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News of the Week

SHTILIM REVIEW "RAGGEDY ANNE & ANDY"

By Rachel Mansdorf

This past Sunday the Shtilim Division presented the play of "Raggedy Anne & Andy" which, under the direction of Michal Goldberg and Neil Bromberg, was a smashing success. The two main parts Raggedy Ann and Andy were played by Alison Steinlauf and Nachshon Rothstein. The bright, and in the Looney's case, very creative make-up was done by the Alufot and Machon Girls.

The play took a lot of hard work and time, but ended up very funny and the audience's interest. Yeyasher Koachachem to all of the actors and actresses. I hope all the other plays are just as amazing.

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MUSIC INTERCAMPS INTERESTING

The Music Department provided a new tune to Intercamps this week in a combined program with Camp Moshava.

The Alufim and Alufot stayed in Camp Morasha for a special sing and dance presentation while the Ilanot went to Moshava to present their act.

Sandy Sudberg, Music Director, led the Alufim and her assistant Jeff Beer led the Ilanot.

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ALUMNUS TO ADDRESS STAFF ONEG

The speaker for tonight's Oneg Shabbat at 10 PM is the renowned Rabbi Michael Miller, Executive Director of the Jewish Community Relations Council. Rabbi Miller is an alumnus of Camp Morasha and former staff member.

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THE SULAM CONNECTION

... I'm making great friends, I have great madrichim, but best of all, I'm in Aretz.

... Dani Wadler

NITZANIM GIRLS HEAD FOR WOODS

Nitzi Girls headed for the woods Wednesday on their first overnight hike of the season. Under the direction of the Nature Heads Yechiel and Shmuel, the camping out experience proved to be an educational and enjoyable event for all.

The program centered around Israel with story telling by Rabbi Steven Prebor of the Ed Staff and guitar playing by Natan Jesselson. Each girl was presented with an Israeli flag on leaving the camp site.

"The girls came back dirty and tired, but full of spirit and a special attachment to Eretz Yisroel," reported Tova Rhein, the Nitanim Girls' Division Head.

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DRAMA NEWS

by Yo Tropper

Riding the wave of their smashing Shtili success, the drama staff is taking no prisoners. Nizanim boys and girls have been intensely rehearsing for the Disney Review which will be presented on August 7. It promises to be a magical extravaganza.

In other news, auditions were held for the Musical Review that will take place at the end of the summer. There will be a second night devoted to auditions for those who missed them.

Finally, we wish a fond farewell to our two terrific techies who are leaving us as they embark on their year in Israel. Josh Sultanik, whose one dream was to hit 50mph with a golf cart, and Martin Tolinsky, who plays the neatest kazoo on the East Coast- we'll miss you both.

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MAZEL TOV

On Bar Mitzvah: Seth Grauer- next Thursday
On Bat Mitzvah- Ilana Rosenberg, G 4 - Shabbat
On Starting to lay T'filin: Seth Goldstein and to his parents Dr. Stan and Brenda of our st



TORAH THOUGHTS



OUR FACULTY WRITES. . .

ON PARSHAT HASHAVUA

The other day, as I was reading in my room a tiny moth was playing havoc with my concentration. I finally caught hold of it and was about to squash it but then I thought to set it free. I opened the door and threw him out, but before I had a chance to close the door he flew back in. By now I felt I'd have been perfectly justified in killing it. I caught it again and thought "I'll teach you a lesson." Then I said to myself, "What, you want to teach a moth a lesson?" So I walked away from the house, set the moth free and quickly returned.

This incident relates to a passage in this week's Torah portion. The Torah commands the total and utter destruction of the "Ir hanidachas", a city of Jews given over to idolatry. Observant Jews are to carry out the difficult task of utter destruction the Torah calls for. After doing so, the destroyers are guaranteed heavenly blessings of mercy.

Four diverse commentaries to the Torah suggest a similar point in connecting the guarantee of mercy to the cruel fulfillment of this mitzvah. The great Kabbalist Ohr HaChaim, the renowned Rosh Yeshiva Netziv in his Haomek Davar, the master of mussar Rav Chaim Shmuelevitz, and the modern Bible scholar Rav Yisachar Yaacovson in his book "Binah B'Mikre", all connect the two as follows:

There is a fear, they suggest, that even if the act of demolishing the "Ir Hanidachas" is done with good intentions, the very act of destruction may lead a person to fanaticism. Each person involved needs a blessing of peace so that cruelty does not become ingrained in his disposition. For this reason also, Pinchas was granted a blessing of peace after his action of piercing Zimri and Cozbi.

