CAMP DREAMCATCHER NEWS

YEAR-ROUND PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN TOUCHED BY HIV/AIDS

Dear Friends:

It has been an exciting year for Camp Dreamcatcher! In August, we welcomed 110 HIV/AIDS impacted youth to our 18th therapeutic camp session at Camp Saginaw. 287 counselors, medical personnel, professionals and community members provided endless amounts of unconditional love and compassion to the campers. We launched our Mentoring Program in June and the mentors and mentees were matched together during the camp session. They will work together for one year to achieve specific goals which are measurable, achievable and realistic.

Patty Hillkirk and I had the honor of attending the Blue Horizon Foundation Gala event in New York City in October where Patty was a guest speaker.

The Blue Horizon Foundation focuses on providing medical resources and treatments to those who are unable to afford it. This was a wonderful opportunity for us to share the Camp Dreamcatcher story with a diverse audience and we appreciate the support of the foundation.

I have worked with Patty Hillkirk for 14 years. As the President of the Camp Dreamcatcher Board of Directors, I've had the opportunity to participate in many of the programs that Patty directs. From the largest fundraising event to quietly counseling a child in need, I've been struck by Patty's versatility, compassion, and commitment to her goals. I am proud to announce that her endless dedication to our mission has been recognized by Penn State this year.

Patty was chosen as the recipient of the 2013
Pennsylvania State University College of Health and
Human Development Alumni Recognition Award.
The evening before the award dinner, she presented
a speech entitled "Catching a Dream: My Journey
Helping HIV/AIDS-Impacted Youth," as part of the
Distinguished Alumni Speaker Series, which was
established by the Board of Directors of the College of

Health and Human Development Alumni Society.

I am touched by the unconditional love and compassion given to the children by our volunteers. That love is tucked away into the hearts of the children, and they turn to it when facing the challenges of their daily lives. The magnitude of the positive impact the volunteers have on the lives of the children is beyond measure and I deeply appreciate each and every person and company listed in this newsletter. Your support makes Camp Dreamcatcher possible.

I wish you a safe and happy holiday season.

Ginny Fineberg President, Board of Directors



Patty Hillkirk receiving the Penn State College of Health and Human Development 2013 Alumni Recognition Award. Presenters include Justin Diaz, HHD Alumni society Board of Directors, and Dean Nan Crouter.

Thank You Camp Dreamcatcher® 2013 Volunteers

Talent Show

Program

Doug Harris

Kaitlin Madden

Senior Art Project Dan Fineberg

Jon Nazareth

Alexandria Moscatelli



Campers enjoying a water break during the camp week.

Village Chiefs

Jenn Brown Tai Brown Debbie Durham John Farley Liz Farley Ginny Fineberg Eli Green Kevin Nolan

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Health Center Volunteers Kaiya Andrews, CRNP Ashley Antista, GN/RN Leanna Aungst, RN/NP Andreea Barb Carol Barrett, CRNP Julianne Bocza Marianne Brillantes, BS Dawn Ferry, RN Nancy Gauthier Krista Haas, RN/NP Ted Hewson Viktoria Ribakova Hillkirk, PharmD Shawn Jackson, CRNP Collette Keaney Sharon Kluger, RN/NP Mary Ann Knott-Grasso, CRNP Ioan Laioie, CRNP Barbara LaVerghetta, **CRNP** Nellie Lazar, CR/NP

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PharmD

Katelyn McCormick,

Jennifer Nelson, RN

Jessica McPoland, PharmD

Arts & Crafts

Kelly Lyons

Megan Lyons

Cornell Mack

Mike Miller

Lovely Moses

Jon Nazareth

Ariel Noel

Justina McEntee

Ieanmarie Mercier

Chelsea O'Rourke

Stephen Pietrzykowski

Jenny Freeman Smith

Jessica Todd-Marrone

Tyler Pahigian

Gabe Robinson

Tyty Rochester

Holly Sanborn

John Schall

Al Torres

Jamil Van

Kevin Velez

Sierra Winslow

Jessica Tyson

Flear Vaknin

Erica Buckley - Coordinator Manisha Antani Jessica Brown

Catherine O-Connell, GN/RN Fishing Program Lisa Orloff Natalia Orloff Dana Ovadia, RN Erin Quinn, CRNP Dr. Rabah, MD Kevin Riley, EMT/GN/RN Laurie Tillery-Russel, **CRNP**

Doug Bland

Jessica Brown

Scott Orovitz

Lacrosse Program

Jimmy Frezzo

Chip Maloney

Ellie Norris

Jim Power

Richard Brown

Bronwyn Martin

Breen & Tara Reardon

Megan Scarborough

Marie Kelly Trailes, ANP Victoria Kelly Trailles Jack Schwartz Emily Wilf, GN/RN Sue Zuk

Thank you to Dr. Raida Rabah and "Brandywine Valley Infectious Diseases" for providing medical supplies, volunteers and medical consultations.

