washing dishes** or changing a Malibu light?

Please help us give that same inspiration, challenge, and empowerment to others by joining an alumni effort to honor John Horton on his retirement.

Counselor Training, a program that continues to teach young people all of the above, is just one of the many programs developed and improved upon by John Horton, who will be retiring at the end of this year. **John's 41 years of service and inspiration at Camp Stevens has impacted hundreds— perhaps even thousands – of lives.** His passion for personal growth, his easy-going demeanor, and his detail-oriented work ethic make him an approachable teacher and a dependable friend and mentor.

Please join us in celebrating John by making a contribution
to the Meeting Room in his name in the new Bergstrom Lodge.
Our goal is to raise \$100,000 from Camp Stevens Staff and Counselor Alumni.

About the Bergstrom Lodge:

By providing more comfortable and private accommodations, as well as spacious meeting areas, we will be able to inspire, challenge, and empower more people and groups toward personal, social, and environmental change. The Bergstrom Lodge will be a unique place to connect and wonder for young families, older adult groups, smaller leadership teams, and future counselor and staff training groups. The Bergstrom Lodge will also serve larger groups already using Camp Stevens such as church family retreats, recovery groups, and retreats serving those affected by AIDS/HIV or within the LGBTQ+ community. Additional information about the Bergstrom Lodge can be found online [www.campstevens.org/bergstromlodge].

How you can help:

Visit [www.campstevens.org/alumnigifts] to pledge or give online joining other Camp Stevens Alumni to honor John and the Bergstroms today. Would you consider a generous gift which can be paid in monthly, online increments over up 30 months?

- \$35/month for 30 months will contribute \$1,000;
- \$100/month will contribute \$3,000; and
- \$20/month over 30 months will make your gift total \$600.

As you reflect on the impact your Camp Stevens experience has made in your own life and how generous you can be with your gift to honor of John Horton and his 41 years at Camp Stevens, please consider:

- ALL gifts toward the John Horton Meeting Room will be honored with a name listing in the room.
- Gifts of \$1,000 or more will also be added to the donor plaque for the Bergstrom Lodge itself.
- Gifts of \$15,000 or more will receive an engraved stone on the walkway leading to the Bergstrom Lodge Patio.

If you, a small group of individuals, or someone you know is interested in sponsoring a room in the Bergstrom Lodge at the \$50,000 giving level, please contact Beth Bojarski. Finally, pledge or donate \$300 or more before July 31 and **receive a limited edition Camp Stevens alumni t-shirt!**

Thank you for supporting this exciting project that honors John and the legacy he and the Bergstroms created at Camp Stevens. We look forward to seeing you in the coming months as we celebrate John's legacy and the continued transformational work happening every day at Camp Stevens.

With gratitude,

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