

CAMP MORASHA
1967



(Girls Campus and Waterfront)



(Boys Campus)

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Teen Age Campus

GREETINGS FROM

The Morasha Staff 1967 - The Best Staff in all Campland

TO - The worlds finest campers and their families who through their loyalty and devotion have made Morasha possible.

The Officers and Administration of Camp Morasha extends its thanks and appreciation to all categories of Staff:

Junior and Senior Counselors, Faculty
Program Specialists and their Assistants,
Leadership Training Counselors, Office Staff,
Division Heads, Commissary Workers
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(all 190 of them) for making 1967 one of our
greatest camping seasons.



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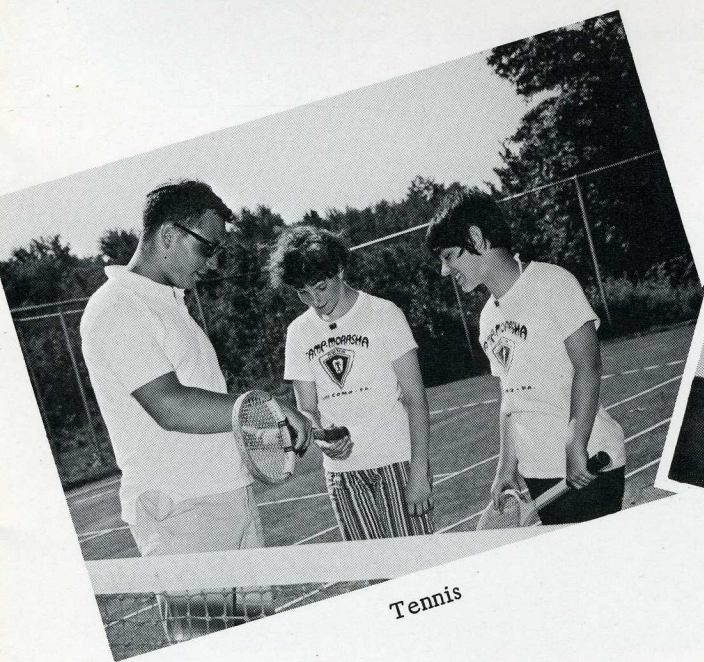
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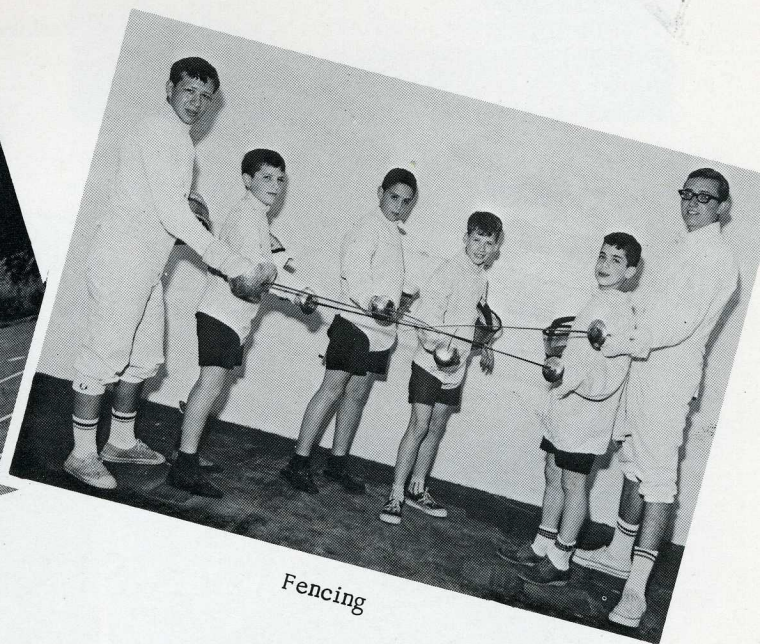
THE ACTIVE LIFE

The 1967 season saw a much expanded athletic program. Both the staff and the facilities were increased and improved. The newly asphalted tennis court, the new second baseball field and the brilliant new iodine quartz lighting which turned night into day on the boys basketball courts, together with our outstanding and enlarged staff of professional athletes and instructors contributed in making good our boast of having an athletic program second to none in 1967.

