

## A Day of Fun and Golf with Camp Herrlich Friends

The Camp Herrlich Golf Tournament took place at the Branton Woods Golf Club in Hopewell Junction, New York, on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. What a tournament it was! Over 120 golfers hit the course on a beautiful day, stocked with gift bags of snacks, water, golf accessories, extra balls, and other fine items. The weather was perfect for golf, not too hot... not too windy... and any rain held off until the end of the tournament.



Hand-made, created to the taste of the discerning golfer, made-to-order cigars were rolled for those who love that relaxing social smoke along the course. There were surprises at different holes, like Tina Louise signing her first children's book, *When I Grow Up*, or meeting retired boxer Gerry Cooney, who offered to take pictures with each of us. There were signed basketballs from NBA basketball star Sebastian Telfair. We even saw glimpses of the two-



time WBA Welterweight champion Travis Simms during the day. Nobody won the Mercedes offered in exchange for a hole in one on the 17 hole, but we all had fun trying.

The golf outing was organized and run by Camp Herrlich's new Director of Philanthropic Giving, Mr. Bill Sayegh from Sayegh Law. A big thank you goes out to Bill and his staff for a job well done. Over \$143,000.00 was raised by the



many golfers and invited guests that day. All proceeds will go toward our Capital Campaign to raise money to construct new buildings on the old Herrlich camp. Camp Herrlich provides a variety of programs for over five thousand people annually. The golf outing was a tremendous success. A great time was had by all. We look forward to spending time next year with our wonderful Camp Herrlich golf friends.

*Bob Gentile*



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## REGISTER FOR SUMMER CAMP!

Our summer camp programs provide campers with opportunities to make friends, have fun, and develop a sense of cooperation and independence. Camp Herrlich's 156 acres offer your child(ren) a wealth of enriching experiences through a variety of activities. It encompasses two lakes, fields, streams, swamp, and forest, crossed with hiking trails. Campers will embrace the great outdoors and learn to appreciate and respect all aspects of camp life. There is also time for growth, competition, education, prayer, campfires, songs, theme days, and special events.

### SUMMER DAY CAMP 2010

Choose any 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, or all 8 weeks!

**Week Dates**

Week 1: July 5-9

Week 2: July 12-16

Week 3: July 19-23

Week 4: July 26-30

Week 5: August 2-6

Week 6: August 9-13

Week 7: August 16-20

Week 8: August 23-27



Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. BEFORE & AFTER CARE Available!

**Register & pay in full by March 1 and pay only \$220 per week! (regularly \$240 per week; \$260 after June 1)**

### SLEEPAWAY CAMP 2010

**Two 2-Week Sessions**

**Session 1 July 4-16**

**Session 2 July 18-30**

**Only \$550 per session**

**Complete brochures on both programs and all forms are available for download from our website: [www.campherrlich.org](http://www.campherrlich.org)**



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## Rosey's Camp Store

I bet if there were data on who had a camp store named after them...well, it would not be very prolific. After all, not every camp is blessed to have a camp store. Camp stores carry different meaning to different children and families who frequent them. There are all types of camp stores. Oh, gosh, if we remembered back... Herrlich's store has been in any one of a number of places—basements, offices, the wide open lawn—and over time it progressed into a place of its own.

I think it only got there because its manager was fun... and thoughtful, and thorough, and took pride in what she did every day in the summer. Rosey created our camp store. It took us years to get it cleaned up right, windows on it, freezers into it, heat out of it, roof on it (mice proof), electric in it, and lastly was the name... and the sign... but now if you visit us, you can buy lots of awesome Camp Herrlich memorabilia at Rosey's Camp Store.

Time was when we accepted money every day from hundreds of happy campers for their "gigantic" purchases at the canteen. Rosey ran around camp summer after summer with the cash box filled with hundreds of pennies. That is why she is so buff. She

counted dollar bills up and locked them tidy in the safe daily. She stocked bags (bags she borrowed from her other job, (with permission) of frozen Reese's and Nestle bars...and popcorn and lanyards and Beanie Babies... Oh, gosh, the little girls picking out their prized Beanie! Moments upon moments... staring and choosing... How Rosey didn't crack, no one can figure.

Anyway, we have a canteen. It's named Rosey's Place. It's now online and contains all kinds of clothing, healthy snacks, camp recreation equipment like Frisbees and balls. It has the necessities of camp—toothbrushes and soap... all you need... and stamps. Rosey doesn't run our store anymore, but she helped us create it, and we are quite certain that her character will always live there in the walls.

Visit Rosey's Place online for your holiday shopping. I know that your purchase will make you happy... it came from Rosey's—who doesn't love that? Thank you Rosey Blonar for eleven years of service to our country's children and families. You have made all the difference.

