

After delving into study of the prayer Az Yashir, campers ventured to Lake George and had no fear.

Screaming "wahoo" with all ten toes curled, we zoomed down the rides at Water Slide World.

When told it was time to go, there were shouts of "You're meshuga!" (crazy), campers did not want to get out of the river that was lazy.

From every 5-6 camper down to every last Ganster, campers were envious of the gargantuan Vermonster

that the Na'arim and Bonim got to attack; what a unique chatif- a midday snack.

The Gan & 1-2 had fun of their own; each a 'Lake George tourist,' Motorcycling, teacup-ing, what adventure at Magic Forest.

To round out the week, 3-4 hosted Oneg, dancing "Stam" (Simple), Smiles were huge; we could see every last dimple.

~Dan Scher Camp Givah Director

Givah Shabbat-July 28th

Welcome Shabbat with your Camp Givah Family!
Friday, July 28th at Temple Israel
Services begin at 5:30 pm
(dinner immediately following)

Dinner selection will be barbecue chicken (or barbecue tofu) and assorted sides.

Catering is being provided by KosherToGOHAV and is gluten/nut free.

Kids can also choose Chicken Nuggets (not gluten free) with French Fries.

Adults: \$18, Children (12 & under) \$10, Chidren (under 3): Free
Family maximum of \$56 (includes parents and children only)

Make sure to register by July 21st!

July 18th: Tikkun Olam (Volunteer Day)

-Gan and 1-2 go to the Massry Residence and then head to the Palace Theatre for Lilo and Stitch

-3-10 will go to the Northeast Regional Food Bank Farm and then head to Funplex.

July 21st 5-6 Oneg

Come on down and join us for the Nitzanim hosting Oneg Shabbat.

There will be singing, dancing, and fresh made challah. The fun kicks off at 2:15 in the Beit Am.

Camp Givah is permitted and inspected twice annually by Albany County Department of Health. Copies of these inspections are maintained at Albany County Dept.of Health

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Tseirim (Grades 1-2)

1-2 had a fabulous week! We had so much fun singing, dancing, hiking and learning about Midrashim during Limud. Magic Forest was so much fun and we can't wait for next week when we will be participating in our special Tikkun Olam projects.

Shabbat Shalom! Melissa, Leo and Dahlia



Group Articles

Find out some highlights from this past week:

Gan (3-5 year olds)

We had such a fun week with a lot of awesome activities to keep us busy, from dancing and singing to boating with Na'arim. On Wednesday, we had the opportunity to go to Magic Forest. We went on many different rides and saw a magic show that a few of us got to participate in. It was a great day with great memories and we are excited for more to come!

Shabbat Shalom, Miriam, Bina and Abby



Shorashim (Grades 3-4)

The 3-4 aka Shorashim had so much fun at Water Slide World on Wednesday and then we SLID into Friday when we hosted Oneg. Our Dvar Torahs and skits were just wonderful! We hope you enjoyed our song and dance. © Good Shabbos, Noah Fisher and Kira Gold

Nitzanim (Grades 5-6)

This week was full of fun activities! We had lots of fun during chug. Going to Waterslide World was the highlight of the week and everyone had tons of fun. We also enjoyed the Oneg which was hosted by the 3-4 group. We are looking forward to an amazing week next week.

Jacob and Marisa



Bonim (Grades 9-10)

This week in Bonim we had a wild time white water rafting in Lake George. We conquered the Vermonster and didn't let the rainy weather rain on our parade. As always we loved CITing and are so thankful to Temple Israel for letting us sleep over. We can't wait for another great week next week.

Shabbat Shalom, Jamie & the Bonim





Na'arim (Grades 7-8)

The Na'arim had a complete blast this week! Some of us shared our Chugim treats with Randy and Cody from the East Berne DOT. We journeyed up to Lake George for a day packed with fun.

