

# THE CHEVRA SHMOOZE

I can't believe the first half is already in the books. As we wrap up the fourth week of camp it's amazing how time really flies when you're having the time of your life. The fourth week of this amazing summer started off with an amazing wet and wild activity. Just when you thought there was not enough rain and drenching wetness in camp, we decided to bring our very own water fight to camp. The water tag game was so cool!! As the targets and bases were set up each camper had their vest on and



ready to soak anyone and everyone. In the older division there was a game called "shoot Rabbi Shermun in the eyes and ears". After letting my eyes focus and my ears

drain, I was totally drenched head to toe. I wish I had a towel. As the league games head into the playoffs all the teams are really gearing up to play as hard as they can.

Tuesday was the last day of swim and yet another rain day in camp. That didn't stop us though. We had BINGO all lined up and ready to go. Rabbi Peikes, Yitz and Rabbi



Shermun had tons of prizes and goodies to give out as the campers all started to



fill in their bingo boards. 57

Zlotnik and 103 Color war were just some of the numbers being

called out. The prize piles were all getting higher and higher and bigger and bigger. Mordechai Amsel really won the best box with all the chrain, noodles, and much much more.

Rabbi Peikes went next and his pile was split by Donny Stern and Eli Brown. Yitz's huge pile of goodies



was won last by the same anonymous person who won the Powerball drawing. He couldn't even carry all the nosh, candy and prizes he won!! Actually it was Chaim Hutman who now has lots of new friends)

Wednesday was a major day totally packed with craziness. We had painting, payday and OTB. Every counselor went head-to-head in a different challenge. It all started with each bunk making a



beautiful mosaic. They all took their posters and put on all the tape in a very artistic way. Then it was

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time to get the paints and start making their masterpieces. The works of art came out amazing. The tape did not come off so amazing. The second part of the day was going through the challenges and picking the winners. Block stacking and wacky races, who would win and make money for their bunk?



We started it off with Gavriel Laster vs Menachem Breningstall in the great



blocks build. Gavriel took the win when Menachem sneezed and knocked down

his entire stack of bricks. All it took was two bricks to win. CPW did his charades best in monkey land and Daniel Ginsberg finally learned how to act things out without talking, screaming, or pausing to daven. In the half court shootout, Kobi Goldfarb and



Eitan Pollack beat out Nesanel Roizman and Sruly Rosen while Eli Gewirtzman lost in the relay race. Azi Wolf kicked his way to a victory in the football kick and Rabbi Peikes rocked a moon shot to take the homerun derby.

The bunks added up their totals but it was time for dismissal so we had the auction for all the candy Thursday by lunch.

Thursday opened with the auction and oh was it sweet!! The tickets were flying off the shelf as



bunk after bunk gave in their totals for Wednesday's amazing sports

challenges. After all the tickets were in it was time for Rabbi Shirman to pull the winning tickets. Bunk after bunk won



buckets full of candy and goodies. It will take all summer for bunk

Levi to finish all that gum and for bunk Shimon to chew all those zazas, and for their parents to pay off their dental bills.

As all this was happening, the playoffs were taking shape as it was all-out leagues on the fields and courts. By the end of the day there was a major league champion for the major leagues. It was Sruly Rosen's Pit Bulls who took the championship in a thrilling game of baseball that featured a walk off hit by Donny Stern (actually a run-off win b/c we had to go on our Chevra x Trip). In night leagues it was the Crocs ending up



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in first place with a somewhat less thrilling game of 11-2 baseball. We are not done at all when it comes to sports. We have Friday to decide who will win in the senior and junior leagues. However, before jumping to Friday, it is time to head to the gym where we had a great special activity called switch. The bunks were shooting, bouncing, throwing and stacking as they tried to get as many points for their teams. There was a whirlwind of activity going on, and all the tennis balls are missing, but



everyone agreed it was an amazing activity (and then Rabbi Shurmyn released the hostages).

