



# Camp Wayne for Boys & Girls

Alumni Newsletter - Spring 2016

## Counting Down to Summer 2016

At this time last year, we were wondering if the snow would melt in time for the start of the camp season. A much kinder, gentler Mother Nature prevailed this past winter. Our annual Winter Reunion in December saw a record number of campers. The energy and excitement was off the charts. The ever-growing CIT Retreat to camp took place the following month. Over 40 rising CITs finally got their chance to experience a very quiet and cold campus. Although we didn't have the snow we did in 2015, everyone had a blast spending time together. Needless to say, dinner at VC continues to be the highlight. There's just something about that VC pizza!

Campouts won't be the same in 2016 with the addition of two new treehouses at camp. The CWG treehouse is on the Upper Lake and the CWB treehouse is on the Lower Lake. We know our campers are going to love spending nights 20 plus feet above the ground with incredible views!

In addition to the treehouse at CWB, "Maintenance Joe" and his team have been busy building a dining room extension, as well as lots of landscaping and bunk maintenance projects. In the next few weeks, our three Upper Upper Tennis Courts will get a complete makeover with new fencing and a playing surface to match all the other courts. Tennis continues to be a hugely popular sport at camp and we know David Nisenson and his staff will see lots of action as always.

Over at CWG things are busy as usual as we get ready for the upcoming season. Many new things happening on the girl's side in addition to our new treehouse and its 5-star view.

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With cooking becoming so popular at camp, we've demolished and expanded the kitchen in the Nook. And since we were doing this renovation, we also thought it was a good time to give the nature and crafts area in the Nook a healthy make-over. Moving out much of the older items and the addition of a new floor, tables, chairs, etc. should make for a much better, brighter and cooler Nature Nook. Bunks 1,17,18 and 19 were recipients of new bathroom floors and vanities and we added more instant hot water heaters for the bunks (this may sadden some of our alumni who believe that running out of hot water is a rite of passage for all campers!) We added another row of new log benches to the amphitheater, rebuilt the fishing and ski docks, and also continued the remodeling of many of our staff rooms. Also in

the works is a new toy for the waterfront, new surfboards to replace the white ones, and the addition of a new ice and water machine outside of the dining room. Believe it or not, that is just a partial list of all the things we have been working on with the hope of making Camp Wayne a little bit better each summer. One exciting project that some of you may have already discovered, thanks to social media, was the addition of a virtual tour and updated photos on our website. Check them out if you haven't done so already.

We also want to welcome the newest alumna to our summer staff as Michelle (Klein) Nemiroff joins us as our new Program Director. Also happy to welcome back Assistant Head Counselor, Jocey (Green) Bernyk as she joins the rest of our incredibly talented, amazingly awesome, super-duper alumni staff: Meri (Gibbons) Alexander, Jaime (Dondero) Pace, Allison (Vining) Brandau, Barrie (Abrams) Butler, Austin Butler, Wendy (Futterman) Schlatner, Jen (Seitles) Nussbaum, Mel Checkla, Rona (Kopp) Machlin, Janet (Feldman) Fishbein and Ilene Rosenbaum. We also look forward to having Stefi (Gold) Cohen return for an extended visit to teach stamping, paper crafts and more in the Nook.

Wishing all our alumni a fantastic summer! We'll keep the campfires burning and if you ever find yourself in the 18455 area please stop in to see us!!

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## Welcoming the next generation

Charlotte Cannon (Carol Mintz Cannon)  
Sloane Gelfman (David Gelfman)  
Andie Herman (Michael Herman)  
Isabel Jaffe (Emily Bogdanoff Jaffe)  
Aubrey Kaplan (Michael Kaplan)  
Daniela Leric (Cris Leric)  
Max Litman (Marcie Glick Litman)  
Taylor Mogelof (Debbie Feldman Mogelof)  
Haylee Nemiroff (Michelle Klein Nemiroff)  
Luke Pace (Jamie Dondero Pace)  
Kate Polon (Emily Frohlick Polon)  
Gabby Port (Darrin Port)  
Max Rinnander (Mara Kahn Rinnander)  
Sydney Rinnander (Mara Kahn Rinnander)  
Henry Weiner (Neil Weiner)



*Second generation camper Anna Klein (Karen Levine Klein) far right, and third generation camper Ellie Roppa (Jessica Shafran Roppa) third from the right.*

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# Alumni

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## Andy Hano:

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Hi. I attended camp Wayne in the summers of 1962 through 1968 and then worked in the head counselor shack in 1969. That last summer a few guys said that they were driving out to some concert and I declined. Who knew it was Woodstock! If anybody out there was a contemporary of mine give me a shout out.

## Donald Reisfeld

Email: [don@mortonad.com](mailto:don@mortonad.com)

I went to Camp Wayne from 1961-1967 and continued my camp adventures with Wayne during the winter months when Wayne added indoor heat to the lower bunks. Enjoyed skiing at Elk Mountain. Noel was my first counselor with Bernie Fine in 1961. Last attended a Wayne reunion with my family in August 1991. I scanned in many of my father slides and will send you those images via email. Happily married for 39 years and we have a 2 year old grandson. We live in Edison, NJ.

## Dana (Weissman)

Got married in Sonoma, CA. Camp Wayners, Brittany Reichert and Michael Fuchs were there to celebrate the big day with Dana and sister, Sarah Weissman.

## Name: Michael Wiener

Email: [ugaterpggu@aol.com](mailto:ugaterpggu@aol.com)

Russ Hopewell and Mike Wiener have reconnected after a 50 year hiatus. Both served as counselors for the boys senior/camp waiters in 1962. We may not jump that high anymore, but we can talk a good basketball game.



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*Bruce Saks, Jonathan Bender and Donald Reisfeld getting ready to dump water on our counselor Rick*



*Our camp counselors.*



*Girls visiting Boys' side*



*Bunk 14: (left to right): Jeff Hano, Jamie Handler, Jonathan Bender, Mike Mintz, Donald Reisfeld and Bruce Saks.*

# Camp Erin NYC

Hi Camp Wayne!

Happy Spring ....finally ...which means summer is just around the corner.

Summer means happy days at Camp Wayne which we have been able to pay forward to Camp Erin NYC !

We are very busy interviewing campers and gathering staff for our fifth summer. Camp Erin, which is held at Camp Wayne is a program for children ages 6 to 17 who are grieving the loss of a parent, sibling or loved one.

The parent retreat is held on the boy's side while the campers assemble on girl's side.

Amazing weekend of hope and healing filled with traditional camp activities and grief education.

We had our third annual Camp Erin NYC and COPE Sibling Bowling Event on April 5th at Chelsea Piers... Where were you????? It was an amazing evening of fun, raising money for a great cause.

Come join our team ... Any time...and help grieving children in need. Think how much Wayne means to you and how lucky we are we can pay it forward to deserving children.

Support Camp Erin NYC by spreading the word or donating.

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