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## First Overnight of the Season!!!

We didn't think it was possible, but we've already topped the first week of Camp! With the first overnight of the season behind us, let's recap this past week.

Monday started off with an incredible morning of davening and learning. Although campers were itching to board the coach buses and head out to Connecticut, they still remained focused and engaged with their Rebbeim and shteiged throughout the morning. After a delicious lunch, campers boarded the 3 coach buses together with their counselors and trekked out to Shelton, CT for an amazing afternoon of fun at Connecticut Sports Center. Batting cages, arcade games, laser tag, mini golf and a beautiful driving range kept campers quite busy throughout the afternoon. A highlight for many campers was cheering on the head staff as they went head-to-head in a heated mini golf match.

After the Sports Center, buses headed

directly to the JCC of Greater New Haven where campers were treated to a delicious barbeque replete with burger, dogs and all the fixins'! Campers were then directed to set up their sleeping quarters as they raced off to take full advantage of the JCC's massive gym and pool. Whether they were swimming or playing ball, campers were having the times of their lives! A snack station was set up for campers to stay satiated throughout the evening until bedtime and then it was off to dreamland...for most of them.

Tuesday morning was an early rise-and-shine as campers packed up and boarded the buses to the Yeshiva of New Haven for a beautiful Shacharis and breakfast. Rabbi Bennett's shiur after davening engaged campers in a camp-wide discussion of why night comes before day in halacha and hashkafa. Campers were really on the ball!

Following the visit to the Yeshiva, buses headed straight for the Urban Air Trampoline and Adventure Park in South Hackensack. On the way, campers were treated to a tour through historic Connecticut. Upon arrival at Urban Air, campers quickly filed through and picked up their Urban Air socks to wear throughout the day. Whether it was the trampoline dodgeball, the jousting, the sky mountain, the slam dunk, or the various obstacle



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courses, campers had so much to choose from - they just couldn't get enough! A special surprise was announced for Avram Pultman's birthday and every camper received a slushy or soda to celebrate! Then it was back to Camp as campers arrived home ex-



hausted but filled with memories of an incredible first overnight!

Thursday was an awesome day with Leagues back in swing and Rabbi Greenfield's 3-point contest. Now, this was no ordinary 3-point contest. It consisted of a garbage can, a water cooler and a milk crate. You get the idea! Each team was represented by three players who took their chances at winning major prizes for their teams. Congratulations to all the big winners!

This week was also our first installment of Areivim Extreme for our MIT Campers. Led by Rabbi

Robinson, campers had an amazing 3 on 3 tournament followed by a delicious dinner at Carlos & Gabby's. Great stuff!

## **SNEAK PEAK INTO NEXT WEEK:**

### **Tuesday**

Skills Competition

### **Wednesday-Thursday**

Lake George Overnight  
(for 5th grade and up)

Have an amazing Shabbos!

### **Rabbi Tsvi Greenfield**

Senior Division Head Counselor

## League Updates

## Rabbi Yehoshua Robinson

It's hard to imagine that, with the leagues cut short this week due to our unbelievable overnight, we would have an action-packed highlight reel. But, the games this week were simply off the charts!

**4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Conference:** The football game between the Quail and Sheep, believe it or not, was closer than the score would suggest. Both defenses were stout, but the difference was the 4 pick six's, with two by Momo Yaish, that ultimately sealed the win for the Quail. On the other side of Lawrence High School was the exciting football game between the Whales and Marlins. The game literally came down to the wire, with both defenses shutting the opposing offenses down. With the teams locked at 2 for the final ten minutes of the game, the Marlins finally took the W, with an outstanding throw from Ari Schreiber to Daniel Levine. The game ended in heartbreak for the Whales, but the defeat didn't stop them from showing tremendous sportsmanship to the marlins.

The basketball games were just as thrilling. The highlight of all was the game between the Marlins and Yaks. The two teams traded buckets throughout the game, but with 4 seconds left the yaks took possession down by two and Head Yak, Yedidya Aharon, called a crucial timeout. After the timeout, the yaks inbounded the ball to Doniel From and Doniel heaved the ball up and in for the victory at the BUZZER! WOW!

On the Hockey side of the things we had an amazing game between the Quail and the Whales. The Whales took a commanding 5-2 lead into the final five minutes off the game, but the Quail came roaring back with two goals and the Whales lead was cut to one goal. Ultimately the Whales sealed the deal with an amazing goal by Avi Kurtz.

**6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Conference:** The Cheetahs maintained their winning ways with a commanding victory on the baseball diamond. The difference in the game came from Eli Lousy who hit a clutch 2 run double to give the cheetahs the lead.

The Chimps handed the Nen's a tough loss on the hardwood, but the game was well played by both teams and full of middos and mentchlichkeit.

