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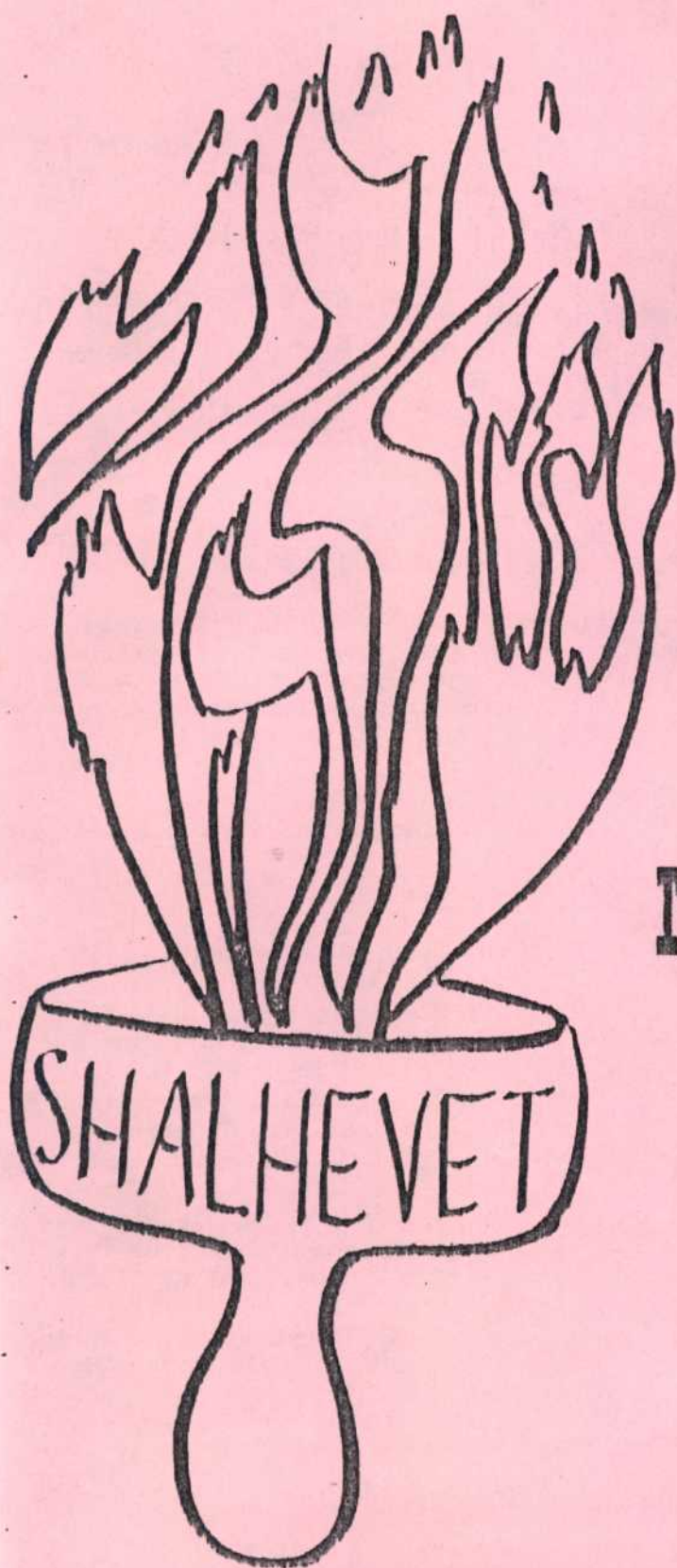
NINE DAYS BEGIN

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News of the Week

MORASHANIKS FIGHT LOSHON HORAH IN NATIONWIDE CAMPAIGN

Morashaniks are joining thousands of Jews all over the country in the fight against Loshon Horah reports Rabbi Joel Cohn, Educational Director. The all out Shmiras Halo-shon Campaign, Machson L'fi, is slated to benefit all of K'lal Yisroel.

The project will last for nine days- from today Rosh Chodesh Av until Tisha B'Av. Participants, which is hoped will include Morasha campers and staffers both, will refrain from loshon horah every day at least from noon to 2 PM.



Since Loshon Harah helped cause **churban bayis sheni**, it is believed that with the correction of our speech will come the rebuilding of the Third Bais Hamaikdash- bim-hayrah v'yamenu.

ONEG SHABBAT SPECIAL SPEAKER

RABBI MICHAEL MILLER, Morasha Alumnus, who is now executive director of the JCRC will speak on : The Road To The White House: Will Israel Be Left Behind?

Time: 10:15PM, Place: The Pargod

ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE TODAY !! CALL 41.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION AS ILANOT PRESENT THE EDUCATION OF H*Y*M*A*N K*A*P*L*A*N

By R. Mansdorf & D. Goldschmiedt

Ilanot presented "The Education of H*Y*M*A*N K*A*P*L*A*N under the direction of Michal Goldberg on Tuesday and Wednesday nights in the Mercazia. All of their work definitely paid off as this comical presentation made a big hit.

Judy and Shulamit are to thank for the spectacular sets, and Martin and Josh for the lighting, music, and technical work.

Benji Epstein and Danielle Wasserman portray the two main characters, two European immigrants attempting to become U.S. citizens. The many obstacles they meet on the way, both romantic and grammatical, give the play its comical twist.

Yeyasher Koachem to the cast and director!

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MOOD SETTING PROGRAMS TO BE HELD THIS WEEK

A series of special programs will be held this week in observance of the Nine Days, the saddest period in the Jewish calendar. Today, as Rosh Chodesh Av, ushers in these days culminating with Tisha B'Av, to be observed this year on Sunday, August 9.

