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# NEWS... NEWS...

## MORASHIA BOUND TO COME....

With increased hustle around the office and a limited number of weeks left in this year's camping season, Morashia, the annual Camp Morasha Color War, is bound to start in the very near future.

The coordinating committee, chaired by indefatigable Michelle Sarasohn, Shtili Division Head, seems to be hard at work already. Members include Ahuva Epstein, Zvi Grumet, and Michael Rappaport. Zvi Zauderer is Dinig Room Liason and Tova Rhein is advisor.

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## SHALHEVET WELCOMES SPECIAL GUESTS

SHALHEVET welcomes very special guests to camp this Shabbos- the Camp Morasha Board of Directors who are here for their annual on-site meetings and to enjoy the fruits of their labor.

We thank them for their participation in the phenomenal success of Morasha and wish them continued Hatzlacha in all of their future plans.

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MAZEL TOV TO MARC FRIEDMAN, B 13 AND FAMILY ON HIS BAR MITZVAH THIS SHABBAT IN THE MAIN SHUL.

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## BLOOD DRIVE SUCCESSFUL AGAIN

Ninety-seven Morashaniks contributed to this year's Blood Drive on Tuesday in the Mercazia. Rabbi Mordecai Besser, Program Director, was pleased with the success. "The Drive went very well," he commented.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Staff Oneg. Speaker: Rabbi Brovender

Cafe Night- 11 P.M., Pargod. Admission by reservation only.

Night: Nitzanim Play

## SHTILIM STAGE DELIGHTFUL PLAY

This past Tuesday night the Shtilim put on the delightful musical "The King and I". It tells the story of the teacher Anna Leonowens (Tzipi Wasserman) who comes to teach in the court of the King of Siam (Ruth Raskas). Mrs. Anna encounters many difficulties in her efforts to educate the king's children. At long last the king finally realizes that he has a heart and is no longer a Barbarian.

The story also includes the story of Tup-tim the slave (Meredith Deutsch) who runs away from the palace. Many characters include Captain Orton (Donny Besser), Louis Leonowens (David Bench), the Interpreter (Daniel Wolf) and the Kralahoma (Ari Bruger). The king's headwife is Lady Chiang (Aimee Tub), the inheritor Prince Chulalonghorn (David Waizer).

The princes and princesses included Sheila Morse, Daniel Torczyner, Carly Nathanson, Tamar Raskas, Adam Melzer, and Jeffrey Berger. Another wife was Leba Stark. Also included in the cast were the Phra Alack (Yaakov Ottensosser), Thara (Rebecca Boim), Sir Edward Ramsey (Aaron Twersky) and the Guards (Elly Berlin and Jeremy Ives).

We would all like to thank the Shtilim for providing us with a charming evening.

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## MENU WINNERS NAMED IN THIS WEEK'S CONTEST

Congratulations to the winners in this week's Shaylot Hayom, Menu Contest Series. Coordinator Larry Schwed reports that the following have received their due reward: Shani Feiner, Daniel Torczyner, Michael Torczyner, Allison Meller, Aviva Kallus, Jordana Stern, and David Waizer.

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## RABBI BROVENDER TO SPEAK AT ONEG

Rabbi Chaim Brovender, Dean of Yeshivat Hamivtar and Michlelet Beruriah in Israel, will be the speaker tonight at the Staff Oneg Shabbat.

The lecture will begin at 10:15 P.M. in the Pargod. A collation will follow in the Canteen.

# TORAH THOUGHTS

## PARSHAT EKEV

By David Guedalia, H.S. Kolliel

The Gemara in Brachot interrelates two pesukim from this week's Parsha, "That as a man chastens his son..." and Hashem will bring you to a good land" and derives the following: Hakodosh Boruch Hu presented Eretz Yisroel to B'nei Yisroel only through pain (Esurim)."

The Mahrsha explains: The reason we were given Israel was not to enjoy its fruit, lest we enjoy it too much and forget Hakodosh Boruch Hu who gave it to us, and therefore the Esurim were necessary.

Rabbi Ovadiah Yosef gave a parable to explain this idea: There once was a boy who loved music. One day he was walking in the forest when he heard the sound of a flute. He came closer and found a shepherd playing the flute. Entertained, the king offered the shepherd a position as a minister. The shepherd accepted.

Every day so as not to forget what he really was (a shepherd) and to appreciate the king's gift he would sit with his shepherd's crock and play his flute in an empty room that had no floor.

So too, Hakodosh Boruch Hu gave us a gift of Israel, and so that we should appreciate that gift, he gave it to B'nei Yisroel through Esurim (chastisements) thus reminding us of what we were and of how grateful we should be to the Ribbono Shel Olam.

Hopefully, we have already received our last "Pain", and will merit the coming of the Moshiach very soon.

Shabbat Shalom!

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Reb Yochanan said: Great is the day of the ingathering of the exiles as the day of the Creations of Heaven and Earth. (Pesachim 38)

## TORAH TALK

By Deena Zimmerman, Waterfront Head

The Haftorah of this week begins with the fear of Tzion that Hashem has forgotten her. The Novi comforts her by saying that even if a mother could forget her child- an obvious impossibility, Hashem would still not forget B'nei Yisroel.

Throughout this week's Torah reading Mosheh is afraid of the opposite problem, that B'nei Yisroel will forget Hashem.

"Be careful lest you forget Hashem..."

These same words appeared in last week's Torah reading. Why are they repeated here?

As Eliyahu KiTov points out, <sup>in</sup> Parshat V'Etchanan Moshe was telling B'nei Yisroel of the good that Hashem would give them without any effort- houses that they didn't build, vineyards that they didn't plant. B'nei Yisroel would get so used to the good life that they would forget about Hashem.

