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SHALHEVET

JULY 29-30, 2011 / SHABBAT PARSHAT MASEI



AcroDunk!

COMING UP THIS
WEEK AT CAMP:

August 1

Top Chef

August 2

Multi-Camp Inter-camp

August 3

Pay Day

August 4

Flag Football Invitational

August 4

Chesed Day

SHABBAT SHALOM!

Flying High at Morasha

We had another fantastic week! On Sunday, we watched an entertaining AcroDunk show, with basketball stars performing stunts all over the court. We were sad to say goodbye to our July friends, but very excited to welcome all our new campers that came for the second session. Over 100 boys and girls also joined us for three days this week as part of Morasha Mania, to get a small taste of how wonderful our camp is.

On Monday, our Yachad campers, along with bunk B-6, were treated to a special helicopter ride! The views from up above were unbelievable and we are grateful to Morasha parent Jeremy Strauss for



making it all possible.

The Alufim and Alufot are having a blast on their road trip, in Florida, South Carolina and Washington, DC. Back at camp, the Older Shtili Boys had a surprise one-day Color War, and each division went on a night trip to the movies. Also, on Friday afternoon, the Older Shtili Boys won the Wayne County basketball league with Isaac Laifer as MVP!

Good Shabbos!



NEWS FROM GIRLS CAMPUS

NITZI GIRLS: *We are so excited to welcome new campers Tikva Zimmerman and Daniella Glass to our division. This week was fun, filled with Acrodunk, "Minute to Win It," a movie, jewlery making, and "Panic." We can't believe there are only three weeks left of camp! It's flying by so quickly!*



YOUNGER SHTILI GIRLS: *The Younger Shtilim had a fantastic week. We were so happy to welcome three new campers, Atara, Sara and Chloe, into our division. We had a great time at our night trip out to the movies, where we saw "Kung Fu Panda 2" and ate really yummy popcorn! We also had a really fun co-ed night activity, when we played Panopoly. Army night on Thursday was also a blast and we really enjoyed dressing up our counselors and performing skits about them! We are looking forward to a wonderful shabbos!*

OLDER SHTILI GIRLS: *The OSG had a great week! On Sunday, we were so proud of Zahava Isaacs for her participation in the AcroDunk show. We had a blast playing Panopoly, (not Panopoly!) and the winning team enjoyed hot canteen. We also had an amazing hike with Ariel Cohen through the forest, with guest appearances by Shira Wiener, Jeremy Jozsef and Jared Bruh. As we sat around the campfire, we had our own "Town Hall" meeting with Jeremy and we each introduced ourselves and got to tell him one thing about the summer! We loved our much-anticipated night activity, Rainbow Tag, plus a night outing to the movies! We also welcomed eight new campers on Changeover Day, the most of any division in camp! Special thanks to Jordan Odinsky for helping them learn the rules of the division!*



MANHIGOT: *We were so proud of our Como League basketball and hockey teams who made it to the championship! On Saturday night, we all enjoyed a late-night movie in the air conditioned music room with hot pretzels and popcorn. After saying goodbye to our friends on changeover day, we watched a Machzor Aleph vs. Machzor Bet basketball game and played Last Team Standing - a mixture of wacky races and brain challenges, which was a lot of fun! Tuesday, we had a blast, eating at Como Pizza for lunch, going to a ropes course and then on to Lehay Family park where we played mini golf. We also went on go karts and bumper boats and used the batting cage, all while eating the best BBQ we've had in camp yet,*

thanks to Sammy! Other highlights of the week included making cell phones cases at Ductigami and a cool scavenger hunt on Thursday night, using Nitzi maps! Can't wait for next week!

NEWS FROM GIRLS CAMPUS

ILANOT GIRLS: *Stop motion animation is the*

process of creating a film using still photographs. Commercial Hollywood blockbusters can take years to create. The dedication, attention to detail, and patience in preparing a major motion picture one 12-frame-per-second moment at a time are unmatched and do not come at too cheap a price. There are months of tireless work involved in making just a minute of such a film. To say an artist or director is conscious of each twelfth of a second is an understatement. To say that we as humans live a life that does not repeat itself and have a consciousness even approaching theirs is wildly fictitious. We have been given a gift, such a monumentally unrecognizable gift. We've spent years on this earth with many more in store. We've spent five weeks in this camp alone, 33 days, 792 hours, 47,520 minutes, 2,851,200 seconds, 34,214,400 frames. For how many were we actually present? How often have we frittered away those precious moments in search of ways to kill time? This week, Ilanot had the tremendous opportunity of grasping what the creators of Coraline, The Fantastic Mr. Fox, and Gumby know far too well. When it takes 1800 photographs to make a 3 minute video, you begin to suspect that the slow curve of the lips and slight scrunching around the eyes matter just as much as the smile they reveal. When we can truly be present in our own lives, when we can recognize the



second hands revolving, when we start to value our fleeting time as we walk this earth, we can begin to understand the wonderful gift that has been bestowed upon us and learn to live another day. And that is awesome.



