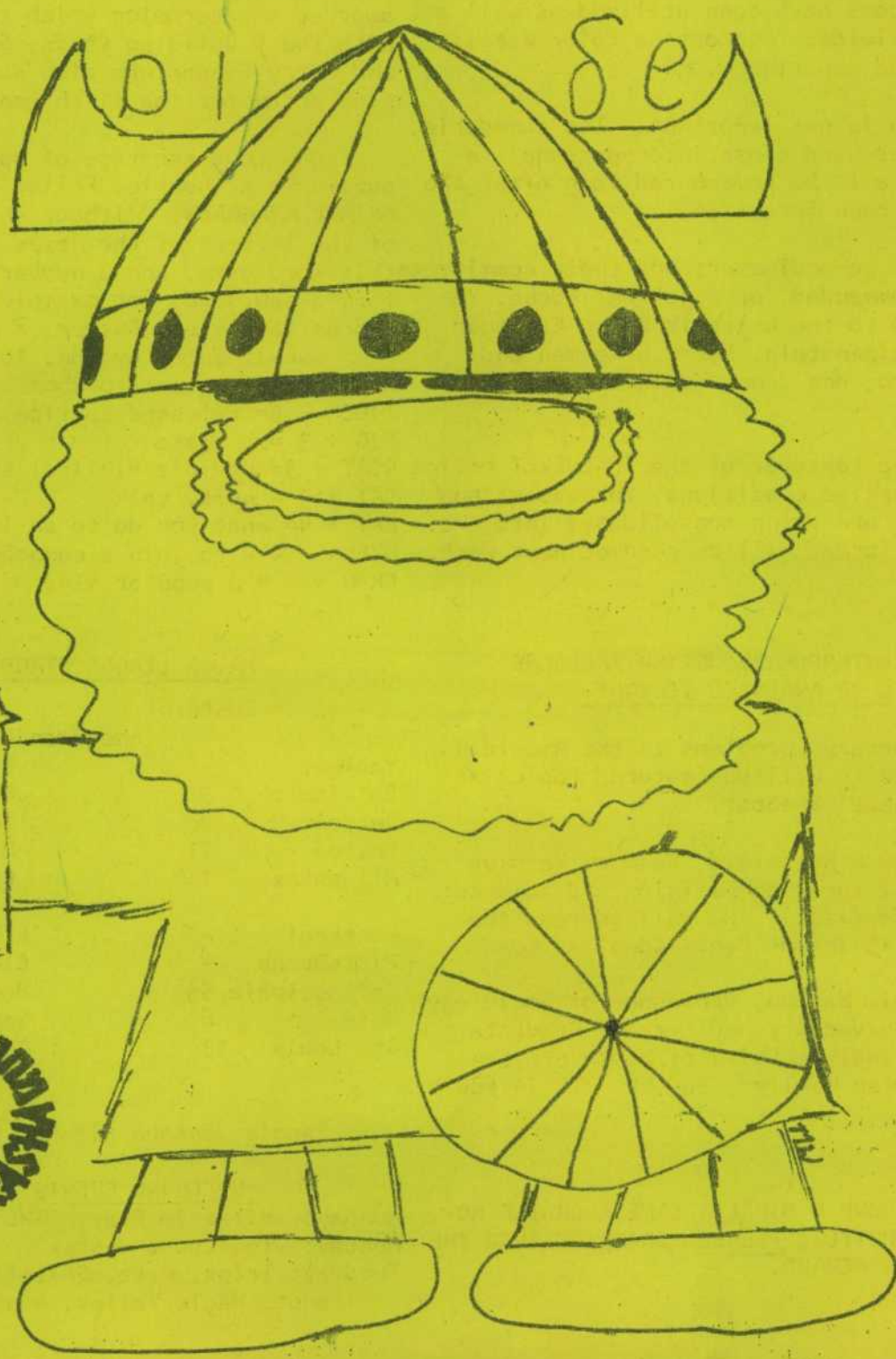


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NEWS FUN SPORTS

MORASHIA RAGING AT MORASHA

As we go to press, Morashia, the Camp Morasha Color War is raging on the campuses of Camp Morasha. The library, arts and crafts, and music rooms have been utilized as well as the sports fields. At Morasha Color War is an all around experience.

