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Going for the Gold!

What better way to start off our week than by welcoming our family and friends to Camp Morasha on Sunday for a sunny and fun-filled Visiting Day! Our guests got a taste of some of the magic of Morasha, while spending quality time with campers and staff.

After the last visitors departed, we wasted no time Sunday night in kicking off Olympics XI with our annual torch ceremony at the Coliseum! Athletes from Brazil, Canada, India and Greece competed with their squads for two exciting days, showing off their talents in athletics, aquatics, and skills and strengths, and led by their fearless ambassadors. Campers shined across the fields and on the courts, competing in both individual and team challenges. From marathons and triathlons to gymnastics and arm wrestling, there was

something for everyone. The dining room was transformed into a tropical Amazon rainforest one day and a Brazilian soccer field the next, as the teams infused international flair and flavor into the décor and meals. We also had a blast at an amazing half-time show with a

rocking concert by Simcha Leiner, as well as a fun and entertaining "Minute to Win It" contest. It was an amazing display of achdut, creativity and passion, as each country worked together to do its best and go for the gold, with Canada earning the most gold medals and being declared the winner.

Wednesday was Machzor Bet Madness, as our Manhigim/Got and Alufim/Fot enjoyed a night trip to bowling and dinner out in Woodbourne. Girls campus rolled out the red carpet on Thursday for Night at the Grammys, which featured our talented campers and staff performing music and dances to hit songs of 11 top female Grammy-winning artists.

This weekend, we are excited to welcome guest speakers Aliza (Abrams) and Sam Konig, a power couple who is truly making a difference in the Jewish community. Shabbat Shalom!



SPOTLIGHT ON ILANOT BOYS:

It's hard to believe,
three weeks have gone by,
It's true what they say,
time really does fly!

For Ilanot boys,
there's been non-stop fun,
Just keep reading on,
and we'll tell you all we've done.

At Hershey we feasted,
on chocolate galore,
Even after we left,
all we wanted was more.

For Camp Simcha we ran,
united as one,
Nothing could stop us,
not even the blazing sun.

In FIFA we excelled,
scoring goal after goal,
We gave it our best,
our full heart and soul.

Shira was a blast,
it can't be summed up in
a quote,
We sang together out
loud,
down to every last note.



Clean sweep was a must,
before visiting day,
Camp means responsibility,
not just frolic and play.

Our parents converged,
on Camp Morasha from
both ends,
We had a great visiting day,
catching up with family and
friends.



Then came Olympics,
the grand torch we did light,
On the fields and the
courts,

we competed with all our might.



But at the end of the day,
only one could win the fight,
Canada took home the win,
dressed in their national red and
white.



We've already done so
much,
But we're only three
weeks in,
Five more weeks of fun,
Let's go - Ilanot for the
win!



SPOTLIGHT ON ALUFOT GIRLS:

What an exciting week for the Alufot! We started the week visiting with our families and friends on Visiting Day and even though it's only been a few weeks so far, it was great to see everyone! We then

jumped into incredible activities for the Olympics, competing in BBK, volleyball and dodgeball games and participating in triathlon, marathons and bucket brigades. Although Canada proved victorious, Brazil, India and Greece put up a strong fight and everyone enjoyed the friendly completion! Shout-out to all the Ambassadors, particularly our very own FOT counselor Aliza Pollock for a great job leading her country!

The excitement continued with Machzor Bet Madness with dinner at Woodbourne and bowling at Kiamesha Lanes. Although we are not professional bowlers, even without bumpers, we scored lots of strikes and spares and loved the cosmic bowling lights and music.

We ended the week with an incredible Night At The Grammys: Legends where the Alufot were both

presenters and performers! A Mora'Shout Out to Jocelyn, Kayla and Meira for their performances, to Lilly, Serena, Julia R., Gavi and Ayelet for their presentations about the

famous singers and to Emma and Jocelyn for choreographing a dance to Taylor Swift's "Shake It Off" and teaching it to the whole division. What a performance! Great job as well to Anna and Lindsey who began the evening hosting interviews on the red carpet, greeting both the guests and the stars!

Lastly, a special thank you to Mishlachat for an amazing ODT night activity this week! We can't wait for another incredible week!