Yoga Instructor

Charo Cavello Evangelista

Massage Therapists

Ronda Crary Pamela Gormish John Havelin Jeannie Mercier Cindy Pomante Michelle Smith Theresa Vanderhoef

Special Events & **Program Volunteers**

Animal Program George Treisner and Paws & Claws Pet Store Basketball Program Jeff Apps Sal Cuva Dan Fineberg Brian LoFink Canoe Program Manisha Antani Daniel Pelham "Celebrate Girls" & "Keepin' it Real"

Ashley Antista, GN/ **Emmalee Bierly** Chantal Whitehead John Farley Taj Brown Dansko Horse Program Debbie Dix Terrence Howse Debbie Jones Beth LaMantia Tanya MacKeand Scott Rhinesmith

Barbara Stewart

Tranessa Hanson, the first recipient of the Paul Harris Human Potential Scholarship LIT Budgeting Program Manisha Antani Jeff Apps Lisa Lopresto Daniel Pelham

Barbara Putnick LIT Drum Program Dan Fineberg LIT College Application Program with Immaculata University Brian O'Doherty Jennifer Yost, M.S.

Therapeutic Staff and **Professional Volunteers**

Brealey, Canine Therapist Elin Bierly, M.A., MS **Emmalee Bierly** Aileen Bunch, Music Therapist Malyka Cardwell, MFT Lisa Fraser Alanna Gardner, MFT Patty Hillkirk, Gestalt Psychotherapist

Moon Bounce Adventures Amanda Rijsen The Crime Victims Center of Chester Walnut Hill Cooking County/Kristen Hess Dahra Jackson Williams, Derek Andress Ph.D. **Brittany Lazar**

"Jack of all trades" Jack Hillkirk **Jack Schwartz**

Thank you to Robb Reichard, and the AIDS Fund staff, for displaying panels of the AIDS Quilt during our session.

> Thank you to Dan Fineberg for creating the "Catching a Dream" video for Camp Dreamcatcher!

Acupuncture & Qigong Margaret Sheehan

Facilitators Colleen Brown, M.A. Lisa Fraser Scott Hillkirk

Counselor Training

Mindfulness Meditation

Kelly Appino, M.A. Meghan Kreanbring, M.A. Lauren O'Donnell, M.A. Megan Sem, M.A. Dahra Jackson Williams, Ph.D. Brooke Ziegelbaun, M.A.

General Volunteers

Andreea Barb Elin Bierly Aaron Blythe Christine Brozens Richard Brown

Keith Burress Michael Cangi William Cooper **Bob Curran** Jeff Daly Harrison & Jeff Darman Ronal Fenstermacher **Bob Fineberg** Jimmy Frezzo Thomas Gehrt Al George George Gower Dave Haradon

Jeff Hennessy Jack Hillkirk Dawn & Hayden Kohl Mike Hughes Andy Jenkins DeForrest Johnson

Ralph Lawrence Kelsey Levering Robert Listerman Gerry McShane Robert Merkle Tyler Mummery Susan & Dave Myers Aaron Nye

Daria Payne Nick, Barb & Frankie Perigo

> Megan Perigo Jessica Raymond Breen & Tara Reardon Tyty Rochester **Jack Schwartz** Scott Schwartz Dave Scott Sam Scott Barbara Stewart Antoinette Thomas Dave Thompson

Lee Vannicola

Donna Wells

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We would like to welcome Iack Schwartz as a new **Board Member!!**



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A copy of the official registration and financial information for Camp Dreamcatcher' may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling 800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

Yes, I would love to help make a child's dream come true!

The amount to sponsor a camper or full-time volunteer for the camp session is \$475. Enclosed is my gift ofto sponsorcampers/volunteers. Please print your name and how you would like to be recognized in our newsletter.	
Address:	

Please make checks payable to: Camp Dreamcatcher* (or donate on our website!)

Send to Camp Dreamcatcher at: 617 West South St., Kennett Square, PA 19348 Great news!! Michele "Doc" Dormer is back with us as our Program Director. We are so lucky to have her back with Camp Dreamcatcher.

Fall/Winter 2013 Events:

- October 19th: Kennett Lions Fright Feast
- October 20th: Philadelphia AIDS Walk
- November 29th: John Flynn's annual Holiday Concert for Camp Dreamcatcher at Jamey's House of Music in Philadelphia. Visit *www.johnflynn.net*
- December 1st: World AIDS Day
- December 15th: Camp Dreamcatcher Holiday Party at the Market at Liberty Place
- November-December: Holiday Adopt-a-Family Program.

2013 Spring/Summer Events:

- West Chester University Greek Games Event
- KDR Charity Golf Tournament
- Teen Leadership Retreat
- Mentoring Weekend
- HIV/AIDS Outreach & Education to schools and community groups
- June: New Counselor Training
- August 16th & 17th: Counselor Training at Camp Saginaw
- August 17th 23rd: CAMP SESSION AT CAMP SAGINAW

February 2014

We are excited to report that we will be moving to the Market at Liberty Place in the heart of Kennett Square.

Our new address will be: 148 West State Street Kennett Square, PA 19348