

Camp Barney Medintz

FALL 2017



SO... HOW WAS THE SUMMER?!

Each September, many of us reflect on our days together at Camp Barney. We think about what went well, what we want to improve, what we want to reinvent, and how we can exceed expectations next summer. Fully appreciating the total experience at Camp Barney can be complex, like when you ask your child(ren) on the day they arrive home, "So, how was camp?" and you realize that it may take months to get a full picture! You see, stories and memories about people and events at a two-week or four-week overnight camp are destined to be revealed over time. But hopefully, you've already received a glimpse of Camp Barney as having been a very positive experience during our 2017 summer season. You're welcome to call or email me if you'd like to learn more specifics about your child(ren) while they were at camp: 678.812.3844 or summer@campbarney.org.

We're always seeking and receiving feedback, whether it's from our current campers or from our parents who are in touch with us throughout the summer. Feedback reaches us through post-camp surveys and conversations with us as well as from summer staff (including guest artists, musicians, chefs, rabbis and jewish educators, and community and agency leaders) who provide an invaluable perspective of our experience together. Camp Barney is a wonderful community. We genuinely strive each day to make CBM feel comfortable, safe, meaningful, exciting, and special for every child.

HERE'S A LIST OF THE "TOP 8" MOST COMMONLY HEARD FEEDBACK FROM SUMMER 2017 PARENTS:

My Child(ren)...

felt very well cared for/cared about;
felt safe; incredible staff!

Made new friends/
strengthened old friendships

Participated in new/fun/
challenging experiences

Increased self-esteem

Heightened problem-solving
skills/more independent

Strengthened Jewish identity

Developed new skills and
passions; took initiative

Grew appreciation for the natural
environment/disconnected from electronics

It is enormously gratifying that the overwhelming feedback from parents is so positive. It reinforces our intention to positively impact Camp Barney families during the summer and throughout the year. We so appreciate your warm thoughts and we thank you for the constructive feedback about how we can improve in various areas including monitoring and managing campers' behavior, creating more opportunities for electives (chugim), and offering new menu items and food service enhancements. We've taken this feedback to heart and are actively planning now how to vastly improve those areas for Summer 2018.

PLEASE READ ON FOR A FUN RECAP OF SUMMER 2017 AND TO FIND OUT WHAT'S IN STORE FOR NEXT SUMMER!



CAMP BARNEY 2018 DATES

1ST SESSION

Sunday, June 3–Thursday, June 28

JUNE 2018 COMPLETING GRADES

1st Session (4 weeks)
Sunday, June 3 – Thursday, June 28 2nd–10th

Kochavim A “Stars” (2 weeks)
Sunday, June 3–Thursday, June 14 2nd–4th

Kochavim B “Stars” (2 weeks)
Sunday, June 17–Thursday, June 28 2nd–4th

Pre-Teen A (2 weeks)
Sunday, June 3–Thursday, June 14 5th–6th

Pre-Teen B (2 weeks)
Sunday, June 17–Thursday, June 28 5th–6th

2ND SESSION

Sunday, July 1–Thursday, July 26

JULY 2018 COMPLETING GRADES

2nd Session (4 weeks)
Sunday, July 1 – Thursday, July 26 2nd–10th

Kochavim C “Stars” (2 weeks)
Sunday, July 1 – Thursday, July 12 2nd–4th

Kochavim D “Stars” (2 weeks)
Sunday, July 15 – Thursday, July 26 2nd–4th

NOTE: If you have questions or would like more information, please contact us at summer@campbarney.org or 678-812-3844.

CAMP BARNEY MEDINTZ ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER 2018 IS EASY

RETURNING FAMILIES

Registration exclusively opens for returning campers and their siblings on Sunday, October 15, 2017 at 10:00 am EDT and continues through Wednesday, October 18 at midnight.

TO REGISTER GO TO:

WWW.CAMPBARNEY.ORG/ENROLL

OPEN REGISTRATION

Registration opens for all on Sunday, October 22, 2017 at 10:00 am EDT.