ALUFOT: *The Alufot are having an amazing time on Road Trip 2011! We started off flying to Florida and had a blast in Universal Studios and at a BBQ on the beach in Jacksonville. We then visited the Marines in*

South Carolina and explored the always fun Broadway at the Beach at night. Our next day was awesome in Virginia when we went bike riding on the beach and visited Motor World! Rebecca Strauss said: "Driving a six-person bike was the best moment of my life. Being named the best driver truly made this day a life changing experience." Friday we made it to Washington and had a great time ice skating and eating pizza by the Washington Monument. We can't wait for an unbelievable shabbos in Washington as the Road Trip continues to be the time of our lives! We miss you camp and we know everyone can't wait until the awesome FOT '11 return on Sunday!

NEWS FROM BOYS CAMPUS

NITZI BOYS: *The week kicked off with Hockey finals where the Gushers were crowned as champions. Later we had a triple overtime basketball final where Akiva Hain & ZJ Sacks led their team, Lint Rollers, to victory. That night we had Acrodunk! The players showed us how to jump high and do flips, but we think we can show them a thing or two about getting the ball IN the basket. On changeover day we said goodbye to our old friends and were excited when 11 campers decided to stay for second session! Once the campers left, some of the counselors did too... we played capture the counselor and tried to find them. They hid everywhere, including Ari Horn who hid underneath two dozen laundry bags... at least they smelled nice... kinda. The next night we jumped on a bus to the movies... then stayed on the bus... and stayed on some more... and then saw Zookeeper! (and six of us also saw Kong-Fu Panda 2). Wednesday night we had the first ever Morasha Aqua ducts, which was wet, wild and tons of fun! We ended the week off with a hilarious game of Panic! Can camp get any better? Just wait till next week...*



YOUNGER SHITILI MEN: *Week 5 was nice. Really, really nice. We decided to begin with Sunday as usual, and it didn't disappoint, as the Younger Shtili Men enjoyed putting brown socks into wet trunks, a Machzor Aleph vs. Machzor Bet basketball game refereed by Hawk-Eye himself, and a Jewish Acrodunker. We said goodbye to around 18 of our brothers, and welcomed in 3 more: Gideon Freund adds spice to B4, Jonathan Hochman leads the way in B5, and Shmuel Eisenmann rocks the house, B6-style. Monday Night the YSM showed off their acting skills in Panic, and B4 celebrated their*

victory with a Dougie's order. Tuesday started off with a bang, as B-6 won the camp-wide behavior contest for a chance at a helicopter ride around camp, and the nightcap featured co-ed Panoply, where Team 6 reigned supreme in the world of PowerPoint trivia. We then joined Jenni Levin and the Younger Shtili Nashim again for a night at the movies, enjoying Kung Fu Panda 2, complete with our own custom soundtrack. B4 continued their winning ways this Thursday night at Three-Team Soccer, most probably because of all the kids in the bunk who live in the United States. We are also pleased to announce that We have begun a Shmoneh Esrei project, going over one Bracha per night to better enhance our Tefillah. Stay tuned next week for Brachot 4-8!

NEWS FROM BOYS CAMPUS



OLDER SHTILI BOYS: *What a week! We lost a few in the beginning of the week, and were very sad to see them all go. We are still getting over it. Thank G-d we were able to make them a proper party before they left by having grown men do cartwheels and dunk balls in a hoop. It made for an emotional goodbye. We had a fun night activity with the other gender in which we showed questions on a slide show, and the boys ignored it and socialized. Then we had another MP3 experiment, but it was stopped in the middle by an angry man. Thank you to all the upper staff who volunteered their laps that night. The MP3 experiment ended with the only thing proper for the best division- OSB Color War! We had a spartan race which was the only way we could get everyone in the division to shower. Team aish won by 150 points after team mayim had a comeback in the awkward singing and dance competition. Last, and possibly least, we all went to see a movie in the world famous Capra theater. We had popcorn, soda, we sat on folding chairs, and watched a bootleg copy of the movies. It was a great week!*

ILANOT BOYS: *This was the most fun week in the history of man. I think everyone can agree that the apache relay was so fun. The guys just had such a fun time running around from spot to spot, screaming fun things and completing fun tasks. And how could we forget how fun it was to go out to the movies, just like we do on fun days at home. Go Ilanot!*

MANHIGIM: *What a great week for the Manhigim Boys once again!! On Tuesday, we spent the day at Camelback Mountain Adventure ropes course, as well as Lahey Family Fun Park with mini-golf, bumper cars, batting cages and go carts. Wednesday featured an intense all day Volleyball Tournament, which the kids thoroughly enjoyed. On Thursday, we hit up the links and played 9 holes of golf at French Woods Golf Country club, and were treated to a delicious lunch at Lake Como Pizza, after which our brains got working trying to resolve the creative Nitzi Maps night activity. Looking forward to a great shabbos!*



ALUFIM: *We are once again taking a hiatus this Shabbos, which we are spending in Washington, DC. Tune in next week for a long, detailed recap of the Alufim/Fot Road Trip 2011!*

DVAR TORAH from Rabbi Kenny Schiowitz

Nowadays people are very legalistic. In camp we have rules that we must follow, and in life there are laws that we must obey. And we generally think that people who follow the law are good, and cannot be punished. The ultimate role model for the importance of law this is Moshe Rabeinu, the person who brought God's Law down from heaven. His brother, Aharon, however, had a different motto: ohev shalom v'rodef shalom. This means that it is not enough to do what we have to do; we must go even further, and go beyond the letter of the law in order to do what is necessary to bring peace to the world. This focus on shalom was inherited by us from the kohanim, whose bracha is to bless the Jewish People "b'shalom."

