



Camp Wayne for Boys & Girls
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Second generation campers Gavin and Maddy Lipton (Tracey Blaine Lipton)

Alumni Reunion - Save the Date!

Our 105th Alumni Reunion is set for September 6-7 2025. We're excited to announce that the Amish Outlaws will be back to rock the night away.



Left to Right: Fourth generation camper Charlie Lieberman (Erica Frost Lieberman) and second generation campers Brayden Schneider (Eric Schneider) and Zach Berg (Heather Kanter Berg)

Let it Shine

With less than 50 days until opening day at Camp Wayne, we are hitting the ground running preparing for another amazing summer in Preston Park! We are expecting over 150 alumni campers at CWB and CWG, with the connection through the generations feeling stronger than ever.

Although we all love to remember the way camp looked from our "glory days," we are always looking for ways to update the facilities at camp for future generations. At CWB, the golf facility is getting a full makeover with new driving range tee boxes and a new chipping and putting green. Additionally, we are adding a new stone patio with a fire pit, couches and tables outside of our dining room, with prime real estate that overlooks the Upper Twin Lake! The Den (hockey rink) is also being fully renovated with new boards, a new sport court floor and sliding rear panels to create indoor soccer goals. Our plans for a solar array continue to move forward; when complete (expected by the end of 2024), the new system will generate enough electricity to power the entire camp. (Over 25 years, the power we will generate from the sun is equivalent to over 4,000,000 pounds of coal!)

At CWB our counselor staff this summer includes over 40 returning counselors, 20 of whom are alumni campers (7 of whom are second generation alumni.) There is nothing better than when our campers come back to be counselors and they continue to pass on the legacy of Camp Wayne. At CWG, our team is comprised of 107 returning staff members, with 52 of them being former campers and 25 serving as bunk counselors. Collectively, our returners' years at Wayne total over 1000!

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Alumni Day 2024

Alumni Day is set for Saturday, July 27 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Click [here](#) to RSVP by July 1.



Second generation camper Izzy Jaffe (center) (Emily Bogdanoff Jaffe) and third generation camper Maya Slovin (right) (Green Julien Slovin)

Welcoming the Next Generation

Alumni campers joining the Camp Wayne family in 2024:

Sloane Barrow (Jordan Barrow)
 Chloe Brous (Dan Brous)
 Sydney Cooper (Dan Cooper)
 Case Deitch (Karen Loeb Deitch)
 Adam Gantwarg (Eric Gantwarg)
 Cooper Goldstein (Spencer Goldstein)
 Jax Goodman (Allison Silverberg Goodman)
 Chase Hinckley (Adam Hinckley)
 Zoey Karson (Andrew Karson)
 Alexander Klein (Matthew Klein)
 Emmett Moldoff (Blair Brussel Moldoff)
 Ella Posner (Melanie Schechter Posner)
 Alexandra Rosen (Marc Rosen)
 Benjamin Schept (Michael Schept)
 Lilah Serebrennikov (Tracie Rosenbaum Serebrennikov)
 Amalia Simantov (Abby Ziff)
 Charlie Skollar (Sam "Smitty" Smith)
 West Starr (Gena Schuster Starr)
 Emery Sutter (Steven Sutter)
 Hannah Tobkes (Jonathan Tobkes)
 Avery Towbin (Andrew Towbin)

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At CWG, we are excited about the expansion of our dining room and MADD Workshop. We built a new salad bar to accommodate twice as many hungry campers and staff. It will include dedicated stations for vegetarians and those with gluten sensitivities. This space will also allow us to use the old salad bar to expand our dining room seating, giving everyone more room to enjoy mealtimes (and more room to stand on their chairs and cheer!) Campers and staff will also appreciate the newly raised ceiling, lights, and sound system. Above the salad bar area is a spacious new open-air deck for our staff to enjoy during their downtimes. Also rebuilt is our dining room porch, which is now much larger and nicer, with an expansive view of our beautiful lake. Above the porch is a new addition in MADD workshop that provides us with more space to be creative while taking in the gorgeous views high above the lake. With a new roof and stonework, the renovation is truly complete. New elements for our low-ropes course, new waterfront toys, and paddle boards (including a cool floating Yoga station for the lake) are just some of the other fun additions we can look forward to.

If you are considering Camp Wayne for your daughter in the next few years, please contact us as soon as possible so we can keep her on our radar! We have limited space for new campers and therefore give Camp Wayne siblings, cousins, and Alumni the opportunity to enroll prior to new families.

As always, we are so grateful for the support we continue to receive from our alumni community. We hope you will save the date for our next Alumni Reunion in September of 2025!

