



THE BRIARWOOD BUGLE

Fun in the sun!

June 26-June 30, 2023

Week 2

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From Matt and Mike

We had another great week, with art and sports and swimming and leagues and gaga and Briarwood's Fishing Derby and bunk show practice and on and on. It is such a gift to see the smiles and hear the splashing and laughter every day.



Can you believe that two weeks have already passed? Of course, we prefer to look at things as we've got 75% of Briar-awesomeness left!

And speaking of Briar-awesomeness, we've got lots more on tap for next week. In addition to our regular spectacularness, Briarwood's Gaga Tournament, 2nd year CIT trip to Hershey Park, Super CIT trip tubing down the Delaware, Wednesday Themeday, Hawaiian/Tropical Day and much, much more! Join us! And if we can editorialize for a moment, we are very lucky to live in the land of the free and the home of the brave. **DON'T FORGET WE ARE CLOSED ON TUESDAY, JULY 4th.** Have a great weekend!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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◆ Camp Office Hours

7:45 am—4:00 pm

Notes from the Lifeguard Chair by Rob Resnick, Briarwood Pool Director

Greetings from the pool staff! Camp is off to a great start and our campers are improving rapidly. Water safety is a major part of what we do at Briarwood and our lifeguards here have more than 80 years experience lifeguarding here (yes, seriously). We get a lot of questions about deep water testing for kids as well as some other items so we thought we'd write a quick note here.



- * Lower pool deep water testing requires treading water for one minute, front crawl 15 yards, back crawl 15 yards, jump in and swim under water 15 yards.
- * At the upper pool, due to the depth of the water, you must be Level 3 or higher to swim in the deep water.
- * No snorkel goggles at free swim.
- * We know some campers complain about instructional swim. Parents, please encourage your camper to keep trying. It's an important life skill and we've been teaching it well for years!

Check out our daily pictures by clicking on the "camper photos" link on the Briarwood website. Call if you need the password.

SCENES FROM THE 2023 FISHING DERBY



Highlights: first bass, fish kisses (?!?!?) and fun had by ALL!

EARLY DISMISSAL



IF YOUR CAMPER IS LEAVING EARLY, PLEASE SEND IN A NOTE IN THE MORNING WITH THE TIME YOU WILL BE PICKING UP YOUR CAMPER AND PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR DRIVER KNOWS.

Did you know ...

Briarwood holds the Guinness World Record for world's largest gaga game?



SOME FRIENDLY BRIARWOOD REMINDERS:

- If you want to reach your camper’s counselor during the camp day, call the office at 215-598-7143 and we will gladly relay your message. Please do not TEXT or CALL your child’s counselor directly during the camp day. Our counselors are busy watching children and we have asked them not to check their phones during the day.
- Early and Late Care is available from 7:30 am–6:00 pm sharp. Please call the office if you will need this service.
- While it never rains at Briarwood, in the event of a passing shower, please send your camper with the appropriate rain gear should the forecast call for rain.
- Camp is for sneakers! Crocs, sandals and flip flops should only be worn to the pool.
- Apply sunscreen daily prior to coming to camp.
- Did you miss a Bugle? You can find all of this summer’s Bugles in the news section of our website.

PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO CAMP IF HE/SHE IS NOT FEELING WELL

BRIARWOOD
COUNSELORS
OF THE WEEK:

Senior Staff:
Lucas Hubbard
and
Danny Simon
Junior Staff:
Ilana Schieken
Congratulations!

MEET THE NEW BRIARWOOD STAFF!



Sam

SAM LEVIN is an amazing addition to our Briarwood family this summer. He attends Muhlenberg College during the school year. The reason he loves working at Briarwood is due to all of the fun activities happening here at camp. His favorite food is pizza and if he could go anywhere in the world he would go “all over” Europe. The last book he read was “Fahrenheit 451”. A fun fact about Sam is that he has his own radio show.

LUCAS HUBBARD joins the Briarwood crew for his first summer. During the school year, Lucas attends Regent University where he runs track for his school team. In his free time, he enjoys going to the beach and hanging out with friends. His favorite things at Briarwood Day Camp are the kids and the iconic “jumper”. If Lucas could go anywhere in the world, he would go to Wrigley Field in Chicago. Most people don’t know that he was born in Las Vegas. If Lucas could be any animal he would be an eagle.



Lucas

DANNY SIMON is another fun addition to the Briarwood team this summer of 2023. He is 19 years old and attends Liberty University. During the school year he likes to participate as an active member of his church. His absolute favorite things about Briarwood are the AMAZING staff, campers and FUN environment that camp provides. His favorite TV show is Impractical Jokers and if he could be any animal he would be a panda.



Danny

Early dismissal note: Early dismissals after 2:45 pm can be very difficult because the “regular” car line begins filling. If you’d like to be sure you can “get out” before 3:00 pm, please try to arrive before 2:45 pm. Thanks!

Weeks 4 and 5 are Tie Dye Weeks at Nature! Please send in something white to dye. Something like a shirt, shorts, a pillowcase or socks. Wait ‘til you see how everything turns out!