*Wendy Gentile, Program Consultant*

**Have you seen the website recently? It's been redesigned!  
Check it out at [www.campherrlich.org](http://www.campherrlich.org)**

## CURRENT NBA STAR Graciously Supports and Endorses Camp Herrlich's Missions



*Sebastian Telfair with students from PS 130 on Camp Herrlich's basketball court—  
April 28, 2009*

Current NBA point guard Sebastian Telfair spent a beautiful early spring day walking Camp Herrlich trails and sharing stories with a group of students from PS 130. The students from the Bronx public school were at the camp for an Environmental Education field trip and were the lucky recipients of some very candid personal time with Mr. Telfair. Telfair, a former Lincoln High School (Brooklyn) basketball star, has graciously agreed to support and endorse Camp Herrlich with its future endeavors and spent the day sharing anecdotes and autographs with Herrlich staff and PS 130 campers alike. It is the generosity of individuals like Sebastian Telfair that allows Camp Herrlich to continue its mission.

*Dean Stichbury, Camp Director*

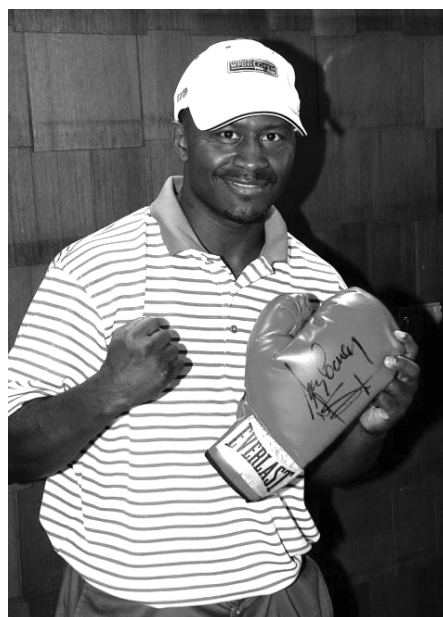
## KnockOut Support

Retired World Class Heavyweight Boxer Gerry Cooney and two-time WBA Super Welterweight Boxer Travis Simms also support and endorse Camp Herrlich. After touring the camp and seeing our programs in action, both have committed themselves to helping the camp move forward with its Capital Campaign and mission. We look forward to the children spending quality time with our new friends in all our programs. We know with their support Camp Herrlich will achieve its goals and dreams.

*Bob Gentile, Executive Director*



*Gerry Cooney with Bob & Wendy Gentile*



*Travis Simms*

### **Keep Your Eye on the Ball!**

**Because we have had such an exciting year, we are moving our fall dinner dance into the month of February. We expect that the function will take place in NYC and will be a black-tie-optional event called "You, Me, and Camp Herrlich Valentine's Dinner Dance." Watch for more information!**

# Highlights of Summer Camp 2009

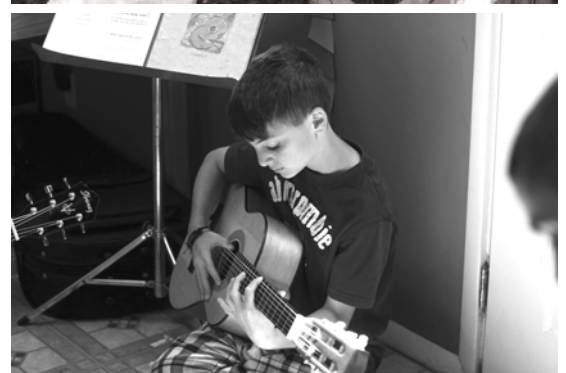
This summer we had over 100 amazing staff members from around the country, the local area, and the globe. Each and every one of them lent something unique to the program, and it is because of our staff that our summer program goes so smoothly. Special shout outs to Danny Bullock, Sara Soeprasetyo, Lauren Kalbfell, Sean Donnelly, and Ruth Kirk for being great directors and head counselors this summer. Also many thanks to Chris Salazar for his creativity with programming! We'll never forget the Resident Beach Parties and the Fashion Show.

Here are some more program highlights for you: The Improv Comedy Show, the Magician, Dean Davis' Animal Show, the Storyteller, the Pirate Show, the DJ Parties, the Campfires, and of course, the Carnival in the pouring rain! Pirate Week in general was a highlight, especially when Senior Camp managed to completely take over every other group into their Fleet. This summer saw the addition of a new multi-vine high rope apparatus to our zip line. We also had full use of the Matt Lamb Memorial Hall and it was used to its fullest, particularly during rainy days and before and after care for day camp. We introduced Geocaching this year, which involves giving a group a handheld GPS with pre-programmed coordinates and having them find as many as they can to win prizes. The Lutheran Crusader Fund music program was a huge success as well, under the wonderful direction of Clare Johnson from the United Kingdom. The children learned the basics of percussion and guitar and made a lot of great music this summer in our new music room. Our petting zoo included some goats, pigs, bunnies, a pony, and two baby goats that were born in July. We will be sad to see those cute little things go back home this fall!