SPOTLIGHT ON OLDER SHTILIM BOYS BY JESSE MULLER, CALEB ROSENFELD AND AKIVA SOKOL:

This week was very exciting! On Sunday, we had Visiting Day, and we got to see our family and friends. Although we were sad to say goodbye, we were excited that the



Olympics would begin that night. There was fierce competition between Canada, India, Brazil and Greece. On Monday night, Simcha Leiner came to camp and performed a concert in the Mercazia for our annual Halftime Show. On Tuesday, the second day of the Olympics began. We had the triathlon, with campers from all divisions taking part in it. On Tuesday night, we had a parade to the Mercazia where we had the closing ceremonies. Congrats to Canada on their victory, but all the teams did an amazing job.

On Wednesday night we had our overnight. We hiked up to a campsite, sang songs, told stories and had a barbecue. The next morning, we davened at 5:30 and then went back to sleep. That night we had an epic pool party.

Finally, on Friday, we continued in our awesome hockey and basketball seasons. After a major cleanup, we went to the Mercazia for the pre-shabbas video and davening. We are looking forward to movie night, glow in the dark stomp and league playoffs. Also, a week from this Monday we will say goodbye to the people who are only staying first month, but we will also be meeting new people who will be coming up.

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SPOTLIGHT ON NITZANIM GIRLS: ROVING REPORTER – NITZI EDITION

We asked the Nitzi girls some questions about their amazing summer at camp and this is what they said:

What camp food do you like best?

- G-1: Pizza snaps
- G-2: Cinnamon buns, Shabbos cake, grilled cheese
- G-3: Pizza snaps
- G-4: DJ's and pizza
- G-5: Pizza
- G-6: Ice cream



What was your favorite camp-wide activity so far?

- G-1: Hershey Park
- G-2: Hershey Park
- G-3: Hershey Park
- G-4: Trip Day
- G-5: It's About Time
- G-6: Olympics

What is your favorite daily activity in camp?

- G-1: Rock Climbing
- G-2: Rock Climbing
- G-3: Rock climbing
- G-4: Baking
- G-5: Rock Climbing
- G-6: Night activity



OLYMPICS XI!



OLYMPICS DAY 2!



NIGHT AT THE GRAMMYS!





Meet Our New Morasha Staff **Rebecca Konigsberg**

Where do you live during the year and what do you do? I live in Hillcrest, Queens and I'm a teacher. Last year I worked in SAR Academy (as a 4th grade assistant Morah) and this coming year I will be teaching 9th grade Chumash and 10th grade Navi in Central.

What is your job in camp? I am the Younger Shtilim Girls division head.

What brought you to Camp Morasha? Were you ever here as a camper or counselor? Sadly, I never went to Camp Morasha as a camper. For the past few summers I was in school and unable to go to camp (:-() -- but when I knew I would have the chance to go to camp this summer, I jumped on heading back! After visiting Camp Morasha last summer (for only one day!), I was drawn to its ruach and energy -- I knew I had to work here.

What's the best part about being the YSG division head? I think there are two amazing parts. One is the YSG part: the YSG girls are the best. They have really impressed me with their talents and middot so far this summer! The other part is being a division head: all the senior staff members have been tremendously helpful and welcoming... Thanks guys!

What do you like to do in your free time? I enjoy playing piano and finding time to be creative when I can! Some of my shabbos clothes that you'll see are pieces I designed myself and had made! ;-)

What do you like most about camp so far? Although it just happened, I think that the Closing Ceremony of the Olympics was amazing. Everyone together in one room and the excitement happening all around was truly awesome. Kol HaKavod to everyone for such a great night!

What are you most looking forward to this summer? I am really looking forward to Color War... I hear it's like no other experience - I can't wait!



DVAR TORAH by Philly Korman:

וַיֵּרָא בְלָק בֶּן־צִפּוֹר אֶת כָּל־אֲשֶׁר־עָשָׂה יִשְׂרָאֵל לְאֻמּוֹת
וַיִּגַּר מוֹאָב מִפְּנֵי הָעַם מְאֹד

Balak ben Tzipor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites. Mo'av became terrified of the nation [Israel].

Our commentators ask a question on these two pesukim: Doesn't everybody know what Israel had done to the Amorites? Why does the pasuk only say that Balak saw what they did?

The Sifsei Chachamim answer that the whole nation knew about Israel's success, but only Balak understood how this impacted the security of the people of Moav. Likutei Sichos explains this idea further by expounding on the words of Rashi. Rashi on the words "Balak saw" says: "If these two kings [Sichon and Og] in whom we placed our trust could not stand up to the Jewish people, then certainly we cannot." Here Rashi is referring back to an idea he told us about earlier in Parshas Chukas. In Chukas, Rashi explained that Sichon did not let the Jews cross through his land because the people of Canaan would pay him to protect them from invading nations, like a security guard. The people would pay Sichon and he would make sure that no unwanted people would enter the land.

