

# KoL מחנה בוטוויז

# Butwin

August 8, 2008



## A Note from the Director

Dear Camp Butwin Families,

It is hard to believe I am writing my last Kol Butwin for the 2008 season! It truly was a wonderful summer, and everyone accomplished so much. It will be sad to be at camp next week cleaning-up and not seeing horses going by the Lodge, or campers walking from place to place in song, and I will truly miss the morning and afternoon hugs and high fives.

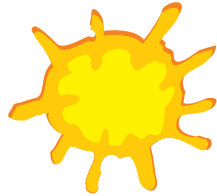
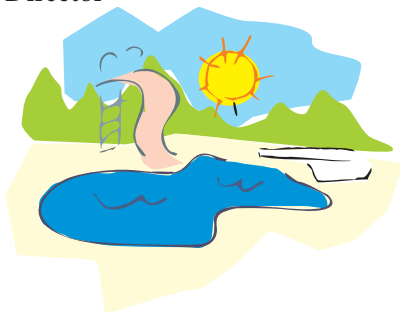
The beauty of Camp Butwin is that we do not shut our doors completely; our campers and staff are active at the St. Paul JCC through-out the year! I look forward to seeing everyone in the halls, at the pool or in a program.

Believe it or not we are already thinking about next summer, and we have some great ideas. Speaking of ideas: in the next week or so you will receive an evaluation form for Camp Butwin. Please take the time to fill it out, as many of our best ideas come from your feedback.

Also, if your child seems to have fewer clothes in their drawers after the summer, it may be in the Lost and Found, now at the JCC. We have a lot (ok an enormous amount) of items that will be in room 106 until Friday, August 15th. Please come check it out!

Finally, I would like to say thank you! Thank you for sharing your children with us this summer. I hope we have added some fun, friendships and experiences that they will savor for years to come. It was a great summer!

Alyssa Golob  
Camp Butwin Director



## CITs/Madrachim

The Madrichim had a wonderful last week of camp! In our classes, Alyssa spoke to us about how junior counselors are hired, and Aaron, our K'far Program Director and Zmirot leader, taught us how to create enthusiasm among our campers. On Tuesday, four of the Madrichot became the first female buzzards in years, entertaining the entire camp with their antics. On Wednesday, we had a great time at our final Madrich field trip to Valleyfair. It has truly been a wonderful summer. I look forward to seeing many of the CITs and Madrichim back next year as Madrichim and Junior Counselors respectively!



Eve Thomas  
Assistant Camp Director/CIT & Madrichim Director/Teen Director

## Hello From the Pool

It has been a truly fantastic week at the pool at Camp Butwin. The weather could not have been more pleasant. It was not too hot (no water days!) and not too rainy (the campers got to swim every day!). It was a pleasure to watch the huge amount of progress our campers made in their swimming abilities this summer.

The Autism Society used our wonderful pool this week. They were great listeners! The lifeguards were thrilled with everyone's stellar behavior and cooperation. We were happy to host this amazing group of campers and staff.

Friday was our Happy 50th Birthday Camp Butwin Carnival, and the pool was put to great use. We held the much anticipated Staff Cannonball Contest, and suffice it to say, the competition was intense. You'll have to find out from your camper which of our staff members made the biggest splash!

This summer has absolutely flown by. Thank you to everyone for sending your campers with plenty of sunscreen and excitement!

Robin Feickert  
Assistant Camp Director/Aquatics Director

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## Galim/Sabra

**Sunshine, sandals, sneakers, surprises, sand, and swimming**

**Umbrellas—for a few rainy days, unique and wonderful campers**

**Memories that will last a lifetime**

**More fun that ever before—can't wait for summer 2009!**

**Everyone loves Camp Butwin—we can't wait for our new Sabra and Kfar campers!!**

**Really wonderful counselors, programs, trips, and most of all campers!**

2nd Grade here we come; Sabra—good luck!

We know our Galimers will make great first graders!!

0 = how many days we want to wait until camp starts again

0 = number of campers who didn't have an awesome time this summer!

