

SHALHEVET

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THRILLS, CHILL & RUACH

WHAT'S COMING UP

SUNDAY

Purim in July
Staff Intercamp Mishmar

MONDAY

Shiria

TUESDAY

Changeover Day

WEDNESDAY

Magical Camp-wide
Night Activity

THURSDAY

Yom Yisrael
Run to Return Marathon
Night at the Drive-in

FRIDAY

Cholent Cook Off

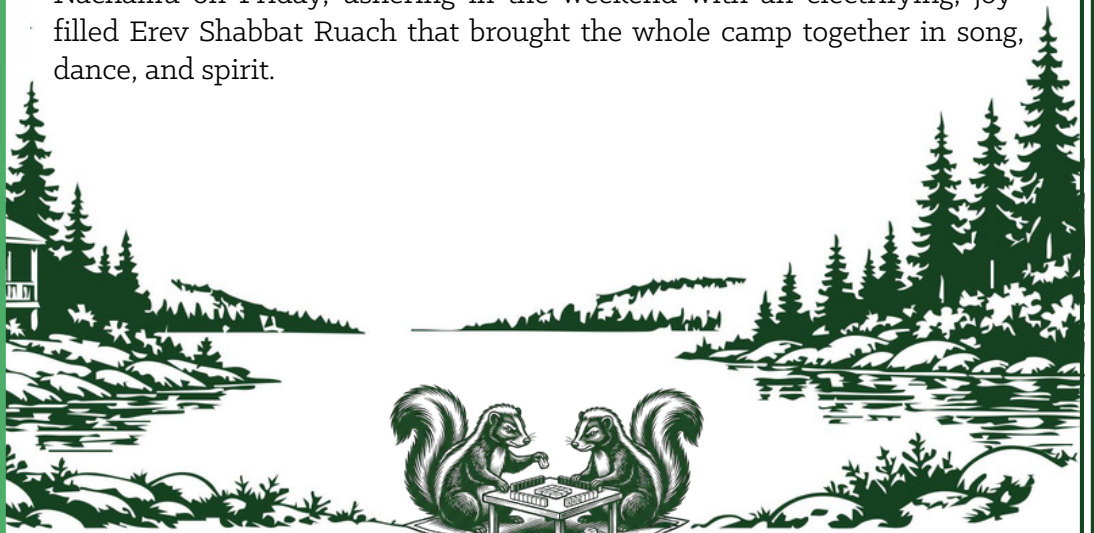
What an absolute whirlwind of a week at Camp Morasha! From high-stakes strategy and adrenaline-pumping challenges to deeply meaningful spiritual moments, the schedule offered something unforgettable every single day.

The week kicked off on Sunday with a perfect mix of focus and thrills. It started with Mahjong Boot Camp that introduced this popular game to some while allowing others to sharpen their tile skills. What followed was an exhilarating Fear Factor Night that tested everyone's bravery.

The momentum carried right into Monday with the Machzor Bet Madness trip to Monticello, NY, giving our older campers a fantastic off-campus night away. By Tuesday, the competitive energy hit an all-time high on the courts during the intense 3-on-3 Basketball Madness tournament.

As the middle of the week approached, the atmosphere thoughtfully shifted. Wednesday night brought the solemn torch procession to the Tank for the reading of Eicha, setting a reflective tone for Tisha B'Av. The campers and staff, led by the chinuch staff, meaningfully observed the day.

After a powerful day of fasting and introspection, the week wrapped up on an incredible high note. Campers transitioned seamlessly into Shabbat Nachamu on Friday, ushering in the weekend with an electrifying, joy-filled Erev Shabbat Ruach that brought the whole camp together in song, dance, and spirit.



PARASHA THOUGHTS

Rav Natan Siegel

“Nachamu, Nachamu Ami”

These famous words of consolation from this week’s Haftorah have come to characterize the Shabbos following Tisha B’Av, as we continue to mourn the destruction of the Beis HaMikdash, we take solace in the promise of eventual geulah. The Chofetz Chaim zt”l often recalled how the Jews of Warsaw, with unwavering conviction, would discard their Kinnos books on Tisha B’Av each year, believing with all their hearts that they would never need them again.

And yet, for many of us, experiencing such steadfast faith, and truly feeling the nechama (comfort) of future redemption is always so simple. During times when God feels hidden (hester panim), maintaining faith in Hashem can feel especially challenging.

In our parsha, the Torah describes the eventual exile of Bnei Yisrael- a section we also read on Tisha B’Av. Yet even in the words of rebuke, we find comfort: “But from there you will seek Hashem your God, and you will find Him, if you seek Him with all your heart and with all your soul.” The Seforno explains that even in exile, without the Beis HaMikdash and without constant adversity, it is precisely because we continue to seek Hashem and call out to Him despite the hester panim that we are guaranteed to find Him.

It may be difficult at times to feel Hashem’s presence or to truly believe in imminent redemption. But our deepest need is this promise: as long as we keep seeking, we will find. The journey itself is both the challenge and the consolation. May this year of geulah, of rebuilding the Beis HaMikdash, and of feeling Hashem’s presence ever more closely.

