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Lake George Overnight!!!

Have you ever had one of those experiences where you just felt that the English language could not adequately describe how incredible that event was? Here in Camp Areivim, we actually have them often. And there is no question that this week's Overnight to Lake George fits that description to a T. Let's start at the beginning...

The week really began with a bang on Monday. Campers who fulfilled their Shnayim Mikrah requirements jumped over to 7-11 for delicious ice cold Slurpees! Everyone is encouraged to participate in this amazing program!

Leagues were running hot and heavy! With Playoffs and Championships around the corner, Campers were giving it their all. Rabbi Bennett got a first hand taste of the LHS Fields this week as he accompanied Campers on Tuesday and reffed the soccer game while spectating at the 2 fourth grade football games. What amazing competitions! Check out the highlights in Rabbi Robinson's League Updates!

The Skills competition on Tuesday was awesome! Campers were chosen to test their accuracy and won ices and sodas for doing so! Big congrats to all the winners!

Wednesday brought with tremendous excitement for the Lake George Overnight! In particular, Campers were super curious about the surprise Rabbi Bennett

and Rabbi Hersh had mentioned that they had in store. After lunch, Counselors assisted Campers loading their luggage onto the 2 gorgeous coach buses ready and excited to transport Camp Areivim to Lake George's Six Flag's Great Escape!

After stopping to stretch their legs and enjoy some snacks, buses arrived at the Great Escape and Campers raced off the buses, davened mincha, ate supper, and were off to Splashwater Kingdom for 2 hours of waterpark fun! Waterslides, wave pools, lazy rivers, and all sorts of water rides were at the availability to Campers. What was particularly excited as well was Campers meeting up with old friends and relatives from other camps who joined us. After the waterpark, Campers entered the amusement park and were all over the amazing rides. From the tea cups to the rollercoasters, Campers had it all at their fingertips! After leaving the park at close to 11:00 PM, Campers thought for sure that they were going to sleep...but that was not in the plans. As Campers arrived at Adventure Fun Center, our sleeping quarters, they were instructed that they were to get ready for bed and then (SURPRISE!) - Pajama Laser Tag! Not only that, but bumper cars were available as well! This was just incredible! Campers could not believe what was going on! It was simply amazing!

After (finally) getting to bed, Campers were awoken to a beautiful Shacharis at

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the famous Lake George Minyan and breakfast and were then whisked off the tubing down the Lake Luzerne River! This was so awesome! Every camper got his own boat-like tube and paddles and, as a group, paddled down the river. Counselors accompanied in kayaks and kept campers together and secure. The weather could not have been nicer—not too hot and not too cold. Campers were able to swim in selected areas of the route as well and had a great time doing so. Tipping Rabbi Bennett was also a major highlight of the trip!

Let's not forget about the 4th grade! While the older boys were on their overnight, the 4th graders, together with Rabbi Greenfield and Rabbi Chait, took full advantage of the empty cam-

pus! Shiur activities and games were amazing and trips to Grant Park, 7-11 and Bowling filled Campers' days with excitement! Never a dull moment at Camp Areivim!

Friday Rosh Chodesh began with a beautiful Rosh Chodesh davening which was followed by a delicious pizza lunch and some of the last regular season League games. Playoffs and Championships next!!!

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I know it's hard to believe, but we are embarking on the last week of the first half. At this point of the summer, it is the

opportune time to show hakoras hatov to the amazing staff that is giving our children the best summer of their lives. A tip schedule is included with this newsletter. Please take advantage of tipping your staff at this time instead of waiting until the end of the summer. Many staff member will be leaving for the second half (including Rebbeim), and counselors will DEFINITELY be changing for the second half as well.

Have a great Shabbos!

Rabbi Tsvi Greenfield

Senior Division Head Counselor

League Updates

Rabbi Yehoshua Robinson

After that awesome overnight to Lake George it's hard to remember the amazing Leagues that took place at the beginning of the week. But since our Leagues are truly awesome, how could one forget!

