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AUGUST 12-13, 2011 / PARSHAT VA'ETCHANAN, SHABBAT NACHAMU



Israel Day 2011!

COMING UP:

August 13
Aladdin

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Paintball

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Looking Back...

SHABBAT SHALOM
Have a great year!

A Week to Remember!

Our last full week at camp was a fantastic one, full of inspiring lessons and pure fun!

We started out with Israel Day on Sunday, where everyone dressed in blue and white and learned about our homeland. We also marched in a pride parade and enjoyed a delicious Israel-style lunch.

The mood turned more somber on Monday night and Tuesday for Tisha B'Av. After a torch-lit procession, we read Eicha, had a kumsitz, and saw "Yerushalayim" go up in smoke. We also recited meaningful tefilot and kinot and learned so much from the inspirational programs.

On Wednesday, the Manhigim and Manhigot began their NYC bash, which was

awesome! From a boat ride in Manhattan to a scavenger hunt in limos, a Broadway show and a sleepover party in Sportime USA, the trip was awesome.

The Ilanot also had a blast on their Lake George Wilderness trip, with stops at Six Flags, an adventure course and rafting. The Alufim and Alufot also loved their trip to the ropes course.

The Machzor Aleph campers all went to different places, and everyone had a great time, whether they were at Mountain Creek or Camel Beach water park, the mall, movies, Skate Estate, and Wayne County Fair!

Though camp will be over in just a few days, the fun isn't over yet! Enjoy the last few days and we hope to see you back here next summer! Shabbat Shalom!



NEWS FROM GIRLS CAMPUS

NITZI GIRLS: *The Nitzi girls had a great week once again! The highlight was our Bat Mitzvah celebration together with Yachad, where we sang and danced and had yummy food, and of course got all dressed up for the occasion. Tisha B'Av was very nice and meaningful for us, especially since we got to eat! Trip Day was a blast! We went to Camel Beach, and saw the Smurf movie, which was great and we had Como pizza for dinner, which was a real treat! We also enjoyed playing rainbow tag for night activity this week. We are so excited to perform and cheer on all our friends who will be in Aladdin on Motzei Shabbos. Have a good shabbos!*



YOUNGER SHTEILI GIRLS: *The Younger Shtilim had a fantastic week. We had a blast at our wedding celebration on Wednesday night, with music, dancing, a chuppah and a delicious white frosted wedding cake. Both Israel Day and Tisha B'Av were very meaningful for us. We also enjoyed making ductigami jewelry and wristlets this week. Trip Day was a blast. We loved the rides at Camel Beach, and the Smurfs movie was great! We also enjoyed a yummy pizza*

dinner at the movie. We are very excited to announce that after many hours of hard work, we have finished our Young Shtili cookbook, and are selling copies in the office, with all proceeds going to Tzedaka. Special thanks to our counselors and everyone in the office who helped us out! Shabbat Shalom!



NEWS FROM GIRLS CAMPUS



OLDER SHTILI GIRLS: *We had such an amazing week! On Sunday, we had Israel Day, which was great. Our night activity, Ace of Cakes, where we created cake with themes of superheroes, was even better! Monday was counselor switch day, with the Older Shtili Boys, who shlepped our laundry for us and got us benches, which we painted later in the week. The whole*

campus voted on which bunk's bench was the best, and G-11 won the privilege of riding the shuttle, instead of the bus, on trip day! Tisha B'Av was very meaningful and we are so proud of all our girls for completing the fast for the first time. We also made Ductigami Mizrach signs. After the fast, we had our famous ABC scavenger hunt with celebrity judges Michael Heller and Denah Emerson. On Wednesday night, we cooked for our Tish this shabbos and are excited to eat our delicious challah, carrot muffins, cauliflower and cranberry crunch! Our trip on Thursday was a blast! We started off at Mountain Creek water park, then went to Middletown Mall, where we did some shopping and saw the Smurfs movie, For a surprise ending, we had Dougie's for dinner at Woodbourne! We got back the latest of any division in camp. We are also looking

forward to our Tish this Shabbos, and going to Camp Shoshanim to see their play! Good Shabbos!



