



# Reweille

FALL 2025

## 2025 CAMP THEME

### THE ALOHA WAY

One way or another, each of us found our way to camp — via Google Maps, aboard the Dartmouth Coach, or simply relying on a good old-fashioned atlas and the wisdom to avoid class 4 roads. We traveled here for any number of reasons — the search for a family-focused getaway at Ohana, a few weeks of challenge and choice at Horizons, or a focused stretch of team building at Hulbert. Some of us stay the full summer, honing our skills at Aloha or Lanakila. Others dip a toe into a two-week session at Hive, in the hopes of starting that lifelong camp friendship just as soon as possible.

Whatever our reasons, they can certainly vary! The Aloha Foundation welcomes families from across the country and around the world, including neighbors from our own backyard. Any one of us might find ourselves asking: what is the common thread that ties all these camps together, or even: why does this foundation endure? This year, we made a point of searching out the answers to those very questions. And what we found was really quite simple. What holds us all together — our programs, our campers, our history, our camps — isn't a what or a why. *It's a way.*

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*Hive campers lean in for a counselor serenade on Visiting Weekend 2025.*

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# Aloha Means

From the Executive Director

Dear Friends,

You may know that “aloha” means both hello and goodbye. Did you also know it means love, unity, compassion, kindness, and understanding – of ourselves and the world around us? Aloha is more than a word of greeting or farewell. It is a mutual regard and affection; a warmth extended without expectation. It is the essence of relationships in which each person is important to every other, for the benefit of the community.

That spirit, born in Hawai‘i and alive throughout our camps, is what makes a summer at the Alohas so special. Each season is a joyful reaffirmation of why these programs matter as our campers return home carrying stories of new-found independence, deep friendships, and quiet moments in nature that leave lasting impressions. They have experienced something increasingly rare in today’s world: an environment rooted in presence, community, and purpose.

While this spirit remains timeless, the Aloha Foundation must evolve to meet the needs of young people and families in a changing world. This year, we’ve continued our efforts to expand access to camp, and we’ve taken steps to ensure our facilities and campuses are ready for future generations. Our ways of working have grown more collaborative, our campuses more sustainable, our approach more responsive... all while remaining grounded in the values that have shaped us since the beginning.

We know that our world is hungry for connection, character, and resilience – the very qualities that camp helps to cultivate. That’s why we’re committed to preserving these experiences, while simultaneously evolving to allow more people into them. Whether through outreach to new communities, partnerships with schools, or leadership development for young staff, we are building a broader and more inclusive Aloha community.

And sometimes, what the world needs is exactly what we need, too! Next summer, we’ll be welcoming alumni back to our Hive and Aloha campuses for a special reunion and a chance to reconnect with old friends, relive camp’s magic, and remember how it feels to sing, laugh, and simply be together in a place that feels like coming home.

No matter how often you make it back to camp, I hope you each think of this place as you might a home. Somewhere a little bit special, somewhere you feel valued, somewhere you belong. If you or your child once packed a trunk or a backpack, dipped a toe in the waterfront, or sang a camp song, you are a part of this story. The generosity and engagement of our alumni, families, and friends make this work possible and increasingly meaningful. As you turn the pages ahead, I hope you’ll feel proud of the place you’ve helped bring to life, the progress we’re making, and feel inspired



by the images of camp in action. They are just glimpses of the lifelong impact these summers can have.

Thank you for being a vital part of the Aloha Foundation. With your support, we are not just keeping camp alive; we are preparing it to thrive for generations to come.

Aloha,

*Vanessa*

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# THE CURRENT *Current*

*Updates & Announcements To Keep You in the Know*

## CHANGING WITH NATURE



For over a century, the Aloha Foundation has worked in harmony with nature, shaping the experiences of Aloha, Hive, Lanakila, Horizons, Ohana, and Hulbert. As environmental shifts like warmer summers and changing rainfall patterns emerge, we remain committed to preserving the camper experience that defines each of our programs.

This summer, we took a step towards addressing these changes. In July 2025, the Aloha Foundation Steering Team and the Board of Directors spoke with camp design experts Tom Nepl and Dave Sherry to better understand how a changing climate might impact gathering spaces, water-

front use, sleeping comfort, and daily activities. This meeting sparked conversations for us about sustaining safe and vibrant programs across our camps.