BEGIN THE REGISTRATION PROCESS AT:

WWW.CAMPBARNEY.ORG/ENROLL

Does submitting an application assure a space for your camper?

Within five business days (usually sooner), we will send acceptance emails.

Some campers may be placed on our waiting list, as age groups fill very rapidly!

We will do our best to accommodate families wishing to be a part of our 2018 Summer Season.

We have heard your feedback and we truly want to keep Camp Barney Medintz accessible to all families. So, our 2018 CBM fees will have a very minimal increase of less than 1% for most families.

INFO SESSIONS AND WINTER REUNION

Each fall, Camp Barney travels all around the southeast, presenting fun, new musical slideshows and information about the upcoming summer. Attendees have the chance to meet the camp directors as well as new and returning camp families and have all their questions answered!

CAMP BARNEY INFO SESSION SCHEDULE

GEORGIA

Sunday, Oct. 22, 1:00 pm MJCCA/Zaban Park
 Sunday, Oct. 29, 1:00 pm MJCCA/Zaban Park
 Sunday, Dec. 3, 1:00 pm Savannah Jewish Educational Alliance

ALABAMA

Monday, Oct. 30, 7:00 pm Levite JCC of Birmingham

NORTH CAROLINA

Thursday, Nov. 2, 7:00 pm Levine JCC of Charlotte

TENNESSEE

Monday, Nov. 6, 7:00 pm Gordon JCC of Nashville

FLORIDA

Monday, Nov. 13, 7:00 pm Jewish Academy of Orlando
 Tuesday, Nov. 14, 7:00 pm Bryan Glazer Family JCC of Tampa
 Sunday, Nov. 19, 2:30 pm Adolph & Rose Levis JCC of Boca Raton

LOUISIANA

Sunday, Dec. 10, 1:00pm Goldring-Woldenberg JCC, Metairie

JOIN US!

IN ADDITION TO OUR 4-WEEK SESSIONS, OUR TWO-WEEK SESSIONS FOR 8-12 YEAR OLDS WERE AWESOME

Camp Barney Medintz has always offered incredible four-week options for boys and girls ages 8-16. Many years ago, CBM began offering two-week options for boys and girls ages 8-10 years old.

Two years ago, Camp Barney began offering a two-week option in June for boys and girls ages 11-12. This Pre-Teen offering is designed for older campers who have never been to overnight camp or who want to experience it for two weeks. Campers enjoy all the adventures at CBM including water skiing, the Hurricane water slides, zip lines and ropes courses, horseback riding, field and court sports, music, theater, film studio, dance, crafts, cooking, fencing or scuba diving, a kayaking or climbing trip, and more!

FOR SUMMER 2018, OUR 2-WEEK PRE-TEEN SESSIONS IN JUNE ARE OFFERED:

Sunday, June 3-Thursday, June 14
 Sunday, June 17-Thursday, June 28

Space is limited in each 2-week Pre-Teen session.

For more information, please contact us at summer@campbarney.org or 678.812.3844.

2017 CAMP BARNEY REUNION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2017
 Stars & Strikes (Sandy Springs, GA)

On December 17, hundreds of campers will come together for our annual Camper Reunion! Please save the date and join us at Stars & Strikes in Sandy Springs, Georgia from 1:00-3:30 pm. For more info, contact us at summer@campbarney.org.



METRO-ATLANTA CAMP BARNEY FAMILIES RESPOND BEAUTIFULLY AFTER HURRICANE IRMA

It became clear to all of us that Hurricane Irma was heading through Florida and the coastal areas of Georgia and South Carolina a couple of weeks ago and would likely have a significant impact on more than 100 Camp Barney families. We sent an email to all of our families in these areas, as well as to all metro-Atlanta families, hoping that Camp Barney could make connections between those who were willing and able to provide space to those who needed immediate temporary housing. We received dozens of lovely email responses but even more poignant and moving was the response from more than 60 Camp Barney families who quickly offered their homes to anyone who needed it.

