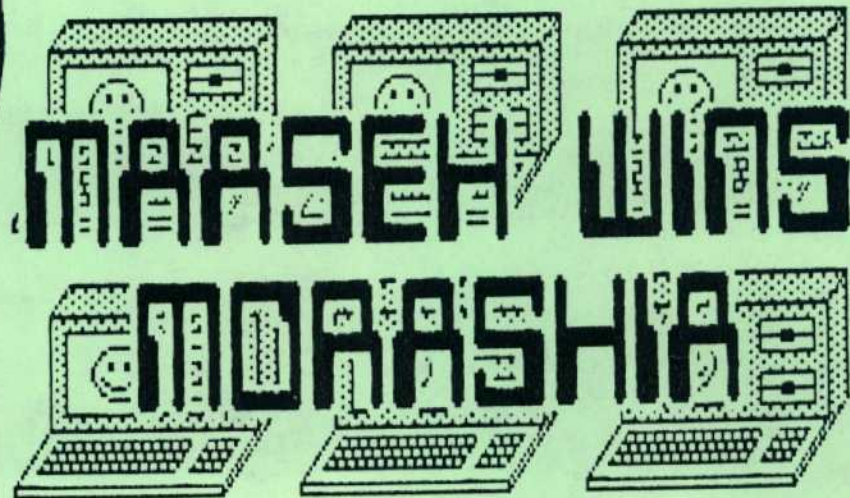


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# NEWS



## LEV & NEFESH PUT IN BUT MAASEH WINS MORASHIA 1992

Although Maaseh was the active winner in this year's Morashia, Lev and Nefesh also went into making Color War 1992 a most memorable event.

Day Campers were the real winners with newly acquired magnificent additions to their headquarters. With Big Bird and all his friends, along with a mechanical circus and colored wax figurines-projects of all three teams-decorating the Day Camp bunk, the waiting list for the Morasha Day Camp will soon match that of their older counterparts.

A composition especially made for Morashia by Machonik Randy Sorscher was voted the best song in Shiriah.

Keruvim, Kotel, and Menorah Shields will now decorate Morasha and hundreds of Brachot and Mishnayot will remain etched in the memories of campers.

Ilanot running the Rabbaton, Bucket Brigades in swimming meets, Shaltiel questions, even the camper who lost one sneaker and then the other in the course of running and won the race in spite of it all-something for everybody-were performed in the spirit of color "games" as Zush emphasizes, and terrific sportmanship as Chaya Orlian noticed.

Yeyasher Koachem to the Coordinating Committee Rabbi Mordy Besser, Chairman, Ruchie Winkler, Debby Yarmush, and Eric Melzer, and to Generals Jon Levy and Rachel Posner, Maaseh; Marc Weiss and Tzippy Wasserman, Nefesh; and Josh Segal and Ellen Kalish, Lev; their lieutenants Andrew Sicklick and Lynne Botnick; Raanan Zackai and Suzanne Schenker; and Daniel Gibber and Rise Spierer and to all participants for a job well done.

**SIGN UP NOW !!**  
THE ANNUAL MORASHA MARATHON  
WILL BE HELD SUNDAY AT 4:00 PM.  
CONTACT THE SPORTS STAFF.

## BLOOD DRIVE DRAWS RECORD NUMBERS

Topping previous records, 112 pints of blood were collected in the Annual Wayne County Drive according to Chaya Warburg, Girls' Waterfront Head, who coordinated the project.

On behalf of Morasha, Chaya extended special thanks to Michelle Krengle for her PR work in recruiting donors and to all of the volunteers who provided moral and physical support and technical assistance. Machoniks participated both as first time donors and all around assistants. A large proportion of the Camp America Staff also donated. Mimi Samter organized blood bags throughout the day.

Congratulations to Rabbi Mordy Besser, Program Director, who received a pin for reaching the 10 gallon mark and Rabbi Wahrhaftig, Director, who was close behind.

## ILANA HILLER MEMORIALIZED

As part of Machon's Tisha B'Av program, the Yahrzeit of a young woman who had enrolled in Machon, but unfortunately passed away before she could participate, was commemorated. Elana Hiller AH an outstanding student and friend and role model for Machoniks is remembered annually through an award presented by her family to a deserving Machonik who personifies her ideals. Elana's Yahrzeit is 11 Av. May her memory live on in the camp which meant so much to her.

## CHESED CREW REPAIRS KINOT

Morasha's Kinot booklets, if for some reason MOSHIACH does not reach camp before next Tisha B'Av, will be good as new for next year's use. Joy Weinstein and her Chesed Crew worked for hours on Tisha B'Av to restore over 600.

