



**OLIVET
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF READING & BERKS COUNTY**



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WELCOME TO OUR

Monthly Newsletter

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COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

Summer is flying by! It's been jam-packed with incredible experiences. This month, in addition to weekly pool and Blue Mountain Camp visits, Olivet Summer Campers have enjoyed:

- **Field Trips to:**
 - Skateaway
 - Schells Mini Golf
 - Hawk Mountain
- **Reading Figtin' Phils game and pool deck party**, courtesy of Berks Foods
- **Fishing Rodeo** at Blue Mountain Camp, courtesy of Carpenter Technology
- **Superman movie night** courtesy of Morgan Stanley
- **Intramural swim meets**
- **Olivet RBI/Latin Fusion Baseball Regionals**
- **Shrek, Jr. rehearsals** at Center for the Arts
- **And so, so much more!**



Congrats to our RBI Baseball team for making it to Regionals in Pittsburgh! Thank you for supporting our team and this special moment.



Thank you to Tom White and our friends at Morgan Stanley for giving our Club Kids the red carpet treatment!



Wow, what a month it's been! July always feels like the epitome of summer: long, hot days filled with cookouts and celebrations, cool dips in the pool, and plenty of time with friends and family. It's the one month kids can really let go and just be *kids* – the previous school year is behind them, and the next is still in the distance. Your support has given our Club Kids the chance to do just that: let go, have fun, and be themselves in a safe, caring environment so many of them wouldn't have otherwise. *Thank you.* As we look to the last few weeks of summer camp, there's still so much fun to be had. If you can, please consider sponsoring a camper, joining us for a Camp Lunch, cheering on an RBI baseball game, or catching a performance of Shrek, Jr. We – and, most importantly, our members – are so grateful for your support!

-Rick Perez, CEO

**BIG CATCH!
BIG SPLASH!
BIG FUN!**



VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Riley Brandon
Social Work Intern



This summer, Olivet was lucky to have talented social work intern, Riley, join us from Kutztown University. She aspires to pursue a career in school social work and chose this internship because of the hands-on experience with children she would receive – and because of the positivity our Director of Wellness & Social Emotional Learning, Brandy Del Gallego, exuded during her interview. Brandy shares: “Riley is a self-motivated, kind-hearted leader. Our kiddos love her and run up to her with big smiles every time they see her! Her background in social work has made her invaluable to the Olivet Summer Camp Family.”

“Working with Olivet has taught me so many things that I can take with me into my future career. The most important one is having patience: you never know what someone is going through, and really taking the time to understand them to try and help them is extremely rewarding. My favorite part of being at Olivet is making connections with all the kids. I get to go to multiple locations and meet all the amazing members. I really enjoy going on field trips with them and seeing all their different personalities and interests come out. I like to join in on all the activities with them and just see the smiles on their faces,” Riley shared. Thank you for spending your summer with us, Riley! We’re so excited to follow your professional growth and see the impact you make on our community.