Morasha trained basketball players have made the teams in almost all Metropolitan area Yeshiva High schools in 1967, and have received many athletic awards including most valuable player. Further emphasis on the athletic program is projected for 1968.



Tennis



Fencing



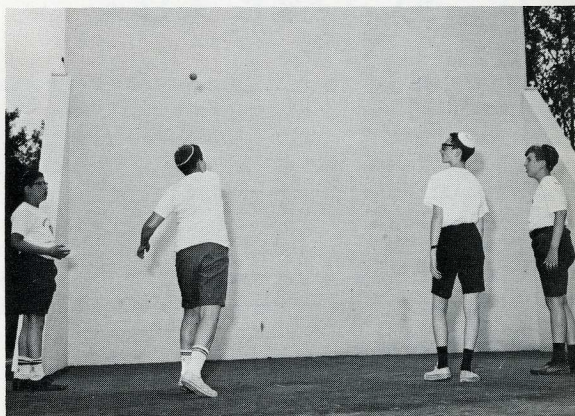
Basketball



Baseball

Many new improvements helped to add to the fun and activities at Morasha during the past season:

These boys are trying out the new handball courts.



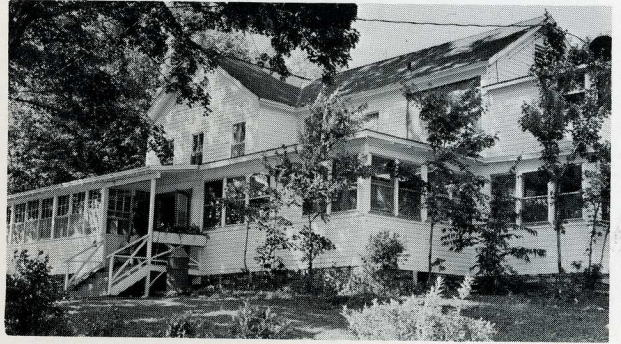
Varsity stars and team members of many New York Yeshiva High Schools train day and night thanks to the new iodine quartz outdoor lighting system.

When it rains they move inside to the newly remodeled gym. This proved a very worthwhile investment with the weather we had last summer.



Facilities abound. Four baseball diamonds, three regulation basketball courts with night lighting, eight scrimmage basketball courts including an indoor court, seven volleyball courts, two handball courts, five tennis courts, and numerous play fields, archery ranges and camping sites, provide the camper with exciting days of skillfully supervised recreation. Is it any wonder that Morasha consistently emerged triumphant in its inter camp tourneys?

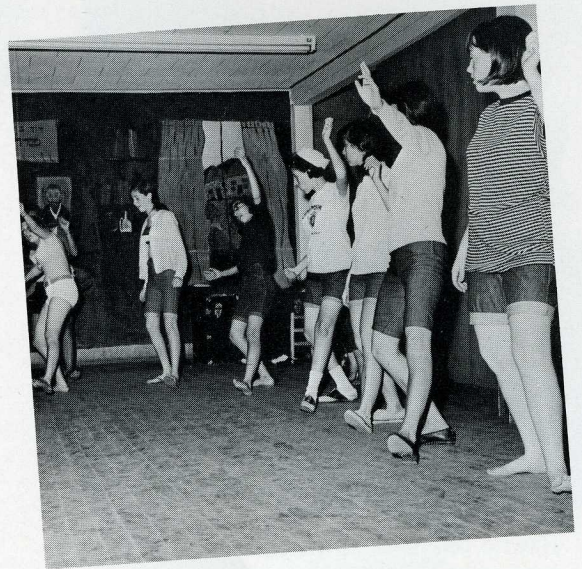
A rare moment - maintenance supervisor "Eddie" smiles as he unpacks a case of fluorescent lamps in the newly renovated administration building.



