

## WEEK AT A GLANCE:

July 9

Olympics Opening Ceremonies



Olympics



Machzor Bet Madness



Girls Campus: All Around the World



Race for the Beis



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Boys Campus: Mo Cup Girls Campus: Trivia Night

Shalhevet

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## Time to Compete!

Week 2 was jam-packed with special activities! Boys Campus kicked off their week with their annual FIFA Soccer Tournament while the girls split up into seasonal teams for "It's About Time." Girls campers and staff were all divided into teams based on their birthdays. The day was full of fun, competition and team spirit! Congratulations to the winning season, Summer!

The week continued with our very own Morasha County Fair and July 4th Celebrations, campers came decked out in red, white and blue and enjoyed a night of rides, games, and food. The evening concluded with campers arm-in-arm overlooking the fireworks as they lit up the sky.

We did not miss a beat! On Wednesday, campers and counselors loaded the busses to Dorney Park for a wet and wild day. We returned to a satisfying pre-fast dinner in preparation for Shiva Asar B'Tamuz. On Thursday, campers immersed themselves in meaningful programming and davening related to Shiva Asar B'Tamuz.

We are looking forward to Olympics, Machzor Bet Madness, "All Around the World," and Race to the Beis for what promises to be another awesome week at Camp Morasha!

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## Parsha Thoughts... by Robin Tassler

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In this week's parsha, Moshe Rabbeinu asks Hashem who will lead the people into the land. The person chosen for this job is none other than ויהושע בן נון. What are his qualifications that he was able to have the zechus to lead the Jewish people? The pasuk (Bamidbar 27:18) describes him as "איש אשר רוח בו - a man of spirit." What is this quality that made Yehoshua so great and were there other required qualities to be able to lead Bnei Yisrael into the land? Additionally, why was Yehoshua chosen as opposed to Pinchas, the hero of this week's parsha, or perhaps one of Moshe's own sons? Rashi comments that Moshe asked Hashem for someone who would be able to tolerate the character of each person in the nation. Additionally, a few pesukim earlier Rashi brings a Midrash based off of the pasuk in Shmot 33:11"–לא ימיש מתור האהל-He (Yehoshua) would not depart from the tent". This meant that Yehoshua sat all day studying Torah, but the midrash adds that it was Yehoshua who served Moshe constantly and with great honor. As a result, his reward was to become the leader. Besides being a "man of spirit", Yehoshua was chosen due to his diligence in Torah study and devotion to Moshe. Rabbi Stephen Baars explains that while Pinchas was the hero of the moment, Yehoshua is the superhero of daily living. Every Jew should strive to emulate Yehoshua's devotion and diligence to Hashem's Torah and His chachamim. Rabbi Shlomo Landau comments on the "man of spirit" aspect of Yehoshua. Moshe wanted someone who understood the spiritual part of this world. Bnei Yisrael were about to go and fight many strong armies but they would not be able to win unless they understood and believed wholeheartedly that Hashem was on their side. It was Yehoshua who understood this point better than anyone else. He knew that in order to win the wars and successfully bring Bnei Yisrael into Eretz Yisrael that everyone needed to be able to focus on the ruchnius and not only on the gashmius. May we all strive to emulate the qualities of Yehoshua and IYH be entering Eretz Yisrael on Tish'a B'av this year! Shabbat Shalom!































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