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Credits due include:
Word Games And Puzzles by Rockowitz
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THIS WEEK'S PARSHA, continued
 will not be overlooked by Hashem. The performance of a Mitzva is a Kidush Hashem and Hashem desires to be present wherever Mitzvot are performed.

THIS WEEK'S PARSHA: פ' שופת

The 2'3 (Rav Naftali Zvi Yehudah Berlin) comments in many places throughout Sefer D'varin, that one of the reasons that D'varin is called 'Mishneh Torah' is because the verses have double meanings (e.g. 10:26, 18:13, 19:14.). In Parshat Shoftim the Torah tells us

וְיָקֻם לְפָנָיו וְיִשְׁמָעוּ וְיִשְׁתָּעוּ וְיִשְׁתַּחֲוּוּ וְיִשְׁתַּבְּחוּ וְיִשְׁתַּמְּחוּ וְיִשְׁתַּחֲוּוּ וְיִשְׁתַּבְּחוּ

You shall be complete with Hashem. On the one hand, this is a command. Whatever a Jew does in relation to Hashem must be done with total commitment. Nothing less than total effort is acceptable. On the other hand, one finds the interpretation of the verse which understands this verse to be a promise. If a Jew is a completely dedicated Jew then Hashem will be with him. A Jew can be confident that his devotion to the Torah

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*U*P*C*O*M*I*N*G* *E*V*E*N*T*S*

We wish everyone a very happy and healthy year. Upcoming events for this year include:
 June, 1975 - We will all return, with G-d's help, once again to Machaneh Morasha.



Lets talk things over...

I am happy to see that this year, the first time in many years, that we are issuing a publication at the close of camp.

We had on the whole a happy season and accomplished much. But we also went through a great deal together and at times adversity brings people together more than happy times. However, I do not want to dwell on three or four days, other than to express my gratitude to those members of the staff, and campers who so selflessly gave of themselves to aid those who needed their help. It made me proud to be associated with such a fine group of young people.

But my pride in Morasha goes deeper and farther than this one incident. It goes back over our eleven camping seasons and the thousands of campers that we have served.

Success is not to be measured merely by numbers. True we have grown large but what is more important is what we accomplished with those campers who had spent summers here, the ties that bind our 'old grads' to us. How can anyone ever forget our chadar ochel on Shabbat Nachamu, *Y'ser*. The beauty and spontaneity of the singing initiated by the campers themselves. Our moving Tisha B'av observances, our Shira and our Tefilla. The indelible impression that we leave on the hearts and minds of all our people, but especially those who rely on us for the Jewish 'spark' which may be lacking in their communities.

Yes, we are a 'Torah Ruach' camp with two Kollelim and a winning basketball team, with sailboats and water skis, and where nightly staff activities include lectures, sheurin and chevrotot.

We have reached out to include Israel in our Morasha experience by establishing Geshet Morasha which has just successfully completed its third year, at a time when tourism to Israel was particularly difficult.

I don't know if I can put my finger on it, but I am sure that the dedication of the staff has a great deal to do with it, and I wish to express my appreciation to them for this.

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THE RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL ASPECTS OF MACHANEH MORASHA

by Alan Willner, Bunk B-4

As a Jewish cultural camp, Morasha encourages a love of Hashem and his mitzvot along with teaching us the laws and customs of a religious Jew.

When we wake up on an average weekday, we are given five minutes to wake up and say 'Modeh Ani.' Then we go outside to raise the American and Israeli flags. We are then given time to get dressed with a pair of tzitzit and to say the opening brachot of Tefilat Shacharit. Then we go to the Boys' Shul to daven the rest of Tefilat Shacharit. Those boys who are of age put on the wonderful and beautiful article of Tefillin. It is worn as a symbol of the closeness of Dinei Yisrael to Hashem. After davening we go to eat and we bench afterwards. During the day we have a period called Sheurin. We have different Rabbeim during the week to teach us either the laws and customs of Dinei Yisrael, the history of Dinei Yisrael, or the people and the land of Eretz Yisrael.

In the afternoon we daven Tefilat Mincha and at night we daven Tefilat Maariv. At night before we go to sleep, we say Shema Yisrael and HaMapil so that Hashem will keep us safe during the night. This is a regular day in Morasha.

Now we will briefly discuss the peaceful day of Shabbat in Morasha. We start Shabbat Friday night an hour before the stars come out. The ruach and spirit of our camp is at such a high level on Shabbat, we sing and dance at suppertime. If I were to tell you all the things that happen on Shabbat in Machaneh Morasha, there wouldn't be enough room in this newspaper. All I can tell you is that it is the most wonderful day in which we give Hashem thanks and praise.

I wish as a closing remark to congratulate Morasha on its contribution to the religious and cultural part of the Jewish people. Shalom!

