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Shalhevet

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Morasha To Welcome Homecomers At Reunion on Sunday



Former staff members from all over are expected to return to Morasha on Sunday for the first official homecoming day in camp history. Special T shirts will be available to couples who met their bashert at Camp Morasha.

In honor of the CHAI Anniversary, a special day-long program of events has been scheduled. The highlight will be a presentation of "Annie" by SDP at 3:15. Sports activities will take place throughout the afternoon.

A tour of the camp will begin at 10 AM followed by a slide show in the gym. Lunch will be served to all guests.



Annie

SDP to present
Annie
Sunday & Monday
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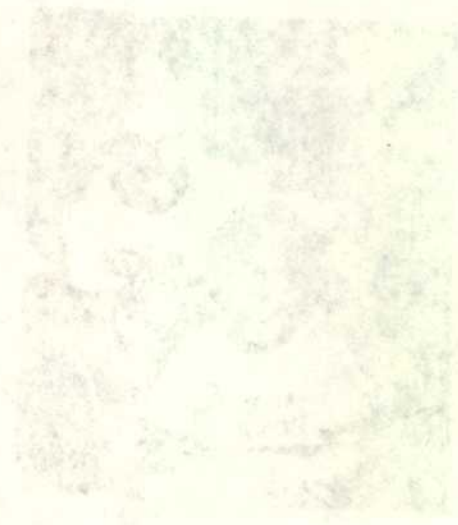
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TORAH THOUGHTS

PARSHAT BALAK

By Howie Jachter
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Earlier this year I was privileged to hear Rav Yosef Dov Soloveitchik, shilta, discuss the historical lesson of Yaakov's struggle with the malach shel Esav, the angel of Esav. He explained that Yaakov's struggle with this angel symbolizes future enigmatic enemies of the Jews. Just as Yaakov could not distinguish his adversary in the dead of night, Rav Soloveitchik stated, so too Jews throughout history at times will confront an anonymous and unexpected enemy.

In this week's Parsha, such a situation arises. In ch. 22, 4, Rashi notes that Midyan and Moav, although avowed enemies, united to fight the Jewish nation. One may safely assume that Am Yisroel hardly expected a confrontation with these two nations. Moreover, the Ramban in Posuk 2 claims that Moav was aware that the Jews were not contemplating conquering their land. Consequently, Am Yisroel was not expecting a non-belligerent nation to seek their demise.

More important, if one carefully examines the P'sukim, he concludes that Am Yisroel was not conscious that Bilaam was endeavoring to curse them. Accordingly, this very unusual confrontation with Moav was totally unexpected. Just in last week's Parsha Am Yisroel engaged in conventional warfare with Sichon and Og and emerged victorious. Yet in Parshat Balak the Jews were not even aware of their enemy and his unconventional means of attack.

A fundamental concept in Judaism is

the events of the forefathers are a reflection of what will occur to their descendants. Accordingly, in our time a similar situation of our unexpected enemy exists. The Arabs of the contemporary period, just like Moav view the State of Israel as a threat to their existence. Yet they are fully aware that this

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CAMP THEME 1981- MORASHA

By Rabbi Benjamin Blech
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The summer of 5741-1981 marks the 18th-Chai year of our existence. How fitting, therefore, that on this auspicious anniversary, our theme is the very word that has served both as the definition of our identity and our purpose: MORASHA.

In two places throughout T'nach, the Ba'al Ha-Turim notes, we find this term used with reference to our link to Eretz Yisroel as well as to our connection with Torah. For these two are inseparable; they complement one another. They are our national ideals. They serve as our highest aspirations. They, more than anything else, capture the essence of our most precious possession: "MORASHA" - our "Heritage" from our loving Father in heaven.

CHAI for 18 years our camp has not only survived but truly prospered. We have been blessed in great measure by Hashem. And we believe it is primarily because we have always placed our religious aspirations above any other considerations.

Even as we mark the miracle of our remarkable success, let us devote this summer to an analysis to those two fundamental foundations of our faith which share the descriptive of our camp's name as well as the seeds of our collective national survival. Israel and Torah - without them we long ago would have, G-d forbid, perished; with them, we shall not only reach countless multiples of CHAI but also be privileged to fulfill our Messianic destiny.

PARSHA

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belief is capricious, fallacious, and erroneous just as Moav knew that the Jews were not about to attack them. Another similarity with the past is how two enemies like Moav and Midyon united to fight Am Yisroel. So too, the Arab nations, about whom we regularly hear of their bitter rivalries and disputes unite to destroy Israel.

Shalhevet Features

STAFFERS OF THE ISSUE

*****BECKY AND JOE BERLIN*****

Two Morasha staffers known and liked by everyone in camp- staff and campers alike- are Becky and Joe Berlin.

Anyone who buys anything from the canteen deals with Becky, the amiable manager, and any one who has been involved with a Morasha Theater production either as a participant or spectator, knows Joe, the capable and talented director. And everyone knows Joe and Becky as good friends.

