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WELCOME TO CAMP MORASHA 1997!

Shabbat Times:

Latest candle lighting:7:20 PM

Kabbalat Shabbat: 6:06 PM

Friday night speaker:
Mrs. Chava Willig
Levy
10:00- Pargod
Hope to see you
there!

Shalhevet welcomes all camper and staff contributions.

Please see Alisa Schwartz in the Dining room.

TORAH THOUGHTS

"ולא יהיה כקרח וכעדתו" Each one should not be like Korach and his Sefer Mitzvot Godol company. (Semag- 13th Century) actually considered this a source for one of the 365 negative precepts of the Torah. We are commanded not to be like Korach. Korach wished to sow the seeds of strife in the camp of Israel by questioning Moshe's explanations of certain Mitzvot. The Midrash cites a particular question of Korach relating to Tzitzit, the last topic of the preceding parsha. Korach inquired about the color of T'chelet and Moshe responded that the blue color reminds us of the vast horizon across the ocean where we can see where the sea meets the sky. The color blue bespeaks Hashem's infinite being in a symbolic way for us to carry with us at all times as a reminder of all the mitzvot. Korach accepted this reasoning, but then queried further . "What would be the law," he asked, "If the garment of the tzitzit were blue, would the garment still require tzitzit?" Moshe's affirmative answer was mocked by Korach. Surely a blue garment wouldn't need tzitzit at all, he argued. Surely the garment itself would point towards G-d's

majesty. His was, according to Rav Soloveitchik z"l, a common sense rebellion. However, Moshe had to teach Korach, that even insofar as a Mitzva which does not elicit an emotional response may be lacking somewhat, nonetheless, it is not the emotion that identifies the Mitzva, but the Mitzva which qualifies the emotion. Every Mitzva must engrave a deep impression upon us and in this vein, the following words of Rebbi Yisroel Salanter are most instructive. Reb Yisroel, the master of Mussar and Midos taught that every Mitzva must not only bring us closer to Hashem but also to each other. This includes Matza, Marror, Shofar, Tzitzit as well as the obvious interpersonal Mitzvot.

To this end we have dedicated this summer's theme to the enhancement and perfection of our Midot. Each week we will concentrate in a different Midah and these pages will reserve space for each one.

I am looking forward to an excellent summer of growth in many ways.

Chazak!

Rabbi Allen Schwartz

FUZ PAGE

TANACH TRIVIA

- 1. Name 2 cousins in the Torah who have almost the exact name?
- 2. Is Yehudis a Tanach name, and if so, who was she?
- 3. Who was the second king of Israel?
- 4. Which tribe was known for lefthandedness?
- 5. What striking feature do מלכים and מלכים and מלכים have in common?

Answers

- 1. Eliezer and Elazar
- 2. The only Yehudis in Tanach was Esav's wife.
- 3. Ish Boshes
- 4. Binyamin
- 5. Both have the same amount of Pesukim

JEWISH BASEBALL TRIVIA

- 1. Which Jewish pitcher won or saved every game of the 1959 World Seriesfor the Brooklyn Dodgers?
- 2. Who was the major league's first designated hitter?
- 3. This Jewish pitcher surrendered Babe Ruth's last home run as a New York Yankee.
- 4. Name two Jewish players who hit 3 home runs in one game.
- 5. This Jewish batter was the only player ever to pinch hit for Mel Ott.

Answers

- 1. Larry Sherry
- 2. Ron Blomberg on April 6, 1973
- 3. Syd Cohen on September 29, 1934
- 4. Mike Epstein on May 16, 1969, Art Shamsky August 14, 1966
- 5. Sid Gordon on Sept. 2, 1946

MATCH THE WORD WITH ITS MEANING.

THEY ARE ALL ENGLISH WORDS

- 1. xystus
- 2. pyrosis
- 3. scuddick
- 4. carfax
- 5. pismirism
- 6. dahoon
- 7. maunder
- 8. gronk
- 9. chinquapin
- 10. loganamnosis

- a. incoherent talk
- b. an obsession with trying to remember obscure words
- c. a computer breakdown
- d. intersection of 4 or more roads
- e. acid indigestion
- f. an indoor exercise area.
- g. Tree of the chestnut family
- h. something with no value
- i. petty savings
- i. a small bushy evergreen

ANSWERS

1. f 2.e 3.h 4.d 5.i 6.j 7.a 8.c 9g 10.b