Camp Courageous is a year-round recreational, respite, and travel program for individuals of all ages with disabilities.
Every summer camp looks forward to the Schmitz and Weber families and their donations for the Pineapple Gala. Once again, they did not disappoint! Pat and Paulette Schmitz, from Delaware Arkansas, brought several hand-crafted wooden items and wine and spirits baskets that always sell well. Mike Weber, from Jesup IA, also brought all sorts of tools and hand-crafted items made by daughter Lindsey. In addition, Kim Youngblut brought some beautiful household décor for the Gala, along with handcrafted items made by a neighbor from the area. The success of the event is so dependent on generous folks like the Schmitz, Webers and Youngbluts. We can't thank them enough!

Key to the success of the Pineapple Sales and Gala is a very dedicated and hard-working committee. Pictured are members of the 2023 Pineapple Committee. (Front L-R) Sharon Kouba, Volunteer; Sonya Belew, Camp COO; Lesa Ackman, Volunteer; Amy Rouse, Camp Board Chair; Lori Davidson, Volunteer; Mary Van Houten, Board Chair-Elect; Back L-R Ben Brewer, Volunteer; Jim Klinger, Honorary Board Member; Randy Faulkner, Camp Board; Matt Bollwitt, Camp IT/Marketing; Nick Covington, Camp IT; Diane Pitlik, Camp Board; Randy Lee-WMT/Honorary Board Member; Stu Davidson, Volunteer; Trish Recker, Camp Board; and KC Lyons, Hy-Vee. Not pictured: Jenny Townsend, Hy-Vee; Georgia Johnson, Honorary Board Member; and Morgan Stogdill. The committee is always looking for new members. Contact cbecker@campcourageous.org if you are interested.

A big thank you to the Cedar Rapids Washington High School Women's Swimming and Diving Team who spent a summer morning helping set-up the Pineapple Gala at the DoubleTree in downtown Cedar Rapids. Also, thank you to the Cedar Rapids Washington High School Football Team who carried hundreds of auction items from the event to the attendee's cars. A great school, and we thank Camp Board Chair Amy Rouse for organizing these volunteers.

Thank you to (L-R) emcees Gary Dolphin and Andy Petersen and auctioneer Randy Netzger. They all donate their time to help make this event a success.

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The Trailblazer Award was presented to Musco Lighting during the 2023 Pineapple Gala. This award is given to individuals and organizations that go above and beyond with their contributions to Camp Courageous to help further its mission to serve those with disabilities.

The connection between Camp Courageous and Musco Lighting began with the multipurpose field project in 2022 with their addition of the Mini-Pitch System Modular Sports Solution. This relationship has developed to further enhance the footprint of Musco at Camp with its world-famous lighting systems for the miniature golf course. The team at Musco truly understands the value that Camp Courageous offers to those with disabilities and has chosen to quickly become a partnering entity.

When Musco was approached for the lighting solution for the Bud and Georgia Johnson Accessible Miniature Golf Course, they recognized the need and designed an enhanced version of lighting for the project. They stepped up not only financially, but aligned Camp with installation professionals to ensure the lighting project was a world class project.
VFW Aux. President & Members visit Camp

It was an honor to have the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 2023-2024 National President, Carla Martinez, visit Camp Courageous! Carla is from Layton, Utah and was elected President at the 110th National Convention in Phoenix, Arizona. In addition to being the National President of the V.F.W. Auxiliary, Carla is retired from the United States Navy, where she spent 13 months in Korea...we thank her for her service! In addition, Camp Courageous was fortunate to host a wonderful delegation of Iowa VFW Auxiliary Members who have been for super enthusiastic about Camp Courageous for 50 years, including: (Left) Kathy Colbert, Wendy Powers, Ruth Rencher, Michael Novak (back), Dan Bru, Penny Hurt, National V.F.W. Auxiliary President Carla Martinez, (Kneeling) Miona Morrell, Kiara Bru, (Right front) Department President Rachel Bru, Sue Weldon, Sandy Weldon, (Right back) Sarah Decker, Jeanette Henry, Doris Decker, and Kathy Schreiber.

Camp’s therapy dog
Skye is now certified!! She will now be able to visit local hospitals, group homes, nursing homes, and schools to help provide comfort to everyone. Pictured (L-R) is Jackie Galvin, Skye’s trainer and owner of Superstar Service, presenting Dalton Barrier, Camp’s Adventure Director and Skye’s handler, and Skye their official certificate. If your organization would like to have Skye visit then contact Dalton at dbarrier@campcourageous.org or call 319-465-5916.

Thank you to Eldon C. Stutsman, Inc. in Hills, IA for extending an invitation to Camp Courageous for their Annual Open House & Customer Appreciation Dinner. Pictured are (L-R) Scott and Ron Stutsman, who have been long-time friends and supporters of the Camp. Camp Courageous was very fortunate to have a dear friend in Ron’s father, Eldon Stutsman, who founded the company in 1934. Eldon started by delivering supplies from town to his neighbors in the country. Congratulations are in order for Stutsman on their impressive new Dry Fertilizer Shed, which is a testament to their entire operation, including their dedicated family and staff. Their commitment to excellence shines through. The Stutsman Company generously donates a semi-load of salt to Camp Courageous every year. This donation is invaluable as it helps the Camp manage its water softening needs, primarily due to high calcium levels and the control of nitrates. Their contribution is nothing short of remarkable. Additionally, at their Customer Appreciation Dinner, Stutsman organized a special fundraiser for Camp Courageous.

A huge thank you to driver Phil and all “Camp Courageous” dear friends at Stutsman in Hills, IA for donating a semi load of salt. The 15 pallets of salt will be used for camp’s softener and nitrates systems. Camp has grown into a small city, a lot of calcium in its water, and at times, nitrates. Stutsman provides salt that gives the camp the opportunity to provide exceptional water. Camp’s water is tested daily, with the samples going to Clemlight Right Laboratories in Maquoketa, who provide all the testing, for free. The Stutsman Family has been involved with Camp for decades, going back to Eldon Stutsman’s regular visits to camp, bringing things off the camp’s needs list. Super Family and Company.

C.U.B.S. benefit Camp during annual RAGBRAI trip

The Chicago Urban Bicycling Society (CUBS) once again made a significant contribution with their annual dinner and auction during RAGBRAI (Register’s Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa), benefiting Camp Courageous. On Friday night in Coralville, they hosted their dinner and auction at the beautiful and delightful Vesta restaurant (vestaiowa.com). Jacob Mangin, the General Manager, went above and beyond to ensure that everyone had an exceptional experience.

Camp wants to express it’s immense gratitude to Brad Prendergast, who organized this year’s event as he has done for many years. Brad has been a crucial part of this event for the past 25 consecutive years. Alongside Brad is their treasurer, David Goodman, logistics coordinator Dana Nelson, Stacy Thomas (who oversees the auction), David Hersemann, Gretchen Wahl, and Norm Parker.

Camp Board Member Jim Foels and his wife, Elsie, generously offer an Iowa Farm Experience to the highest bidder every year, which has proven to be a massive success. This partnership with C.U.B.S. began 19 years ago and has evolved in various ways over the years. They are an absolutely wonderful group!

Pictured are (L-R) Dana Nelson, Elsie and Jim Foels, Brad Prendergast and Nicole Woozy during the C.U.B.S. dinner and auction that benefitted Camp Courageous.

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Positive anything is better than negative nothing.

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Honorary Board Member Jim Theisen visits Camp... treated like Rock Star!