Our discussions build on our longstanding commitment to eco-friendly practices, like low-impact facilities, shoreline restoration, composting, and more. They set the stage for planning that honors our values, our traditions, as well as the land we all share.

In the coming months, we'll build on these ideas, shaping strategies and reviewing opportunities to ensure every camper experiences the best of camp today, and for generations to come.

## LOOKING AHEAD TO THE PAST!



Camp has a way of staying with us—in the songs we remember, the friendships we carry, and the lessons that resurface years later. Next summer, we'll have a chance to bring those memories back to life as the Alohas open their campuses for reunions!

In August 2026, alumni, families, and friends will gather to celebrate milestone anniversaries at Aloha (120), and Hive (110). Plans are underway for a weekend of traditions both old and new: campfires and songs, waterfront activities, and much more, including plenty of moments to reconnect. Just as important, reunions will offer a chance to share what camp has given us and to see how the Aloha spirit lives on across generations.

Details and registration information will be shared in the coming months, but we hope you'll mark your calendar now for August 14–16, 2026. Whether you were here last summer or fifty years ago, we'd love to see you here again soon.

# THE ALOHA WAY

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What is the Aloha Way? At its heart, it's a belief that camp is more than a place; it's a way of being. It grows out of the choices we make: how we welcome one another, how we care for our surroundings, how we show up for the community we create. It isn't a set of rules handed down but a spirit that emerges as we live it.

For years, the Aloha Way has provided us with a shared foundation while still leaving room for each camp and each camper to make it their own. This summer, we sought to bring that spirit into sharper focus with our foundation-wide theme: Living the Aloha Way.

This theme invited campers and staff alike to pursue the Aloha Way – to call it out when we saw it, and to cultivate it in ourselves and in each other.

We might live the Aloha Way in a moment of reflection – at Sunday Assembly, Ohana's nightly announcements, or Horizons' Zenith Fire. Or we might practice it in the simple actions that shape each community. Our summer-long search helped us discover that however it is lived, it carries the same intention: to help us become our best selves and strengthen the bonds between us.

We found the Aloha Way living in the small decisions campers make all day long, or what Aloha campers came to think of as "votes." Each time they listened instead of interrupting, offered to help without being asked, or gave someone the benefit of

the doubt, they were casting votes for the kind of person they want to be. They discovered that our best self doesn't happen all at once or through any grand declaration, but by a thousand tiny choices, and the actions that follow close behind.

At Hive, the same spirit surfaced in moments when campers made space for honesty and kindness, in choosing to forgive, to resist annoyance. They followed the Aloha Way as a guiding principle; they found that it gave them room to experiment, to make mistakes and try again, to strive to become who they wanted to be. It is an understanding that we are all "works-in-progress" striving towards understanding our place in the world.

Lanakilans, too, lived the Aloha Way by pausing to choose curiosity over judgment, deciding to lead or follow with trust and with care. They noticed the Aloha Way in campers who joined a lonesome figure, or in a counselor who lingered after an activity period to help a camper master a skill for their next Viking Honor. Repeatedly, they acknowledged the strengths of the Aloha Way in a peer who owned a mistake with humility and strove to make things right.

As the summer chugged along, you'd hear the same type of refrain from Horizons to the Hulbert staff. All over Fairlee, our search for the Aloha Way gathered momentum as we found it, nurtured it, and reveled in it.

By August, it was prolific. Campers traded stories about the Aloha Way, perspectives and opinions about it were professed and discussed respectfully, and at length. You could feel it in the atmosphere itself. Leafing through a summer album, you would witness moments become warmer, the increasing ease of

## A LIVING TRADITION

When you take the plunge into a Fairlee summer, you'll find it has a rhythm all its own. Mornings begin with the stillness of a quiet lake and give way to a rising murmur from the shores. Campers emerge staccato at first, then harmonize into morning routines: a gathering of chattering souls for a community meal, an orderly jaunt to a first activity. The afternoon air hums with life as paddles strike the water and arrows find their mark, while laughter drifts out from the cabins and trees.

