



TS 62 NEWSLETTER

June 15-23 2019 Week 2

BY PHILADELPHIA DISCUSSION GROUP



THIS WEEK'S FEATURES:

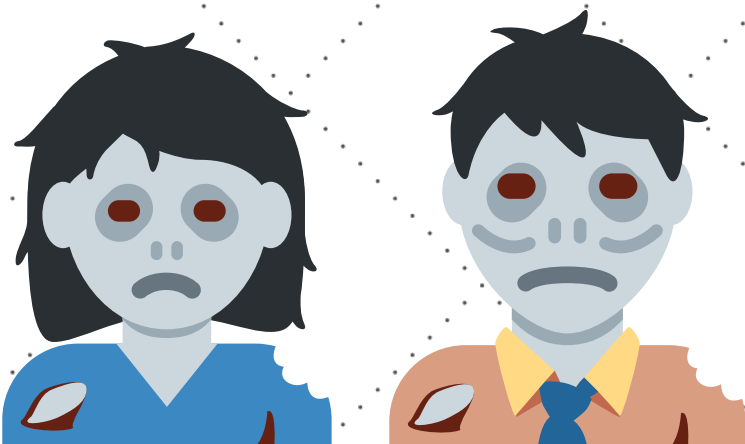
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Classes and Recreations



The second week of studying is our toughest one. There is a lot of homework during the week, such as 800-word essay, the first TS Talk, and rhetorical analysis essay! Midnight is not a good time for us to sleep, or we will not finish our homework.

"In the morning, all of us look like zombies walking to the classes!"



There are a number of activities in recreation, including football, basketball, soccer, frisbee, lacrosse, volleyball, kickball, and dodgeball. We are all exhausted, but we have a lot of fun from these activities.

- Bom -



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THE FIRST WEEKEND



Canoeing & Rock Climbing



During weekend,

there were two optional activities for us: rock climbing and canoeing.

However, we had to sign up for the activities, and it took only no more than an hour to be full. Canoeing was on Saturday, while canoeing was on Sunday.



 We cannot wait to join these activities again.

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On the beach

On Monday evening,

we went to the beach and did many things. We swam in the lake which has a very long name, Winnepesaukee, and played many kinds of sports: beach volleyball, baseball, frisbee, lacrosse, American football, and monkey-steal-ball game! After two weeks, we know how to play some American games and enjoy it very much. We hope to go there and have a pleasant experience again. We are waiting for all of you guys!

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Spirit Day



Honolulu



Charleston



Santa Fe



Philadelphia



Montgomery

Spirit Day

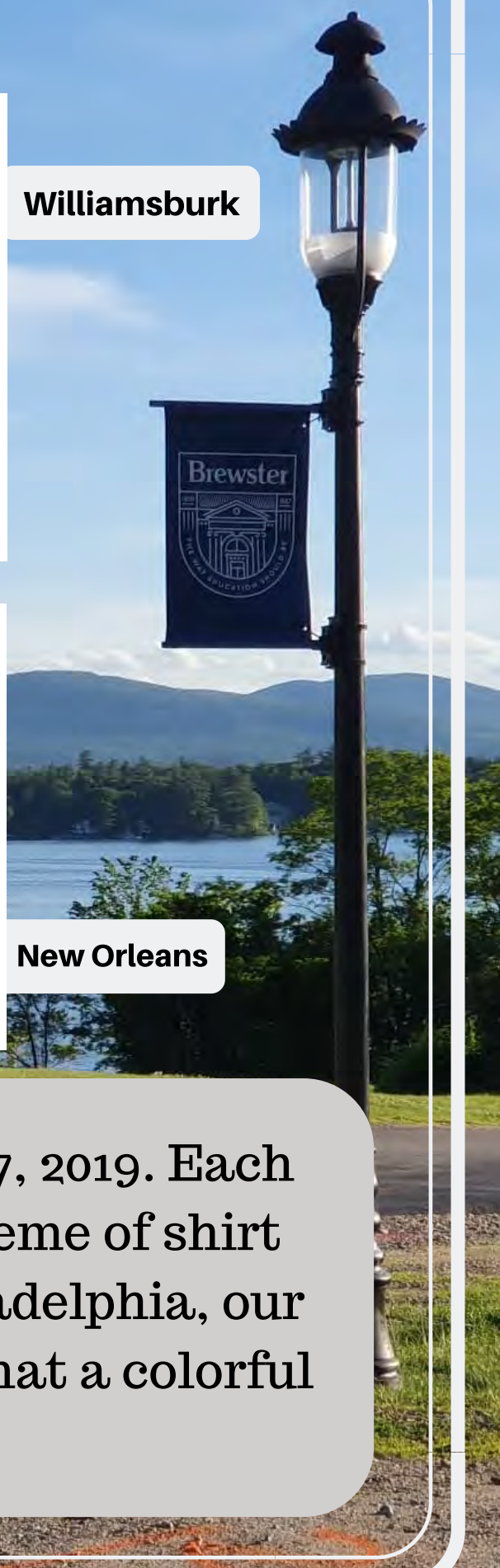


Williamsburk



New Orleans

The spirit day is on June 17, 2019. Each discussion group has a theme of shirt colors. For our group, Philadelphia, our theme color is rainbow! What a colorful group! ☐



Community Services



On Wednesday afternoon, we had a first chance to participate in 5 different community services:

**Humane Society
Sugar Hill Retirement Community
Genesis Center
Community Garden
Wolfeboro Area Children's Center.**

It was a very great experience with our friends and TAs to learn something new and to do something we never tried before in Thailand. We are waiting for the community service next week and hope that it is going to be great again.