To set the mood, a presentation for staff will take place on Tuesday night in the Pargod under the direction of Rabbi Tully Besser. Alufim will hold a similar program on Monday and Shtilim on Thursday. Performing in each session will be Machoniks and Stiffers who participated in the "March of the Living" through Holocaust Europe last spring.

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SHALHEVET EXTENDS A WARM WELCOME TO MEMBERS OF THE CAMP COMMITTEE WHO HAVE COME TO SPEND *far* WITH US.

Torah Thoughts

OUR FACULTY WRITES. . .

WHAT PARSHAT MATOT TEACHES US

By Ahuva Epstein, Ed Staff

The Torah records at the conclusion of Parshat Matot the episode involving the tribes of Reuven and Gad who sought to settle outside Eretz Yisroel in the land of Gilad in the fertile Jordan Valley. Their request displeased Moshe. Was it conceivable that they would abandon and dishearten their brothers and sisters who would fight and die to build a Jewish state in the Land of Israel?

"No," answered the tribes. "We will build sheepfolds for our cattle in this land and cities for our children. But we will lead B'nei Yisroel until they have reached their place. Then we will return to our cities."

But even then Moshe was displeased. Why had they first spoken of their cattle and only then of their children? Moshe agreed to their conditions, but he changes their priorities. "Build cities for your children; and folds for your sheep."

Those of us who live outside Eretz Yisrael can learn two very important lessons from this episode. First, we must understand that our brethren who live and die in Eretz Yisrael have a special claim to our allegiance. We must never abandon them. Second, we must never adopt the priorities of the material world. We must remember to put religion and family first, and material wealth second.

Shabbat Shalom ! !

A D'VAR TORAH ON

THIS WEEK'S PARSHIOT

By Ely Pinto, Kollel

It is stated in this week's double parsha of Matos-Maasei that 1000 soldiers were sent from every tribe. Rashi explains that the word "every" is necessary in order to include the tribe of Levi, which might be expected not to have taken part in the war. Why is it then, that only 12,000 soldiers fought?

The Mahaaral explains that the tribe of Levi did not really fight. Rather, they went along only to carry the ark.

Another possible explanation is as follows: Bnei Yisroel refused to go to war even at the command of Hashem because they knew that Moshe was to die immediately afterwards.

When the posuk says "Vayimasru" this means they were forced. Due to their love of Hashem, as demonstrated when they killed all those who took part in the sin of the Golden Calf, they went of their own accord.

A WORD ON FLATTERY

It is forbidden to flatter someone in order to take advantage of him (Orchos Tzadikim, 24). Although insincere flattery is wrong, it is important that we praise others for their benefit. Appreciative words help a person realize his inherent worth and will encourage him to utilize his attributes to the best of his ability.

.....from LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR, Pliskin

SHALHEVET SPECIAL FOR THE THREE WEEKS

"איכה יצא האל"

Rav Shimon Biron was born 32 years ago in England. He began his life as Shimon Birnbaum until his Aliyah to Israel in 1970. After learning in Yeshiva Bnei Akiva/Netanya, he joined the Yeshivas Hesder-Shalvim where religious young men study Torah while completing their army service. He was injured in Lebanon in 1982 where he served in the Tank Corps. Though he was accepted to study dentistry, he returned to the Yeshiva and studied for the rabbinate.

He joined a group who revitalized a Jewish settlement called Kfar Darom in the Gaza Strip. The chevra welcomed him as their Rav, teacher, leader, and friend.

He worked at the Machon Hatorah V'HaAretz, researching Mitzvot connected with Eretz Yisroel. His family grew in Kfar Darom to include Michal and four children under age 7.

On the 24th of Iyar, Rav Biron crossed the road of the Machon and was attacked from behind by an Arab terrorist who stabbed him to his death. His loss shook the entire religious Zionist community.

Two years ago, Rav Biron Z"TL published the following article about the period of the Three Weeks. How appropriate it is that we learn from his words and pay a loving and respectful tribute to his memory.

.....Yoel Geal-Dor, Kitchen Staff



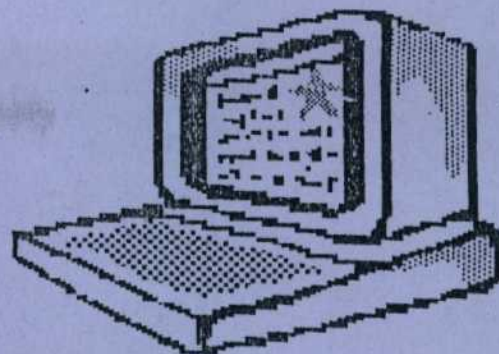
שבע שחל הולך האל הוא שבע שש יושב, הנהגות
בניאית וחשבון נפש. איכה קורים לנו דברים לא נעימים, איכה
יש לתקן את הטעון שיפור.