Who won is not important. The camaraderie, fond memories, and close inter-personal relationships will be remembered long after the scores have been forgotten.

All the co-ordinators and their committees are to be commended for a job well-done. Ya-sar Koachem to the Generals Steve Ettinger and Shiffy Eisenstein, Larry Greenman and Debby Shapiro, and Jonny Kukin and Esther Mehler.

Due to a takeover of the SHALHEVET office and other wartime conditions, three sections of the paper are being consolidated into one. The regular format will be resumed next week.

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CONTEMPORARY JEWISH PROBLEMS TO BE ANALYZED TONIGHT

Contemporary problems in the American Jewish community will be featured topics at tonight's Onegei Shabbat.

Dr. Norman Rosenfeld, Dean of Yeshiva College, will speak on "Religion and Science: Is there a Conflict?" He will address the staff at 10:15 in the Bondi Complex.

Dr. Chaim Waxman, Professor of Sociology at Rutgers University and Ferkauf Graduate School will analyze "Life or Death of the American Jewish Family" for the LTP in the Pargod.

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ANYONE WHO FOUND A MINOLTA CAMERA ON THE MORASHA CAMP SHUTTLE, PLEASE BRING IT INTO THE MAIN OFFICE. REWARD.

INTERBUNK FUN PAGE CONTEST

Nitzanim BUNK B 7 with Gary Abberback as their counselor is the winning bunk in last week's WORD PLUS contest. They were awarded a watermelon which they will share with the B Building Chefs, Sammy Zimmerman and Barry Bender who also submitted a winning entry for the fifth consecutive week.

Due to a shortage of space, this week's puzzle is a shortie. Following are eight ANIMAL ANAGRAMS. Without changing the order of the letters of the names of animals in this word game, add a number of letters and form a new word. For example, COW + 2 = a circus favorite. Answer, a clown.

Submit entry by Mon. 10 AM.
 MARE + 2 = a place to shop
 TIGER + 2 = released to fire a gun
 PIG + 3 = a season of the year
 GOAT + 3 = David's Biblical enemy
 CAT + 3 = noisy talk
 RAT + 4 = what you do to an itch
 HYENA + 4 = to join a compound word
 CROW + 5 = a popular kind of puzzle

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MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

Eastern		Western	
American League			
Yankees	-	Kansas City	-
Baltimore	3½	Oakland	13½
Detroit	9½	Texas	16½
Boston	11	Minn.	21½
Milwaukee	11	Chicago	23
National			
Montreal	-	L.A.	-
Pittsburgh	-	Cincinnati	½
Philadelphia	5½	Houston	1
Mets	8½	San Fran.	5½
St. Louis	13½	Atlanta	8½

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Reggie Jackson hit his 400th home run !!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Monday: Nitzanim Play, THE THREE AUNTS
- Monday: The Court Jester
- Tuesday: Trips, Nitz.-Shitili-Ghost Town,
- 2. Ilanot, Magic Valley, Alufim, Phila., LTP

TORAH THOUGHTS

D'VAR TORAH ON PARSHAT SHOFTIM

By Saul Skolnick, JSS Kollel

The Parsha of Shoftim begins with the commandment of:

שופטים ושרים תקים לך בכל שער
"Judges and officers shall you make for yourselves in all your gates which the Lord your G-d gave to you."

Midrash Devorim Rabbah comments on this Posuk. It says "Who are the judges and officials? Our sages explain that an official, one who carries out the law, should be of the same moral calibre as a judge in that his personal moral behavior should be the tool of his profession rather than a rod and a whip.- so that the smiter should not require punishment himself."

This medrash is saying that both the judge and the official should be alike in that they should be highly self-critical of themselves in order to prevent any deterioration in their morals. This kind of moral awareness will serve him instead of the rod or whip so that the judge will not deserve retribution for his deeds.