Campers gather around Jim Theisen (front/center) during lunch to express their gratitude for his role in making their dream of attending Camp Courageous come true. Jim’s eyes welled up with tears several times during his visit as he realized the significant growth of the camp and the impact it has had on countless lives, all thanks to his long-standing support.

During one of Jim’s previous visits, the weather was cold. During this visit, temperatures reached the 80s, but due to the presence of smoke from the Canadian fires camper activities were held indoors.

Jim prepares to go on a zipline ride at Camp Courageous.

During Jim’s previous visit to Camp, he wore a Santa hat while driving a box truck filled with supplies, specifically for the Camp’s Maintenance Department. Today, they had another chance to personally express their gratitude to Jim for providing them with the tools. Pictured are (L-R, back) Russ Yonkovic, Cory Mohr, Jim Zimmerman, Dennis Weiser (Jim’s cousin and driver), (front) Craig Lampe and Jim Theisen. (Not pictured: Jeff Martens and Stacy Thies.)

Jim Theisen genuinely knows his staff and to this day, he sends each a card on their birthday. Jim has told me for years, “people buy from people, not companies.” Camp Courageous is humbled to be in Jim Theisen’s circle of friends for decades. We wish Jim continued good health and happiness, as he has brought so much happiness and joy to others.

Eloise Dennis donates Trishaw to Camp

Eloise Dennis (pictured sitting on left) generously donated the Red Fiat that is currently being raffled at Camp (as indicated by the sign in the background of the photo). Additionally, she had previously donated a Trishaw to Cycling Without Age in Rapid City, South Dakota. This heartfelt initiative was sparked by Ginger and Dr. Dan Franz, who recognized a significant need to encourage people to leave their homes, immerse themselves in nature, and revel in the sun, wind, and the surrounding beauty. It brought genuine joy to many individuals.

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For those interested in learning more about this remarkable program, you can visit CyclingWithoutAge.org. Here are some notable facts about Cycling Without Age: It was first invented in 2012 in Copenhagen. The organization boasts active chapters in 39 countries. They have an impressive fleet of 4,900 Trishaws. Over 39,000 cycle pilots have received training. They have provided more than 3 million rides and have served over 650,000 people. The oldest pilot, Jørgen Hass from Denmark, is 90 years old, and the oldest passenger, Pauline Angleman from California, is an impressive 110 years old.

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$25 per ticket • Drawing December 31, 2023 • 12:00 PM CST

All proceeds to go to Camp Courageous. Ticket sales end on Dec. 30, 2023 at 12 PM CST.

A huge thank you to Eloise Dennis, hailing from the picturesque Lewis Bottoms region of Linn County, for her generous donation of a mint condition 2013 Fiat 500 Abarth, with less than 3,000 miles on the odometer when donated! Eloise shared that her late husband, Dr. Robert Dennis, was inspired to acquire this car after seeing Jay Leno with one. This Fiat 500 Abarth is a super cool and sporty vehicle that promises a lot of fun behind the wheel.

Eloise’s thoughtful gesture in considering Camp is greatly appreciated. Bob and Eloise’s enduring love story, spanning an incredible 64 years, speaks to their remarkable bond as a couple.

• 2013 Fiat 500 Abarth model
• Mint condition inside and out
• 1.4-liter turbocharged I4
• VERY LOW MILES!!
• 5-Speed manual transmission
• Front wheel drive

More at campcourageous.org/fiat500

Fiat raffle drawing will be held at the Camp's Durgin Pavilion. **Need not be present to win.** Raffle ticket sales will end on December 30, 2023 at 12:00 PM CST. Drawing on December 31, 2023 at 12:00 PM CST will be streamed live and winner’s name will be announced. Link to live video stream available on day of drawing on raffle web page. All proceeds from Eloise’s donated Fiat go to Camp Courageous.

If you would like the Fiat at a car show or event, please contact Camp at cbecker@campcourageous.org or call 319-465-5916, ext. 2100.
Camp hosts Manchester Garage Sale Volunteer Appreciation event

Camp Courageous hosted a special reception to honor the incredible volunteers who contribute to the success of the Manchester Garage Sale (MGS), Camp’s largest fundraiser. The MGS is situated at 1121 E Main St in Manchester, IA, in a building generously donated by the Loren and Connie Norby Family. This benefit sale operates Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Wednesdays from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM, and Saturdays from 9:00 AM to Noon. These dedicated volunteers engage in tasks such as item sorting, shelf stocking, and cashier duties. Their invaluable efforts are instrumental in ensuring the sale’s smooth operation and continued success.

The Manchester Garage Sale serves as a benefit for Camp Courageous, offering new to lightly used items at significantly reduced prices. The range of items includes clothing, coats, boots, shoes in both adult and youth sizes, housewares, jewelry, purses, bedding, decorations, books, toys, videos, audio CDs, wall hangings, furniture, and more. The sale features hundreds of square feet of items available at bargain prices. Payment is accepted in both cash and credit cards (with a $10 minimum purchase for credit card transactions).

The Garage Sale had its beginnings in the garage of former board member and parent of a camper, Alfred Egger of Manchester, IA. It started in 1980 and, following Alfred’s passing, relocated from one available space to another within Manchester, all provided at no cost. Initially led by Alfred’s assistant volunteer, Jackie Snyder, the MGS transitioned to a committee-led operation after Jackie’s health no longer permitted her to lead.

Camp Courageous owes a significant part of its success to these dedicated volunteers. Pictured at the far right is Tobi Luetkemeier, Camp’s Volunteer Director. Tobi originally volunteered at Camp Courageous from Germany many years ago and now heads up the camp’s Volunteer Program. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering at the Garage Sale, Camp Courageous, or any fundraising events, please reach out to Tobi Luetkemeier at 319-465-5916 Ext. 2340 or volunteer@campcourageous.org. Go to campcourageous.org/manchester-garage-sale for more details.

Thank you to Director Leonard Ernst of the American Legion of Iowa Foundation for delivering a check to Camp to help pay for the new accessible Bud and Georgia Johnson Miniature Golf Course. This 18-hole course is totally accessible for those using power chairs, walkers, and other special equipment… one-of-a-kind. Church Williams introduced Camp Courageous to the American Legion of Iowa Foundation over three decades ago. Since then, they have been loyal supporters of camp each year. Great group, that touches the lives of many veterans, families, friends, and communities. We thank each of them for their wonderful service to our country!

A big thank you to Andy Mauer, VP of Marketing for Goodwill Industries of Northeast Iowa and all the wonderful Goodwill Staff for presenting a check to (L) Camp Board Member Greg Greco from Waterloo. All stores in Northeast Iowa participated in the “Round Up” campaign for Camp Courageous, which was a HUGE success! We cannot thank Goodwill Industries of Northeast Iowa enough for having this wonderful event for Camp! Many folks from Goodwill come to Camp Courageous and go on Camp trips. Super group!

A big thank you to Betty Artus (97) of Dubuque for her collection of a box of can tabs, along with puzzles for Camp! She has been a year-round collection site for Camp for decades. She has enlisted the help of many friends, family, her church, hospital, and other groups in her collecting. Betty, like many her age, have spent their entire lives helping others. Maybe the secret to longevity is helping others?

