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Dear friend and partner of Camp du Nord,

It has been a busy year here at camp, and we are thrilled to dive into another summer on North Arm Road! As always, there have been some changes and updates to all that we do, but the core of our mission remains the same—giving families from all walks of life the opportunity to disconnect and reconnect, grow and discover through outdoor adventure, and create lasting memories with one another and others.

Thank you, first and foremost, for being an essential part of our du Nord community. Before the summer bustle sets in, I am excited to share some key highlights and updates with you:

- This past year, we added **two new platform cabins** – Bear and Wolf – to the Grove (formerly known as the Auto Tent Sites). And this fall, we will finalize the project in that space with a central hub with food storage, a stainless-steel prep table, and sinks for handwashing and dishwashing.
- Last spring, the du Nord Board launched a new Strategic Planning Committee. Led by Committee Chairs Alyssa Purdy and Cara Letofsky, this group has worked with different du Nord community members to develop a **strategic plan** that will help guide camp through 2029. We had incredible community support, as we brought folks together for listening circles and interviews, as well as received feedback via a survey sent out last winter that saw huge participation.
- We were thrilled to welcome our **new Summer Program Director**, Hannah Loeffler-Kemp, to the team in February. She brings several years of experience working in camping and a fresh, new perspective to the Y and to du Nord. She is eager and excited for her first summer at camp!
- This year we have big goals for our annual fundraising efforts, as we seek **100 new donors** from our amazing community. This generous support keeps du Nord thriving, providing opportunities for more families to attend camp, supporting training efforts, and supplying our staff with equipment and resources to keep camp fun, safe, and comfortable all year round.

All of us at Du Nord are truly grateful for your partnership that has helped make the above (plus so much more!) possible.



It has been amazing to continue driving camp forward in our efforts to build community, connect to nature, and create a space of belonging for all. Once again, thank you again for your unwavering commitment to this magical place.

Cheers to the many memories and adventures that await us!

With deep appreciation,

Andy Sinykin
Executive Director

