



CAMP TECUMSEH

2022-2023 BLUE-GRAY FUND ANNUAL DONOR REPORT



Dear Camp Tecumseh Community,

We can't thank you enough for your contributions to Camp Tecumseh! The summer of 2023 was another amazing time being at the lake. Since alums, parents and friends are not able to spend significant time at camp in the summer, I'd like to share just a little bit of the magic that the staff and campers experience. To do this, I will explain a few of the terms we speak and act on during our precious time together, from mid-June through mid-August, each summer.

Play Hard and Have Fun

I have played and coached sports my entire life. Particularly in my coaching years I have used this term often. If you are able to do these two things, then everything else will take care of itself. Campers and counselors play hard and have fun every day at Camp Tecumseh. It's amazing to watch the boys enjoy themselves in so many different ways. The lessons learned through winning and losing, while participating in healthy competition, stay with us for our entire lives.

Kindness and Respect

These two words have been a hallmark at Camp Tecumseh since its origin. Recently, however, we have become more intentional about pointing them out in and around Camp. Regardless of what is going on in the outside world, or what is happening each day at camp, everyone deserves to be treated with kindness and respect. Disagreements and even arguments will happen. Our staff has worked incredibly hard, through training and staff week discussion, to facilitate an atmosphere that promotes kindness and respect.

Making Good Boys Better

Camp's timeless mission since 1903. Grant, Orton and McCracken would be so proud of the awesome boys associated with Camp Tecumseh over the years. I'd like to draw your attention to a quote from Mr. Alexander Grant's last will and testament that is displayed on our website:

"I have believed in Camp Tecumseh as a great American institution for the development and training of a boy's own best self, and of his character, qualities of leadership and sportsmanship and of his ability in various forms of athletic, aesthetic and manly endeavor"

These words could not be more meaningful and true today. The opportunities provided at Camp Tecumseh cannot be replicated in any other environment in the world. I am so honored to be a part of an institution that believes so strongly in its core values, while learning and growing with them over time.

Thank you, again, for your tremendous support of Camp Tecumseh!

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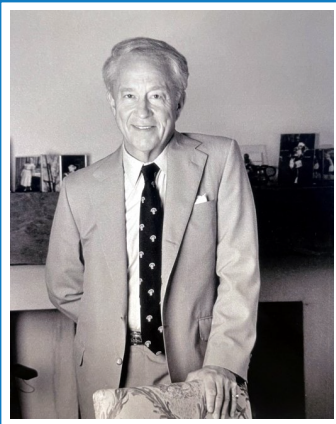
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In Memory of Walter W. Buckley, Jr



Seven years a camper, 10 years a Chairman of the Board, 54 years a Trustee, a Tecumseh Man forever.

A passionate believer and supporter of education, athletics, and the great outdoors (among many other things), Camp Tecumseh will forever be influenced by the vision, leadership, kindness, and generosity of our dear friend.

While it is impossible to fully capture his impact on our institution, he was recognized as the recipient of two prestigious honors: the Founders Week Award (2006) and the Alexander Grant Award (2023) celebrating his endless dedication and service to Camp.

Most importantly, we will remember him as a kind and caring man. A man who loved spending time with others and who was devoted to making the world a better place.

As a father of two former campers and grandfather of six current ones, he took great pride in making sure Tecumseh continued to meet high standards of excellence. We promise to continue to do the same while remembering him always.

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