GENE NOTT SPIRIT SCHOLARSHIP JULY 18, 2018

Tonight we are announcing a new Spirit Scholarship that will be awarded for the first time at the annual Staff Dinner as summer camp concludes. Quiet, Caring and Effective service to Canyon Camp for over thirty years evidences Gene Nott's personal support and nourishment of The Spirit of Canyon Camp.

Gene has a strong and lengthy Scouting history. Gene achieved the rank of Eagle Scout as a member of Troop 28 of Rock Grove, Illinois. Gene learned his Scouting skills as well as important life skills under the tutelage of legendary Scoutmaster Joseph Schofield. Gene is a recipient of the Silver Beaver Award for his many volunteer efforts to Wetassa District, the Blackhawk Area Council and for his exemplary service as the Chair of the Canyon Camp Properties Committee.

Maintaining all that is Canyon Camp has required Gene to devote his Time, Talent and Treasure on nearly a daily basis all year round. Now in his fourth decade of service, Gene has provided thousands of hours of volunteer effort and has driven tens of thousands of miles to and from Canyon Camp. Gene serves as a humble role model for the important cadre of faithful volunteers who sustain and improve this special camp. Evidence of Gene Nott's service is visible in the many buildings and structures throughout camp; but just as importantly, Gene's volunteer service has nourished all that is The Spirit of Canyon Camp.

Gene Nott is the first individual for whom a Spirit Scholarship is named who has not previously served as a member of the summer camp staff. Staff members receiving the Gene Nott Spirit Scholarship will likely be known for their humble and caring leadership, their patient perseverance, their love and appreciation for this unique camp here beside Coon Creek and their willingness to help others without being asked.

Tonight we express GREAT GRATITUDE to Gene Nott for his many years of dedicated service and contributions to Canyon Camp.