

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2007 - 2008

Ongoing	Before & After School 2007-08 Registration
December 1	Summer Camp 2008 Registration
Dec. 24 - Jan. 1	All Programs Closed
January 1	Summer Staff Application Process Begins
February 18 - 22	Winter Vacation Camp
April 21 - 25	Spring Vacation Camp
June 1	Summer Camp Tuition Final Payments Due
June 26	Last Day of Before and After School Programs
(various)	Weekend Retreats/Leadership Programs



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ENVIRONMENTALIST HONORED AT 2007 DINNER DANCE

Benefit raises \$27,000 for camper scholarships

More than 180 guests gathered in the ballroom at the Putnam National Golf Club in Mahopac, NY to honor special guest, Dr. Jim Utter, as the recipient of the 2007 Community Leadership Award. As a BOCES certified environmental education center, Camp Herrlich chose to recognize Dr. Utter for his important research and teaching of Environmental Sciences particularly in the area of the wetland-dependent migratory birds within the Great Swamp Watershed.



Dr. Jim Utter, recipient of the 2007 Community Leadership Award

Dr. Jim Utter is an Associate Professor of Environmental Science at Purchase College (SUNY) and has promoted awareness of the values and need for preservation of the Great Swamp for over 20 years. He is the founder and chairman of Friends of the Great Swamp (FrOGS) and has fostered active participation in land protection and habitat preservation.



Executive Director Bob Gentile (left) congratulated by Dr. Utter and his wife, Janice on Camp Herrlich's continued success.

Further recognitions came from special guests that included New York State Senator, Vincent Leibell; Assemblyman Greg Ball; and Putnam County Legislator, MaryEllen Odell, who presented proclamations and citations acknowledging honored guests and Camp Herrlich's continued service to children.

The 2007 "Autumn in Putnam" Dinner Dance was also the venue for a silent auction which continued throughout the evening. Thanks to generous donations from area businesses and individuals, including the Pepsi Lipton Partnership, fabulous prizes were on display for guests to bid on. The friendly competition led to more than \$3500 added to our scholarship fund and some very happy dinner guests were thrilled with their coveted auction items.

A wonderful evening shared with new and old friends resulted in \$27,000 added to Camp Herrlich's scholarship fund. Guests were enlightened by a heartfelt DVD that tells the real story of the magic that happens at Camp Herrlich every summer. The presentation of the DVD, produced by Matt Vanacoro and narrated by Program Director Jessica Vanacoro, was followed by an emotional plea by long-time Camp Herrlich Director, and current Program Consultant, Wendy Gentile. Wendy's message was a request for continued support for Camp Herrlich, it's mission and service to children and families.

Our dinner dance continued with dancing (music provided by DJ Scott Stephens) and enjoying one another's company. We look forward to next year's event as this annual gathering brings loyal supporters together to celebrate Camp Herrlich's commitment to quality programming once again.



Wendy Gentile stresses the need for continued involvement from supporters.

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SUMMER CAMP 2008

8 great weeks of
 Day Camp
 Choose ANY three
 1-Week Sessions!!

2008 SUMMER DAY CAMP

Our day camp sessions will include the same fun-filled activities as always, and now there are flexible options to enjoy them! Our summer program is packed with games, swimming, arts & crafts, boating, hiking, fishing, basketball, volleyball, nature, adventure course, archery, field trips and more! Each theme is represented by special days and events.

DAY CAMP HOURS: 9:00AM-4:30PM
LUNCH & CATERING INCLUDED!!
STILL ONLY \$220 PER WEEK!

SESSION DATES AND THEMES

- WEEK 1: July 7 - 11 Around the World
- WEEK 2: July 14 - 18 Creature Feature
- WEEK 3: July 21 - 25 Color War
- WEEK 4: July 28 - Aug 1 What Month is this Anyway?
- WEEK 5: Aug 4 - 8 Blast from the Past
- WEEK 6: Aug 11 - 15 Raise Your Voice
- WEEK 7: Aug 18 - 22 Pirate Week
- WEEK 8: Aug 25 - 28 Wild Wild West Week

Counselor In Training (CIT)

Leadership training for teens ages 14 & older
 Jul 7-Aug 8
 9:00am-4:30pm
 \$525



ALL FORMS AVAILABLE ON-LINE AFTER 1/1/08 www.campherrlich.org

Special events may include:

- Goldrush Team Tournaments Treasure Hunts Talent Show
- Counselor Hunt Capture the Flag Camp Carnival Special Guests



REGISTER NOW!!!

