



Shalhevet

THE DO'S & THE DON'TS OF BEING RESPECTFUL

- Do's:** Treat others the way you want to be treated.
 Always be courteous and polite.
 Listen to what other people say.
- Don'ts:** Don't insult, make fun or call people names.
 Don't bully or pick on others.
 Don't judge people before you get to know them



SHIRIA AT MORASHA
MOVING, MELODIOUS & MEANINGFUL

Jackie Robinson, the first African-American Major League Baseball player, said, "I'm not concerned with your liking or disliking me...All I ask is that you respect me as a human being."

ON THE PARSHA

Nepotism and Morasha

by Rabbi Kenny Schiowitz

Many things in our tradition and community are acquired by family relations. The role of the kohen, for example, is a position that is passed on from father to son. Similarly, when Aharon died in last week's parsha, he transferred to role of kohen gadol to his son, Elazar. However, in this week's parsha, we see a deviation from this practice.

The Jewish people stand on the border of the Promised Land and Moshe's life is about to end. We know that Moshe was very disappointed about his inability to see the culmination of his life's work, for he will not enter into Israel. Moreover, the midrash tells us, he had hoped that at least his children take over his role. However, God told him that even this would not happen, and Yehoshua would be his successor. While this was difficult for Moshe, he did not hesitate to follow his orders and appoint Yehoshua, in order to convey a very important message:

Even though there are some things that you have to be "born into", the ultimate role in Jewish life is not inherited, but is earned. Moshe earned it, and Yehoshua did too.

Morasha is our name, not Yerusha. Pirkei Avot encourages us to be diligent with Torah learning, because it is not a yerusha. A yerusha is an inheritance that one gets automatically, without doing anything. A morasha is a legacy; it is a heritage. It is an opportunity to get something special, but it is only acquired if we earn it. The main role of Jewish leadership was not inherited; Torah knowledge, the most precious treasure in our religion, is not inherited.

So let's live up to our name and take ownership over our Morasha!

Parshas Pinchas

July 10th-11th 2009

Candle Lighting 7:19

Shabbat Ends 8:27

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Shabbat Shalom to all!

NITZANIM

The Nitzi division had an amazing week. The rafting trip was a blast. For 3 hours, the girls rowed their way down the Lehigh River & only wanted more. They continued on with a delicious BBQ & a drive-in showing of Confessions of a Shopaholic. We arrived back at camp really late and had a late wake-up Tuesday morning. Despite the rain at night, Purim in July was a hit. From rappers to hippies to chassidish women, the girls looked hilarious. Festivities continued with a carnival & Shiria. Both sides were nervous, however, the girls put up a good fight & came through with a big win. Nitzis had a great week & we can't wait 4 more!

YOUNGER SHTILIM

This past week flew by for YSG... Sunday night, we had a crazy scavenger hunt & ran until the winning team came in. Monday was really an adventure while water rafting. What a great experience followed by the yummy bbq & outdoor movie! Just when we thought it couldn't get better, we had Purim in July and an outrageous concert by Simply Tzfat. Wednesday was also jam packed with the carnival & Shiria. Sorry boys!! Maybe next year. Camp is beyond great!! Thanks to all of the staff who help make camp so special!!

YACHAD GIRLS *written by Devorah Lieberman / Yachad girls 2009*

Once upon a time, 24 years ago, I was born in Franklin Square in Franklin Square Hospital. My sisters were 7 & 9 years old so they stayed next door when my parents were in the hospital. Around 11:02PM, September 17th, I was born. Then the doctor took the baby and said the baby has Down Syndrome. The next day, they came home and they took the baby and showed it to everyone and they were happy. On Friday night, they had a Shalom Bat in the house and the next day, mom stayed home with the baby and my sisters went to shul with my Dad and my Dad named the baby, Devorah. Then I went to public school at age 2 months old until I was 21 years old and then I went to Israel for 2 years in Yeshivat Brovenders in Midreshet Darkeynu in Midreshet Lindenbaum. Now I work in the office at Camp Morasha and sometimes it's hard but I love it!!!

GIRLS CAMPUS RECAP



OLDER SHTILIM

Older Shtili Girls had another Oh So Great week in & out of camp! On Trip Day, we loved rafting, the bbq & the movie. We're looking forward to the "shalom zochar" on Friday night followed by another upcoming simcha, the "pidyon haben". Although last summer we had the "bris" and things are a bit out of order, OSG will take any excuse to P-A-R-T-Y! We loved our coed pizza party & who knew how intense a game of musical chairs can get? Congrats to the winner, Aliza Hornblass! Thanks to Alan for being a great host and "a special thanks to Natan for being the best friend to the OSG, period!"



