

# News from Camp Silver Fir

May 2023

Hi Everyone,

On Saturday, April 29, 2023 we held our second annual Friends of Silver Fir Recognition Dinner at the home of Sam and Kathy Engel. Although Pat and I were unable to attend due to illness, the event was a big success. Thank-you to the Engels for your hospitality and ongoing support. Thank-you to Council President, Peter Chiulla for attending the event and for helping with the award presentations.



This event was started last year to recognize the efforts of the volunteers who have spent years of quiet, dedicated service managing and maintaining Camp Silver Fir. In 2022, the *Veteran's Service Award* was presented to longtime camp masters and the *Lodgepole Award* was presented to spouses. *The Jack LaWall Excellence in Camp Stewardship Award*, named for Jack LaWall who worked quietly and diligently to develop, operate and program Camp Silver Fir was designed to be presented annually to an individual in recognition of their dedication to Camp Silver Fir which reflects the spirit of commitment exemplified by Jack LaWall. The inaugural award was presented to Jerry Geisen in 2022 and the ongoing award to Daryll Langness in 2023. Congratulations Daryll!

*The Spirit of Silver Fir Award* was added this year for volunteers who have embodied the Camp Silver Fir Mission to provide and maintain a quality camp facility that will allow access for Scouts and others to enjoy the unique alpine experiences available in the Sierra National Forest, and to develop informed, responsible, environmental stewards who will care for, protect, and preserve our outdoor spaces for future generations. It was very fitting that the inaugural *Spirit of Silver Fir Award* was presented to the Langness Family, three generations volunteering to maintain and manage Camp Silver Fir. Congratulations to Daryll, Nancy, Ed, Lisa, Haley and Erin Langness.



There will be updates at our Tuesday meeting.

See you then.

***Debbie Wagner, Chair  
Camp Silver Fir Committee***