The Berlins are serving their sixth summer in Morasha together with their sons Benjamin, a Shtili, and Eli, a Day Camper. Although Joe has been Dramatics Head since he came, Becky has been costumer, Day Camp Head, and Assistant Bookkeeper.

Both Becky and Joe are teachers and leaders in the Staten Island Jewish community. Joe is a graduate of Y.U. and Becky of Stern. They both were awarded Master's Degrees from Richmond College.

What impresses Joe most about Morasha is the various kinds of talents and the large number of talented people in art, music, acting, calligraphy, etc., etc., etc.

The outstanding experience Joe remembers at Morasha is staying up all night before one of the shows to find out what was wrong with the sound system. At 5:30 A.M. the problem was solved and the show went on.

Joe's word of advice to Shalhevet readers: "Break a leg!" (See Joe Berlin for interpretation.)

Morasha is indeed fortunate to have Becky and Joe Berlin on ship for another summer of success.

MEET OUR DIVISION HEADS....

MARLA SILVER, Nitzanim Girls

By Shari Chesner, Ohed

While interviewing Marla Silver, the Nitzanim Division Head, I found that she has one of the most unusual laughs in camp. In addition, she has a permanent smile on her face. When questioned on this Marla replied that she feels it is important to have a good sense of humor and a positive attitude. Marla feels you need a sense of humor to keep sane.

Marla was in Camp Morasha as a Nitzi in 1968 and 69. Since then she has gone to various camps including one in New Hampshire and a Teen travel backpacking camp. Marla comes from Springfield, Massachusetts.

This past year Marla was graduated from Stern where she participated in a program for advertising design at Fashion Institute of Technology.

Why did she come back to Morasha? Because she wanted to be with friends and participate in the Ruach and Achdus (Unity) for which Morasha is famous.

Marla has very few dislikes, but she likes many things. Her dislikes are ants in the bunks and the facts that the Division Heads don't have a phone in the bunk yet. (at press time)

She especially likes overnights, sports, particularly volleyball, arts and crafts, and music.

As you can all guess, her favorite division is Nizanim and what she likes best about it are the campers and counselors.

Welcome to our ranks, Marla!

From Our Readers

INTERBUNK CONTEST

Here we go with a new season of Interbunk Contests...

The following GIBBERISH is well known proverbs. Can you figure out what they are?

Submit your entry to the H.C. or Shalhevet office by 10 AM Monday. Make it a Bunk Effort!

1. Abar kingd ognev erbi tes
2. Cri med oe sno tpay.
3. A bir dint he han diswo rtht woi nth eb ush.
4. Ear lyt obe dan dear lyto risem akesa ma nhea lthyw ealth yan dwise.
5. Abse ncem akest he he art gro wfon der.
6. Li ttl epitc her sha veb ige ars.
7. Mis eryl ovesc omp any.
8. Pract icem ak esp erf ect.
9. Thee arl ybir deatc he sthew orm.
10. Var iet yist he spi ceo flife.
11. A nap plead ayk eepst he docto raway.
12. As tit chin tim esav esn ine.
13. Aw atch edpo tnev erb oils.
14. Cur ios it ykil ledt he cat.
15. Str ikew hilet heir onis hot.
16. Tomo rr owis ano the ,day.

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ROVING REPORTER

QUESTION:

WHAT, MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE, DO YOU WANT TO ACCOMPLISH THIS SUMMER?

ANSWERS:

Judah Seidman, Driver: Cover the campus with clotheslines.

Larry Baruch, Kitchen: Play on girls' courts.

Ira Palgon, waiter: Finish my research paper.

Rabbi Mordecai Reich, ed. staff: Self-actualization.

Saul Skolnick, Machon Kitchen Head: Learn A. Non, Sulam,: Stay on girl's campus as much as possible.

Jody Yarmush, Ass't. to Director SDP: Lose Weight

Judy Scheiner, Nurse's Aide,: Learn about the pains of doctors, nurses, etc.

Julie Beyer, Alufot DH: To go through Shas
Ronnie Jungreis, Counselor G 8: Just to go through...

Susie Gross, JC,G6: To miss Mifkad without Chaya noticing.

Mark Dratch, Shtilim DH: To find my Basher-te.

Bunk G 17: To get a TV in the bunk so we can watch "General Hospital"

Yummy Borgen, Waterfront: Learn to Swim.
Leon Zaidner, B 8: Learn English

Jay Silverman, Administrative Aide, To write for SHALHEVET.

Ari Feldman, B8: Learn Chumash

Yaakov Kessler, Counselor, B 7: A beautiful sun tan.

Sammy Zimmerman, meat chef: To get a Kipah from a SDP girl.

Gilad Ottensosser, B5: Keep my Color War record of all wins.

Mark Tannenbaum, Counselor, B 4: Make friends.

Daniel Goldberg, B5: Win the Olympics
Zevi Adler, B5: Own the speedboat

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