



THE BRIARWOOD BUGLE

Fun in the sun!

July 3-July 7, 2023 Week 3

From Matt and Mike

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We hold these truths to be self evident: that Briarwood is awesome (and sometimes steamy) . . . and that among this awesomeness are friends, laughter and the pursuit of gaga.

We had another great week! July 4th week barreled along and the kids had a great time swimming, playing, painting, Zoom Flooming and everything else!

And also — we enjoyed Red, White and Blue Day, Wednesday Themeday was Hawaiian/Tropical Day, we had our EPIC Gaga Tournament Week, our CITs and Super CITs went on some great trips, we played some fun (and cooling) Drip, Drip, Drench - and all around camp, you could see and hear bunks practicing their bunk shows.



We have a ton going on in the next few weeks—Lower Camp Bunk Shows, Upper Camp Bunk Shows, Halloween in July, Goofy Day, The Briarwood Semi-Invitational Mini Golf Tournament (actually everyone is invited)—plus all of our awesome, regularly scheduled program—art, sports, swimming, gymnastics, nature, rock wall and much, much more! Join us!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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BUNK SHOWS



LOWER CAMP
Tuesday July 11th 10:30am



UPPER CAMP
Wednesday July 12th 10:30am



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

HALLOWEEN IN JULY!

FRIDAY JULY 14TH!



DRESS IN COSTUME

TRICK OR TREATING!



Highlights this week included Red, White & Blue Day, Hawaiian/Tropical Day & CIT Trips!

Remember Tie Dye Week starts on Monday! Don't forget to bring in something white to tie dye – and PLEASE remember to label it!



BUNK NEWS

BUDDIES! BY MELISSA BERKOWITZ, JERI NEWMAN & ANNE WITKIN



Briarwood's Buddy Program is back and it is bigger and better than ever! Our Buddy Program expanded this summer to include Busy Bees and it has gone amazingly well. Our program pairs an older girls bunk (Big Buddy) with a younger girls bunk or Busy Bee bunk (Little Buddy). Our big and little buddies got together for the first time last week and they will continue to get together throughout the summer to play, bond and make new friends in camp. It is great to watch our big buddies serve as mentors/role models for the younger campers our little buddies LOVE hanging out with their older friends. Briarwood's Buddy Program is a great way to make new friends in different divisions, work as a team and have an even better, fuller Briarwood experience!

Please do not send your child to camp if he/she is not feeling well.

2023 GAGA Tournament Results!



Briarwood campers LOVE their gaga (did you know that we hold the Guinness world record for largest game of gaga? True! You can look it up!) and this year's annual gaga tournament did not disappoint. Each bunk had its own competition and then each division crowned a champion (with a championship belt!). The results are finally in...



Busy bee finalists: Brooke, Sam, Riley, Bodhi, Ayden & Raphael
Winner: Sam. **Lower boys finalists:** Mark, Mark, Hugh, Slayde, Brayden & Clint. **Winner:** Hugh.
Lower girls finalists: Coco, Savannah, Daisy, Chloe, Juliana, & Marissa. **Winner:** Marissa
Upper boys finalists: Will, Andrew, Chase, Aaron and Austin. **Winner:** Will
Upper girls finalists: Ryan,



Giuliana, Emma, Jess and Alexa. **Winner:** Ryan. **Senior camp finalists:** Matthew, Molly and Ryan. **Winner:** Matthew.



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.

BRIARWOOD COUNSELORS OF THE WEEK:



Senior Staff:
 Stephanie Clark
 Junior Staff:
 Eli Segal

Congratulations!

Quick quiz:

- Q. What's more fun than a day at Briarwood?
- A. Two days at Briarwood!

Congrats to ALL of our participants! Importantly, our tournament was a fun time and our campers learned and exhibited kindness, good sportsmanship and fair play!!!

MEET OUR WONDERFULLY AMAZING STAFF! PART III

We return with profiles of more senior staff members at Briarwood Day Camp



EVAN G.

EVAN GLICKMAN has been a part of the Briarwood family since toddlerhood—he started off as a 3 year old cricket in the Busy Bees. During the offseason, Evan attends Penn State University and enjoys working with technology. Evans favorite parts about Briarwood are the wonderful people and the ever-famous Briarwood mantra; “it never rains at Briarwood Day Camp.” If Evan could be an animal he would be a pterodactyl. This is because pterodactyls could fly and if Evan could fly, it’s “gotta be in style.” Most people don’t know that Evan is Israeli and if he could go anymore in the world he would go back to Israel. Ed. note: we’d guess that if Evan were a pterodactyl, he’d fly there!