These messages teach the need to cultivate our personalities for mercy and peace. There are mitzvot which are meant to cultivate and regulate our good will. In addition to the obvious "Love your neighbor as yourself" and others, there are some mitvos which direct our altruism and goodness through our subconscious. Certain mitzvot, directed towards animals are meant to cultivate kindness towards people. The Mitzvos of not killing an animal and its young, of sending away the mother bird to take the eggs, of separating milk and meat are all understood by Rashbam as deeds which will cultivate our sensitivity to people. "Tzaar baalei chaim" is a cardinal principle which Chazal understood to be incumbent in some ways on all mankind. If we are sensitive to the tzaar of animals, how much more so will we be to the Tzar and feelings of people.

So, when I think back to the other day when I wanted to teach that little moth a lesson, in the end I realize that the moth taught me a lesson.

A D'VAR TORAH ON . . .

PARSHAT EKEV

By Dassi Billet, Midreshet Morasha

In this week's parsha, Parshat Ekev, Devarim 8:5, the posuk states: And thou shall consider in thy heart that as a man chastens his son, so Hashem chastens thee." Ramban explains that this posuk encompasses a moshel and a nimshal.

The first half of the posuk creates the image of a father reprimanding his son- giving mussar for wrongdoing. Although children view discipline from another angle, the father's perspective indicates that the father loves his son, but he must reprimand the child for his own good- so the son will continue in healthy growth and so he will learn to appreciate good things as they come to him.

So, too- as the second half of the verse teaches- Hashem has given us our mussar. B'nei Yisrael suffered as a wandering nation for forty years in a barren desert. They had problems with food and water.

Earlier, they had lived through the purifying "furnace"- kur habarzel- the backbreaking slavery of Egypt. They had many hardships. But these reprimands from G-d came, explains the Ramban, to reach a higher goal, proclaimed in Posuk 7: "For the L-rd, your G-d bringeth thee to a good land..." Hashem had to purify us, His children, with His well-intended mussar in order to prepare us for continued healthy growth, so we would one day be able to appreciate the glory and beauty of Eretz Yisrael.

Our galut today is also long and hard. The Jewish people have wandered for many years. But it's easier to accept our sufferings with the understanding of this posuk- this galut is holy preparation- mussar from Hashem- so that we too, will be taken soon to the Eretz Hatova.

One Brick at a Time

R' Naftali of Ropshitz would say: "By our service to Hashem, we build Yerushalayim each day. One of us adds a row of bricks, another a single one only. When Yerushalayim is completed, the redemption will come."

חידון ירושלים



ו. היכן מצאנו ברכה יוצאת מעיון?

2. אנו מבכרים ברוך אתה ד' בתה ירושלים. על מה מיוסדת הברכה הזאת?

3. ירושלים היא המקום הנבחר לשכינת ד' לעולם ועד. חבא את הכתוב האומר זאת.

המשורר בתהלים מחפץ לבניין חסות ירושלים. הדין?

ירושלים אינה נזכרת במירוץ בתורה אבל נזכרת ברמז בספר בראשית בשני מקומות שונים ברמז לשני חלקי שמה. והכן.

על מי מספר הכתוב ביוצר שהיה מחפץ נגד ירושלים.

בני ישראל נשבעו שלא ישכרו את ירושלים ואף ה' בעצמו נשבע שאינו שוכן את ירושלים. אמר את הכתובים.



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למסגד עמר להתפלל תפלה.

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SHALHEVET FEATURES

MACHON

DON'T QUIT WHILE YOU'RE

O H E D

The intense Ruach of last week's Melaveh Malka was largely generated- no surprise- by the infectious enthusiasm of Machon '91. The following day, many delectable picnics were enjoyed by all.

This week proved beyond any doubt the superiority of the boys' staff, as the girls, even with the use of much outside help, fell far short in their attempt to achieve even a small semblance of closeness to the finely-tuned, well-planned, crack commando actions of Machon Boys. Sofa, so good. Time to hit the hot showers. We are walking in comfort.

Tons of Tzedakah were raised in both the Machon car wash (see letter from Rabbi Yitzchok Cohen elsewhere on this page) and the hugely successful Staff/Machon auction. Jeff eagerly awaits meeting his Bashert courtesy of Rabbi Besser- be sure to ask him what time it is.

Have a good week. Shabbat Shalom.

Mike, Jeff, and Mike

Thank You, Machon

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Bochrim & Talmidim Machon Morasha C/HS

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We received to-day \$7500 cash to be given over to "EZRAS TORAH" a well renowned org whose goal is to help the poor, the well known area at our door, jkshpsh jksh!

Your enthusiasm & enjoyment to do this sh' is apparent to all

Keep it up!!

yitzchok Cohen



LUFOT
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By Rachel Rydzinski & Shulamit Braun

On Sunday night, after the play, we had canteen night, where we were "faked out" about one day color war. The next day at 6:00 in the morning, we were "greatly surprised" by "Raleigh Intercamps"- I mean One Day Color War.

