

RAINEY A. JOHNS

EDUCATION

Campbellsville University, Campbellsville University 1993-1998

- Bachelor of Science
- Psychology & Recreation
- Summa Cum Laude
- 4.0 GPA
- Softball and Soccer Teams
- 1st team All-Conference goalkeeper

EXPERIENCE

Versailles-Woodford Co. Parks & Recreation Department | Versailles, KY

1998 - Present

Assistant Director

Promoted from Recreation Program Coordinator in December of 2002. This role includes the supervision of all programming areas, including fitness and aquatics managers, direct coordination and administration of all youth and adult sports leagues, including basketball, softball, volleyball and introductory youth sports programs, as well as youth dance and martial arts programs. Duties also include managing supervision of part-time staff ranging seasonally from 30-100 employees, website maintenance, development of print materials and press releases for distribution to schools, newspapers and patrons, and grant writing.

Global Sports Partners | Sport 4 Peace

2003 - Present

Global Sports Partners -

Sport 4 Peace -

Sport 4 Peace, a division of Global Sports Partners, is a non-profit, non-political organization that aspires to communicate a spirit of solidarity through the agency of sport. By way of sports development, training, education, and cultural exchange, S4P and GSP have developed meaningful and lasting relationships with girls and women throughout the Middle East, North Africa, and Asia. We believe that sport in its purest form and when used with intentionality provides a unique opportunity for dialogue, camaraderie, and the exchange of ideas. We believe the qualities of sport generate incalculable possibilities for girls and women who desire to live in a more peaceful world.

GSP/S4P – Project Participation (by country)

1997 - present

Iraq

- Summer 2010 - Baghdad Youth Sports Initiative (BYSI): Funded by the U.S. Embassy Small Grants Program. Overall, our goal is to instill principles, which produce healthy attitudes,

and nurture constructive practices which build strong minds and ethical citizens, producing a social bond seeking the highest standards for the collective good. We will soon be conducting 3 Basketball Instructional camps (5 days/boys, 4 days/girls, 5 days/coaches) and an Adaptive Sports Program for Disabled Youth (3 days/co-ed). The camps emphasize skills, techniques, team work, problem-solving, and the promotion of character values. They are also designed to launch a reproducible, sustainable public school Sports/PhysEd module and an after school sports/recreation program. The Adaptive Program promotes sensitivity and demonstrates our message of inclusion -- ethnic, religious, social, gender, economic, and physical ability. GSP offers this program to promote the message of reconstruction and reconciliation among youth. Values dictate behavior, and the expected outcome is that this project will redeem some youth and inspire others, enabling them to contribute to a strong and peaceful civil society.

- Summer 2009 - Iraqi Basketball Visitor Program: Funded by, sponsored by, and in partnership with the United States Department of State SportsUnited Visitor Program, S4P/GSP co-hosted a team of 12 Iraqi youth girl basketball players and coaches from Iraq and Kurdistan in Washington, D.C. and Knoxville, TN. Highlights of the Iraqi girls' basketball team included attending a WNBA Washington Mystics game and two sessions at The University of Tennessee Pat Summitt's basketball camp.

- Summer 2009 - Kurdistan & Gizing Girls Basketball Camp: Funded and sponsored by the National Olympic Committee of Iraq, the National Olympic Committee of Kurdistan, the Iraq Basketball Association, the Kurdistan Basketball Association. Six girls basketball teams from Babylon, Baghdad, Mosul, Dohuk, and Sulaimaniya (2) attended the camp.

Iran

- Summer 2007 - Iran/USA Women's Softball Friendship Tournament: Sponsored by the Iran Baseball, Softball, Cricket & Rugby Federation and GSP. A team of American softball players traveled to Tehran to take part in Iran's first-ever international women's softball competition. Iranian teams from Bushehr, Mashad, and Tehran competed in the friendly tournament.

Israel

- Summers 2006 & 2008 - Sport for Life Peace Camp - In partnership with Musalaha, a non-profit organization that seeks to promote reconciliation between Israelis and Palestinians, S4P co-created an all-girls sports camp for Israeli and Palestinian

youth. Team sports were used to encourage trust, respect, and communication between the participants and topics such as identity, stereotypes, religious violence, and ethnic discrimination were addressed in a series of conflict resolution and peacebuilding workshops - Wingate Institute, Netanya.

- Summers 2008, 2006, 2005, 2004, & 2001 - Israeli Women's National & Junior National Team Softball Training Camp: In partnership with Israel Softball Association - Petah Tiqva

Tunisie

- Summer 2006 - Tunisie Youth Baseball & Physical Education Sport Initiative: In partnership with Djerbe Elementary School Physical Education - Djerbe.
- Summer 2005 - Tunisie Women's Football Friendship Initiative: In partnership with Tunisie National Olympic Committee and Tunisie Football Association - Bizerte.

Turkey

- Summer 2005 - Istanbul Girls Softball & Boys Baseball Project - Sponsored by Bo aziçi University • Summer 1999 - Istanbul Basketball Friendly Exhibition Tour - Istanbul.

China

- Summer 2001 - China Women's Fastpitch Softball Friendship Tour - Beijing, Gansu Province.
- Summers 1997 & 1998 - China/U.S. Women's Basketball Friendship Tour - Tianjin, Beijing - Shenyang Province.

USA

- Summers 1993-2003 - State and Federal Women's Prison Social Development through Recreational Sport Program - Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Tennessee.
- Spring 2009 - Knox Kicks: Kicking it Around the Globe: Co-created a soccer camp for Knoxville-area African and Middle Eastern children with refugee status.