Members of the crew whose work included taping, mending, stapling, and zeroxing were Shaindy Friedman, Shalva Schwartz, Shana Sultanik, Shani Jeff, Cheryl Greenberg, and Elissa Zitter.

## ONEC SHABBAT

Speaker: Mrs. Rookie Billet  
Topic: Reflections on a year in Israel



# Torah Thoughts

OUR FACULTY WRITES . . .

## SHABBAT NACHAMU- WHY?

BY RABBI ELI LERNER  
Ed Staff

At first glance our behavior on Shabbat Nachamu seems very strange. Just last week we recited the Haftarah in the mournful tune of Eichah, and on Motza'ei Shabbat we sat on the floor crying over the destruction of the BEIT HAMIKDASH. Yet, this Shabbat we approach with joy and celebration. Why are we so happy? Has the Beit Hamikdash been rebuilt? Has the Final Kibbutz Galuyot occurred? Did Mashiach come? What are we celebrating?

To answer this question, we must ask ourselves another one. Why do we bother to mourn? It's been almost 2000 years since the Churban. Shouldn't we finally stop "crying over spilled milk" and get on with our lives? This might be the correct response if what happened cannot be changed. If our living in exile was going to be permanent we would have stopped mourning long ago. But, in truth, our present condition is only temporary. We know that a time will come and the GEULAH will take place. We don't forget the glorious past, because it is not only our past, but our future as well.

That is why we are happy on Shabbat Nachamu. It's true that the Geulah has yet to occur. We know, however, that it will happen.

"NACHAMU, NACHAMU AMI"  
Hashem tells us. This is our cause for celebration. May it soon be a reality.

CANDLELIGHTING TIME TODAY  
6:35 PM

HASHOVAT AVAYDAH  
A WALKMAN HAD BEEN FOUND IN THE  
DINING ROOM SEVERAL WEEKS AGO.  
CONTACT RABBI WRUBLE IN THE  
KITCHEN FOR DETAILS.

A D'VAR TORAH ON

## PARSHAT V'ETCHANAN

BY JONATHAN NATHAN, MACHON

This week's Parsha, V'ETCHANAN contains some of the most important concepts that were relayed by Mosheh to K'lal Yisrael before their entrance into Eretz Yisrael. Among them was the first Parsha of the KRIAT SHEMA which involves assuming upon oneself the OL MALCHUT SHOMAYIM, the yoke of Hashem, and the OL HAMITZVOT, the responsibility of the commandments.

Perek 6, Posuk 5 contains the commandment to love G-d. Many among our Chazal have wondered how it is possible to command a person to love somebody or something; love is a natural feeling that develops subconsciously and is beyond one's power to control.

Rav Shimshon Raphael Hirsch explained this concept very beautifully. He wrote that the fear of G-d is instilled into all of our NESHOMOT and LEVOVOT, our hearts and souls, and from that aspect, it is very easy for us to follow G-d's wishes. Mosheh emphasized this point when he told Bnei Yisrael, in Dvarim 10: Posuk 12: Ma Hashem Elokecha shoel...Ki Im Lyirah et Hashem Elokecha." However, the love of G-d cannot be achieved as easily and is not felt automatically. The key to achieving AHAVAT HASHEM is through MAASEH-action. The actions that we must take are the adhering to Hashem through SHMIRAT TORAH V'MITZVOT. By getting close to Hashem, we will naturally come to love Him because of his kindness and greatness.

Dovid Hamelech wrote in Tehillim 73: "V'ANI KARAVTI". May we all use our MAASIM to draw closer to Hashem and fulfill the Mitzvah of "V'AHAVTA ET HASHEM ELOKECHA".

SHABBAT SHALOM !!



מורשיה

by Ilana Brager, Green

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# MORASHIA

## MIDOT IN COLOR GAMES

BY JOEY ETRA, ILANOT BLUE

During Color Games, one must behave "properly". There are many opinions of what "properly" is. Many of these opinions are based on logic, but some can be learned out from the AVOT, EMOHOT, and others in the TORAH.

From the MELOCHIM that visited Avraham, we learn that you should cheer people up when they are in pain or are depressed- for example, after losing a close game. This is learned from the MELACHIM coming to Avraham on the day his BRIT would hurt most.

We learn from Esav what not to do. After he sold the BECHORA to Yaakov, he tried to say Yaakov had stolen it after Yaakov received the BRACHA. This is an example of bad sportsmanship. Good sportsmanship can be learned from YOSEIF, who, even though his brothers had sold him, forgave his brothers and gave them grain for free.

We can learn two things from Yehoshua and Chur holding Mosheh's hands up during the fighting against Amalek. One thing we can infer is that in order to do many things in a war or games, you need a team effort. A second thing we can learn from this is that winning and losing is not dependent on the team, even a "Dream Team", but on HASHEM's wanting you to win the games or war.