Former board member Bob Thoeni would have celebrated his 95th birthday this year. Members of the Thoeni family traveled from as far away as Texas, Georgia, and Iowa to visit Camp Courageous on this milestone birthday. Their visit allowed them to witness firsthand what was so near and dear to their parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents. What an exceptional family! Bob and Margaret would undoubtedly be overjoyed. They shared a marriage that spanned over 60 years and were deeply involved with Camp from its early days, later serving on the board for decades. Bob, one of the longest-serving board members, passed away in 2015, but Margaret continued her unwavering support for the camp without missing a beat. Dr. Earl DeShaw invited Bob to join the Camp Board in 1983, and alongside Bob, came the hardworking and dedicated Margaret. They made a remarkable team. Operating Bob’s Feed & Service, they sold pineapples, fruitcakes, and whatever Camp was promoting at the time. I have a picture of Bob and Margaret planting flowers at Camp Courageous that hangs on the wall in my office as a constant reminder of what an incredible couple they were and how dearly we miss them both. Sadly, Margaret passed away in January of this year. Our heartfelt thanks go to Bob and Margaret’s daughters, Janine Wahl (Eric) of Monticello, IA, and Janda Canalis (Lorenzo) of Wimberley, TX, along with the entire family, for making this day so special.

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Camp Courageous’ renowned fruitcakes are now available for shipping, just in time for that special holiday treat! Even those who typically avoid fruitcakes find themselves loving these.

Camp Courageous fruitcakes are generously filled with candied cherries, diced pineapple, English walnuts, Brazil nuts, pecans, golden raisins, sweetened coconut, and just the right amount of cake batter to hold everything together. These one-pound cakes contain no alcohol or citron and are promptly frozen the day after baking to ensure freshness.

For the best experience, store, cut, and serve these fruitcakes directly from the freezer. They are packed so full of fruit and nuts that they tend to crumble if sliced at room temperature. It’s important to note that all proceeds from the sales go towards supporting individuals with disabilities at Camp. Your purchase makes a meaningful difference!

Use the form below to mail-in your order for fruitcakes. You can also buy fruitcakes online by scanning the QR code to jump to the Fruitcakes web page. You can also go to: https://campcourageous.org/fruitcakes

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Camp Courageous

2023 CAMP COURAGEOUS FRUITCAKE SALE LOCATIONS
Available starting EARLY NOVEMBER at these locations - call or get updates on camp website.

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If you or your organization would like to help sell Camp Courageous fruitcakes contact Tim Raine at tim@campcourageous.org or call 319-465-5916, ext. 2180.

Order Your Camp Courageous Fruitcakes • 2023

Your Name: __________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________
City, St, Zip: ________________________________________
Phone: ______________________________________________
Make checks payable to: Camp Courageous
Mail this form to: Tim Raine
Camp Courageous
PO Box 418
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Would you like to have a cake shipped directly to a friend or family member? Please include a list of names and addresses if you wish to have your order mailed to different locations. (Shipping starts at $7 for each unique address.)

To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often.
A heartfelt thank you goes out to Larry Richtsmeier, former Sheriff of Franklin County from Latimer, IA. Larry and his wife, Charlene, both retirees, for delivering a pickup truck full with donations for camp. They dedicate a significant amount of their time crafting wooden toys for the Lions Visually Impaired week at Camp, a cherished tradition initiated by Larry's father, Dutch, many years ago. Following Dutch's passing, Larry admirably carried on this tradition. Moreover, Larry crafted bowling trophies for the campers. Camp extends its appreciation to the Richtsmeiers for their enduring friendship and support over the years.

American Legion Marion Post #298 Presents Flags

It was a great honor to have the Marion Post #298, the largest American Legion Post in Iowa, present brand-new flags for the Mainliner Memorial Park Area at the Camp. Each existing flag was respectfully lowered, and the new flags were raised with precision. The ceremony was deeply patriotic and heartwarming. This Post, both as individuals and as an organization, has been actively involved with Camp for many decades. They are committed to the ongoing maintenance of the flags and are also looking forward to the possibility of visiting the Camp in the future to engage in a friendly ball game with the campers (see below).

Camp expresses its heartfelt gratitude for their service to our country and their continuous dedication to improving the lives of others. Special thanks to Commander Robert Demastus, 1st Vice Jason Achenbach, and 2nd Vice Michael Cleveland.

A big thank you goes out to Dave Bell, owner, and Molly Monahan, Custom Imprint Sales Manager, of SpecCast Collectibles in Dyersville, IA, for their generous donation of over 100 1:24 scale 2017 Ford F-150 Raptors. Every year, SpecCast donates a unique vehicle to be used for the FUEL Iowa Golf Benefit for Camp. These collector's items have consistently been a huge success at the FUEL Iowa Conventions and, for many years now, at their Golf Benefit, which is becoming one of the top fundraisers for the camp. Camp cannot express enough gratitude to Dave for providing these remarkable treasures year after year. Dave's generosity truly knows no bounds. In the background, you can see a special award Dave received from FUEL Iowa a few years ago, recognizing his outstanding support. This year's FUEL Iowa Golf Benefit took place at Finkbine Golf Course in Iowa City and witnessed an exceptional turnout. Special thanks go to the FUEL Iowa staff, sponsors, and players for their continued support and participation.

Bi-State VW's 28th Annual Show & Shine Picnic was held at Empire Park in Hampton, IL to benefit Camp Courageous. Everything Volkswagen was on display. Nice crowd on a hot summer day! Thank you to the Bi-State VW Club for thinking of Camp Courageous the year-round. Absolutely super group of good and caring people who have Camp Courageous in their hearts! Camp is humbled.

Pictured are members of the Marion American Legion with campers and staff. The group returned to visit Camp Courageous to play a game of kickball on the Camp's Multipurpose Field.

Thank you to Pipestone Veterinary Services for their generous donation to Camp. We appreciate their ongoing support of the work being done at Camp Courageous.

Camp would like to express another big thank you to Lynn Burrell of Frontier Garden Center in Cedar Rapids for his incredible generosity and thoughtfulness. We deeply appreciate their beautiful donations and for going the extra mile by loading the trailer even in the rain. Lynn’s kindness means the world to Camp!
Camp Courageous is run on donations, without government assistance, formal sponsorship, or paid fund raisers. Everything given to camp, whether it be food, time, materials, or financial support, goes directly to benefit the individuals with disabilities who are served each year. Listed below are those who have contributed money, time, and/or supplies from June 20, 2023 to September 18, 2023.

Seasonal and Year-Round Camp Volunteer and Employment Opportunities
Volunteer and paid positions at Camp Courageous are available for weekends, seasons, and year-round. Working with children and adults with disabilities is a very rewarding job, however it does come with some challenges. Campers may need help with personal care including feeding, dressing, and personal hygiene. Some campers exhibit behavioral challenges.

Patience, energy, good judgement, and enthusiasm are important qualifications for a position at Camp Courageous. The hours are long. An unselfish attitude and an emphasis on teamwork is needed. If you, or someone you know, have these necessary attributes consider applying. Room and board are provided. Non-smokers only.

Apply at campcourageous.org or scan the QR code below. Contact program@campcourageous.org for questions involving program positions and volunteer opportunities. Details for all positions available can be found online.
Camp is hiring for Respite Weekends

Camp Courageous is providing barrier-free opportunities to children and adults with disabilities. Campers of all ages and abilities attend throughout the year. Campers who attend have the opportunity to try a wide variety of activities including arts and crafts, laser tag, high and low ropes courses, Zipline, canoeing, bowling, swimming, miniature golf, and more.