"A" building - offices, lounge, canteen, girls infirmary, classrooms, program supplies, laundromat and staff quarters.



The office "girls" in their new quarters.

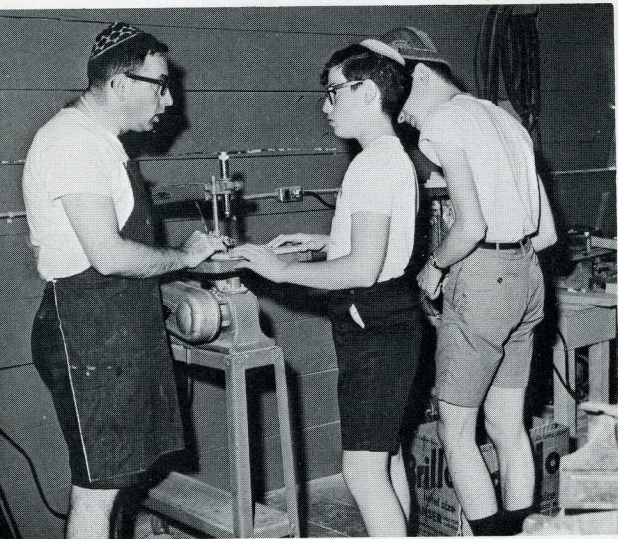


Dancing in the lounge when its raining outside.

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Our manual arts program was particularly active this year. New woodworking machines enabled us to undertake a broader range of projects and an extremely creative program was carried out on both the boys and girls campus.

In addition photography and science clubs were instituted under the direction of very competent instructors which proved very stimulating to those who participated.



Handle power tools with care, cautions the boys wood working instructor.

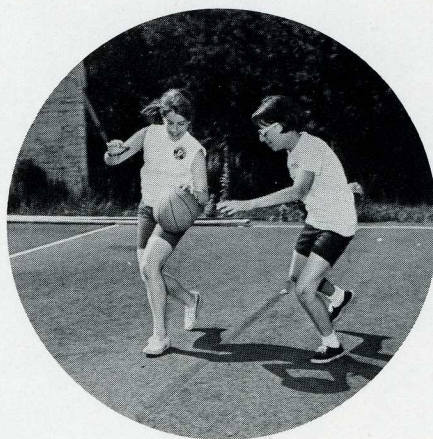


To finish up the job nicely you have to know how to use hand tools safely.



The girls have their own arts and crafts cabin supervised by skilled specialists and geared to the girls needs and preferences.

They can also play a mans game of "baseball" on their own blacktopped regulation size basket ball courts.



WATERFRONT

Our reputation as a Camp with a major emphasis on water sports and skills was further enhanced this past season. All three waterfronts functioned at capacity with a full program of water sports including swimming, boating, canoeing, sailing and water skiing. Our new 50 H. P. motor and boat operated almost non-stop to get the largest number of campers ever, up on skis.

Almost every camper who came to Morasha last year as a non-swimmer went home a swimmer. A record number of campers passed their J.L.S. and S.L.S. tests.



The individual camper never gets lost on Morasha.

Swim instruction is given on an individual basis.



