

Camp Wayne for Boys & Girls Alumni Newsletter



Hi From Camp!

We hope everyone had a great summer. It was another fantastic camp season at Wayne for our campers and staff. Adding to the usual summer highlights like Color War, Carnival and VC Pizza, was our first-ever Alumni Day. While we know this special day will grow in leaps and bounds it was a great start to an annual tradition. Those who were able to spend the afternoon at camp enjoyed lots of quality hangout time with their camp friends in addition to lunch. Whether you joined us this past summer or haven't visited camp in many years, we hope you'll be able to get back to Preston Park in 2018. We'll be sure to announce the details for the next Alumni Day in our spring newsletter. Scroll down to the last page to see a few pictures from the day.

For those alumni who were lucky enough to visit Candyland in Hancock, we recently stumbled upon a short movie clip (A Time to Remember) filmed outside and inside the legendary candy store. Copy and paste the link below to see the clip. After a fire many years ago, the store never reopened but the sign is still in the window. We're holding out hope that someone will bring it back. There wasn't a better place for a candy treat or a milkshake than at the old counter. It was a step back in time that would be hard to replicate today. Scroll down to page 2 to see a picture of CWG staffer, Janet Fischbein, enjoying a treat at Candyland from her camper days. https://www.facebook.com/ATTR1984/videos/



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LTR 2nd generation camper Luke Pace (Jamie Dondero Pace) and 3rd generation camper Lucas Muhlstein (Carrie Groothuis Muhlstein and Howie Muhlstein)



2nd generation campers Natey (left) and Benny Frost (Michael Frost) playing hoops on the lower courts



LTR 2nd generation campers Maya Slovin (Greer Julien) and Brett Saranik (Jamie Fedida)

Our hard-working maintenance teams and construction partners have already started our off-season projects. At CWB, our high ropes course is undergoing a major upgrade with the addition of the SmartSnap system. This system was a hit at CWG this past summer so we're looking forward to bringing the same system to the other side of the lake. The Field House at CWB is getting a brand new floor, wall to wall padding, and new glass backboards. Down at our waterfront, our pool contractor will be putting in a new concrete deck and coping around the pool. And last but not least, two new bunks are being built on the upper hill to replace a few of our older bunks.

At CWG we've already broken ground on a new staff house to accommodate our ever-growing staff. We'll also be building a cool deck behind the Nature Nook to continue the awesome Nook facelift we started 2 summers ago. Soon we'll be debuting our new CWG promo video so be on the lookout for that. Speaking of videos, we wanted to remind you that CWG's Video Yearbooks from 1990-2016 are now posted on our website so grab that Costco-size bag of popcorn and get ready to binge-watch your favorite memories!!! CWG teamed up with The Groovy Project again to create another original song and music video. This time our staff put their minds and voices together to write and perform a piece to supplement CWG's innovative program, 'I Want to Know', that teaches campers how to give and receive feedback. This video can be found under the 'songs and videos' tab on our website.

We wish you and your family a happy and healthy holiday season.

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3nd generation camper Rio Mundschein (right...Warren Mundschein)



Janet Fischbein at Candyland in Hancock, NY



2nd generation campers Reese Tolchin (center...Marc Tolchin) and Layla Marcus (right...Chris Marcus)



LTR. 2nd generations campers Evan and Josh Waldman (Lysee Fischler Waldman) and Zach Graber (Rachel Fischler Graber)

Name that Senior Staffer



This CWB Senior Staffer is still playing the piano and making his way to Wayne each summer (Answer on following page)

Alumni Buzz

To share your news for the Spring 2018 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.

Mike Schwartz

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My sister Carol Schwartz passed away late last month at the age of 60 from cancer. She has two daughters, Amy and Jenna. Carol, my brothers, Harvey and Ricky and I went to Camp Wayne during the 1960s. I'm a novelist (post-modernism stories) and am about to move from Washington DC, to Boca Raton, Florida, so my wife and I can retire where it's warm. Harvey is already retired and lives on the west coast of Florida, and Ricky is a doctor (neuroradiologist, MD, PhD) and owns an MRI center in Brookline, MA



Alumni from the 1940s and 1950s will likely remember the totem pole at the entrance of camp. The totem pole was created by Jay Moskowitz, an arts and crafts counselor in the early 1940s. Below are pictures of Jay working on the totem pole and standing next to the finished project. In 1942, Jay served in the United States army in World War II. Jay's unit fought in Anzio, Italy, the invasion of southern France, and in Germany.

Jay's passion for sculpture continued into his 90s. He has had several solo exhibitions in the New York area. Jay is now 94 years old and lives in the Bronx. To see some of Jay's work, check out his website: https://jaymoss.weebly.com. If you click on the link for In the Media, you'll see a few nice articles about Jay from the New York Times and Forward Magazine.



Britt Reichert and Paul Eddy met at camp in summer 2016...got married at Carnival...real wedding is April 21, 2018 in Lexington KY. Congrats!!



Herb Waldman

It was 60 years ago that Stu Goldsmith (right), Bernie Fine (center) & I first met on the Upper Hill. Things have changed, but we are still friends. The previous day, Marty Laufer & David Schept joined us for lunch. Stu & Bernie came up from Florida for a 4-day weekend. Bernie & I are currently an undefeated doubles team.





Camp Erin NYC

Hi everyone,

It is a beautiful fall day, yet I am still thinking of our brave children and all the emotions we felt during our sixth summer hosting Camp Erin NYC and our third summer hosting a parent retreat. It was nothing short of magical. Everyone takes away something different, but something nonetheless. If we have helped one child or family in one small way, then our sacrifice and commitment to the weekend was worth it. As always, at the end of the day, it is because of our volunteers' commitment, love and support combined with the generosity of Camp Wayne for Boys and Girls, that we are able to offer a weekend of hope and healing to children in need.



The parent retreat, once again, offered a unique opportunity for parents, grandparents and guardians to take a moment for themselves so they can better support their children. Lillian and Jerry's warmth, guidance and love enabled their participants to share and open up in ways they have not been able to before. Hopefully, their shared experiences at camp will encourage dialogue and understanding.

In order to facilitate this weekend we need the support of community, family and friends. There are many ways to help and I thank you ALL for all that you have done. Whether it be a financial donation, reaching out to procure comfort items for our campers, mentally supporting the Camp Erin team or physically getting things from point A to B, it is a team effort.

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Some of the words heard at camp this weekend: "I really didn't want to come to camp, but now I don't want to leave. I met so many new friends. I think we are going to exchange phone numbers."

After our luminary ceremony, one of our grief chiefs needed a minute to herself as the ceremony is often very emotional for both camper and staff. A camper came behind her, wrapped his arms around her and said "You have helped me all weekend. It is my turn to help you".

After hearing that our volunteers are not paid to attend camp, one camper said to another ".....then why are they here?" To which the other camper replied "....because they care".

Spread the word... Camp Erin NYC 2018 is only 10 months away!

Warmest regards,

Ann

For more information on Camp Erin, please email me, Ann Fuchs, Director Camp Erin New York City, at afuchs@copefoundation.org or 914-552-6919.



Alumni Day 2017











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