Chevra x had an amazing trip to 94

Pitch n Putt. Rabbi Peikes hit the 85 MPH pitches in the batting cage while Zisha hit his golf ball into the wrong hole. The Gongola brothers had an intense game of mini golf but they missed the buzzer beater, and everyone



went home after Eli Laine got his ice cream.

Swikers are almost finished with their amazing shtender project.



They also found time to build their mini fires and roast marshmallows. Yum yum yum.

Friday is the last day of the first half and the final day of the sports season. The



swikers are all set to bring home their beautiful table top shtenders which

they have been working on all week.

## THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

**Monday – Havdalah Day**

**Tuesday – Deal or No Deal**

**Wednesday – Erev Tisha Bav**

**Dismissal 2:45 PM**

**Thursday – Tisha Bav No Camp**

**Friday – Match Game**

**HAVE A  
GREAT SHABBOS**





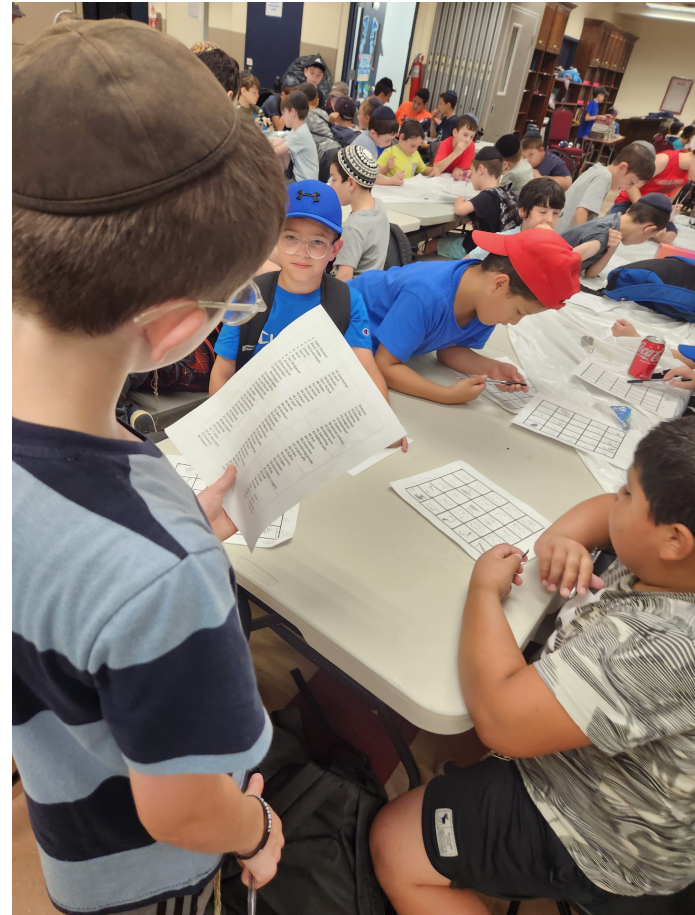


















no one reads your articles"-yitz/ "can I hav a shoutout"- matanel/ "there was a great line in your article, I don't remember what it was"- r'sherm/ "hahahaha"- bentzi weiss/ "what flavor this time?"-yehuda stamm "yeah, I still have to read your first article."- Donny g. / "nothing causes change like art"- bentzi Weiss/ "can I join swikers?" dovi kap, huda aryeh bresher, gote, meir Freund, eli rubin, Daniel levi, mikey yess, avi newhouse, aron silber, etc  
"rabbi Sherman got injured in 2021, not 2020"- dunny ginsbord/ "birds are not animals"- yitz Greenbaum (he actually said that, no joke.)  
"you never give me shoutouts"- RABBI weezel

# Katching Rabbitz And Mice

## By Sleepy Dubbs

See good thing I didn't talk about the trip thursday cuz now I can talk about it. (haha I left you in suspense) (and yismo gelman be like, you know we already know what happened on the trip...) buses leave to uncharted teritori on thurs and we be off to chukicheaz land (yismo gelman be like, oh, I did'n go) BUT FIRST (awk, cuz now I think I may be out of room)

