



# Algonquin Campership Fund est. 2000

To provide financial assistance through camperships for children to attend a canoe tripping camp in Algonquin Provincial Park.

## 2010 Background on The Algonquin Campership Fund (ACF)

### A Milestone for ACF – Ten Years and \$300,000 So Far!

Organized in 2000, and Governed by the Alumni of Camp Pathfinder and Camp Northway. Administered by the Rochester Area Community Foundation. The Chairman of the ACF is Scott Forsyth. For details on ACF scholarships and giving, contact: Mike Sladden, director Pathfinder: 585-249-0716 / [redcanoes@att.net](mailto:redcanoes@att.net).

### A Scholarship Fund Just for Our Camps

In 2000, Scott Forsyth and Trip Pierson helped camp owners the Prewitts, Sladdens and Arthurs create a not-for-profit scholarship fund to help needy boys and girls attend Camps Northway and Pathfinder. Through the ACF, camp alumni and other donors make tax-deductible charitable gifts that directly benefit both the camps and camp families in need. There is no overhead cost; virtually 100% of giving goes to the kids.

### The ACF Mission

Provide camperships to needy children, to attend a canoe tripping camp in Algonquin Park. Children may reside anywhere in the United States. Emphasis will be given to children in Western New York. Criteria for support include financial need and extraordinary circumstances in the camper's life. Awards cover up to 100% of camp costs.

### Who Gives? You and Many Others – Let's Increase Our Number of Donors!

The ACF can help more kids experience Northway and Pathfinder. The goal in 2010 is to increase the number of donors. Participation by alumni triggers greater support from other foundations and family trusts. Giving can also be matched by a donor's employer.

### What ACF Campers Have to Say

*Northway is my favorite place to go. It's the one place I can be myself and be in touch with nature. I have made so many friends there. Especially this summer. I was able to experience something that most people could never experience, a ten-day canoe trip. It was the most magnificent ten days of my life. Every day I learned something new, I became more independent and had a role to play. Thank you so much for helping me get to Northway! Jessica, Northway 2010.*

*Pathfinder is in my head all year long. As the summer approaches I begin to tell people where I am going and how great the camp is. Camp Pathfinder is all about the trips to me. My most memorable experience this summer was on my ten-day. We were able to meet up with two other trips. On a trip you have the chance to meet new friends and connect in a special way. Jake, Pathfinder 2010*

*I still cannot believe how fortunate I am to have Pathfinder in my life, and can only begin to thank the contributors to the ACF. Your support has given my classmates and me the gift of experience... stepping out of our comfort zones into the landscape of Algonquin. Carolyn, Wilson HS 2010*

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