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(א' אלול ה'תשל"ח לגן ישראל)

Gan Yisroel's Effect On The Whole Year

...Especially and particularly the camps of Gan Yisroel- which are called 'Gan Yisroel' (Garden of Israel), they should assist (the campers) that during the time of camp, the campers as well should become 'fruits' of a garden. As fruits which grow, (they should grow) in the garden of Hashem, (meaning) that he grows every day and becomes better and more beautiful, in matters which are connected with Hashem, which these are the matters of Torah and Mitzvos and Yiddishkeit.

As previously said, one of the main obligations of Gan Yisroel is that everyone that was in them (Gan Yisroel Camps), should take along with himself the things which he learnt- that educated himself and others and this should (have an) impact on the entire year, in his day to day life.

(Elul 1, 5738 - To the Campers of Gan Yisroel)

"הצלחה רבה אין דעטראיט

The Rebbe's Words to the Campers and Staff Heading to CGI Detroit for the Summer of 5750 (1990).



The Rebbe Farbrenging in Gan Yisroel. Swan Lake, 5720.

WORDS FROM THE

Camp Mashpia



Hello there,

I am the sage here at Tustin Michigan, more precisely the spiritual mentor.

You mainly see me during Color War and Shabbos, but I am here all along keeping the camp spiritually afloat. You should know that you're growing up to be the Rebbe's chassidim



I merited to see and learn from the Rebbe myself, and you should know that I am not living in some distant reality, you and me are both chassidim of the Rebbe, do not let anyone tell you otherwise. Do not sell yourself short.

Learn the Rebbe's Torah, connect to the Rebbe, and very soon we will see the Rebbe with our own eyes.

Zei gezunt, ksiva vachasima tova, Ishono tova umesukah.

With much dedication and love,

Rabbi and Mrs. G

WORDS FROM THE

Head Counselors



Dear Campers of Camp Gan Yisroel,

When the Rebbe visited Camp Gan Yisroel in 5720, he shared a powerful story with the campers about the Baal Shem Tov. The Rebbe specifically emphasized that this story is for children—not just the children sitting there at that moment, but even the children who weren't present at the event. So, of course, this applies to us today, the campers of Gan Yisroel.

A wagon once became stuck in the mud. The driver asked the Baal Shem Tov's chassidim to help pull it out, but they answered, "We aren't strong enough."

The driver replied, "You can, but you don't want to."

The Baal Shem Tov explained that this is a lesson for life. Sometimes we tell ourselves, "I can't. I'm not strong enough." But Hashem gives us the koach to accomplish what we need to. If you really want to, you can.

And this summer proved that you have it in you.

We saw it in your learning, davening, farbrengens, and the incredible chayus you brought to every part of camp. You pushed yourselves, tried new things, and grew into stronger chassidim. You showed that when you really want something, you can do much more than you think. More than anything, camp made us all more mekushar, helping us build a deeper and more real connection with the Rebbe.

Now the summer is ending, and the real shlichus begins. Take that chayus home with you. If the year gets difficult, remember what you accomplished here. Remember that you have the koach. You can do it.

As the song says, "Take the flame from here to light your way throughout the coming year." The flag may be coming down, but "the flag remains with you." Let the spirit of Gan Yisroel continue to guide you all year long.

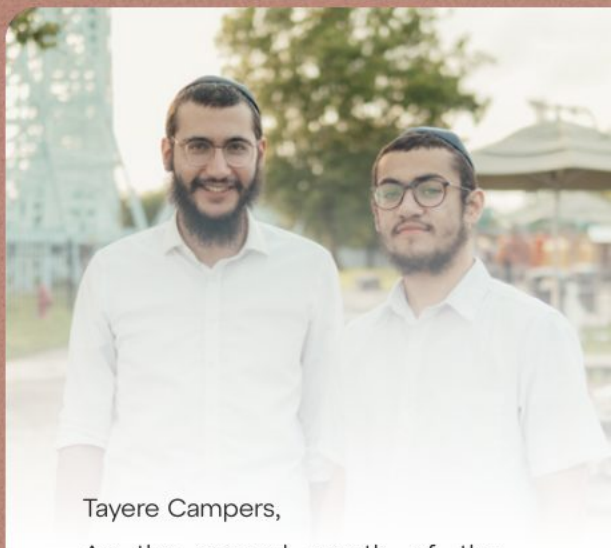
Take the learning, the friendships, the memories, the chayus, and the commitment to making the Rebbe a more real and central part of our lives with you—and keep the flame burning.

Your Head Counselors,

Chonon, Mendel & Mendel

WORDS FROM THE

Learning Directors



Tayere Campers,

As the second month of the summer comes to a close, we take a look back at the amazing time we had. Full of learning, farbrenging and chassidishe avir, each and every minute was well used bringing us closer to the Rebbe making us better chassidim.

The Mishnayos, Gemara, Halacha and Sichos we learned will IY"H remain with you. Through the Connection Points and videos we saw (including learning about Hei Teves!), each and every one of you has prepared yourself for the months ahead. You are going home to your regular day to day schedule where not always is it easy to do what is right.

But in such moments, you have to open the "suitcase" you packed here in camp, and re-inspire yourself with the energy of camp, where we are surrounded by Torah and Mitzvos 24 hours a day.

Reb Shmuel Munkes was once traveling to the Rebbe in the frigid cold. As he was walking, a wagon driver drove by and offered him a ride. Reb Shmuel gladly accepted, and got on the back of the wagon, where the wagon driver had barrels he was transporting.

Due to the cold, Reb Shmuel surrounded himself with the barrels, but they offered no projection against the bitter cold and icy gusts of wind. Reb Shmuel asked the wagon driver what was in the barrels. "Mashke," the wagon driver replied. Reb Shmuel asked the driver for permission to take some and said some Lchaim. Immediately he felt the warmth spread to the tips of his finger and the ends of his toes.

Later, Reb Shmuel farbrenged about this incident. One can be surrounded by something good, but he must take it in, he must internalize it for it to have the proper affect.

These weeks of camp can't become a distant memory; they have to become a part of us. We must always turn back to the Chassidishkeit we felt in camp throughout the year.

May you have a lot of hatzlacha during the next year in school in your learning and davening, and you should go from strength to strength only going higher and better,

Mendel Moya
Mendel Wolf

WORDS FROM THE

Head Mashbalim



Fellow Chasidim,

As I write to you this letter, my eyes water with tears of joy and sadness.

The memories, the times I kicked you away from the kitchen window, and the moments dancing on the benches. We always knew that from the moment you walked into the dining room, your face lit up with joy, with passion for a new day. That's why it's the first part of the morning. As those pancakes melt in your mouth, and the scrambled eggs, scrumptious as ever, tempt your palate, as the silky white milk flows from the bottle into your bowl of sugar cereal, you know the best day is yet to come.

Yet somehow, there are still two more meals yet to find your stomach. As you open your eyes and realize the door was just released and it's lunchtime, as you're running, you bump into

your favorite waiter, Yudel Tenenbaum.

Yudel is always there on time,

Never forgets a thing.

Please tip him more than a dime,

For food he always does bring.

Hershel Hendel, perfectionist is a second name.

The HC table, not one extra fork.

The halachic expert, I do proclaim,

You'll always find him hard at work.

Yechiel Segal, he always smiles,

And always dancing on the benches.

The best coach for miles,

His Chayenu he always clenches.

Mordichai Lieberman, I think his table is clean before he gets there.

He left us early,

For we cannot bear.

For his flight, he catches, barely.

Mendel Z, every plate and cup set perfectly.

His 24/6 he does clutch.

Every camper he does know personally,

And cannot possibly miss a lunch.

Zalman Hecht, the families will have to thank,

For them he's cares unconditionally.

During the year, you'll see him in NY on a tank,

For your trolling is only done intentionally.

Wow, what a run.

(Deep breath in, deep breath out.)

This all wouldn't have been possible without the master of foods, the king of appetizers, and the GOAT of tuna fish, Yossale Barnea himself. As it comes steaming out of the oven, the one and only Chaim Azimav takes it with care, commitment, and passion to the window, for it to be brought to your tables by our dear Mashbakim with their beautiful aprons.

For you will shed a tear, oh Tustin...


To My De


ar Bunk...

Bunk Beis

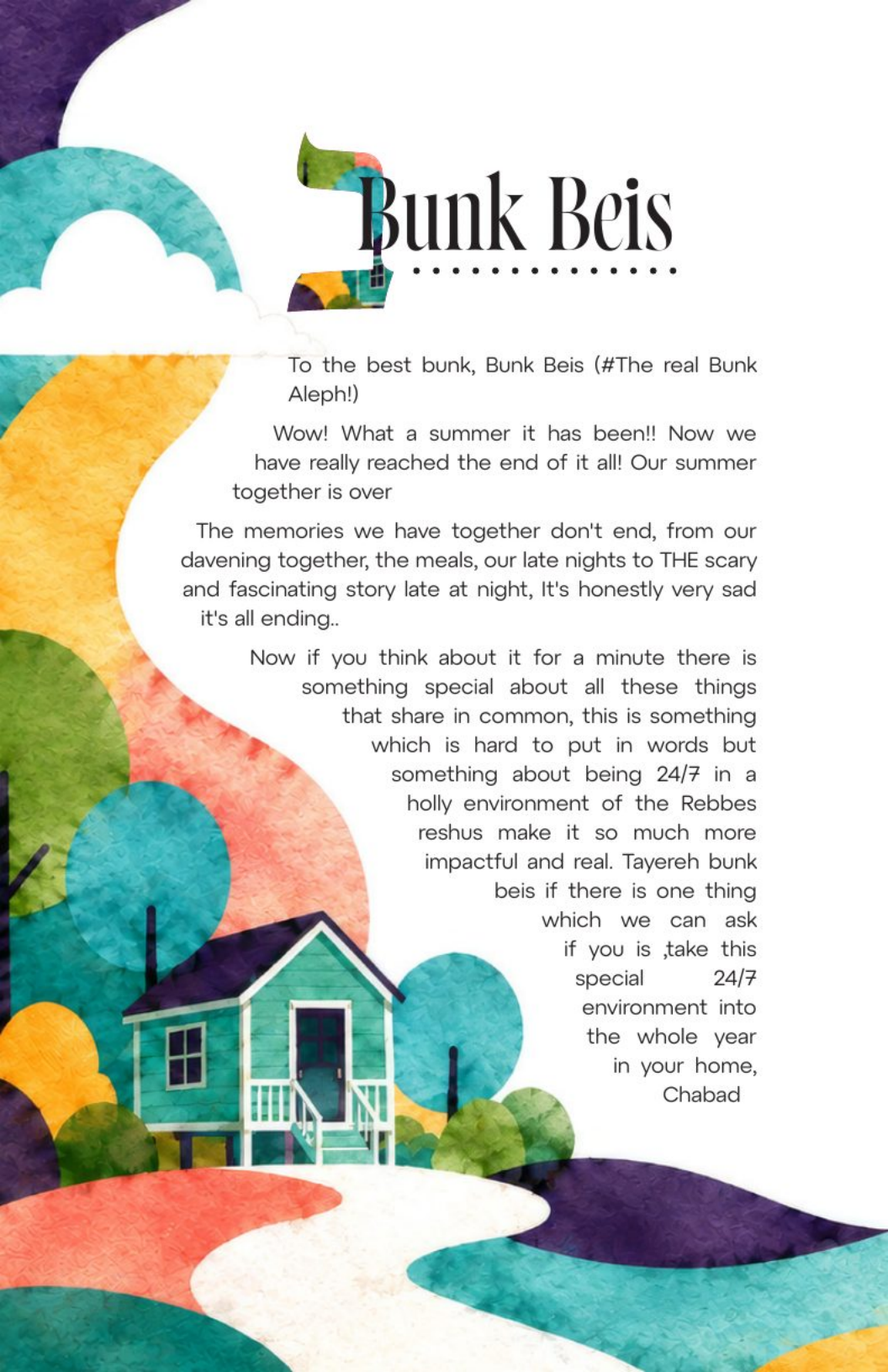
To the best bunk, Bunk Beis (#The real Bunk Aleph!)

Wow! What a summer it has been!! Now we have really reached the end of it all! Our summer together is over

The memories we have together don't end, from our davening together, the meals, our late nights to THE scary and fascinating story late at night, It's honestly very sad it's all ending..

Now if you think about it for a minute there is something special about all these things that share in common, this is something which is hard to put in words but something about being 24/7 in a holly environment of the Rebbes reshus make it so much more impactful and real. Tayereh bunk beis if there is one thing which we can ask if you is ,take this special 24/7 environment into the whole year in your home,

Chabad



house or school have this message with you!

For now we have to say good bye but we hope to see you next year back here in Tustin!

Goodbye...

Boruch Danow

Mendel Slonim

Please (we mean this!) reach out to us throughout this year

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[Mendel Slonim] 6073749911 mendelvestal@gmail.com

If bunk beis would be sent to an island (#verginisland) what would each child bring:

Kehos Gansbourg would bring his frog

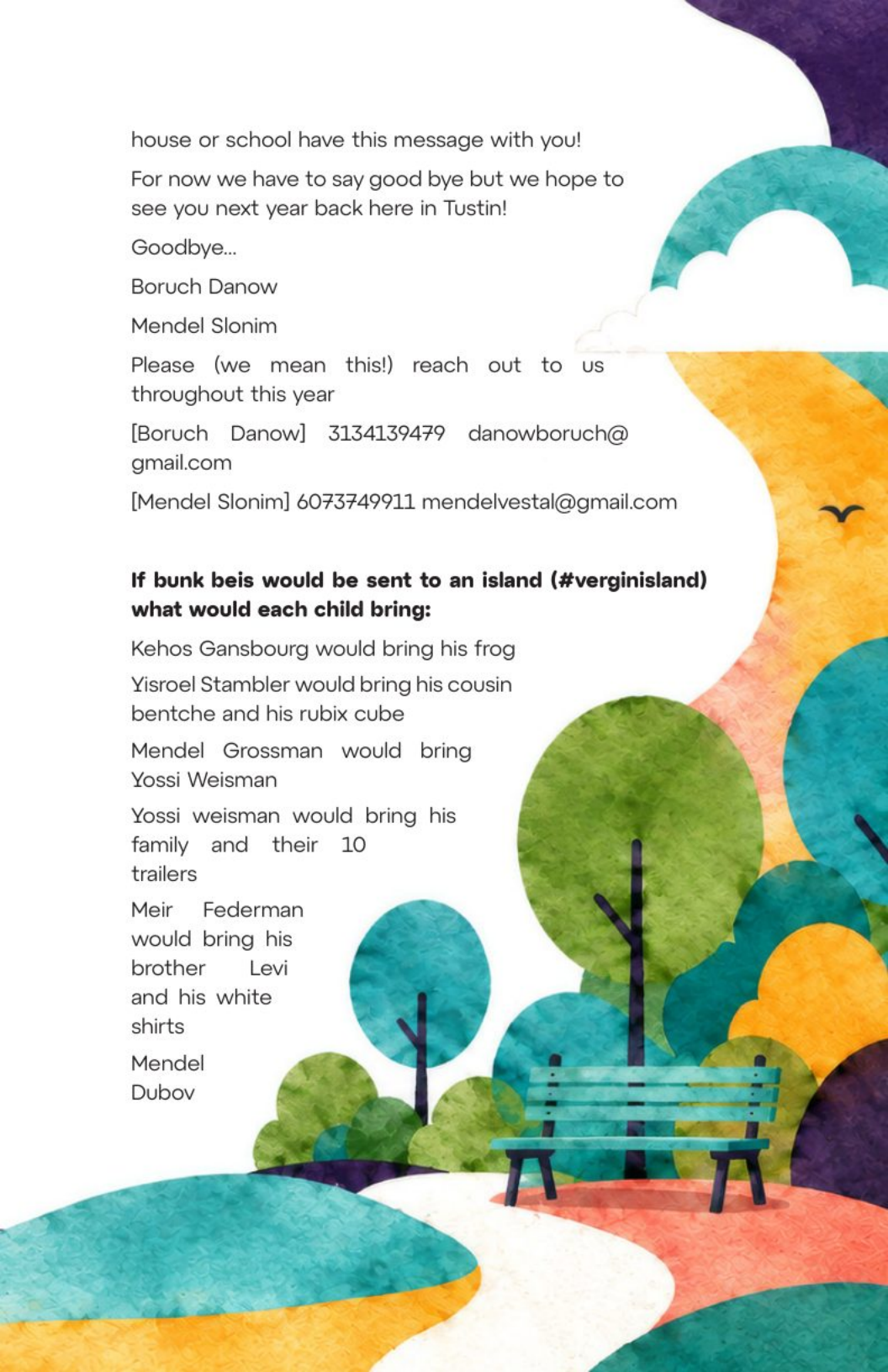
Yisroel Stambler would bring his cousin bentche and his rubix cube