Camp Courageous strives to accommodate all campers regardless of their ability and to adapt activities to anyone who chooses to participate. If one is looking for a meaningful job or would like to gain experience working with a diverse camper population, this is the place. At Camp Courageous, you will join staff from around the world, brought together by a common commitment to serve those with disabilities. For anyone seeking a career in Special Education, Therapy, Human Services, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Pathology, Recreational Therapy, Social Work, or any other Helping Profession, Camp Courageous is an excellent career stepping-stone to gain experience and build a resume. Here are some benefits of working Respite Weekends:

Work and play with some amazing individuals

Flexible schedule: Respite weekends are typically the 1st and 3rd weekends of each month.

On site training: CPR, First Aid, Life Guarding

Room and Board provided while working with campers

To apply please visit:
campcourageous.org/respite-care-counselor-application/

John and Nancy Ferry - In honor of Marvin Abramson's 99th Birthday
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Doreen Feldman
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Betty Hageman
Sharon Hennesen
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Steve and Julie Davis
Ron and Kate Ehli - In honor of Happy Birthday to Steve Davis
Larry and Kathy Lamont
Chuck and Becky Melchert
Diane Recker
Frank and Cheryl Ries - In memory of Richard Harris

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Scott and Diane Stepahny - In memory of Deena DeLeon

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Richard Behrens - In memory of Bradley Hawkins and Ronald Bud Conrad
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Deb and Gene Ehlers - In memory of Margaret Hogran and Mike Donnelly
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Wesley Mayer - In memory of Kelsey McVey
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K descriptor text
Hi, my name is Brady Werger. I am 31 years old. I am from Waverly, Iowa. I was able to attend and be apart of the Camp Courageous Travel Program where I was able to travel to South Dakota.

While I was in South Dakota, I was able to learn the skills on how to live out in the wilderness. Skills such as pitching a tent, cooking, and learning about the outdoors. While I was in South Dakota, we camped the first night at a KOA campground. When we got there, our group had to deal with some nasty weather with heavy winds, rain, and lightning. The heavy winds made it difficult to put up our tents, but we all had the teamwork to work together to get the job done and that’s what it was all about is working together as a team and getting along with each other. The bad part about the rain, the first night was that it started getting into my tent but we dealt with that problem and the trip went on.

Our second night we camped in the Badlands National Park with a great view of the badlands. Our third campsite was also in the Badlands, but more in the middle of nowhere. We had prairie dogs all around us with some buffalo about 50 feet from our tent. Wow, how cool but scary. Don’t want to mess with them, LOL.

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Adjust your text as needed.
To schedule a program about Camp Courageous for your organization's next meeting call Camp at 319-465-5916. You can also schedule a tour of Camp Courageous.
Thank you to Craig Neises for inviting Camp Courageous to give a program to the Burlington Kiwanis Club. Craig was a former Editor of the Monticello Express and has been a friend of the Camp for decades. This 100 year-old Club has been very supportive of the Camp over the years, sending many campers to Camp Courageous. Super nice group who have a lot of fun in the service to others.

You are genuinely happy if you don’t know why.
RENTAL OPPORTUNITIES

Camp serve thousands of campers annually. Retreats, and more. All rental proceeds go towards helping the Sill Barn, indoor pool, Pictured Rocks Addition for other Camp Courageous facilities available for rent include parking across 190th Street.

Durgin Pavilion is located on beautiful Lake Todd. Two accessible levels. Upper Level accommodates 250 people. Lower Level features arcade games. Lower Level Patio accommodates 300 for outdoor seating. Large parking area and additional parking across 190th Street.

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Need catering for an event at camp? Camp Courageous recommends these sponsors...

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For more information, visit www.campcourageous.org/rental or contact rental@campcourageous.org or 319-465-5916 ext. 2140.
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A charitable gift annuity is basically a "gift that pays you income for life." Now is a great time to look at this particular type of annuity in your will because current return rates are very good. If you get returns above the guaranteed rate then you can gift that amount to Camp Courageous!

When you fund a Charitable Gift Annuity you get a FIXED payment for life no matter what happens to the economy. You get an income tax deduction this year for part of the funding amount. You receive possible capital gains benefits when you fund one by transferring stock. You can receive payments for one or two lives, but with similar rates, and you can be comfortable knowing every gift annuity benefits Camp's mission of serving individuals of all ages with disabilities.

Contact your financial advisor to learn about funding a Charitable Gift Annuity!
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It's how you deal with failure that determines how you achieve success.
Camp was saddened when learning of the passing of Bob Goodyear, 85, a beloved figure in Monticello, IA. Bob was a true cornerstone of the Monticello community, leaving an indelible mark on its history. From a very young age, Bob displayed an interest in newspapers, eventually rising to the position of publisher of the Monticello Express. During his junior year of high school, Bob began his journey in the world of newspapers by taking on the role of sweeping floors and washing windows at the local newspaper, the Monticello Express. It was there that he gained a solid foundation in the newspaper industry, and continued working for the paper after completing high school. In 1974, he purchased the Express, a newspaper he published for decades. His dedication and expertise earned him recognition, including the title of Master Editor Publisher from the Iowa Newspaper Association in 2000.

In a time when many newspapers faced challenges or were absorbed by larger publications, Bob stood steadfast, ensuring the Express remained a vital part of Monticello. His commitment benefited both the community of Monticello and organizations like Camp Courageous.

Bob was unwaveringly devoted to the community of Monticello. He believed that what was good for Monticello was good for him. Throughout his tenure, Bob supported education and never hesitated to promote anything that would benefit Monticello, even if it meant potentially sacrificing revenue.

Bob was one of those individuals who appeared and acted much younger than his years. He was also very competitive. Many remember him participating in 30+ basketball games, playing with an enthusiasm that defied his age, often being decades older than his teammates.

Bob's calm, comforting, and caring personality was truly remarkable. He was always ready to lend a helping hand to anyone in need, and he rarely missed a community event, including those associated with Camp Courageous. Camp Courageous had a special place in Bob's heart, with one of his early editors, Betty Wagner, becoming one of Camp's first board members. The Monticello Express printed the Camp's Courier newsletter for decades. To reduce costs, Bob allowed Camp staff and volunteers to assemble the Courier for 24 consecutive hours over a couple of days.

Bob is survived by his wonderful family, including his wife of 62 years, Janice, and his children Denise Hays (the late Dennis Hays) of Urbandale, Darcey (Mark) Spenos of Monticello, and Dan (Pam) Goodyear of Monticello. Bob Goodyear was a true pillar of Monticello and Camp Courageous. His passing leaves a significant void in the lives of many, but he leaves behind a beautiful legacy characterized by integrity and unwavering dedication.

Camp Courageous mourns the passing of Charlie Kelchen, 74 of Monticello, IA, who was a true local hero. Charlie's remarkable life included his service as a Vietnam War veteran, where he not only demonstrated incredible bravery but also endured combat wounds that resulted in the loss of his legs. He earned the prestigious Purple Heart, Bronze Star, and Air Mission Medal, earning the admiration of all who knew him. Charlie was a regular presence at Camp events, with a special fondness for Cruisin' for Camp Courageous. His personal connection with Charlie Kelchen goes back to the 1980s when I served on the Monticello City Council. During that time, the federal government provided funds to communities in exchange for compliance with certain federal mandates. In 1990, the Americans with Disabilities Act was signed into law, requiring Monticello to ensure accessibility in all public buildings. Armed with data but seeking a practical perspective, I reached out to Charlie Kelchen to see if he would be willing to join an assessment team to evaluate the facility for true accessibility and what it would take to achieve it. Consequently, like many communities during that era, Monticello embarked on significant projects. Charlie Kelchen was a softly spoken, incredibly kind person—a quiet trailblazer whose influence has endured through the years. Now, 40 years later, with a grandson who relies on a power wheelchair, I extend my personal gratitude to Charlie Kelchen for paving the way for my grandson and future generations. Camp Courageous extends its deepest condolences to Charlie's wife of 50 years, Vicki, daughter Jamie, and all his family and friends. Charlie's legacy will continue to thrive in the lives of the countless individuals he inspired.