ILANOT: *Ilanot had a blast this week! Our Lake George adventure was incredible! From the mall, to Six Flags, to Adirondack Extreme Ropes Course, to an awesome rafting trip, the fun never stopped! In fact, this entire summer has been a blast and we had the most awesome time ever! Ilanot 2011!*

NEWS FROM GIRLS CAMPUS



MANHIGOT: What another fantastic week for the Manhigot! On Shabbos we enjoyed guest speaker Charlie Harary, and on Motzei Shabbos, we joined the Alufot for "make your own pizza." Sunday was a blast with Yom Yisrael during the day and a scrambled scavenger hunt at night. Tisha B'Av was meaningful as well. The highlight of the week was our NYC Bash on Wednesday and Thursday, which was awesome!! From

the Beast boat ride to a limo scavenger hunt, and the Blue Man Group show, where Alex Fuchs got to be an active participant, we had a blast! We slept over at Sportime USA, where we went on rides and played arcade games for 5 1/2 hours, took a 2 hour power nap and then davened and chilled at JZ's house for breakfast. Special thanks to Mrs. Spier for hosting us! We then went to the Palisades mall for movies, shopping and a little noshing, and ended off the trip on a mellow note with Carlos and Gabby's at lake Superior State Park. On Friday, we enjoyed a late wake-up and the girls campus marathon!

ALUFOT: The Alufot had another awesome week as usual! "Hi Mom!"- Avital Rosen. We started off with an amazing carnival that we ran at Camp HASC and continued the day with food, food, and more food! We then had a very meaningful and inspirational Tisha B'Av, with special programs, singing and more. Thursday was another great trip for the Fim/Fot, when we went on the coolest ropes course and to the Wayne County Fair at night. Anna Cappell said while mid-swing, "I'm really having the time of my life." Lily Ottensoser said "This was a life-changing experience. I overcame my fear and even mastered the zip-line-it was super cool!" Ellie Fadlun is "glad to be alive after falling off the ropes course." We're looking forward to the last unbelievable week of camp, but never want this summer to end!! Molly Levi says, "I miss camp, I wish I was there!" Lara Siegal said, "This summer was the best way to end my experience as a camper in Morasha." It's been great so far being the most amazing Alufot of all time and we want to thank everyone in camp for the best summer of our lives!





NEWS FROM BOYS CAMPUS

NITZI BOYS: *What do you mean it's the last Shabbat in camp?! But we just got here!!! Well, if we really have to end, we could not have picked a better week. The week started off with a Motzash special of balloon bonanza. On Sunday we had Israel day, along with a 4 corner dodgeball game where Binyamin Tannenbaum, Nicky Schlanger and Brian Parness challenged the counselors to take their best shot. They did. It*

hurt. A lot. Monday we prepped for Tisha B'Av with a special session. After the award-winning Kumsitz we led the entire camp in a torch precession all the way around the camp where we lained Eicha, amongst other things. Tuesday was Tisha B'Av and Tuesday night we had a raffle, trip orientation and fresh DJs! Wednesday came with a tie dye night activity. Thursday brought around a trip to skate estate, the Smurfs (where ET Dubin got an on-screen shout out) followed by a BBQ and a trip to the Wayne county fair where many of us went to the monster truck show! This summer was so awesome, I feel bad for next summer... It's got a lot to top...

YOUNGER SHTILI MEN: *As the summer comes to a close, the Younger Shtili Men would like to take this opportunity to look back at the past week. Sunday, or should I say "Yom Rishon," was the first day of the Shavua, and it stayed true to its beginning-of-the-week-ness by bringing us a lovely Yom Yisrael which was absolutely Sababa. Monday brought forth Erev Tisha B'Av, in which we used the opportunity to properly prepare us for the night-fast by eating large amounts of noodles. The YSM truly switched gears on Tuesday, Tisha B'Av, which produced an inspiring Davening and Kinot. We then took the messages of the day and continued forth to Wednesday, an abnormally normal day. We then used our newly polished values of Ahavat Yisrael by shooting each other with paint-filled bullets on Thursday's Trip Day, which was capped off by pig races and cow auctions at the 162nd Annual Wayne County Fair, where the fun don't stop till the manure does. We then filled out our awesome week by bringing Friday into the mix, which provided a healthy dose of feminine energy as we welcomed the Younger Shtili Nashim counselors to our Younger Shtili Manly world for Counselor Switch Day. Next week will not have a Shalhevet, but it will have League Championships and more wet trunks! At this point, the Younger Shtili Men would like to thank all the counselors and staff who helped make this summer as awesome as it was, and we look forward to graduating to Older Shtili Hombres of 2012. But, the most important thing is that we will always be the Swingin' Younger Shtili Men of Oh Eleven, where everyone's The Man. Thanks again for an amazing summer; hope to see you guys at Winter Reunion. I'll provide the Shabbat Cake!*



