



# Camp Wayne for Boys & Girls

Alumni Newsletter - Spring 2011

## CWB - Bring on the Sun!



After a winter that just never seemed to end (at least here in PA), summer can't get here fast enough. We're happy to report that the snow is gone and the ice on the lake has melted. At some point it felt like we wouldn't see the grass until June! We're all really excited about the upcoming summer. We've got another great group of new campers joining the CWB family in 2011, including 11 alumni families.

Our campers will see lots of familiar faces in the senior staff on June 25 in addition to several new faces that will bring a ton of energy and enthusiasm to our program. Our outstanding group of returning senior staff includes Andy "Groom" Groothuis, Jody Schoenhaut, Chris Burnett, Paul "Rolo" Rolnicki, Aly Silverman, Chris Lee, David "D-nice" Nisenson, Gil Fershtman, Joe Dondero, Monica Wolfe, Rudy Williams, Eric Schneider, Andy Cole and Jo Bradley.

While not exactly new to the world of Camp Wayne, former long-time camper Alex "Cricket" Groothuis will be running the show on the basketball courts. As an assistant and head coach, Alex has coached over 20 players who have gone on to play basketball professionally including 3 in the NBA, 2 in the NBDL, and 1 in the CBA. We also welcome Josh Wright, head coach of the men's and women's golf team at the University of Arkansas Monticello, who will be directing the ever popular golf program. And last but certainly not least, Chris Adrian, men's head soccer coach at Kalamazoo College, will be overseeing all the action on the soccer pitch.

In these days of constant testing, tutors, excessive "screen time," coaches, practices, AP classes, on top of hours and hours of homework, the camp experience has never been more important for children. If you think kids have it easy, be sure to check out the documentary, Race to Nowhere. There's not a better promotion for summer camp! After all, where else can kids kick back with their friends and just play like kids are supposed to. Wishing you and your family a great summer! Josh, Steve, Kathy C and Kathy E.

## CWG - Lovin' These Happy Days Here at Camp Wayne

We are delighted to say that for the fourth consecutive year, Camp Wayne for Girls had more campers than ever before – 272! We had 34 alumni families on girl's side last summer and are welcoming eight more alumni families in 2011.

Even though so much has changed and improvements have been made all over camp, the heart and soul of what makes Camp Wayne for Girls so special has not changed in decades. It still is 'A Nice People Place' except now we have an address that proves it. That's right, did you know that CWG is officially located at 56 Nice People Place? Google maps even says so ☺. Speaking of 56 Nice People Place (or 56 NPP as the kids like to say) you can now follow us on twitter at @56NPP and you can also catch up on all things camp at our new blog (<http://campwaynegirls.com/blog/>).



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## Welcoming the Next Generation

For summer 2011, we're thrilled to welcome the next generation to our camp family:

Charlie Feldman (Eddie Feldman)  
Ethan Magun (Eric Magun)  
Jared Hackmyer (Selma Hackmyer)  
Jesse Faller (Jenn Cohen Faller)  
Cole Faller (Jenn Cohen Faller)  
Brandon Caslow (David Caslow)  
Leo Finkelstein (Michael Finkelstein)  
Michael Port (Jason Port)  
Stevie Port (Jason Port)  
David Pinsley (Olivia Simons Pinsley)  
Adrian Matute (Josh Bloom)  
Scott Goldband (Jane Deutsch)  
Eli Groothuis (Alex Groothuis)

Riley Brown (Adena Corpuel Brown)  
Zoe Groothuis (Alex Groothuis)  
Nellie Lambertson (Marni Hye Lambertson)  
Anna Leland (David Leland)  
Jillian Levin (Allison Robbins Levin)  
Lily Nussbaum (Jennifer Seitels)  
Abby Schlanger (Meredith Baker)  
Ashlyn Wolfe (Monica Wolfe)



Scott Goldband's grandmother, Jane Deutsch, top row, second from the right.

## Alumni Buzz

**Stacey Spielman** - Dear Friends and Family, We are so happy to share that Sonny Jules was born on Thursday, January 20th. 6 pounds 12 ounces. Lola is very excited about her little sister! Thanks for all your calls and wishes.

Much Love, Stacey and Chris



**Stephanie (Harris) Singer** - My husband and I are excited to announce the birth of our son, Samuel Ross Singer, on January 31. The little bump I was sporting at the reunion is now a 12-week-old little boy! Check out pictures at [www.brianandsteph.net](http://www.brianandsteph.net).