TS Talk



On Sunday night, the Platypuses had a chance to share their ideas and experiences via the “TS Talk.” The theme of the talk this week is “Growing up.” After more than one week of preparation with our lovely teacher in communication class, Kaly, they did it very well on 13 different topics, and we got a lot of precious inspiration from them! Next week we will listen to the Wombats’ TS Talk in the theme “Belief.” It is going to be a memorable experience!



YAY!



WELCOME

P' JETH



**Arrived on
June 14, 2019**

Hi!! I'm so excited and happy to be part of TS62 as a TA with you all! My name is Jeth from TS60. I'm from Bangkok, Thailand, and I will be a sophomore at UCLA next year. I'm studying Astrophysics and am planning to do a minor in Cognitive science. My experience in Thai Scholar Summer Program 2 years ago here at Brewster Academy was phenomenal. I've learned so many things and had an amazing time, so I've decided to come back to be part of creating such a meaningful time for you all. I love playing basketball, swimming, skateboarding, card games, and many more things! My room is in Sargent 2 with P'Arun. If you need help with anything or want to hang out, come hit me up anytime!

WELCOME

P' NARU



**Arrived on
June 21, 2019**

Hi! My name is Naru from Bangkok, Thailand. I'm going to be a teaching assistant at Brewster Summer Program until late August, and also a staff member for the Winter Program in December. I'm majoring in International Economics with a Korean minor at Georgetown University. Last year I also worked with TS61 at the Winter Program, and am truly impressed by the experiences. Then, I decided to become a TA this summer in the hope of fulfilling my passion for teaching and learning from nong nongs as well. Currently, I live in Brown Hall, and my favorite places on Campus are Estabrook and the gym, so you can come to find me there and chat about anything [academics, prep/college life, bagels, and all the random stuff]. Brewster Program was one of the best events in my Thai Scholar career. Let's make it the best for you guys, too!



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P' KWAN

June 20, 2019
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Three weeks ago, while I was stepping down from Jonathan's bus in front of Estabrook, my thoughts flashed back to my Brewster experience two years ago: every class I took, every sport I played here, and all the good time I spent with my TS60 friends, a group of people who later become my family. Two years ago, here at Brewster, I received a precious opportunity to explore the world, to challenge myself, and to reflect on myself.

I still remembered how happy I was when I heard from Chris earlier this year that I was accepted to be a TA for TS62. I was uncertain at first. What can I do within just three weeks? Will it mean anything at all? However, thanks to you all, these three weeks, despite being short, becomes one of the most invaluable experiences for me. I learned so many new things. I learned how to be a giver. I learned how to be a little meaner than I used to be ("Guys, English only!"). I have fostered a true friendship with all of you. Now that I am writing this letter, I couldn't think of anything else but to thank all of you. Thanks for being part of my three weeks here at Brewster.



TO NONG NONG TS62

I know that I am not perfect and still lack so much. Before coming to Brewster, I sometimes questioned myself if I am good enough to be a TA for you. But guys, thank you so much for believing in me. I was really happy every time you all came to me, with curiosity on your face, and asked me so many questions. I can't stop smiling when I can help you, and when you all smile at me and say, "thank you." Thanks for making me realize how happy I am to be able to come back to Brewster to help and spend time with all of you. Thanks for laughing and having so much fun in my you guys mean so much to me. Thanks so much for being you ☺.

For me, life in the US is an unpredictable journey. You never know what will happen as you walk forward. Sadness? Happiness? Or disappointment? But, guess what, the best part of such a journey is its unpredictable nature because you will see yourself growing up so much as a person. You might become a person who appreciates every opportunity that comes to your life. You might become stronger and more courageous than ever. Living in the states, I have grown so much, and I believe that you all will do too. Life here is sometimes tough but believe me; it is really worth it!

TO MY FELLOW TAs

Honestly, knowing that I would only be here for three weeks, I didn't believe that for such a short time, I would be able to get close (or closer) to any of you. However, from day one until the last day, all of you proved me wrong. I was really happy every time we have a movie night, hang out, and share thoughts. Every day, I was looking forward to spending time with all of you. Thanks so much for being such good friends. Thanks so much for always being there for me. Thanks for smiling and laughing with me until the very end. Thanks for fulfilling my short three weeks. I had so much fun thanks to you guys.

During last week, when I was packing alone in my room, so many questions came up to my head. Will I meet everyone again? Will we be apart forever? Such questions scared me. However, Jeth told me that the ending of something could also bring about something more beautiful. Although I couldn't spend more time with all of you, I am instead looking forward to how the future will take us and I strongly believe that we will meet one day again. Nong Nong TS62 and my fellow TAs, thanks for being part of my precious Brewster experience. I miss you all already <3

