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# Friends of Kern, Inc.

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*Our Mission: To maintain contact with friends and alumni of YMCA Camp Kern, to preserve Camp Ozone and Camp Kern history, and to perpetuate the camp experience and life's work of former Boys' Secretary Carl B. Kern.*

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## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:**

Stuart T. Weinberg, MD

## **BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

Kent Barnheiser, CHAIR  
Traci Hale-Brown, VICE-CHAIR  
Stuart T. Weinberg, SECRETARY  
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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

What a great year 2008 has been for Friends of Kern. During this busy year, we have made some great contributions to Camp Kern and its staff, as well as continued with the excellent work with alumni.

Our accomplishments for 2008 include:

- Donating \$2,250 to Camp Kern in June to complete our \$10,000 pledge for The Kent Barnheiser Lobby of the Harry Schiewetz Assembly Center.
- Donating 100 copies of the May/June Staff Training issue of Camping Magazine for the 2008 Camp Kern summer staff.
- Continuing to post and update historical information on the FOK web site in preparation for Camp's 100th anniversary.

**We could not have accomplished the above without the kind and generous support of our members and friends.**

**Like other mission-driven nonprofit organizations, adequate financial support is critical to our future growth and development. The Friends of Kern Board of Directors has some exciting projects planned for 2009.**

## **Our 2009 Goals include:**

- **To develop and distribute a newly designed quarterly newsletter**
- **To raise money for camp scholarships**
- **To support the spirit of the Centennial Celebration by encouraging donations to The Carl B. Kern Fund.**

**To accomplish these goals and continue the alumni support and communication that currently exists, we need your support! Commit to our future! Become a Friends of Kern Member today!**

FOK membership is a minimum of \$15.00 a year. Members are able to:

- Receive online recognition including a "Donations by Years" display listing members in order of number of years they have contributed to FOK.
- Participate in the governance of the organization by nominating and voting for the Board of Directors, voting for proposed bylaws changes, and attending and participating in annual meetings.
- Receive the newly designed FOK quarterly newsletter, which will include information about Camp Kern, past and present.
- Access the "members only" area of the FOK website where you can connect/re-connect with other FOK members and review FOK's financial information.
- Receive the FOK Weekly-ish News.

On behalf of the Friends of Kern Board, we invite you to browse our website and to contact us with any comments or questions you may have.

I thank you in advance for your kind and generous support.

Yours in the Kern Blood,

Kent Barnheiser  
Chair, Friends of Kern Board of Directors  
Camp Kern Executive Director, 1974-1982