Mendel Grossman would bring Yossi Weisman

Yossi weisman would bring his family and their 10 trailers

Meir Federman would bring his brother Levi and his white shirts

Mendel Dubov



would bring his toothbrush and siddur

Mendel Shmotkin would bring his pictures of the Rebbe and Mendel Levitin

Levi Vogel would bring his brother Mendel Vogel

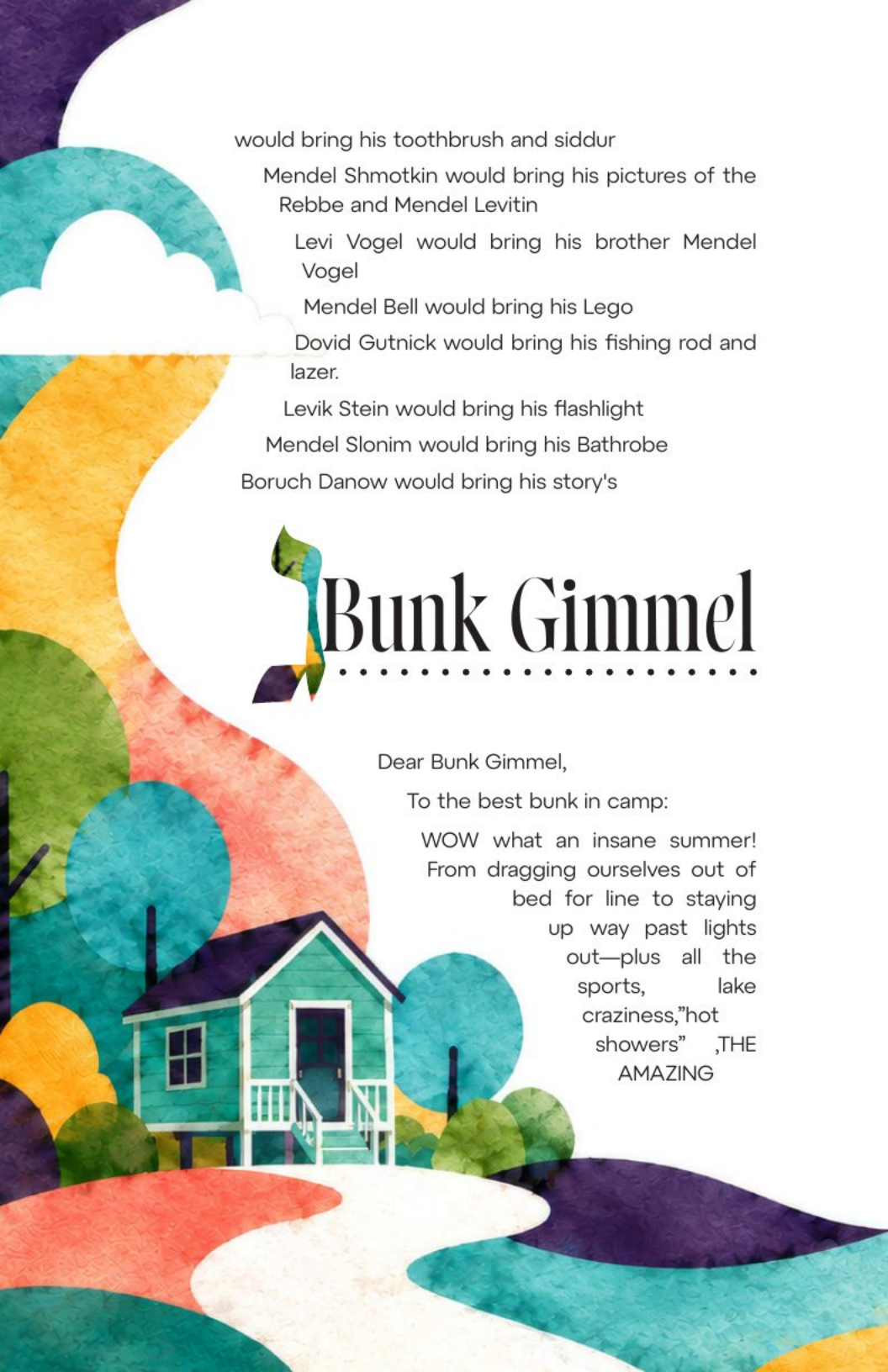
Mendel Bell would bring his Lego

Dovid Gutnick would bring his fishing rod and lazer.

Levik Stein would bring his flashlight

Mendel Slonim would bring his Bathrobe

Boruch Danow would bring his story's



Bunk Gimmel

Dear Bunk Gimmel,

To the best bunk in camp:

WOW what an insane summer! From dragging ourselves out of bed for line to staying up way past lights out—plus all the sports, lake craziness,"hot showers" ,THE AMAZING

BIRTHDAY PARTY and the epic late nights and soooooooo much more. (And let's be real... we definitely hold the record for cleaning the shul the most times, huge shoutout to Mendel Riter for that one ehem 🏛).we had an amazing summer with you guys.But make sure to take all that you learnt (rebbe hanhokos during davening) and the bunks hachlota all year round

If i got a diamond every time:

Binyoimin sacks helped chonon give out candies

Levi Mendelsohn played frisbee

Binyomin Susskind won a sports game

Dovi benhiyoun was ready for lights out

Mendel riachik made his bed

Levi Galperin asked for a rebbe picture

Menachem Wichin asked me to fill a noodle soup

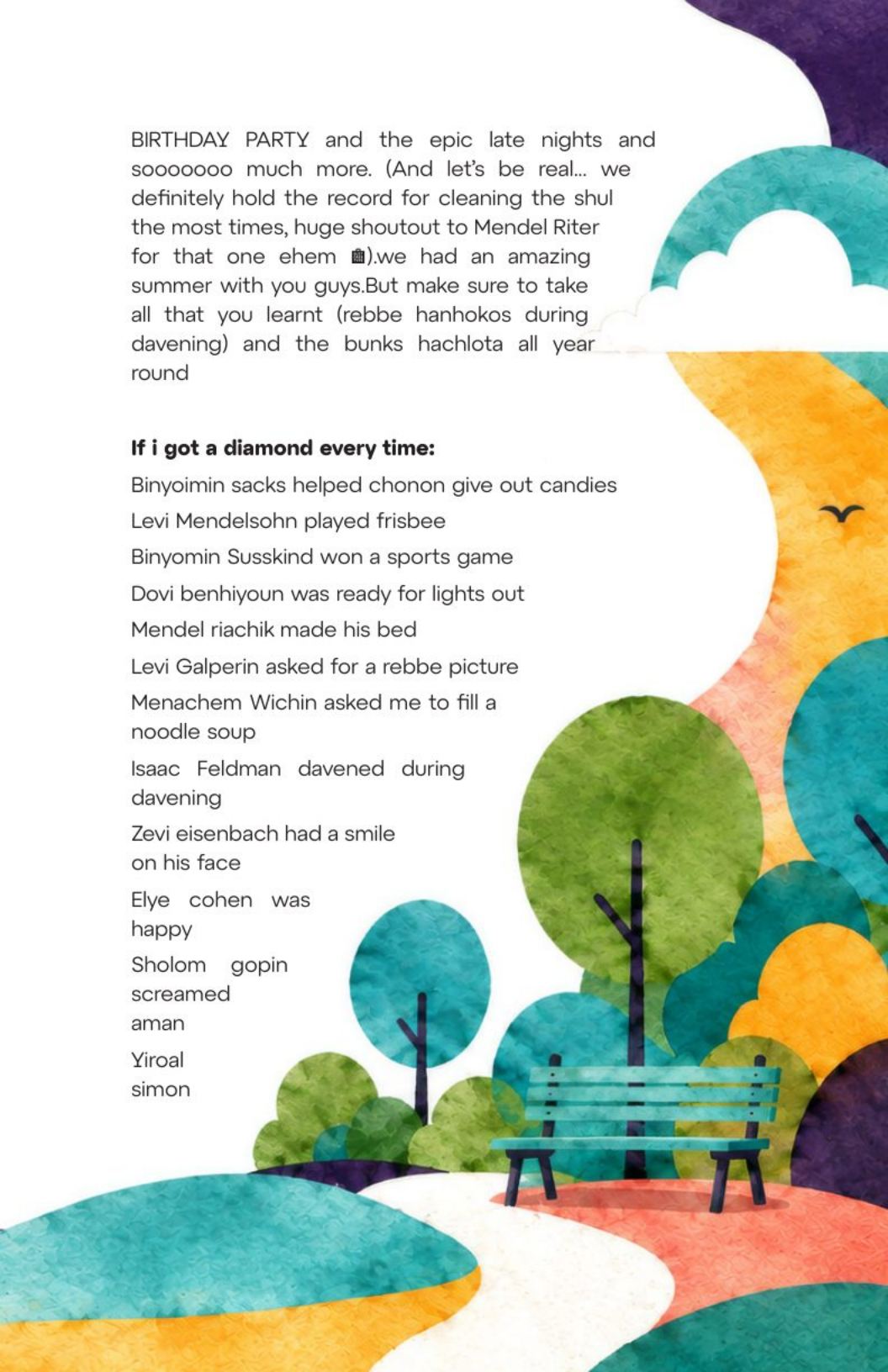
Isaac Feldman davened during davening

Zevi eisenbach had a smile on his face

Elye cohen was happy

Sholom gopin screamed aman

Yiroal simon



played with his rubix cube

Shnuer slonim helped out the bunk

Mendel Greenberg said a story

Mendel amzalak was up for lineup

Then I would be a multi millionaire!!

When you want to farbrang or you are just bored feel free to call (or google chat) us.. PLEASE CALL we are waiting.

Mendel amzalak: 947-238-5627 mendelamzi@gmail.com

Mendel Greenberg PA 484-828-2775 mendygreenberg306@gmail.com

Bunk Daled

Letter for the most amazing bunk daled ever: hello hello to the best 12 kids in the world, we are writing this letter to you on the bus on the way to cedar point, (Hillel "could we please not go to cedar point") and we are truly tearing up

as we realize that camp is almost done and we are going back to our regular lives in yeshiva without seeing you guys 24/~~7~~, and we reflect upon the amazing summer that we just experienced with you guys, watching you grow in your chassidishkeit, davenning maturity, yiras shamayim and achdus, telling you stories, farbrenging, late nights, last wishes (um, um, um, Menachem can you ask the head counselors if we could have a late night? NOOO.). But as Levi Goldberg wipes away a tear for gan yisroel, we realize that aderaba, we should be dancing for the amazing experience and zchus we had to be in gan yisroel and take the SPIRIT (@team yitzchak) of the summer with us into the year, through making hachlotois, KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH OUR COUNSELORS, and growing in our hiskashrus to the rebbe! So to all are of our amazing chossidel'lach - we will miss you - till next year (5th grade kicks!) with moshiach in Gan Yisroel again!

Yours truly, **Menachem Deren** and **Levi Goldberg**

What would each one bring with him to survive in the desert:

Hilel Schanowits: his basketball yarmulke

Levi Shmotkin: his big smile



Meir Shmotkin: his name (remember my name)

Yosef Schapiro: his shabbos camper t-shirt

Meir begun: his snakes

Meir Mann: the frogs that he caught with meir begun

Meir Zaklikovsky: two months kicks

Yudel Federman: the bathroom pass

Zev Rosenblum: stories to tell to his room by lights out

Sholom Hecht: bunk yud beis in case he gets bored during Shacharis

Mendel felig: his chayus in davening

Mendel Schapiro: his Gatorade water bottle

Menachem Deren: A speaker to make up songs and dances

Levi Goldberg: A sky zone socks



Bunk Hei

Dear bunk hei what a summer we had!!! From the very first day till almost winning shabbis competition and our

crazy late nights and birthday partys and yamts fearsome stories at night through everyone using our showers cuz they where the only ones that where hot and the crazy clean ups to the Shturemdike meals and the chayisdik davinings and don't forget the time reitor made us clean the shull but after all the shtick u must know that the spirit of gan Yisroel should stick to you in a very real way especially throughout the year in your mokom hashlichus where most of us have the zchus to go to the great S.O.S. and we are not able to farbraing with our friends in person, where ever we all are throughout the year shall it be... Connecticut, arkansas, the Cayman Islands, St Lucia, Minnesota, alaska, Florida, washington, Montana, tennessee, California, Kansas, Baltimore or Morristown... We should poshit live with gan Yisroel to live with the chayis and the atmosphere of gan Yisroel nonstop till insanity, till the whole world is gan Yisroel!!!! and to remember that just like in gan Yisroel we where fully submerged in the rebbes care so too the rest of the year we are the rebbes kinder, what a zchus!!

Love u all, till next year-
tustin 5787!!!!!

-**Yehuda and Yosef Meir**!!



If I got a penny every time...