**Suzanne Davis** - I am getting married on July 3, 2011 in Cape Cod, MA!

**Todd Greenstein** - My daughter Allyson is singing with the Suffolk County Children's Choir of the Metropolitan Youth Orchestra at Alice Tully Hall in Lincoln Center June 12th 2011. Having never been to Lincoln Center before going there for the first time to hear my daughter sing will certainly be memorable!

**Jessica Aronesty**- After reconnecting back at the 2005 Alumni Reunion, Paul Schuster and Jessica Aronesty are engaged! If interested, they are registered at Pap's and the LCI.

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After over 20 years of dedication to Camp Wayne for Girls we are sad to report that our director Ilene Rosenbaum will be stepping away from many of her responsibilities at camp to spend more time with her family, travel and pursue other interests. For those of us lucky to have had the opportunity to know Ilene you know what an integral part of camp she has become. She really put the 'Nice' in Nice People Place. Her selfless dedication to camp and to the individual campers she counseled through tough times is appreciated by everyone in the Camp Wayne family. She will be at camp for the first few weeks of the summer so she can work with our new Community Counselor Jennifer (Seitels) Nussbaum who is also an alumnus of Camp Wayne.

As always, a new summer means new changes to the campus. This winter Bill and his crew have been busy expanding both our CIT bunk and Waitress bunk. Both will be considerably larger and nicer, with new lounge and cubby areas and the waitress bunk will also have new and improved bathrooms. We also were able to expand our high ropes course by adding several new elements as well as updating much of the low ropes course. We did some planting of new trees throughout campus and also rebuilt our putting/chipping area at the golf range. Another addition to camp that we are excited about is a new Music program. Campers will now be able to rock out and get their Glee on at Camp Wayne!

We'd love for you to come and see for yourself that even after years of being away Camp Wayne is still the place you remember it to be. But you don't have to wait until the next reunion in 2015 to visit us! If you and your family would like to plan a visit to Camp Wayne, please contact us in advance so we can plan the best time to come. And if you or any of your relatives are interested in attending Camp Wayne for Girls they should call us immediately as we tend to complete enrollment one year in advance. Our warmest regards to you and your families. We hope you have a wonderful summer.

## Preston/Hancock Experience

For the second straight summer, Camp Wayne will be co-sponsoring the Preston/Hancock Experience along with the Hancock Community Education Foundation.

This exciting program gives children who live near Camp Wayne, who otherwise would not be able to afford a camp experience, the opportunity to spend five fun-filled days at Camp Wayne starting August 15th. All 17 campers in the 5th grade, who attended camp last summer will return for a second summer and up to 16 children in the 4th grade will also attend this summer. THE MISSION OF THE PRESTON/HANCOCK EXPERIENCE IS TO DO WELL IN SCHOOL, TO ATTEND THE P/H EXPERIENCE FOR 4 SUMMERS AND TO GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL.

Camp Wayne Alumni have played a major role in the success of the Preston/Hancock Experience as volunteers and donors.

Alumni who have or will be volunteering their time for the P/H Experience are: Matt Biesiada, Adena Brown, Matt Brown, Josh Corpuel, Michael Corpuel, Noel Corpuel, Michael Fuchs, Lillian Michaelson Julien, Karen Keenholtz Newton, and Steve Nisenson.

Alumni who have made donations for the P/H Experience are: Jeffrey Corpuel, Josh Corpuel, Michael Corpuel, Kathy and Bob Emmerman, Amy Bobrow Gross, Dr. Gary Hecht, Stacy Corpuel Kaplan, Adena and Matt Brown, Nicole Pendley, Dr. Robert Rodvien, Brain Swain, Susan Finkelstein Teich, and Robbie Weingard.

One hundred percent of monies donated to HCEF directly benefit these campers. Camp Wayne donates its facilities and food. The staff is mostly made up of volunteers or employees of Camp Wayne who donate their time. Donations pay for insurance, camper tee shirts, food for the cooking program, and supplies for art, sewing and knitting.

Anyone who wishes to volunteer for the P/H Experience should contact Michael Corpuel, Director P/H Experience at [mhcorpuel@aol.com](mailto:mhcorpuel@aol.com) or 516-365-4678.

Donations can be made online to the Hancock Community Education Foundation-Camp Wayne Summer Program or sent to HCEF, PO Box 817, Hancock, NY 13873. HCEF is a nonprofit, 501 (c) (3) charitable organization.



Ladies luncheon...top row: Debbie Schept Shapiro, Judy Schoengold Mintz; bottom row: Lillian Michelson Julien, Susan Hershfeld Eckstein, Stefi Gold Cohen, Lynn Szerlip Cleaver, Nancy Samen Cury, and Karen Keenholtz Newton