4th-5th Grade Conference: On the gridiron, there was a heated contest between the Camels and the Bears. The Game began with a pick-six from Daniel Iskowitz to give the Bears a 1-0 edge. But the Camels did not quit and tied the game at 2. Ultimately, the Bears pulled away with a 4-2 victory.

On the Basketball court, a highly contested game took place between the Camels and the Sheep. The game was close the entire first half as the two teams shut each other down on the defensive end. But as the two teams pushed themselves towards the final buzzer, the Sheep were able to pull away with a victory by a very small margin.

The whales had an amazing showing on the basketball court. Yaakov Benzaquen was able to tie the game at the buzzer to finish the game with a tie.

6th-8th Grade: The Hens took on the Cheetahs in hockey. Cheetahs won the close game 9-4. Goalie Yehuda Flaum had a rare feat, scoring a goal from his own net. According to stats.com this was the first time in Camp Areivim history that the goalie scored a goal.

On the Gridiron, the Hens took on the Moose in football. They remained locked the entire game which ultimately ended in a tie. Menachem Solomon was a beast on both sides of the line for the Hens recording multiple sacks and buying his quarterback lots of needed time to throw the ball.

Something to Say at the Tish

Rabbi Tzvi Finkel

After returning from defeating the army of Midyan, Moshe goes out to greet the victorious soldiers. He notices among the spoils of war are captive women and children. Instead of complementing them on a job well done, Moshe gets angry at the generals for not completing their job. The men were all killed out, but why were the women allowed to live? Moshe felt that since the women were the cause of the sin resulting in the death of 24,000 Yidden, they too should have been killed along with the men.

Right after the above ma'asah, the Posuk relates that Elazar HaKohen taught the laws of how to *kasher keilim* that were previously owned by a non-Jew thereby permitting them to be used. Rashi points out that since Moshe got angry, he forgot this halachah, necessitating it to be taught by Elazar. Rashi brings two other places where Moshe got angry and each time it led to a mistake. It seems that this time Moshe's anger was justified. After all, the army did not fully carry out the task they were sent to do. They needed to be reprimanded harshly in order to rectify the mistake. Why then is Moshe punished with forgetting the halachah?

To answer this question we have to understand the nature of anger. When a person gets angry, they allow their emotions to take over their intellect. They are not in control of their thoughts. It is only natural to forget things or make mistakes. Moshe forgetting the halachah was not a punishment, rather a natural consequence of getting angry. We have to be careful not to get angry even when anger is called for and, all the more so, when it is not.

Parsha Questions

Who may annul a vow?

30:2 - Preferably, an expert in the laws of *nedarim*. Otherwise, three ordinary people.

When may a father annul his widowed daughter's vows?

30:10 - If she is under 12 and 1/2 years old and widowed before she was fully married.

Why were the Bnei Yisroel not commanded to attack Moav, as they were to attack Midyan?

31:2 - Because Moav only acted out of fear against the Bnei Yisroel. Also, Rus was destined to come from Moav.

Those selected to fight Midyan went unwillingly. Why?

31:5 - They knew that Moshe's death would follow.

What holy vessels accompanied the Bnei Yisroel into battle?

31:6 - The *aron* and the *tzitz*.

Besides removing traces of treif food, what else is needed to make metal vessels obtained from a non-Jew fit for a Jewish owner?

31:23 - Immersion in a *mikveh*.

What promise did *Bnei Gad* and *Bnei Reuven* make beyond that which Moshe required?

32:24 - Moshe required them to remain west of the Jordan during the conquest of the Land. They promised to remain after the conquest until the Land was divided.

Why does the Torah list the places where the Bnei Yisroel camped?

33:1 - To show Hashem's love of the Bnei Yisroel. Although it was decreed that they wander in the desert, they did not travel continuously. During 38 years, they moved only 20 times.

Why did the King of Arad feel at liberty to attack the Bnei Yisroel?