אנחת האיכה מהדהדת בשבוע זה מקריאתו של משה רבינו בפירוש:
"איכה אשא לבדי טרדכם, משאכם ורעכם", וזו לקינות הנוראית של ירמיהו
ממליכה שבולה "איכה". ניתן להבחין בחוט מחבר בניהם, הרי לעולם קוללים
בפרשת דברים, בשבת שלפני ט' באב, שהיא מתוכחתו של משה (הה"ל סימן תכ"א)
הבציות הנוראות שורשיות ואינן משתנות מתקופה לתקופה הן:
כפיות הטובה כלפי המיטיב לנו וחוסר הערכה ליד האלוהות המושטת
לנו לסיוע. ובק מסביר רש"י את כוונת משה בטענתו על "משאכם" -
"מאמץ שהיו אפיקורסים. הקדים משה לציאתו, אמרו: מה ראה בן עמרם לציאתו?
שלא אינו שפוי ברוח ביותו? איחר לציאתו, אמרו: מה ראה בן עמרם שלא לציאתו?
מה אתם סבורים? יושב ויוצא? זליכם עצות רעות וחוסר עיניכם מחשבות".
איזו חשדנות ואיבה מתגלה כלפי אדם אשר הקריב את כל חייו הפרטיים והציבוריים
למען אלוהים כפי בחיר הנביאים.

אנחה זו זולה שוב ביתר שאת בחורבן הגדול שם מתברר שכפיות הטובה זכה
כל גבור ומופתית-עכשיו כלפי הקב"ה בעצמו. אומר המדרש במגילה: "משל למלך שהיה
או בן, בכה-ונתנו על ארכבותיו; בכה-ונתנו על צדעותיו; בכה-והרנינו על כתפיו,
טינוף עיניו". האל האלה המטפל במסירות ובנאמנות בקנו, מייחל מהארץ ומקדיהו
למלך לטוב על עמו המעלה, התינה של הבן הטינוף. אביו.
אם כן, חוט אחד שזור בשבוע זה -אנחת זלזול על כפיות הטובה של עם ישראל.
תגובת הקב"ה אזהרה בפסוק עיון מבוסס המדרש "איכה יצא האל" -"תשליך מקלמך
אין תפארת ישראל" מיד השליכו (את הבן) לארץ -כלשון המדרש
בימים שאני אבאים על חורבן שהיה. נזכור להודות ולהעריך את הבניין שהבונה לנו עתה,
נתפלא לעד על ההבחין בצדויותו המרומת אלתנו אט אט מעפר בדרכ לבנין הבית השלישי
ברב שמעון בירן -כפר דקלם.

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


 LUFIM/OT
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By Elisheva Reich

We kicked off the week with Visiting Day- the parent/child reunions were so joyous, that we barely noticed the mid-day downpour...(the day ended with one last preparation for our performance at Block; despite the black-out.)

On Monday, Alufot visited the Block-Hexter Senior Citizens Vacation Center. We began the day with some informal mingling, followed by a joint give and take discussion, question-answer form, comparing and contrasting our lifestyles, growing up, to theirs. Afterwards we sang and danced-recycled- in the spirit of the times; songs from Shiriah and a dance from the opening night girls' show. We'd like to thank Shayne Schwed and Shani Strauch for their dance work and Sandy Sudberg for her usual music contributions and on the spot extemporaneous improvisations due to some minor technical difficulties. Special guest soloist was Dr. Maish Yarmish. The rest of the day was spent bonding with Blockniks. The weather was magnificent, and they showed us around their campus, treating us to ice cream, and taking us back to their rooms. Dassi Tropper added a D'var Torah and other Alufot orations speckled the afternoon. We were so pleased with the results that we decided to take our show on the road- this time to the Jersey Y where some Alufim joined us for an evening with the same basic program. A big **Yasherkoach** to all the coordinators and everyone who participated, especially Rabbi Tully Besser. The week came to an exciting close with the HASC basketball game and Hillel intercamp. Enjoy a well-deserved Shabbat!

 MACHON
USINGS

By Dina Helfand

The week began with the first major clean-up of the summer. Machoniks spent the beginning of a long Saturday night attempting to create order out of chaotic bunks. After inspection, we made sundaes in the Pargod.

Sunday, Visiting Day, was a productive day for all. The refrigerator is full. The rain, although expected, did put a damper on the festivities. The wet clothes are still hanging from the rafters. Sunday night's blackout cancelled the Machon movie program. Instead, Machon went batty from spending yet another night confined to the bunk.

Monday night, after a hard working day, all Machon members of both staff teams headed out to the Mercazia to face Lavi. Congratulations to the girls on their first victory. After the game, Machon girls were entertained by a visitor; we now have a mouse living in the bunk.

The campfire on Tuesday night for staff and Machon was successful. The food and fire was followed by the Kollel vs. HASC game.

Thursday was Hillel Intercamps. Congratulations to all the successful Machon coaches. We're glad that everyone had an opportunity to see their friends.

Shabbat Shalom !!

FOR ILANOT NEWS, SEE THE FRONT PAGE.

SPORTS

By Eric Melzer, Assistant Sports Director

Sarasohn Slams! This phrase hallmarks the Morasha Lady Machine Girls' Staff basketball victory over Lavi this past Monday night. Of course, Jenny Sarasohn did not slam; however, she did everything else to help propel Morasha to victory by a 35-23 margin. Sarasohn scored 27 of the team's 35 total points and coupled this with 20 loots. Congratulations to the girls' team on its first victory of the season. Nothing less is expected in any of the three games next week versus Hillel, Mesorah, and Lavi.

The Kollel Running Rebbes saw action for the first time this season as they defeated counselors from Camp H.A.S.C. 61-35. Akiva Resnsick transplanted his stellar play from the staff team to the Kollel squad as he proceeded to amass 15 points and 18 boards. Duvie Kaplan played an excellent game at point guard as he netted 13 assists. The Kollel Running Rebbes played really well, but most predictors expect the party to be over for them when they ultimately face the Morasha team.

