

Gan and 1-2 stayed at camp a bit late to their delight,

As they enjoyed what the "big kids" do, at our 2<sup>nd</sup> ever "Undernight."

Capture the Flagging and swimming and barbecuing galore,

Gave them a taste for when they're older, what's in store.

Next day, the older campers went to the Maccabi competition

Jews 'round the world' gathered in Albany for a mission.

Athletes swam and played basketball, while all the while

We cheered them on, rockin' our Givah shirts in style.

As I sit in the office and write this article,

I look forward to the Na'arim-run carnival,

And the Oneg to be hosted by the marvelous staff,

With all the singing and dancing, I'm sure there was no gaffe.

~Dan Scher



## Week 8: Zim/Bonim Overnight August 15<sup>th</sup>

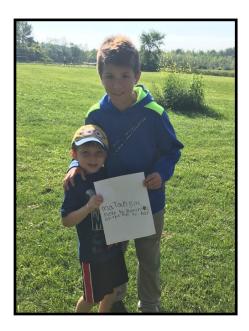
Join us at 6 pm at Temple Israel for our annual song and dance festival. Campers will remain with us throughout the day and be fed a delicious pasta dinner! Bonim will have their final overnight of the summer together at TI following the festival.

## August 18th Bonim Oneg

Come and enjoy singing and dancing and fresh made challah as our Bonim lead us in Oneg Shabbat. The fun kicks off at 2:00 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 175 Green Street Albany, NY 12201.





## Chamudim (Grades 1-2)

#### Shabbat Shalom!

The seventh week of camp was legend....wait for it...dary, legendary. On Tuesday we had our second annual undernight for Gan and 1-2, which included a third swim time, capture the flag and a bonfire. Also the whole camp had a fantastic dinner of hamburgers and hotdogs made by our very own Gregg Fox. Later in the week we had a carnival which was put on by the Na'arim. Even with all the excitement going on at camp we were still able to play a friendly game of gaga with our 3-4 friends.

Leo, Dahlia and Melisa



### Find out some highlights from this past week:

## Gan (3-5 year olds)

We had such an exciting seventh week at Givah! Gan stayed up super late with the rest of camp and had a bbq and a bonfire at our camp undernight. We also got to learn about fire trucks and fire safety with a visit from a local fire department. Our Na'arim friends threw us a fun carnival where we got to run around and play. We look forward to an incredible last week as we finish off the summer. Have a great Shabbos!

Ariella, Bina and Miriam



## Tseirim (Grades 3-4)

This has been such an incredible week for 3-4! In the beginning of the week, we had a Ga-Ga tournament against 1-2 where both campers and counselors participated. Following the Ga-Ga tournament, we had an under/overnight. During the under night with Gan-Bonim, we were joined by our families for a bonfire and we ate scrumptious s'mores! After the bonfire, 3-4-Bonim stayed for an overnight where we had a blast playing capture the flag, kickball, and sleeping in tents! Later in the week, the Na'arim put on an extremely fun carnival for the entire camp.

Kira Gold, Noah Fisher and Abby Pauli

## Nitzanim (Grades 5-6)

This week the 5-6 had a great time celebrating Gregg's birthday! We also had a thrilling time playing capture the flag and kickball on the over-under night. The day after, we went to watch the Maccabi games, and it was a blast. We can't wait for a bitter-sweet last week next week.

Jacob and Marisa



## Bonim (Grades 9-10)

Week 7 for Bonim was an amazing week. We loved celebrating Gregg's birthday, playing, singing, eating, and hanging out at our second to last overnight of the summer. The next day with sleep still in our eyes, we cheered on one of our own group members at the Maccabi games as they won their basketball game. This week has been such a blast! We are so excited for this upcoming week, filled with a gaga tournament, the Zim, our very own overnight, and the bittersweet end of our summer and, for some of us, our time as campers.

Shabbat Shalom, Jamie Berger and the Bonim



## Na'arim (Grades 7-8)

Week 7 for the Na'arim was phenomenal! We had a great overnight on Tuesday with the other campers and sang songs together at the bonfire while we enjoyed tasty s'mores! The fun kept going, as the Na'arim ran the annual carnival, filled with games, challenges, prizes and more! The Na'arim concluded the perfect week with the staff oneg! We can't wait to see everybody for our last week! Shabbat Shalom!

-Zach Tenenbaum and Noa Bahir



# Specialties

## **Sports**

This week in sports everyone had a blast cruising off of the waves of competitiveness from our color wars the week before. This incited much more participation from our younger groups who normally aren't as competitive. There was hardy competition all around and we got two new awesome games set up including 4-square in the air and tetherball. The kids are having an amazing time with both games and will continue to enjoy them throughout the rest of the summer.



# Briut (Health)

This week in our Mirpa'ah (Health Office), our campers' growth potential was great and their relative price/earnings ratios were low, for an affordable bargain. There weren't too many injuries of note this week, leading to a high return on invested capital for the health office. Campers should continue to seek out rising stock values through attractive opportunities including Brecha, Limud, Omanut, Shira, and Teva! ~Jeremy Scher, Health Director





## Brecha (Pool)

We had an absolutely magnificent time in the pool this week. On Tuesday everyone was able to get an extra period of swim on the under/overnight, which was totes dope. Everyone swam a lot and learned life lessons.



## Rikud (Dance)

This week Gan learned their new dance called "Ha'auto Shelanu," which means "our car." 1-2 kept working on their Zim dance and made newspapers as prop to dance with. The rest of the groups also worked on their Zim dances and had a lot of fun dancing them. When we had the overnight, in the morning we were so tired but at the moment that 3-4 had dance they seemed the most energetic from the other groups. All dances choreographed by Noa Bahir

## Shira (Song)

This week, Shira was great! Every group started their Zim songs and they sound amazing. Staff Oneg was really fun and we're all excited for the last week of camp. Be sure to come and check us out on Tuesday night at 6 pm at Temple Israel.



## Omanut (Art)

This week in omanut, the creativity was flowing. The na'arim prepared for the fabulous carnival they led, the gan loved making Jewish stars out of popsicle sticks, and the 1-2 made fabulous props for their Zim dance. As the summer starts to wind down, omanut is still running strong. The artistic abilities that have been exhibited have blown me away this summer. Stay creative. Shabbat shalom, Jamie Berger



## Limud (Education)

This week in limud the campers learned about the shema. The campers learned many beautiful tunes for the shema. It has been wonderful teaching the importance and meaning behind this special prayer.



## Teva (Nature)

This week in teva we did some hiking. The 5-6 campers and I, walked to the big metal bucket and hit it with sticks. The campers had a great time with that. With 1-2 we had a great time walking up Fisher's creek. That was a lot of fun. During the undernight we all sat by the bonfire and sang songs. Dan told us a "personal" story of his time at camp and Gregg made sure that the bonfire burned high.



# SAY WHAT???

Victor (5-6 Camper) – That's not our song, that's a lawn mower.

Izzy (Gan Camper) – Wait can we all fit in your car (after Dan told him he has more magic in there).

Abi (3-4 Camper) – Can I have another hanburger?

Rami (1-2 camper) - Can you ask Mrs. Red hair (referring to Heather the bus driver) to stop the bus?

Isaac (5-6 Camper)- There's Brady over there in the outfield (on a basketball court)!