ILANOT



The Ilanot girls were the 1st group to leave camp. We went on a hike with Ariel Cohen that may have started with a few lazy moans & groans, but low & behold everyone had a good time (even walking in the rain) and it was a huge success when everyone got their DJ's. We loved the dancing at the concert & the fireworks after Shabbat. Sunday night, we played the Amazing Race following clues all around camp, performing all kinds of tasks and the winner completing the final puzzle first. The fun night was topped off with canteen night for all. On Trip Day, we went biking & got plenty of exercise!(20 miles worth!) Special Yasher Koach to the 12 girls who made it the whole distance! The best part was that for our tremendous efforts, we get a special trip on Friday! The week went on with Purim in July -costumes, music & concert, the fabulous Morasha carnival & straight into a meaningful Shiria. Thanks to the efforts of our Shiria leaders & to the whole girls campus on another girls campus win!

MANHIGOT

Go Go ManhiGOT! We have been enjoying lacrosse, arts & crafts, rock climbing and interacting with Yachad. Our night activities included baking for our upcoming tzedakah bake sale, dressing up as farmers for Purim in July and, of course, Shiria! A special shout out to Kayla & Rachel, 2 of our counselors who ran Shiria and led the girls to victory! Trip Day was a beautiful day. A great day to get wet, to go to the mall and enjoy a refreshing cup of coffee at Starbucks or some delicious ice-cream at Carvel. On Thursday, Shiva Asar B'Tamuz, we watched a meaningful movie "Hero in Heaven" and began the campwide siyum learning. Can't wait for next week's Olympics & bake sale on Friday.



ALUFOT

The Alufot had a great time this past week
However, about swine flu, we will not speak.
Sunday started off slow since we were down some friends
a trip to Woodbourne for dinner was a great way to put the day to an end
Monday was our trip, which was loads of fun
all over the mall to find closed toe shoes we did run
then white water rafting where we faced our fears
after a very traumatizing experience during our Ilanot years
A shoutout to Jen Schertz who asked to go to a local store
and Deena Rothman who hit herself with an oar
but we really showed the firm and other divisions how the Alufot roll
fighting off raft invasions, attempts to steal oars, and being soaked really
took a toll
The night ended off with some food, a movie, and Alufot chants
it's a good thing Lizzy Brenner was able to wear her chill pants
Tuesday was a much needed time to wake up late
for in our center stage performance we must be top rate
If you didn't see us at Purim in July, we were pigs (ie: swine flu)
join our best friends at the infirmary if you start saying achoo
Shiria was awesome, as was the whole week overall
stay tuned to hear all about next week y'all!
(special thanks to all the infirmary nurses who took care of us this week!)



NITZANIM

Nitzi boys loved Trip Day & we'll surely miss JB, our rafting leader, NOT! Extreme Dodgeball was still extremely awesome even though nobody could hit the halfcourt shot! We are proud of our clean bunks (it only took us a week and a half). Last, but not least, we visited Camp Block, bringing simcha to the elders at the hachnasat sefer torah. A special treat of delicious DJ's ice-cream brings a guaranteed smile to all!

OLDER SHTILIM

This was an action packed week for OSB. Awesome coed night activity with a huge pizza, arranged by our very own Jordan Bistritzky and Zack Fuchs. Intense game of musical chairs combined with a game of Name that Tune! We all had a blast on the rafting trip even though everyone got more than a little wet. We all had a great time on Purim in July and enjoyed the great concert. We are looking forward to a joint tournament with the Ilanot next week.

YACHAD BOYS

Rain delayed play this week for many of our activities, but that didn't stop the Yachad guys on Purim in July from dressing up as beach boys. In their shades and suntan lotion, they were ready to party, and , oh my, how great did they look! They really put on a brave face after losing Shiria to the girls by dressing up with enthusiasm and joy. Camper of the week is Abie. His award-winning smile makes the rest of the campers happy and excited for every activity they're going to. We feel lucky to have amongst us, the one and only, Abie Aballi.

BOYS CAMPUS RECAP



YOUNGER SHTILIM

This week, Younger Shtilis had a rockin time on Trip Day while going white water rafting! They enjoyed watching National Treasure (and Confessions of a Shop-a-holic) and appreciated the late wake-up that came the day after. Though we didn't win, the Younger Shtili Boys did a great job in Shiria and really gave it their all. The carnival was amazing, learning on Shiva Assar B'Tamuz was really meaningful and we are looking forward to what we know will be an awesome Shabbat!





