

Securing The Legacy

OF UNIRONDACK FOR OUR FUTURE GENERATIONS

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“I could not have imagined as a six year old girl at Unirondack’s first ever summer institute, that fifty years later I would be drawn back by the same religious experiences and forces of nature assaulting my senses. The smell of the pines, the wail of the loons, the crackly and heat of the campfire when day is done—to be a link in a singing circle of campmates—this is my Unirondack experience. May it continue to be this way!”

—Stevie MacPhee Michaelson,

FORMER CAMPER AND STAFF MEMBER AND
DAUGHTER OF ONE OF OUR FOUNDERS, REV. JOHN MACPHEE
WIFE OF FORMER DIRECTOR JIM MICHAELSON



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FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS OF UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS



A Strong Past

It has been nearly sixty years since Fred Leining, Ralph Stoddard, and Donald Beebe suggested to the board of the New York State Convention of Universalists that they purchase property to create a permanent home for the institutes that had begun in 1947 at Oak Point. Since then, this magical place that John MacPhee named Unirondack has become a cherished community that fulfills in us a deep need for a place where our Unitarian Universalist values can come to life.

A Meaningful Present

In a world that often seems to have lost its way, Unirondack is a safe haven. It is a place where we feel loved—loved in the ways that are all too often missing from daily life. We are accepted, valued, and stimulated to grow. Unirondack is a community where we can be close to each other and close to nature. Perhaps nothing so touches us all as the way in which Unirondack affects the lives of children. Unirondack is often the first place outside of their family where they feel completely at home. For some, it is the only place. It is a community where children and teens discover that their connections with each other are what give meaning to life. Unirondack nourishes our hopes and dreams.

Help Secure the Legacy

Like a beautiful old tree that has held us in its branches for years and years, Unirondack now needs our help to strengthen its roots. This plea for help is not about buildings, or scholarships, or programs, although stronger roots will help make all that possible. It is about Unirondack itself. When the Universalists created Unirondack, they built an endowment that they hoped would sustain their dream for all time. That endowment helped Unirondack through the many financial challenges we faced as a small community meeting large needs from 1967 until now. But in real dollars that endowment is now worth 15% of what it was in 1967. There is no way that it can sustain Unirondack for the next 40 years.

Help Unirondack Grow Into the Future

And now Unirondack needs something from all of us. To insure that Unirondack is here for our children and our grandchildren we plan to raise a million dollars. We need to restore our foundation—to build a new root system for our beloved camp. This not only can't happen without you, it won't. Please help ensure the future of Unirondack by sending us a tax-deductible contribution. A convenient form is on the back of this flyer for your convenience.

The Unirondack Foundation

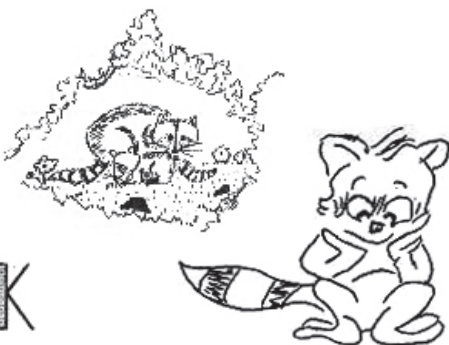
The camp's Board of Directors has formed "The Unirondack Foundation" at this crucial time to provide Unirondack with the means to serve our children, families and Unitarian Universalist communities with continued quality programming while living our Unitarian Universalist values in an invigorating Adirondack environment. The Foundation's goal is to raise \$1 million for the endowment fund between 2010 – 2013. The interest earned from the Foundation's endowment will provide the means to:

- > *Maintain and improve our buildings and grounds for our children and future generations*
- > *Continue to develop innovative, transformational programming*
- > *Keep camp affordable for a diverse camper population*

Each of us has some piece of Unirondack entrusted to us for some time, and each of us tries to leave it better than we found it. The single largest step we in the present can take to improve the future of Unirondack is to establish a generous Endowment fund. —Marcus Jaiclin



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