MEET THE NEW BRIARWOOD STAFF continued!



Kelsey

KELSEY HODGES debuts at Briarwood Day Camp for her first summer as senior counselor of the Gazelles in Upper Camp. Her favorite activity at Briarwood is Archery! During the school year she is an athletic trainer for Virginia Union University. The last book she read was “The Great Gatsby”. If she could go anywhere in the world it would be Florence, Italy and most people don’t know that Kelsey loves to paint!



Jes

JES EVERILL joins the team here at Briarwood at Lower Pool. She has 2 dogs named Kaia and Ruckus and also owns a Ball Python, named Ferdinand! Her favorite parts about working at Briarwood are the fun energy, getting to know all of the campers and the genuineness of the staff! During the year Jes likes to volunteer at a local farm

and do yoga. If she were an animal she would be a wild horse. If she could go anywhere in the world it would be either Australia or New Zealand.



The Jovial Jaguars! By Nate Frankel

The summer has officially kicked off and we are thrilled to have a group of guys who love to have fun and try new things. We have an eclectic mix of kids who enjoy everything camp has to offer, and that has been exemplified during these first two weeks. Ryan has been a star wide receiver on the football field, and Mikah has been one of the best Gaga players in all of camp. Ethan perfected the right zoom floom technique to maximize splashes, and Dean exhibited incredible form in the pool. Daniel was the best player in dodgeball, and Dylan is one of the best all-around athletes in the entire camp. Colin looked like Mbappé during World Cup and Hunter looked like Devonta during football. Chase showed off his skills at tennis and Brandon kicked butt in the grand Gaga championship. Liam had great hits in wiffleball and Adrian hit the farthest tennis baseball home run in recorded history. Stone has proven to be a great all-around athlete, and Jacob continues to be the best wiffleball player in camp. We’re also looking forward to hanging with Grant in the weeks to come. With our JC Nick and a great group of guys it is sure to be a wild summer filled with great times (and lots of duck-of-the-days)! We are pumped for the future!



🎵 **Learn the Briarwood Song!** 🎵 <http://bit.ly/BDCSong> We’ll sing it at camp!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>JULY 3</p> <p>Red, White and Blue Day!</p>	<p>JULY 4</p> <p>CAMP CLOSED!!</p> <p>HAPPY 4TH OF JULY</p> 	<p>JULY 5</p> <p>Wednesday Themeday: Hawaiian/Tropical Day</p> <p>Hershey Park—2nd Year CITs</p>	<p>JULY 6</p> <p>Bowling and Laser Tag: 1st Year CITs</p>  <p>Tubing: SUPER CITs</p>	<p>JULY 7</p>
<u>GAGA TOURNAMENT WEEK!</u>				
<p>JULY 10</p>	<p>JULY 11</p> <p><u>LOWER CAMP BUNK SHOWS</u></p> 	<p>JULY 12</p> <p>Wednesday Themeday: Disney/Marvel Day</p> <p><u>UPPER CAMP BUNK SHOWS</u></p>	<p>JULY 13</p>	<p>JULY 14</p> <p>HALLOWEEN IN JULY</p> 
 Briarwood Tie-Dye Weeks 10th-21st 				
<p>JULY 17</p> <p>Beach Trip— SUPER CITs</p> 	<p>JULY 18</p> <p>SUPER CIT Extravaganza!!</p>	<p>JULY 19</p> <p>Wednesday Themeday: Crazy Hat Day!</p> <p>Hershey Park: Super CITs</p>	<p>JULY 20</p>	<p>JULY 21</p>
IT'S THE SUPER DAYS!! SUPER CIT FUN! <u>MINI GOLF TOURNAMENT WEEK!</u>				
<p>JULY 24</p> <p>Point Pleasant Beach Trip: 1ST and 2ND Year CITs</p> 	<p>JULY 25</p> <p><u>BUSY BEE BUNK SHOWS</u></p> <p>10:30am</p> 	<p>JULY 26</p> <p>Wednesday Themeday: Sports Jersey Day</p> <p>Mini Golf and Ice-Cream: Super CITs</p>	<p>JULY 27</p> <p>CARNIVAL DAY</p> 	<p>JULY 28</p> <p>**Carnival Rain Date**</p>
<p>JULY 31</p> <p>Briarwood STAFF night</p>	<p>AUGUST 1</p> <p>Mystery Day (or is it??? Actually, it is!)</p> 	<p>AUGUST 2</p> <p>Wednesday Themeday: TBA!</p>	<p>AUGUST 3</p>	<p>AUGUST 4</p>
<p>AUGUST 7</p> <p>Briarwood's Birthday Celebration</p>	<p>AUGUST 8</p>	<p>AUGUST 9</p> <p>Wednesday Themeday: Briarwood Spirit Day ALL CIT Dance and Movie</p>	<p>AUGUST 10</p> <p>Dorney Park trip **ALL CITs**</p>	<p>AUGUST 11</p> <p>LAST DAY OF CAMP! Early dismissal @ 2:30pm</p>

More great stuff still being added! Calendar is subject to change