To all the campers and staff - I am sure that you are leaving Morasha this year with fond and happy memories, enriched spiritually and emotionally. May your association with the ideals, values and goals of Morasha continue to guide you all the days of your life. Have a good winter. *יבנה ביתנו*
Hope to see most of you back next summer -

Zvi Kuehl

Every camp has its special events, but no other camp planned an activity like that which Morasha had: "The Sickness." It wasn't easy, but we managed to get almost everyone involved - staff, counselors, campers, even the little day camp kids. Everything went smoothly, and the entire program was over before we knew it . . . but not too quickly for anyone!

תודה

ב"בית הבראה" של מורשה
המורל מאז, מאז גבוהה
בין רופא ארפואה
יש מעט צמח לבדו חה .

ה' שלח לנו רפואה שלמה
על כן נאמר לו תודה.
תודה רבה ארופאיה ואחיות
בשנה הבאה, במחנה מורשה
אהתראות!

מר הסר מר הסר
איזה תכנית סודית,
אותנו על הרצפה השכבת -
באנו יותר מענין לא מצאתי?!

בכאן אב, ערה לבת הקדשה,
במחנה התנועה מה רבה,
כאם רצים הנך שמה -
ביד אחת מצדן ביצ שנה מטה
אנו מקימים במורשה "בית הבראה"!

הקב"ה אותנו נסה
במחנה פנח"מ, מפנה
הבחנה מאז קלה
אולם זכינו עננים "מאמעה"!

בבית הבראה של מורשה
כל אחד עובד באסירות נאמה,
רצים אהושים ענצרכים עברה,
אהבתיך נני אכבוד לבת המלכה.



Moe
Rasha

TRAVELING REPORTER

QUESTION: "what have you learned this summer that you will remember all year long?"

- "How much love there is in this camp."
Outside maintenance staff
- "We learned how to help each other, and of things we are capable of doing that we never dreamt we could do."
Staff member
- "I learned how to share my toys, and how to be a nice friend."
Lisa, Day camper
- "I learned how to be a leader."
LTP Member
- "To remain cool at all times. Just be cool."
Staff member.

"GOINGS ON"

BUNKNITE AT G - 14

by Leora Adler & Karen Rich, Nitzanim

It was right after supper and we were heading for the bunk with excitement. As soon as we changed we started pouring the food on the beds and started munching it all up!

We all picked partners and started eating and dancing together. All of a sudden the lights went out and the counselor said, "Everybody in their own beds!" Not listening, as usual, we had a great big pillow fight, clobbering each other in all different places.

All of a sudden the O.D. came in and we had to stop. That was the end of our great bunk night!

TRIP DAY EXPLORERS

by Howard Jachter, Shtilim

On Wednesday the Shtilim banim and banot went to explore the city of Liberty. We started out early to go to the city. (Heaven knows what counselors do there on their days off!). We stopped outside the town to have lunch, and when we finished, we started into Liberty.

First, the girls went to Sullivan's and the boys went to Liberty Lanes for bowling. Then the boys finished bowling and we went to Sullivan's.

The items at Sullivan's were super. There was a sale on baseballs for seventy seven cents. We watched a Bugs Bunny cartoon and part of 'F Troop.' But the best had yet to come.

On the way home from Liberty, the boys had cookies to eat and the girls had pizza!

MY COUNSELORS

by Nina Tannenbaum, Nitzanim

My counselors are Susan Grossman and Beth Dauber. They are very nice, but I shall tell you a very sad story that happened to Beth.

One day we were going on a trip, roller skating, and suddenly a girl slipped and hit her head. Beth had to carry the girl, and she slipped and sprained her ankle. She had crutches and could stay with the bunk. Then it got worse - Beth

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got a cast!! Now she had to go home.

Now since you heard something sad I will tell you something happy - Susan is fine!!!

I love my counselors. They are very nice.

CAMPFIRE

by Hadasa Hiesiger, G - 12

When we had the campfire, we told jokes, we sang some songs, and we heard ghost stories. It was fun. Afterwards we got a snack.

BUNK SURVEY: B - 4

Compiled and edited by Larry Roitman

QUESTION: "How did you like camp this summer?"

MAIER BECKER: "Camp was okay, but a) since there was only a limited amount of supplies in the canteen it was very hard to buy Ice Box cookies in the first month of camp when a boy by the name of Moshe Benovitz always managed to finish off the whole supply.

b) What I just wrote about wasn't half as bad as the other things I could've written about but didn't because of my rotten (Oh no - there they are, looking straight at me!) I mean great counselors! Nevertheless, camp really wasn't all that bad."

LENNY BESSLER: "I think camp was great; it was really fantastic except for the usual minor mishaps that are part of camp life. I admit that there were times when things really got fouled up - but the good times by far outweighed the bad times."

LARRY BRUCH: "Camp was deliciously good because the activities were good and the food was delicious!"

DANNY FEIT: "Camp was okay, but my bunk wasn't! It's just that when everybody would come into the bunk all sweated up from activities, they'd stroll nonchalantly onto my bed and read comics!"

KENNY HIRSCHHORN: "Camp was pretty good this summer. The kids in my bunk were okay except for eight of them! What I wrote about the counselors was censored! Olympics and colorwar were a lot of fun, but the most fun was during the lollypop fights we had at night!"

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