The next Posuk is

צדק צדק תבטח בו
"Justice, justice shall you follow that you may live and inherit the land which the Lord your G-d gives you." Rashi comments that if moral judges are appointed and rule in the courts, that is enough to keep Am Yisroel alive. This is saying that in order to keep B'nei Yisroel alive religiously as well as physically, the Judges have to be righteous and their judgements have to be morally correct, according to the rules which Hashem has put before us. The judicial system is the core of any society, once that becomes corrupt then the rest of society is sure to follow.

The "Mattenoth Kehunah" explains the previous two Pesukim as a moral directive to the individual. Each person is faced with decisions in life, and therefore has to become a

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WE LEARN FROM PARSHAT SHOFTIM...

By Rabbi Pesach Oratz
Educational Staff

The range of Mitzvos and directives in Parshat Shoftim covers most of the areas necessary for the establishment of a government on a sound basis. We are given instructions concerning the setting up of courts and legal procedures, choosing a king, criminal rehabilitation and punishment, military operations, and environmental protection.

At the conclusion of the Sedrah however, we have a law that expresses the Torah's concern for the well-being and status of every individual regardless of his position. How marvelous that after some forty mitzvot-"Aseh" and "Lo Taseh" of national concern we show that we don't forget the individual.

This is expressed in the Parsha of Eglah Arufah. An individual is found murdered somewhere in the countryside. He is unknown as is his assailant or cause of death. The Elders and Judges must go out, measure to the closest city, and the elders of that city then go out, place their hands on a calf that is to be beheaded and they proclaim: Our hands have not shed this blood nor have our eyes seen. The Talmud in Tractate Sotah asks: Would it occur to us to suspect the elders of shedding blood? Of course, not! But, they dispatched him without proper accompaniment, lodging, and food. Therefore, they have to ask for forgiveness. This lack of complete concern, this prevention of allowing an individual life to reach its potential is tantamount to murder.

What an appropriate lesson for our times, when individual existence is not only constantly threatened, but also destroyed. How important a teaching for all of us, especially in the month of Ellul. If this is the Torah's concern for this unknown corpse, how much more so should we be involved in the well-being of one another, whether in camp, at home, or in school. Let us help everyone MiYisroel to reach spiritual and material fulfillment. Let us try to reach this level and do that which is right in the eyes of Hashem.

Shalhevet Features

MEET OUR DIVISION HEADS...

JERRY MONTAG, Shtilim Boys

By Jay Brent Silverman, Staff

SHALHEVET is pleased to present Jerry Montag as Division Head of this issue.

Jerry came to Morasha from Camp Massad Bet where he participated in the Prozdor Program for six years including two as a Division head.

Jerry's association with young kids is nothing new. He has worked for seven years in the Young Israel of Hillcrest Youth Department under Rabbi Richard Auman, besides serving three years as Junior Congregation Leader.

Jerry was graduated from the Yeshiva High School of Queens. He plans to graduate Queens College in January with a B.A. in History and anticipates starting law school in September, 1981. In 1977 Jerry attended Yeshivat BMT on the Tochnit Yod Gimel program.

Jerry has achieved brown belt status in Karate. In his spare time, he likes to answer TV Trivia questions and read magazines that deal with world affairs.

When asked what he liked most about Morasha Jerry replied, "I like the people that come to Morasha and the organization of the camp programming, especially that of Boys' Campus. The kids are fun and the counselors have been a great help."

An interesting secret revealed to me by Jerry is that he is really younger than he looks. His beard hides his true age.

Jerry made a great beginning at Morasha. WE welcome him aboard and wish him continued Hatzlacha!

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~~*****~~RABBI NEIL MARON

Educational Staff

By Shari Chesner, Mechina

Rabbi Neil Maron, known to many as Rabbi Neil is back for his second year on the Morasha educational staff.

Rabbi Maron was graduated from BTA High School and Yeshiva College and was awarded Semicha from RIETS. At present he is a candidate for a doctorate in clinical psychology at Ferkauf Graduate School. His thesis will be on the religious development of orthodox Jewish adolescents.

