



Camp Shalom Shmooze

August 9, 2019
Parshas Devarim



Rabbi Gold's Parsha Corner

"Hashem, your G-d, has multiplied you and behold, you are like the stars of Heaven in abundance." (Devarim 1:10)

The Midrash explains that there are three times that Klal Yisroel is compared to the stars.

- 1) Just as one star is greater than another, so, too, Klal Yisroel has different levels, one greater than another: Kohanim, Leviim; and Yisraelim.
- 2) Just as there is no end to the stars, so, too, there is no end to our People.
- 3) Just as the stars have power from one end of the world to another, so, too, Klal Yisroel manifests such power.

Chazal teach us that Hashem's bracha to Avraham Avinu, that his descendants will be likened to stars, is multifaceted. Not only will they be compared to stars in quantity, but also in attributes.

Here at Camp Shalom, all of our campers are stars and bring something unique to the bunk. We have great daveners, learners, athletes, ba'alei middos, and more. Each camper is recognized for the greatness that he/she brings to the bunk and is given the opportunity to develop these attributes in camp. Especially during the nine days, our campers learn the importance of treating each person the way they want to be treated.

Reminders

- Please remember to send your child with a **refillable water bottle**, **sunscreen** and **snacks** every day. The children work up an appetite with their daily activities and get hungry. Only the Rishon children are provided with snack from the camp.
- **We are a nut and seed free camp.**
- All clothing should be labeled clearly with your child's name.

Important Dates

August 12

Machane Travel Trip
to Dave & Busters

Shlishi Travel Trip to
Treetop Adventure

August 13

Israeli Warriors

August 14

Yaakov & Yosef Trip
to the Yankee Game

Oh! Manuyot Art
Gallery & The
Elevator Family Show

August 15

Oh! & Shlishi Travel
Trip to Funplex

Machane Travel Trip
to Powerplay Gaming



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NEWS AROUND CAMP SHALOM

During the nine days, leading up to Tisha B'Av, the **Sheini Girls** had the chance to learn about "filling each other's buckets". This concept explains that each person carries an invisible bucket and by doing mitzvot and treating each other respectfully, we can fill each other's buckets! Throughout the week we were proud to watch the girl practice this new concept that they learned. On Thursday, the girls enjoyed a siyum and a delicious fleishig lunch and dessert. On erev shabbos, some of the counselors put on a modernized Kamtza bar Kamtza play for the girls to watch which exemplified the proper way to behave! The girls really enjoyed watching their counselors in action. We wish you all a meaningful fast!

The **Yaakov** boys had a great week we continued with our exciting leagues! We will begin playoffs next Tuesday with the Championship on Thursday. The Ripped Up Shoe Laces are currently in first place, followed by the Coco Pebbles and Berry Colossal Crunch tied for second. The Sneaky Snipers are in 4th place followed by the Hungry Happy Hippos and the Roaring Rutabegas in last. Yaakovs are all excited for our trip next week to the Yankee game!

The **Yosef** boys had a great week! The Machane travel boys went Ice Skating this week and will be going on three trips next week! All boys in Yosef will be attending the Yankee game next week! The Yosefs will also be concluding their season with the playoffs and the championship next week!

Our **Rishon** division finished another wonderful week in Camp Shalom and we can't wait to share it all with you. We enjoyed an amazing trip to Catch Air where we jumped, played, and even danced with the blue shark mascot! For theme day we watched an amazing puppet show teaching us all about the importance of Shabbos and being kind to each other. Of course, we also had fun swimming, doing ceramics, art, Tae Kwon do, and sports! Stay tuned for next week's incredible adventure!

It was another incredible week for the **Sheini Boys!** Neither heat nor rain could not hold us back from having an amazing time. In addition to our regular activities we were treated to a special live Puppet Theater as well as an exciting Staff/Administration basketball game! The highlight of the week was our incredibly fun trip to Bounce U where we had close to three hours of unlimited Bounce Time and Unlimited fun! We closed off the week in a very meaningful way as our counselors put on a modern-day retelling of the Kamtza/Bar Kamtza story on the Camp Shalom stage. We are so excited to see what our final we can Camp Shalom has in store for us!!!

The **Oh! Manuyot** and **Shlishi Travel** program has had an amazing and uplifting week. Not only did we have our usual activities and trips, we also took the opportunity to grow in our V'ahavta L'raiacha Kamocha. We had an amazing division activity that portrayed this important mitzvah, please ask your girls to see their buckets! The Travel girls also did a great chessed when they took part in making PackIts for people who are homeless.



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PARSHA Q & A—Devarim & Tisha B'Av

1. What is another name for Parshas Devarim?

Mishneh Torah (the 'repetition' of the Torah. Moshe is giving his final speech of reviewing the mitzvos and history of Bnai Yisrael)

2. What number book of the Torah is Sefer Devarim?

#5

3. How long were Bnai Yisrael in the Midbar?

40 years

4. Why did they receive this punishment of being in the midbar?

Because of the Chet Hameraglim (sin of the spies)- Bnai Yisrael believed the lashon hara that the meraglim reported about Eretz Yisrael. They did not have trust in Hashem would help them conquer the land.

5. When did Bnai Yisrael cry because of the lashon hara about Eretz Yisrael?

Tisha B'av. They cried in the midbar that night for no reason, so Hashem said that many years later he will give them a reason to cry, over the destruction of the Beis Hamikdash.

6. Why did Moshe want **everyone to be at his speech**?

This way when they enter Eretz Yisrael and Moshe was not there, no one could argue with what Moshe had commanded. They all heard it from Moshe together.

7. Why does Moshe explain his speech in 70 languages (Rashi)?

Looking towards the future in the galus, Moshe gives the message that Torah can be learned by everyone, no matter where you live or what language you speak.

8. When Moshe recalls the mistakes of Bnai Yisrael, there is not always the specific details of their sins. Why not?

Moshe does not want to embarrass or insult Bnai Yisrael.

Questions relating to the 9 Days and Tisha B'av:

9. What is the Shabbos before Tisha B'av called?

Shabbat Chazon

10. When is there an exception to eating meat during the 9 days?

1. Shabbos! 2. If someone is making a siyum on completing a section of Torah.

11. Why was the Beis Hamikdash destroyed?

Because of Sinas Chinam- hating someone for no reason. (ie. Causing fights, being mean, hurting someone's feelings) Review the Story of Kamtza and Bar Kamtza!

Table Discussion: What can YOU do to help create Ahavas Chinam and result in the building of the 3rd Beis Hamikdash?

12. What are some of the things that we don't do on Tisha B'av?

We don't eat or drink, wear leather shoes, no bathing or washing, no using oil or perfume on your body