This gesture is indeed a reflection of the depth, selflessness, and humanity of these families but also the sense of community and family that is what we're all about. Todah rabah—thank you very much to everyone who offered your homes or expressed your heartfelt words to those who were facing adversity. Our thoughts remain with anyone still dealing with the chaos of the storm. And our best wishes to all of you, our Camp Barney family, for a meaningful and joyous New Year—L'Shana Tova.

WHERE IN THE WORLD DO CBM KIDS LIVE?

Georgia 72% • Florida 10% • North Carolina 5%
Tennessee 4% • Alabama 3%

Other 6% Louisiana, Colorado, Texas, South Carolina, New York, Israel, Arizona, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, California, Ohio, Virginia, France, and Missouri

TOP 36 SYNAGOGUES

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| 1. Temple Sinai, Atlanta (R) | 21. Temple Beth Meyer, Raleigh (R) |
| 2. Congregation B'nai Torah, Atlanta (C) | 22. Congregation Bnai Brith Jacob, Savannah (O) |
| 3. Temple Emanu-El, Atlanta (R) | 23. Congregation Rodeph Shalom, Tampa (C) |
| 4. The Temple, Atlanta (R) | 24. Congregation Beth Shalom, Atlanta (C) |
| 5. Chabads of Georgia, Atlanta (O) | 25. Temple Kehillat Chaim, Atlanta (R) |
| 6. Congregation Dor Tamid, Atlanta (R) | 26. Congregation Micke Israel, Savannah (R) |
| 7. Temple Beth Tikvah, Atlanta (R) | 27. Congregation Schaarai Zedek, Tampa (R) |
| 8. Congregation Gesher L'Torah, Atlanta (C) | 28. Congregation Or VeShalom, Atlanta (S) |
| 9. Congregation Ohev Shalom, Orlando (C) | 29. Temple Emanu-El, Sarasota (R) |
| 10. Congregation Etz Chaim, Atlanta (C) | 30. Temple Beth Chai, Parkland (I) |
| 11. Congregation Or Hadash, Atlanta (C) | 31. Temple Beth El, Birmingham (C) |
| 12. Temple Kol Emeth, Atlanta (R) | 32. Touro Synagogue, New Orleans (R) |
| 13. Congregation Micah, Nashville (R) | 33. Aspen Jewish Congregation, Aspen (R) |
| 14. Temple Emanu-El, Birmingham (R) | 34. Temple Beth El, Boca Raton (R) |
| 15. Congregation Shearith Israel, Atlanta (C) | 35. Temple Beth El, Knoxville (R) |
| 16. Temple Israel, Memphis (R) | 36. Beth Shalom Synagogue, Columbia (C) |
| 17. Ahavath Achim Synagogue, Atlanta (C) | |
| 18. Congregation Bet Haverim, Atlanta (RC) | |
| 19. Temple Beth El, Charlotte (R) | |
| 20. Temple Israel, Charlotte (R) | |

(C) Conservative
(I) Independent
(O) Orthodox
(RC) Reconstructionist
(R) Reform
(S) Sephardic