Friday, August 7th will mark the first time that there will be a girls' staff softball game on an intramural level. The contest will feature the girls' staff versus the girls' Machon. The special guest umpire will be Marv "Enrico Pilazzo" Hershkowitz. Everyone is invited to attend at 3 P.M. on girls' campus. For further information, please speak to Aviva Adler.

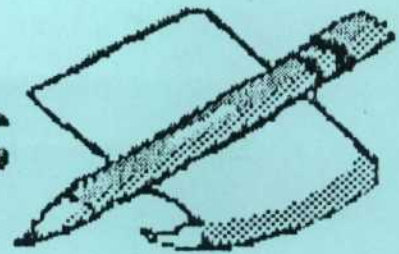
This week there will be intercamps on Monday and Thursday versus Raleigh and Mesorah respectively. Wednesday will feature the Annual Hillel invitation-al basketball tournament. If any camper or counselor is interested in having any of these games reported, please submit a game summary to Eric Melzer by Wednesday.

SPORTS QUESTION OF THE WEEK: Which member of the Morasha Staff Basketball Team has the highest field goal percentage???

BARCELONA

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS	
<p>from The New York Times Thurs., July 30</p> <p>BASKETBALL The injured Magic Johnson did not play but Michael Jordan took up whatever slack there may have been as the U.S. routed Germany, 111-68. Larry Bird led the Americans in scoring with 19 points. The next game for the Dream Team is Friday against Brazil.</p> <p>BASEBALL In a contest more distinguished by its errors than its hits, the Cuban team defeated the United States 9-6.</p> <p>SWIMMING Mike Barrowman broke his own world record in winning the 200-meter breaststroke. The 23-year-old Barrowman, who has won 16 of 17 races at the distance since placing fourth in the 1988 Games, had a time of 2 minutes 10.16 seconds, 0.44 better</p>	<p>than the mark he set last year. Yevgeny Sadovyl of the Unified Team also set a world record in winning the 400-meter freestyle in 3:45.00 for his third gold medal. An American quartet that included Matt Blondi won the men's 400-meter freestyle relay, capturing the event for a sixth time.</p> <p>DIVING The men's 3-meter springboard gold medal went to Mark Lenzi, a 5-foot-5-inch, 145-pound athlete from Fredericksburg, Va. He outpointed Tan Liangde of China who took the silver and Dmitri Sautin of the Unified Team. Reigning world champion Kent Ferguson of the U.S. finished fifth after a poor final dive.</p> <p>GYMNASTICS Vitaly Scheibó paced the Unified Team to the men's team title and he heads the men's individual standings going into Friday's all-around final. This team, containing five present or past world champions, led from the start of the two-day event. The U.S. finished 6th</p>

SHALHEVET FEATURES



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

**DANI
RAPP**



The Staffer of this Issue, Dani Rapp, is the only person in Morasha who has been part of every one of its divisions. After going through the ranks from Nitzanim to the last Mechina before it became Sulam, Dani joined Day Camp as the Machonik. Then after a stint in Eretz Yisroel, our staffer came back to the College Kollel where he is now serving his second year as Counselor.

A graduate of Yeshiva College and a semicha student at RIETS, Dani also attends Columbia Law School equipping him to excel in his future career: "a full time professional counselor for Kollel."

According to our P.C.I.T., the duties of a Kollel Counselor besides Beis Medrash functions are manifold: he is responsible for delegating authority, coordinating sports events, preparing for blackouts, hosting visitors, waking up members of the Kollel every morning at least once, and supervising mop day, linen day, and new this year- snack time.

After twelve years in Morasha, Dani's favorite SHALHEVET column is still THE ROVING REPORTER. His greatest accomplishment here was finding a BASHERT for his sister.

Dani's Daycamp Machoniking proved to be excellent experience for his current position since Yehuda Willig and Duvi Billet, former charges, are now in Kollel. Colleagues agree that Dani's trip from Day Camp to College Kollel Counselor, filled with a variety of experiences, has significantly impacted on his development. Due to built-in circumstances, not everyone in camp could copy Dani's route, but his advice to our readers: "Enjoy every division and appreciate your staff."

CAMPERS CLOSE UPS.



In looking closely at campers around Girls' campus this week, your Reporter saw many aspiring lawyers.

They included:

JENNIFER PINELES of Bunk 7 whose favorite camp activity is music. She is 13, going into Grade 8 at Bruria and lives in West Orange, New Jersey.

SARAH ZAUSNER of Great Neck will be a ninth grader at Ramaz. She is in Bunk 11, 14 years old, and her favorite activity is baseball.

YONINA HALPERN of Bunk 8 lives in Livingston, N.J., and likes waterskiing in camp. Of Grade 8 at the Joseph Kushner Academy in New Jersey, Yonina wants to use her law profession to become the first Orthodox Jewish female president of the United States.

TAMAR BRUGER, G 9, age 12, grade 8 at the Yeshiva of Flatbush, lives in Canarsie and likes basketball best at camp.

RONINA EISENBERG, G 7, age 12, lives in Brooklyn where she'll enter Grade 8 at the Yeshiva of Flatbush. She likes volleyball and basketball and wants to be a criminal lawyer or a fashion designer.

RACHEL SELBER comes from Jacksonville, Florida where she will enter Grade 9 at the State College Preparatory School. Arts and crafts is her favorite camp activity and she aspires to be either a lawyer or a teacher.

SHALHEVET

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? THE ROVING REPORTER ?

QUESTION: IF YOU COULD PREPARE FOR A BLACKOUT, WHAT WOULD YOU DO ? ? ?