These harmonies may seem like magic, but they are conducted with intention. The Aloha Way, a philosophy first planted at Aloha Camp 120 years ago, was inspired by our founders' experiences in Hawai'i – with its warmth, respect for nature, and deep sense of community. They brought that Aloha Spirit with them to Vermont, where it has evolved into the philosophy we embrace today.





friendships, and a true vibrancy in each community. Qualities we always knew were there, just waiting to be observed with the right lens, in just the right way.

When you search for the Aloha Way all summer, you might find that it's a little hard to stop! You may find it coming home with you, in small, unexpected ways. A camper who learned to encourage a shy tentmate now does the same for a classmate at school. A counselor takes the "votes" lesson into her college dorm, remembering how tiny, consistent choices can shape a community.

It may be found lingering in the conversations beyond camp. Families leaving Ohana talk about the joy of slowing down together and the realization that connection happens as much over a screen-free breakfast as it does during a high ropes-course adventure or challenging hike.

These are the ripples we hope for: the Aloha Way moving beyond Fairlee, carried quietly in the choices each of us makes day after day. Beneath the activities, scenery, and traditions, there's a shared pull toward connection with nature, with others, and with ourselves.

In the end, we likely arrive for different reasons, but we carry forward something shared. It's a way of being that links us to Fairlee, to one another, and hopefully to the best versions of ourselves, wherever our paths may lead. ■

## AN INTENTIONAL PRACTICE

Camp directors work year-round planning programs, designing staff training, and weaving purpose into every facet of the Aloha experience. At Horizons Spring Planning, that preparation took the form of simple but powerful questions: What would snack time look like if it reflected the Aloha Way? How would a morning greeting feel if it were done with its spirit in mind?

By imagining and naming those everyday moments, Horizons counselors set a tone that carried into the whole season. What may seem like minor details are, in fact, the building blocks of community. The Aloha Way became both inspiration and accountability. Operating "the Aloha Way" offered counselors a touchstone for their best work, and a standard to return to if things ever slipped. What began as preparation set the stage for a summer of purpose, bringing the Aloha Way into daily life.



# WHY CAMP MATTERS

Ask alumni why camp matters, and the answers are both timeless and timely: independence, resilience, connection, and joy.

For Elizabeth Berkey Cathles, camp was a steady presence during change. After her family tragically lost their home in a fire, she returned to Aloha and found comfort in familiarity. ***"Camp was an amazing constant in my life... Today, I use those same lessons about group dynamics and growth every day as a business consultant."***

For Holly Hatch, the gifts of camp are equal parts practical and profound. ***"I learned an appreciation of the beauty and fragility of the natural world,"*** she says, ***"and also how to tie a square knot, the basics of sailing, and that chocolate and oranges are essential for hikes."***

For Lara Ramsey, camp is where confidence took root. ***"It gave me the chance to grow year after year and to see the same growth in others. That cycle of mutual encouragement and impact stays with me to this day."***

And for Marja Fitzgerald, camp matters for both campers and parents. ***"This is an anxious generation, with so few places to unplug,"*** she explains. Camp offered her a safe way to develop resilience, self-sufficiency, and inclusivity. ***"It's a rarified environment — life today is so fast-paced, but camp is an intentional community. You value everyone for their quirks and learn that everyone has a role to play."***

What unites their reflections is a shared belief: camp offers a rare space where young people can step away from technology, live in community, and discover themselves. In a changing world, those lessons matter more than ever.

Why does camp matter to you? Drop us a line at [HeyReveille@alohafoundation.org](mailto:HeyReveille@alohafoundation.org) and we may include *your* thoughts in our next issue.



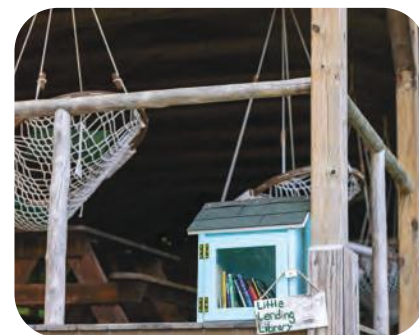
## Ohana

# WHICH WAY TO THE BAILER BATTLES?!



Trying to find your way down to Ohana’s waterfront? Just follow the cheerful new trail signs, painted by campers this summer to point the way (and don’t forget to keep an eye out for gnome homes tucked along the path!).