TOP 36 SCHOOLS

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| 1. Davis Academy, Atlanta | |
| 2. Epstein School, Atlanta | |
| 3. Peachtree Charter Middle School, Atlanta | |
| 4. Autrey Mill Middle School, Atlanta | |
| 5. Austin Elementary School, Atlanta | |
| 6. North Springs Charter High School, Atlanta | |
| 7. Vanderlyn Elementary School, Atlanta | |
| 8. St. Francis School, Atlanta | |
| 9. Walton High School, Atlanta | |
| 10. Weber School, Atlanta | |
| 11. Dunwoody High School, Atlanta | |
| 12. Galloway School, Atlanta | |
| 13. Dunwoody Elementary School, Atlanta | |
| 14. Heard's Ferry Elementary School, Atlanta | |
| 15. Johns Creek High School, Atlanta | |
| 16. Hightower Trail Middle School, Atlanta | |
| 17. Dickerson Middle School, Atlanta | |
| 18. University School of Nashville, Nashville | |
| 19. Lake Highland Prep School, Orlando | |
| 20. Mt. Bethel Elementary School, Atlanta | |
| 21. Ridgeview Charter Middle School, Atlanta | |
| 22. Riverwood High School, Atlanta | |
| 23. Atlanta Jewish Academy, Atlanta | |
| 24. Mary Lin Elementary School, Atlanta | |
| 25. Taylor Road Middle School, Atlanta | |
| 26. Dodgen Middle School, Atlanta | |
| 27. Jewish Academy of Orlando, Orlando | |
| 28. Morningside Elementary School, Atlanta | |
| 29. Timber Ridge Elementary, Atlanta | |
| 30. Woodward Academy, Atlanta | |
| 31. Cliff Valley School, Atlanta | |
| 32. Eastside Elementary School, Atlanta | |
| 33. High Meadows School, Atlanta | |
| 34. Mountain Brook Junior High School, Birmingham | |
| 35. Paideia, Atlanta | |
| 36. (tie) Savannah Country Day School, Savannah / Elizabeth Lane Elementary School, Charlotte / Metairie Park Country Day School, New Orleans | |

TODAH RABAH...

TO OUR 2017 CBM PHYSICIANS & NURSES

Many, many thanks to all of the outstanding physicians, nurses, and health center assistants who provided exceptional health care to more than 1,700 campers and staff during our 2017 summer season. You were outstanding and very much appreciated!

PHYSICIANS

Drew Rosenthal, MD
David Askenazi, MD
Dina Linfoot, MD
Billy Lapidus, MD
Tony Sussman, MD
Jordana Heaven, MD
Steven Frank, MD

HEALTH CENTER ASSISTANTS

Alli Boardman
Lauren Schwartz, MSW
Sherri Weissman, DMD
Michelle Penn
Terri Goldman

NURSES

Jodie Rodriquez, RN
MarE Francis, RN
Suzanne Grosswald, RN
Belinda Assin, RN
Tabitha McJunkin, RN
Rachel Swerdlin, RN
Maryann Morris, RN
Julia Wener, RN
Elana Yoels, RN
Karen Blakeley, RN
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Alison Brewer, RN
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Michelle Tauber, RN
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TO OUR CBM COMMITTEE

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Steven Grosswald
Debbie Jacobs
Craig Kornblum
Jennifer Meyerowitz
Michael Rosenberg
Amy Rubin
Michelle Young

TO OUR CBM OFFICE STAFF

Lisa Light, Administrative Assistant*
Lynn Light, Administrative Assistant*
Michelle Young
Debbie Jacobs
Susan Lapidus
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Alisa Roth
Hillary Saban
Lisa Weinbach
Donna Peljovich
Deena Pargman
Jami Rechtman
*Year-Round

TO OUR 2017 CBM PARENT REPS & CHAPERONES

PARENT REPS

Erin Chernow, Atlanta
Annie & Josh D'Agostino, Atlanta
Rabbi Laurie Rice, Nashville
Christina Evans, Nashville
Tara Biller, Nashville
Susan Lapidus, Birmingham
Donna Askenazi, Birmingham
Dana Kanfer, Tampa
Stacey Soll, Orlando
Randi Winter, Boca Raton
Dina Linfoot, Savannah
Lisa & Brian Katz, New Orleans

CHAPERONES

Audrey Belvin, Memphis
Burton Manne, Houston
Morris Treibitz, Orlando
Melanie Brenner, Orlando
Damon Weiss, Orlando
Tana Copple, West Palm
Drew Rosenthal, West Palm
Randee Schneider, West Palm
Evan Ackerman, West Palm
Stacie Linsky, Tampa
Sharyn Shapiro, Raleigh
Allison Arena, Charlotte
Wendy Hennes, Charlotte
Stephanie Steinmetz, Birmingham



MAZEL TOV!

