



Preserving the Legacy of Camp Krietenstein and Scouting Values...Together

For more than a century, Camp Krietenstein has been a place where young people discover character, leadership, self-reliance, and a deep respect for the outdoors. Generations of Scouts, and countless community members, have found belonging, challenge, and inspiration in this special place. Camp Krietenstein is more than land and buildings; it is a living legacy of values passed from one generation to the next.

A recent sale of the Camp Krietenstein property has been finalized, with ownership transferring to a longtime supporter of Scouting who has deep historical ties to the camp and its mission. While the camp is currently privately owned, it remains actively used to advance the principles and programs that have defined Camp Krietenstein for over 100 years.

The Friends of Camp Krietenstein was formed to ensure that this legacy not only continues, but grows, securely, responsibly, and inclusively, into the future.

Who We Are

The Friends of Camp Krietenstein is a community-based group of volunteers, former Scouts, families, and supporters who believe deeply in the enduring value of Scout-inspired learning and outdoor experiences. Working in close partnership with the current owner, we exist for one purpose: to preserve Camp Krietenstein and expand access to programs that build character, leadership, and resilience in young people and the broader community.

Our work is intentionally Scout-centric, grounded in the values of the Scout Oath and Law, but not limited only to those formally registered in Scouting today. We believe these values of service, responsibility, self-improvement, and stewardship are timeless and beneficial to all.

Our Two-Track Capital Campaign

To fulfill this mission, we are launching a two-track capital campaign, each track essential to the long-term health and impact of Camp Krietenstein.

1. Securing the Future of Camp Krietenstein

Our first and most urgent goal is to raise the funds necessary to purchase the Camp Krietenstein property. Ownership by a mission-focused, community-aligned organization ensures that the land will remain dedicated to youth development, outdoor education, and service for generations to come.

Funds directed to this track will be used exclusively for:

- The purchase of the Camp Krietenstein property
- Related legal, administrative, and transition costs necessary to protect the camp's long-term use and purpose

This investment safeguards the physical home of Camp Krietenstein and protects it from future uncertainty.

2. Supporting Scout-Centric Programs and Services

Equally important is our second track: sustaining and expanding programs, services, and activities that bring Camp Krietenstein to life.

Contributions to this effort help us plan, manage, and underwrite costs associated with:

- Scout-centric outdoor programs and events
- Leadership development and life-skills activities
- Community outreach and inclusive programming
- Operation's support that enables safe, meaningful use of Camp Krietenstein and other properties in the Region that we use for programming

Our Commitment to Transparency and Stewardship

We understand that trust is essential. That is why the Friends of Camp Krietenstein is committed to clear, ethical, and transparent use of every dollar donated.

We use the Zeffy fundraising platform because it is the only platform that transfers 100% of your donation to our organization. Zeffy operates entirely on optional "tips" chosen by donors and applied directly to Zeffy to support their platform.

- Your donation to Friends of Camp Krietenstein goes entirely to our mission.
- Your optional tip to Zeffy ensures that none of your contribution to us is diverted elsewhere.

This structure allows us to maximize the impact of your generosity while maintaining full transparency.

Why Your Support Matters

Places like Camp Krietenstein do not endure by accident. They survive because people step forward at critical moments to protect what matters.

By supporting this campaign, you are:

- Preserving a century-old legacy of character and service
- Investing in youth and community development
- Ensuring outdoor spaces remain dedicated to learning and leadership
- Helping pass timeless values on to future generations

Join Us

This mission is only possible with the support of those who believe in what Camp Krietenstein stands for.

Whether you choose to give, volunteer, advocate, or share our story, every contribution strengthens our ability to preserve Camp Krietenstein and expand its impact.

Together, we can ensure that the spirit of growth, adventure, service, and community that defines Camp Krietenstein continues, today, tomorrow, and for generations to come.