



# Shalhevet

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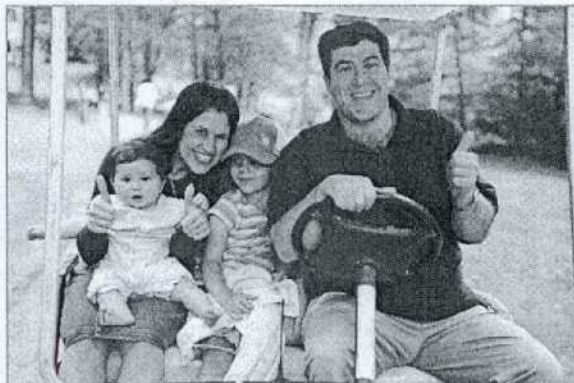
## MEET RABBI GOTCH THE NEW DIRECTOR

By Ruthie Yudin

Watch out Morasha! The coolest director has come to town. Rabbi Gotch Yudin. Why's he called Gotch?

He is married to Ruthie who is from London, England and is the Queen's daughter. They have 5 kids; most of them unfortunately look like Rabbi Gotch. After the summer, they are fulfilling a life long dream and going to live in Eretz Yisroel.

The London Times interviewed Rabbi Gotch and in a statement released by the Press at



summer with the camp theme of Torah, Avodah, and Gemilut Chassadim. Of course, I want to inspire the kids to have a love for Eretz Yisroel. My vision is to

7:00 AM this morning, he stated the following: "I am so excited and honored to be Camp director of Morasha. I want it to be a camp where kids have an AWESOME time with a tremendous amount of fun, while at the same time, growing as a person and as a Jew. This is being manifested throughout the

strive for excellence in ALL areas of the camp--athletics, chinuch, art, music, horseback riding--you name it."

Welcome to the family Rabbi Gotch! We're so happy to have you! Why are you called Gotch? Tune in next week to find out the mysterious reason....

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## Welcome to an Exciting Summer in Camp Morasha

Welcome campers to Camp Morasha. We are going to have a great summer!! Each week here in the Shalhevet we are going to keep you up to date in the latest camp news, the newest camp faces, and upcoming events. Of course for the returning campers you are going to see faces that you recognize and some that you may not. Morasha has gone out of its way to

assemble some of the greatest staff possible for your enjoyment and education.

We have some brand new activities that campers should be looking forward to that will be highlighted here in the Shalhevet on a weekly basis.

Also we are proud to announce that this summer's theme is going to be: Torah, Avodah, and Gemilut Chas-



## Welcome to Camp Morasha *(continued)*



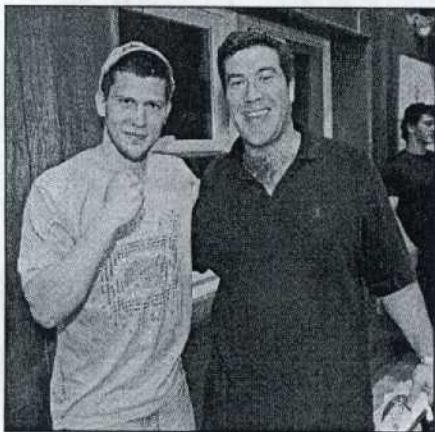
sadim. The educational staff and the programming department have been working around the clock to incorporate the theme into your everyday schedule.

It's only been a week and look how much we've done! And this is only the beginning. Get ready for the best Morasha Shiria ever! Get pumped for the first trip day! Start flexing for the first annual Morasha Olympics. Are you ready for the best Israel day!? We are also so excited for our first annual Sheleteinu this Shava Asar B'Tamuz.

So campers get ready for the most exciting summer of your life one that you are never going to forget!!!!



## Fourth of July in Camp Morasha



Camp Morasha once again celebrated the Fourth of July in style. The camp was treated to an amazing barbeque by the kitchen staff. The evening's festivities then continued in the Mercazia, where we were able to witness an inspirational presentation by Dmitriy "Star of David" Salita, the NABA Junior Welterweight Champion. He discussed his life as a

boxer and as a religious Jew. Dmitriy explained to us all how America was the only place that allowed him to accomplish as much as he did without compromising his religion. It was a true Kiddush Hashem.

The camp then made its way down to the Lake to watch an amazing fireworks presentation provided by Moshe Medetsky and his staff.