C.J.

C.J. HORAN is spending his 12th summer here at Briarwood Day Camp. During the off season he attends Bloomsburg University. His favorite thing about working at Briarwood is seeing so many familiar faces from every GREAT summer. If C.J. could go anywhere in the world it would be Amsterdam. Most people don’t know that he was born in Chicago, Illinois. C.J.’s favorite food is chicken parmigiana and if he were an animal he would be an orca!



EVAN B.

ALEXA ORTMAN joins the Briarwood family this summer as the senior counselor of the Ladybugs. Alexa attends Bloomsburg University during the school year and is working towards achieving her degree in Business. Her favorite thing to do at Briarwood is wiffleball and her favorite food is pasta. If she could go anywhere in the world it would definitely be Italy! A fun fact about Alexa is that she played Division 1 softball.













ALEXA

EVAN BERNSTEIN marks his 15th year at Briarwood this summer! Evan began at Briarwood as a 7 year old Bear. His favorite part about working at Briarwood is that he gets to be outside ALL day long. During the off season, Evan teaches, DJ’s, and works in property management. His favorite Briarwood food is a “cup o’ croutons” and the last book he read was Tom Sawyer. If Evan were an animal he would be an axolotl or the elusive giant squid. Most people don’t know that Evan has a pet leopard gecko named Preston!

EMMA COOPER is glad to be back at Briarwood for her second summer! She attends Monmouth University and coaches softball during the offseason. Emma’s favorite thing about Briarwood is the variety of sports played here at camp and her favorite movie is Brave. If she could go anywhere in the world she would go to Reykjavik, Iceland. Her favorite food is bananas and if she were an animal she would be a sloth bear! Most people don’t know that Emma is also fluent in Spanish!



EMMA

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| JULY 10 | JULY 11 LOWER CAMP BUNK SHOWS | JULY 12 Wednesday Themeday: Disney/Marvel Day UPPER CAMP BUNK SHOWS <i>Staff night</i> | JULY 13 BUNK SHOW RAIN DATE (but it never rains at Briarwood Day Camp) | JULY 14 HALLOWEEN IN JULY  |
|  Briarwood Tie Dye Weeks 10th-21st  | | | | |
| JULY 17 Beach Trip– SUPER CITs  | JULY 18 SUPER CIT Extravaganza!! | JULY 19 Wednesday Themeday: Crazy Hat Day! Hershey Park: Super CITs | JULY 20 Second half picture day! | JULY 21 GOOFY DAY! |
| IT'S THE SUPER DAYS!! SUPER CIT FUN! <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">S'MORE WEEK AT NATURE</div>  | | | | |
| JULY 24 Point Pleasant Beach Trip: 1ST and 2ND Year CITs  | JULY 25 BUSY BEE BUNK SHOWS <u>10:30am</u>  | JULY 26 Wednesday Themeday: Sports Jersey Day Busy Bee Show Rain Date <u>Gymnastics Show at 11:30am</u> Super CIT Trip: Mini Golf and Ice Cream | JULY 27 CARNIVAL DAY  | JULY 28 **Carnival Rain Date** |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">MINI GOLF TOURNAMENT WEEK!!</div> | | | | |
| JULY 31 | AUGUST 1  Mystery Day TBA (or is it??? Actually, it is!!) | AUGUST 2 Wednesday Themeday: TBA! | AUGUST 3 Awesomeness | AUGUST 4 More awesomeness |
| AUGUST 7 Briarwood's birthday celebration!  | AUGUST 8 <u>Drama Show at 10:30am</u> | AUGUST 9 Wednesday Themeday: Briarwood Spirit Day ALL CIT Dance and Movie | AUGUST 10 Dorney Park Trip ALL CITs | AUGUST 11 LAST DAY OF CAMP Early Dismissal at 2:30 |

Calendar subject to change—and we'll be adding more fun stuff—stay tuned!

🎵 [Learn the Briarwood Song!](http://bit.ly/BDCSong) 🎵 <http://bit.ly/BDCSong> We'll sing it at camp!