



## **Thomas R. Schiff Spear Heads Dual-Agency Summer Camp Program**

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Los Angeles, CA - As a financial and fundraising advocate for the Stuart House for the past 20 years, Thomas R. Schiff has launched and funds a dual agency program providing victims of abuse the opportunity to attend summer camp at Camp Bob Waldorf.

A model program serving sexually abused children, Stuart House was created to remedy these problems. Stuart House brings together, in a "one-stop," child-friendly facility, services of the Rape Treatment Center, law enforcement agencies, the District Attorney's Office, and the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS). Specially trained personnel from these agencies are co-located at Stuart House and work as a multidisciplinary team to investigate cases and ensure that children are not re-victimized by the system. Children are seen immediately and have access to comprehensive treatment, including 24-hour emergency medical care, expert forensic/evidentiary examinations, advocacy, crisis intervention, and long-term therapy services that child victims need to recover from the traumatic effects of sexual abuse. A child interview specialist conducts forensic interviews and trained advocates provide Court School and court accompaniment for children who testify in criminal proceedings.

All of these services are free to the children and families that are served. Camp Bob Waldorf is a residential camp for youth ages 9-17 that fosters growth and development in a fun, safe and nurturing environment. Their program is built upon four core pillars: Community, Inclusion, Identity, and Respect. While at camp, campers live out these values in their daily lives through interactions with other campers, learning new skills and making lasting memories. Campers live in a cabin with their peers, and two to three trained counselors, and spend the majority of their day experiencing exciting camp activities together that include a combination of sports, challenge courses, arts, swimming and more. Through these activities and interactions, the campers discover new skills and interests, and learn to be responsible and thoughtful individuals.

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About Thomas R. Schiff: At the USC Marshall Lloyd Greif Center for Entrepreneurial Studies, Tom Schiff learned a mindset that set him apart and imbued him with desire to better impact the world. Born in New York, Thomas R. Schiff moved to Los Angeles in 1975. He graduated from USC Business School in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. As a graduate of the first class of the Entrepreneur program, Tom learned the intricacies of starting a business from the ground up. After graduation, he focused on his career as a land manager in the oil and gas division for the Marvin Davis Company. Tom became Vice President of their Real Estate Division before going out on his own to create a Real Estate finance company which focused on commercial, residential, and distressed debt. Thomas R. Schiff is currently the managing partner at Schiff Capital Investments and spends a majority of his time doing various philanthropic endeavors. He has been married for over 25 years and has two grown children.

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