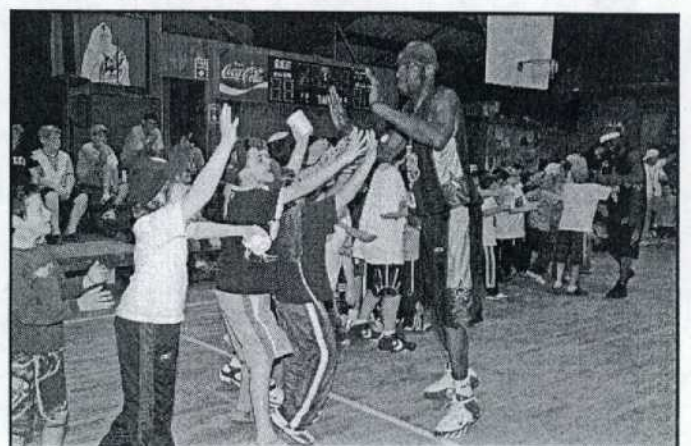
The camp then



## The Wizards Come to Town



Camp Morasha kicked off an awesome first week. One of the highlights was provided by a great group of guys from New York City, The Harlem Wizards. Campers got to spend the day playing basketball with the Wizards. The day ended with the Wizards putting on a show in the Mercazia. They played ball with the campers, took pictures and gave us a great night of entertainment.



## Nitzanim Girls

Although camp started off with non-stop rain, the nitz girls have made this first week a blast! We spent an awesome day row-boating in our beautiful lake. Our water fun continued with the mud sliding, water slides, and water fights. All three bunks have received tens in clean up. We're all so excited to hear **Abby Yudin** of G-1 sing the part of Annie in the machzor aleph play.

Nitz days are packed with fun, even when it rains! G-3 baked delicious apple strudels. **Serena S.** from G-1 almost beat all of G-2 at pin dodge ball by herself. **Shira Rosner** from G-3 lip-synched her way to a tie, and G-2 made the most beautiful erasers in art. At the Wizards game, we met and took pic-

tures with all of the players. And let's not forget the spectacular fireworks on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, which gave us a little more time to stay up late.

Even though its only been 4 days, we've successfully learned everyone's names no matter the bunk. Because the nitz girls are the best division in camp, there is a definite certainty that far greater things and far more fun will be had by NG '06!!

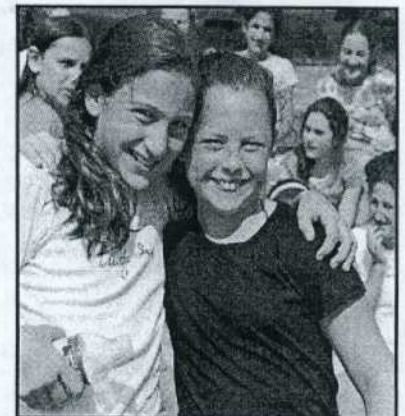


## Younger Shtilim Girls

Yes- we came so excited for Camp Morasha  
 On the bus we sang along the way!  
 Unbelievable was it to finally be here  
 Nothing beats being in camp for us!!!  
 Getting to know each other was our 1<sup>st</sup> activity.  
 Exciting opening night was really funny....  
 Reading with our flashlights is a blast

Singing for Shiria makes us so happy  
 Hearing Dimitry, the boxer was inspiring, BUT  
 The fireworks really "took the cake!"  
 Icing our chocolate lollipops in baking was great.  
 Listening to our Chinuch teachers makes us so wise  
 Imagining being at home makes us bored and  
 More fun night activities are waiting for us.

Getting to see the new pony was amazing!  
 Interesting are the candlesticks we made in pottery  
 Running to Rock Climbing.....we just can't wait!  
 Loving camp is what we do best  
 Summer in CAMP MORASHA is NUMBER ONE!



## Older Shtilim Girls

Camp Morasha 2006 has finally arrived. We made it! Unpacking went quick and smooth thanks to the help of our amazing counselors. We already had two 10's and one 9 for our 1<sup>st</sup> inspection. Camp went into full swing bright and early Monday morning. Everyone jumped in like they'd been here forever. Our first full day had a great ending with the fun wizards show. (And by the way, we loved the clinics too!)

Although Tuesday morning started with rain, it

didn't put a damper on our day because we had a birthday girl. **Ariella Lerner** turned Bat Mitzvah in our very own Camp Morasha. Ariella's bunk got a special baking period so that they could bake her a cake. By the way, has anyone seen **Emily Kaye**? Where oh where is Emily Kaye? She's locked in the bathroom in building A. How oh how did she get out? The warehouse men we scream and shout! See you next week!!

