



# THE BUZZER

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## WELCOME!

We think everyone would agree that Camp **Equinunk** and **Blue Ridge** looks amazing during the year's most colorful season. Just looking at these pictures, we can marvel at the gorgeous foliage surrounding the lake and the campus. The rich hues of autumn hang delicately onto the trees, with winter in their near future.

Our leadership team is busy planning and preparing for another phenomenal summer! Recruiting, and staffing has already started. We have jump-started meeting wonderful staff from all over the world, eager to experience the magic of summer camp. Our program team has booked all of our favorite evening activity entertainers and reserved dates for our action-packed camp calendar. We are looking forward to sharing new ideas and programs for Summer 2017 as we continue to "fall" in love with Camps **Equinunk** and **Blue Ridge** over and over again.

## 2016 UPPER SENIOR/PC FALL OVERNIGHT

It is a rare treat to have the chance to visit camp in September, and that was just what some of our 2016 PC's and Upper Seniors did on September 24th! The joy and excitement felt from our oldest campers carried throughout the afternoon and evening as they arrived by bus, enjoyed a barbeque lunch (with cornbread!) and walked around campus. They were amazed by the beauty of the lake and the trees, as they always are, but the lens of the fall made the views that much more special.

After lunch, the boys played basketball together and enjoyed hanging out by the lake. The girls walked over to **Blue Ridge**, hung out by the Ridge, and ventured up to the **Blue Ridge** garden to harvest and taste some fall vegetables. A highlight was the huge sunflowers that have grown in the garden since the end of the summer!

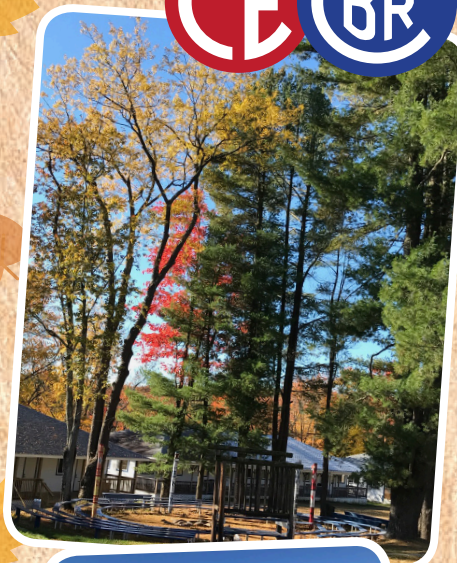
The campers all joined together to pick apples from our very own apple tree (did you know that the tree next to the bridge connecting our camps grows delicious apples?) and watch the sunset over Union Lake. Everyone took advantage of this fantastic photo opportunity- one that we usually have a chance to take note of during the summer, but not take our own pictures!



Everyone enjoyed a delicious dinner of ravioli and a fresh garden-picked salad, and then the boys and girls separated to have campfires. Of course, s'mores were a part of these fires! To wind down the night, Richie and Sheryl invited the campers over to their house for a movie, an invitation which everyone accepted.

Then, the girls journeyed to the Dollhouse and the boys to Bunk 33 where they settled in for the night. The fun didn't stop there, though, as campers caught up with their friends and discussed their excitement for next summer.

In the morning, we were treated to a bagel breakfast, and a little more time walking around and taking in the beauty of camp at this time of year. Then, the campers boarded the bus back to their busy lives with memories of a wonderful weekend and anticipation for what lies ahead for them in the future at **CE** and **CBR**.





# Richie's PATRIOTIC

BUZZER ARTICLE!!!

RED AND BLUE  
4EVER TOGETHER

As the entire country looks forward to or cringes as it prepares for Election Day, I often wonder how different the Red and Blue Presidential campaigns and election could have been if it resembled the experience we share at **Equinunk** and **Blue Ridge**.

Red and Blue at camp, although slightly different from one another, share a common history, culture and dreams for the future. Everyone at both camps realizes that respecting and working together is so much fun and creates the magic of summer.

Every Friday, CE and CBR campers participate in group elections for "E" and "B" awards. Although there are no debates (thank God), campers do consider which candidates model camp core values such as honesty, integrity, empathy, sportsmanship and leadership and vote accordingly. All campers cheer like crazy when the group winners are announced. True to our culture, they all possess a unique variety of "niceness".