Camp Courageous is deeply saddened by the recent loss of Virginia Stutsman of Iowa City. Virginia, together with her husband Ron and sons Scott and Mark, has been a steadfast supporter of Camp for many years. Virginia was a person of the utmost integrity and commanded respect from all who had the privilege of knowing her. Her exceptional qualities made her an ideal ambassador for Camp Courageous. Virginia possessed the ability to introduce numerous organizations to Camp throughout the years. She connected with groups such as the Sharon Center United Methodist Church, Eastern Star, PEO, 4-H, Master Gardeners, and several others. Virginia demonstrated a sweet sincerity of purpose, integrity, and an extensive knowledge spanning various subjects. Among her many contributions to Camp, Virginia recommended both Camp and the ISU Master Gardener Program for her memorials. Camp's heartfelt sympathy extends to Virginia's family and friends.

Contributions to Camp Courageous can be made as a tribute in memory of friends or relatives, in honor of someone or their milestone, or to celebrate a special occasion. Use the envelope attached to this newsletter or the form on page 31 to make your tribute contribution to Camp Courageous. You can also go to campcourageous.org/donate.
Camp mourns the loss of Jared Hills, 86, from Cedar Rapids. Jared began his career at Divine Engineering straight out of college, where he eventually assumed ownership in 1973. He continued working tirelessly until his passing, amassing an impressive 63+ years of dedicated service. To learn more about Divine Engineering, you can visit the Cedar Rapids History Center, where they have captivating exhibits showcasing the company’s history. Jared’s unwavering commitment extended not only to the business, but also to its staff. Notably, when Divine Engineering lost a valued employee, Judy A. Taylor, the company generously contributed half of the funds to construct a Camp Courageous Respite/Volunteer Home in her memory. The entrance is graced by two giraffes, a cherished favorite of Judy’s. Jared and his wife, Carol, who shared nearly 64 years of marriage, were regular attendees at Camp Courageous breakfasts, open houses, and various events. I vividly recall a breakfast where, amazed, Jared approached me, remarking on the thrilling nature of Camp’s Burma Bridge, a high adventure course tucked away in the camp’s woods. Due to safety concerns, participants typically rely on safety straps and ropes, but Jared’s response was a testament to his fearless spirit: “Oh no, I did it!” Jared remains the sole individual I know of who attempted this activity without the safety harness, suspended about 30 feet above a ravine. Despite his demanding schedule, Jared consistently made time during the holidays to entertain campers with his musical talents as a member of the New Horizons Band. The campers adored Jared and the joy he brought them through his music during that special time of the year. Jared’s absence will be deeply felt at the numerous events across Eastern Iowa where he was a friend to countless individuals. Camp extends its heartfelt sympathy to Carol, their son Paul, daughter Kari, family members, and friends during this difficult time.

Camp Courageous is deeply saddened by the passing of Cary J. Hahn, 75, from Cedar Rapids. Cary J. Hahn arrived in Cedar Rapids in 1983, and that’s when the Iowa Traveler was born. Over two decades, Cary shared over 5,000 stories as the Iowa Traveler. He found his niche in Eastern Iowa, where he became a household name by recounting heartwarming tales of its people and places. Cary possessed a unique talent for uncovering hidden gems in Eastern Iowa, such as Camp Courageous and the countless individuals whose lives Cary touched in his own unique and caring way. Cary genuinely knew and cared about those affected by Muscular Dystrophy and was dedicated to making a positive impact on their lives, which he undoubtedly achieved.

Following his tenure at Broadcast Park, Cary returned to his radio roots, hosting “Big Band Memories” on Sunday afternoons at 88.3 KCCK, Kirkwood’s Jazz station. Later, he took on the role of News Director for 93.1 FM and 1450 KMRY Radio in Cedar Rapids. It was an honor for Camp Courageous to be part of Cary’s journey. Cary’s wife, Jean, was the shining light in his life, as he eloquently expressed during his night at the History Center. Camp Courageous extends its deepest condolences to Jean, the family, and the countless individuals whose lives Cary touched in his own unique and caring way. Cary’s absence will be felt at the numerous events across Eastern Iowa where he was a friend to countless individuals. Camp extends its heartfelt sympathy to Carol, their son Paul, daughter Kari, family members, and friends during this difficult time.

Camp Courageous recently learned about the passing of Jack Hardin. Jack was an individual whose enthusiasm knew no bounds, working passionately on everything he undertook. For many years, his heart was dedicated to the cause of Camp Courageous. He actively participated in events such as Crisun’ for Camp, engaged his newly established Metro North Rotary Club in supporting the camp, and rallied his workplace, In Tolerance, to contribute to Camp’s mission. His involvement extended to numerous organizations and individuals who were fortunate to know him. Later, Jack’s compassion led him to Africa, where he recognized the urgent need for well drilling and clean water. His commitment to this cause and those that followed showcased his exceptional leadership and integrity. Jack was a leader who led by example and inspiring others. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Jack’s wife, Julienne, his family, and friends during this difficult time. We also express our gratitude to Jack for his service to our country, both in uniform and beyond. Jack leaves behind an enduring legacy of selflessly assisting those in need.

The name Roman Welter leaves an unforgettable legacy in our community. Over his remarkable 95-year journey, Roman touched the lives of thousands of people. His upbringing on a farm with his two brothers and three sisters instilled in him a strong work ethic and integrity from a young age. He demonstrated these qualities in both his professional endeavors or in his tireless efforts to assist those in need. Roman served our country in the Army during the Korean War. Following his military service, he assumed management of the Hopkinton Creamery and embarked on a successful career in agricultural co-op management, ending in his retirement from Swiss Valley Ag Services. As a retiree, Roman consistently dedicated his time and energy to benefit others. On his Monticello farm, he planted thousands of hardwood trees, generously bequeathing the land to the Monticello Community School Foundation. Roman and Rosemary’s connection with Camp Courageous dates back to its earliest years. They rarely missed a Camp Courageous event, from Open Houses and Breakfasts to the Pineapple Gala. Roman’s contributions ranged from baking fruitcakes with Leigh Clark to husking corn, planting gardens, cooking omelets, and providing fresh Christmas trees for the camp, among other activities. Behind the scenes, there existed a tender side of Roman that few had the privilege to witness. His neighbor, Ethel Craig, who lived with cerebral palsy and spent most of her life in a wheelchair and later in a nursing home, received dedicated care and companionship from Roman and Rosemary. She became a part of their family. Roman’s acts of kindness were genuine, even when no one was watching. Above all, there was Roman’s devoted family life. Alongside his wife of 67 years, Rosemary, they raised seven wonderful, successful children who devoted their lives to giving back to others. Notably, Marty embarked on a cross-country bicycle journey to raise funds and awareness for Camp Courageous, a source of pride for Roman and Rosemary.

Camp’s deepest sympathy extends to Roman’s sister, Bonnie Sonsken, and his seven children: Michael, Maureen, Marcia, Melinda, Mary, Marty, and Melissa. Roman wished to be remembered by a simple yet profound quote: “There are two kinds of people, those who take more than they give and those who give more than they take. When I leave this earth, I hope people will say the latter about me.” There is no doubt in anyone’s mind that Roman exemplified the spirit of giving more than he ever received.