ANSWERS:

YONINA BERSSON & EFRAT BENDHEIM, G 1: Get ready to scare all of our friends.

MACHON GIRLS: Get flourescent paint.

DAY CAMP COUNSELORS: Separate Danny and Sruli.

RENA FURST, G 3: Make sure I have a flashlight.

SARA BERMAN, G 3: Make sure to have batteries.

TAMAR AUSUBEL, G 17: Wear headlights.

KITTY SCHAFFER, G 17: Wear something that glows in the dark.

DEBRA WOLF, G 17: Make sure the bear is right next to me.

NADINE GARDENSWARZ, G 17: Get under my covers.

AARON ADELMAN, JSS Kollel: Buy candles to sell during blackout.

CHAIM LAUFER, B 1: Get ready for a raid.

AKIVA DAUBRY, B 6: Buy an animated ghost projector.

JOSHUA LOVINGER, B 6: Catch some fireflies.

SHLOMO WADLER, Day Camp: Arrange for a golf cart to be in my room.

NACHSHON ROTHSTEIN, B 6: Make a Barbeque.

ALISA BRUCKSTEIN, Office Staff: Light a bonfire.

YONINA HALPERT, G 8: Take a shower.

STEVEN ACKERMAN, Waiter: Stock up on DJ's.

YONATAN REICH, B 6: Call a Vaad Meeting.

YITZI KESSOCK, B 5: Take Zush's golf cart.

SIMCHA WILLIG, B 17: Light firecrackers.

DANIEL GREENBAUM, B 6: Wear glow in the dark pajamas.

SHMUEL NADATA, B 8: Get water balloons.

MOSHE LITWACK, B 6: Prepare a secret escape from camp.

ELI MARCUS, JSS Kollel Assistant: Would not sleep the night before.

SHOSHANA CHANELES, G 17: Change into pajamas.

RACHEL SILBER, G 17: Put matches and candles in front of my bunk.

CHAYA GOLPIN, G 17: Make sure all the switches are off.

G 9: Get stuck on Boys' Campus.

Yael BERSSON, G 9: Gather all the people from Monsey in one room.

ILANA GLATT, SC, & SURI HASKOLL, G11: Say that there is a bear in Debbie Meskin's bunk.

DUVIE BILLET, HS KOLLEL: Light some OHR TORAH.

Yael WERBLOWSKY, G 7: Prepare food to nash.

MACHON BOYS: Get some scoop.

SHOSHANA FRUCHTER, G 7: Go to the lavatory.

DANIEL REISS & DANIEL SPRUNG, B 7: Lock the HC and have a party.

NOAM OSBAND, B 6: Fill the warehouse with flashlights.

YEHUDA CHANALES, B 6: Get planes with lights to fly over Morasha.

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פרשת דברים

שבת חזון

News of the Week

TISHA B'AV OBSERVANCE POSTPONED UNTIL SUNDAY

This year, once again, since Tisha B'Av falls on Shabbat, its observance is postponed until Sunday. Before Shabbat begins, we prepare the non-leather shoes which we will change into when Shabbat ends. On Shabbat we eat meat and drink wine as usual, but do not say PIAKEI RUOT and we are careful to finish Shalosh Seudot when it is still daytime. When Shabbat is over, campers will say "Baruch hamavdil bein kodesh l'chol" before davening maariv and will then change into non-leather shoes. We say Borai M'orai Hovish, but the whole havdalah is not said until the fast is over on Sunday night. In shul at night the curtain is removed from the Aron and the lights are dimmed to a minimum.

After the Fast just as when Tisha B'Av falls on any other day of the week, we don't have meat or wine before the next day. However, this year we are permitted to wash clothing at night when the fast ends.

On Tisha B'Av those who are not old enough or well enough to fast all day, should not eat more than necessary. Chazal emphasize that fasting in itself is of little value without accompanying it with T'shuva.

Since studying Torah makes us happy, we are only allowed to learn those parts of Torah that are relevant to Tisha B'Av and those parts of Gemora that deal with the Churban Bayit - the destruction of the Temple.

One does not greet another on Tisha B'Av. Until noon we sit on the floor. Boys do not put on Tefillin until Minchah. We are careful to spend our time in such a way so that we should not come to levity.

YEYASHEN KUMACHA

All Morashniks extend a hearty Yasher Koach to each of the scholars who made Siyumim last week. Thanks to Shama Berman, Driver, Rabbi Allen Schwartz, Ed Staff, A.J. Schreiber and Dov Kalton, waiters, and Rabbi Zvi Sobolofsky and Aryeh Steckler of the Kollel.

BNOT MITZVAH
MAZEL TO AMANDA WOLF AND
RACHEL ROSMAN THIS WEEK.

JEWISH HISTORY TAPES AVAILABLE IN LIBRARY

A series of 116 tapes on Jewish History by the renowned historian Rabbi Berel Wein are now available for circulation from the Morasha library.

Covering the story of our people from Creation until the present time including such events as the Yom Kippur War, the series was donated to Morasha in memory of David Weilgus, A.H. by the Zauderer and Rohinsky Families.

The new collection was added to the tapes of Rabbi Frand on the Parshiot. Dr. Urian is available in the library to assist in your selection.

ALUFOT PLAY OUTSTANDING

By Adina Weinstein, G 15

This year's Nine Days play, "The Miracle Worker" was an outstanding dramatic production. Under the direction of Michal Goldberg, talented performers, including some Hanot and Day Campers besides the Alufim/ot brought to life the inspirational story of Helen Keller's journey from the closed world of the deaf and blind to the world of communication.