Up at camp, you’ll also spot bright blue Little Lending Libraries, built by staff member Susan McLuckie and her husband, Drew. These mini treasures are stocked with books for readers of all ages – no more hiking to the Library under the main lodge just before bedtime! Whether you’re heading to the lake or curling up with a story, Ohana is sprinkled with camper-made touches and playful surprises that make every visit an adventure.



## PREPARED FOR THE UNEXPECTED

Camp is a place of growth and adventure, and peace of mind is an important part of that experience. For families, that comes from knowing your child is in safe, capable hands, all around the clock. Each summer, Aloha Foundation teams review and refine emergency plans, consult with health professionals and law enforcement, rehearse a variety of scenarios, identify optimal evacuation routes, and ensure we meet or exceed the latest American Camp Association (ACA) safety standards.

Emergencies are rare, but they can be very real. Being prepared is a promise we make to every camper, staff member, and camp family. Just as we spend time at camp practicing songs and skits, skills and citizenship, we also practice safety. In the unlikely event of a crisis, our team will respond with knowledge, care, and collaboration to support the safety and well-being of our entire community. For more information, follow the QR code or visit the safety page on our website.



# BON APPETIT!

One day late in the season at Hive, the 2025 Dining Services Team served up a new version of macaroni and cheese. Almost immediately, the lakeside diners broke into chants and table-pounding! Campers wouldn't let the moment pass until the kitchen staff came out to take a bow!

This recipe soon found another fan base too: tripping groups, who loved that it could be cooked start to finish in a single pot. From there, it spread to other camps and quickly became a foundation-wide favorite.

This home-sized version has been adapted from 200 servings to six — just right for sharing a little bit of camp at your own table.

## INGREDIENTS

- 1½ cups whole milk
- 1 to 1¾ cups water
- 8 ounces, small elbow macaroni
- ½ teaspoon salt
- Freshly ground black pepper, to taste
- 4 ounces (~1 cup, packed) grated extra-sharp Vermont cheddar

**Optional:** ½ teaspoon garlic powder and/or dry mustard, ¼ cup finely grated parmesan

**Mandatory:** Mix ½ cup panko with 2 tablespoons melted butter (makes the dish!)

## INSTRUCTIONS

- In a medium pot set over medium heat, combine milk, 1 cup water, macaroni, salt, and pepper. Bring to a low simmer, stirring frequently to prevent the macaroni from clumping and the milk from boiling over. Once the mixture simmers, reduce heat to low (it should continue simmering) and stir continuously until pasta is done to your liking, about 8 to 10 minutes. The macaroni will absorb the liquid while cooking, so stir in additional water as needed, ¼ cup at a time.
- Once pasta is done and the sauce is creamy, remove the pot from the heat and gradually stir in the grated cheddar, ⅓ cup at a time, until smooth and melted. Taste and add more salt and/or pepper, if necessary. You may also stir in garlic powder and/or dry mustard at this point if you desire extra flavor.
- Transfer to a buttered baking dish. This is when you'll add the panko crumb topping — evenly spread the topping over the whole dish and bake in a preheated 350°F oven for 20 minutes.



# BEYOND CAMP

Ever wonder what older campers might get up to in a summer away from camp? In July, one group of fifteen-year-old Lanakilans traded the shores of Lake Morey for the warm waters and volcanic landscapes of Hawaii. Over two weeks, the group blended service, adventure, and cultural exploration in a journey they're likely to carry with them forever.



The trip mixed challenge with discovery as the boys earned 40 hours of community service, giving back to Hawaiian communities through hands-on projects. They also hiked to the unique Green Sand Beach and explored Volcanoes National Park's rugged beauty. They even set off to summit Mauna Kea, a 13,796-foot climb into the clouds.

We were thrilled to hear of their adventures! It seemed that each experience built on values celebrated at camp: teamwork, perseverance, and respect for nature, echoing the spirit of every Aloha Foundation camper.

