

Kay's Dream

Helping Kids with Cancer

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KEWF Newsletter going electronic!

The KEWF-Kay's Kamp newsletter will now be sent electronically! Anyone interested in continuing to receive our quarterly updates, email: info@kewf.org and simply write "newsletter." You will automatically be added to our electronic mailing list. (Newsletter also available on both websites)

Kay's Kamp 2010 at St. Andrew's School

We are so excited to announce that Kay's Kamp 2010 will be held on the grounds of St. Andrew's School located on a pristine 2,200-acre campus in Middletown, Delaware. Founded in 1929, St. Andrew's is a coed boarding school for grades 9 through 12 with a history as impressive as the school itself. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Tad Roach, Headmaster, Michael Schuller, Director of Institutional Planning and Strategic Initiatives and Al Wood, Associate Athletic Director, Athletic Trainer and Director of Sports Medicine for the opportunity to make Kay's Kamp a part of St. Andrew's amazing legacy. And, we will be forever grateful to St. Joseph's Center for Community Service for hosting the inaugural Kamp and making Kay's Dream come true.

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Until there's a cure...

There's Kamp!



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On August 8-15, 2009 Kay's Kamp opened at St. Joseph's Center for Community Service in Clayton, DE with 11 kampers, 40 staff, 2 pediatric MDs, 1 nurse practitioner, an oncology pharmacist and 27 RN's, rotating shifts, 24/7. We're not sure who had more fun - the kampers or the staff!

Sports & games, archery and fishing were all a huge success!



To make the kampers feel at home they got to wash the faces of their counselors and brush their teeth too! Oh My!



And with help from the Clayton Fire Company, the water slide was the best for young... and old alike!



There were even rides on the big red truck!



Thank you to the town of Clayton and the dedicated men and women of Fire Company 45 - they are truly our Hero's!



Kay's Kamp's continued . . .

And Oh . . . those arts & crafts!



Sand art and bead making



scored an A+ from everyone!



FYI - meet our new Medical Director (on the right) Dr. Amanda! She *REALLY* loved arts & crafts ☺

Every evening we had spectacular special events! The Delaware Aerospace Foundation brought telescopes for the kids to assemble and the Star Lab to gaze at the galaxy. PRO Physical Therapy hosted a carnival night - Very Fun!



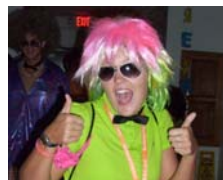
We planned an evening "under the stars" sleeping in tents and watching a movie, but that was the one night it decided to rain. So, we moved the tents inside and had a PJ contest and watched *Aladdin* on a big sheet! It was a blast and a few brave kampers and their counselors slept in the tents on the hard gym floor. Thank you to the Wilmington University Women's Volleyball team, who helped make it happen, took tons of pictures and made really yummy pop-corn!



Everyone enjoyed the dance on Thursday night and some real characters showed up!



Who are these people?



There's nothing like roasting marshmallows over the campfire!



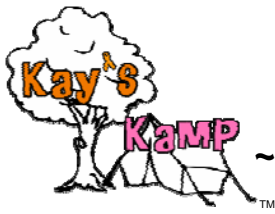
Can you say "Eat More Chicken?"



And then . . . there was Air-Hockey!



Go Kamp!!!



~ From the Director ~ Lisa Schmalbach lisa@kayskamp.org

11 kampers, 40 staff members and 31 medical team members! That's what it took to create the most amazing week of Kamp! I can't begin to give the week justice in a little column in the newsletter, but I will try...

Kamp started out on Saturday with orientation for our staff and I should have known right there that this would be an incredible week. From Jeopardy to Family Feud, we laughed and bonded, but most importantly learned the ins and outs of how to make the week safe and fun for everyone. We topped the night off with a great campfire and s'mores.

Sunday rolls around and here come the kampers! Annie was the first to arrive and the rest followed. The staff was so enthusiastic; I think some

of the parents were wondering...what I am getting my child into!! After the parents left, it was fun, fun, fun for the week. We had some challenges with the weather, a near tornado and the hottest day of the summer, but thanks to our awesome facilities, we were able to overcome those challenges and still have a great week. (Who knew the air hockey table would be the hottest spot at Kamp?)

We ended the week on Saturday with an awards ceremony for the kampers and parents. Who can forget our incredible entry to the Kamp version of New York, New York and the kids running through the banner? I don't think I saw a single parent with a dry eye!! After the awards were done and our bellies were full, it was time to say

goodbye until next year.

Having 18 years of oncology camping experience, I have to say that I have NEVER seen a staff so full of energy and creativity. It was so nice to see that the days were full of innovative ideas and the kids had constant smiles on their faces. Our medical team, the ZOO, EXCEEDED every expectation that I had. What a great feeling to leave your child at a summer camp knowing that all of their medical needs will be taken care of at all times!