We are so thrilled with the children we had this summer as well. As usual, the day campers came from the surrounding areas. Our resident campers came from the five boroughs, Long Island, and Dutchess and Putnam Counties. This year saw four user groups—groups that bring in their own staff and campers for our programs. Some are old friends and some are new! We were happy to welcome for the first time the Islamic Center of Passaic County from New Jersey and Faith Church from Danbury, Connecticut. They both brought a fantastic bunch of kids and staff to camp and also a great deal of creative programming and ideas. We were happy to welcome back Camp Discovery for the third year in a row and Harlem RBI (Reviving Baseball in the Inner Cities) after a one-year hiatus. Having Discovery and RBI with us has always been a pleasure and we thoroughly enjoyed them again this year. Contributing campers to our resident camp sessions this year were also Carol Ann Skawinski from the Family Service League Camp Program, Andrew Lagnese from Partnership with Children, and Dan Garcia from the Carl C. Icahn Charter Schools. We are so grateful to them for their help.

All in all it was another great summer! Please be on the lookout for summer 2010 information on the website and in the mail. We hope to continue to expand our new music program and our high ropes course, along with including some new elective activities for free choice days. If you have ideas or would like to give feedback, please feel free to e-mail Jessica Vanacoro at [jvanacoro@campherrlich.org](mailto:jvanacoro@campherrlich.org) with any comments or questions. We look forward to seeing you again soon!

*Jessica Vanacoro, Program Director*



## What Are Past Staff Members Up To?

### Shimeeka J. Foy-Pennington

**Current Age:** 24

**Years Employed at Camp Herrlich:** 2000-2006 as a Resident LIT (currently known as CIT), a Resident Counselor, and Resident Program staff. I've been there as a camper since 1997.

**My most fond memories of camp?** Trust me, you don't want the unfond ones! They are unforgettable, too! BG8 squared, NWO, baby powder, Nair, and whacking trees on three-day nature hikes. You had to be there to know what I'm talking about... it's all good now that it's all over. I digress. :-)

Some of my best memories are horseback riding, swimming in the lake, flagpole, rainy-day games like newspaper word search, decorating for cabin clean up, and most of all the weather. I love the weather at camp! All the fresh-air smells, sunshine, rainstorms, tornado winds, thunderstorms... especially the thunderstorms and the stars. Living in the city, I don't get to experience the atmosphere like you can at camp (this is why I majored in geology). In the city, lighting just struck, period. It came down in that Hollywood simple fashion and most time you missed it. At camp, lighting lit up the whole valley, shook your cabin, and rocked your world—even the blind saw it! It didn't always come down. Sometimes it would dance across the sky and spread out 'cause there aren't lighting rods. It was amazing when you got to see it (don't stand in it though). The night sky was also something I loved about camp, and every summer since I have missed it. No light pollution from the masses of street lamps, like in the city. No mistaking planes for the four stars you can see here in the typical night sky at NYC. At camp you can see every star and identify every constellation in the dark night sky. The moon would light your path even though you couldn't see your hand in front of your face. It was beautiful.

**What did I do before camp?** Well, I was a Fresh Air Fund kid since age six. I was already used to sleepaway camps and situations by the time I started to attend Camp Herrlich. Other than that, I did what every inner city twelve-year-old girl was (or should have been) doing—going to public school, crushing on my brothers' friends, and playing outdoors in the concrete jungle—good Brooklyn fun :-)

**What have I done since camp?** I've gone to college, got my license, and got married to my steady boyfriend of six years, and just had my first child, James Logan Pennington, on August 28th. That's the last three years in a nutshell.

**How has camp affected my life?** It gave me exposure to cultures, languages, and places by hiring international staff from places I couldn't visit then. I have traveled out of this country before, but not to every place that I've met and currently have friends from, who I've met at camp—places like Ireland, Czech Republic, and South Africa, to name a few. Also, I've acquired many skills I would not have if I never attended camp. I've learned about things like lighting a lasting campfire, fishing with a stick and a prayer, getting wet when it rains, knowing an air horn is more than just a party tool for Labor Day, and prayer is rhythmic and can be anywhere, not just in a pew and on the edge of beds. More seriously, I learned patience, tolerance, loyalty, and how loosely defined respect can be. I love the place and the people who passed through camp during my ten years in attendance there. I'll never forget it or them.