Here, in Parshat Ekev, the danger of forgetting is even greater. B'nei Yisroel are working for their wealth. They are building the houses and making the money. They may come to think that it was their own efforts that helped them and forget that it was Hashem who gave them the ability to do this.

Thus Moshe constantly stresses that B'nei Yisroel should remember the good Hashem did for them in their humbler days- the miracles he performed to take them out of Egypt (10:7), the 40 years He cared for them in the desert. And Hashem did all these things even though B'nei Yisroel caused all sorts of trouble.

This message not to forget Hashem is really an important one to think of during the summer months. As we enjoy the good life of camp- we must remember the good Hashem has done for us and that we should be careful in doing His commandments so we can merit the comfort of the Novi that Hashem will never forget us.

# עמוד עברי

"שיר" האטריות: (לרצון) "Hello Mother Hello Father"

שלום אמא, שלום אבא. מאור: עמא טורקא  
 בנני כאן במחשת. שושנה פיני  
 המהירות פה עאל טאבות. שתיילים ברות  
 אבא אני מודה את האטריות.

הם נאננים אומן לכל אדמה.  
 ואני חושב עמא כל כך יפה.  
 הן אכילות אדקא  
 אלו עמא אק צרות.

שלום \* \* \*  
 אבא \* \* \*  
 אולי אקנה את האטריות  
 שאנה אמית כל כך מתקנה  
 שלום מאמא אבא  
 ממנה מרשה.

## נמוס יפה

(ספור)

רגליה לא שם איש לב, צמד אברהם ל  
 הקטן ממקומו ואמר לזקנה שמשב.  
 הרגישו בזה האנשים ונתפיישו בפני  
 עצמם. התפלאו על נימוסו הנעים של  
 אברהם ל, נדחקו איש לרעהו ופנו לו  
 מקום לשבת.

הקב הזליק את גכדו אברהם ל  
 באוטובוס אל בית הספר. עלתה על  
 האוטובוס אשה זקנה, לבושה קרועות,  
 ועל זרועותיה מינוק קטן. ולא היה לה  
 מקום פנוי לשבת. ישבו באוטובוס  
 הרבה אנשים, שוחחו, קראו עיתונים,  
 ולאשה הזקנה העומדת בקושי על

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# Shalhevet Features

RABBI RAYMOND AND VICKI HARAR  
MORASHA COUPLE NO. 58

SHALHEVET SPOTLIGHTS.....

RABBI ELI AND SHARON LERNER

Our Bashert Couple of this issue, Rabbi Raymond and Vicki Eckstein Harari share situations with two of our previous couples. Raymond was an LTP counselor when he met Vicki and they found each other in the library.

"In camp we were just a chavrusa," our couple revealed. "We started talking about the Parsha while learning in the library. The rest came later." It's much easier to find a Bashert in Morasha now than years ago, since many of the earlier restrictions have been relaxed."

The summer that they met was the first year Vicki had been here on staff. She was an Alufot counselor. Ray started as a J.C. and had also been a counselor. Now Vicki is the Camp Mother (She would love to eliminate Linen Day each week) and Rabbi Harari is a member of the ed staff. ("It's great to teach Sefer Hachinuch to my class of six girls.")

A graduate of the Yeshiva of Flatbush High School and Yeshiva University where he achieved Semicha and an M.A. in Jewish philosophy, Ray is a doctoral candidate in Jewish history at New York University. Besides teaching at his High School Alma Mater, Rabbi Harari is Director of the Torah Center for Shaarei Tzion and rabbi of the Young Shaarei Tzion Congregation.

Vicki, a full time mother of Daycampers Nichol and Yael and five month old Avrohom, serves parttime with the guidance department at Yeshiva of Flatbush High. She is a graduate of Central, Hunter/Delaware School of Nursing, and holds a master's degree in school psychology from Brooklyn College.

Vicki finds the educational set-up at Morasha much less distracting and more conducive to learning now than when she was in Mechina. "Even Rabbi Oretz's class faced competition from a tennis match when classes were conducted on the lawn."

Vicki and Ray wonder about the chronological accuracy of the Morasha Bashert list. "We think the order should be based on when the couple meets, not marries. Then we would be before Shulamith and Joe! Cohn."

"Even if you were a Machon Counselor, you still can meet your Bashert outside of Morasha," enlightened Rabbi Eli Lerner of the Ed Staff. His wife Sharon, Camp Nurse, who had not been in Morasha before marrying Eli, agreed.

Eli is enjoying his 10th year at Morasha. He came in lianot, and moved up to J.C., Counselor, SDP Counselor, and four years on the Ed Staff. Eli and Sharon are in camp with sons Shaya who will be two this week, and Ezra, 8 months old. Eli's sister is Tova Rhein, Nitzi D.H.

In the city Sharon is a Visiting Nurse. She is a graduate of Central, Brooklyn College, T.I., and Downstate Nursing School. Eli, a faculty member at Yeshiva of Flatbush High School, is a graduate of BTA, Y.U. where he achieved Semicha and an M.S. in Jewish History, and Gush.

Rabbi Lerner plays on the undefeated Ed Staff softball team. Our teacher-nurse team has worked out advice for Morashaniks: "When you don't feel well, see the nurse, then go to learn in the Beis Medrash." Sharon would like some girls to make Kipot for her sons, but Rabbi Lerner revealed that the only ones who volunteered were students who insisted on working on them in his class.

From his experience in Morasha, Rabbi Lerner informs our readers: "Stay around Morasha long enough and eventually you'll be interviewed for SHALHEVET, but- you still won't get a golf cart."

Morasha is fortunate to have such a couple on our staff.

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## IMPORTANT NOTICE

All Morasha Bashert Couples on this year's staff have now been interviewed. If there are any new ones, please contact the Shalhevet office.