33:40 - When Aharon died, the *ananei hakavod* protecting the Bnei Yisroel departed.

What length was the camp in the *midbar*?

33:49 - Twelve *mil*.

Why does the Torah need to specify the boundaries that are to be inherited by the Bnei Yisroel?

34:2 - Because certain *mitzvos* apply only in the Land.

When did the three cities east of the Jordan begin to function as refuge cities?

35:13 - After Yehoshua separated three cities west of the Jordan.

There were six refuge cities, three on each side of the Jordan. Yet, on the east side of the Jordan there were only two and a half shevatim. Why did they need three cities?

35:14 - Because murders were more common there.



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FIRST HALF TIP SHEET 2018

Rebbeim \$25/Half

4th Grade	Rabbi Eliyahu Chait
4th Grade	Rabbi Shmuel Mehl*
5th Grade	Rabbi Eliezer Weiss*
5th Grade	Rabbi Tzvi Greenberg
6th Grade	Rabbi Bentzion Unger
7/8th Grade	Rabbi Eli Zoldan

4/5th Grade Counselors \$25/Half

Dovi Adler*
Yedidya Aharon*
Moshe Behar
Rafi Calderon
Refael Kail*
Isaac Melohn*
Shamuel Shamilzadeh*
Benjy Wallach*

6/7/8th Grade Counselors \$25/Half

Eliyahu Chait
Eli Chesner
Yossi Mandelbaum
Yoni Nenner

Bus Counselors \$5/Half

S1	Yossi Mandelbaum
S2	Moshe Behar
S3	Eli Chesner
S4	Shmuel Lehman

Bus Drivers \$5/Half

Lifeguards \$5/Half



**Leaving after first half*

MASMIDEI AREIVIM

SHABBOS HASMODAH CONTEST

TO ENTER:

**LEARN AT LEAST YOUR GRADE'S ALLOTTED TIME
WITH ANY ADULT (FAMILY MEMBER OR CHAVRUSA)
AND HAVE THEM SIGN THE FORM BELOW.**

**TEAR IT OFF AND BRING IN TO
YOUR REBBE ON MONDAY!
EACH WEEK RAISES YOU ANOTHER LEVEL!
IT'S THAT EASY!**

**MAJOR RAFFLE WITH
UNBELIEVABLE PRIZES
AT THE
END OF THE HALF!
DON'T MISS OUT!
BE PART OF
MASMIDEI
AREIVIM!!!**

GRADE	MIN. TIME LEARNED	LEVEL	PRIZE
1ST	20 MINUTES	1	\$1 IN CANTEEN
2ND AND 3RD	30 MINUTES	2	\$2 IN CANTEEN
4TH AND 5TH	45 MINUTES	3	\$3 IN CANTEEN
6TH - 8TH	1 HOUR	4	ספר חשוב

**EACH WEEK THAT A NOTE IS BROUGHT IN
IS ANOTHER LEVEL!
DON'T MISS A WEEK!**

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WE'RE ALL IN IT TOGETHER

This form certifies that _____

in Rabbi _____ shiur learned _____ minutes

over Shabbos (and/or Sunday), Parshas _____.

Signed: _____ Relationship: _____

CAMP AREIVIM

שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום

PROGRAM

Size of SLURPEE Awarded for Each Age Group

	Until (not including) שני	Until שלישי	Until רביעי	Until חמישי	Until ששי	Whole פרשה
Coming out of 4 th Grade	X	SMALL	MEDIUM	LARGE	LARGE	LARGE
Coming out of 5 th & 6 th Grades	X	X	SMALL	MEDIUM	LARGE	LARGE
M.I.T Division	X	X	X	SMALL	MEDIUM	LARGE



In order to be eligible for entries,
campers must read each פסוק twice & the תרגום once.

My son, _____ in Rabbi _____'s shiur
completed שנים מקרא ואחד תרגום up until _____.

Parent's Signature: _____

MAJOR RAFFLE AT THE END OF THE HALF!!!