After davening the teams were announced. The generals were Red: Irit Goldberg and Yechiel Rosman, Green: Rivka Ross and Donny Hochberg, Blue: Cheryl Rothyman and Ephraim Bendheim, and Yellow: Shoshana Radinski and Rafi Epstein.

We spent the day playing sports, having team time, working hard on preparing the songs, skits, and sheletim and playing co-ed volleyball.

After dinner each team made their presentation. First came the chidon. Following the chidon came the banners. The blue team presented the first annual Morasha living shelet. Next came the song and skit presentations.

Even though, in the end, the yellow team won, everyone had a good time.

We would like to thank the co-ordinators of this event. We would also like to thank Jill Sanders, Steve Felsenthal, Division Heads, and all the judges.

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SHALHEVET HEADLINES TEN YEARS BACK

- * * *First Homecoming Day in Camp History—T-shirts awarded to couples who met their Basherts in camp. Couple #4 is Rabbi Abe and Joyce Wahrhaftig
- * * *Bondi Educational Center dedicated
- * * * Morasha Marathon Instituted
- * * *Zevi Adler, B 5, wants to own the speedboat

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...From Our Readers...

A PLACE IN OUR HEARTS

By Steven Ackerman, Hillel Olshin,
and Judah Fruchter, Waiters

As we ponder our premature Exodus from the ethereal atmosphere of Camp Morasha, our train of memories rushes along the tracks of our minds. As first year staff members (with our thorough preparation from SDP-Machon), we entered a new dimension of camp life—laden with responsibilities and abound with freedom. We revel in our daily interaction with sprightly GKW's such as Elliot Hornblass and David Kaplan, as well as our nightly latitude that opened up time to form lasting relationships with fellow Morashaniks.

The best summers of our lives, however, cannot be overshadowed by the silver clouds of enjoyment or condensed during our month of staffhood. For a full decade of being campers in Machaneh Morasha we have surely accumulated innumerable lasting memories and beautiful experiences. Although we are off to the Eretz Hakadosha anticipating a year of both mental and spiritual growth, a place in our hearts will remain with Shira Levine and the A Building staff, the SHAL-HEVET, the remaining waiters and counselors as well as the rest of Camp Morasha.

What we are really trying to say is:
Camp Morasha, we love you.

L'hitraot, L'shana habah b'yerushalyim

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BYE, BYE, JULY

By Rachel Mansdorf, Shtililm

In a survey of the first month Shtili girls who left on Tuesday, we found that the Head Counselor, Ruchie Winkler, the Division Head Aviva Adler, night activities, great bunkmates and counselors, and "just being a Shtili" made their summer fun. We hope that we can make our "second monthers" summer just as much fun. (Special thanks to Ruchie & Aviva from Michal Sonnenberg.)

SILENCE

By Risa Brustein, G 12

Treated like a piece of dirt,
Tortured, battered, beaten, hurt.
Did we not cry?
Did we not scream?
Did we think their ordeal was only a dream?

Innocently murdered, brutally killed,
With shrieks of terror the air was filled.
Yet not a sound from our lips was heard.
Nothing, silence, not a word.

Six million souls cried out in pain.
Six million souls barbarically slain.
Nobody, not a single man spoke.
Did we think it merely some cruel joke?

Bystanders are what we are called,
We stood there in shock, enraged, and appalled.
Yet something inside us kept our mouths sealed
As before our eyes savage truth was revealed.

We must never again make that same silent mistake.
For how much agony can our people take?

We must remember, we cannot stand by any more.
We must learn from the torture that the six
million bore.

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DAY CAMP NEWS

By Dahlia Adler, Age 7

Today Shira Sturm's two weeks of Day Camp ended. Vicki Harari came to work in Day Camp. A lady came to teach us about water safety. We saw movies about it and we learned how to use rescue bags. She showed us different kinds of life jackets. There were different colors, styles, and sizes. Kids tried some of them on.

One of our counselors whose name is Naomi had her last day today. We had a party and we made her cards. We'll miss her. She's a JC on her way to Israel. The girls made her a chocolate cake. It was good.

SPORTS

BY ERIC AND ADAM MELZER

After losing by 8 in the Hillel Tournament, the Alufim played Moshava on Wednesday. This game was the first for David Perl, the starting point guard for the Y.U.L.A. Panthers. Perl easily assimilated into the Alufim Basketball Team's system as he and 6'3" center Daniel Lowe combined for 31 points.