Mendel P. used up all the he strikes for the story

Moish H. Was wearing a baseball cap

Binyomin K. Gave his counselors a high five

Meir R. Was the happiest camper

Sruly S. Went to bed with all his clothing on

Tzvi p. went to bed the latest

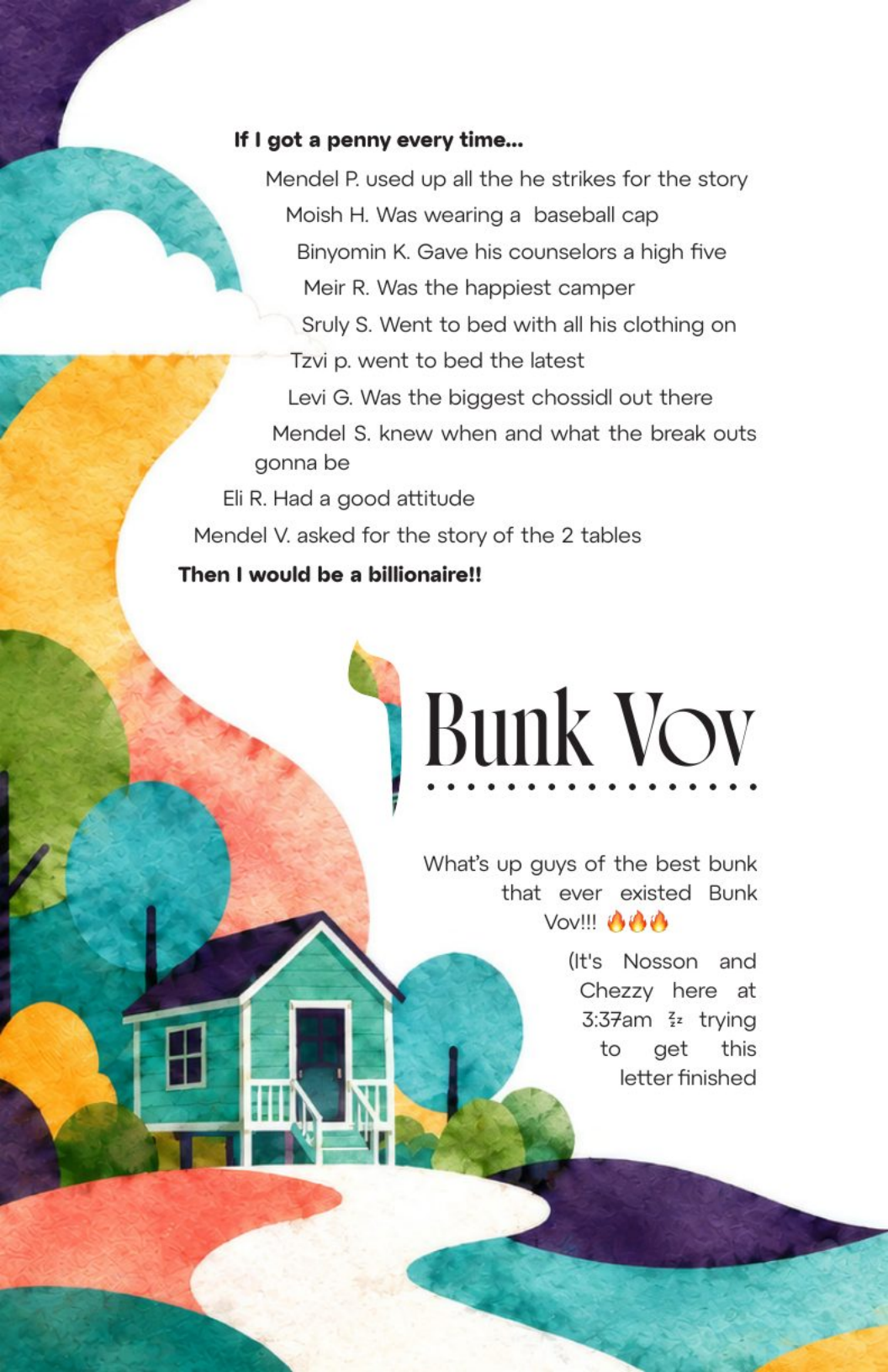
Levi G. Was the biggest chossidl out there

Mendel S. knew when and what the break outs gonna be

Eli R. Had a good attitude

Mendel V. asked for the story of the 2 tables

Then I would be a billionaire!!



Bunk Vov

What's up guys of the best bunk that ever existed Bunk Vov!!! 🔥🔥🔥

(It's Nosson and Chezzy here at 3:37am 💤 trying to get this letter finished

without crying over and over again😭😭😭... it's the night before the banquet and we are taking in 🙏this most amazing month that flew by without even noticing.)

What an amazing month of the summer he had!

It feels we just picked up the luggage 💼 from the parking lot, but yet now we are putting it right back there.

From line ups to meals 🍽️ to davening 📖 to the stories that you couldn't stop asking for (for the record we said more stories this month over last month 😃) the late nights and Farbrengens and of course, the best part of the night, sleeping 🥳. this has been the most amazing 😇 experience we've ever had and we hope it was the same for you as well.

In all honesty, we never realized what type of bunk we had until now, from funny people cracking jokes 😂 to the serious guys davening with a bren 🔥 to the expert fishermen 🐟 and the assistant counselors to the (almost) whole bunk that was always on time to lights 💡 out, we will really miss you all.

We would like each and every single one of

you to take home to your Makom 📍HaShlichus the lessons from the stories and how it can change your life and lives of people around you. You really can never know the positive effect you can have on someone.

But as Chassidim we know that we never say goodbye 👋 as the story with Rabbi Yisroel Deren goes

(Chezzy's zaidy) that because he thought 💭 about the Rebbe he was with the Rebbe, so too here "במקום שמחשבו של אדם שם הוא נמצא", wherever and whenever you are think about this most amazing bunk and summer and that's where you will be, and that causes us being always together 🫂

Chezzy & Nosson

P.s. if you're ever getting homesick of not being in camp 🏕️ feel free to Google Chat 💬 us at:

Nosson - vogelnosson@gmail.com
Chezzy - chezzyderen@gmail.com

If I got a penny 💰 every time

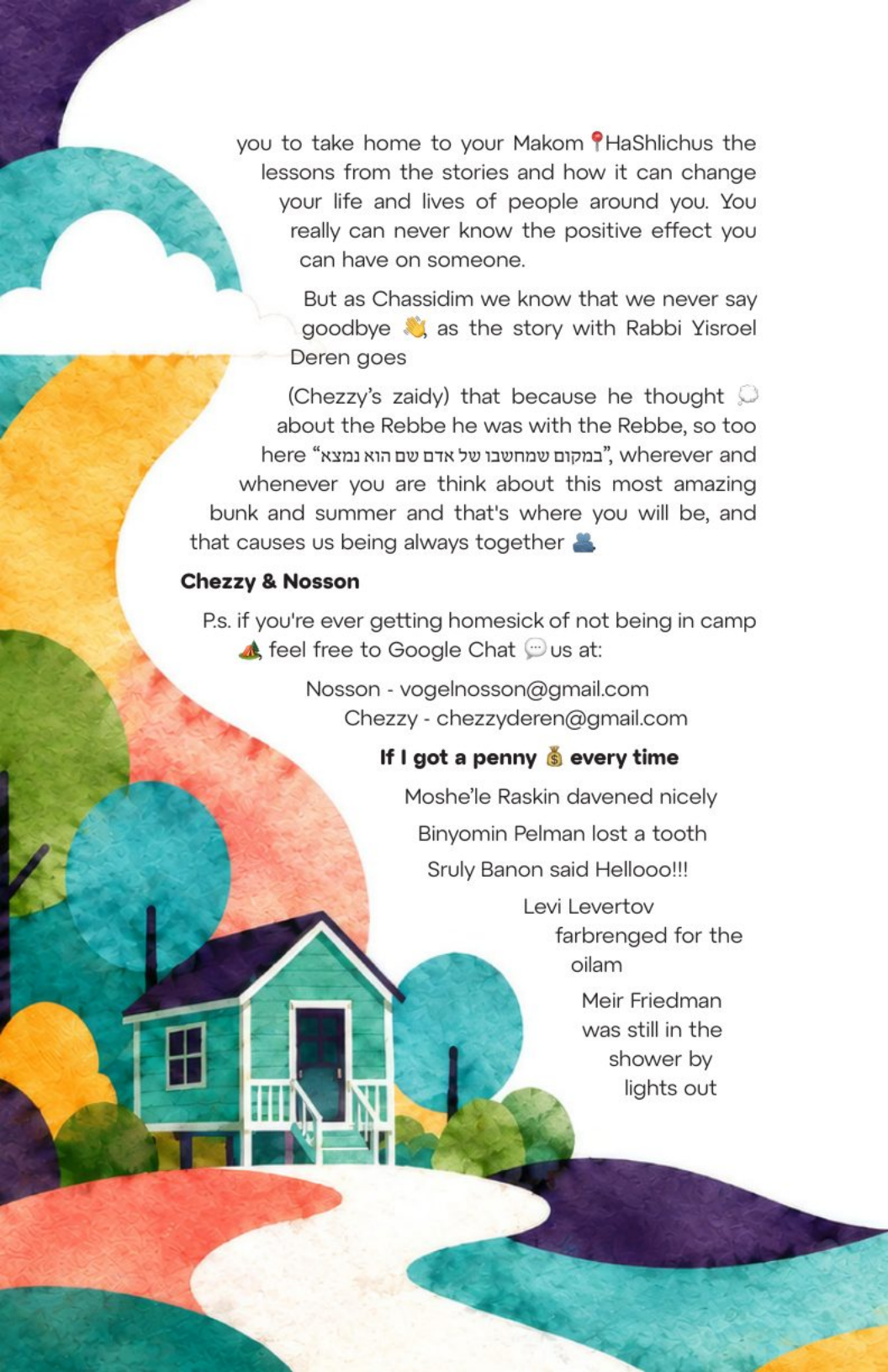
Moshe'le Raskin davened nicely

Binyomin Pelman lost a tooth

Sruly Banon said Hellooo!!!

Levi Levertov farbrenged for the oilam

Meir Friedman was still in the shower by lights out



Shneur Yarmush would crack a huge smile

Mendy Camhi would take a shower

Mendel Wilansky forget to take off his glasses before lights out

Yisroel Reichman asked to get pictures

Ahron Einstein went fishing

Shneur Zweibel would be ready for lights out on time

I would be a billionaire!!!!!

Bunk Zayin

Bunk Zayin!!!!!!!

They said we should write you a goodbye letter. But how can we say goodbye?!

Chassidim don't say goodbye. Especially after spending a month or two in Gan Yisroel, we know that we aren't really leaving.



We're taking Gan Yisroel with us into the coming year. ("Remember that the flag remains with you!")

So when you read this letter, (after you cry a bit, of course), get up and dance with a Shturem to a Chassidishe niggun—preferably Haboitchim BaHashem—and grab the person next to you, bringing him into the Gan Yisroel spirit!

Now that you've danced, think back to all the amazing things: the Shabbos meals, the davenings, the color war(s), the learning classes, the late nights, and like everything else that was fun, exciting and a vort...

(Cry here)

Sad again?

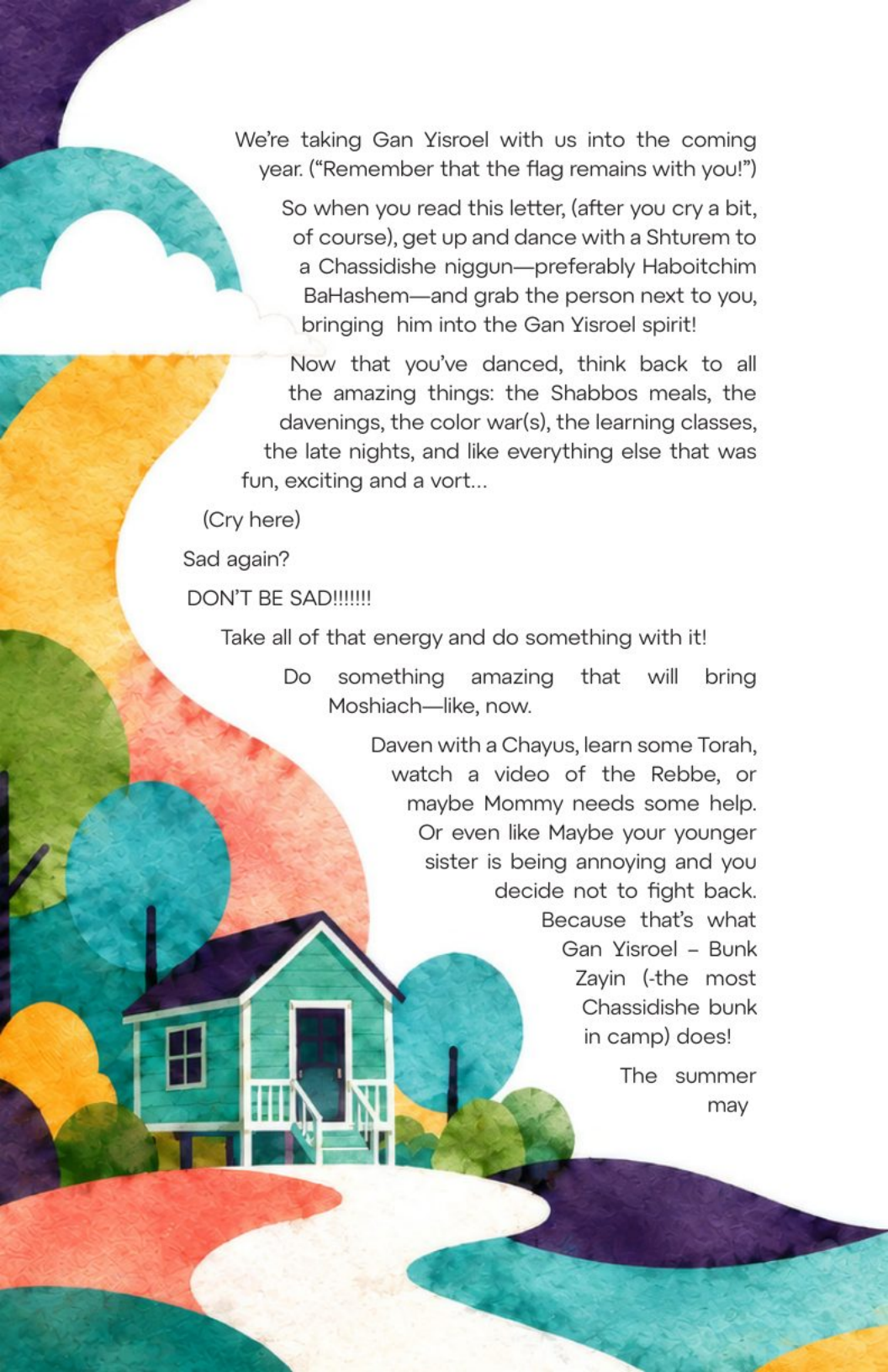
DON'T BE SAD!!!!!!!

Take all of that energy and do something with it!

Do something amazing that will bring Moshiach—like, now.

Daven with a Chayus, learn some Torah, watch a video of the Rebbe, or maybe Mommy needs some help. Or even like Maybe your younger sister is being annoying and you decide not to fight back. Because that's what Gan Yisroel – Bunk Zayin (-the most Chassidishe bunk in camp) does!

The summer may



be ending, but Bunk Zayin isn't.

The flag remains with you.

L'chaim V'levracha,

Mendel and Meir



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Bunk Ches

To the most amazing greatest bunk ches ever!!!!

Wow. I'm sitting right now, writing this farewell letter , and I can't help but think about how fast this month has flown by . Starting from the greatest late night bonfire ever the first week, to the smashing shabbos competition trip and of course the unforgettable underwater ( ) blueberry picking. From the Inquisition every night to the (not actually) midnight parties , and the Friday night stories. So much has happened but

you have to make sure to bring everything we learned down to your day-to-day life & next year in cheder. I hope you all will keep in touch with each other and continue the friendships throughout the year.

Feel free to reach out to me at this number : 401-426-1220

Signing off, the most amazing counselor ever,

Sholom B.



