



Camp Wayne for Boys & Girls

Alumni Newsletter - Spring 2013



A few of our 2013 CITs on a very frozen lower lake in February.

News from CWB

With summer just around the corner, we're in high gear with our preparations for the 2013 camp season. There's nothing quite like the first day at camp, when hundreds of boys and girls arrive at Wayne with tons of energy and excitement. It's great to see returning campers seeking out camp friends they may not have seen since last summer, while watching first time campers start the process of making friends that will last a lifetime. While social media has made it easier to stay connected, camp veterans know what real friendship is all about. We'll take a bunk of camp friends over hundreds of Facebook friends any day.

We're excited to welcome back a great group of returning counselors as well as our first time counselors who we know will make an outstanding contribution to camp. As always, there are lots of familiar faces on the senior staff roster with some exciting changes and new additions. Andy "Groo" Groothuis will be taking over as Skid Row Head Counselor. Groo has big shoes to fill (we'll miss you Schneider) but with a few years under his belt, we know he'll make a

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News from CWG

After enduring such a long winter, what better way to warm our hearts and minds than with the start of another camp season in Preston Park. Right now families are busy doing their camp shopping and shaking out their duffle bags (that's right, no more hard trunks) to prepare for the best 7 weeks of the year!

It's hard to believe that Camp Wayne's 100th Anniversary is not too far down the road. If you're counting at home, we will celebrate our *95th Anniversary* with our **next Alumni Reunion at camp in late summer 2015**. Please mark it down as we'd love to see as many alumni back on campus as possible. Nothing makes us happier than to share camp with the people who love and appreciate it the most, our alumni. We're always happy to hear from alumni and we love when you visit. Whether you are thinking about camp for your daughter or you just want to see 'your' camp again, please contact us and let us know when you'd like to visit. Speaking of alumni, we have two former Camp Wayners coming back this summer to join our staff. **Allison (Vining) Brandau** will be the Assistant



Alumni Buzz

To share your news for the Fall 2013 edition of the 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.

Bill Braunstein:

My wife and I are sending our regards to anyone who remembers us from 1972 and 1973. I was the boy's Head Waterfront those 2 summers. Presently the Head Waterfront at another camp for 35 years in Orange County NY.

Robert Jacoby:

Was a camper from 1937 to 1943 (Approx). Any body remember me? Also was a camper waiter and a guest waiter thereafter. My sister Rhoda was at the girls camp the same years... My camp experiences were some of the best times of my life. Oscar Golden was one of the owners then, a wonderful person.



Spencer and Dana Julien are proud parents of Mason Blake Julien. Mason was named after my sister Michelle and my father BJ (MBJ). He just turned 7 months, and we couldn't be happier. Mason has such a great personality, an unbelievable smile, and we can't wait for him to be a camper at Camp Wayne!





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Sledding anyone?

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smooth transition. On the baseball diamond, former major league pitcher, John Frascatore, will be taking over the baseball program. John pitched for the Cardinals, Blue Jays and Diamondbacks. About a nine iron away from the baseball facility, campers will have plenty of opportunity to work on their golf game with new director, Mike Banzhoff. Mike played Division 1 golf and currently coaches collegiate golf.

We've all learned to appreciate every second of camp because as the old adage goes, time flies when you're having fun. The buses pull in and before you know it, you'll be packing your trunk for the trip home. We wish you and your family a happy and healthy summer!

Josh, Steve, Kathy E and Kathy C

Welcoming the Next Generation at Wayne

For summer 2013, we're thrilled to be welcoming the next genration to our camp family:

EMILY ARKER (ALEX)
RACHEL BELMONT (ALLYSON LAINER)
EMMA & SHEA BRANDAU (ALLISON VINING)
RACHEL COFSKY (ABBY SHAFRAN)
ELLA JAVORSKY (STEPHANIE PORT)
ANABELLE MARCUS (CHRIS MARCUS)
EMILY MARCUS (JON MARCUS)
HANNAH & JORDAN MELNICK (JASON MELNICK - CAMP DOCTOR)
SYDNEY NEMIROFF (MICHELLE KLEIN)
EMMA PINSLEY (OLIVIA SIMONS)

