

Barn Bulletin, Spring 2025



Spring Has Arrived at The Barn

After a long, cold and windy winter, we welcome the sunshine and warmer days of spring! The Barn is showing off its beauty as the fields have turned bright green and are dotted with colorful yellow buttercups. The animals are so excited to be back outside frolicking and playing together. We thank all of you for your patience this spring as we dedicated this time to completing some new and exciting projects. Those of you who were able to attend Spring Fling last week, got a preview of some of our new spaces. We have been working hard to enhance the outdoor learning center with even more fun and exciting areas for imaginative play and adventure. Inside the Barn we have made some pretty big changes as well that have been so well received. Thank you to our staff who put in many hours cleaning up and re-organizing The Barn, and special thanks to an amazing donor who really transformed our barn loft...more details on that to come. We welcomed a new Program Manager and Camp Director this year and we are all really looking forward to a fun summer at Camp Geronimo! Stay tuned...our Fall Individual Program will begin at the end of August so keep on the lookout for updates and registration information.



Meet Tyler, Our New Program Manager

Tyler is a graduate of West Chester University and brings experience both as an educator and non-profit leader. He is an avid sports and nature enthusiast. He is ecstatic about the opportunity to work at a place with a wonderful mission and in such a beautiful environment. Tyler is very grateful to be joining an incredible team and meeting all of the children and families that make The Barn such a special place in the community.

Welcome Nancy, Our New Camp Director

Nancy is so excited to be back at The Barn, and working with the campers at Camp Geronimo! Nancy also works with children, adolescents, and families for another non-profit organization in Delaware county. She brings with her a background in ABA therapy, clinical mental health counseling, and non-profit work. Nancy is looking forward to getting to know each of the campers and their families this summer!



Spots still available for camp this summer!

Weeks 2, 3 & 4!



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It's not too late to sign up for Camp Geronimo! We have openings during the weeks of: July 7-11, July 14-18 and July 21-25. Nancy, our Camp Director, has planned a super fun week with both new activities and tried and true ones! Bottle feed a baby calf, make summer snow, ride on a real firetruck, enjoy nature walks, paint our animals in bright colors, meet a unicorn (some Barn magic) and put on a talent show! It is a week filled with fun, friendship and adventure! We hope you can join us this summer!

Are you looking to do something rewarding this summer? Become a camp counselor!

If you are still looking for a fun summer job opportunity, you have found it! We are looking for paid and volunteer counselors to join us at Camp Geronimo this summer. To learn more email:

programs@springbrook-farm.org.





Sow the seeds of love and joy through a donation to The Barn and watch a child grow and flourish beyond their wildest dreams. Thank you for being a part of our Barn community.
<https://givebutter.com/Donate-to-The-Barn>



A HUGE Thank You for an Unbelievable Gift of Kindness

It is hard to put into words “thankfulness”. Yes, the words Thank You are often said, but they do not express what is really felt when you are truly grateful. This year, we received several donations that have transformed The Barn. A very gracious, loving and compassionate donor granted us three wishes...some real life “Barn Magic”! The first, less noticeable, gift will have a great impact. It is a whole barn generator. This will make such a difference for our children as we will never have to cancel programming due to a power outage (which out here in the country happens more than we would like!).



But that is just the beginning...wish #2 was for Mr. Chris, and will make hay rides and farm chores a whole lot more fun and efficient. So don't be surprised when you see Mr. Chris cruising around in his brand new tractor complete with air conditioning, heat and blue tooth! Mr. Chris has transformed our outdoor learning center thanks to the power of this beautiful John Deere. We are ever grateful. We can't wait for you to see our giant bird's nest, new gardens and more...all made possible thanks to our amazing donor.

The third and final wish granted is a space that has brought so many smiles already! Our new sensory gym allows children of all abilities to swing, build towers, knock them down, and just have plain old fun in ways they never imagined. We have had field trips of children with mobility issues who could not stop smiling while swinging and playing. We are so extremely grateful for these gifts and we will honor this donor's generosity in all we do, by spreading love, compassion and joy to the wonderful children and families we serve. Thank you for making The Barn a better place through your giving spirit and compassion.



As all of you are members of our Barn family, we wanted to share with you our 2024 Annual Impact Report so that you can learn just what we mean by “Barn Magic”. Last year we served 477 children through our programming. We had 359 wonderful volunteers share their time and talent with us. We provided nearly \$10,000 in financial aid to deserving families so they could experience our programming. We continue to do all of this with just 3 full time staff and two part time camp directors. As a small non-profit, we are ever grateful for the support of our donors, as 70% of our funding comes from you.

We continue to support our mission every day. This year, we hope to bring more smiles and laughs, spread more love and compassion and honor all that you do for us!

To learn more about our mission and impact, here is the link to our 2024 Annual Impact Report. [2024 Impact Report](#)

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