The "Miracle Worker" is Annie Sullivan, Helen's teacher played by Lisa Sopher. She comes to the Keller household to teach Helen (Leah Schenker). But first, she has to teach Captain (Adam Klein) and Mrs. Keller (Michelle Muller) that Helen needs discipline, not unconditional love. Annie's and Helen's struggles are the focus of the play and the entire cast vividly recreated the personal and social problems of the deaf and blind in the late 1800's.

The audience response was enthusiastic and emotional. Kol hakovod to all the actors, stagehands, scenery, makeup, and light and sound crews.

ONEG SHABBAT

Tonight's Oneg will take the form of a TISCH with Rabbi Mordechai Willig as the speaker. It will be held in the Dining Room at 10:30.

BLOOD DRIVE

Report - Next Week

Torah Thoughts

A D'var Torah On D'VORIM AND THE CHURBAN

By Rabbi Zvi Sobolofsky, Kollel Assistant

In the beginning of Sefer Dvarim Moshe gathers the entire Jewish people. Rashi comments that Moshe's final words were primarily "DIVREI TOCHACHOS"- words of rebuke. In this context it is difficult to understand the psukim that follow. The Torah describes the system of judges which was set up according to the plan of Yisro. Why should this be included in the musar Moshe is giving? What shortcoming of the Jewish people is Moshe addressing?

Perhaps we can suggest an answer based on a comment of the SFORNO. The hierarchy of judges included judges appointed specifically to deal with each group of ten Jews. Why was it necessary to have so many judges? The SFORNO deduces from this that the Torah is actually criticizing the Jewish people. Every dispute that took place could not be settled out of court in a brotherly fashion. Each disagreement required a formal Din Torah, thus necessitating so many judges.

Our rabbis teach us that the cause of the destruction of Yerushalayim was because people demanded strict justice. People involved in disputes refused to compromise. Our rabbis also teach us that the cause of the churban was SINAT CHINAM- hatred of one another. It seems that these causes are related. If one views every Jew as a brother and loves him as one, it will follow that compromise will replace strict justice. It was only because this love did not exist that the result was lack of LIFNIM MESHORAS HADIN- going beyond one's actual rights and failure to compromise. The sin of Parshas Dvarim had repeated itself.

When we reach these psukim this Shabbos, let us try to work on this trait in ourselves. Let love and compromise be our goals rather than hatred and demanding our rights. In this zchus may we see the third Beis Hamikdash be built BIMHAYRAH U'YAMAYNU.

OUR FACULTY WRITES . . .

WHAT פרשת דברים TEACHES US

By Rabbi Dovid Wadler & Shlomo Wadler (Ed staff member & Day camper)

Parshat דברים begins with the phrase "אלא הדברים אשר דבר משה...". Rashi tells us that these words are דברי מדרש, words of rebuke. In the מדרש, the following question is asked by ר' אחא בן ר' חניניא: Why do we find blessings to כלל ישראל given by the wicked בלעם, whereas the words of rebuke to כלל ישראל are given by the righteous משה רבינו?

The מדרש explains that the reason the rebuke was given by משה רבינו was to prevent בני ישראל from dismissing them by saying "those are only the words of our enemy". Whereas the blessings were given by בלעם הרשע so that the Nations of the world wouldn't be able to dismiss them by saying "those are only the words of their friend".

Another reason might be, that anyone can give a blessing, however to give rebuke, a person must be as careful as משה רבינו.

These insights teach us the importance of watching what we say. This summer, all of us in camp Morasha are joining in MACHSOM 11 and are learning about guarding our tongue. May ה' rebuild the בית המקדש in the זכות of our striving for אהבת חינוך.

שבח שלום.

CANDLELIGHTING TIME TODAY
6:50 P.M.

עמוד עברי

על קמצא ובר-קמצא

אמר בר-קמצא:

—אשלים לך מחיר כל הסעודה שלך.
צעק בעל-הסעודה:
—לא ולא!

ניגש בעל-הסעודה אל בר-קמצא,
תפס אותו בידו
והוציא אותו מן הבית.

נעלב בר-קמצא מאוד.
אמר לעצמו:

—מכיון שהחכמים,

שישבו שם,

לא מנעו מבעל-הסעודה

לנהוג בי כך,

אלך אל המושל הרומאי

ואומר לו:

"היהודים עומדים למרוד ברומאים."

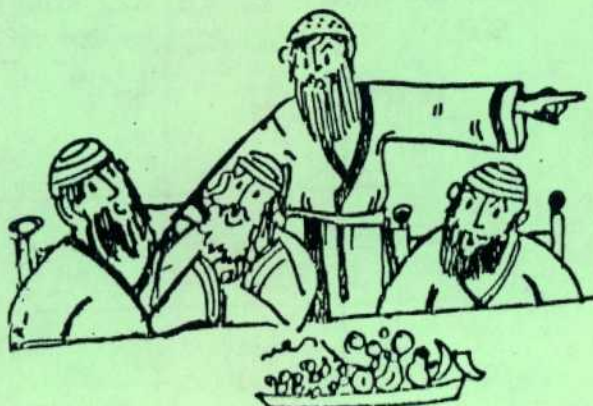
הלך בר-קמצא אל המושל הרומאי
ואמר לו:

—היהודים עומדים למרוד ברומאים.

באו הרומאים להילחם ביהודים.

הייתה מלחמה קשה מאוד.

במלחמה הזאת החריבו הרומאים את ירושלים
ושרפו את בית-המקדש.