"Action"
on the girls waterfront

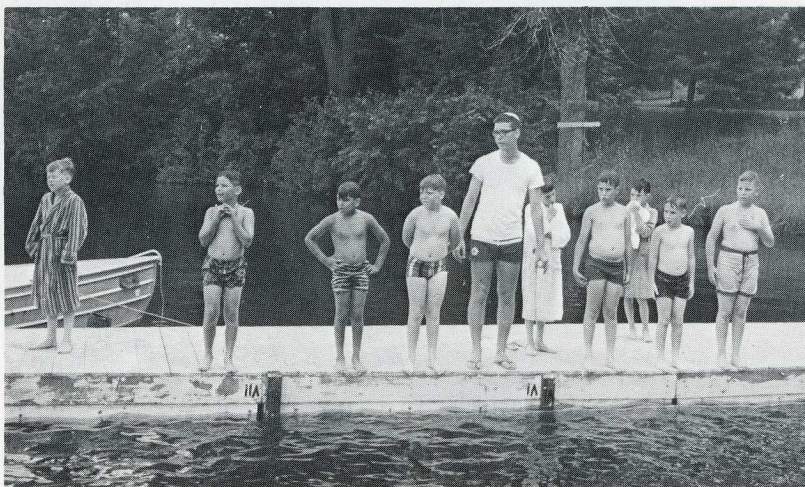
Morasha's 1 1/2 mile lake perimeter is ideally suited for water skiing.

Qualified swimmers received instruction in this exciting sport with the help of our new 50 H. P. motor.



Swimming instruction under the watchful eye of the instructor. One of ten fully qualified full time members of the water-front staff.

Come on in
the water is always fine in Morasha's
exclusive lake.

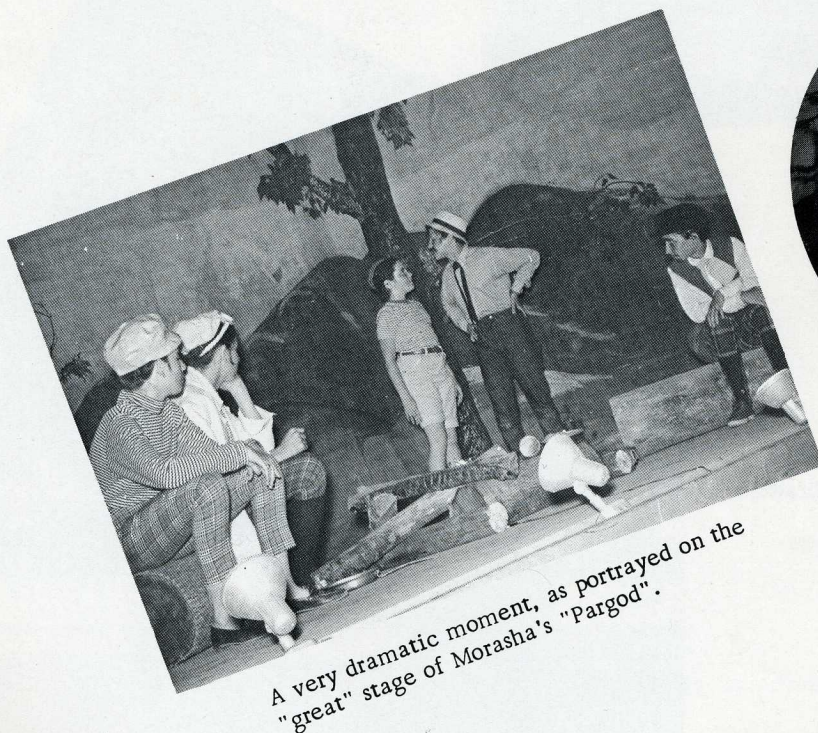


DRAMATICS

Each division made its own unique contribution to the world of make believe. We don't know if we discovered any future stars but we do know that our campers had a lot of fun on stage - so what's more important?



They seem to be enjoying it more than the audience.



A very dramatic moment, as portrayed on the "great" stage of Morasha's "Pargod".



The secret weapon we use in improving our program, in increasing its effectiveness, and in maintaining our high standards of camping practice is SUPERVISION of both staff as well as campers.



A divisional supervisory conference. Counselors discussing their problems with their division head at their regularly scheduled staff meeting.



Bullseye on the archery range under the personal supervision of Girls Head Counselor.



Counselor camper man to man talk in one of the many natural wooded areas to be found on Morasha's 475 acres.

