

CHAMP CAMP CORNER

Children Have A lot of Motivation and Potential

Spring 2010

2010 Brings a Celebration of the 20th Year of CHAMP Camp!



We are excited to celebrate our 20th year of providing a traditional summer camp experience for children with tracheostomies, those who are ventilator dependent or require other respiratory support.

This year's camp will take place the week of June 20th.

Our theme for this year will be *Hollywood*.

We are looking forward to a glamorous and exciting week.

Applications are being accepted now for both campers and counselors for our 2010 experience.

Both applications can be found on our web site, **www.champcamp.org**.

If you know a child who could benefit from the CHAMP Camp experience, please forward this information. Our camper criteria can also be found on our web site.

We are also looking for more adults to join us as counselors. If you are a physician, nurse, respiratory therapist or just someone who has a heart to help, contact Jamie Mitchell at **jmitchell@champcamp.org**, or **317.679.1860** to start your application process now.

Hope to see you at camp!



Help us go green and save some green!

Send your email address to **jmitchell@champcamp.org** to receive this newsletter, and other communication, electronically.

Meet Derrick Wolf....Alumni Camper



When was your first year of CHAMP Camp? How did you hear about it and why did you want to go?

"My first year was the summer of 1997. Originally my mom had heard about it from one of my old nurses, Bev. Considering I was only six or seven I can't say that I wanted to go so much as my parents encouraging me to go."



When was your last year of CHAMP Camp? Were you sad? What did you think you would miss most?

"Oh gosh, my last year of CHAMP Camp was 2008, but I came back again in 2009 as a Junior Counselor. And yes I was sad! I was sad every year I left because I was having so much fun I didn't want to leave. Overall I miss the spirit of CHAMP Camp and what it represents to everyone there."



What did you do after your last year of camp?

"After my last year as a camper I went on and finished my senior year of high school and came back that summer, like I mentioned above, as a Junior Counselor. Beyond that I am currently a freshman at Northern Kentucky University."



What did you learn through CHAMP Camp that had a positive impact on the rest of your life?

"At the end of it all, I learned that no matter what your situation is in life you should be able to get out and have a good time and just be yourself without the worry of living day by day and just live in the moment."

What would you say to someone who was thinking about supporting camp through our adopt-a-camper program?

"I'm not familiar with this program, but I would definitely encourage them to support CHAMP Camp because like I said it gives kids who have disabilities a chance to live and I mean really live their lives."



(Photos from top to bottom: 1. Derrick with Dr. Chuck in his earlier camper years, 2. Derrick capturing film footage of all the fun camp activities, 3. Derrick with counselors Brad Locke and Adam Rusnak during the horse back riding activities, 4. Derrick, on right, with a younger camper—he was always a counselor in training, 5. Derrick as a first year Junior Counselor in 2008.)

Black Tie Optional, Sneakers A Must!

Join us for an evening of fun and philanthropy as we celebrate our 20th year of camp and 15th Silver Sneaker Benefit Ball.

When: Saturday, April 17 6:00pm ***Where:*** Conrad Indianapolis

Tickets: \$100/person (corporate and table sponsorships available as well)

Event includes a silent auction, dinner, live auction, music and dancing in the exquisite Conrad Indianapolis ballrooms. An elegant evening combined with a message of hope for children with tracheostomies, those who are ventilator dependent or those who require other types of respiratory support to enjoy a traditional summer camp experience.

Contact Jamie Mitchell at **317.679.1860** or **jmitchell@champcamp.org** for more information.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

2nd Annual CHAMP Camp/Hays and Sons Golf Outing

Thursday, August 19th, 2010

NEW LOCATION: Ironwood Golf Course, Fishers, IN

For more information, contact Scott Beaty of Hays and Sons Restoration

at **(317) 504-9430** or **sbeaty@haysandsons.com**



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This issue's heroes section is dedicated to the wonderful individuals who volunteer their time to the variety of committees that support the efforts of CHAMP Camp.

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