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SHALHEVET

JULY 10-11, 2015 / SHABBAT PARSHAT PINCHAS

It's About Time... for FIFA and Trip Day!

What a jam-packed week we had! We started off with a bang on Saturday night with an intense Machzor Aleph versus Machzor Bet basketball game, followed by great fireworks in honor of July 4th. On Sunday, we commemorated Shiva Asar b'Tammuz, with Machzor Bet boys davening in a special Vatikin minyan. Our older campers viewed "Beneath the Helmet," a unique documentary giving a glimpse into the lives of several Israeli soldiers, and everyone enjoyed post-fast ice cream sundaes.

On Monday, Girls Campus had a blast at a new activity called "It's About Time," a mini color war where everyone was divided into four teams – Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer – based on which month their birthday falls out. After a day of competitive sports and an exhilarating color run, the teams presented original projects, all connected to their seasonal theme, including a dance, cheer, art project, decorated cake, video star and a "perfect pitch" performance. Following a fantastic display of spirit, creativity and sportsmanship, the scores were tallied up, and Winter was the declared winner!



While the girls were battling it out, Boys Campus had their annual FIFA World Cup tournament. Sixteen teams across all the divisions played competitive soccer matches all day, wearing colorful socks and T-shirts to represent their respective countries, with Chile ultimately crowned as the champion.



Tuesday night, we viewed a funny and entertaining hypnotist show. Thursday was our much-anticipated camp-wide trip to Six Flags Great Escapes, where everyone enjoyed the rides and games, as well as a delicious BBQ dinner. We are looking forward to welcoming Rabbi Dovid Bashevkin, director of education for NCSY, as our Shabbos guest this week. Good Shabbos!

DIVISIONAL SPOTLIGHTS:



YACHAD:

After enjoying a restful Shabbos, our second week in camp has been nothing short of exciting! We had an ice cream party after break-fast, a riveting hypnotist show (where a few members of our program were called onto the stage), a hilarious game of human apples to apples and a day where boys and girls campuses were split; girls had an all-day mini-color war called "It's About Time," while the boys enjoyed a day filled with activities topped off by a fun-filled karaoke night. Thursday morning we boarded buses for our first trip of the summer. Morasha rented out the amusement park and water park at Six Flags Great Escape and we spent nearly the entire day there. Despite the rain, the trip was awesome!! Can't wait to see what's in store for next week!

MANHIGIM:

*What a week for the Manhigim.
Kind of like a dodgeball game against the Fim.
Before we begin, how about an introduction,
For the leaders of the pack,
Some new and some who have returned back.
We have Rochlin missing "tha" and man,
And Ben who's longing for his return to Japan.
The shtark gartyl on Rayhker,
And Har the team baker.
Jack leading the gang with responsibility,
And of course Levine with jersey delivery.
Then there is me -
YoPo, otherwise known as Yoni.
The mother bear,
Watching out for the Cubs so they can have
sweet good air.
Well, we started off with a meaningful fast,
Then the ice cream Sundaes - what a blast.
FIFA 2015 was totally awesome,
Botswana and Algeria, more countries would
come.
Hockey leagues are the best,
Better than all the rest.
The Incredibles and Frozen,
Aish Kodesh and Brisker niggunin.
Like at the tish with Allan veingrad,
The Super Bowl NFL grad.
We are proud of how we daven in shul,
Remember our party at the pool?
We had a wonderful night against Elitzur,
An all star basketball team on a Jewish camp
tour.
Six flags, more flags, more fun,
And the water park - we did not want to be done.
The rain did not phase us,
Neither did the 6 hours on the bus.
We are lucky and thankful for it all,
With shabbos here, as geshmak Yidden we will
stand tall.*

Good Shabbos! - Yoni Pollock

DIVISIONAL SPOTLIGHTS:

ILANOT GIRLS:

*You all know the song - We rock the boat,
The start of summer 15 has really gone afloat.
Bunks 15, 16, 17 and 18
Are the girls who know how to have fun,
From the minute they arrived
We knew they were going to be #1.*

*Karaoke dance party in the canteen,
Our throats were killing- Could you hear us
scream?
It's about time girls campus ran the show,
Stomp, pitch perfect, video star
In the birthday bash - we showed them just how
to roll.*

*In co-ed dodgeball we showed off our strength,
Getting those boys out with beauty and grace.
Don't forget about sports, glass fusing, archery
and art
Then swimming, baking, shake it up -
Awesome daily activities in which we take part.*

*We had more than a blast at Six Flags Great
escape,
We went on all the rides and won Superman
capes.
Each day brings new adventures - Stay tuned
for more.
This is just the beginning for Ilanot girls!*



NITZI BOYS:

Camp with the Nitzis has been
such a blast,
We can't believe two weeks have
passed.

