Camp Wayne for Boys and Girls



Alumni Newsletter - Fall 2010



A Perfect Celebration!

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We couldn't have asked for a better turnout to celebrate Camp Wayne's 90th year. Hundreds of alumni from all across the country returned to their home away from home in Preston Park to reconnect with camp friends and reminisce about their experiences at Wayne.

Thanks to a spectacular Saturday, the waterfronts on both sides of the lake were buzzing with skiers and swimmers. There was action on the basketball courts, tennis courts and lots of people walking around seeing how camp has changed over the years.

While a majority of the alumni were from the 80s and 90s, it was a real treat to see so many alumni from the 40s and 50s. Camp has certainly changed a lot since then and it was nice to hear about what camp was like 60-plus years ago.

With all the excitement and energy that our alumni added to the celebration, we were constantly reminded that the magic of camp extends well past our years as camper and staff member. These are true friendships and connections that withstand the test of time and distance and have us counting the days until we get to do it all over again.

We wish everyone a happy and healthy fall season and in the year ahead.

Your Camp Wayne Family





Click the link below to visit Camp Wayne's official home on Facebook



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Alumni Buzz

Thanks to everyone for sharing your news with your camp family. To share your news for our Spring '11 Newsletter, go to www.campwayne.com and click on the Alumni tab. You'll see a link on the left side where you can share your news.

Tonya Bowsher Regan -We welcomed a beautiful baby boy to our family this year, Finnegan (Finn). His two sisters Madilyn and Mikaela are thrilled, and excited that he will be across the lake when they're campers.

Roberta Morton Polishook -I was a camper at Wayne for Girls from 1959-1962 and a counselor during the summer of 1968. My husband, Harlan, and I have recently moved to a suburb of Charlotte, NC. We are hoping to make the trip up North for the reunion. Harlan is looking forward to some softball on the boys' side-hope there are enough players for a game. Would love to hear from anyone living in this area.

Arthur Litz - I was a camper in the 1930's! I recently found a picture from camp when I was there and it brought back many great memories. We moved to Missouri in 1939 and I am now a retired Missouri state trial judge. Anyone remember me? I was given a medal as All Around Camper in 1938.

Malcolm Leitman - Celebrated my 80th birthday at camp this July. Camper from 1935-1948. All my birthdays as a camper were at Camp Wayne. Last visit was in 1967 when I buzzed the camp in my airplane. A promise I made to myself in 1946: I hope to swim in the lake during my visit. Regards to Kohn, Molter, Pine, Niesenbaum, Blasband, Billett and to the forgotten ones!!!!

Marc Mintz - Arthur Mintz, my older Brother who many of you have tolerated during the years, called me up last month all excited about the up and coming Alumni get-together/overnight at camp. At first, I was a bit hesitant regarding "can you really go back?" For over 3 weeks Arthur lobbied me to come up to Camp, with yes all its wonderful changes, etc. I think what changed my mind re: coming back was why not. We all only go around once and I think it would be fun checking out all the wonderful changes at Camp, etc. The last time I visited Wayne was in the off season in 1969, and things had not changed that much since I was a camper, but you always get a warm feeling for the place no matter what. So, I will see some people I know, others hopefully will become friends. By the way I am much better looking than Arthur. With much fun! Marc

Brett Harvey - Brett Harvey has moved to Israel to play professional basketball for Macabbi Haifa. He will be playing the New Jersey Nets on Oct.3rd!

Todd Greenstein - My daughter Allyson, now 11 years old. has been accepted to the Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of New York Choir. She will be performing at Lincoln Center in the Spring as well as various other locations throughout the Winter and Spring. On a side note, I am turning 40 in a few days, camp seems so far away but I remember it like it was yesterday!



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Organizations We Love

Camp Wayne is proud to support several wonderful organizations, which provide memorable summer camp experiences for children who would otherwise not be able to attend camp. As an alumnus of Camp Wayne we know you can appreciate the gift that is summer camp. If you're interested in supporting a camp-focused organization, we encourage you to check out the organizations below.



Project Morry is a year-round youth development organization that provides to each child a multi-year commitment anchored by a superb residential summer camp experience.

The children, for whom these experiences would not otherwise be available, benefit from a network of support and gain increased social skills, enhanced self-esteem, positive core values and a greater sense of personal responsibility.

www.projectmorry.org



SCOPE is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide children in need the edge to succeed in life through the summer camp experience. We accomplish this by funding camperships at not-for-profit resident camps where children will benefit from a positive, safe and healthy environment led by excellent adult role models, who will help them develop their full potential.

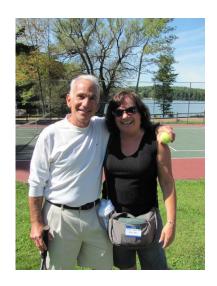
www.scope-ny.org



The Hancock Community Education Foundation (HCEF) and Camp Wayne have formed a partnership to enable children who live near Camp Wayne and do not have an opportunity to attend summer camp to have a camp experience. When the camp season ends, Camp Wayne donates its facilities, equipment and the services of some staff so many local children can have a one week day camp experience for **four consecutive summers without cost.** Michael Corpuel and his wife Randy are the Founders and Directors of the program and they meet with the campers at their schools during the school year to inspire them to do well in their studies so they can return to Camp Wayne in mid August. Donations can be made to the **HCEF-Camp Wayne Summer Program.**

www.hancockeducationfoundation.com

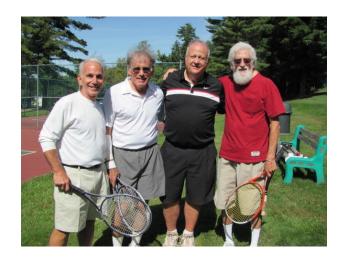
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Letters from Our Alumni

Words cannot come close to expressing the amazing weekend at CW. Thank you so much for always opening your door to me, allowing me to continue to be part of each summer, being wonderful friends, etc. I could go on and on.