In closing, I miss you guys—Wendy, Bob, all the Gentiles, Barbara, Dean, Theo, Rosey, and many more.... I can drive now, so I'll come visit. :-)

*Thanks for keeping in touch, xoxo Mrs. Pennington*

# 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!

### Annual Fund Giving Opportunities 2009 Goal

Camp Herrlich's Greatest Needs	\$50,000
Scholarships	\$50,000
Capital Campaign	\$5,000,000

*Watch for information about our building plans!*

### Giving Levels

Wilbur Herrlich Circle	\$5,000 or more
Harold E. Haar Circle	\$1,000 to \$4,999
Rockwell Norris Circle	\$250 to \$999
Camp Herrlich Friends	\$25 to \$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](http://www.campherrlich.org)**

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## Before and After School Program

The 2009-2010 school year is off and running! We now have a fantastic new director at our Matthew Paterson site, Sinead Murphy. Sinead is a licensed social worker with two children in the Matthew Paterson Elementary School and a ton of creativity and enthusiasm. She comes to us with varied experience that will be greatly beneficial to the program. We are so happy to welcome her into the Herrlich family.

Each school-age program has developed unique themes and special events for every day the children attend. The usual activities are there; these include the very important homework help time, sports and games, arts and crafts, and some down time at the end of a busy school day. Some new and different activities include clubs for the Camp After School Program like cooking and video-game themed clubs, Talent Tuesdays and Wacky Wednesdays in the elementary school programs, and movie days and show-and-tell in the morning programs. Half days, as usual, will incorporate fun field trips to places like Cascade Farms, the bowling alley, the movie theater, and Camp Herrlich for outdoor fun, as well as in-school activities like field days and "carnival" days.

This year we plan to continue our community outreach programs and do some supply drives for local charities. In the past we have worked with the Putnam Humane Society, Putnam Community Action Program, and the Pinwheel Project. If you have suggestions, ideas, or would like to become involved with our outreach events and drives, please contact Jessica at the camp office, 845-878-6662 ext. 304.

We're looking forward to a fantastic year!

*Jessica Vanacoro, Program Director*

## A NOTE TO CAMP

Dear Camp Herrlich,  
Ever since I was 12 years old, you have inspired me. Whether it be through your compassion, your dedication, or your life lessons, I have valued all you have given me both as a camper and as a staff member.

Camp for the past seven years has always been my second home and I know I am valued there—not only by your kind words, but your generous scholarship means more than the world to me.

*Sarah Woodason*



## Have You Seen Camp Herrlich's New Logos?

By now, most of you will have hopefully recognized that Camp Herrlich has undergone a rebranding effort culminating in the logos you see above. As we introduce the camp to new friends, we wanted a new look to stay fresh and contemporary. Rest assured, Mount Tremper Outdoor Ministries remains the same. More importantly, our vision of providing individuals the opportunity to grow in an awareness of themselves, the rich diversity of God's natural world, and their role in the global community remains at the heart of what we do. As we see it, we are simply adding some polish to Mount Tremper's true gem—Camp Herrlich.

We have the best of both worlds: A strong vision that will never change and a new look to help us capture new friends who will share in protecting that vision. As we set out to bring Opportunity/Discovery (the sun rising over the moon) and Transformation (the beautiful butterfly) to all who come into contact with the camp, the new look captures that very spirit. Stay tuned in the months to come for more exciting news about plans to ensure the long-term success of Camp Herrlich, and we hope that you share in our excitement around the new brand identity.

*Bob Gentile, Executive Director*



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## **Calendar of Events 2009–2010**

<b>Fall 2009</b>	<b>Summer Camp 2010 Registration Begins</b>
<b>October 25</b>	<b>Open House</b>
<b>December 28–30</b>	<b>December Vacation Camp</b>
<b>February 13</b>	<b>You, Me and Camp Herrlich Valentine's Dinner Dance</b>
<b>February 15–19</b>	<b>Winter Vacation Camp</b>
<b>March 1</b>	<b>Last Day to lock in Early Bird Registration</b>
<b>March 29–April 2</b>	<b>Spring Vacation Camp</b>
<b>May 23</b>	<b>Open House</b>
<b>June 1</b>	<b>Balance Due for Summer Day and Resident Camps</b>
<b>June 24</b>	<b>Last Day of Before and After School Programs</b>
<b>June 28–July 2</b>	<b>Summer Staff Orientation</b>
<b>July 4–30</b>	<b>Summer Resident Camp</b>
<b>July 5–August 27</b>	<b>Summer Day Camp</b>

### **Camp Herrlich Mission Statement**

**The mission of Mount Tremper Outdoor Ministries is to provide individuals the opportunity to grow in an awareness of themselves, the rich diversity of God's natural world and their role in the global community. Our educational and recreational programs work toward developing ethnic harmony, environmental stewardship, community service and personal growth in an atmosphere of acceptance and love.**