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Inspiring Adventures and Lasting Connections: Camp Moonlight Wraps Up Successful Season

Big Sky, MT – Camp Moonlight has successfully concluded its summer season, celebrating a vibrant array of adventure-based learning events that help children discover the beauty in nature and their own strengths. With engaging themes like "Geology Rocks," "Splish Splash," "Branches and Blooms," and the "Summer Olympics," the campers foster lifelong friendships and memories while immersed in the great outdoors.

Founded in 2013 under the Moonlight Community Foundation (MCF), Camp Moonlight provides a unique opportunity for local youth, including Moonlight Basin members and students from BSSD-72 and Discovery Academy, to connect with each other and nature. "Camp is a great way for kids to unplug and get connected to the outside world," says Rhian Alley, Moonlight Basin Kids Recreation Manager. "The increase in confidence, willingness to explore, and openness to try new things that we saw in campers day after day and week after week proves that we are offering something special and necessary."

To meet growing demand, Moonlight Basin has since expanded the camp's summer programming to run from June through August, with registration for the 2025 season opening in April. Additionally, the camp now includes the unique Moonlight Kids Backpacking Program, providing incredible experiences and adventures in Yellowstone National Park. Designed for campers aged 11 to 17 of all experience levels, this program offers the perfect opportunity to explore the park's stunning landscapes.

MCF proudly supports these enriching experiences by offering camp sponsorships for local families to attend, ensuring that all children have access to this incredible opportunity. This past summer, 43 local kids benefited from these sponsorships, allowing them to participate in meaningful outdoor activities and forge new friendships. Parents have expressed heartfelt gratitude for the support that makes Camp Moonlight possible. As one parent said, "We can't afford camp without a sponsorship. It's essential for my child's growth and joy during the summer."

Additionally, MCF supports the Harbor Kingston DeWaard Community Service Award, named after a beloved local youth who exemplified the spirit of giving back. Two deserving campers, Barker Barnett and Ingrid Davies, were awarded this special two-week award in 2024.

For more information about Camp Moonlight and future sponsorship opportunities, please visit their website: campmoonlight.mt.com

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