Camp Boggy Creek Hosts Dedication Ceremony
to commemorate the naming of two Roads: Paul Newman Way and Ellis Loop

Eustis, FL - January 25, 2019 - Founders, Board of Directors, donors and staff gathered today at Camp Boggy Creek, for a road dedication ceremony to honor Camp Founder, actor and philanthropist Paul Newman, and to honor the Camp’s first Executive Director, Lt. General James R. Ellis, USA, Ret.

Tom Ball, Camp Boggy Creek’s Chairman of the Board remarked “This is a special occasion to commemorate the naming of the road in front of the Camp’s Theater ‘Paul Newman Way’ in honor of our Founder, Paul Newman. The Theater is a signature activity area, providing an opportunity for our campers to participate in the performing arts during summer camp and weekend programs. Paul Newman was instrumental in the construction of the Camp’s Theater, which is so important in encouraging children with serious illnesses to use their imaginations and to showcase their creative talent.”

Paul Newman’s vision to create camps for children with serious illnesses took root in Connecticut in 1985. Paul built on his experiences while creating his first Camp, The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp and tapped all of his connections to help build a Camp in Florida. He, along with General H. Norman Schwarzkopf and a dedicated group of community and business leaders founded Camp Boggy Creek in 1996 to foster a spirit of joy by creating a free, safe and medically equipped camp environment.

June Clark, President and CEO of Camp Boggy Creek shared “today’s ceremony also includes the naming of a second road, which is being named ‘Ellis Loop’ in honor of Lt. General James R. Ellis, USA, Ret., who joined the Camp as Executive Director during the first year of operations. His sensitivity to our campers and their families and his commitment to work closely with our Founders in the early years has proven vital to the Camp’s continuing success.”

Camp Boggy Creek’s Board of Directors, staff and volunteers remain committed to continuing Paul’s legacy, helping children to reach beyond illness and discover joy, confidence and a new world of possibilities. Since opening, Camp Boggy Creek has served over 80,000 children and their families.

Following the ceremony guests were invited to a luncheon and a tour of the camp facilities.

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About Camp Boggy Creek

Camp Boggy Creek is a year-round medical camp for children with serious illnesses. Co-founded by actor/philanthropist Paul Newman and General H. Norman Schwarzkopf, the camp offers week-long summer sessions and family retreat weekends at no charge to the children or families. Located in Eustis, Florida, the 232-acre nonprofit serves children ages 7–16 that have been diagnosed with chronic or life-threatening conditions. The camp is entirely funded by generous donations from individuals, corporations, foundations and healthcare partners. Camp Boggy Creek is a proud member of SeriousFun Children's Network. Additional information is available at www.campboggycreek.org or by following Camp Boggy Creek on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram or LinkedIn.