We played soccer all Monday long,
Congrats to Iceland who came out
strong!

The team Elitzur players were
really tall,
They ran awesome clinics in
basketball.

Pool party and boating in the lake
with oars,
When life gives you snack
crackers, you make SHMORES.

Our counselors are by far the most
supreme,
From England to Israel and
everywhere in between.
In Six Flags the rain didn't stop
our fun,
We did wet rides, dry rides and ate
a pretzel bun!

Devouring six gallons of ice cream
we made some noise,
And on to week three with the
Nitzi boys!

DIVISIONAL SPOTLIGHTS:

***WE ARE THE YOUNGER SHTILI GIRLS!!
And we had an incredible week:***

***Our week started with Shiva Assar
B'Tammuz,
An uplifting day to start the 3 week groove.
The fast was broken, an ice cream party we
had,
"It's About Time" was presented, a new girls
campus fad.***

***Like a mini girls campus color war-
With sports, singing, dancing, art and more
Teams Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall,
Winter was the winner and took it all!***

***Regular camp activities began to run,
Shuir, Sports and swim were so much fun!
Tuesday night- a night one may think was a daze
Some got hypnotized and their eyes seemed glazed***



***Wednesday was just as amusing
With horseback riding, archery and glass fusing!
A pool party for the younger shtili girls
Full of music, mousse and swimming- boy what a
whirl!***



***The day we have been waiting for, trip day alas!
Camper bonding and memories to last
Stopping at a mall as a break along the way
Six flags, here we come- YAY!***

***Games, food and rides galore
With swimming in water park in store!
We had a blast, so sad the day is done
But Shabbos is coming... the day of rest has
begun!***

There's a new blogging specialty at Morasha! Each week, campers can come to the blogging room in the library, where they brainstorm together to write entries for their divisional blogs, DivisionConnect, on the Morasha website. Some of the blog posts will also be printed in the Shalhevet.

This week, we are excited to hear from some of our Older Shtilim Boys:



On Monday night, the Older Shtili boys went on a overnight with our Israeli Mishlachah, led by Ariel Cohen. First, we hiked into the woods, starting from a path by the Pargod. We saw deer and Ariel told us about the time he followed a female bear into the woods and took a picture. He showed us the spot but we couldn't go into the cave there because there was a big pit blocking it. Then we hiked to "Machane Yisrael" and had a barbecue dinner with Cola and Dipsy Doodles.

Shlomo from the Mishlachah told us about his job in a tank during Operation Protective Edge in Gaza, and how you need at least four people to make the tank operate successfully. He told us about the lesson he learned, which was to love all people even if you do not know them (Ahavas Chinam, the opposite of Sinas Chinam, which was the reason for the destruction of the Beis Hamikdash). Then the campers who weren't sleeping at the overnight site went back to camp. After they left, we roasted marshmallows and hot dogs. After Ariel told a funny story, we set up our sleeping bags and went to sleep in our tents.

by: Alex Hersh and Joseph Gettenberg, B-15

Our second week at Camp Morasha was a great follow-up to the amazing first week. After a long and restful Shabbos we went to the gym and watched the counselors from Machzor Aleph and Machzor Bet play against each other in an exciting game of basketball. With 1 second left, the Machzor Aleph team was down by three points. The game resumed after a Machzor Aleph time-out. In the end, Machzor Aleph missed a three pointer from the corner and they lost. After the game, we watched a great fireworks show in honor of the Fourth of July. On Sunday, we had an inspiring Shiva Asar B'Tammuz complete with post-fast ice cream sundaes.

We also had a competitive FIFA World Cup tournament. Our team was Morocco. In the regular season, we went 3-0. In the first game, Eitan Markovitz won the game for our team in a shootout! We were the third seed in the playoffs. Unfortunately, our team lost in an upset to the 14th seed (Jamaica) in the tournament. Chile ended up winning!

See you next time, Eitan Markovitz and Benjamin Gettenberg :)



MEET OUR NEW STAFF:

This week, we are proud to introduce **Naomi and Yossi Wargon, and their children, Baylee, Ella and Gavriel:**

What is your job at camp?

Naomi: I am the head of the Art room and I teach Arts & Crafts to all of Girls Campus and Nitzi boys.

Yossi: I'm the head of the Boys'

Waterfront and manage the boys' lake and pool.