IF BUNK CHES WAS STUCK On an island_____ would bring:

Eliezer Susskind: his slides

Avremel Sharf: his rubicks cube

Berel Notik: his siddur

Eli Benhiyoun:his rebbe picture collection

Shneur Wolf: his flashlight

Ari Lipskier: his sleeping bag

Nochum Stern: his chayus

Dovy Langsam: his crackers

Mendel Gershon: his cap

Mendel Shanowitz: a back scratcher

Meir Shemtov: his gefilte fish



Bunk Tes

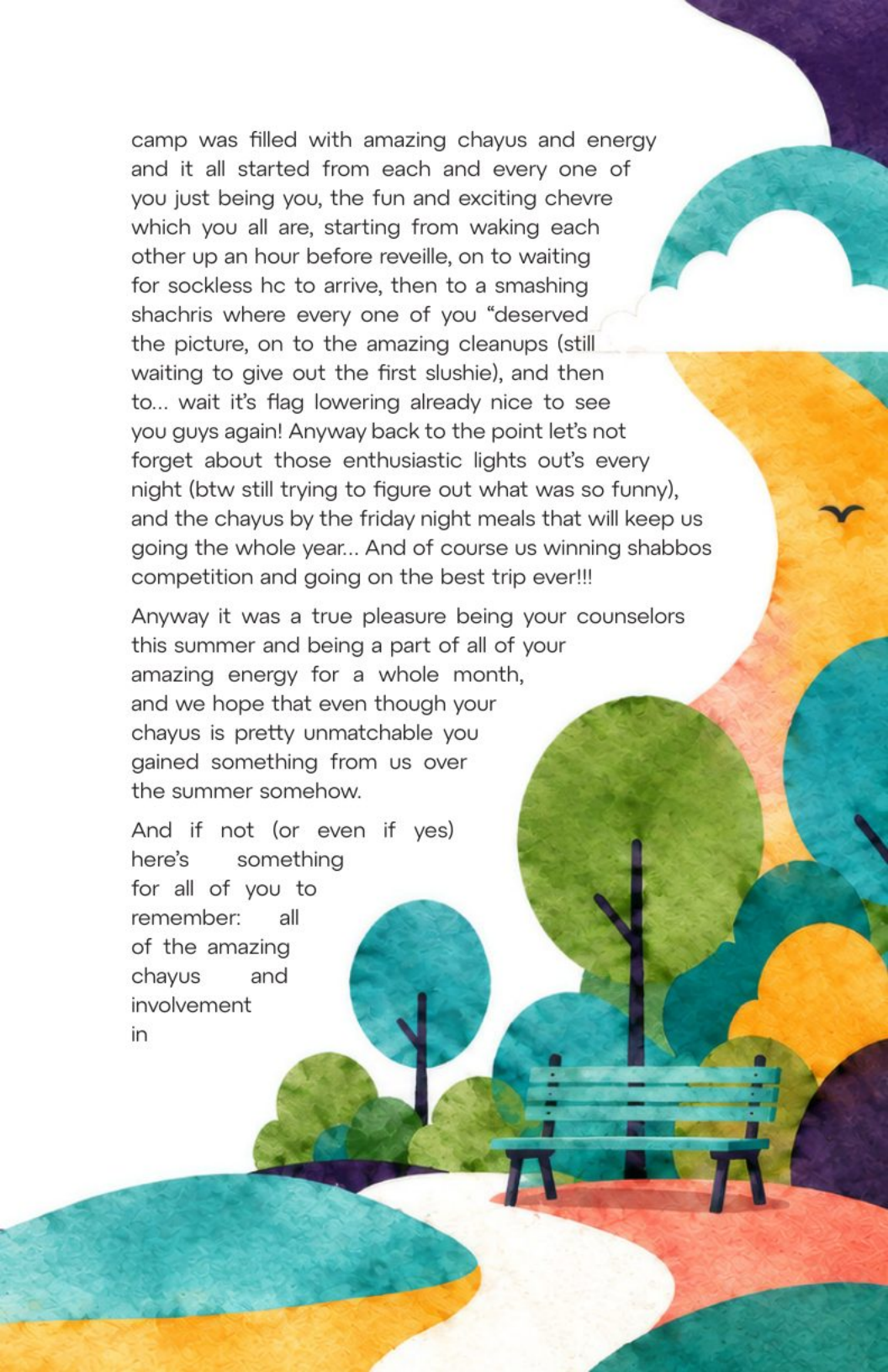
To the best bunk tes!!!! (It's true - it must be cause it rhymes):

What a smashing summer we had together! from start to finish every part of this month in

camp was filled with amazing chayus and energy and it all started from each and every one of you just being you, the fun and exciting chevre which you all are, starting from waking each other up an hour before reveille, on to waiting for sockless hc to arrive, then to a smashing shachris where every one of you "deserved the picture, on to the amazing cleanups (still waiting to give out the first slushie), and then to... wait it's flag lowering already nice to see you guys again! Anyway back to the point let's not forget about those enthusiastic lights out's every night (btw still trying to figure out what was so funny), and the chayus by the friday night meals that will keep us going the whole year... And of course us winning shabbos competition and going on the best trip ever!!!

Anyway it was a true pleasure being your counselors this summer and being a part of all of your amazing energy for a whole month, and we hope that even though your chayus is pretty unmatchable you gained something from us over the summer somehow.

And if not (or even if yes) here's something for all of you to remember: all of the amazing chayus and involvement in



davening and learning is in you all you have to do is channel your chayus and energy to the right direction, which is what we saw over the course of the summer. So whenever you are looking for some more chayus excitement and involvement in your davening and learning - remember your amazing chayus each one of you had in camp and rechannel your energy to kedusha.

If i would get a picture from the hc every time...

Moshe Galperin knew the staff secrets

Ashy Lipkind asked for a break

Berel Francis had a jungle on his bed

Meir Charytan was late to lights out

Yehuda Leib Geisinsky said "I'm not"

Tzvi Kotlarsky didn't eat

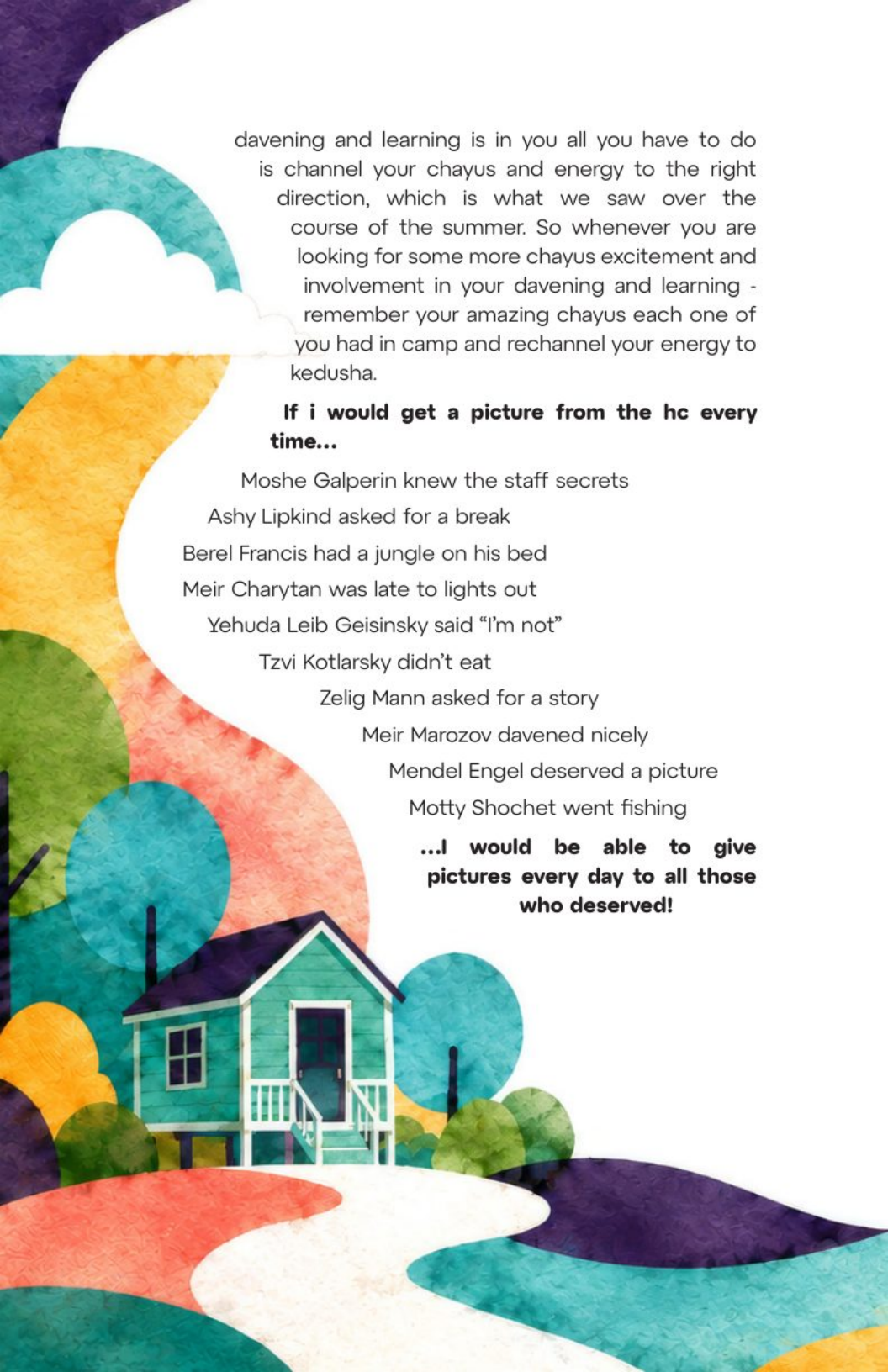
Zelig Mann asked for a story

Meir Marozov davened nicely

Mendel Engel deserved a picture

Motty Shochet went fishing

...I would be able to give pictures every day to all those who deserved!



Bunk Yud

B"H Tuesday 28 Menachem Av 5786
Tustin MI
To my dear bunk yud

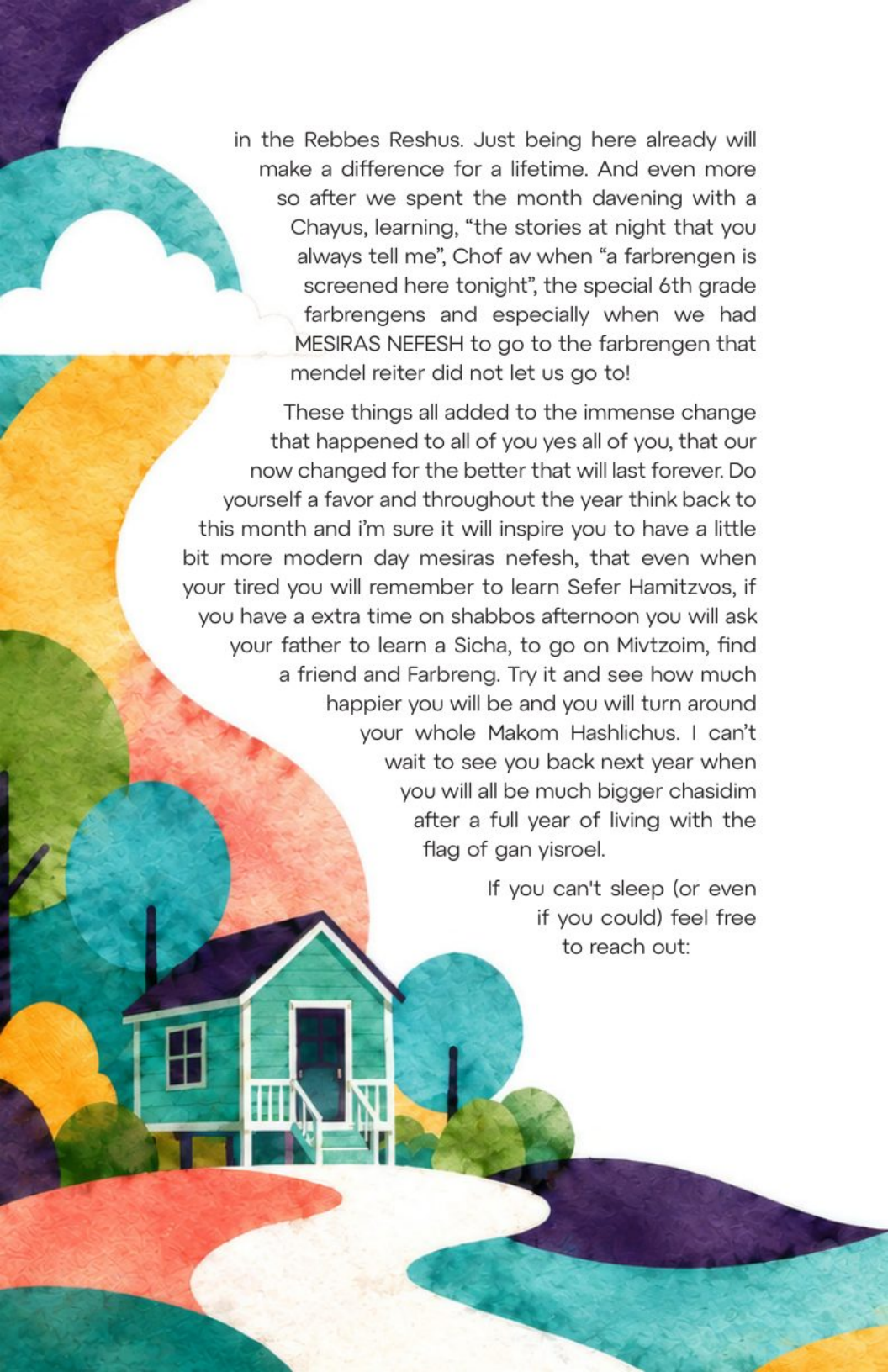
"How can I write a letter that has never been written before to express the feeling's of my core, so i'll write what's on my heart as camp ends is not far so that leaving camp will be easier to bear." "a letter from his counselor arrives" will reach you already after "those buses appear" and "how tomorrow can i take a flight". So I would like to share this final message. We have just concluded a month of "everyday every hour in the rebbe care" "i"ll play i"ll laugh i"ll learn such fun will fill my days" "those farbrengens we had those hachlotos we made the songs that we sang in my heart will always remain" "the list goes on and on there is so much more to say".

BUNK YUD!
Remember that we all had the great Zechus to spend a full month

in the Rebbes Reshus. Just being here already will make a difference for a lifetime. And even more so after we spent the month davening with a Chayus, learning, “the stories at night that you always tell me”, Chof av when “a farbrengen is screened here tonight”, the special 6th grade farbrengens and especially when we had MESIRAS NEFESH to go to the farbrengen that mendel reiter did not let us go to!

These things all added to the immense change that happened to all of you yes all of you, that our now changed for the better that will last forever. Do yourself a favor and throughout the year think back to this month and i’m sure it will inspire you to have a little bit more modern day mesiras nefesh, that even when your tired you will remember to learn Sefer Hamitzvos, if you have a extra time on shabbos afternoon you will ask your father to learn a Sicha, to go on Mivtzoim, find a friend and Farbreng. Try it and see how much happier you will be and you will turn around your whole Makom Hashlichus. I can’t wait to see you back next year when you will all be much bigger chasidim after a full year of living with the flag of gan yisroel.