NEWS FROM BOYS CAMPUS

OLDER SHTILI BOYS: *Here we go one last time.*

We started the week with co-ed Capture the Counselor. Shayna Stollman has seen all the spots used before. The next day was Israel day! To keep up with the competition, we decided to host a full parade right before Tisha B'Av. We also had an OSB first- ductagami. Basketball may bring out strong emotions, but nothing brings out the ferociousness in a person quite like duct tape. That night we had a no recipe bake off which prepared the kids for baking all types of special treats when they get older. After, we played a well

planned game of swinging a roll of toilet paper at the end of a jump rope. Finally, a good cleaning. The next day was Erev Tisha B'Av, so we decided it was only appropriate to have counselor switch day. Everyone was upset when I said that we must switch back for the Seudat Hamafseket. That night was Eicha, and my campers were on the brink of crying because they wanted night leagues. Tisha B'Av was meaningful, and Home Alone was the proper way to commemorate the culmination of it all. Wednesday night was Mexican Fiesta Night! This was a good opportunity to continue with the stereotyping that Olympics began. Thursday was trip day! For the first part, we headed to paintball, the first opportunity of the summer to legally inflict physical pain on another. Fatalities from riflery don't count. Once again, in a turn of events, everyone was included in the game. We then headed to the Wayne County Fair to see the tractors, BB guns, and the pig intestines that were for sale. The only thing that we bought was kosher style ice cream. We got back really late so the camp decided to give girl campus late wake up. Now that the week is over I can officially announce that it wasn't color war this past week. A Tisha B'Av breakout would have been exciting, but we have to draw the line somewhere. Thanks for reading and Good Shabbos!

ILANOT: *After a one-week hiatus, the Ilanot boys and staff members decided to heal just in time for the greatest trip ever. Despite the early morning and slow starts, every moment was thoroughly enjoyable, and it was truly a jam-packed schedule. Our first stop featured the world renown Crossgate mall, where the kids bought lots of exciting gadgets that probably won't make it home. (It's gonna be a wild last night, right Forman?) From there, we headed to Six Flags, where we all went on a ride and watched an old Western hold-up, which certainly frightened a few. The day continued with the extreme Adirondack Adventure ropes course, where kids overcame fears and rose against the challenges of extremism and radicalism. Shout out to Devin for becoming the second Monkey Man in Camp Morasha. Four our finale, we rafted down the Hudson, in what was an exciting, fun but safe adventure with our newly beloved company. And of course, we must mention Calvin, whose humor and extreme water phobia truly enhanced the staff rafting experience. We will miss you. Until next time, you stay classy, Camp Morasha!*



MANHIGIM: *Where do we even begin?? This week the Manhigim had the experience of a lifetime on their NYC Bash. The trip started on the Beast Boat Ride as the kids enjoyed a speed boat journey through the Hudson River. On the boat, the kids performed the FlashMob dance for the other passengers on board. After the boat ride, 7 stretch limos greeted us and took us around Manhattan on a scavenger hunt. The last stop was a delicious dinner at Kosher Delight. The jam-packed day continued on Broadway at Blue Man Group. And then they went*

to sleep? Wrong. We arrived at SportTime USA at 11 p.m. and had free access to every game in the arcade. Not to mention Jesse Schanzer's surprise Birthday party at 2 a.m., and Make Your Own Sundae at 4 a.m. After taking a short nap, we enjoyed a chilled out breakfast in Division Head J.Z. Spier's backyard, followed by a movie at the Palisades Mall, and Carlos and Gabby's Dinner in Lake Superior Park. That's right: all of that in less than 2 days. Have a great Shabbos!!

