# Barn Bulletin 2025

### Happy New Year to our Barn Family

We hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday season and that 2025 is filled with health, happiness and new adventures. As we turn the page to a new calendar year, we have much at The Barn to be thankful for and we are looking forward to an exciting year. The cold days of winter have set in, but warmer bright days are ahead and we can't wait to share them with you!





#### Welcome Jeanette, our new Executive Director

Jeanette is a former military spouse, who over the many years and cross-country moves, has gained a wide array of experience which includes corporate and non-profit work, volunteer service, and public-school support. Jeanette loves to serve the community in which she lives however she can. She is honored to be a part of The Barn's mission and is truly thankful to support the very special children and families The Barn serves. Jeanette is a graduate of Villanova University with a degree in International Business and a minor in French, mais oui! She and her husband Chris are elated to be back in PA and living in beautiful Chester County.

#### **Farwell and Thank You Raichel**

It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to our Program Manager Raichel Barzilay. Raichel joined our team winter of 2022 and was a wonderful asset to The Barn. She started our Teen Individual Program and created new programming that helped support our mission. She brought lots of smiles to our children and their families, and we shared many laughs together. We wish her all the best in her new position as Camp Director at Garrett Williamson. We know she will enjoy this new challenge and it will bring her a little closer to home. Best of luck Raichel! You will be missed by your Barn Family.





## COMING SOON - Register for Spring IP & Camp Geronimo

It's that time of year again when we open registration for Camp Geronimo and our Spring IP Program. There are a few exciting projects upcoming at The Barn this year, so registration for Camp and Spring IP has been pushed back a bit. Stay tuned...more details to come. The good news is Spring programming may be a little warmer than in years past as we are looking for an April start date. We promise to keep you updated! Thank you for your patience and support! We can't wait to see you all soon!

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## Enriching the developmental skills and lives of children with disabilities through nature-based and animal-assisted experiences.

The Barn at Spring Brook Farm is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization and is



## Thank you Joni for many years of service to The Barn!



Joni Coleman is the former manager of Clinical Operations – Pediatrics at Bayada Home Health Care Agency and a registered pediatric nurse. She served on our Board at The Barn since September of 2021 and has been an integral part of Camp Geronimo. Joni is one of the kindest people you will ever meet. She was our Camp Geronimo nurse for many years and as you can see, children LOVE Joni and she loves them right back! This year Joni stepped down from our Board, but we are ever thankful that The Barn is near and dear to her heart so we won't be saying goodbye.



Thank you, Joni for your many years of service to The Barn...from Camp Nurse, to Vice President of the Board, to advocate and designer for our programming...you are amazing! Wishing you all the best as you move on and take time for you!



## **Barn Spotlight:** Laura Woyak **Our New Board Vice President**

Laura's love of animals and animal-assisted therapy work is what first led her to volunteer at The Barn as a Barn Hand and occasional Program Volunteer. A retired business professional by trade, Laura is honored to have the opportunity to serve on the Board and use her many years of marketing and business operations experience to help further The Barn's incredible mission.

#### Donate to The Barn!



There are so many ways you can help the children and their favorite animals here at The Barn. Give a monetary gift via cash, Givebutter or check, donate an item from our Amazon wish list, or sponsor one of our animals like Nancy, our house broken pig or Sam, our fluffy sheep! The animals are truly thankful for your support!

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#### Come lend a hand and share a smile!

We depend on a strong base of volunteers to help serve our children and families. From large scale group projects to internships, to garden help, our volunteers make The Barn at Spring Brook Farm the incredible place that it is. We appreciate all of our volunteers and corporate groups for sharing their time and talent with The Barn. You truly make a difference and your kindness is contagious!

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