If you can't sleep (or even if you could) feel free to reach out:



Counselor Levi Grossbaum: 862-352-0134 levi@grossbaumgang.com

Counselor Mendel Vorst: 810-986-3931 mendelvorst@gmail.com

If theirs one last thing i could stuff in my suitcase from camp:

Moshe Gancz: The RC circle

Shaya Gansbourg: The swing set

Mendel Kotlarsky: The flag pole

Levi leeds : Every other bunks bench besides ours

Shneur Mazal: The photographer's camera

Mendel Raigorodsky: The camp Shul

Mendel Rapoport: The Perek Echad Shiur

Levi Rosenblum: His lag b'omer script

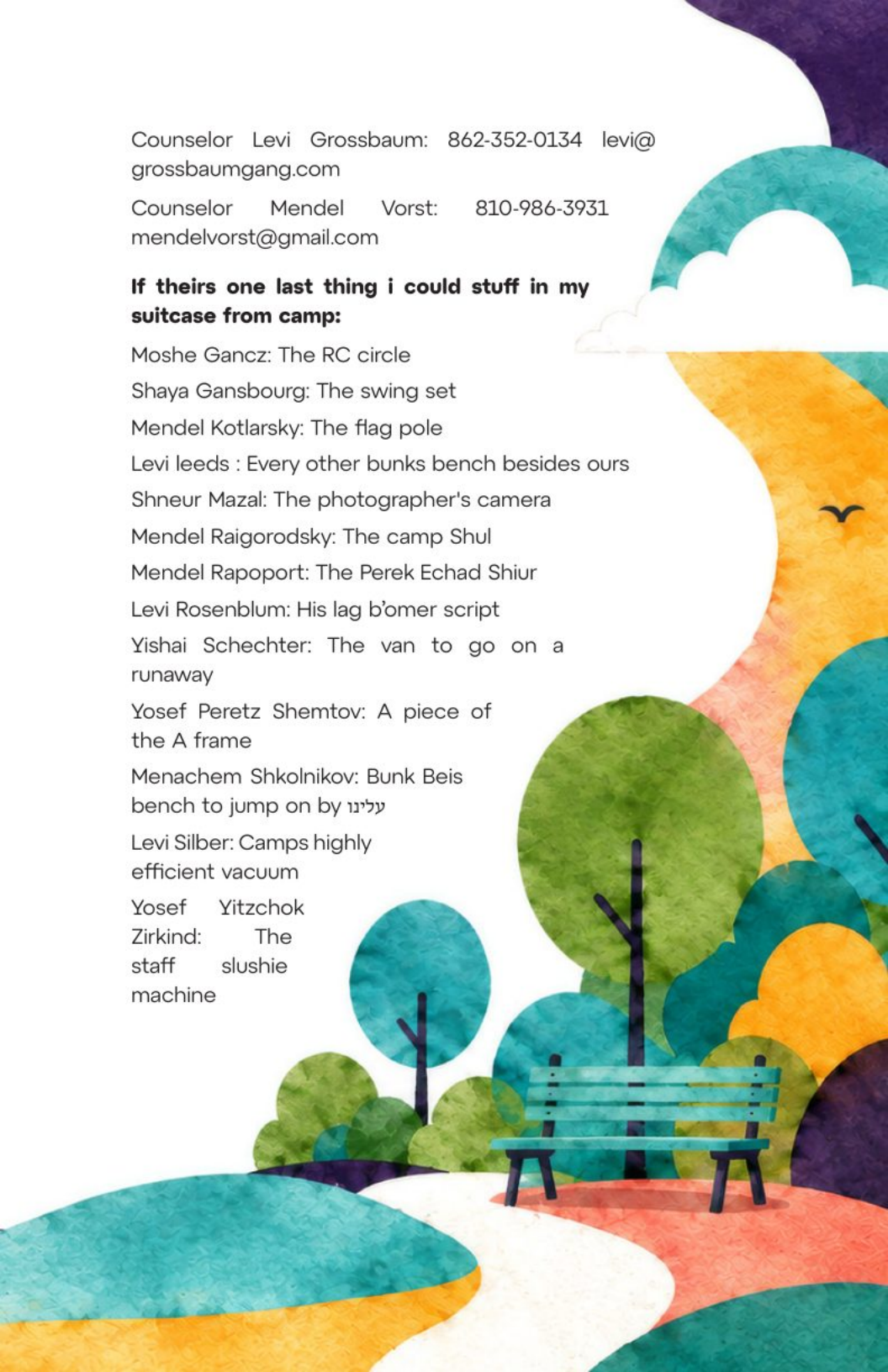
Yishai Schechter: The van to go on a runaway

Yosef Peretz Shemtov: A piece of the A frame

Menachem Shkolnikov: Bunk Beis bench to jump on by עלינו

Levi Silber: Camps highly efficient vacuum

Yosef Yitzchok Zirkind: The staff slushie machine



Bunk Yud-Aleph

Your counselors - due to the endless amount of words that they each have to say about this amazing bunk, we have decided to write two separate letters!

B"H
Erev Rosh Chodesh Elul 5786
Gan Yisroel Detroit
Tustin, MI

A massage from your dear counselor Effy:

To Main Tayere Bunk Yud Alef,

You are the best! What should I say? Although I am indeed a chroper, I really enjoyed putting you to bed every night and telling you a story — sometimes with more toichen and sometimes with less, sometimes with Josh in the coffee shop, and sometimes something more productive.

It was very cool to see all the different colors and personalities in the bunk merge together into one bunk.



Anyways, you should all have a good life. It has been great spending some time together, and remember to invite me to your Bar Mitzvah ceremony. If it's in CH, I'll be there all year next year, and I might get a little bored!

Your counselor,
Efraim Shmtov

A massage from your dear counselor Sruly:

To my טייערע Bunk Yud Alef!

Greeting and blessing!

Wow! Who would believe that it was just one month ago that we all walked off the bus to camp, from the stories, meals, trips. **AND ESPECIALLY DAVENING/WAKING UP IN THE MORNING** this is a summer that **I WILL NEVER FORGET!**!

Now that we are approaching the end, and you are reading this on the bus leaving camp(if it gets to camp on time:)). All I can say, if there is one thing we should all try to walk out from this summer with, is **A CHANGE**, we should come out of this month with renewed כוחות and חיות to go back to our home's and

continue our שליחות, with a renewed strength and a stronger connection to the Rebbe.

And try to bring it in to a practical **החלטה טובה**, whether, learning רמב"ם, חת"ת, davening like a chosid, מבצעים, Gaining in a real way from the time we spent together. And to bring that into the coming year, and really to the rest of our lives!

I want to leave you off with a few lines from the Rebbe's letter written in english, (by the way, starting in the next few month the Rebbe's english letters are starting to be released in a new set!) dated 12 Elul, 5724 written to campers - just like you - ending there time in Gan Yisroel **"..As the time approaches when you will soon take leave of your beloved Camp and return to your homes and educational institutions, I want to express my hope that the benefit and inspiration which you have received from your Camp will be a source of lasting strength to you in the coming year, and that you will share these benefits with others who were not as fortunate as you to spend weeks and months in Camp Gan Israel."**

What the Rebbe is telling us is clear, we had the great Zechus to spend the past month in Gan Yisroel - the Rebbe's ד' אמות,

we can't just keep it at that we have to bring this inspiration and חיות in to th coming year, sharing the warmth of Gan Yisroel with everyone around us!

With blessings and blessings for much success in taking the flag of gan yisroel with you throughout the year,

Your counselor,
Sruly Shemtov

P.S. feel free to call me to talk, learn or even just to say a hello!

(347) 971 2615

Staff in Camp in 10 Years

Moshe Chaim — Learning Director, Mottel Slonim style. Drop in there a little bit of Mendel Moya and Shmulik Bruk. ;)

Benny Friedman — Best learning teacher, the one who tells stories and plays Mafia every day.

Meir Minkewitz — Head counselor, the nice one. The one who thinks the whole thing is one big comedy. #Memke #ChononFisher

Chaim Steiner — The

type of counselor who loves fighting with the head staff to get stuff for his bunk.

Eli Shtifel — The learning teacher who never shows up to learning class.

Menachem Stainer — The Levi Stainer type of coach.#best cousin #best cousin

Dovid Zajec — The learning teacher who wins Kluger championships.

Hillel Shapiro — Best counselor that ever hit the planet. The one who is there by every tefilah and every lineup, and wins Shabbos competitions for his bunk like a champ.

Sruli Perlsteinlstein — RC Director, Laibel Druk style.

Shaya Refson — Also a counselor, Levi Gopin style/ sports director chaim cohen style

Mendel Shechter — Arts and Crafts Director.

Mendel Hecht — Learning teacher that everyone loves/Color War brainstormer/ graphic designer/ and songwriter.

Mendel Wainberg — professional photographer #sgphotographyprofessional photography #sg photography #MTphotography



Bunk Yud-Gimmel

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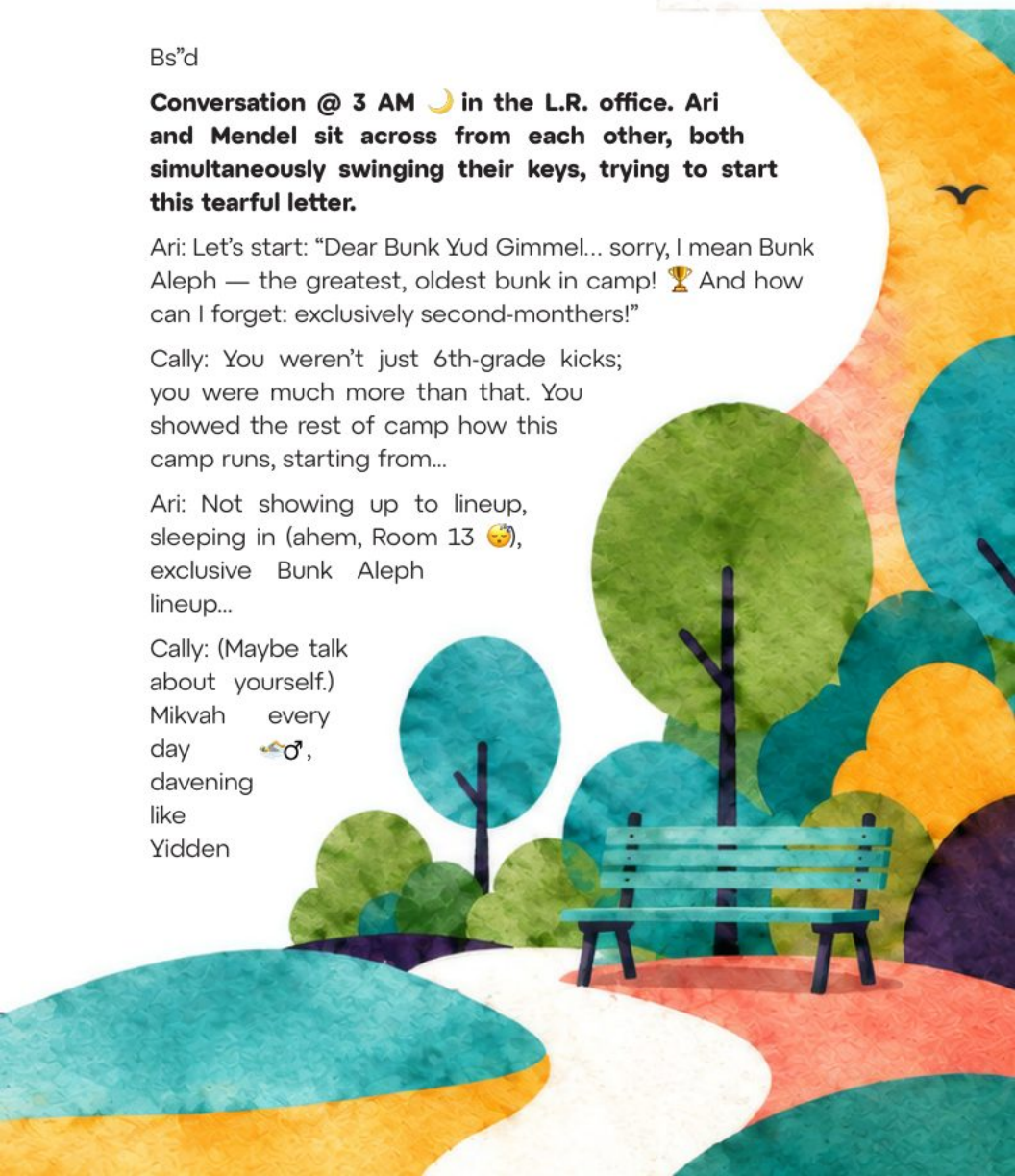
Conversation @ 3 AM 🌙 in the L.R. office. Ari and Mendel sit across from each other, both simultaneously swinging their keys, trying to start this tearful letter.

Ari: Let's start: "Dear Bunk Yud Gimmel... sorry, I mean Bunk Aleph — the greatest, oldest bunk in camp! 🏆 And how can I forget: exclusively second-monthers!"

Cally: You weren't just 6th-grade kicks; you were much more than that. You showed the rest of camp how this camp runs, starting from...

Ari: Not showing up to lineup, sleeping in (ahem, Room 13 😴), exclusive Bunk Aleph lineup...

Cally: (Maybe talk about yourself.) Mikvah every day 🏊‍♂️, davening like Yidden



and Chassidim do, saying every word while looking inside the siddur, and of course, with Pirush Hamilos.

Ari: (exuse you) Teaching everyone some of the basic stuff, like the Gan Yisroel dance.

Cally: Enjoying good food and having iskafya, mamesh like bachurim.

Ari: Moving on to showering 🚿 and brushing your teeth 🪥 (🎶 healthy, healthy...).

Cally: And then the worst part of the day: lights out! 😴 (Disclaimer: it's also annoying for your counselors.) Wait, another late night? Is it another smashing birthday party 🎂? Guess Who game?

