



Camp Wayne for Boys & Girls
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Living 10 for 2

The 10-month off-season is well underway, but our thoughts are never far from the summer months at Wayne. Fortunately, we'll get to see some of our camp family at the upcoming winter reunions in New Jersey and Florida as well as our CIT retreat in January. With the prevalence of social media, our off-season get-togethers have very different meanings than they did when we communicated with our camp friends by phone and snail mail. We're glad that getting together in person is still something that campers looking forward to even though they're in constant communication with each other.

At CWB we recently broke ground on a multi-bunk and staff room project on Skid Row. This will give us some much-needed room for our older boys. In the next month or two, we'll be starting on a renovation project at The Den, our covered hockey and basketball facility.

With the holiday season fast approaching, the start of another year always turns our thoughts to the beginning of a new camp season. We're happy to say that last summer was another great summer at CWG. We're even happier to report that we're seeing more familiar faces touring than ever before.

There's nothing more gratifying than seeing alumni faces light up as they walk around campus feeling the same warmth and comfort that they felt years ago. For next season we have already begun plans for a MADD Make-over! Yes, the awesome art space we've all known and loved for years will finally be getting some much-needed TLC.



*Second generation campers Jacob (left) and Ethan Schlatner
(Wendy Futterman Schlatner)*



*Second generation campers Rio and Rebel Mondschein
(Warren Mondschein)*



Second generation campers Ryan Bernyk (left...Jocey Green Bernyk and Luke Pace (Jamie Dondero Pace))

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*Second generation camper, Halle Ruderman, left
(Lauren Schissler Ruderman)*



*Second generation camper, Chase
Faller (Jeni Cohen Faller)*



*Fourth generation camper Emily Frost
(Mike Frost)*

We're also completely over-hauling the Rec Hall's audio-visual equipment complete with a full-sized movie screen and state of the art sound system and video equipment. While we're at it the Dome will also receive a new sound system. And we just finished installing a new P.A. System for the campus.

Depending on when you went to camp, you may remember a camper or two who traveled to Wayne from another country. Back in the 80s, the Gugig brothers came to Preston Park from Venezuela. These days, we're seeing an increase in the number of international families who are interested in a traditional camp experience for their children. For many of these families, the opportunity to improve English language skills is a big reason for making the journey to camp. Of course, they get a lot more out of the camp experience than improved language skills. Over the past few summers, we've had campers from Spain, France, China, and Colombia. We initially thought all of our international campers would be with us for one summer but many are returning for years just like our campers from the US. While our staff has always been a geographically diverse group, it's great for our community to add international campers to the mix.

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

The Corpuel and Brown Families

A Wayne Legend Retires

After 40 years, Steve Nisenson has retired from Camp Wayne. Steve started his camping career helping with the tennis and basketball programs before becoming a full-time camp director. He worked closely with Michael Corpuel, Peter Corpuel and for the past 20 years with Josh Corpuel. Steve was an invaluable member of our camp family for so many years and he will be missed. He had a positive impact on the lives of thousands of campers and staff.

It's hard to imagine a summer without Steve and Fran. We wish them the very best in their retirement and hope that includes lots of traveling and a few rounds of golf. We'll miss you Stevie Nise!



Alumni Day

It was great seeing lots of camp friends at our second annual Alumni Day in July. We hope to have an even bigger group visiting in 2019. The date is set for Saturday, July 27 from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM.



COPE/Camp Erin

Happy Fall from the Camp Erin NYC Family,

Summer 2018 is in the books! Year 7 allowed us once again, to support grieving children in need thanks to the generosity of family, friends and Camp Wayne for Boys and Girls. A magical weekend with compassionate volunteers and trained clinicians guiding our brave campers through their darkness. In between moments of sadness and reflection, we played with the toys on the lake, in the woods and even do our own version of a bucket brigade and candle lighting in honor of their loved ones.

Our thanks for your continued support. If you know anyone who could benefit from the weekend, please contact me, Ann Fuchs, at afuchs@copefoundation.org or call 914-552-6919. To donate, please go to: <http://www.copefoundation.org/camp-erin-new-york-city/>

With Gratitude,
Ann



Alumni Buzz



Fall lunch in NYC. Left to right: Marty Laufer, Herb Waldman and Jay Wiener

Jason Slivka

Jason and his wife Julie welcomed their daughter Joie Slivka on October 23, 2018! She's all ready for Bunk 1 2026!



Lee Storch

Recently retired to Florida at Frenchman's Creek where I met Joel Comiteau on the tennis courts. Joel is 15 years older than me...and we discovered we both went to Camp Wayne....he came as a camper waiter from Lafayette High School at Uncle Julie's invitation in 1952! We bonded instantly as I started naming the older counselors as well as John Sullivan, Head Counselor. Joel had tears in his eyes as he recalled how kind Julie was to him, "like a second father". Friends, friends, friends we will always be.



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