Don't miss out on the fun!

DESIGNED FOR ADVENTUROUS CAMPERS AGES 8 - 15!

\$550
 PER SESSION

2008 SUMMER RESIDENT CAMP

2 WEEKS JAM-PACKED WITH FUN!!!

SESSION 1: JULY 6th - JULY 18th

SESSION 2: JULY 20th - AUGUST 1st

Our resident camp program is designed for children ages 8 through 15 to provide opportunities to create cherished memories and lifelong friendships. These two weeks are chock-full with activities that develop a sense of cooperation while fostering independence. Hours of fun and games, hiking, fishing, boating, swimming, basketball, archery, arts & crafts, and nature are only a sample of the camp day. There is also time for prayer, reflection, growth, competition, education, campfires, songs, theme days and special events.

CALL OUR CAMP OFFICE FOR A SUMMER CAMP BROCHURE OR CHECK OUT ALL CAMP HERRLICH PROGRAMS ON OUR WEBSITE, WWW.CAMPHERRLICH.ORG.



**In Loving Memory of
 Matthew P. Lamb**

January 25, 1982 - November 7, 2007

Matt's service to others, especially to children will never be forgotten. His zest for life and gift for making people laugh, his enthusiasm and good nature, his infectious smile and his ability to rise above adversity have been an inspiration to all who knew Matt. He was a revered staff member and a special friend to all of us.

Matty, for all who remember how much Camp Herrlich, the staff and the campers meant to you...we hope you know now, as you guide our future from above, how much you have given us.

"While we are mourning the loss of our friend, others are rejoicing to meet him behind the veil." John Taylor

...BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL TODAY?

Currently, our programs are packed with great kids. We are averaging about 35 per day at each site, which means that our CASP program is at capacity! We are also able to provide scholarship to children who are in need of a program like ours but whose families are unable to afford the monthly fee. The programs are currently reaching out to the school administrations, psychologists, teachers, and social workers so that they know this service is available for children in need.

During the month of October, all three programs made their annual trip to Cascade Farms in Patterson to pick pumpkins, make apple cider, stuff scarecrows, get lost in a corn maze, and take a hay ride. Here are some things the children had to say about their trip:



- "I really liked everything about it" – Zachary, KES
- "I liked when I got to go on the hayride" – Anna, KES
- "I liked the corn maze and the pumpkin picking" – Andrus, KES
- "I liked the corn maze because you get stuck in it" – Ashley, MPES
- "I had a big pumpkin. It was bigger than my head!" – Megan, MPES
- "I learned some facts, it was soooooo fun! The facts were about bees! I can't believe how there is a queen bee and a king bee, it is so amazing." – Brianna, MPES
- "I thought the best part was making scarecrows by hand." – Kevin, GFMS
- "The chickens were AWESOME!" – Austin, GFMS
- "My favorite thing was seeing the animals, especially the pigs." – Gabby, GFMS

We hope to grow our elementary numbers and utilize the resources we have in the community. Special guests from the fire department and the health department will be visiting. When polled, the CASP kids suggested a magic show and an animal show as activities they would like to see at Camp. We will continue to do our community service and help out the Putnam Humane Society and Putnam Community Action Program with pet drives and food drives. We are also becoming more aware of the need for active and healthy children and are working with New York Sports Club to enable parents and children to gain information about how to be the healthiest they can. The rest of the year is looking bright for our School Age Programs!



A huge "Thank You" to our site director and facilitators. Jennifer Gallagher at Matthew Paterson, Christina Walsh at Kent Elementary, and Karla Huwae at the Camp After School Program. Their creativity and management skills are unparalleled.

All Camp Herrlich Before and After School Programs sponsored a Thanksgiving Food Drive from November 7th through November 16th to benefit residents of Putnam County through Putnam Community Action Program (CAP). Through a collection of various food items and grocery store gift certificates, each site produced food baskets in order to give needy families a Happy Thanksgiving!

(This article contributed by Jessica Vanasco)

The MTOM Board of Directors and Staff welcome Karla Huwae to Camp Herrlich as a full-time site coordinator in both the KES Advantage Before Care program and the Camp After School Program. Karla has been a valued member of our summer camp staff as the Health Director, vacation camp counselor, and comes to us with years of experience in the field of child development.