Since the entire camp electorate ranges from 7-16, and almost always selects greatness amongst their peers, perhaps our country should flip the voter age requirement and have a ceiling of 16!!

Children and young adults have a candor and unique way of seeing the truth while adults are often blinded by their experience. Surely the camper who suggests that by taking the air out of the tires of a "stuck" tractor-trailer so it can pass under the bridge on 191 would not hesitate to take the bluster out of rude and disingenuous candidates.



Prior to establishing the "B" and "E" awards years ago, our campers and counselors decided together what qualities are valued at camp. Perhaps the country needs to clarify its values in 2016 before we consider which leaders epitomize them.

Every camper at **CBR** and **CE** considers the merits of the parable "The Emperor's New Clothes" and would never hesitate to "tell it like it is" when they see something wrong, whether the King is sitting on his throne in his underwear or behavior that is not appropriate for **CE** and **CBR**.

Vote!! And God Bless America, you and your family and **Equinunk** and **Blue Ridge**. Let's talk more at the Reunion.

*Love, Richie*



## STAFF SPOTLIGHT: WELCOMING JORDAN CHANEY TO CECBR



**Hometown:** Oxford, England

**Favorite Band:** Mumford & Sons, John Mayer

**Hobbies:** Soccer, Tennis, Running, Traveling, Dodgeball

**Favorite Color:** Green

**Favorite Movie:** Cool Runnings

**Tell us a little about yourself:**

I grew up in a small village called East Hagbourne in Oxfordshire, England. Even though I didn't get the chance to go to a sleep-away camp (they're not

common in England!), I did spend most of my childhood attending sporting day camps. Something I loved very much.

I've been lucky enough to previously spend two summers at Equinunk, my first year as a general counselor in 2012, and then as an assistant group head a year later. I can absolutely say that they were two of the best summers of my life, so it was an easy choice when I was offered the chance to come back and be part of the CECBR family!

I'm a huge sports fan, in particular soccer, rugby and tennis. I am however, very new to the American sports so feel free to convince me which New York teams I should support (Sorry Yankees fans, I've already been persuaded to support the Mets!).

**What are you most excited about?**

Ever since my first year at camp in 2012, I decided that the camping profession was something I really wanted to be involved with. Now I'm part of the year-round team, I'm extremely excited that I get to be a continued part of the family and tradition that this camp holds so dear. I get to enjoy the wonderful place that is Equinunk & Blue Ridge, year on year, always meeting new campers, and staff members from all over the world.

**What is your favorite camp quote?**

My favorite camp quote has to be "We've got spirit, Yes we do, We've got spirit, How about you?". The reason....it always gets campers instantly on their feet and energized!

**Favorite camp moment:**

I will always remember watching my very first upper senior basketball game in 2012. Color war was something that was completely new to me. I had never experienced the energy, passion and commitment that went in to such a great camp tradition. I had heard great things about the upper senior basketball game, but didn't quite believe it until I had seen it.

The atmosphere was electric, and the game even more so. I was lucky enough to be cheering in the corner alongside my gray, head to toe painted, infinite teammates.

Red Persistence took a big early lead, but as the game progressed, Gray Infinite continued to close the gap. I'll forever remember Brian Hoorwitz starting a 'chop em down, chop em down' chant for each time the Gray's pulled a score back (a chant that, since then, continues to be used each year). Gray eventually went on to win the game but both sides played tremendously and put their heart and soul in to what was a great color war moment.

**What is your favorite camp meal?**

I love a good Thursday BBQ. Burgers, Hot dogs, Chicken, Corn on the cob and most importantly.... Soda - what more could you want?! Not only do we get a brilliant selection of food, but we get the pleasure of sitting out on the hill taking in the amazing views of the Equinunk campus.

**What is your favorite camp activity?**

During my first two years at camp, my favorite activity always used to be the lake. However, this year it all changed with the extension of the Blue Ridge gymnastics center, which has included an amazing foam pit - a guaranteed soft landing which you can flip, somersault and dive in to! I may not be very good at it, but it sure is a lot of fun - For those of you who haven't tried it yet... it's an absolute must!





Third time is a charm! This year we had over 175 Sophomores and Juniors and their Mothers take over the streets of NYC for our 2016 Blue Ridge on Broadway! We love when our camp families take time out of their busy fall schedules to spend time with us – it is so special to catch up, reminisce about the summer, and look ahead to 2017!