אדם אחד רצה לערוך סעודה.
הוא רצה להזמין לסעודה את כל ידידיו.

הוא שלח את העבד שלו
להזמין את ידידו קמצא.
העבד טעה
והזמין את בר-קמצא.

בתחילת הסעודה חיפש בעל-הסעודה
את ידידו קמצא,
ולא מצא אותו.

פתאום ראה את בר-קמצא.

אמר בעל-הסעודה לבר-קמצא:

—מה אתה עושה כאן?

מה אתה עושה בסעודה שלי?

הרי אתה שונא שלי.

קום וצא!

אמר בר-קמצא לבעל-הסעודה:

—מכיון שאני כבר כאן,

תן לי להישאר.

ואני אשלים לך בעד

כל מה שאני אוכל ואשתה.

אמר לו בעל-הסעודה:

—לא!

אני דורש ממך לקום ולצאת.

אמר בר-קמצא:

—אשלים לך בעד החצי של כל הסעודה.

רק תן לי להישאר.

אמר בעל-הסעודה:

—לא, אינני מסכים!

קום וצא!

CAMP MORASHA WILL NEVER FORGET

by: Paula Spodek

To commemorate the Nine Days in a more meaningful way, Camp Morasha staff and Machon attended a unique program orchestrated by the very talented Rabbi Naftali Besser.

The crowd huddled together in the chilly Pargod and was transported back to a past that can never be obliterated. Film clips of the abominations of the 1930's and 1940's displayed Hitler's rise to power and his attempts to create a super-human race, while annihilating millions of our Jewish innocent ancestors.

Six of our own Morasha staff members who participated in the "March of the Living" experience, lit candles representing the six million kedoshim and related to the audience what impacted upon them most of all. It was a particular bunker in the concentration camp with an uncle's name etched into it...it was a picture of a lake that looked like a lake but really was a large pit where thousands of Jews had been slaughtered...it was the horrifying fact that another Holocaust can recur based on world events and ongoing pervasive Anti-semitic attitudes.

Rabbi Besser interjected appropriate Hebrew songs at various points in the program. Between *על כן אלקים בראשית* *אני נאמן + הנאמן הכולל את* a steady stream of tears rolled down our faces unashamedly and we were grateful for the blazing, crackling fire to warm our chilled insides.

Powerful..penetrating..memorable..overwhelming...were but a few adjectives our staffers used to depict this evening. A hearty Yasher Koach to Tully Besser and company for their sensitivity in the portrayal of one of the gloomiest eras in Jewish history and its linkage with the present. May we truly be zocheh to witness the coming of the *באהר ב'ח'ן אה*

באהר ב'ח'ן אה

CREATIVE CORNERS



ISRAEL-SO FAR BUT YET SO CLOSE

by Rachel Mansdorf G-7

There is a country far away
But so close to our hearts
No matter what the distance
In our lives plays a large part
The desert sands all glimmer
Each grain so brightly gleams
There's so much more to behold
Than what it outwardly seems.

Look beyond the blooming flowers
And the hills bursting in green
Look between golden fruit groves
To see what the country means
Look at all the cities
Each teeming with history
And listen to all the stories
Each one cloaked in mystery

Stand below the mount
Where the Temple used to stand
Imagine all of the events
That occurred in this small land
Visit all the graves
Of our Patriarchs
And those of all the sages
Who so deeply left their marks.

Look at our brethren
Who gave up all they found
To travel to this foreign land
Which their ancestors had known
Look at all the sacrifice
That people had to make
It's obvious to people now
That they made no mistake!

Now look at the blooming flowers
The hills all cloaked in green
Now look at the blooming groves
For you know what it all means
It means that all this beauty
That you now behold
Is the product of the faith
And work of years untold

ISRAEL's beauty unmatched is
What I'd like to convey to you
Its beauty keeps on growing
Inside each and every JEW!!!

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SPORTS

by Adam Melzer

MORASHA EARNS RESPECT AT HILLEL

On a day where Raleigh and Hillel were supposed to dominate, and Morasha was supposed to be dominated, Morasha proved to be the surprise of the Hillel Invitational Basketball Tournament with a sound second place finish.

The Alufim Basketball team has completed their turnaround. After having a dismal (1-5) record last year, the Alufim are now 4-0 in Intercamps and were the surprise of the Hillel Tournament. Poised against Raleigh, the heavy favorites of the tournament, the Alufim showed a great deal of heart and intensity as they defeated a talented Raleigh team 43-30. The Alufim were led by Tzvi "Franchise" Adler, (Tournament M.V.P.) Yehuda Samter, Ranan "Mickey" Grobman, Jon Sprung, and Andi Yudin (Abba was very proud!). At presstime the Alufim were looking to complete an undefeated intercamp campaign after their sound second place finish.

The Alufot/Older Ilanot were also very impressive in the tournament and in Raleigh Intercamps. Led by Sari Weinberger (Tournament M.V.P.), the team finished in second place after an impressive win over Raleigh.

The Older Ilanot Boys' Basketball team (4-2) took a tough loss to Hillel in the first round of the tournament but finished strong with an amazing overtime win over Lavi. The team was led by Azi "Worm" Mandel, Yechiel "Butcher" Septimus, and Coach Eric "What's the Motta" Melzer. The tournament standings were as follows: 1. Hillel, 2. Morasha 3. Raleigh 4. Lavi.

The Younger Ilanot Boys Basketball team continues to literally roll over its opponents. Led by Dov Weiner and Benjy Epstein as well as their outstanding coaches Yaakov Ottensosser and Avi Jacobs, the team has gone a strong 4-0 in Intercamps. Congratulations to all.