We wished eachother good shabat, starring aryeh Greenstein, eitan smith (pre1a jc) and chaim wiederman. Wen we got there, we had moshe levitz in cow costume, rabbi eisenbergerstein, and of course donklinin in (now ripped up) giraffe wonzi. Tzvi singer and benny greenfield got to squish big bugs, dooooobi glassmonster took cool selfi in picture machine, and there was a picture of Shlomo and Shlomo Brezner, and neither of them was Yosef. (...?) then bak to camp, mordechai deutsh and nachi freid started shabat shalom before the bus even left, and we got there before you could say something really really long.

Later Rabbi saltzManM was making dalishes icecream with salt that came out so good for you and you that it got eaten up. Also some fell on the floor and all the chocolate syrup fell in Yosef benisti bowl plus the cover to the syrup. Watch your feet. Then We davened so beautiful to hashem and had PIZZA for everyone (who's still there) and bording the buses with Eliyahu salzman and rafi Weinraub. The video was about a guy and another guy and both their sons were healthy so they made a seuda. We had a wild ride on top of the car and the robbers threw all the money at him. Great. At kamelbeach, my throat got ROCKED cuz they turned off the slides so we tried singing with the other camps but they had a megaphone and I didn't. also they don't know shabat shalom (or anyones names) ("I'm bored"-chaim dov itzkowitz while waiting for slides to reopen) so I drank a lot of tea on Shabbos. and Sunday. And Monday.

"you better giv me a shoutout"- moshe zidel, 2018 chevra shmooz ["wait, you mean there are pre1a kids who go to swikers? every day?"-r' pikis, roughly three weeks into the summer/ "wait, you mean the camp has a schedule planned beforehand? Every day?"- rabbi Saltzman, like all the time] also dovi friedman (older) had a platypus bag/ "that's not a door that's a wall"- lots under 8 and mord birnhak. I lost Hebrew singoff to harry: who knows hallel? I know hallel. Hallel's what we say on rosh cho-desh and one is hashem (soon the day will come...) (why are all acapella songs about chanukah?- Rab Pik.) Also it turns out there's officially never supposed to be special activity in Friday. Winner of who knows more vegetables-yoni rab (where's my tomato juice?"-me)

Yakov drilmanater went to pencilvania for Shabbos (and shai litenatzky went to Indiana) and were bak (with help of hashem) mundowskis dawned bright like a latka and the first thing I remember was we had our new faymoootchay gameshow, the morning show with random joe (yeah jojo, that's you) rebbe shermbabwé got up with such hard questions, about sports like nascar, and even mordechai amsel didn't know the answers raba squirm made up. He didn't even cheat for yitzky to win like usual. (today he actually did yonah trivia in zisha, in honor of yonah Klein (see azriel, I didn't give you a shoutout) but zisha failed coz he didn't know a posuk in divrei hayamim beis. "Come on, you knew that- basics!"- Yitzchok Spivak) some had so much fun they did that for learning groups. The lunch games were fun too. Rabbi shrm said mine weren't original enough so he got RABBI weezel to run a game for a day. (RABBI weezel thinks my games are a waste of space) ("ok I need 60 volunteers on the [8x10 foot] stage!"- rabbi sherming, 2022) for his game RABBI weezel set up a VERY IMPORTANT FIRE DRILL and you can hear all about it from him on the camp chevra hotline, at 641-715-3800, pin 582764#, option 2. (Daniel greenfield and fam say: you did that AGAIN!)