To HARRIS MARKS, PEYTON SCHWARTZ, JUSTIN JACOBS, NATE ARTZI, MAX DINERMAN, and DYLAN HYMAN for celebrating their b'nai mitzvot at Camp Barney Medintz in August and September! Each weekend was a very special gathering of family and friends and recognition of our rich Jewish heritage, their further emergence into our Jewish community, and their strong connection to and affection for Camp Barney.

And, mazel tov to our CBM campers who have celebrated their bar or bat mitzvah since Summer 2017 ended or will celebrate their bar or bat mitzvah before Summer 2018 starts. Each camper received coaching at CBM during Summer 2017 and a special aliyah during our final Shabbat each session!

SPECIAL STAFF RECOGNIZED BY PEERS IN 2017

During a special gathering after Summer 2017, several staff were selected and recognized by their peers for their exceptional commitment to our campers and our overall program. We are so proud of all of our staff and wish to acknowledge these four individuals whose significant efforts, huge hearts, and tremendous dedication positively impacted Camp Barney in 2017.

DANA WEINER
Waterfront Director
8 Years at CBM
Indiana University

COREY POPOWSKI
JIT Counselor
10 Years at CBM
BA, Emerson College, Boston

PHOEBE CHAIKEN
Arts & Crafts Director
11 Years at CBM
BA, Vanderbilt University

DANI GUREVITCH
Naturecrafts Director
8 Years at CBM
University of Colorado

CAMP BARNEY FAMILY CAMP IN 2017... BETTER THAN A CRUISE ...AND THIS YEAR, INCLUDED A CAUSE

Each Family Camp weekend begins with a beautiful Shabbat service in our spectacular Doris Zaban Chapel and ends with friendships and memories that will last until returning the following year! All the best of Camp Barney was squeezed into three fantastic days (and three really fun nights) during our **Annual Family Camp** over Labor Day weekend! 40 families from three states converged at Camp Barney for dozens of activities, everything around our beach, the 1,000 ft. "Omega" zip line, cool crafts projects, water skiing, mountain bikes, cooking classes, yoga, tree climbing, tennis, theatre improv troupe, exotic animals, the Talent Show, family trivia night, hanging out at the Jacobs Pool and Lynne M. and Howard I. Halpern Aquatic Center, and so much more. And of course, the endless southern buffets and bar-b-ques were enjoyed by all!

A special highlight of the weekend was when families came together for a mitzvah activity. Family Camp attendees Sally Mundell (founder of local non-profit, The Packaged Good) and her daughters organized and led the activity, assembling packages of needed supplies for victims of Hurricane Harvey and Hurricane Irma. Todah Rabah!

**Look for info throughout the year and join us for our
38th Annual Family Camp at Camp Barney in 2018!**



Camp Barney Melintz

is the summer resident camp of the
Marcus Jewish Community Center of Atlanta

MY PERSONAL GRATITUDE FOR THE PAST 25 YEARS... AND THE NEW YEAR AHEAD!

It was a totally unexpected, emotional, very fun, sweet, and memorable day at Camp Barney on Sunday, August 13 when hundreds of CBM kids, parents, staff, alumni, and friends celebrated my 25th year as Director of Camp Barney Medintz!

I'm honored and humbled for the gift of Mittenhal's Magical Light Garden that was dedicated to me by so many of you. It will be a beautiful addition to camp and will hang adjacent to Alterman Lodge (our dining hall).

Truthfully, I'm so grateful to the thousands of community leaders, donors, colleagues, and families who have annually supported and elevated Our Summer Place. The relationships I've built and sustained throughout each of these 25 years—particularly with our Camp Barney staff and every camper—is genuine, heartfelt, and so appreciated. Thank you!

I hope you're enjoying a fantastic beginning to the school year. It was our privilege and pleasure to have your family at CBM during our 2017 Summer season. We truly miss seeing our campers and look forward to seeing you again soon at an info session, reunion, or at Camp Barney in 2018! As I begin my 26th year as Director of Camp Barney, we want to send you and your family our best wishes for a very healthy, happy, and sweet New Year! L'Shana Tova.

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