ILANOT

We had a great time this week starting with a pizza party & gaga & culminating with an intercamp b-ball tournament right here in Morasha. In between all of these exciting activities, we went on a 15 mile bike ride, which all of the boys finished(though the same can't be said for the girls). Nice job Austin Klein, who came in first. For Purim in July, Stauber & Goldstein dressed up as Purell dispensers. And even though it was a tough loss in Shiria, the boys said they'll still talk to the girls during pegisha this Shabbat.

MANHIGIM

The first full week of activities was definitely full of excitement. As leagues continued to intensify, we took a break on Monday for Trip Day. Some highlights include Yoni Frieling's humongous ice cream purchase at Carvel, having water fights in the river with the Older Shtilis and J.J. Goldstein's beautiful rendition of Boruch Hagever on the way back. The end of the week was inspirational and meaningful as the boys learned about achdus on Shiria night and spent time Thursday afternoon learning mishnayot for the campwide siyum. Bring on the Olympics!



ALUFIM

Aye Caumba! Es was el weeko muy amazingo en el division de Alufim! El week began con dio del trip, y nos vamos en el river de lehigh. Los camperos had mucho agua fights en el raftos, y got mucho weto.

En el infirmirio, es mucho much swino. El directoro del campo, Gotcho, es loco, porque el hablo con challah rolls. Miguel Minopla y Miguel Fruchter heim dos camperos en el division.

Para Bailar la bamba. Purim en Julio was mucho funo, y el felt like Cinco de Mayo.

En el Shiriatirodiez, el muchochos lost a la muchacjas, but el was 100% rigged! Muchachos lost!?? Aye aye aye! La cucaracha! En el weeko de nexto, es olympicos, yel live de Friday night! Shabbato Bueno!

DAY CAMP

Week 2 has flown by! Sharing, taking turns and helping our friends are skills we are doing on a daily basis. Our counselors and morot are doing a great job! Older and senior campers are learning Parsha every day with Morah Yael, Morah Nili and Rabbi Oratz. We love feeding the horses carrots as we gallop around from up high. Speaking of up high, watch us climb the rock wall. Arts & crafts, woodshop and ceramics are areas in which we can be creative. We have many choices and exploring different media is great fun. In baking, we are creative, as well as satisfying our sweet tooth - amazing! In library, we listen to great stories and have the opportunity to take out books. In music, we are learning new songs. We have swim, but due to the cold weather, we haven't been to the lake lately. We hope for better weather next week. We are enjoying sports activities daily. Scooters, parachutes, hoola hoops and tunnels keep our muscles healthy. Dance is another activity we enjoy as we enhance our coordination. The web, bumper cars and arcade games at Fun and Games were amazing, the ice cream was delicious and our performance at Shiria was awesome. Special thanks to Ben, Rabbi Yudin and Eli for all of their help. The fun at Day Camp never ends!

ROVING REPORTER | QUESTION. 10 ANSWERS.?

The best part of Trip Day was...



PHOTO OF THE WEEK:

1. The kiddush hashem the campers & staff made by cleaning up the campsite after the bbq & movie / Rabbi Friedman
2. the rapids / Nicole V. - G6
3. go carts / Riva K. - Yachad girls
4. getting wet! / the entire B3
5. the bar-b-que / Justin F.- B8
6. swimming in the lake / Debra L. - G2
7. rafting / Jonathan C. - B5
8. bumper cars / Ayelet Y. - Parpaim
9. the movie / Daniel W. - B1
10. carrying my granddaughter around in a baby b'journe / Rabbi Wienerkehr

LION KING TRIVIA

1. Who is Simba's best friend as a cub?
2. What is the old baboon's name?
3. What sort of animals are Timon and Pumbaa?
4. Lion King is like what Shakespearean play?

ANSWERS: 1. Nala 2. Rafiki 3. meerkat and warthog 4. Hamlet

FROM THE EDITOR

Are you kidding me? It feels like we just got the summer started and yet, we've already had our first trip, Purim in July's carnival and Shiria 2009. As we all know, time flies when you're having fun and with Olympics coming up, fun is what's on the menu.

Shani Norman

BRAIN TEASERS

1. 12 M in a Y
2. 88 K on a P
3. 57 H V
4. 100 C in a D
5. 3 W on a T
6. 9 N on a S S C

RIDDLES OF THE WEEK

What is as light as a feather, yet no one can hold it for long?

What is black when you buy it, red when you use it and gray when you throw it away?

Can you name three consecutive days without using the words Monday, Wednesday, Friday, or Sunday?

GUESS THE PHRASE

ex. Don't J A B B Its C

Don't Judge A Book By Its Cover

1. If L G You L M L
2. A P For Your T
3. No T L The P
4. A W P Never B
5. B Is In The E Of The B
6. W Goes A C A