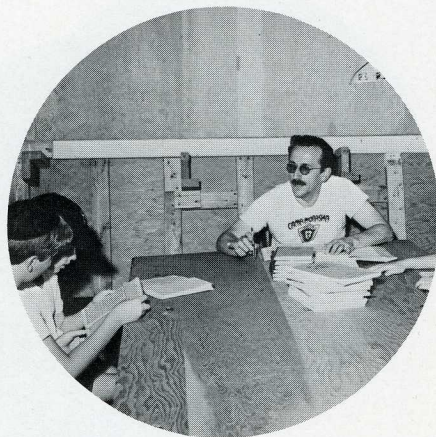
EDUCATION

ALL THIS AND TORAH TOO A large staff of outstanding professional educators implement Morasha's unique and ambitious program of Hebrew education designed to enrich the backgrounds and whet the cultural appetites of the campers. Each camper has direct contact with the members of the educational staff in an informal classroom setting.

Torah from the mouth of the supervisor of Morasha's educational staff.



The Mechina girls seem to be having fun at their sheur and learning something at the same time.



Small groups with experienced teachers.

Torah living is made more meaningful through understanding. Learning sessions are made provocative with creative discussion. Observance assumes new purpose through camp activity.



The cabin of the future - G 10 Morasha's newest cabin - vintage 1967

Morasha Menagerie
Part of the extensive nature and tripping program.



Safe on second
The Nitzanim batting up under the watchful and concerned eye of their counselor.



Nature and pioneering are regular events in a creative scouting program. A zoo, nature hut, science displays, trips and overnight hikes are the Morasha way of making the outdoors a familiar tool of programming for the city-bound camper.

HIGHLIGHTS OF MORASHA-1967

THEME - YERUSHALAIM SHEL ZAHAV

Our Camp theme was conceived as a tribute to Jerusalem reborn and reunited. This theme ran through all our activities and special events.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

ZIMRIA - Morasha is a singing Camp

After mealtimes, at activities, at camp fires, songs and cheers abound - but at the ZIMRIA all campers raise their voices in harmonizing song. The result is an abundance of chorus and harmony.

MACHOL - This splendid dance pageant, glowed in the spirit of Jerusalem reunited. Music, dance, costume, art and rhythm merged in this memorable arts festival under the stars.

CARNIVAL - Ancient Jerusalem was recreated at the colorful carnival. Excitement was rife along the midway accentuated by the pony rides, motorboat trips, unusual game creations, gaily fluttering flags and pennants and loads of fun for the benefit of Jerusalem.

BIRTHDAY BALL - Shields, costumes, songs, and athletic events, made our birthday ball a colorful and memorable event.

MORASHIA - Morasha's unique culminating activity, again with Jerusalem as its central theme provided excitement, thrills and above all an uplifting cultural and spiritual experience to all participants.

EDUCATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Our educational program, in addition to its full range of classes and lectures in Mishna, Chumash, Hebrew Language, Prophets and basics of Jewish Philosophy, emphasized modern Hebrew literature, principally Agnon, and an in depth study of the history of Yerushalaim on various educational levels.

Our greatly expanded library provided hundreds of hours of fine reading both for entertainment and instruction.

The Tisha B'Av procession was most impressive this year, culminating with the service at the magnificent replica of the Kotel (Wailing Wall) beautifully structured to scale by our campers and staff under the direction of our Arts and Crafts supervisor. The equally impressive service was a moving exposition in keeping with our glorious if sometimes tragic history.

The full measure of the influence of Morasha lies more in the overall atmosphere created by an outstanding educational staff and a most carefully selected counseling and program staff, than in any specific series of classes or activities. The Morasha spirit is designed to stay with the campers and staff throughout the cold winter, and will burst forth, please G-d, with renewed dedication and rejuvenated fervor when we meet again in Morasha 1968.

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