Warmest Regards,

The Corpuel and Brown Families



Second generation campers Abbie Banks (left) (Jamie Mihlrads Banks) and Hayley Schaffler (center) (Joanna Kolton Schaffler)



Second generation campers Gemma and Max Maizel (Nikki Weinstein Maizel)

Alumni Buzz

Happy Holidays to all Camp Wayne staff and campers. I shared some amazing times as a tennis coach in the summer 2010. At that time, I believed I could change the world and I am fortunate to say, I know I continue to do so in the lives of the kids I work with daily.

- Coach Beto and Assistant Coach Elaine



*Congratulations to Jessie Klein on her wedding.
Camp Wayne was well represented!*

Earlier this week, my husband and I were watching "The Voice" and a contestant sang what he called the Christopher Robbins song. As soon as I heard a few notes, I started singing along, but with completely different words. I was baffled about what was going on, and where these lyrics were coming from. After some online searching, I found the Camp Wayne alma mater recording on the website. Aside from being able to show my family that I was not losing my mind, I loved hearing the songs that I remember singing around bonfires or on the lawn during the final days of the summer.

It has been 41 years since I was at Camp Wayne, and it was heart-warming (and somewhat mind-boggling) that it all came back so quickly! After looking at the website, I'm thrilled the Corpuel family is still thriving and giving new generations summers filled with warm memories. I was a camper with Adena, so seeing her at the helm made me smile.

Thank you for all that you do!

All the best,

Tobi Printz-Platnick

Dear Camp Wayne,

I sincerely want to express my gratitude for all the wonderful summers you've provided me. These summers have been invaluable in allowing me to truly be myself and to grow into the person I am today. Through your influence, I've learned the importance of friendship and kindness. You've taught me to appreciate nature, human connection, and the joy of being wild and free. Your grounds have always been where my spirit and soul flourish, a safe haven I can truly call home. I've never taken this place for granted; its unspoken beauty and magic have always captivated me.

The indescribable feeling, the sense of rediscovery, and the familiarity I find every summer at Wayne contrast sharply with the hectic, overwhelming pace of my life outside its grounds. Arriving at camp each summer serves as a consistent breath of fresh air, grounding me in a way I know I desperately need. Camp Wayne consistently brings out the best in me, leaving an impact that is unparalleled by any other experience in my life. For 19 years, it has been a steadfast presence, teaching me how to embrace my true self. It's where laughter erupts so joyously that I'm left gasping for air. It's where nights blend seamlessly into dawn, spent under the stars with cherished friends. Camp Wayne introduced me to the kindest, most nurturing individuals and taught me the true value of friendship. Its serene environment fosters a sense of inner peace, evident in the meaningful relationships I've forged and the memories I've created. These memories are etched into my soul, destined never to fade.

Camp Wayne has played an integral role in shaping my understanding of myself, for which I am profoundly grateful. Giving back to Wayne has been my greatest aspiration thus far in life. You have generously imparted so much to me, and I am deeply thankful for the years I have spent under your guidance. The last two summers have been the most cherished of all, where I've witnessed the same joy on my campers' faces that my counselors once brought to mine. Sharing stories from my camper days, and witnessing familiar pranks from a new perspective, has been immensely fulfilling. Although I wish for more time at Wayne, I understand the necessity of embracing real-life responsibilities. I am confident in my preparedness to face the challenges of the outside world, yet bidding farewell to Camp Wayne feels bittersweet. However, it's merely a chapter closing, not the end of the story. I vow to return and continue giving back, for Camp Wayne, you have truly shaped my life in immeasurable ways.

Thank you, Camp Wayne. You're such an important part of my life that's made me who I am, and I will never forget it every moment spent there.

Ashlyn Wolfe

Camp Erin NYC

Hi Camp Wayne,

CW was in the house! It was another great show of support from Camp Wayne Alumni at our annual Camp Erin NYC Bowl-a-thon supporting grieving children. An endless thank you to all!

Camp Erin NYC (offered through COPE* in partnership with Eluna**) is a free, weekend-long grief support camp designed to support children and teenagers ages 7 – 17, who have experienced the death of a parent, sibling or someone close to them. This summer we are returning to Camp Wayne to offer our 13th summer of Camp Erin NYC August 23th-25th, 2024.

Spread the word, talk us up. We have a lot to offer grieving children - unlimited support, a variety of coping strategies, lots of laughs, many listening ears, an abundance of warm hearts, and the beauty and fun of Camp Wayne!

If you know of a family who could benefit from a weekend of hope and healing as they grieve for a loved one, please have them contact me directly.

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