CHARLEY RICH (HARRIS BLUM - GRANDFATHER)
NIKKI SHAPIRO (JASON SHAPIRO)
DREW VICTOR (REBECCA STERNLICHT)
ADAM COFSKY (ABBY SHAFRAN)
ALEX FISCHLER (DAVID FISCHLER)
JAKE HERMAN (MICHAEL HERMAN)
GAVIN JAVORSKY (STEPHANIE PORT)
JACK MARCUS (CHRIS MARCUS)
ZACHARY SCHER (DARYL WISLER - CAMP DOCTOR)
ETHAN TERAMO (JORDAN TERAMO)

Waterfront Director and her two daughters, Shea and Emma, will be in a bunk. We're also thrilled to have Jaime (Dondero) Pace returning to 56 NPP after a two year absence with her adorable children, Luke and Jordana. Jaime will be our new Director of Special Events and Evening Activities, formally held by Stefi (Gold) Cohen who has vacated the position (but not fully retired). 2013 is shaping up to be another memorable summer. Noel and Chrissy hired many wonderful counselors but more importantly over half of our counselors this summer will be returning counselors. As Noel always says, 'a camp is only as good as it's staff.' We are so fortunate to have such a dedicated staff.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT CWG ENROLLMENT

We like to give priority to alumni who wish to enroll in camp. We have a limited amount of space, so **if your daughter is currently in kindergarten or older and you are considering sending her to Camp Wayne** in 2014 or beyond, please contact us as early as possible so we can reserve a spot for her. While we realize it is difficult to predict a child's readiness for sleep-away camp, we tend to fill up in most age groups at least one year in advance, and in some cases even earlier.

A great way for your family to check out camp is our Rookie Day slated for July 6th and July 20th. What better way for your daughter to see what Camp Wayne is all about than spending a fun-filled day at Camp with other potential campers participating in activities, meeting new friends and of course...making s'mores?!?

If you are interested in receiving the Camp Wayne for Girls' DVD and brochure please call or email us at 215-944-3069 or info@campwaynegirls.com. You can also complete a Request for Information on the Camp Wayne for Girls' website. This will set you up in our system and allow you to complete the Future Camper Survey as well.

Preston/Hancock Experience

Dear Alumni,

On August 11th approximately fifty children from our local community will participate in the fourth annual Preston/Hancock Experience at Camp Wayne for Girls. More than thirty-five children will be repeat campers, and thirteen will be attending Camp for the 4th summer and will become graduates of the Preston/Hancock Experience on August 16th.

The Preston/Hancock activity offerings include swimming, sports and creative arts. In addition to assigned periods, campers will be able to make selections from a menu of about 20 different activities.

Our camper enrollment has increased about 300% from 2010 when seventeen children took part in our first summer. In 2013, donations from Camp Wayne Alumni will be earmarked to pay for honorariums awarded to staff who are attending college and who are recent college graduates. Other donations pay for food, insurance, supplies, and camp tee shirts. To learn more about the Preston/Hancock Experience and to make a donation go to www.Preston Hancock Experience.com.

We are appreciative of all the Camp Wayne Alumni who support this program.

With warm regards,

Michael Corpuel Founder and Director Preston/Hancock Experience

Camp Erin

Thanks to the generosity of dozens of Camp Wayne alumni and many other volunteers, 'Camp Erin-New York City' held its first bereavement camp last August on the grounds of Camp Wayne for Girls and by all counts it was a huge success! The campers, along with our volunteer staff, really felt the transformative power of the weekend. Children who hadn't talked much about their loss came out of their shells and shared how great it was to be with kids just like themselves for a weekend.

We are proud to say that close to 100% of our volunteer staff, many of whom are Camp Wayne Alumni, will be returning to volunteer this August. So, how can alumni help out in other ways, you might ask? There is no cost to the families whose children attend Camp Erin as we rely on donations to keep this wonderful experience available to those kids who need it. We hope you will consider making a donation in support of Camp Erin by going to www.copefoundation.org http://www.copefoundation.org and clicking on Camp Erin or make checks payable to COPE-Camp Erin and send to The COPE Foundation P.O. Box 1251, Melville, NY 11747. 'Camp Erin New York City' is the product of a partnership between The COPE Foundation, a bereavement organization founded by Lilly Julien, a Camp Wayne Alumnae, and the Moyer Foundation. To learn more about COPE and Camp Erin New York City, please visit www.copefoundation.org.