The most impressive division in Intercamps were the Nitzanim Boys who won 4 of 5 and continue to play well. As Adam Sprung explained, "No one can hold us."

Next week: Mesorah Intercamps and Staff Teams Round-Up.

Trivia Question of the week: Who will win first: the Rangers or the Staff Hockey Team?

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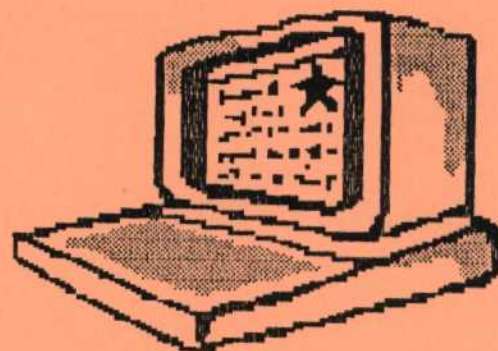
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DIVISION DATA

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MACHON MUSINGS by Dena Helfand

The week began on Saturday night with the opening of the Machon mixed doubles tennis tournament. Many matches were close and all were well played. Congratulations to those who have made it to the second round. Sunday night Machon participated in an important and thought-provoking night activity.

The boys and girls were addressed by staff members who had just spent a year in Israel. Each represented different schools and Machoniks were able to learn a lot more about the schools they will be considering.

After Raleigh Intercamps on Monday, Machoniks watched and played the staff basketball games versus Hillel. Tuesday night Machoniks played with staff at Mesorah and Wednesday night the Machoniks on the girls staff team traveled to Lavi.

During all of these sports activities, Machoniks in "Joseph" have been practicing up a storm.

Thursday, Machon had a choice of two trips. Some Machoniks went to a minor league baseball game and out for ice-cream, while others stayed to see their Mesorah friends and then went to Catskill Funland and Woodbourne. A great time was had by all.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION. . .

This week marks the 100th Shabbat in Camp Morasha for Zevi Adler of the Waterfront Staff.

SHTILIS RUN AFTER WANNABES

By Alison Steinlauf

The Shtili campaign '92 was a success! All of camp Morasha participated by wearing pins. This brought out all the true feelings of the Shtili "Wannabes". The goal of the Shtilim was to get as many signatures as possible from everyone in Morasha

Certain people were goals for more points including members of the educational staff, SHALHEVET, music and drama departments, and the warehouse staff.

The bunk that received the most Wannabe signatures won the prize: permission to sleep as late as Shiur on Friday.

Thank You
Michelle Sarasohn
extends sincere thanks for all the good wishes from Morashaniks. Boruch Hashem she is doing fine.

THE ROVING REPORTER

Question: IF YOU COULD DO SOMETHING AT MORASHA TO HASTEN MOSHIACH'S COMING, WHAT WOULD IT BE ? ? ? ?

DANIELLA MUTH, G 1: Ahavat Chinom

ARIEL FENIGSTEIN & YONINA
BERSSON, G 1: Chesed

MARISA SAVITSKY, G 16: Place
directional signs to Morasha in The
Five Towns, Manhattan, and
especially in Westchester.

AN IDEALISTIC MACHONIK: Eliminate
Machon.

ZIVA INSELICHT, Mother's Helper:
Not say Lashon Harah.

DAVID SHAINBERG, B 1: Prepare the
Siddurim.

ADAM SANDLER, B 1: Start Davening.

LANCE FRIEDMAN, B 4: Offer him
free canteen.

DANA FELDSCHREIBER & Yael
STAIMAN, G 6: Make a Girls' Kollel

JUDAH KOHLER, B 5: Put him in Jay
Wohlgelelnter's swimming class and
teach him "O Canada".

JAY WOHLGELELNTER, Life Guard:
Build a boardwalk from Boys'
Waterfront to the bleachers.

JEFF KOBRIN, Machon Counselor:
Babysit Machon Boys.

SHMUEL POPPER, B 12: Extend
Machson L'piv.

STEVEN ACKERMAN, Waiter: Stock
up from DJ's.

DAVID SPINDEL, B 9: Daven very
hard.

MICHAEL FRUCHTER, JC, B 7: Learn
Torah

B 9: Bench normally.

ELAN GROBMAN, SC, B 15: Offer
him Snapple.

G 4: Make him a Shtili Wanna' Be.

JOSH LEVY, SC, B 14: Play heavy
metal music.

SETH GRAUER & AVI NEWMARK, B 11:
Buy him Raskas cream cheese.

YAAKOV WAHRHAFTIG, B 14: Give him
a Kunda.

JONATHAN COOPER, Sports Staff:
Institute a Campwide Mussar
movement.

DANIEL SPRUNG, B 7: Learn Torah
with Josh Goldberg.

YERUCHEM SABBAN, B 8: Kidnap him.

DAVID SCHWARTZ, Kollel: Check the
Eirev.

STEVE MAUSKOPF & ARI GREENWALD:
Make Yona the Head Counselor.

DANIEL GIBBER, SC, B7: Play
basketball.

JEREMY FEINERMAN, B 10: Move
boys' and girls' campuses closer
together.

JOSH SHAPIRO, B 7: Stay up all day
and wait.

DANIEL FEINER, B 8: Give golf carts
to all the campers.

SONNENBERG & SCHACTER, Machon:
Take down Adam's pictures.

SHULAMIT FELSENBURG, Scenery:
Offer him Shabbos morning cake.

A. J. STRASSER, B 5: Give him
Richie's golf cart.