*Have a great story about how you've spent your time away from camp? Send us an email (and photos!) to [HeyReveille@alohafoundation.org](mailto:HeyReveille@alohafoundation.org)*

# REUNIONS 2026

120 years of Aloha & 110 years of Hive



In 1905, Harriet and Edward Gulick welcomed 23 campers to their cottage on Lake Morey, arriving by train and horse-drawn carriage. Ten years later, Hive opened on Lake Fairlee. The world has changed a great deal since 1905 – and in many ways, so has camp! Next summer, we’re excited to welcome alumni and friends to see what camp looks like today, and to discover how you’ve changed too!

*Mark your calendars now for August 14 -16, 2026!*

## 1905 vs. 2025

<i>"Give My Regards to Broadway"</i> from <i>Little Johnny Jones</i>	<b>Hit Song of the Summer</b>	<i>"Manchild"</i> by Sabrina Carpenter
354,000	<b>Vermont Population</b>	648,000
30%	<b>Forested Land in Vermont</b>	78%
27¢	<b>Price of a dozen eggs in the U.S.*</b>	\$4.87
5¢	<b>Price of a loaf of bread in the U.S.*</b>	\$2.71
11,000	<b>Number of Cars in the U.S.</b>	299 million
45 pounds	<b>Weight of the average bicycle</b>	22 pounds

\*Adjusted for inflation, eggs would be around \$9.91 in 2025, and bread would be \$1.84. All statistics are approximate.

# News & UPDATES

## Weddings



**Jasper Drisko** (former Lanakila camper/counselor) married Amanda Marino.

**Jacob Porter** (former Lanakila counselor) married Olivia on August 2, 2025 at Huntsmill Farm in Buckinghamshire, England.



**Ethan Langsdorf** (former Lanakila camper/counselor) married Ashley Zenner at Sunlight Mountain Resort in Colorado on July 26, 2025.

**Michael Cusack-Nelkin** (former Lanakila camper/counselor) also celebrated a wedding.



**Dan Reynolds** (former Lanakila camper/counselor) and Laura Reynolds began their new life as a married couple on June 6, 2025 in Cleveland, Ohio.



**Gwion Crow** and **Charlotte Matthews Crow** were married on May 25, 2025, and welcomed a healthy baby, Ilia Crow (below) on August 19, 2025.



## Births



**Stu Dickison** (Lanakila counselor and former Hulbert counselor) and **Ariel Matza** (former Aloha, Hulbert, and Lanakila counselor, and Hive and Aloha camper) had a baby boy, Elliot Dickison on February 24, 2025.



**Bill Roffey** (former Lanakila counselor) pictured with his daughter **Fiona Roffey** (former Aloha and Hulbert counselor) and young future camper Casper Allen Edwards, born August 6, 2024.

## NEWS TO SHARE?

Let us know what you and your family have been up to, especially if it includes your camp family!

Send your News & Updates to: [HeyReveille@alohafoundation.org](mailto:HeyReveille@alohafoundation.org)

# News & UPDATES

## Births *continued...*



**Luke Galford** (former Lanakila camper and counselor) and his wife Jessica welcomed their son Nicolás Tàpies Galford on December 9, 2024.



Zelda Pearl Cohen was born June 30, 2025 to **Jessica Nickerson-Cohen** (former Hive and Hulbert counselor) and Ben Cohen.



**Amy Cahill** (Grazier) (Hive Counselor) and her husband Phillip welcomed their baby boy Archie Cahill on May 5, 2025 weighing 8lb 14 oz.



**Hannah Greig** (former Hive counselor) and her partner Richard Jenkins welcomed future Hiver Florence Amelia Greig-Jenkins on October 17, 2024, weighing 8lb 1oz.



**Julie and Jeff Stander** (foundation staff) were joined by their son **Elliot** (all Ohana campers) on October 11, 2024.

## LOST & FOUND

### Do you (or your children) have a **NEW** email or mailing address?

Let us know so we can stay in touch! Despite our best efforts, we have many outdated addresses in our database, and we need your help!