The game of the week in this Conference took place on the gridiron between the Chimps and the Cheetahs. The two teams went back and forth, but the Chimps held on tight to a one touchdown lead down the stretch. With 30 seconds left, Naftali Walkin hauled in an amazing grab to tie the game as time expired. The game ultimately ended in a tie, with both teams walking away with big smiles.

These are just a few of the amazing highlights that took place this week. But the icing on the cake was the way the boys conducted themselves throughout. With smiles and cheers, their sterling Areivim middos were the highlight of the week!

Good Shabbos!

# Something to Say at the Tish

## Rabbi Tzvi Finkel

If we analyze the count of the B'nei Yisroel when they left Mitzrayim in Parshas Bamidbar and the count that took place forty years later before entering Eretz Yisroel in this week's Parsha, we will notice an interesting thing. Most of the shevatim had either less people or just a slight increase. The exception is Shevet Menashe, with a net gain of 20,500 people followed by Shevet Asher with 12,100.

Whenever there was a situation in the desert where the Yidden angered Hashem, they were punished and many people died. We can assume this is what kept the numbers relatively unchanged with no significant increase. If Shevet Menashe and Asher were able to thrive and grow it must be because they did not participate in the sins and complaints like the rest of Klal Yisroel. How was it that Shevet Menashe and Asher were able to differentiate between what is wrong and right and not be influenced by the behavior of the people around them?

The Gemara in Baba Basra relates that Machir and Yair ben Menashe were born while Yaakov was still alive and entered Eretz Yisroel together with the rest of their shevet. They saw Yaakov and knew what behavior Yaakov would approve of and what to stay away from. They were able to influence the rest of their shevet as well. Likewise Serach bas Asher, who grew up with Yaakov, was able to influence Shevet Asher. These shevatim had role models to learn from and this protected them from sin. (Perhaps that is why Serach is the only woman mentioned in this count, the secret of Asher's success.) In today's world it is important for us to turn to the previous generation for guidance so we can clearly differentiate right from wrong and not be negatively influenced by our surroundings.

Have a great Shabbos.

## Parsha Questions

### Why was Pinchas not originally a *kohen*?

25:13 - *Kehuna* was given to Aharon and his sons (not grandsons), and to any of their descendants born *after* they were anointed. Pinchas, Aharon's grandson, was born *prior* to the anointing.

### Why was Moav spared the fate of Midian?

25:18 - For the sake of Rus, a future descendant of Moav.

### What does the *yud* and *hey* added to the family names testify?

26:5 - That the families were truly children of their shevet. These two letters spell Hashem's Name.

### Korach and his cohort became a "sign." What do they signify?

26:10 - That *kehuna* was given forever to Aharon and his sons, and that no one should ever dispute this.

### Why did Korach's children survive?

26:11 - Because they did Teshuva.

### Who was Yaakov's only living granddaughter at the time of the census?

26:46 - Serach bas Asher

### How many years did it take to conquer the Land? How long to divide the Land?

26:53 - Seven years and seven years.

### Two brothers leave Mitzrayim and die in the *midbar*. One brother has three sons. The other brother has only one child, a daughter. When these four cousins enter the Land, how many portions will the daughter get?

26:55, 27:8 - Two portions.

### What do Yocheved, Ard and Na'aman all have in common?

26:24,56 - They came down to Mitzrayim in their mothers' wombs.

### Why did the decree to die in the desert not apply to the women?

26:64 - In the incident of the *meraglim* only the men wished to return to Mitzrayim. The women wanted to enter *Eretz Yisrael*.

### What trait did Tzlofchad's daughters exhibit that their ancestor Yosef also exhibited?

27:1 - Love for *Eretz Yisroel*.

### Why does the Torah change the order of Tzlofchad's daughters' names?

27:1 - To teach that they were equal in greatness.

### Tzlofchad died for what *aveira*?

27:3 - Rebbe Akiva says that Tzlofchad gathered sticks on Shabbos. Rebbe Shimon says that Tzlofchad was one who tried to enter *Eretz Yisroel* after the *chet* of the *meraglim*.

### Why did Moshe use the phrase "Hashem of the spirits of all flesh"?

27:16 - He was asking Hashem, who knows the multitude of personalities among the Jewish People, to appoint a leader who can deal with each person on that person's level.

### Moshe "put some of his glory" upon Yehoshua. What does this mean?

27:20 - That Yehoshua's face beamed like the moon.

### Where were the daily *korbanos shechted*?

28:3 - At a spot opposite the sun. The morning *korban* was *shechted* on the west side of the *shechita* area and the afternoon *korban* on the east side.

### Goats are brought as *musaf* sin-offerings. For what *aveira* do they atone?

28:15 - For unnoticed *tumah* of the Bais HaMikdash or its *keilim*.

### Why is Shavuos called *Yom Habikkurim*?

28:26 - The Shavuos double-bread offering was the first wheat-offering made from the new crop.

### What do the 70 bulls offered on Succos symbolize?

29:18 - The seventy nations.



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