Neil has served as a supervisor in the Teen-age Program at Camp Mogen Avraham. He has been educational co-ordinator at the past three Yeshiva seminars and will serve on the faculty at this year's Torah Leadership Seminar.

Rabbi Maron enjoys teaching the kids at Morasha because they're motivated to learn and they're "sweet, nice kids." (Too bad they have to grow up) He feels that Camp Morasha is the best one in the mountains because Chinuch is a major part of the camp program and the facilities for the other programs are excellent.

In the future, Neil would like to combine being a rebbe with a private practice in clinical psychology for adolescents and senior citizens. In this way he can help shape the future of Jewish youth here and in Israel.

When asked of the psychological effect of a color war on orthodox Jewish youth, Rabbi Maron replied that a war such as Morashia allows interpersonal relationships which may not have been cultivated a chance to develop.

SHALHEVET wishes Rabbi Neil Maron Hatzlacha in all of his endeavors and looks forward to hearing of his great success in Jewish Youth Work.

Camp Morasha is fortunate to have him on its staff.

From Our Readers

From Dr. Schneider's 6 G Class.....

HOW SHLOMO WAS CROWNED KING OF ISRAEL

By Dara Kanefsky, G 3

Dovid, the King of Israel was very near death, and he had to choose a king before he died. The choice was between Dovid's two sons, Shlomo and Adoniyahu.

Adoniyahu was a big show off, and thought that he would definitely be King of Israel, so Adoniyahu ordered horses, and chariots, and then made a party, and invited all the important men in the country except his brother Shlomo.

He then tried to crown himself the King of Israel, but because of the help of Bat-Sheva and some of Shlomo's friends, Adoniyahu was not crowned.

Shlomo was crowned the King of Israel. Many people told him to beware of Adoniyahu, because Adoniyahu was very jealous of Shlomo, and might even try to kill him. At the end Adoniyahu was killed by Shlomo.

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THE GREAT ADVENTURE

By Debra Krieger, G 1

During instruction swim Shtilim Girls of Advanced Swimmers and Swimmers had an adventure swimming across half the lake. It was at least half a mile.

When we got back to dock half the crew was restless and half wanted to swim the lake again. After that I swam another four laps until the whistle was blown. I was a little tired, but still felt great. Well, that's the story of the great adventure.

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THE CANTEEN

By Joanne Fisher, G 1

The canteen at our camp has lots of tasty things to eat. I really take advantage of it since I live in Atlanta, Georgia where there isn't much Kosher candy.

ROWING

By Debra Kalish, G 1

Going rowing is lots of fun. Here is what happened once when I went rowing.

We were having a blast. After a while people rowing in another boat lost their oar, so our crew went to help them. We finally got the oar and we gave it to them. Then we continued rowing.

All of a sudden, two men in a canoe came and took an oar away from us. We started screaming to the people in the boat that had lost their oar. Then after two minutes we got our oar back, but they took an oar from another boat.

After a while we saw them again, and we were scared that they were going to take our oars away so we yelled, "Stroke, stroke, stroke to the person who was rowing. When the two came closer they said, "Stop making so much noise!" and left. We all started laughing our heads off.

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THE CROWNING OF SHLOMO

By Elsa Blumenfeld, G 4

Dovid Hamelech was about to die and had to pick a new king to lead B'nei Yisroel. David didn't know which of his sons to choose, Shlomo or Adoniyahu.

Even though Shlomo deserved to be king, Adoniyahu thought that he should be king since he was a bigger and stronger man. He even tried to crown himself, but he did not succeed. He also made a big party and got himself horses, etc.

Nosan the Novi told Dovid that G-d wanted Shlomo to be king and so did Batsheva agree with G-d. Therefore Batsheva helped Shlomo to become king and Shlomo was crowned.

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ALL ABOUT MYSELF

By Elly Storch, Day Camp

Every day I wake up at 7 AM and go to sleep at 8 PM. I'm at school at 8:05. My favorite period is recess.