The event started at Carmine's, where the Sophs and Junior transformed the upstairs into the CBR mess hall! We outfitted the girls in beads and boas in order to get into the Broadway spirit. Over a delicious lunch, everyone chatted, laughed, and we were all so thrilled to be back together. There was no time for "rest hour" as we headed over to The Lyric Theatre for a matinee of Cirque du Soleil: Paramour.



As we took over the theatre, excitement was in the air! No one quite knew what to expect from Cirque Du Soleil – but it was certainly the acrobatics and special effects that stole the show! The performers flew effortlessly through the air and seemed to defy gravity with their special acrobatics! Paramour mixed a traditional Cirque Du Soleil with a classic Broadway musical – which created a dazzling and entertaining show, reminiscent of the CECBR Solo Circus! Perhaps the show will bring inspiration to our own Equinunk and Blue Ridge productions, casting call June 2017!

Everyone enjoyed this magical "New York" day – perfectly Paramour. A big thank you to those who were able to attend – both mothers and daughters! We're looking forward to our next Blue Ridge on Broadway – that's a wrap!



## Nicki's Fall Play List



1. Don't Wanna Know - Maroon 5
2. Closer - The Chainsmokers ft. Halsey
3. Bruno Mars - 25K
4. Meghan Trainor - Better
5. My Way - Calvin Harris
6. Hailee Steinfeld - Starving
7. Fresh Eyes - Andy Grammar
8. Heathens - Twenty One Pilots
9. Scars To Your Beautiful - Alessia Cara
10. Mercy - Shawn Mendes



Philadelphia | November 2nd  
A Good Time was had by all!

New York City | November 9th

Westchester | November 15th

Florida | November 15th

Long Island | November 16th

New Jersey | November 17th



# Welcome Home

## TO OUR 2017 NEW CAMPERS!

### BR GIRLS

Emily Battaglia	Avery Minsky
Sasha Bergtraum	Emma O'Malley
Alexandra Birnbaum	Sidney Parisi
Hunter Brown	Eva Paul
Riley Cagan	Lily Pillette
Riley Ceslowitz	Lila Pinkow
Alexa Chodos	Abby Podwall
Lily Cooper	Juliana Porrazzo
Sophie Davis	Casey Potash
Remy Einbender	Lexi Sambol
Aviva Epstein	Riley Schapiro
Sydney Friedman	Peyton Schwadron
Alexa Gatenio	Sadie Shafranek
Josie Goldberg	Leila Shamash
Sylvie Goldberg	Kara Shinder
Jordyn Harman	Cameron Spizz
Olivia Kahn	Arianna Steiner
Coco Kaplan	Lola Tretter
Ella Kerman	Jordyn Wain
Layla Kiliski	Zoe Wasserlauf
Sophia Krantz	Jolie Wild
Michelle Kuntz	Kira Wish
Ella Lanza	Sydney Youngman
Samantha Marks	

### CE BOYS

Jude Beckman	Michael Labovitz
Dylan Bender	Garrett Landler
Oliver Blank	Simon Manheimer
Dylan Bourbin	Zachary Manheimer
Quinn Bourne	Mitchell Matlin
Samuel Bourne	Alex Menkes
Jake Breecker	Benjamin O'Malley
Gabriel Brody	Ethan Packman
Max Caine	Max Pollitzer
Ryan Camhi	Jackson Premisler
Max Capon	Aidan Rosenblatt
Shane Chadick	Lucas Sands
Benji Cohen	Dylan Scharf
Wesley Dieckman	Jake Scharf
Michael Dutton	Zach Schoenfeld
Daniel Gaslow	Jack Sherman
Benjamin Gatenio	Owen Shyer
Brayden Gershon	Jacob Soleymani
Emmett Goldberg	Sawyer Stein
Chase Goldstein	Evan Steinberg
Andy Grodin	Max Steiner
Ethan Grossberg	Alex Tepper
Jacob Grossman	Ben Tolin
Asher Hirsch	Drew Walczuk
Jordan Jahrmarkt	

Join us at the 2017



## Winter Reunion

Saturday January 7th

**Who:**

CE/CBR Campers & Staff

**Where:**

The Renaissance Westchester, NY

**Event Times:**

Lower Camp 11.30am - 1.00pm

Upper Camp 1.00pm - 2.30pm



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