



Greetings:

I am happy to report that our first camp session at the Westtown School was a success! The campers and counselors loved the air conditioned dorms, the huge athletic center, the high ropes course with a zip line and the delicious food in the dining hall. We were well taken care of by the Westtown School staff and we look forward to being there next year during the week of August 14th – 20th, 2011.

Highlights from the August 15th – 21st, 2010 camp session:

- 132 campers attended the camp session from August 15th-21st, of which 71 were HIV/AIDS infected, and 61 had lost a family member to AIDS or were living with an HIV/AIDS infected family member.
- Fifty-six boys and seventy-six girls attended the camp session. 80% were African American, 12% Latino, 2% Caucasian, 5% Biracial and 1% Asian American. 93% of the campers come from low-income households
- Hurray for our volunteers!! This summer, we welcomed 83 full-time counselors, 7 part-time counselors, 6 full-time medical personnel, 30 part-time medical personnel, 50 professional volunteers (health center, musicians, therapists, educators, photographers, artists, massage therapists, yoga instructors, acupuncturists) and 110 general volunteers (registration, “movers” in and out of camp, special events). This wonderful group provided over 13,500 hours of community service during the camp week.
- 11 young adults moved up from the role of camper to counselor this year! These young men and women have previously been campers and have grown up in the Camp Dreamcatcher® Family. It was wonderful to work with them as colleagues this year. The camp session included 70 therapeutic programs, 36 educational programs and 156 recreational programs.

We followed the camp session with our Teen Leadership Retreat, HIV/AIDS educational and outreach to schools and community groups and our Lions Club Fright Feast event. I want to thank all of the volunteers for the event, including the Kennett Lions Club members and students from West Chester University. Our holiday Adopt-a-family program is in full swing and our holiday party will be held on December 12th at the Kennett Area YMCA. We will be holding numerous fundraising events between November 28th – December 1st, including our first “Dine out for Dreamcatcher” events and “Tiny Tears” screenings at West Chester University and University of Maryland for World AIDS Day (December 1st). John Flynn will be holding his annual benefit concert for Camp Dreamcatcher® on December 28th. See the enclosed flyer and the list of upcoming events for details.

As you know, we have been impacted by the challenging economy. Our 2010 funding has dramatically decreased and we need to raise a significant amount of funds by the end of the year to continue serving the number of children in need of our services. Without adequate funding, we will not be able to hold our Teen Life Skills Retreat in the spring and we will decrease the number of children attending the 2011 camp session. Our goal is to raise \$20,000 by the end of 2010 through our fundraising events and through donations from friends of Camp Dreamcatcher®. Please support Camp Dreamcatcher® by making a donation online at www.campdreamcatcher.org or by sending a check to our office in Kennett Square. You can also spread the word about our upcoming events by becoming a friend of Camp Dreamcatcher® on facebook.

In early January, we will mark our 15th Anniversary! It is amazing to think about all that we have accomplished over the years and we couldn't have done it without the support of our volunteers and our in-kind and financial donors. I hope you can join us on May 20th, when we hold our 15th Anniversary Celebration at the Dansko Headquarters in West Grove, PA. The support you have given to Camp Dreamcatcher® has changed the lives of hundreds of children coping with the harsh realities of HIV/AIDS. I thank you for your support and wish you a safe and warm holiday season.

Patty Hillkirk

Founder/Executive Director

Thank You Camp Dreamcatcher® 2010 Volunteers



Each year, members of the Longwood Rotary Club move our supplies in and out of camp!

Ashley Llabres
Sam Llabres
Karissa Lookingbill
Michelle Lozowski
Megan Lyons
Justina McEntee
Melissa McShane
Jeanmarie Mercier
Ashley Meyer
Todd Mills
Kevin Moore
Quinny Moore
Malik Muhammad
Corey Muller
Caitlin Nichols
Chelsea O'Rourke
Stephen Pietrzykowski
Jean Marie Pinto
Stephanie Rand
Tyty Rochester
Lauren Sacs
Kori Saunders
Dan Schwartz
Jacie Shelley
Steven Sloan
Megan Soring
Kristin Spirk
Jamie Thomas
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Aaron Warchal
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Brandon Merl
Cheryl Moser
Andrew Pease
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Meg Spragis
Christine Weremijenko
Michele Will