What do you do during the year?

Naomi: I am a School Psychologist at HAFTR Lower School and love seeing the familiar faces of HAFTR students at camp!

Yossi: I am an accountant at PriceWaterhouse Coopers and I'm very excited to be spending my summer at a lakefront and pool with all the campers.

Why did you decide to come to Morasha?

We were both staff at Morasha about 9 to 10 years ago and we wanted to come back and experience all the things we loved about camp with our family.

What are you most looking forward to about being at camp this summer?

We are really looking forward to Color War!!

Yossi, what is your favorite activity at the waterfront?

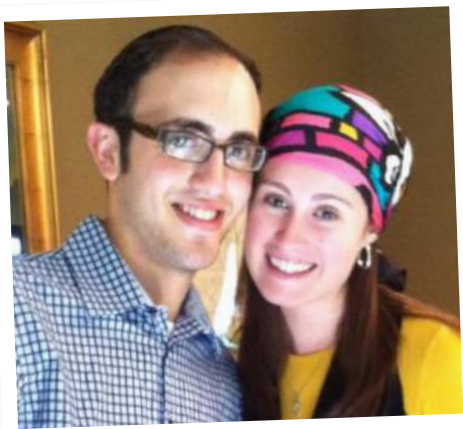
I love swimming the lake with my lifeguards. It's great bonding time and exercise.

Naomi, what project are you most excited to do with the campers?

I'm really excited about our new Machzor Bet elective in which the girls are sketching and painting using a technique called Pointillism in which small, distinct dots form a painting. We just started with our first group of girls and so far the paintings have all been gorgeous!

What is your favorite thing about Morasha so far?

We love watching our kids meet new friends and enjoying all the amazing activities at Morasha. Camp is really such a warm family and we are so happy to have become a part of it!



DVAR TORAH

by PENINA and JACOB BERNSTEIN

You're up to bat, in the bottom of the ninth, and your team is down by one. There are no outs and you wonder, "should I swing for a home run, or go for a hit and definitely get on base?" Imagine another scenario: two basketball players are in the running for MVP. One scored 55 points in one game to win it for the team, but barely scored in any other game. The other player scores a consistent 15 points along with 5 assists on average every

game. Who should be the MVP? Parshat Pinchas provides us with the answer to both of these questions.

Moshe Rabbeinu requests that Hashem choose a successor to replace him as he knows that he will not enter Eretz Yisrael. Hashem chooses Yehoshua, saying that he is an "ish asher ruach bo." The Midrash, Yalkut Shimoni, explains that part of the reason Yehoshua was chosen to be the leader was because each day Yehoshua would wake up early and remain late in Moshe's Beit Midrash, arranging the benches and spreading out the mats. Each day, Yehoshua would make sure that Moshe's meeting place was set up appropriately to function. The loyalty and consistency that Yehoshua displayed to Moshe each day proved that Yehoshua was the proper student to be leader. Yehoshua's dependability in many areas of Jewish life was part of what made him so attractive to be the next leader.

This week's parsha also provides us with another example of this lesson when discussing the korbanot. Pasuk 28:4 states: "et hakeves echad taaseh baboker, vet ha keves hasheni taaseh bein haarbaim," meaning that a korban Tamid should be brought in the morning and in the afternoon. This pasuk, according to Rabbi Shimon ben Pazi in a conversation with Rebbe Akiva and Ben Azai, is the fundamental essence of the Torah. This pasuk represents consistent, daily service of Hashem, and according to ben Pazi, consistency in one's Avodat Hashem is a critical component of living life as a Jew.

Parshat Pinchas stresses the idea of living a life of consistency. Yehoshua's actions represent consistency that allows him to be the leader of our inspired nation, and we bring an offering twice daily to show our consistent devotion to Hashem. A leader of Bnei Yisrael cannot lead 50% of the time — we need him or her at all times! We cannot serve Hashem a couple of days each week, but rather we need to come close to him twice daily with these korbanot. We have so many opportunities in camp to work on being consistent, whether it includes being on time daily to activities and shiur, or always playing with sportsmanship on the courts. The only way to live inspired is to do so with consistency!

So, what would you do? How would you play that at-bat? Who would you vote for now?