ALUFIM: *I can't believe it! It feels like just yesterday that we were on the buses, pulling into the ropes course parking lot. Oh wait, it was yesterday! The ropes course trip was perhaps the most fun activity of the summer. A Big Yasher Koach to Michael Hirt for making it the whole way through. I really thought that our vouchers would have expired by the time he was done, but he did a job well done. Akiva Gottlieb had this to say about the trip: "It was an incredibly exhilarating experience. Being hundreds of feet in the air suspended by only two pieces of metal on a rope really made you think about life, and appreciating the little things that HaKadosh Baruch Hu does for us on a daily basis." Sam Rochlin said, "It was a humbling experience. It made me realize how small our world is, and how important it is to spread awareness about tree and forest preservation." Yonatan Goldberg had nothing to share. It's so incredible that the summer is already coming to a close. Jason Levine said, "It's incredible that the summer is already coming to a close." I said "That's what I said." Then the conversation was over, because it got awkward when Jason tried to smile. Jack Ganchrow adopted a fish this week. His name is Bert. Jack feeds him on a regular basis. Nofi said, "It's amazing to see Jack nurture this poor adopted fish back to life. Who knew that Jack was such a caring individual?" This morning, Bert was found sleeping upside down in his tank. Jack was amazed at the tricks that Bert was able to do on his own. We wish Bert a safe trip down the toilet drain tomorrow. It's very sad that this summer has come to this. But the memories will forever live on. Peace Out!*



Dvar Torah from Rabbi Lewis Wienerkur:

Parshas VaEschanan

In this week's sedra, we read some famous verses, most notably the Aseres Hadibros and the Shema. If one pays attention to the actual laying (as opposed to the Shema we say some 30 minutes prior), he or she will see that there is something missing. That is, of course, the phrase of Baruch Shem Kevod Malchuso LeOlam Vaed. Why is that? The Talmud relates that Yaakov Avinu, on his deathbed, was afraid that one of his sons would stray and go "off the derech". After all, Avraham had Yishmael and Yitzchak had Esav! Not so with Yaakov's 12 sons. In unison, they recited the verse of Shema Yisrael. This had a dual meaning. First, the Shema itself but, second, Yaakov is also named Yisrael. Yaakov was so inspired he recited Baruch Shem, etc.

The Talmud asks if we should recite the Baruch Shem in our daily Shema recitation. To not recite it might be a slight to Yaakov but to recite it might be a slight to Moshe in whose Torah it was not placed. The compromise is to recite it softly (except Yom Kippur but that is for another Dvar Torah). I once heard Rabbi Hershel Schachter (of Moshulu Parkway not of Bennett Avenue) explain that this is our way in kiruv rechokim. We proclaim out loud that one needs to be committed 100% to Torah. Quietly we look away as we know that a person needs to grow at his/her own pace.

My chevra in camp is, Baruch Hashem, 100% committed to Torah and making it accessible to kids in camp. It is my zechus to work with Rabbis Balsam, Berman, Bina, Dratch, Goldfischer, Richter, Schiowitz, Dr Z and Morot Aliza, Miriam, Nili, Sharon, Shira and Yael who are knowledgeable, hard-working, pious, honest and fair men and women who are the best role models for our wonderful campers and staff.

BMP: This past week in the BMP was great. Tisha B'Av was extremely meaningful, as the BMP led some early Tisha B'Av singing, and then late night staff singing. On Thursday the BMP went on an amazing trip to the Living Torah Museum, Dougies, and the Holiday Fun Park. The BMP continued to learn with campers of all ages this week, starting with pre-davening learning, and continuing until after curfew. 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!

***** **THANK YOU** *****

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all the staff members -- and especially the division heads -- for contributing to the Shalhevet this summer. You guys were great and I couldn't have done it without you! Thank you to all the loyal readers and brainteaser fans, and thanks to the office staff for putting everything together so nicely each week.

*With much gratitude,
Yaffi*



Yachad: On Thursday, Yachad went on an awesome trip! We started our day in Scranton, rollerskating. We had a lot of fun skating around the rink, and dancing to all the fun music. Next we went bowling. Everyone had a "ball!" After bowling, we drove off the Scranton Yankees baseball game. The game was really fun to watch. We cheered and danced to the music in between innings. They also gave out free baseball caps for us to take home with us! It was a long, but really fun day. We're looking forward to a relaxing Shabbos!

DAY CAMP: Our trip to Discovery Zone was amazing. The children had the opportunity to role play as dentists, doctors, firemen, restaurant patrons and waiters, supermarket shoppers and TV anchormen. We climbed a tree house and a maze and experimented with water and bubbles. The day ended with a refreshing snack of ice cream. A fun time was had by all! Wednesday night our staff loaded the bus to Woodbourne for dinner and bowling. We had the opportunity to bond and have fun in a relaxed setting. Thank you to our administration for their show of Hakarat HaTov for all the counselors' hard work. We wish everyone a great year and look forward to seeing you back here next summer!

BRAINTEASERS:

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ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S BRAINTEASERS:

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