Acupuncture
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Margaret Sheehan

General Volunteers
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Andrian Barb
Jessica Becerra
Jen Brady
Rebecca Brown-Wojcik
Molly Burns
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David Chopko
Laura Clements
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Andy White
Peggy White

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Larry Wadsworth
Marlene Crites

Health Center Volunteers
Kate Boczar CRNP
Jen Brady
Alysia Bruno, RN
Paula Castrovilla, RN
Valerie Dzaidos, CRNP
Dawn Ferry, RN



Taj Brown and campers relax on the "big chair" at the Westtown School

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

Puberty Education
Taj Brown
Tish Cheatham

Special Events & Program Volunteers
Doug Bland
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Jen Buczkowski,
Philadelphia
Independence Soccer
Team

Derek Andress
Meg Christensen
Alyssa Coutmas
The Restaurant School at Walnut Hill College
Veronica Ryan
Robert Corna
Dansko
Fred Houdaille
Peter Kjellerup
Tanya MacKeand
Brian Ormerod
Diana Rowland
Tracy Starr
Deborah Erie, Penn State
Brandywine
Dan Fineberg
John Flynn
Sharon Haines & Rainbow
Moon Bounce Adventures
John Palka
Brother David Schlatter
Allen Torres

Yoga Instructor
Charo Cavello Evangelista

Senior Art Project
Jon Nazareth
Carol Matthews Nicoli

Therapeutic Staff and Professional Volunteers
Serena Hadsell, Movement
Therapist
Patty Hillkirk, Therapist
Marissa Householder,
Art Therapist
Lauren Howerdd,
Therapist
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Dahra Jackson Williams,
Ph.D.
Christine Wineberg,
Music Therapist

Camp Dreamcatcher Staff
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Penn State Great Valley conducts an annual backpack drive for Camp Dreamcatcher®

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Congratulations to Daniel, the recipient of the AIDS Alive Jim "Bo" Boyle Spirit Award. As well as to Gilberto and Sierra, the recipients of the Carl Piazza Courage and Bravery Award 2010.



Peter Kjellerup and campers hang out with "Stewie" the cow.

Ron Hollenbeck
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(L-R) Lauren McKeown, Jimmy Frezzo and Jessica Rolfe enjoy the Kennett Lions Fright Feast event, which benefitted Camp Dreamcatcher®.



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

Enclosed is my donation: \$20 ___ \$50 ___ \$75 ___ \$100 ___ \$500 ___
other _____

I would like to sponsor a child/children for the week at camp
at \$450 per child. Enclosed is my gift of _____ for # ___ children.

**Please print you name how you would like to be recognized
in our newsletter.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Would you like to be listed in our donor newsletter? Yes or No

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



Fall/Winter 2010 Events:

- Teen Leadership Retreat: September 25th & 26th
- October 17th: Philadelphia AIDS Walk
- October 23rd: Kennett Lions Fright Feast
- November 28th: **"Cape May Dine out for Dreamcatcher"**
- November 30th: **"Dine out for Dreamcatcher"**
- December 1st: World AIDS Day events at West Chester University all day, followed by a "Tiny Tears" Screening at 8pm in Sykes Student Union. Tiny Tears" screening at University of Maryland at 4:30pm. Visit www.campdreamcatcher.org for full list of World AIDS Day events
- December 12th: Camp Dreamcatcher® Holiday Party at the Kennett Area YMCA
- December 28th: John Flynn's annual Holiday Concert and Silent Auction – visit www.johnflynn.net for details.
- Throughout December: Holiday Adopt-a-Family Program.

2011 Spring Fundraising Events:

- March 10th: Immaculata University's Empty Bowl Dinner
- Immaculata University's Shoot for Dreams Event
- West Chester University Greek Fundraising Events
- KDR Charity Golf Tournament. Visit www.kdrgolf.com for details
- May 20th: Camp Dreamcatcher's 15th Anniversary Event at Dansko

2011 Programs & Outreach:

- Spring: HIV/AIDS Outreach & Education to southern Chester County and Delaware middle schools and high schools.
- August 13th & 14th: Counselor training at the Westtown School
- August 14th – 20th: Camp Week at the Westtown School