Send your updated contact information to Cheryl Olson: [colson@alohafoundation.org](mailto:colson@alohafoundation.org)



## In Memoriam

**Henry Russel "Russ" Burgess Jr.** (former Lanakila counselor) passed away on March 17th, 2025. He leaves behind his greatest love, **Ann Wheeler Burgess**, his wife of 64 years, whom he met as a camp counselor at the Aloha camps. He also leaves his son, Mark (Kristina Lange), Shelter Island, NY; his son, Russel (Karin), Stonington, CT; and his daughter, **Karen** (Aaron Brandt), Norwich, VT; his brother, Peter (Sally), Bonita Springs, FL; and seven grandchildren: Camille Burgess (Matt Spathas), Emilie Burgess, Annika Burgess, **Julia Burgess**, **Margit Burgess**, Grant Woods, and **Ben Woods**.

**Nancy Downey** (former Trustee) passed on July 10th, 2025. She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Robert (Bob) N. Downey; their four children, **Anne Paddock Downey**, **Nathan (Nate) Adams Downey**, **Daniel (Jack) Jackson Downey**, and **Elizabeth (Liz) Downey Silberstein**; nine grandchildren; and many cousins, nieces, nephews, sons-, daughters-, and siblings-in-law, and a wide circle of close friends.

**Thomas J. Curphey** (former Lanakila camper) passed away on December 4th, 2024.

**John Hardy Fitchen, MD** (former Lanakila camper) passed on February 13th, 2024. He is survived by his wife, Ellen; his sons, Matthew and Martin; and his three grandchildren, Seamus, Levi, and Cecily.

**Louise Wright Hudson**, 62, (former Hive camper) passed away on April 12th, 2024. She is survived by her sister, Jean Hudson Witmer (Richard), and brothers, Richard Webber Hudson (Kelly), and Joseph L. Hudson IV (Lydie).

**Frances "Frannie" Starks Heyburn** (former Aloha camper) passed on April 11th, 2024. She is survived by three children: Franklin Starks Heyburn (Michele Gerin-La-joie), Calais, VT; **Frances Heyburn Pistell** (Joseph, deceased), Stony Brook, NY; and Henry R. Heyburn, Jr. (Alicia), Brunswick, ME; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**Rebecca Luce** (former Hive counselor) passed away on December 27th, 2024. She is survived by her son, Aaron Luce, and her brothers, Ehud Neor and Mark Luce, with their families.

**Herrick Jackson** (former Lanakila camper and counselor) passed on August 19th, 2024. He is survived by his wife, Elaine Jackson. He is also survived by three daughters from his first wife, Mary Brown Jackson, Orleans, MA; Sandy Pugsley; Joan Jackson, Orleans, MA; and **Polly Friess**, Jackson Hole, WY; and by two sons from his second wife, Margaret Mary Doud: **Michael Jackson**, Stamford, CT, and **Tyler Jackson**, Corte Madera, CA. He is also survived by several grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and numerous cousins.

**Arthur Trotman** (former Lanakila camper) passed on July 14th, 2025. He is survived by his wife, Kate Trotman; his children and their spouses: **Hilary Garland** (Charlie Garland); Phil (Emily Eden); and **Eleanor Barnett** (Chris Barnett); and his six grandchildren: **Ellie and Charlie Garland**, **Allie and Julia Trotman**; and **Robbie and Wes Barnett**.

## STAY CONNECTED

STAY CONNECTED TO YOUR FAVORITE  
ALOHA PEOPLE AND PROGRAMS ALL YEAR LONG





## The Gift of Camperships, the Gift of Camp

This year, two extraordinary donors chose to give in a way that reflects their own unique connection to the Alohas. Every donation to the Aloha Foundation reminds us that camp is more than a beloved place or experience; it is a gift.

**Jane Downing**, a former camper and daughter of a long-time Aloha camp director, gave the Aloha Foundation a multi-year endowment gift of \$100,000 in honor of her mother, Judy Downing, for camperships to ensure that the gift of camp will live on. "My mother would not have been able to experience Aloha as a camper without the support of Mother Gulick. Hopefully, this gift will provide new opportunities for young women in financially constrained circumstances."

Jane's commitment will provide a steady stream of support in the years ahead; it's a thoughtful approach to giving that serves as a reminder that gifts in support of our endowment are essential to the strength of Aloha Camp and all of our programs.

