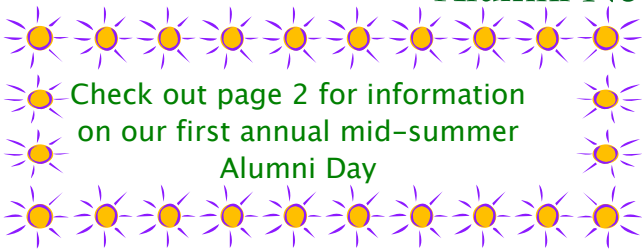


Camp Wayne for Boys & Girls

Alumni Newsletter - Spring 2017



Check out page 2 for information on our first annual mid-summer Alumni Day

Bring on Summer

Believe it or not, it's almost time to take out those trunks from tens months of hibernation in order to start packing for camp. We're sure most of our alumni remember the days of the black steamer trunks and green duffle bags. These days, our campers arrive with "soft" trunks that hold tons of gear and can be rolled up and stored away until the end of camp. Why did it take so long to figure that one out?

We had a blast at our annual CIT Winter Retreat to Wayne in January. Close to 40 boys and girls enjoyed an awesome winter weekend at camp. You can't go wrong with camp friends and Villa Como. This has evolved into a really nice tradition that our campers look forward to as they head into their final camper year.

Speaking of good times, we saw lots of smiling faces at our 'new camper' event in April. This event gives first year campers an opportunity to meet other kids in their group as well as many of our senior staff. Making friends for life is an important part of the camp experience so it's great to be able to start that process in the spring. Parents are also able to meet one another and meet many of the Camp staff. It's a far cry from those old Shea Stadium days when the noise from the airplanes landing and taking off from LaGuradia Airport drowned out our conversations!

At CWB, a new, air-conditioned fitness center will officially open its doors on June 24, the first day of camp. In addition to strength training exercises, campers of all ages will take part in SAQ (Speed, Agility, and Quickness) classes. The Woodshop got a full makeover and we're excited to see the new projects that the boys will be creating in 2017.



CIT Winter Retreat



New Fitness Center at CWB in the works



The CTTs taking over VC in January

At CWG, we are looking forward to our completely revamped and expanded high ropes course. Campers can now soar over the creek behind the Nook and get a bird's eye view of the waterfront! We've also continued with our multi-year project of renovating of all the bunk bathrooms including adding instant hot water heaters to those bunks. Camp won't be the same without those cold showers!

If you haven't already, check out CWB's new video and CWG's video trailer on our websites. The camera crew and drones will be back in 2017 to shoot a full video for CWG. In addition, CWG posted their video yearbooks on the alumni page of their website...even the VHS ones from the 90's! Each week we are adding another year going all the way back to 1990.

May warm memories of Wayne stay with you throughout your summer. We hope to see many of you at our Alumni Day in July.

Mid-Summer Alumni Day!

When former campers and staff visit Camp Wayne we always hear that it brings back so many great memories and how it instantly takes them back in time to their camper days. Seeing them happy makes us happy and we love that Alumni always want to come back and visit camp.

So this summer we are thrilled to host our first ever ALUMNI DAY on Saturday, July 29, 2017 from 12pm to 5pm. We invite you to join us for a BBQ Lunch, take a dip in the pool and enjoy all the sights, sounds and smells that you remember from years ago. In addition to a swim suit, you may want to bring sneakers b/c the boys will most likely play some ball while the girls gather for a game of Kong Pong.

While it's great to have Alumni visit, it is difficult to manage so many guests during the course of the summer. Therefore, JULY 29th is the ONLY DAY THAT WE ARE ALLOWING VISITORS TO COME TO CAMP UNLESS SCHEDULED FOR A TOUR.

This event will take a lot of planning so REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY. Please go to <http://bit.ly/CWAlumni2017> to complete the RSVP form no later than July 1st. We hope to see you there!