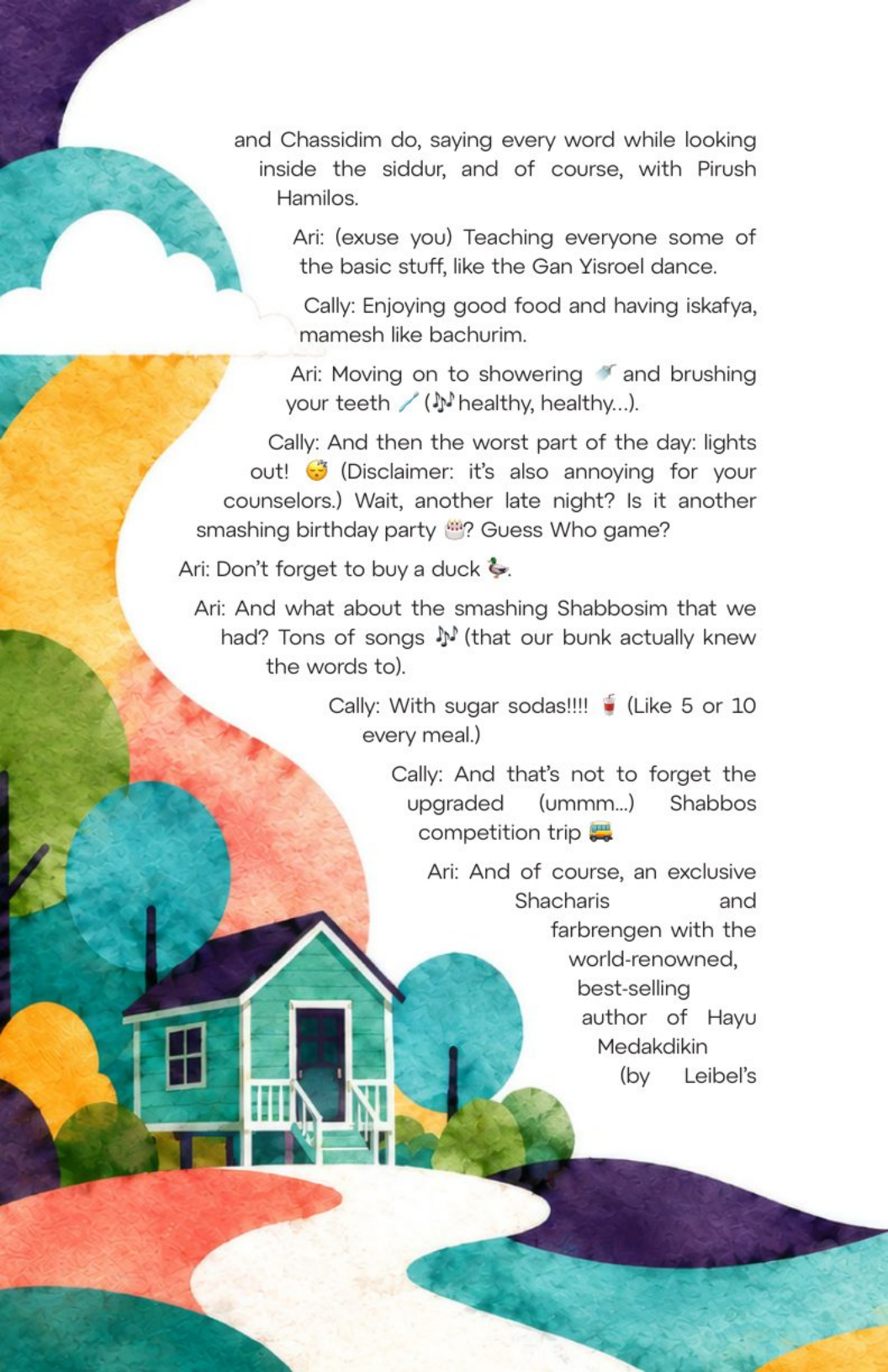
Ari: Don't forget to buy a duck 🦆.

Ari: And what about the smashing Shabbosim that we had? Tons of songs 🎶 (that our bunk actually knew the words to).

Cally: With sugar sodas!!!! 🧃 (Like 5 or 10 every meal.)

Cally: And that's not to forget the upgraded (ummm...) Shabbos competition trip 🚌

Ari: And of course, an exclusive Shacharis and farbrengen with the world-renowned, best-selling author of Hayu Medakdikin (by Leibel's



hanochas tefillin 😘).

Cally: And so much more... [This is from a week ago.]

Ari: Maybe you want to buy a duck 🦆.

Cally: A what?

Ari: An awesome bunk.

Cally: Does it quack?

Ari: It rocks.

Cally: How much does it cost?.....

{The bunk is still up 😳}

S. Azimov: No need, I will just get it from my brothers in the kitchen.

L. Chaiton: 🎶 Dancing on the benches with all my might.

M. Felberbaum: My (the) Rambam from ~~770~~.

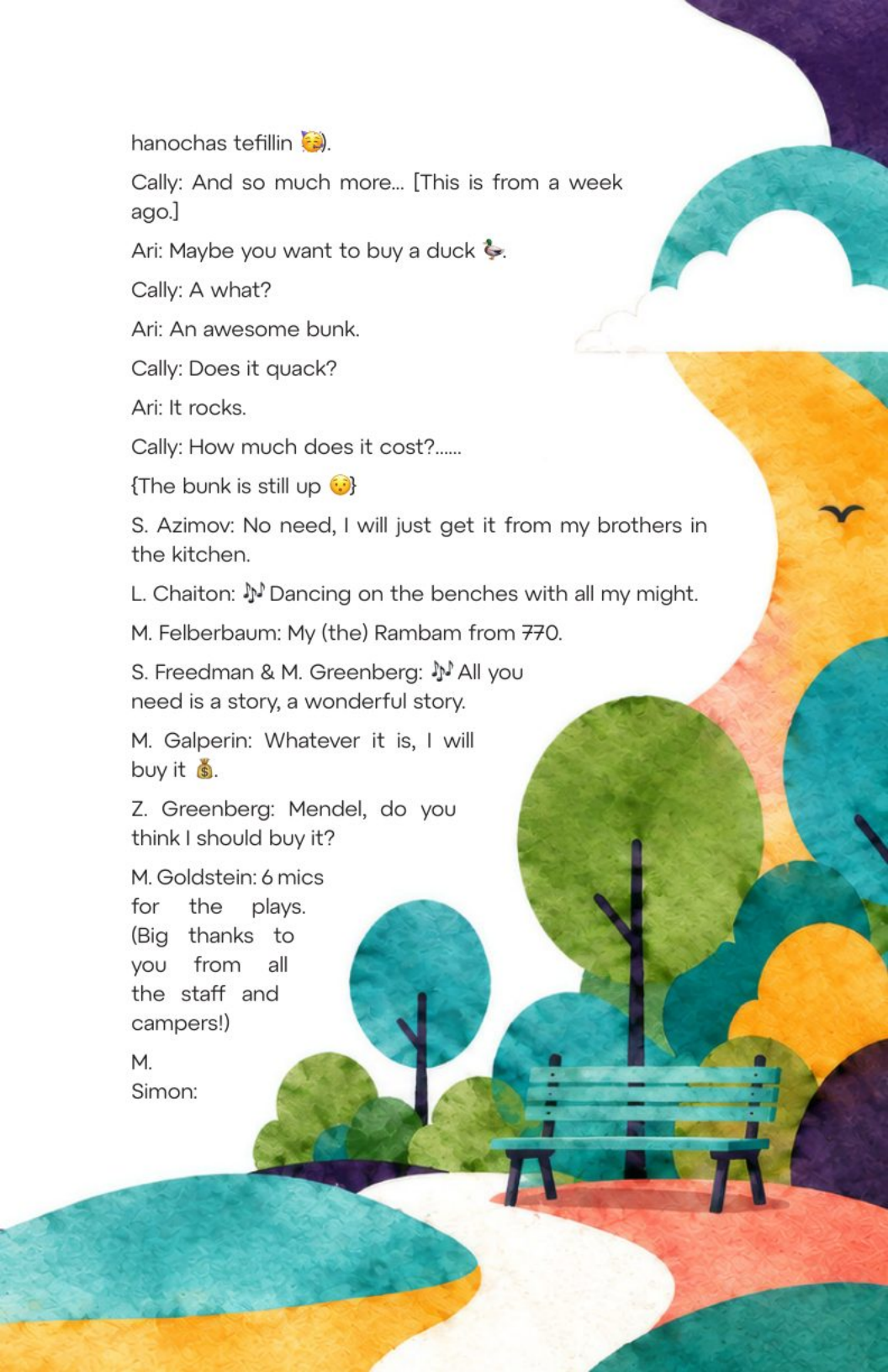
S. Freedman & M. Greenberg: 🎶 All you need is a story, a wonderful story.

M. Galperin: Whatever it is, I will buy it 💰.

Z. Greenberg: Mendel, do you think I should buy it?

M. Goldstein: 6 mics for the plays. (Big thanks to you from all the staff and campers!)

M. Simon:



Wait, why does it cost?

M. Lipskier: Do I actually have to buy it?

L. Zaklikovsky: I already know how this works. (#In camp for 4 years 😎.)

(just switched spots to be at the end) S. Hendel: A Wally (Jr.) 🎈 (if it doesn't get popped).

I. Gurkov: I'm going to play basketball 🏀.

As you move on to the next stage in your lives, take all the chayus from the 2 months (2nd month) here in Gan Yisroel and continue giving the Rebbe nachas and becoming, from the Rebbe's chosid'l, the Rebbe's bachur'l. Take at least one hachlatah to keep Gan Yisroel alive within you 🔥. It can be taking one paragraph of davening and knowing what you're saying, or even a חסידישע טייטש (from breakfast).

Please do not forget to invite us to your Bar Mitzvahs, and keep in touch!

Mendel Greenberg (yes, that is my name) — CALLY or text @ 760-207-7862 or Mengreenberg1@gmail.com

Ari Greenberg — Keep in touch: 248-787-0483 or Arigreenbergmi@gmail.com



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BUNK YUD BEIS

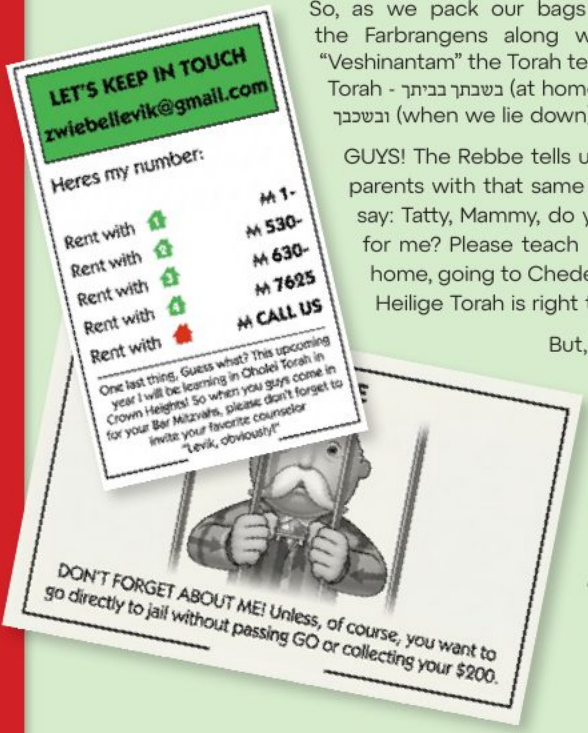
HOW TO WIN:

This summer we Farbrenged about:

"A living Torah, its living right inside of me, Vedibarta Bam - Wherever I may be!"

Throughout this summer we have spoken many many times about the importance of us Yidden learning Torah every **single** day - remember? Even on the busiest days, like on trips or Color War, we always made sure to have learning class so we never missed a single day of learning Torah!

Every single Yid needs to learn Torah every day. And doing so we connect to Hashem in a very deep and strong way! And as Chassidim, we are so lucky to have such an amazing opportunity: **The Rebbe teaches us so much Torah!** By learning it we let the Rebbe guide us in every moment of our lives.



So, as we pack our bags and leave camp, let's bring the Farbrangens along with us! Look at the Passuk "Veshinantam" the Torah tells us to speak of these words - Torah - בשבתך בביתך (at home), ובלכתך בדרך (on our journeys), ובשכבך (when we lie down), ובקומך (and when we rise).

GUYS! The Rebbe tells us how we need to turn to our parents with that same passion we have in camp and say: Tatty, Mammy, do you want to do the best thing for me? Please teach me Torah! So whether I am at home, going to Cheder, or anywhere else - Hashem's Heilige Torah is right there with us!

But, *besides all the learning and Davening in camp, it's also about surviving a full summer together, losing tons of clothing, having a bunch of late nights, Farbrangens, and having the greatest bunk AND counselor in the history of Gan Yisrael.*

-Levik

ON YOUR TURN:

[**Yisroel**]: The first and fastest token on the board. Always on time and ready for the day, leaving everyone else trying to catch up!

[**Peretz**]: The ultimate helper token on the board. Movespast lineup and runs to help the waiters, even when it's not his job!

[**Chezy**] The most stylish token on the board. Carrying his name embroidered right on the front of his cap.

THE BOARD:

[**Dovber**]'s Bed (Boardwalk): Rent is $200. Premium pricing for a spot that is technically "on time for lights out," even if he's strictly standing instead of actually lying down.

[**Leizer**]'s Express Pass (Free Parking): Rent is $200. This spot is usually empty because Leizer is already on his way to the daily Perek Echod Rambam Shiur - no skipping allowed!

[**Mendel M**]'s Welcome Mat (Park Place): Rent is $50 (or a high five). Everyone wants to hang out here because Mendel is just such a nice guy!

[**Mendel R**]'s VIP Suite (Reading Railroad): Rent is $100. Stop here to admire the official Best Camper of the Bunk! Pay a small toll just to get a picture with him.

DRAWING CARDS:

[**Avi**] maintained a room so clean and neat that the health inspector offered him a job on the spot. Collect $200 for having the best-looking space in camp!

[**Mendel B**] Davend so nicely! Advance to Mawby lobby. If you pass Go, collect $200.

[**Mendel S**] broke the record for somehow managing to arrive at bedside inspections so early every week, WAY before the 5 minute count down.

[**Mendel W**] uses his exclusive VIP cousin privilege to bypass the standard rules. Collect $200 from every player in the bunk!

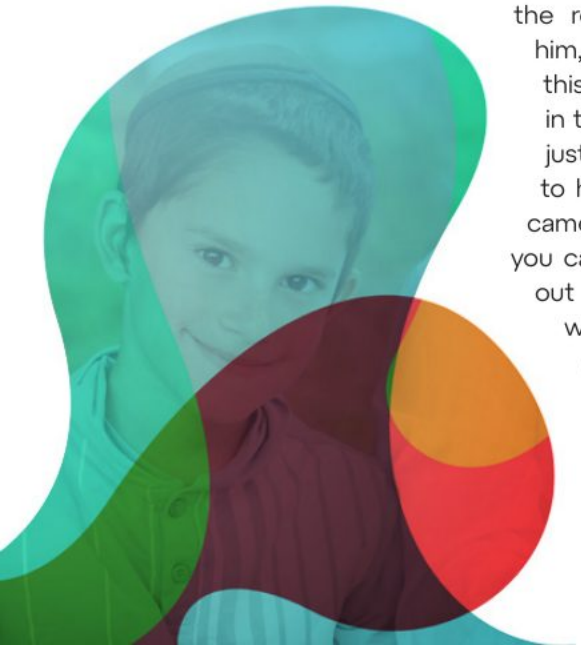

רע קבוצה...


צו מיין טיש

קבוצה א

♫♫ Always late..... Always late..... I am not late!!! That's why you missed learning class!!???

Kuvutza Alef listen up!! Um ... Hello... Yisroel, levi, drop those sticks, yussi sit down, ok that's better! Is learning class over? Um... dovber we just started!? Can I get a drink of water? Levik, We just started!? Let's learn from levi and Mendel how to stay focused! Berel why are you 20 minutes late!? I , I, I, ok, whatever, just sit down, crunch ,crunch, (binyomin crunching on a bag of chips) big rafi, yes? I need water!? That is kuvutza Alef in a nutshell! but to my dear learning class, I cannot believe we finished the 2nd month!!?? It feels like we started yesterday!? But remember time flies when you have fun, remember all of the fun we had all the mishnayis, halocho, the yud base poskim, we learned the times which we farbrangened for hours on end, the running the bases, all the kluger games we won😉 the times we spoke about the rebbe and connecting to him, it's so sad we just can't do this all year round to be living in the rebbes daled amos and just speaking how to connect to him, it feels like our dream came true! But don't get sad, you can live gan yisroel through out the year remember what we spoke about the rebbe and the importance to connect to him, we just got stronger than ever to go back and to and





live with the rebbe throughout the year until ....Tustin 5787!!!! So stay in touch, give me a call whenever you want, see you All next year in gan yisroel Detroit 5787!!!!

Big rafi - 3475250031

If I would get a point every time....