8 + 2001=Summer 2009!!!

Ariel Greenbaum-Shinder

Galim/Sabra Program Director



## Kfar

Shalom and Howdy for a final time from the paradise at the top of the hill that is Kfar! It has been a WILD summer full of fun and festivities. We topped everything off this week by having a final great overnight and creating a mural for future campers and staff to enjoy. This has been an exceptionally special summer, and my staff and I have had a great time spending it with your children. I hope you have a wonderful school year!

And now... the final Haiku of the summer!

*Camp Butwin is done*

*A lot of fun in the sun*

*See you next summer!*



For the final time.

Aaron Hammerman – Kfar Program Director, Zmirot Music Guy, Camp Butwin Haiku Laureate, Shoe Golf Pro, and Staff Cannonball Champion

## Kibbutz

Wow! The last week of camp, it wasn't very damp (humidity from last week).

Village time we played a brand new game, called Human Battleship. We played with water balloons, and if you were hit, you were sunk!

Our overnight was a lot of fun, with our trip to Cascade Bay and our last game of Predator/Prey. On Friday we celebrated Camp Butwin's Birthday with a carnival that had a dunk tank, cotton candy, popcorn and many games to play.

I hope everyone has a great school year!

Suzanne Horne

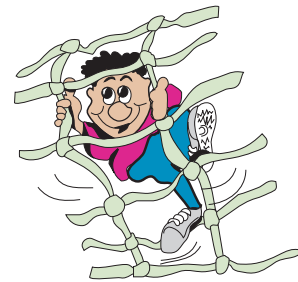
Kibbutz Program Director



# Tzofim

Shalom! I cannot believe that session 3 and for that matter the camp season has come to an end. We have had a great time this summer with an unbelievably awesome group of campers! This week we wrapped our fun-filled summer up with our final trip of the year to Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center.

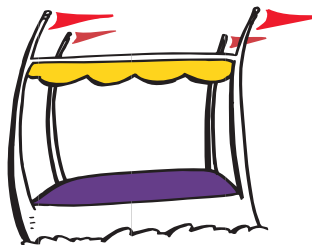
At Eagle Bluff we learned about animal signs, Native American life in many years past, and navigated our way through the Eagle Bluff treetops ropes course. To wrap up what was an excellent trip we enjoyed each other's company at a Tzofim party and finished things off with our final campfire of the year.



We returned to camp on Friday to celebrate Camp Butwin's 50th year in true Butwin style with a carnival, during which we played many games together, dunked a few staff members in the dunk tank, and ate some special Camp Butwin cotton candy and popcorn.

We would like all our campers and families to know that we have had an amazing time this summer getting to know each of you. We hope the memories we all shared through common experiences will travel with us into the coming school year and years beyond. It has been a pleasure to serve as the Tzofim Program Director for such an outstanding group of young people. The Tzofim staff wishes all campers great success throughout the year, and we hope to see all of you back again next summer! Have a great school year!

Brett Mangnuson  
Tzofim Program Director

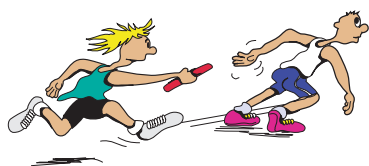
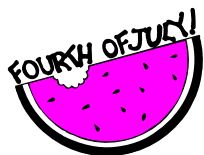


# Drama

Summer is drawing to a close, and I can't believe how fast it went. Time flies out here at Camp Butwin. And what a great time it was! The campers performed some laugh out loud, belly aching (and, no, it has nothing to do with indigestion!) skits at Z'mirot, played some entertaining games at camp that I'm sure will become classics (they couldn't get enough of Security Guard), and even went searching for the "magical" Kuckoomonga bird. All in all, an amazing, action packed summer! Until next year, I take my bow as the curtain draws to a close.

Sean Mattner  
The Theater Dude (Drama Specialist)

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# Camp Butwin / Artzi Lost and Found



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Room 106

Monday, August 11 - Friday, August 15