In accordance with Roman’s wishes, alongside other charitable causes, contributions in his memory can be made to Camp Courageous.

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**If you are a federal employee, don’t forget Camp Courageous during this year’s...**

**COMBINED FEDERAL camp courageous PAYMENT**

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There’s no better exercise for strengthening the heart than reaching down and lifting people up.
Camp Courageous mourns the recent passing of Louise Van Ersveld. Louise and her husband, Roger, from Brooklyn, IA, shared a loving marriage of 55 years and devoted 35 years of their lives to active involvement with the camp. Louise’s dedication was remarkable, and she generously volunteered her time, making her the go-to person for anyone needing assistance with projects, especially those related to 4-H and agriculture. Their affiliation with the Brooklyn Rustic Club further deepened their connection to the camp, as they regularly organized fundraisers to support Camp and gathered needed supplies for its benefit. Louise’s charitable legacy continues a tradition within the Van Ersveld Family, following in the footsteps of her mother-in-law and other family members who directed their memorials to Camp Courageous and various other charitable causes.

Camp extends its heartfelt sympathy to Roger and to the countless individuals whose lives were profoundly touched by Louise’s unwavering dedication and kindness.

Camp Courageous is saddened by the passing of Rich Harris, aged 86, from Hopkinton. During the camp’s early years, Rich played a pivotal role, especially in the electrical work at the facility. Whenever Rich, known for his company, Harris Electric, took on a project, it was professionally completed. Rich also had a remarkable talent for passing on his electrical expertise to others. I have fond memories of Rich taking Bruce Duit under his wing right here at Camp around 1980, imparting his knowledge of the trade. The name Rich Harris was synonymous with hard work, honesty, and integrity. Over the years, Rich and Kay Harris were frequent visitors to Camp, always a delightful presence. Camp extends its deepest sympathy to Kay, the family, and friends.

Camp Courageous is saddened by the recent passing of Peggy Arduser 72, of Monticello. One could not find a nicer person. Always happy, positive, and uplifting. For decades she ran the Century House in Monticello, which provided flowers and special, meaningful gifts to shoppers. Peggy always did the extra to make sure every arrangement and gift had her loving touch to it. For decades, Peg was one of the Monticello Chamber Greeters at Camp Courageous and Open Houses and Breakfasts. Her smile and welcoming personality made her a natural. Peggy took a particular interest in the recent years in the new ballpark at Camp and the new Miniature Golf Course, where there will soon be signage acknowledging the Ron and Peggy Arduser Family gift to that area. Ron died six-years ago of Lou Gehrig’s disease/ALS. He was an exceptional carpenter! As a couple, Ron and Peggy were among the best of the best. They wore their hearts on their sleeves and would do anything to help someone in need. The community has lost two dear friends. Camp’s sympathy goes out to Ron and Peggy’s children, Brett and Angie, along with other family and friends. How fortunate they were to have such wonderful parents.
Riding a bike is possible for many campers through adaptive bikes at Camp Courageous. All activities can be adjusted so that campers can experience success.

Camp was “lucky” to be a part of a fun evening of bingo at Lucky’s on 16th in the Czech Village in Cedar Rapids. The restaurant was full of kids and adults playing along as a representative of Camp Courageous called out the numbers. In addition, Lucky’s donated 10% of all food served on that day. Shown are some of the winners of the last game of the evening—blackout Bingo. Thanks to assistant manager Chloe and servers Erin, and Jordyn for helping to make it a great evening and to Lucky’s on 16th for their support of Camp Courageous.

Congratulations to (L) Liz Durham for being the Cedar Rapids West Rotarian of the Year! A well-deserved award. Presenting the award is immediate Past-President Janette Frieberg Fiedler. Liz has given Camp the opportunity to visit Rotary West on several occasion, including a recent program that included a little sample of a camper’s thrill doing the Zipline. Liz always goes above and beyond with special cookies, smores, and so much more. In the audience was Peter Teahen who just completed his flight around the world in a small plane to bring awareness and rid the world of Polio.

Thank you to Betty McLenanath and the Victor United Methodist Women for inviting Camp Courageous to their church to provide a program to area churches. Pictured is Betty addressing the group at the front. She contacted board member Jim Foels and his wife, Elsie (front left), to help make it happen. There was a huge turnout of members of churches from the area. The group as a whole and a lot of individuals made monetary donations as well as donations of needed supplies. Many attending had been supporting Camp for decades!

Camp Courageous Board Member and Lions Club Member Merlin Hulse (100-years-old as of September 21, 2023) brought two guests to Camp as part of the Lions Youth Camps and Exchange (YCE) program. This is an international program designed for young people between the ages of 15 and 22 to create and foster a spirit of understanding among peoples of the world. By providing an avenue for global fellowship, the YCE program aims to help youth initiate, grow and maintain international relationships promoting cultural education and international peace. Merlin’s guests are (L-R) Pablo Canals of Spain, Merlin Hulse, and Francisco Caillot of Brazil. Nice individuals and programs!

Dr. Jeannie Collins, DDS and the team at Noelridge Dental in Cedar Rapids professionally whitened teeth at a discounted fee with 100% of the proceeds split between Camp Courageous and the Smiles For Life Foundation. The foundation provides free dental services for seriously ill and underprivileged children. This program has touched the lives of many in need for years and raised thousands of dollars for Camp. We can not thank Dr. Collins, the team, and all their wonderful patients enough for making this program a huge success. Presenting the check (L-R) are Chelsy Hayslett, Dr. Jeannie Collins, Mikayla Burhite, Robin Savage, and Stacey Clinton.
Camp Courageous received a check from the Mechanicsville Lions Club with mixed emotions. After 77 years, approximately half of which were dedicated to supporting Camp Courageous, the Club has made the difficult decision to disband due to a lack of participation, with many exceptional members passing away or currently residing in nursing homes. Mike and his wife, Linda Gesling, had the honor of presenting the final check. Mike and Linda became members of the Mechanicsville Lions Club in 1989, following a life-altering RV explosion that left Mike severely burned and hospitalized at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, for seven weeks. During that challenging time, the Mechanicsville and Stanwood Lions organized a fish fry to support Mike. This outpouring of love and support made joining such a compassionate and caring organization an easy decision for them. In addition to their financial contributions over the decades, the Mechanicsville Lions have volunteered at several of Camp’s breakfasts and other events. While we will miss this incredible group, we eagerly anticipate encountering them in other clubs and as individual volunteers, as they continue to support Camp Courageous in different capacities.

Notably, a significant portion of their clients are also Camp Courageous campers. This encounter allowed for a deeper understanding of both organizations. The mission of Systems Unlimited is to partner with individuals with disabilities and mental health needs, facilitating their personal independence, dignity, and growth. They set a high standard for services aimed at removing barriers to independence and motivating the individuals they serve to achieve personal success. Their core values revolve around the belief that everyone is important, they act with integrity, support the right to make choices, value constant learning, and embrace diversity. They are truly an exceptional organization.

Recently, Systems Unlimited’s Board of Directors announced the appointment of Mona Kenyon as CEO. Mona has been with the agency since 2001 when she started as a Supported Living Supervisor. She transitioned to the HR Department in 2002, eventually becoming HR Director in 2008. In 2018, Kenyon took on an executive role and was named Chief Human Resources Officer in 2020. When asked about her favorite aspect of working at the agency, Mona expressed, “I love our passion for providing excellent services. From our Maintenance Department to our Direct Support Professionals, all of us genuinely want only the best for those we serve.” It was particularly meaningful to have Mona as part of the visiting team.
Thank you to Camp Volunteer and Project Coordinator Jeff Pitlik for inviting Mark Winn with the Department of Natural Resources to visit Lake Todd at Camp Courageous. Mark is an Iowa DNR Fisheries Management Biologist. He was wonderful, giving Camp great insight into the condition of Lake Todd.