The Morasha Machine ended a two-game slide which included a 78-48 spanking by Lavi by coming from behind to beat the Raleigh Rokach's 51-44. The Machine had trailed by 13 in the early parts of the second half. Yet, tenacious man to man defense and powerful inside play by Benjy Henner, Avi Savitsky, and Yoni Epstein helped the Machine stage a comeback. The Machine cut the lead to 5 by the end of the third quarter and went ahead for good on Dov Deutsch's clutch three pointer with under 5:00 left in the game. For the Machine, Benjy Henner led the scoring with 23 points and shot an impressive 9 for 10 from the free throw line. The victory upped the Machine's record to 3-2.

The Lady Machine played an extremely impressive game against the Lady Rokachs and crushed them 46-29. In this game, Jenny "Sky" Sarasohn was unstoppable as she exploded for 20 points. Rachel "Magic" Epstein and Ariella "Swish" Weiner also played excellent games on both the offensive and defensive ends of the floor. Finally, Tzippy Wasserman played outstanding defense as she recorded numerous blocked shots. The Lady Machine currently hold the best record out of any Morasha staff team (3-1) and like their male counterparts, they are seeking victories this week versus Mesorah, Lavi, and Raleigh on Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday respectively.

The Maulers, Morasha's Hockey Team faced a steep uphill challenge versus the heavily favored Lavi Lions, a team comprising many "ringers" from many different Yeshiva Hockey League teams. Down 2-0 early in the game, Morasha came back to knot it at two with a beautiful goal by Jordan Sudberg. When Lavi scored to make it 3-2, the Maulers responded to even it at three. The game was tied at three until 2:00 remaining when Lavi scored and ultimately won 5-3. It is the fourth consecutive year whereby the Morasha Hockey team has come so close to defeating a far superior Lavi team in Lavi, only to lose in the final minutes of the game.

The following is this week's schedule for Morasha Athletics:



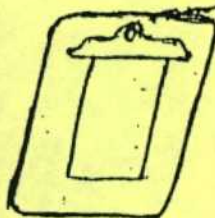
Sunday: Hockey, Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball
at Mesorah

Monday: Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball vs. Lavi

Tuesday: Hillel Intercamps

Wednesday: Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball at Raleigh

Wednesday: Lavi Tennis Tournament



ROVING REPORTER

QUESTION: IF YOU WERE THE CAMP DIRECTOR, WHAT WOULD YOU PROPOSE ? ? ? ?

ANSWERS:

ELLIOT FORGASH, CANTEEN: Schedule Visiting Day every Sunday

Barry Lavitt, waiter, Benzy Schlanger, SC 3, & Josh Blass, SC 16: Send girls out of camp

G 15 (formerly G 9): Bring back Sulam boys to Morasha for a week

Yitzie Kessock, B 1: Install an ice skating rink

Josh Levinger, B 1: Install a swimming pool with a sauna

Judah Koller, B 1: Provide a golf cart for each bunk

Effie Gluck, B 1: Place a TV and Nintendo in every bunk

Josh Segal, B 1, JC: Replace waiters with waitresses

YEHUDA REICH, B 19: Distribute roller blades to play hockey

Michael Goldstein, B 6: Move campuses closer together

Yoni Miller, B 17: Add more "lights out" time

Rena Rubin, G 11: Get rid of the mice

Deborah Oppenheim, G 10: Air condition the bunks

Marisa Savitsky, G 13: Give Ilanot more privileges

Eli Cohn, B 1: Install Video games in the Canteen

Uriel Sturm, B 5: Schedule a Trip Day every week

David Hochbaum, B 5: Eliminate curfews for counselors

Yael Wahrhaftig, G 9: A raise for the director

Tani Renov, B 1: Place a refrigerator in each bunk

Stacey Garber, G 9: Schedule fewer shiurim

Romy Gerdenswartz, G 5: Order GAP t-shirts

Judah Hulkower, B 6: Pay campers to come to camp

Midre Shet Morasha: Add a Beis Medresh

Elli Schor, Machon: Step down and let BOB take over

Shuly Spodek, B 2: Give the Office Staff more time off.

Drama Department: Give play rehearsal priority over Shiziah rehearsal

Rabbi Billet, Ed Staff: Nothing. Everything is perfect.

Shimmy Horn, Waterfront: Give all lifeguards raises

Sender Cole, Lifeguard: More days off for Waterfront Staff

HAFTR GIRLS, G 11: Letting csampers call home

Tamar Bruger, G 6: Days off for campers

Lynne Botnick, JC, G 8: An invitation to Vaad meetings

Alison Steinlauf, G 3: Engage housekeepers for each bunk

Yali Miller, SC 19 & Brenda Wurzbarger, JC: Provide Nitzi Counselors with golf carts