After witnessing the profound and lasting impact the Aloha camp experience continues to have on her children, **Carla Westcott** pledged a \$100,000 gift to the Annual Fund, designated for camperships, to encourage others to support the Aloha Foundation. "I am beyond grateful for the role that the Aloha Foundation played in my son's journey toward future success. My gift is my way of giving that opportunity to young people who might not otherwise be able to afford it."

This gift will help launch our December Challenge, an exciting opportunity to encourage new and renewed giving to the Aloha Foundation Annual Fund. While the match will hopefully inspire broader participation, it was heartfelt generosity that set it in motion.

**Thank you, Carla and Jane, for helping the next generation find their way to camp!**



## CAMP DARTMOUTH HITCHCOCK

Each August, the Hulbert Outdoor Center becomes home to an important gathering: Camp Dartmouth Hitchcock, a weeklong program for children and teens living with juvenile arthritis and other rheumatologic conditions. For many participants, it is their first time meeting peers who understand the daily challenges of their diagnoses, and their first chance to discover that camp is possible for them too.

The camp combines traditional summer activities, such as canoeing on Lake Morey, arts and crafts sessions, ropes courses, campfires, and more, with the assurance of nearby medical expertise. Physicians, nurses, and volunteers give their time so these campers can focus on building friendships, independence, and confidence. In this reassuring environment, families who might otherwise hesitate to send a child to overnight camp can do so with peace of mind, knowing their children are cared for and in excellent hands. By the week's end, stories of shared memories and new skills will eclipse the limitations these campers may face at home or school.

Now in its fourth decade, Camp Dartmouth Hitchcock has created a self-sustaining community! Many former campers return as counselors, eager to pass along the encouragement they once received. These bonds formed in Fairlee often continue beyond the summer, offering a connection that lasts throughout the year.

We are grateful for the trust groups like Dartmouth Hitchcock place in Hulbert, helping the Alohas to remain a place where, season after season, young people and families continue to discover and embrace their best selves.



**Support the Alohas today!**



## WAYS TO GIVE TO THE ALOHA FOUNDATION

### GIVE ONLINE

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### BECOME AN EVERGREEN SUSTAINER

Spread your annual gift over several payments: monthly, quarterly, or annually. Give online and select the desired option under Recurring Donation.

### GIFTS OF SECURITIES

The Aloha Foundation welcomes your gifts of stock. Please contact Karen Burgess for further information.

### GIFTS FROM DONOR-ADVISED FUNDS

You may recommend a gift through your donor-advised fund. The Aloha Foundation Tax ID Number is 03-6016791.

### IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVERS

Consider utilizing your required minimum distribution (RMD). If you are 70.5 years or older, you can make a tax-free distribution from your IRA to The Aloha Foundation. Any qualified contribution up to \$100,000 counts toward your RMD.

### GIFTS BY CHECK

Checks may be made out to  
**The Aloha Foundation** and sent to:  
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### Questions?

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### FAMILY CAMPS

#### OHANA

Summer program for all ages.  
10 sessions, plus facility rentals  
and retreats

#### HULBERT

New Year's & summer family camps,  
leadership and school programs,  
school vacation camps, plus  
facility rentals and retreats

#### DAY CAMP

June 23 – August 8, 2026

#### HORIZONS

Summer program for kindergarten  
to 7th grade graduates

### RESIDENTIAL CAMPS

June 26 – August 12, 2026

#### ALOHA

Girls, 7th-10th grade graduates  
Full sessions, half sessions,  
and 2-week programs

#### HIVE

Girls, 3rd-6th grade graduates  
Full sessions, half sessions,  
and 2-week programs

#### LANAKILA

Boys, 3rd-8th grade graduates  
Full sessions and half sessions

### REUNION 2026

August 14 – 16, 2026

120 years of Aloha and  
110 years of Hive

### Support the Aloha Foundation

Last Day for Year-End Giving  
December 31, 2025

December Match Challenge  
All December Long 2025!

Aloha Day of Giving  
June 30, 2026



*Aloha campers soak up the last light from a magic-hour rainbow.*

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