Mark provided Camp a good resource booklet called “Managing Iowa Fisheries-Aquatic Plant Management,” which was circulated to the staff and board.

Mark’s opening comment was, “Wow… this looks really good for the first week in July. Awesome!!” One of the reasons Mark sees the pond as excellent is because it contains no invasive species. He could only find good native plants. Iowa ponds should be 20-25% native vegetation covered. Camp mainly has ‘Deer Tongue’ (leaf like) and Sago (stringier). There was very little algae present. Generally, Lake Todd should clear up by early fall as things die off and look great by mid-fall. Lake Todd’s clarity this summer, compared to others, is great.

Special thanks to Craig Lampe, dozens of volunteers, and others, who have been working away on the pond to keep it looking nice for campers to fish, canoe, and paddle boat. Camp also did some raking of the pond, particularly keeping the channel clear that the swimmers used for the Triathlon in August.

Thank you to Mark, Jeff, and the entire DNR! The DNR has been dear friends of Camp Courageous since the Camp’s beginning. Camp traded its original 40 acres of land with the Iowa Conservation (DNR) when getting started back in 1972 (the original 40 acres was land locked, with no access). The DNR has been a wonderful partner as Camp Courageous has grown, helping with everything from water quality, tree management, giving programs to the campers, and more. We’re grateful for all they do for Camp and the State.

Lake Todd looking clear with fishing docks and canopies on the far side for campers to fish from.

A special thank you to Nancy Slack from the Altoona Lions Club for giving Camp Courageous the opportunity to present a program. This 75+ year-old Lions Club has been extremely active in their community with a beautiful Lions Park and so much more. Camp is grateful for their 20+ years of support.

Thank you to Lorene Hynes and the Iowa Camping Friends for extending an invitation to Camp Courageous to present a program at their RV Rally held at Amana RV Park. This group, formerly the Iowa Good Sams, have been involved with camp for years. It was good to see the Twin Rivers Club, and both old and new friends at their event.

A party without a cake is really just a meeting.
Camp Courageous is grateful to the Family of Corrine Halse, (Ron) of Marion, IA who donated much of Corrine's belongings to Camp upon her passing. Corrine, along with her husband Ron, was a long-time donor and a wonderful supporter of the Camp. Those helping load the items and clean were: Front (L-R) Janet Hillsenbeck, Sheri Lampe, Mary Zimmerman, Stacy Thies, Ashley Burino, and Craig Lampe. Back (L-R) Jerry Hillsenbeck, Jim Zimmerman, Cory Mohr, Russ Yonkovic, Jeff Martens, and Curt Hillsenbeck. Jerry lives in Illinois and Curt lives in Colorado. Both are brothers to Corrine Halse and Jim Hillsenbeck... two exceptional donors to Camp Courageous who both have passed away and left their belongings to Camp upon her passing. What an incredible legacy Corrine and Jim leave at Camp Courageous!

A highlight for many Cascade students (and adults) was their visit to Ed and Darice Recker’s home to see a huge train setup in their basement. Over the past 11 years, Ed Recker has dedicated endless hours to constructing this incredible train setup, complete with lights and accompanying sounds. Recently, he generously donated the entire HO scale model railroad equipment and supplies to Camp Courageous. Ed’s commitment to detail is evident as everything is in impeccable condition, meticulously packaged, and properly labeled. Ed and Darice Recker, along with Steve and Jan Supple, have been the closest of friends for decades. Together, they selflessly dedicated countless hours to support Camp Courageous, always willing to help at any time of the day or night. Both Steve and Ed served as board members for many years.

The additional picture included here features Ed, Charlie, and Steve working alongside Rural Electric Cooperatives from across Iowa to install approximately a mile of lighted sidewalk, connecting various activities at the base camp. Due to space constraints, power buggies were impractical, so everything had to be transported via wheelbarrows. This unconventional approach made for a memorable experience.

With Steve’s recent passing in May, we are all reflecting on our possessions and wondering whether it’s time to let go of some of our treasures so that others can enjoy and benefit from them. Much of Steve and Jan Supple’s household items were generously donated to Camp Courageous for camp use and the Manchester Garage Sale, as Jan downsized and moved to a smaller residence. Time marches on, but it’s remarkable how some of the most challenging moments, like those days of transporting concrete in wheelbarrows, have become cherished memories of the time we spent together.

A special thank you to (L-R) Ava Becker and Elena Kapparos for volunteering their Saturday to Camp Courageous! Ava is the great niece of Charlie Becker and Elena is the sister of camper Garret Kapparos, who has been coming to Camp since 2013. Both Ava and Elena are Seniors at Dubuque Hempstead High School. The two cleared the Bud & Georgia Johnson Miniature Accessible Golf Course of debris, along with the entire new Nature Trail, along with helping organize some Pineapple Gala material. Huge help... much appreciated!

For several years Brooklyn Nash has been supporting camp. Whether that support has come from attending camp’s events like the Pancake Breakfast, donating can tabs, or making a monetary donation, Camp, and the campers served here, are extremely grateful. This young lady is such an example to others, both the young and adults! For the past few years Brooklyn has been given a gift of cash as a Christmas gift. Instead of spending the money on herself, she has decided to help others through donating her gifts to camp! Many thanks to Brooklyn and the example she sets.

Several Masons and members of the Scottish Rite from the Quad Cities, along with Tobi Luetkemeier (seen in the green shirt next to the truck), pitched in to help load donations for the ongoing Camp Courageous Manchester Garage Sale. This dedicated group has been collecting items for the Garage Sale for decades and has also organized numerous fundraisers to support the camp over the years. A special thank you goes to Honorary Board Member Denny Zahrt, pictured on the right, who has consistently led these efforts for over 40 years. We’d also like to extend our gratitude to Dennis Soebbing for sharing the picture, as well as to Steve Miller, Brian Huff, Harris Monte, and Lynn Broughton. What a fantastic team!
John & Dorothy Sill's Legacy Lives on through their Children, their Children's Children, and Their Children...

John and Dorothy Sill were both born and raised in small town Iowa. They were married in 1941 and managed a family farm until 1959. They later moved to Manchester, IA, where John was the manager of the Delaware County Mutual Insurance Association and opened his own insurance agency. They were very active with Camp Courageous, where John was a long-time board member, and both were elected to the Camp Courageous Honorary Board. They were also very active with the Camp Courageous Manchester Garage Sale, during some of its earliest years. John passed away in 1989 and Dorothy in 1999. John & Dorothy had three children, Duane, Allan, and Judy. A legacy John & Dorothy left for thousands to enjoy goes back to their roots on the family farm, which was recognized in 1959 as a Farm of The Year...today the John & Dorothy Sill Barn at Camp Courageous is a huge hit among campers and the public.

Over the years, members of the John & Dorothy Sill Family have returned to Iowa and touring Camp Courageous is on their itinerary, particularly the John & Dorothy Sill Barn. Duane Sill spent two-years (365 days of each year) of his life building this incredible structure, in honor of his parents. Duane and his siblings, Allan, Judy, and their families were also involved. Judy Morton, who lives in Arizona, had son Jeff & his wife Candace visit Camp a few years ago and recently her son, Steve, wife Robin and son Andrew, joined Judy for a tour, along with Judy’s brother Duane and sister-in-law Eunice. A wonderful family!