Welcoming the Next Generation

- Samantha Cannon (Carol Mintz)
- Quincy Elyahou (Cindy Fedida)
- Sam Gelfman (Mike Gelfman)
- Izzy Honigstock (Jeff Honigstock)
- Tyler Litman (Carrie Schecter)
- Alexis & Morgan Josephberg (Kim Bernstein)
- Ruby Marlin (Lauren Beckerman)
- Layla and Ryder Marcus (Chris Marcus)
- Rio Mondschein (Warren Mondschein)
- Sarah Pastiu (Alison Corpuel and Narcis Pastiu)
- Alex Perman (Mike Perman)
- Jake Prince (Lane Prince)
- Lyv Pulver (Shari Kleinman)
- Ava Ruderman (Lauren Schissler)
- Brett Saranik (Jamie Fedida)
- Dylan Sargis (Mike "Sarge" Sargis)
- Maya Slovin (Greer Julien)
- Reese Tolchin (Marc Tolchin)



Rookie Day 2016: Cindy (Fedida) Elyahou, Jamie (Fedida) Saranik, Adena (Corpuel) Brown, Jocey (Green) Bernyk, Greer (Julien) Slovin, Shana (Nissenbaum) Brenner with future campers.

Alumni Buzz

To share your news for the Fall 2017 Alumni Newsletter go to www.campwayne.com and click on the alumni tab. You'll see a link on the left side where you submit your news.



Don't forget to "like" us on Facebook to stay up to date on all things Wayne!
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*Welcome Logan! Congratulations Katie & Travis Chrisman.
We will miss you this summer.*



The UGS of '08 visited Carly Gubernick in Chicago!



*Congratulations Ali Olson & Cley Castillo on their engagement.
They met at CWG in '14.*



Ilene & Steve Rosenbaum with their first grandson, Ethan. Congratulations Debra



And one week later... Tracie (Rosenbaum), Eugene, and Lilah welcomed Maya to their family

Name That Senior Staffer



Can you guess which of these campers is a current staff member at CWG - 50 years later? (Answer below)



Happy Birthday Noel!

Over 40 Camp Wayners from as far as Washington, Texas and Barcelona came to Delray Beach, FL this past March to celebrate Noel's 75th Birthday! The weekend kicked off with a music fest featuring his long time camp friend and jazz musician, Art Lande, former Drama Director and Health Center Manager, Ronnie Kramer, and former Waterfront Directors, Howie Cohen and Carolyn (ACE) Spragg. Of course the night wouldn't be complete without a campfire (a.k.a. firepit by the pool) and S'mores. The next evening we danced the night away at The Seagate Country Club. As you can imagine with a camp crowd, there was a lot of fun energy in the room and we've never seen Noel happier (except when he's throwing pies at people at Sounds of Wayne.) We can't wait to celebrate his 80th!!



Answer to name that staff member above: Rona Machlin, (fourth from the left) has been part of the Camp Wayne family for 24 years!

Camp Erin NYC

Hi from Camp Erin NYC!!!!!!

Good bye winter, hello summer which means Camp Wayne and Camp Erin NYC are just months away.

This is what you missed if you were not at Frames Bowling on April 3rd.....

Over a hundred family, friends, CAMP WAYNE ALUMNI, Camp Erin Staff and camper families came out to support Camp Erin NYC, a free bereavement camp for children who have lost a parent sibling or loved one. We ate, we drank, we bowled, we laughed, we had fun and we even drummed!

We exceeded our fundraising goal, thanks to the generosity of CWG, CWB, compassionate friends, family and staff. Represented this year were TWO families who have directly benefited from Camp Erin's weekend. They came together with friends to pay it forward and raise funds so more children can experience our amazing weekend of hope and healing.

One of our dedicated volunteers- our percussionist -shared his magic and our supporters got a glimpse into what we do at camp. One hundred pairs of drum sticks were flailing around- no one was injured- but the beat was heard far and wide!

We are very busy interviewing and enrolling campers for this summer's session. Keep spreading the word. We are procuring supplies, finalizing staff and tweaking our curriculum to provide the best experience we can for our incredibly brave children.

It is not an easy decision to commit to camp - it's committing to the unknown, when one is already feeling vulnerable. I can say, with the utmost confidence, attending camp is one of the best decisions a parent or guardian can make in helping a child navigate their grief. Being in a safe, supportive and nurturing environment with trained, caring professionals and dedicated, compassionate volunteers is a recipe for success. We have had five amazing summers and are looking forward to another transformative weekend of hope and healing at our favorite place on the planet.....
CAMP WAYNE!

Get involved, donate, volunteer, spread the word!

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