GIRLS CAMPUS IN ACTION



*YOUNGER SHTILIM (left)
and ILANOT (right) represent
the four seasons during
“It’s About Time”*



NITZIS go all out for “Tutu Tuesdays”

GIRLS CAMPUS IN ACTION



ALUFOT at Six Flags



Yachad enjoying Trip Day



MANHIGOT (left) and OLDER SHTILIM (right) at the mall

BOYS CAMPUS IN ACTION

YOUNGER SHTILIM make delicious smoothies at Shake It Up



*NITZIS (left) enjoy ice cream
sundaes after the fast and
YACHAD (right) rocks out at
Karaoke night*





OLDER SHTILIM do ductigami

BOYS CAMPUS IN ACTION



ILANOT FIFA Champs are #1



MANHIGIM (left)) and ALUFIM (right) show off their soccer skills during FIFA



SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY, JULY 17

What:
Morasha's Annual Blood Drive
When: All day
Who: Anyone age 16 or older

For more information:
Please contact Rachel Feld
at 732.882.8434

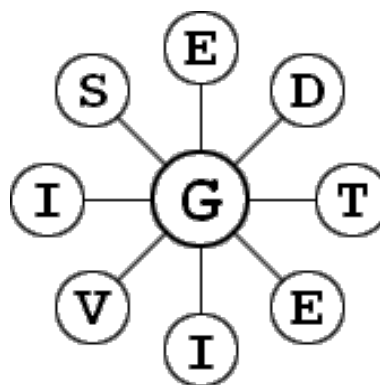
BRAINTEASERS:

Using the grid below, how many words can you find? Each word must contain the central G and no letter can be used twice. The letters do not have to be connected. Proper nouns are not allowed, but plurals are. Can you find the nine letter word?

Excellent: 17 words.

Good: 14 words.

Average: 10 words.



Below are 13 six-letter words, with only their endings remaining. Can you figure out the words?

___rnt
___few
___ryo
___yme
___rak
___urd
___ynx
___hom
___ovy
___lpt
___hma
___voy
___mur

What 5-letter word is missing from this sequence:

teloiv ogidni eulb _____ wolley egnaro der

Below are 10 words which have had their beginnings and endings removed. In each case, the same two letters can be found at the beginning and the end. For example REspIRE.

___QUI___
___GIB___
___LIV___
___RMI___
___GRA___

___YLI___
___SUL___
___IFI___
___ALG___
___STO___

Staff Night Activities

July 11-18

Motzei Shabbos, July 11
MoRasha Cup
9:15 pm/ Boys Hockey Courts

Sunday, July 12
Olympic Torch Ceremony
8:30 pm from the Girls HC

Glass Fusing for Staff- 2 shifts
9:30 pm/ Ceramics Room

“Living an Inspired Life Without the Beit Hamikdash”- Mrs. Shira Schiowitz
10:15 pm/Library

Monday, July 13
Halftime Show-Urban Circus Spectacular
8:00 pm/ Mercazia

SLIP Meeting #2
10:30 pm/ Mercazia

“Headbands and Mindsets: Lessons from the Parsha”- R’ Yamin Goldsmith
10:15 pm/ Library

Tuesday, July 14
Olympics Closing Ceremonies
8:00 pm/ Coliseum

Smoothies in the Canteen
9:30 pm/ Canteen

“Woman In Gold”- movie screening
9:30 pm/ Canteen

“Living Inspired Week by Week: Week 3 - R’ Mordechai Willig
10:15 pm/Library

Wednesday, July 15
Camp Wide Night Trip
Departing 5:15 pm/ Grls HC

Night Trip
BBYO Program- No Shiur

Thursday
Staff Tie Dye- BYOI(bring your own item) - No towels, sweatpants, or heavy items!
9:30 pm/ Art Room

Staff Games vs. Mesorah

Staff Shiur-TBA
10:15 pm/ Library

NIGHT ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

WEEK 3

JULY 12 - JULY 18

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	M. SHABBAT
Nitzi Girls	Pool Party	half-time show	OLYMPICS CLOSING CEREMONIES	NIGHT TRIP	Extreme Bunk Makeover (PARGOD)	CLEAN SWEEP
Nitzi Boys	Mishmar (Boys' BMP)				Dodgeball	
YS Girls	PANIC				Whose Line IS It Anyway? (MERCAZIA)	
YS Boys	ARMY NIGHT				Leagues	
OS Girls	OLYMPICS TORCH CEREMONY				SUPER EMPOWER	
OS Boys					ARMY NIGHT	
Ilanot Girls					Baking	
Ilanot Boys					NBA All-Star (GYM)	
Manhigot					Morasha vs. Lavi B-ball	
Manhigim					Morasha @ Lavi B-ball & Volleyball	
Alufot					PANIC	
Alufim						
Yachad	Human Foosball (GIRLS' HOCKEY COURTS)					