In this week's parsha we learn that if a person kills another person by accident, he must go to a special city – an ir miklat, and stay there until the Kohen Gadol dies. Even though the crime happened by accident, there is still a punishment. This person may not have done a real crime, because it was an accident. However, he was not extra careful to bring peace. In fact, he was not careful enough and killed another person. This punishment is connected to the life of the kohen gadol because it is his job to teach the people that it is not enough to follow the law; it is necessary to bring shalom for everyone around us.

It is not always easy to follow all the rules that we have. But we also need to recognize that sometimes we have to do even more than the law commands, in order to guarantee shalom for everyone around us.

BOYS BMP: This past week in the BMP was truly amazing. Starting with our awesome Friday Night Tisch, the BMP set the tone for the week learning with campers of all ages, giving them food only as an afterthought. On Sunday night we traveled to BBYO and had some amazing discussions and an awesome concert. The BMP continued to give chaburahs to both Machzar Aleph and Bet on topics ranging from the halakhic viewpoint of steroids in sports to the laws of the city of refuge. We look forward to some amazing Tisches this Shabbos, and invite all campers to come to the BMP to enjoy food, air conditioning, Torah, and a great time. Good Shabbos!

GIRLS BMP: We were sad to say goodbye to our first monthers this week, but we were excited to welcome our newest BMP women, who joined us for August! We also had a second successful session with BBYO this week, and we look forward to the next few weeks of the summer, with more learning, shiurim and tishes, filled with amazing BMP ruach!

DAY CAMP: Week 5 was amazing! While continuing our regular activities and learning new things each day, we began to plan for three of our upcoming events. Pajama Day for Prachim and Parparim will be on Tuesday. Senior Boys and Girls and Cochavim will participate in Army Day on Tuesday. Thursday will be Israel Day in Day Camp. Each group will be preparing a place in Eretz Yisrael and decorating their room accordingly. We will participate in special activities in each room. Friday is our annual Jump-A-Thon. We are collecting money for Chai Lifeline to help support their important work.



Sheilah of the Summer: *Hilkhhot Ductigami* by Rabbi Dratch

With the popularity of *Ductigami* this summer (thanks Chaye Warburg!) and the many things created by our campers and staff, the following sheilah was asked:

Can someone make a four-cornered garment out of duct tape and put tzitzit on it?

According to the gemara, Menachot 39b, only a begged (garment) is chayyav (obligated) in tzitzit. According to Rav Nachman, only a garment made of wool or linen requires tzitzit according to Torah law.

According to Rava, all garments do. The Shulchan Arukh (Orach Chaim 9:1) paskens (rules) like Rav Nachman, the Rema (adding the Ashkenazic practice) rules like Rava that all materials require tzitzit.

That takes care of cotton and other synthetic materials (like fishnet tzitzit, although there is a big machloket [debate] about them), but what about duct tape? In Menachot 40a, we learn, "A garment of leather whose corners are of material is exempt from tzitzit. What is the reason? We require the main portion of it to be material." The Levush (10:4) explains that only something woven is defined as a garment in order to be obligated in tzitzit; leather is therefore exempt. Duct tape, which is a solid piece of material and is not woven, does not require tzitzit. So stick to making wallets and backpacks and kiipot, and guys, stick with the tzitzit Mom and Dad sent with you from home.

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Yachad Girls by Sara Ungar: This week we got new campers in our bunk. It was so nice to see my old friends from last summer, to meet the new campers, and become friends with them too. We had a really fun night activity on their first night. We split up into three teams and had crazy competitions like dressing people up in toilet paper, playing freeze dance, and drinking

water while using a hula hoop. We also all got to make tie dye t-shirts one night. My favorite activity of the week was going on the helicopter ride with Jordie, Fraida, Penina, Nechama, and Allie. We also went to the movies. I saw Zoo Keeper, some people saw the new Harry Potter. I had so much fun this week and I cannot wait for another fun filled week at Camp Morasha!



Yachad Boys by Tomer Mandelbaum:

My first week of camp was awesome. We had a special surprise helicopter ride and got to see camp from the sky. We went in the helicopters in small groups and flew all around the camp. We saw people standing on the ground waving to us and we saw the lake and all the bunks. It was so much fun. When we got off the helicopter we had to run

across the field to get out of the way so the next group could take off. The camp has so many exciting activities. It's so much fun.

BRAINTEASERS:

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ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S BRAINTEASERS:

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On cloud 9

NINE
CUMULUS

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take pets

Four wheel drive

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Who's in charge

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Well-balanced meal

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Search high and low

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Safety in numbers

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