



**GABRIEL'S FIELD**

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*The Heart of Sustainable Education and Food at Camp Glen Brook*

# GABRIEL'S FIELD OF GLEN BROOK

Since 1946, campers and students who have come to Glen Brook have found themselves to be at home in nature. They have tended the gardens, cared for the animals and walked the winding paths through the woods. At the same time, they have been inwardly nourished and inspired to carry their sense of beauty and unity beyond Glen Brook itself.

Today, Glen Brook lives on in many of those who have known its grace. One of those was Gabriel Saul Kane who, as a camper and student, found strength and peace in its garden, meadows and woods. In his name *Gabriel's Field* was established to ensure that children now and in the future come to know that same bond.



*Gabriel's Field* is a biodynamic production garden at Camp Glen Brook incorporating regenerative growing practices where children can get their hands in the soil and nourish the earth as it nourishes them. It is the center of a small working farm that also includes fruit orchards and animals that deepen the harmonies between growing children and the earth. The crops produced grace the tables at the summer camp and school year class visits. Where the abundance exceeds the needs of those at Glen Brook, it is shared with local food pantries for families in need.



# GABRIEL'S LEGACY



Gabriel was a student at The Waldorf School of Garden City and visited Glen Brook as a camper during the summer. There was no place he would rather be. When he passed in a car accident soon after graduating college — now twenty years ago — his family could not think of a more fitting way to carry forward his spirit in this world than to expand the biodynamic garden to a full acre for vegetables, flowers and fruit trees.

*Gabriel's Field* provides children from myriad diverse backgrounds with the opportunity to work in nature with reverence, gratitude and joy. In the years since it was first created, countless children have found nourishment for their minds, bodies, and souls while also developing their own relationship to the world around them. The field continues its renewal of life and all its promise. Gabriel, who had a radiant smile, continues to smile at what he sees. Our aim is to continue his legacy for generations to come.



# IMPACTS OF GABRIEL'S FIELD

- › A showcase of educational opportunities - an agricultural laboratory
- › Care for the earth: using biodynamic, no-till regenerative agricultural practices, Gabriel's Field benefits the earth as much as those who come to enjoy its bounty
- › Heralding in a true farm-to-table experience that has immensely increased the quality of our food as well as our connection to and gratitude for the earth
- › A beacon for new families to find us, as it sets us apart: many families search for 'farm-to-table' or 'fresh food' when they search for a Camp, and nobody's is fresher or more wholesome than the food at Camp Glen Brook



# THE NEXT STEP

As we recognize the deep and lasting difference that Gabriel's Field has made in the lives of young people, there are opportunities to further the impact of what Glen Brook can offer young people.

Our next step is to build a state-of-the-art passive solar greenhouse that will:

- ▶ Allow us to start all our seeds using no outside energy
- ▶ Create a beautiful and dynamic agricultural lab right inside Gabriel's Field
- ▶ Dramatically increase the efficiency of planting, and give a longer growing season in this space

Passive Solar Greenhouse cost:  
\$75,000



# HOW TO MAKE A GIFT

- › Pledged gifts will be encouraged and promoted as 1-3 year pledge commitments.
- › Any gift can be made as a memorial or honorary gift.
- › Gifts of cash, publicly traded securities, and realized bequests will be credited toward the campaign.
- › Anyone 70 years of age or older may receive credit for an outright bequest provision upon receipt of appropriate documentation. A gift in the form of a life income trust, if the gift is specifically designated for unrestricted purposes, is available for any donor 70 years of age or older. Under certain circumstances, campaign credit may also be extended to include gifts in the form of life insurance for which Camp Glen Brook is named as owner and/or beneficiary.
- › A gift of real estate will be credited at the time that the transfer to Camp Glen Brook is completed. Campaign credit will be based upon the fair market value of the real estate as determined by I.R.S. guidelines.
- › Gifts are gratefully accepted in the form of cash, bank check, stocks, and any planned/estate gift that is mutually agreed upon in writing by both parties.

Online gifts can be made at [glenbrook.org/give](http://glenbrook.org/give)

All checks should be made payable to Camp Glen Brook and forwarded to:

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