MEET MISHLACHAT

ACHIYA

Meet Achiya Kuperman from Modi'in! This is Achiya's first summer at Camp Morasha, and he's already jumped into everything camp has to offer. Some of his favorite activities include paintball, woodworking, Golani, IXP, and plenty more. What stands out most to him, though, is the great atmosphere and positive vibes that make camp so special. When asked what he'd want to take home with him, his answer was simple: all his new friends! So, if you come visit Achiya in Israel, try to come on **יום העצמאות**, when his entire family comes together for a barbecue with friends. He'd love for you to meet them.



SAPIR

Meet Sapir Nadav from Bnei Dekalim! Sapir is spending her first summer at Camp Morasha and has quickly become a fan of one thing in particular-the camp salad bar! While she's in America, one experience she hopes to have is seeing a Broadway show. Her favorite spot at camp is the lake, and when it comes to activities, she loves every single one. Music is a big part of Sapir's life, and she enjoys singing and playing the guitar. No matter where life takes her, nothing beats gathering with her family around the table for Shabbat meals together.

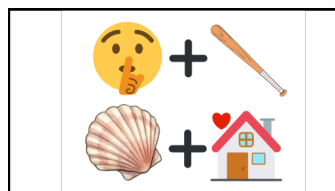


PHOTOS OF THE WEEK



BRAIN TEASERS

PICTURE WORD PUZZLES



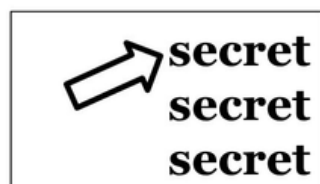
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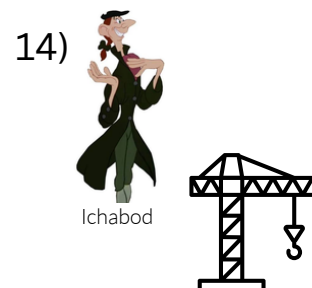
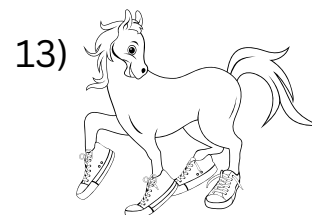
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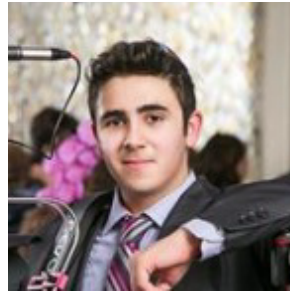
RIDDLES AND JOKES

- 15) How does Moses make his morning coffee?
- 16) What did one Seder plate say to the other on Passover?
- 17) What kind of shoes did the Egyptians wear during the plague of frogs?
- 18) What did the loaf of bread say to the other loaf on Yom Tov?
- 19) How do you keep a delicious bagel from getting away?
- 20) Why did the Hebrew word go to the doctor?
- 21) What do you call it when your toilet paper says, "I'm sorry"?
- 22) What is the absolute best instrument to play on Hanukkah?
- 23) What was Queen Esther's royal dress made out of?
- 24) Why did the matzah jump into the swimming pool?

BRAIN TEASERS

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

The campers in these photos are now Morasha staff. Can you guess who they are?



WOULD YOU RATHER??

- Would you rather eat nothing but latkes for a whole week or matzah ball soup for a whole month?
- Would you rather accidentally bite into a donut filled with chulent or a cake with toothpaste icing?
- Would you rather have to eat your challah with chocolate hummus or spicy hot sauce?
- Would you rather have a nose that looks like a bagel or ears shaped like hamantashen?
- Would you rather search for the Afikomen in a giant ball pit or a dark maze?
- Would you rather dress up as an Egyptian for Purim or Haman for the Passover seder?
- Would you rather sit in a Sukkah made entirely of fluffy pillows or cotton candy?
- Would you rather try to sleep in a den with five lions like Daniel or spend three days inside a giant, smelly whale like Jonah?
- Would you rather have your parent post your bat/bar mitzvah speech on Instagram or have your Rabbi read your report card?

ANSWERS

1) Shabbat Shalom; 2) Walk on water; 3) Piggy back ride 4) Top secret; 5) Lickety split; 6) Ice cube; 7) High chair; 8) Tennis match; 9) Just in case; 10) Making up for lost time; 11) Jack in the box; 12) Forgive and forget; 13) Horseshoes; 14) Ichabod Crane; 15) Moses makes his morning coffee because he Hebrews it! 16) Dinner is on me. 17) The Egyptians wore open-toed sandals. 18) Happy challah-days. 19) You put lox on it. 20) Because it had a kaf. 21) It is called a tissue-va (Teshuvah). 22) The har-mon-ulkah. 23) Poly-Esther. 24) It wanted to become unleavened!

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NIGHT ACTIVITIES

sunday

monday

tuesday

wednesday

thursday

motzash

NITZI
BOYS

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