Yisroel Simon- touched a stick
Yussi wisiman - spoke about learning
Levik shmotkin- got water
Mendel shmotkin - would want to stop to learn
Levi vogel- would be playing with sand on the ground
Levi galprin- would just be levi galprin
Berel reichik- would come on time
Dover benchiyoin- would ask how long is learning class over
Binyomin suskin- would bring a smart water
Big rafi- would come on time

Then kuvutza Alef would win every kluger game!!!!!



קבוצה

ב"ה

טייערע קבוצה ב' שיחיו,

ב"ה this was an amazing summer in מחנה גן ישראל תשפ"ו! All the משניות, הלכה (and even what we managed to learn of the י"ב פסוקים booklets) we learned, the חסידישע מעשה'ס - was all part of the one long פאַרברענגען we had over this זומער שטורעמ'דיקע!

We have to remember that although seemingly camp is now ending, the אמת is that it's just a pause during the פאַרברענגען - like the story the רבי said about the daughter of the רבי מהר"ש, that once when she was crying because she wanted to get something, they gave her a candy so that she would stop, and she said that she's not done crying - she's just taking a break.

So to with מחנה גן ישראל - we don't "end" camp, rather, we just take a pause for the time being, to bring all the קאָך, and חיות

געשמאַק we had in camp into the entire year - until next year when we will have already been a full year together with אונזער טייערע טאַטע, דער רבי in ~~7~~770 where we all can't wait to go back to, may it be NOW mamash!!!

Always remember (those that need to be reminded to eat breakfast, to eat breakfast) to have אהבת ישראל till the end, and the ניגון we are dedicated - and

הקעטשאָפּ והמאָסטוּרד לחי עולמים!!!

לחיים ולברכה,

מענדל ווייַנמאן

P.S. Here are the words of the ניגון we sang together:

(חיילי אדוננו .T.T.T.O)

We are dedicated, to the רבי's mission, to reach out to every Jew, is our ambition. Through the 10 מבצעים, we'll make a דירה בתחתונים. By following the רבי's הוראות and הפצת המעיינות, we're marching to קיבוץ גלויות!

Every day, every hour, every moment - we are fully devoted. To the שליחות of נשיא דורנו, to bring משיח צדקנו!

Aha, hey, We are dedicated, to the רבי's mission...



קבוצה ג

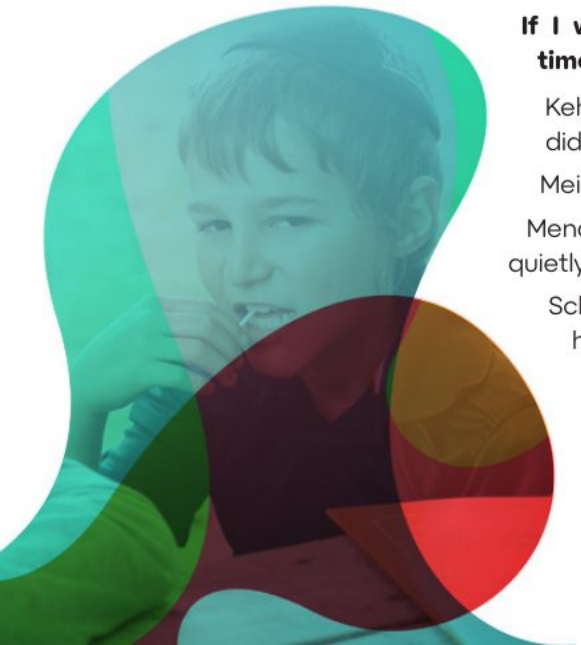
Dear קבוצה ג',

What an amazing month we spent together! As I sit down to write this letter I become flooded by memories. From not calling people out for coming late to why gambling is אסור מדרבנן, from the difference between פרעה's dream and יוסף's to turning ספרים right-side up and listening to Mendel Amzalak's story - there's something for everyone to take home. "We'll truly be connected the way the Rebbe meant it through summer '86 in Gan Yisroel Detroit" - Chevre! Take those recharged batteries home and bring Moshiach!

Miss you already,

- יהודה שרוגו

P. S. If anyone is finishing a מסכתא of משניות, wants to learn a שיחה, or just chat - feel free to call me 24/6 at (619) 603-8920.



If I would get a penny every time...

Kehos Gansbourg said "I didn't understand"

Meir Federman asked to read

Mendel Grossman listened quietly

Schneur Slonim raised his hand

Levi Mendelson left to "get water" and didn't come back



Dovid Gutnick came late and kicked someone out of his chair

Binyomin Sachs walked around

Sholom Gopin asked if he's in the raffle

Meir Shmotkin pretended to fall off of his chair/asleep

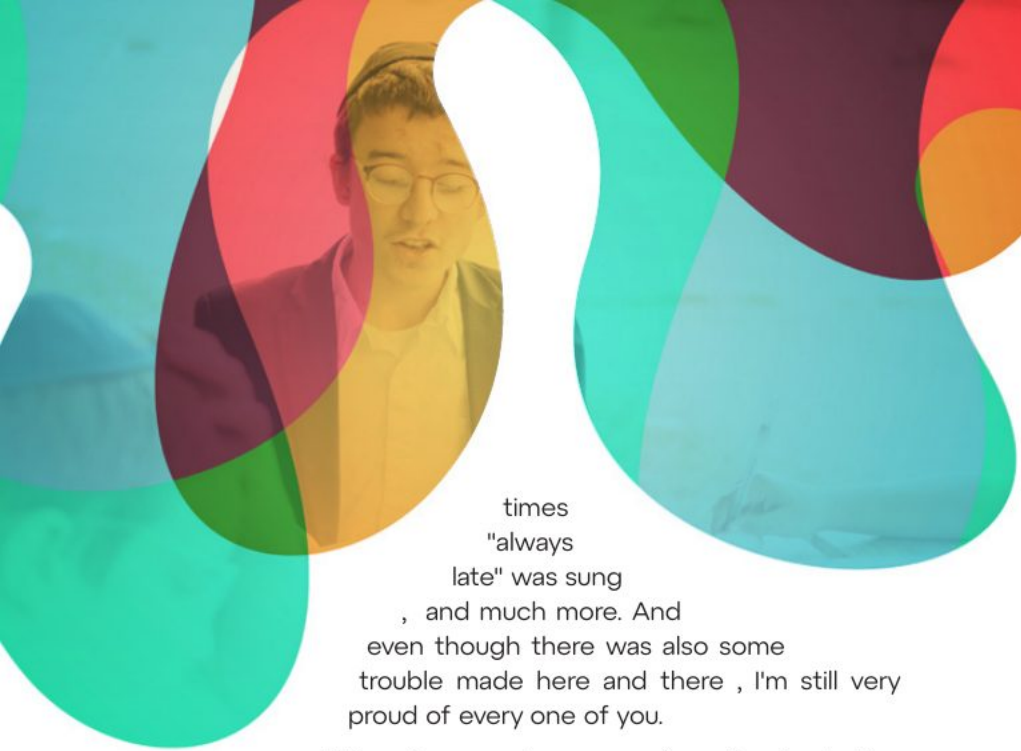
...I would be a rich man!

קבוצה ד'

To the very best Kvutza Daled!

Wow wow! What a summer! It's hard to believe that it's already over.

I really enjoyed getting to know each of you and learning with you. We accomplished a lot together, learned a lot, a lot of Kluger games CRUSHED!, we had an exclusive kvutza late night , a lot of



times
"always
late" was sung
, and much more. And
even though there was also some
trouble made here and there , I'm still very
proud of every one of you.

Although camp is now ending, the inspiration and Chayus of Gan Yisroel should still stay with us, and you should continue to make it a part of your lives even after camp is over. Keep raising that flag every day!

May you continue to go me'chayil el chayil, keep learning lots of Torah and continue making Hashem and the Rebbe proud!

Wishing you much Hatzlacha,

Shmuel Fridzon

Your Learning Teacher (A.K.A. Estudiando teacher)

P.S. It would mean the world to me if you call/text me anytime @ (305) 317-9104

"Oh Tustin, I'll be back next year"

Here's a little something you can "crack a smile" on:

If I would get a penny every time...

Yisroel Stambler asked to go to the porch

Elya Kohen said "LOOK THERE!", "AAAHH!!", "WHAAAT?!?!" or the sort

Binyomin Kramer said something sarcastic

Mendel Schtroks was quietly listening

Zevi Eisenbach asked to read

Hillel Sanowicz asked to do chavrusas

Mendel Bell (!) grabbed a stick

Sroly Supper said something about St. Lucia or Martinique

Zev Rosenblum mentioned an Iced Cappuccino

Then I would be able to make a Kvutza late-night!!

קבוצה ה.....

Dear Kevutzah Hei,

You guys really have no idea how much you meant to me. There are barely enough words to explain it.

When I was told that I would be your learning teacher, I was very excited to teach you and have a lot of fun together — whether it was the Kluger games, runaways, or chazarah.

I hope you all realize the point I was trying to tell you throughout the entire month: **no matter how smart you are, the first time you learn something, it's not**



really called learning. The real learning starts the second time, and the third time, and so on. As we saw with the Kluger games, the more you review something, the better you get at it.

So again, I hope you take this message with you and use it in school. Keep reviewing, keep pushing yourself, and keep growing in your learning.

I'm really looking forward to seeing you all again next year!

Dearly,

Chaim Cohen

If i would get a vote everytime...

Sholom Hecht wore his Yankee jersey ⚾
Meir Begun brought a frog to learning class 🐸
Mendel Pewsner brought his Rubik's Cube 🧩
Tzvi Perlstein threw a rock at the tree 🪨
Menachem Wichnin brought a noodle soup to class 🍜
Elimelech Rosenfeld wanted a pen to draw 🖊️
Mendel Vogel knew the answer 🧠
Mendel Fellig wanted to read 📖
Meir Ross was smiling 😄

.....then I would be the president!!!!!
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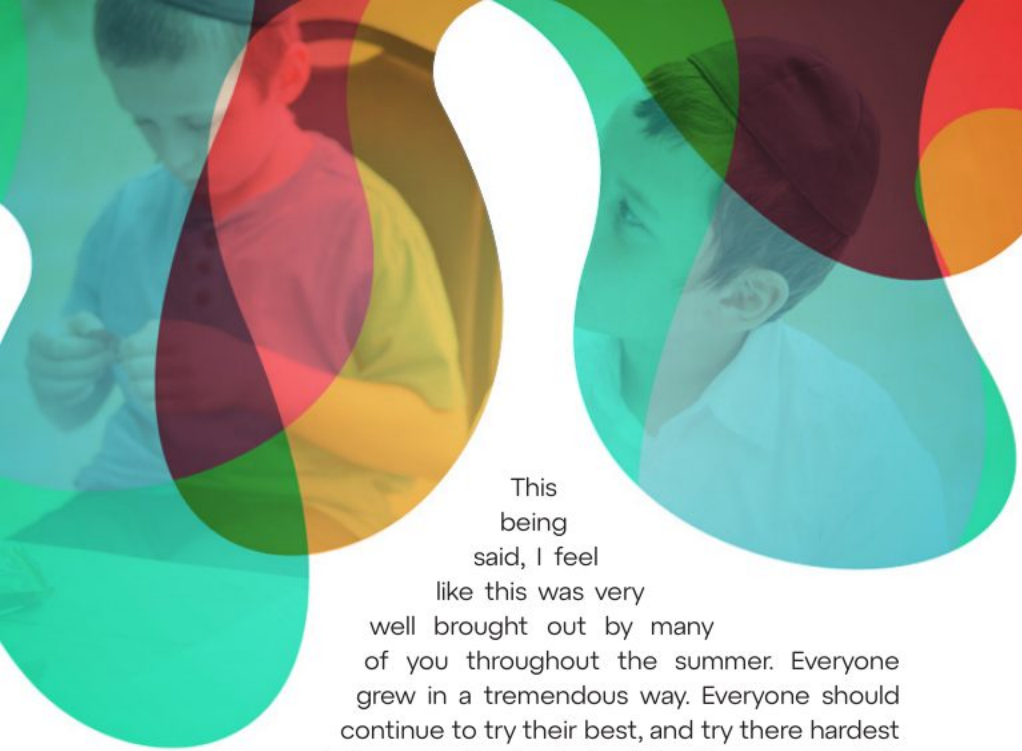
קבוצה ו

צו מיין טאירע קבוצה ו!

(sholom dovber, peretz, moshe, ashi, Meir, nochum, mendel kamman, Mendel galprin, and Mendel shanawitz)

This summer has come to an end. I feel myself now thinking back to the very first day when I did not yet know what I was getting myself into. And Im happy to say (at least for myself) I really enjoyed this summer from beginning to end. From the learning (a little bit) games, farbrengens etc. I think we accomplished a lot and have a lot to be proud of. so everyone give themselves a round of Applause and pat on the back. And keep it up!

One of the things (and probably one of the most important) we discussed was the concept of יגעתי ומצאתי. The concept being, that nothing good happens by itself. Everything needs work and עבודה, but through doing are part and keep trying and not giving up hashem gives us much more then what we put in.



This being said, I feel like this was very well brought out by many of you throughout the summer. Everyone grew in a tremendous way. Everyone should continue to try their best, and try there hardest to become the best chasidim they can possibly be, and give the rebbe nachas, and that is what counts, it's not about who is the smartest or the strongest, it's about who tries their best.

Everyone should have an amazing year and keep up the chayus of Gan yisroel till next year!

I will miss all of you, hope to see you next year.

הצלחה רבה בכל!

אברהם פלדמן

P.S. If anyone wants to call to Farbreng, speak etc, my number is 5415986044 (not on whatsapp or during seder)

קבוצה ז

Dear Kvutza Zayin,

As we reach the end of this month, I want to look back at everything we accomplished together. It was a privilege to be your teacher, and I am very proud of the effort and seriousness you brought to our learning.

During our learning times, you showed great energy and focus. You came ready to listen, ask good questions, and give it your best. Because of that, we didn't just go through the material — we truly understood and learned it. It was amazing to watch you pick up new ideas and work hard to get them right.

I am very thankful for the effort you gave each day and for the respect you showed to me and to each other. You showed that Kvutza Zayin knows how to set a strong example.

Take everything you learned this month with you as you move forward. The knowledge, skills, and hard work you gained here will help you not only in learning, but in everything you do.

Keep making good choices, keep pushing yourself, and continue bringing that same energy wherever you go.

Sincerely,

Sholom Gurkow

Your Learning Teacher



קבוצה

צו מיינע טייערע קבוצה ה',

וואס פאר א געשמאקן חודש און זומער מיר האבן צוזאמען געהאט!

פון לערנען וועגן די י"ב פסוקים, ביז ספר המצוות יעדן טאג; פון די געשמאקע שבת פארברענגענ'ס, ביז משניות און הלכה – עס איז דא אזוי פיל וואס מען קען שרייבן און געדענקען.

איין זאך אבער האף איך: אז יעדער איינער פון אונז זאל אהיימקומען פון קעמפ מיט א שטארקערע התקשרות און ליבשאפט צו אונזער טייערן רבי.

און מיט אן אמת'ן געפיל, אז דורך מקיים זיין די רבי'נס הוראות און ארויסגיין אויף די רבי'נס שליחות, וועלן מיר זוכה זיין צו זען אונזער רבי דא למטה בגוף גשמי.

און מיר וועלן זען דעם רבי'נס הייליגן שמייכל, און ער וועט אונז ארויספירן פון גלות צום אמת'ן און פולשטענדיגן גאולה דורך משיח צדקנו, תיכף ומיד ממש.