Water tag. Perfect for before the 9 days. We all got wet (not me but that doesn't mean chaim gershooni didn't try. Pre1a went to vachtnacht of reb shayala ben reb moshe Goldstein, all the kids got pekela and counslors got stuff too, but not genut. Choosday bingo with judges yits rabbpikis and an accountant. The choices were stuff in camp like ysv, golf ball and... ME not. Other options are some kids like huda Zlotnik asher zooker and zevy shulgaser. (also zevi cooper but I already gave him a shoutoutso I can't again) Mordechai amsel won toilet paper (that moshe shiller promptly ate) and eli moshen's cap and Shlomo gelman won everything else. Naftali Klein, aryeh Rosenfeld, Zevi jacobs and abi caner went swimming in cloz. If you do it, you get a shoutout too. ("..."- moms) OK I'm out of room so lets kram in as much as ican without punctuationorspacing yeah there's no room for Wednesday, maybe next time so shabat sha lom (do it at the Shabbos table) and I'll see YOU next week! (not eitan zimmerman...)

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רַב־לְכֶם סָב אֶת־הַהָר הַזֶּה פְּנּוּ לְכֶם צְפֹנָה (דברים ב: ג.)

"You have enough, circle the mountain, and turn to the north."

The יקר lived during a time when the בני ישראל enjoyed prosperity, and he did not approve of the way they dealt with it. He urged them to be more discreet, to keep a low profile and not draw attention to themselves with ostentatious lifestyles.

He supported his exhortation with a homiletic interpretation of Moshe's words to the Jewish people. "רַב־לְכֶם סָב אֶת־הַהָר הַזֶּה פְּנּוּ לְכֶם צְפֹנָה" "You have enough, circle the mountain, and turn to the north (צְפֹנָה)." The word צְפֹנָה can also be translated as "the hidden." In other words, you have enough material things. Now hide them! If you've got it, you don't have to flaunt it!

Eisav has a long memory, writes the כלי יקר. Whenever he sees יעקב prosper, he believes with all his heart that it is only because of the ברכות that he believes יעקב stole, the ברכות that should have gone to Eisav.

יעקב himself was already worried about this. When famine struck all of the Middle East, everyone was forced to run to מצרים, the only place where large stockpiles of food existed. It was the only way to avoid starvation. יעקב's pantry, however, was well stocked with food, and his family could have gone a long time without a trip to מצרים. Nonetheless, יעקב sent them to buy food. "Lamah tisra'u?" he said. "Why should you show off?" According to רש"י, יעקב was concerned about the children of Eisav and Yishmael. Why should they see that you have plenty of food while they are starving? That would be a foolish thing to do.

Living in the United States, which is so liberal, so tolerant, we tend to forget this important lesson. Regardless of how benign American society is, it is still גלות. We still live among non-Jews, not all of whom share the full measure of tolerance which has made this country the superpower that it is today. We still need to watch our step. If we have been blessed with prosperity -- money, real estate, nice homes, automobiles and clothing -- there is no need to flaunt our wealth.

In Camp Chevra we take this one step further. We try and instill in every talmid a feeling of responsibility for all his actions. If one has been blessed with wealth, a talent, athletic ability, or something that others do not have, he should not flaunt it and cause jealousy and hurt feelings. Rather he should quietly use all of his ברכה to help others. May we be זוכה in this merit to the coming of משיח very soon and may תשעה באב this year be a טוב יום. Have a great Shabbos.

Sincerely,  
Noam Peikes

**CAMPER OF THE WEEK**

1A	Yomo Levenshteyn	
1B	Dovi Friedman	Mordy Eizik
1C	Yonah Benjamin	Eitan Spilman
Avraham	Zevi Cooper	Avi Sendrovic
Yitzchok	Benny Greenfield	
Yaakov	Elisha Cohen	Aryeh Greenstein
Moshe	Mordechai Deutsch	Akiva Kahana
Ahron	Nachi Fried	Moshe Lederer
Dovid	Chaim Wiederman	Naftali Klein
Reuven	Shmuel Strimling	
Shimon	Yossi Pomerantz	Azarya Kagan
Levi	Yakov Nemtzov	Naftali Rubin
Yehuda	Izzy Streicher	Mordechai Faiveshevitz
Yissachar	Yaakov Moeller	Shamai Kanner
Zevulun	Michoel Yess	Daniel Beilin
Extreme A	Mayer Freund	Gavi Voss
Extreme B	Dovid Kanner	Harry Beilin