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## WE CAN'T WAIT TO BE A BUNK AGAIN

By Aliza Kollander, Nitzi Green

This past week was the week of colorwar. The songs were really good and the sports we played were so much fun. The track and swim races were really exciting. The hats are so cool. We all liked colorwar so much, but we can't wait to be a whole bunk again.

## HAKARAT HATOV

SHALHEVET extends a special thank you to PAULA SPODEK for her multi-faceted assistance.

## OUR NEFOSHOT AND ENVY

BY DANIELLE WASSERMAN  
ILANOT, NEFESH

The Midrash relates a discussion between Hashem and Mosheh where Mosheh attempts to change the decree forbidding him to enter the Promised Land. Hashem explained that each generation has a leader and that his period of leadership was over and it was time for Yehoshua to take over.

Hashem agrees that Yehoshua will take over and Mosheh will be his disciple. Then Yehoshua enters the sanctuary to speak to Hashem as Mosheh remains outside. When Yehoshua comes out, Mosheh asks him: "What did Hashem say to you?" and Yehoshua answered, "All those years when Hashem spoke privately with you, did I ever ask you what He said to you?" To this Mosheh replied that he was ashamed of his envy and that "I will die a hundred deaths rather than experience one moment of envy!" and he immediately gave his NEFESH to Hashem. Mosheh understood that he would now live with a feeling of envy which was unacceptable in order to enter Eretz Yisroel.

The Orchos Tzaddikim states that any envious person is disagreeing with the way Hashem gave His gifts to the world. When Mosheh was envious of Yehoshua, he was disagreeing with the Divine Will.

One usually does not receive the object that he envies; therefore, the envier accomplishes nothing but to torment himself.

Shlomo Hamelech refers to envy as something that "rots the bones". Though people may not be able to achieve Mosheh's spirituality, we must all strive to rid our NEFOSHOT of envy.

## TISHA B'AV IN MORASHA

By Josh Kleiner, Nitzanim Nefesh

The night of Erev Tisha B'Av was very inspiring to me. When the torches were lit and we started to walk to the Mercazia, I felt the seriousness of the day that was about to befall us. A feeling of sadness was seen throughout the camp. The EICHAH reading was very special and the true feeling of the fast was all around me.



# MORASHIA

NEFESH, LEV, MAASIM COMBINE  
BY STACEY LEBOVITS & TAMI FEINER  
ALUFOT, NEFESH

In PIRKEI AVOT it states, "KOL YISRAEL AREIVIM ZEH LOZEH"- Every Jewish person is responsible for one another. Our team, NEFESH, represents this dependence, sharing, and responsibility of every Jewish soul upon another. NEFESH portrays the concept of worshipping through feelings and emotions. It is our individuality that brings each person closer to Hashem. Yet through our differences, we, as Jews, must work together to achieve KABBALAT OL MALCHUT SHOMAYIM. It is only then that our soul will be complete.

In SHEMOT 19:2 it states: "VAYICHAN SHOM YISRAEL" Rashi raises the question of why the word "vayichan" is singular, when really it should be plural. Rashi answers in a simple four word statement: "K'ish echad b'lev echad"- like one person with one heart and soul.

If we all work together as one NEFESH with one LEV, our MAASIM TOVIM will eventually lead to the ultimate GEULA.

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AVRAHAM AND MAASEH  
By Tova Renov, Green

Pirkei Avot teaches: "Say little and do much". This idea is epitomized by Avraham Avinu in the episode with the Melachim.

Although Avraham made a small offering, he completed the MITZVAH to its fullest capacity. From Avraham and many other Torah personalities, the importance of MAASIM TOVIM and following through on what you learn is expressed. They set a valuable example for us to follow throughout our lives.

## New Sports Program Hits

By Menucha Singer & Ronit Pelman  
Shtilim, Green

Shtili Sports are fun and exciting. We start off the day with "Sports Instruction". The counsellors divide us into groups each day to play different sports. Some of the sports are volleyball, basketball, softball, hockey, and tennis. The groups are named after Israeli places. The instructors are really nice.

In the afternoon different bunks play different sports together. They are not given instruction at that time. All the sports are really fun. The best part about the sports is that we learn how to play better and they make it really fun, especially for Shtilis. We think this special program is excellent.

