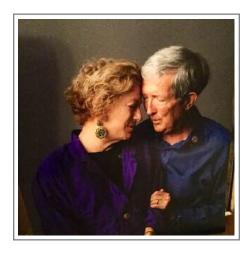
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## THE FOUNDERS' MESSAGE



#### TRAIL.WAYS Forward...

### It has been a long way forward hasn't it?

We hope that each one of you is bearing with, refilling your faith and trust tank, and ready to move forward—with more discernment.

A full season of Trailways Camp opportunities is on the horizon, AND to it we have added Hosted Trailways Camp experiences based on our highly successful partnership with Hope Clubhouse last spring.

We have developed a Host relationship with Protected Harbor— a faith based residential service with a waiting list of adults with special needs eager to live in their homes and receive support services.

This Fall we will be hosting Protected Harbor's Spiritual Retreat. Board members, staff, residents, families in waiting, and community volunteers eager to grow a mission focused service team will gather. We hope to add to this initial experience in the Spring of 2022.

This Hosted experience is an exciting opportunity for Trailways to lead in the growing of respite opportunities, creating resource sharing projects, and by adding some new community collaborations to the mix of services available

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## 2021/2022 Trailways Camp Dates

October 11-14, 2021 November 15-18 2021 February 21-24, 2022



Applications now being accepted on line at:

https://www.goodwillswfl.org/trailwayscamp/

TRAIL.WAYS Forward.... October 19-21, Trailways Camp-Protected Harbor-Spiritual Retreat. At Full Capacity.

#### **2022 EVENTS**

"I AM SPECIAL," Camper Reunion, Sanibel Community Church,

April 2, 2022.



Sanibel Church Night to Shine sponsored by the Tim Tebow Foundation —February 11, 2022. Watch for news and information at the Sanibel Church Night to Shine Facebook Page

#### **Guess Who is Coming to Fall Camp!!**

Thank you Grampy's Charities for your continued encouragement and support for Trailways Campers. Grampy's Board members Dave Essig, Bob Risch, Jim and Jonatha Castle are supporters of families and those providing care giving support for adults with special needs. Visit <a href="https://www.grampys.org">https://www.grampys.org</a> to read more about the amazing group of people leading an amazing organization.



Did you know that we have a You Tube Channel? If you subscribe you will always be able to be aware of any new video's from the Camps or "I AM SPECIAL" events. RVM BGM Subscribe today.

#### **EVENT & CAMP HAPPENINGS**

## Founder's Message (con't from Page 1)

As we move forward with BIGGER, BETTER, BOLDER ideas for connecting organizations providing services we invite your participation. We would like to encourage efficiently adjusted and shared resources. Contact us, share your ideas, help us identify where a bridge between several organizations might add more than building taller individual organization silos. Our sons and daughters deserve this effort.

So this is where we have come on the journey forward. This year we will be reaching out, visiting, talking with other service providing organizations in SW Florida asking where we can be of help in making connections that bring resources together. We believe that this is a way to create more respite opportunities for the long WAITING times experienced by adults with special needs and their families/caregivers.



Happy Trails, Sharon & Jerry Miller



Thank you June Lockhart

<u>DONATE DIRECTLY HERE</u> TO SUPPORT A CAMPER AT THE NEXT TRAILWAYS CAMP!



Financial Contributions may be sent by U.S. mail to:
Robert V. & Benjamin G. Miller Fund
Collaboratory (SW Florida Community Foundation)
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Ft. Myers, Florida 33901

# What Are Some Fun Activities at Trailways?

Campfire Time on the River. Conversation, Songs, S'mores, Sky lanterns...







Seeing, touching, learning about wildlife. Animal visitors like goats, shy wolves, baby gators, lizards, THE BLIND RACCOON, dogs, AND...





We appreciate the continued financial support of the Sanibel Community Church and the Sanibel-Captiva Lions



### **EVENT & CAMP HAPPENINGS**



Fishing on the pier, canoeing on the river, swimming in the pool. Water safety instructors, life guards, physical therapist, dedicated volunteer experts leading!



Horseback riding, Team Challenge Log, Talent Show, Games, Snow Cones, Crafts, Awards, Thank you moments! MORE in the Winter Newsletter.....

















Also Watch for News & Announcements facebook.com/MillerFund /

#### **EVENT & CAMP HAPPENINGS**

#### Protected Harbor...An Introduction

"The mission of Protected Harbor is to develop and operate permanent supportive housing, enhanced with Christian care, for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Our purpose is to provide a safe haven for God's special people, where every resident God entrusts to our care, is nurtured by loving house parents and each other to reach their full potential spiritually, emotionally, personally and physically in a loving family atmosphere."

Let no one seek his own good, but that of his neighbor. *1Cor. 10:24* 

## https://godsprotectedharbor.org



A Trailways Camp Hosted Partnership-

October 19-21. Volunteers

Needed. Sign up at <a href="https://trailways.campbrainstaff.com">https://trailways.campbrainstaff.com</a>



Loretta Mottram, Executive Director

TRAIL.WAYS Forward....We are pleased to announce that Protected Harbor has agreed to provide a Trailways Camp experience October 19-21 for adults participating in their residential program and for those waiting.......