Endowing Staff Positions at Camp Courageous

You can ensure that Camp Courageous continues to grow through exceptional staff by endowing a position. Position endowment creates employment stability and also reduces operating expenses for the camp. Through endowing a position, you will impact Camp Courageous for generations to come.

Those who have endowed a position will be recognized on the Camp Courageous Foundation display. Additionally, a plaque recognizing the donor will be displayed above each position's office door:

- Executive Director: Endowed by Ronald & Winifred Flemming
- COO/Operations Director: $1,000,000
- CFO/Finances: $1,000,000
- Program Director: $1,000,000
- Nursing Director: $1,000,000
- Facilities Director: $1,000,000
- Program Specialists (15 available): $500,000
- Facilities Staff (2 available): $750,000
- Assistant Director: $750,000
- Respite Director: $750,000
- Volunteer Director: $750,000
- Aquatic Director: $750,000
- Nature Director: $750,000
- Travel Director: $750,000
- Admin. Assistant: $750,000
- Assist. Nursing Director: $750,000
- Assist. Facilities Director: $750,000
- Assist. IT Director: $750,000
- Program Specialists (15 available): $500,000
- Counselor (40 available): $250,000

If you have questions or would like more information regarding position endowment, please contact Charlie at checker@campcourageous.org or 319-465-5916 ext. 2100.
### Needs List
Get latest needed items list at: campcourageous.org/needs-list

### Program
- **Sleeping pads**
- **Kitchen 13g garbage bags**
- **Painters Tape**
- **Campfire grate**
- **Portable speakers (small)**
- **TV Trays**

### Medical Supplies
- **Ice Bags** - Instant
- **Freestanding/Folding Six-Panel Room Divider**
- **Deterze (Zytrec)**
- **Benadryl**
- **Ibuprofen**
- **Colored Air Clay**

### Arts & Crafts
- **Acrylic Paint**
- **Contact Paper**
- **Colored Duct Tape**
- **Large Glue Gun Sticks**

### Outdoor Living
- **2-Person tents**
- **Folding Campfire grates**
- **Ensolisole Sleeping Mats**
- **Waterproof Dry Bag with Shoulder Strap 50-65L**
- **Cooking Knives**

### Volunteer
- **Roller Banners**
- **Paint Brushes**
- **Painter’s Tape**
- **Gardening Work Gloves**
- **Safety Glasses**
- **Safety Vests**
- **Angle Grinder Blades**

### Maintenance
- **Grass Seed**
- **Wasp Spray**
- **Rubbermaid Ranger 35-Gallon Brown 2-Door Trash Can**
- **Furnace Filters (16X20 & 20X25)**
- **Cabot Stain Australian**
- **Timber Oil Jarish Brown**
- **cabinetry Tape 1/2”**
- **batteries - All Sizes**

### Housekeeping
- **Paper Towels**
- **Antibacterial Liquid Soap (1 gal. jugs)**
- **Angee Broom**
- **Brown Single-Fold Paper Towels**
- **Commercial Pivoting Upright Lobby Dustpan**
- **Magic Erasers**
- **Estee Industrial Washer & Dryer**
- **Mop Bucket & Wringer**
- **Combo - 35 Qt (2)**
- **Easy Paks Water Soluble Drop-in Toilet Cleaner**
- **Rug Doctor Spot+PreTreat**
- **Dual Action Cleaner**

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### Dietary
- **Dry Pasta**
- **Dried Beans (lentils, black beans, pinto, kidney)**
- **Gluten Free Pasta**
- **Frozen or Dreadered Vegetables and Fruits**
- **Drink mix (Koolaid/Gatorade)**

### Travel Program
- **Clear Plastic Backpacks**
- **Small Utility Shower Caddy Tote**
- **DVs**
- **Permanent Markers**

### Nature Center
- **Guinea pig food**
- **Toro Whisper BoBag Filter Cartridge**
- **Panakeet food**
- **Rabbit food**
- **Bearded Dragon food**
- **Mineral blocks**

### Pool/Aquatics
- **Big Kahuna Pool Noodles**
- **Life jackets - 3XL**
- **Big Kahuna Pool Noodles**
- **1/2-2” PVC Fittings**
- **35 Qt. Dehumidifiers**
- **Round-Up Concentrate**
- **Paint Brushes**
- **Black Hills Spruce Trees**
- **Pallets of Sod/Black Dirt**
- **Tig Welder**
- **Milwaukee Bit Set**
- **Rubbermaid Carts**

### Office Supplies
- **Paper (White 8.5”x11”)**
- **Stamps: Forever and Extra Ounce**
- **Dymo Label Maker + Cassette**
- **Clear Heavy Duty Packing Tape**
- **Paper (White 8.5”x11”)**
- **Correction Tape**
- **Clear Heavy Duty Packing Tape**
- **Bubble Wrap**
- **Paper (White 8.5”x11”)**
- **Correction Tape**
- **Clear Heavy Duty Packing Tape**

### Nature Trail Project at the Pictured Rocks Addition...
Your gift to Camp Courageous:

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(make checks payable to Camp Courageous)

Your name and address (billing address if using credit card):

NAME(S): ____________________________

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CITY: ____________________________ STATE: ____________________________ ZIP CODE: ____________________________

DAY PHONE #: ____________________________; E-MAIL ADDRESS: ____________________________

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EXPIRATION DATE (MM/YY): ____________________________

SUCH AS # (BACK OF CARD): ____________________________

Donate for:

☐ Camper Registration
☐ Camper Sponsorship
☐ General Fund
☐ Building Fund
☐ Camp Foundation (Perpetual Fund)
☐ Campership Fund
☐ Nature Trail
☐ Pool
☐ Penaluna Tunnel Project
☐ Train Depot Plaque
☐ Multi-Purpose Field
☐ Solar Project
☐ Camp Foundation (Perpetual Fund)
☐ Miniature Golf
☐ Mainliner Memorial Park
☐ Media Sponsorship
☐ Nature Trail
☐ Multi-Purpose Field

This gift is a tribute:

☐ In memory of: ____________________________

☐ In honor of: ____________________________

☐ To celebrate: ____________________________

An acknowledgement card or letter can be sent to individuals or families to tell them about your tribute if you provide name(s) and an address below.

NAME(S): ____________________________

ADDRESS: ____________________________

CITY: ____________________________ STATE: ____________________________ ZIP CODE: ____________________________

Send an acknowledgement about your tribute to:

In general, donations to the camp will be tax deductible to many. However, you will need to contact your tax advisor to determine the deductibility of your contributions.

Your personal information will only be used by Camp Courageous and will never be sold or provided to a third party.
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How can I help?
Camp Courageous continues to operate on donations, without government assistance, formal sponsorship, or paid fund raisers. Therefore, everything that is given to Camp directly benefits the campers. One of the reasons the camp has grown from serving 211 campers in 1974 to nearly 10,000 campers today is the incredible dedication of volunteers. Volunteer help is needed in every aspect of the camp. Please consider volunteering your time and talents to Camp Courageous.

Where is Camp Courageous?
The camp is located five miles south of Monticello, Iowa, off Highway 38 or 151. The camp lies on 400 acres of land surrounded by thousands of acres of state primitive land and the Maquoketa River. Use US Highway 151 (exit 65), turn south on Highway 38, then east on 190th Street (all hard-surfaced roads).

Activities with the Camp's animals are very popular with campers of all ages, including the horses.