CARL GALLO SCHOLARSHIP FUND ESTABLISHED

Gallo family and JET Foundation honored at annual Dinner Dance



MTOM Chair, Scott Auster presents award to Jose Rivers of the JET Foundation while Nancy Gallo and her sons Craig and Travis look on.

Camp Herrlich celebrated the establishment of the Carl Gallo Scholarship Fund on October 19th at the 2007 Annual Dinner Dance with a special presentation to the family of the late Carl Gallo and the JET Foundation.

The Carl Gallo Scholarship Fund was created by the JET Foundation as a \$25,000 annual gift. Through the kindness of Carl's wife, Nancy, Camp Herrlich was designated as the recipient of this fund which enabled 35 more children to attend camp this past summer.

Carl Gallo was a devoted husband and loving father who was taken from this world well before his time. He was the nephew of Thomas Elmezzi, the man who developed the formula for Pepsi-Cola. Tom, a man from humble beginnings, never forgot the importance of doing for others who are less fortunate. Having no children of their own, Tom and his wife Jeanne were committed to providing for their extended family as well as others.

In 1996 Tom and his wife Jeanne formed the JET Foundation, a charitable organization created to give people, whose opportunities are restricted by their circumstances, a chance to pursue their dreams and fulfill an obligation to contribute to society. Annually, the JET Foundation distributes more than \$400,000 in grants to various organizations, representing areas in youth development, medical research, life enhancement for the elderly, education, and emergency relief.

Both the Gallo Family and the JET Foundation were presented with plaques by MTOM Board Chair Scott Auster, in appreciation for their generosity and thoughtfulness in bestowing the scholarship fund onto Camp Herrlich. Through tearful eyes, Nancy Gallo expressed her joy in honoring her late husband's name through the important work for children that Camp Herrlich does.



Nancy Gallo acknowledges Camp Herrlich with emotional remembrance of late husband Carl Gallo.

Camp Herrlich is proud to continue our mission to serve children from all socio-economic backgrounds, presenting opportunities for summer camp and school age programs through the distribution of the Carl Gallo Scholarship Fund. With the continuation of the Carl Gallo Scholarship Fund, we look forward to providing programs which foster character development, education, and leadership to many more children in the years to come. We are especially pleased to have had the opportunity to honor Carl Gallo and recognize his family, Nancy, Craig and Travis.

OCFS Awards Health & Safety Grant to Herrlich's After School Programs

Governor George E. Pataki announced that 74 grants administered by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services were awarded in the areas of Health & Safety, Start-up and Expansion, and extension of operating hours for School Age Child Care programs. Mt. Tremper Outdoor Ministries was selected as one of the recipients in the Health & Safety categories with a \$11,540 grant.

"Safe, reliable child care is crucial for working families and gives children the start they need for success in school and beyond," Governor Pataki said. "These grants will help provide more choices for parents, and give New York's children safer and healthier environments in which to learn and grow."

Health and Safety grants were used to correct newly identified fire, health or safety problems within a school-age child care facility. MTOM's Camp After School Program made improvements necessary to the fire protection systems in the two buildings that are used for CASP in order to stay on the forefront of meeting New York State's high standards for quality child care.

You Can Make a Difference

SUPPORT THE ANNUAL FUND

YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN WHO PARTICIPATE IN CAMP HERRLICH'S PROGRAMS EACH YEAR. WE CAN MAKE DREAMS COME TRUE...*WITH YOUR HELP.*

PLEASE HELP US REACH OUR GOALS IN 2008!

Annual Fund Giving Opportunities

CAMP HERRLICH'S GREATEST NEEDS.....	2008 GOAL	\$ 40,000
SCHOLARSHIPS.....		60,000
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN - watch for our new building plan in 2008!.....		4,500,000

Giving Levels

Wilbur Herrlich Circle.....	\$5,000 or more
Harold E. Haar Circle.....	\$1,000 - \$4,999
Rockwell Norris Circle.....	\$250 - \$999
Camp Herrlich Friends.....	\$25 - \$249

Your gift is vital to the continuation of providing programs to the families we serve

If you would like to make an online donation, either monetary or an item from our wish list, please visit our website at www.campherrlich.org

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