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WORD FIND  
BY RANAN GROBMAN  
Alufim, Lev

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ETGANNONBLONLUETE  
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# SHALHEVET FEATURES



## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### SHULAMIT & STEVEN FELSENTHAL

The Staffers of this Issue are a Morasha Couple who did not meet in Morasha- STEVEN FELSENTAL- who was in camp last summer for the first time and SHULAMIT MOTECHIN FELSENTAL who was NOT in camp last summer for the first time in 18 years. This year Steven is the Assistant Boys' Head Counselor and Shulamit works on scenery, costumes, and make-up for all of Morasha's productions.

During the off-season, Shulamit is in her second year of a speech pathology master's program at Queens College while Steven is the youth director at a prominent Upper East Side synagogue, learns for Semicha at RIETS and attends law school.

Shulamit came to camp with parents Zush and Matti in the early 70's B.C.D. (Before Day Camp) and eventually was a counsellor for Sulam in Israel (last year), Machon, Ilanot, and Shtilim.

What attracts Shulamit to camp year after year? - "the Shabbas cake, of course." Over the years she's found that Zevi Adler is still waterskiing, the campers are getting shorter, the weather rainier, and Day Camp has walls- we had to run to the A Building for shelter."

Our Assistant Boys' HC is happy to be part of the extended Morasha family and SHALHEVET extends them a warm welcome.

## day camp dillies.....

### HOW WE WON MORASHIA BY YOUNGER DAYCAMPER

First we went on the bus. We saw cows. The road was bumpy. Charlie took us to the blueberry patch. We picked blueberries. We went on the tractor. Charlie opened the gate. We picked apples. We couldn't go out of the blueberry patch because there was poison ivy. Charlie took a hose out of his garage. We used the pink cup and washed NETILAS YADAYIM. We saw a dog and a duck. It wasn't a real duck. We saw pumpkins and peaches. We ate lunch. We came back to camp and had a birthday party for Dovie Kerner. It was a wonderful color war day.

### question. . .

What do you get when you mix green, red, and blue? ?

ANSWER: Morashia. (Nitzanim Blue)



# THE ROVING REPORTER

**Question: IF YOU WERE THE WINNING COLOR WAR GENERAL, HOW WOULD YOU REWARD YOUR TEAM ? ? ?**

ADAM BECKER, Machon: Give them a day off.

STEVEN ACKERMAN, Waiter: Take everyone to D.J.'s.

ELAN YAISH, Waterfront: Schedule mandatory swimming of the lake.

MARK WEISS, Red Team General: Send them to Disneyworld.

ARI MOTECHIN, B 10: Let them go to Mark Weiss' bunk.

SARAH ALTMAN, Red Team: Let them leave me play SCRABBLE.

G 13: Give them all camel rides.

RONAN ZAKAI, Red Team Lieutenant: Give them each a Coke.

ARI SONNENBERG, Machon: Give them all scoops.

BARBARA DEUTSCH, Machon Head: Send them home.

YOCHAVED AUSUBEL, Nurse: Add a fourth nurse.

ILANA GLATT, SC, G 11 & JOY WEINSTEIN, SC, G 12: Take Joyce Fruchter out to dinner.

SUZANNE ANZISKA & NITZA MILLER, G 6: Buy them Woodbourne pizza.

LEORA COHN G 18: Schedule a second color war.

BRACHA MONDROW, G 2: Give each one a troll.

SHOSHANA MONDROW, G 2: Throw a slumber party for the winning girls.

RONIT PELMAN, G 5: Give each one a hug.

ALIZA KOLLANDER, G 17: Have the kitchen staff make them a special dessert.

SHARI SUSSMAN, G 18 & LARA OSTREICHER, G 20: Let them sleep all day followed by a co-ed night activity.

DAVID RUDITZKY, JC, B 14: Reward me.

VANESSA GLUCK, SC G7, YARDENA SONNENBERG, Speciality, & CINDY ZOMBER, Machon: Give them a Plexi-glass cutter.

JOSH SEGAL & ELLEN KALLISH, Blue Team Generals: Take them to the Blue Moon.

DANIEL GIBBER, SC, B 7 & RISA SPIERER, SC, G 10, Blue Lieutenants: Let them accompany Ellen & Josh.

TAMAR KAPLAN MARANS, G 3: Take them to th Empire State Building.

JACOB GOLDBERG, JC,B8 & DANIEL SPRUNG, B7: Let them wear Jonathan Sprung's sweat pants.

ROMY GARDENSWARTZ, G 9: Do their laundry.

RACHEL MANSDORF, G 7: Change hat colors.

NAVA BARBER, G 7: Give them an extra trip day.

SHIRA ABRAMOWITZ, G 13: Eliminate sports for a week.

MOTTI NOVICK, JC, B 17: Let them be judges next year.

ELI RICHTMAN, SC, B 4: Promise never to make them wear pink hats again.

KAREN ZELENETZ, G 12: Eliminate shiur