Unfortunately due to the weather we didn't get to camp out but instead spent the night at Temple Israel. We went white water rafting and later we ventured into the town of Lake George. It all culminated in the Vermonster Challenge, when we feasted on Ben and Jerry's ice cream! The campers returned to Givah the following day to finish up the fun adventure! The week ended on a great note with the 3-4 doing such a great job on their Oneg! We can't wait to see everyone next week!

Gregg (Tools)

So week 3 at Machaneh Givah has been a lot of fun for me and my group (Tools). We have had a ton of fun playing in the brush and trimming some branches. Lawrence the Lawnmower had an especially filling Wednesday when he gave the whole camp a haircut. Harry the Hammer and Sara the Saw helped me take apart some of the old playground and then Taboule the Trailer used his strong back to bring the wood over to our fire pit for the week 7 bonfire. I would also like to give special props to Wesley, Whilma, Warren, and Walter the water jugs for keeping all of the camp nice and hydrated with their delicious water. Looking forward to some more good times up at camp.

Specialties

Sports

This week in sports the Gan enjoyed their time playing soccer and the classic game of tag. 1-2 and 3-4 had a blast with some kickball and gaga action as well as some Frisbee. 5-6, as always, had fun playing basketball and Frisbee. 7-8 Enjoyed learning some new games along with our camp director, Dan Scher. All in all it was a good week and everyone had fun. I look forward to seeing everyone again next week!



Briut (Health)

This week in our Mirpa'ah (Health Office), our health and safety director accompanied our young campers to Magic Forest. There was much fun had by all! Everyone continues to do a superb job helping our health office. We even taught some campers how to treat their own wounds in an emergency. This week's statement from our H+S director is: "Summer is coming into full swing, along with the summer heat. Stay hydrated and be sure to apply plenty of sunscreen and bug spray! Stay safe everyone!"





Brecha (Pool)

This week at Givah was full of smiles at the pool, lake, and on our trips Wednesday. Groups 3-4 and 5-6 went to Waterslide World! The campers had lots of fun on all the twists and turns while the older campers spent the night at Lake George and the younger campers spent the day at Magic Forest. Everyone had a blast, staying cool in the water.



Rikud (Dance)

This week the Gan kids learned their new dance that will be danced at their Oneg in a few weeks. 1-2 helped each other and the new kids to learn their Zim dance. 3-4 practiced their Oneg dance for this week called Stam (Simply). 5-6 perfected their Oneg dance as well as dances that will be danced after the performances. 7-8 worked extremely hard on their Oneg dance adding their own moves to make it their very own! All dances were choreographed by Noa Bahir (except 1-2).

Shira (Song)

Shira this week was great! 3/4 sang Shma B'ni and they sounded amazing. We all had strong ruach on the way to our field trips. Singing bus songs and Hebrew songs with groups has been an amazing experience so far this summer. Excited for next week! ~Daphne



Omanut (Art)

This week in Omanut we were creators. I was blown away by the amazing pinwheels the Gan created and the magical dream catchers the 5-6 crafted. The Na'arim have started repainting the Welcome to Givah Sign & it is looking magnificent. I can't wait for another great week next week!

Shabbat Shalom, Jamie Berger



Limud (Education)

This week in Limud we learned about the story of Nachson and what a Midrash is. We talked about the importance of facing your fears, and overcoming challenges.



Teva (Nature)

We hiked. It was a hit! We saw wild blueberries and are excited for when they are ripe and ready to pick and eat. The Nature Chug found some snake skins on their journey through the woods. We even found our very own Givah Newt.





SAY WHAT???

Leo D (Gan Camper): The butterfly came to Givah and stayed because he loved it so much.

Izzy (Gan Camper): Wow I've never seen a purple horse before.

Daniel (Na'arim): Next month I'm coming to Givah all week!

Ben (Gan Camper): I am not Ben, I am seacatcher.

Abe (1-2 Camper): Have you seen the drum?

Leo (1-2 Counselor): I think it's sleeping right now!

Anna (1-2 Camper): What's for snack. Dahlia(1-2 Counselor): Fig Newtons.

Anna: What's inside?

Dahlia: Figs

Abe(1-2 Camper): Eww there's wigs inside.