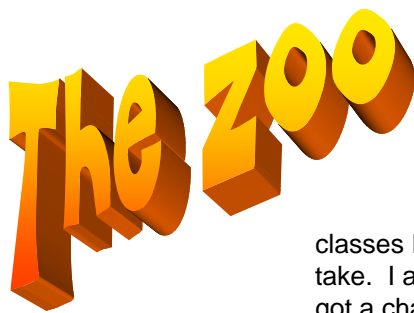
Now that we have all caught up on our sleep and acclimated back to the real world, it's time to start planning for 2010; *Kay's Kamp goes to the Movies!!* Our brains are working overtime and we



have already started planning for a bigger and better week of Kamp.

Thank you to the parents for trusting us with your children. Thank you to the kampers for having the time of your lives. Thank you to the staff for all of your hard work and sleepless nights. Thank you to the kitchen staff for our full bellies. Thank you to the ZOO for a warm and welcoming place to come for all of our medical needs. And thank you to each and every one of you that has followed our journey and helped us along the way. We couldn't have done it without you!!

Go Kamp!



Medical Director Amanda Kay, MD

As a Kamp doctor, I was not sure what to expect at Kay's Kamp. I knew I would have fun and meet some great people, but I did not imagine the world of arts and crafts that would open up to me!! In my training as a pediatrician, making necklaces, painting mugs, and karaoke were not,

classes I was allowed to take. I am so glad I finally got a chance to go to Kamp!! In all seriousness for those of you who wonder, "Is that lady, acting like a crazy kid, really a doctor?" Yes, I am. My medical school training was completed at Loyola University in Chicago, Illinois. My Pediatric residency was done at Thomas Jefferson University/ duPont

Hospital for Children. I am an American Academy of Pediatrics Board Certified Pediatrician. Currently, I practice as a Pediatric Hospitalist at Christiana Care Hospital. So, I am a grown-up after all. It was a pleasure and a privilege to go to Kamp with the kids. I take my job to encourage fun very seriously but also to protect health and well-being very seriously. So, whether it is giving prizes



for drinking water on a hot day, or planning for isolation should someone come down with the swine flu, the medical team is on top of it. Thanks for trusting me to protect your children – and maybe they will teach me some of their cool dance moves!

Upcoming Events - for more information go to www.kayskamp.org

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| <p>Thursday October 22, 2009</p>  <p>Join us at 7pm - Wilmington Campus</p> <p>Wilmington University vs Goldey Beacom College</p> | <p>Fall /Winter 2009 & Friends of Mel</p>   <p>Donate \$15 towards one of Mel's Bracelets & Kay's Kamp receives \$5 of the proceeds</p> | <p>Saturday March 13, 2010</p> <p>"A Red Carpet Affair"</p>  <p>Gala 2010</p> | <p>Saturday February 20, 2010</p> <p>Krop for Kay's Kamp</p> <p>8am to 10pm RLCA - Ratledge Gym</p> |
| <p>November 12-15, 2009 COCA Conference</p> <p>Mobile, AL</p> <p>Sponsor a Kay's Kamp team member! See donation information below</p> | <p>December Dates & Sign-ups TBA</p> <p>"Caring for Kids"</p> <p>Al Dupont Hospital for Children</p> <p>Join us for our annual service project bringing Holiday crafts & fun to the kids in the hospital during the Holidays.</p> | <p>The Deerfield Golf & Tennis Club 507 Thompson Station Road Newark, DE 19711</p> <p>Seeking Live & Silent Auctions items</p> <p>to donate items contact: Mary Ellen McKnight at: memcknight@kewf.org</p> | <p>August 7-14</p> <p>Kay's Kamp 2010</p> <p>To be held at: St. Andrew's School 350 Noxtown Road Middletown, DE</p> |

(COCA - Children's Oncology Camping Association -International)

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Make a donation to send a Kay's Kamp team member to the annual COCA conference! Please write "COCA" in the memo portion of your check.

Become a Kay's Kamp Partner

- Make Kay's Kamp your United Way of DE recipient - code #12365
- Have your employer contact us to set up an in-service for a short presentation including a DVD of Kamp week
- Have your Social Clubs contact us to do a presentation at your weekly or monthly meeting
- Inform those you know, dealing with childhood cancers, about Kay's Kamp
- Pass along Kamp brochures and encourage others to visit the website
- Support KEWF/Kay's Kamp upcoming events
- Collect "Loose change for Kay's Kamp" at work, school or home
- Donate items needed for Kamp 2010 (list coming soon)
- Volunteer at KEWF/Kay's Kamp events
- Volunteer at Kay's Kamp 2010 (applications coming in January)
- Financially support us - yearly, monthly or a one time gift!

More info - memcknight@kewf.org

**Thank you for supporting
The Kaylyn Elaine Warren Foundation and Kay's Kamp**