The fact that the Canaanite people were paying Sichon for protection was not a known fact. We know this because if the Jews were asking Sichon if they could pass through his land, the question wouldn't have been so futile as "let us pass through your land." They would have used more force if they knew that Sichon was protecting the whole land of Canaan. Balak knew that Sichon was the "security guard" for Moav. So when Balak saw that their security was no longer a given (because their security guard was no longer there) he became alarmed and that is what caused the higher level of fear that the people experienced.

Connect with Morasha on Social Media!

We want YOU to be part of the magic of Morasha:



* Follow us on our new Snapchat account: **MorashaMoments**

* Check us out on Instagram **@CampMorasha64**

* Follow our divisional Instagram accounts

* Download our incredible new App



* "Like" us on Facebook to view pictures and updates

* Visit our website to browse photo galleries, watch the Morasha movies, and read the latest news on our blog



Check out the five-day weather forecast for the next few days at camp:

SAT JUL 23		Sunny	87°/59°
SUN JUL 24		Mostly Sunny	87°/64°
MON JUL 25		PM Thunderstorms	85°/65°
TUE JUL 26		Mostly Sunny	84°/60°
WED JUL 27		Mostly Sunny	86°/63°

STAFF NIGHT ACTIVITIES

WEEK 4

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
24  CERAMICS	25  THEATER DRIVE IN MOVIE	26 Walmart  Run
WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	MOTZEI SHABBAT
27  GLOW IN THE Division vs. Division DARK STOMP	28  BBYO 6 SPIN	30  LAKE COMO PIZZA & DJ'S

STAFF SHIUR SCHEDULE

Sunday: Rabbi Larry Rothwachs - "Conflicting Interests: Serving G-d at Another's Expense"

(See 17 Tammuz Schedule for Shiur Timing)

Rabbi Yamin Goldsmith "Are You a Pinchas?"

SLIP #2 - "Growing at Camp Morasha: Learning from Campers & Your Summer Experience"

(11:00 PM - Mercazia)

Monday: Dr. Deena Zimmerman - "ארץ ישראל נקנת ביסורים"

Tuesday: Rabbi Mordechai Willig - "Live to Give: The Key to Torah Marriage" – Part 4

(Halacha & Hashkafa on the Dating-Marriage Process)

Wednesday: Ariel Schreier

"Surviving Churban"

Thursday: BBYO Program: Part Two To sign up, please speak to Jacob Bernstein.

Shabbat: Dr. Deena Zimmerman & Zack Rosen

NIGHT ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

WEEK 4

JULY 24 - July 30

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	M. SHABBAT		
Nitzi Girls	 ICE CREAM SUNDAES 	NIGHT TRIP	<i>project</i> RUNWAY <small>(PARADE)</small>	Division vs. Division GLOW IN THE DARK STOMP	Glow in the Dark Dodgeball	Make your own Headbands <small>(ART ROOM)</small>		
Nitzi Boys			Soccer & S'mores		BINGO & CANTEEN	Open Courts		
YS Girls			VIDEO MUSIC AWARDS		RAINBOW TAG <small>(GIRLS AND BOYS)</small>	Surprise Night Activity!		
YS Boys			Overnight		Human Foosball <small>(GIRLS)</small>			
OS Girls			pool party		Make your own Headbands <small>CANTEEN NIGHT</small>	battle of the genders Tic Tac Toe Newcomb		
OS Boys			LIP SYNC BATTLE <small>(CANTEEN)</small>		GLOW IN THE DARK	CANTEEN NIGHT & GAMES	Human Foosball <small>(GIRLS & BOYS)</small>	
Hanot Girls			THE HUNGRY HUNGRY HIPPOS		Walmart 	Nitzi Map	Staff Game vs. Lavi	
Hanot Boys			GAGLA BEACH VOLLEYBALL BBQ					
Manhigot			Last Team Standing <small>(MERCAZIL)</small>					
Manhigim								
Alufot			pool party					PANIC
Alufim			BEACH VOLLEYBALL & POPPERS					PUMP IT UP!
Yachad			Human Foosball <small>(GIRLS COURTS)</small>					