This was such an incredible weekend. Seeing so many of the "girls" who are now women but still so tied into their camp friends is just priceless. The community that you have created is (I'm at a loss for words) just so unique, special, not sure where to go from here but we all feel it and live it. You have made such a difference in so many lives, thank you, thank you.

It is clear that Matt and Adena are doing an amazing job as the next generation and that Camp is in excellent hands. I am so happy this has worked out so well for you, the next generation of campers will be well taken care of.

Lots of love,
Jodi Erdman

I just wanted to say thank you so much for the chance to go back to my absolute favorite place on the planet. Just to walk around was overwhelming in a wonderful way. The best days of my life were definitely spent there and I truly believe camp encouraged me to become the strong, independent gal I am today. I know I can never repay you, but I just wanted to say again how much camp meant to me, and still does, and how grateful I am to your family for making it possible.

The camp looks amazing and the additions you have made make me a tad jealous, lol.

I can't wait till 2015 and if you ever need anyone to talk about their experiences to possible new campers I am definitely your girl.

~Alli Krigsman

Thank you so, so much for having us to camp last weekend. It was so much fun and great to hang out with everyone again. Once we were in the bunk, we resorted back to our old camper ways - talking to each other in neighboring shower stalls, lining up to have Jessie do our makeup, taking votes on which outfit everyone liked better for the "social". It was the best. It's fun to get to not be an adult, even for just a day:) Please send my love to everyone and big thank yous from the UG's of 95!

~Amy (Gordon) Carniol

Thank you so much for the alumni weekend. We didn't get a chance to say goodbye but we wanted you to know the weekend was incredible and so generous of you. Seeing everyone including our first CIT's ever to sleeping in a bunk with each other again was so great. Camp still looks amazing and it seems you guys have not changed since we were Super Juniors!

We hope to come again soon. Please thank all the staff for us as well.

~Jackie Heller, Cydney Lembersky, Alyssa Paer and the rest of bunk 2.

Letters Continued...

Wonderful, amazing and still SOOO MY happy place. Thanks for making this weekend so memorable and making Wayne the comfortable, warm place I always remembered. Love to you and your family. Keep in touch.
~Michelle (Klein) Nemiroff
Thank you for an amazing weekend! I had the best time and can't wait to come back!
~ Rachel Rabiner Bergerman
I wanted to thank you guys so much for this weekend - it was a blast! I haven't had that much fun in a long time.
~Jamie Peretz
Hey, Just wanted to tell you guys I think the reunion was great and that you guys did an awesome job! All the best always and I'll see you in December.
Matt Biesiada

Reaching Out to Our Community

On Monday, August 16th, two days after the camp season ended, seventeen local elementary school students began a day camp program of fun and learning that lasted five days. The Directors of Camp Wayne donated the use of the camp facilities, food and the services of staff members to the program called the **Preston/Hancock Experience**.

Campers participated in interactive games to develop friendships and camaraderie, and experienced a wide range of activities that included outdoor adventure, drama, soccer, ceramics, tennis, nature, cooking, art, dance and guitar.



Michael and Randy Corpuel founded and directed the Preston/Hancock Experience. Matt Brown was in charge of administration and alumnus Rob Weingard donated tee shirts. Volunteers provided leadership and instruction for the campers including alumni Lillian Julien, Karen Newton, Steve Nisenson, and Noel Corpuel.

During the year Michael, Randy and Head Counselors Jessie and Mary Baxter will meet with the children periodically at their schools to inspire them to work hard so they can return to camp. For 2011, the campers from this past summer will be invited to return to camp for a second year. In addition, the program will welcome sixteen new children who will have completed the fourth grade.

We thank alumni who made donations to the Preston/Hancock Experience. One hundred percent of each donation directly benefits the Preston/Hancock Experience and is used to purchase supplies and equipment, insurance and food. Donations for the Preston/Hancock Experience can be made online: **Hancock Community Education Foundation – Camp Wayne Summer Program** or sent to HCEF, P.O. Box 817 Hancock, NY 13873. To volunteer, contact Michael Corpuel: mhcorpuel@aol.com.

Ready for Camp?

Do you know someone who's ready for camp? If you have children or friends with children who are considering camp in the next year or two, please get in touch so we can send them information about Wayne. We have lots of second and third generation campers at Wayne!

Camp Wayne for Boys info@campwayne.com www.campwayne.com

Camp Wayne for Girls info@campwaynegirls.com www.campwaynegirls.com

Welcoming the Next Generation

This summer we welcome the next generation to our camp family: (As of October 20, 2010)

- Charlie Feldman (Eddie Feldman)
- Ethan Magun (Eric Magun)
- Brandon Caslow (David Caslow)
- Jared Hackmyer (Selma Hackmyer)
- Nellie Lambertson (Marni Hye)
- Anna Leland (David Leland)
- Abby Schlanger (Meredith Baker)
- Jillian Levin (Allison Robbins)
- Riley Brown (Adena Corpuel)