מיט ליבשאפט, אייער "מדריך", לוי ש.





קבוצה ט

טייערע קבוצה ט:

אברמל, בערל, מענדי, מענדל, מטי, שניאור, שרולי, ישראל, מאיר!

אזא מורא'דיקער זומער צוזאמען! א סך תורה געלערנט און, ברוך ה', א סך פאן געהאט און צוקער געגעסן און "מאפיא" געשפילט. לערנען די שיחה ביים "ביוואק", עס איז ממש געווען א געשמאק! איך וויל אז איר זאלט געדענקען, בנוסף צו דער תורה וואס מיר האבן געלערנט, דעם "פאן" וואס מיר האבן געהאט און דער "מאפיא" וואס מיר האבן געשפילט, אז דער רבי האט יעדן איינעם פון אייך ליב מיט א ספעציעלער ליבשאפט וועלכע דער רבי האט דוקא פאר יונגע, און אז יעדער איינער פון אונז האט א פערזענלעכן קשר מיטן רבין און דערפאר זאלן מיר לעבן דערמיט.

אין פינעף יאר ביי א פארביינגען: בערל פראנציס-מאכט פארבייסן פאר דעם פארבריינגען. אברמל שארף און לוי לברטוב הערן אויפמערקזאמדיק. מאיר מאראזאוו- שלאפט מיט זיין קאפ אראפ אויפן טיש. מענדל ענגעל -פרעגט דער משפיע שאלות. שרולי באנון מאכט זיכער אז דעם עולם זאגט לחיים. מענדי כמי נעמט אחריות אז דער פארבריינגען זאל זיין דאס ליינגסטן אין ישיבה.



שניאור
וואלף זיצט לעבן
דעם משפיע מיט זיין האנט
איבער זיין קאפ. מטי שוחט זאמעלט איין די
אלע ליידיקע משקה בוטלעך. ישראל רייכמאן פאררייכט
דעם משפיע וועגן די פרטים אין די מעשה.

איר קענט מיר אלעמאל רופן צו לערנען, פארברענגען, וכו'.
248-259-3363

Dear Kevutzah Tes: Avremel, Berel, Mendy, Mendel, Motti, Shneur, Shmuel, Yisroel, Meir!

What an incredible summer we had together! We learned so much Torah and, Baruch Hashem, had so much fun, ate plenty of candy, and played a lot of "Mafia." Learning the sicha by the "Bivouac" was truly such a pleasure!

I want you to remember that, in addition to the Torah we learned, the "fun" we had, and the "Mafia" we played, the Rebbe loves each and every one of you with a special love that the Rebbe has specifically for young people. Each one of us has a personal connection with the Rebbe, and therefore, we should live with that connection.

Five years from now, at a farbrengen:

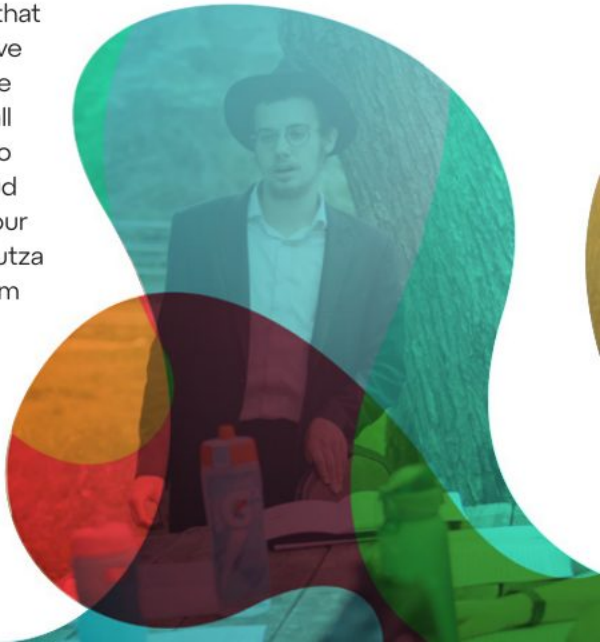
Berel Francis — making farbrengens happen before the farbrengen even starts.

Avremel Scharf - listening attentively.
Levi Levertov — making sure everyone is quiet.
Meir Morozov — sleeping with his head down on the table.
Mendel Engel — asking the mashpia questions.
Sruly Bannon — making sure everyone says l'chaim.
Mendy Kahami — taking responsibility for making sure the farbrengen is the longest one in the yeshiva.
Shneur Wolf — sitting next to the mashpia with his hand over his head.
Motti Shochat — collecting all the empty Mashkeh bottles.
Yisroel Reichman — correcting the mashpia about the details of the story.

You can always call me to learn, farbreng, etc. 248-259-3363

קבוצה ו

Kvutza yud!! Wow! What a month! From throwing rocks in the lake to playing Mafia and games. All the way to winning kluger games. We were able to clearly see that we can learn a lot and have a lot of fun at the same time. It's so sad that all of this has to come to an end. But kvutza yud תשפ"ו will be etched in our memories as the best kvutza yud in Gan Yisroel! I'm sure you are going to bring back all the חיות you got from camp and especially from learning class back



home and to your communities. From Atlanta to Tennessee to Chicago and all the way up to Utah. And from the Five Towns to Crown Heights and all the way back up to Detroit. And we will see each other next summer in Gan Yisroel after our short break through the year.

With tears 😭😢😢...

Levi Steiner

KEVUTZA YUD
CHOLENT MIX

INGREDIENTS:

Eliezer susskind: 15 pies of pizza
Immanuel zippel: 6 ounces of something "UNBELIEVABLE"
Zelig Mann: 3 tsp of basketballs
Yehuda Leib Geizinsky: A garbage can full of rocks *(most probably thrown in from far)*
Meir Charytan: 4 tbls of cameras
Tzemach Amzalak: 1 answer sheet to *all the kluger games*
Eli Benyhon: 5 cups of baseballs
Binyomin Pelman: 8.5 ounces of rare Guatemalan rubix cubes
Levi Wilhelm: Half of a container of Tennessee jalapeno spices

And Levi Steiner would eat it all...

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size: 1 Big Bowl
Servings Per Container: Who Knows?

Amount Per Serving	
Calories	Who Cares
	% Daily Value*
Teamwork	100%
Creativity	120%
Chaos	200%
Funny Moments	150%
Memories	100%
Kevutza Yud Spirit	∞

*Percent Daily Values are based on a diet of amazingness and fun.

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קבוצה א

ימי חודש אלול תשפ"ו

לתלמידי היקרים שיחיו

ברוך השם עס איז באמת געווען א הנאה און א געשמאק צו לערנען מיט אייך דורכאויס דעם מורא'דיקן זומער. איך האב פאר דעם ערשטן מאל פארשטאנען וואס דאס מיינט "מתלמידי יותר מכולם", און איך האף אז איר האט די זעלבע הנאה געהאט, סיי פון די לערנען סיי פון די ארומריידן און פארבריינגענישן און אנדערע געשמאקע זאכן וואס מיר האבן געטאן צוזאמען. דער עיקר איז אז מיר זאלן טאקע געדיינקען די אלע ענינים וואס מיר האבן ארומגערעדט, ספעציעל וועגן די עבודה פון חודש אלול און הכנות צו חודש תשרי. און איך ווינטש אייך אלע הצלחה בכל הענינים פאר דעם קומענדיקן יאר סיי בגשמיות סיי ברוחניות. און מיר זאלן גאר אינגיכן זיך זען צוזאמען מיט משיח'ן במהרה בימינו ומלכינו. אמן!

כתיבה וחתימה טובה לשנה טובה ומתוקה

באהבה

מאיר שארף 2486353949



The Days
of the Month
of Elul, 5786

To my dear students, שיחיו,

Baruch Hashem, it was truly a pleasure and a joy to learn with you throughout this incredible summer. For the first time, I truly understood what the words "מתלמידי יותר מכולם" — "I have learned more from my students than from everyone else" mean.

I hope that you enjoyed it just as much, both from the learning and from all the conversations, farbrengens, and other enjoyable things that we did together.

The most important thing is that we should truly remember all the things we discussed, especially regarding the avodah of the month of Elul and the preparations for the month of Tishrei.

I wish all of you success in every area throughout the coming year, both בגשמיות — and ברוחניות — spiritually.

And may we very soon see each other again, together with Moshiach, במהרה בימינו ממש ומלכינו בראשינו. אמן!

כתיבה וחתימה טובה לשנה טובה ומתוקה

Mayer Scharf

קבוצת

Dear the one and only craziest kvutza out there...

KVUTZA YUD BEIS!!!

Wow wow — what a summer full of learning (well... sometimes).

From naming bugs , to almost winning Kluger ,

to those rare moments when a nice percentage of you were actually by the table ,

to playing Epic Mafia almost every day — and somehow Dovber ALWAYS won ,

to Mendel Hecht's iconic "CAN WE JUST LEARN" ,

to Mendel Wilhelm's legendary Kluger answers ,

to Moshe Chaim davening in the middle of Kluger ,

to Meir Lipskier's AMAZING drawings ,

to Chaim Steiner's famous water breaks ,

to bringing Dovid's Tefillin to learning class,

to Sroli Pearlstein's unforgettable Poilsher accent ...

But the main thing is what you gained in your yiddishkeit and chassidish-kiet and your Hiskashrus to the Rebbe inGan



yisroel and I am sure your going to continue and grow

Have hatzlacha in next year school year

Shmuli Wilansky

קבוצה ב

ב"ה

יום חמישי א' דר"ח אלול תשפ"ו

מחנה גן ישראל - טאסטין

צו מיין טייערע קבוצה

מענדל, מענדל, בני, לייזער, אלי, יוסף פרץ, מנחם, הלל

עס איז געווען אן אויסערגעווינליכע צווייטע חודש וואס מיר האב געהאט צוזאמען עס פילט נאך אלץ ווי מיר שטייען אין די ערשטע וואך פון קעמפ

אזוי פיל האבן מיר צוזאמען געלערנט, פארברייגנגט, דערציילט סיפורים וכו' און איך האף אז דאס זאל האבן אויף אייך אן אייביקע השפעה אז וואו נאר איר גייט וועט איר דאס מיט נעמען

בעזרת השם, איבער דעם קומענדיקן יאר וועט איר אלע ווערן בר-מצוה.

א בר-מצוה ווערט א בחור, ער דארף יעצט נעמען אין זיינע הענט די אחריות אויף דינען דעם אויבערשט'ן דורך לימוד התורה וקיום המצוות. מען קען שוין ניט פארלאזן אויף אנדערע.

אמאל איז דער ארבעט





שוועד...
מען קען
אמאל טראכטן אז
מען קען עס ניט טאן...עס איז
צופיל פאר אונז...

חז"ל זאגן אונז אז "אין הקב"ה בא בטרוניא עם בריותיו" דאז מיינט אז השם מאנט ניט פון אונז מער פון וואס מיר קענען אויפטאן.

מער פון דעם, יעדער מאל וואס מיר דינען השם, גיט ער אונז די כוחות צו איבער קומען די שוועריקייטן און מצליח זיין.

מיר האבן געלערנט דעם ענין, אין די פסוק פון "יגעתי", אז אויב נאר מען לייגט אריין די ריכטיקע כוחות וועט מען זיכער מצליח זיין און נאך מער פון וואס מען האט געטראכט.

איך וויל מסיים זיין מיט א ברכה אז איר זאלט האבן א הצלחה רבה ומופלגה אין דער קומענדיק יאר און דער עיקר איז אז דער רבי זאל האבן אסאך נחת פון אונז

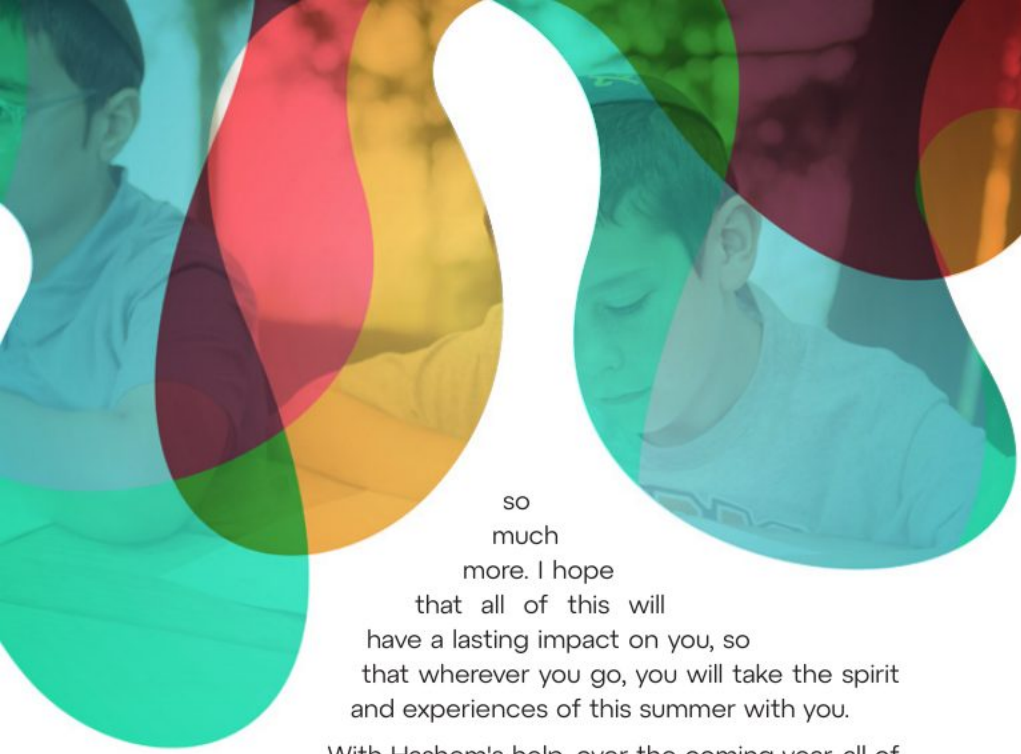
און מיר זאלן זוכה זיין צו אויספירן אונזער שליחות וואס דאס איז צו מקבל משיח צדקנו און מיר וועלן זוכה צו דער גאולה האמיתית והשלמה תיכף ומיד ממש מיט דער רבי בראשנו

איר קענט אלע מאל מיר קלינגען 9472396125

Now in english:

It was an extraordinary second month that we had together. It still feels like we are standing in the very first week of camp!

We learned so much together, farbrenged, shared stories, and



so much more. I hope that all of this will have a lasting impact on you, so that wherever you go, you will take the spirit and experiences of this summer with you.

With Hashem's help, over the coming year, all of you will become the age of Bar Mitzvah.

Becoming Bar Mitzvah means becoming a man. It means that you now have to take responsibility upon yourselves to serve Hashem through Torah learning and keeping mitzvos. You can no longer rely on others to do it for you.

Sometimes the work is difficult. Sometimes you may think, "I can't do this. It's too much for me."

Chazal teach us, "אין הקב"ה בא בטרוניא עם בריותיו" — Hashem does not demand from a person more than he is capable of accomplishing.

Even more than that, every time we serve Hashem, He gives us the strength to overcome the challenges and succeed.

We learned about this idea in the pasuk of "יגעתי" — that when a person truly puts in the proper effort, he will certainly succeed, and he can accomplish even more than he ever thought possible.

I would like to finish with a bracha that you should all have tremendous and outstanding success throughout the coming

year. And most importantly, may the Rebbe have much nachas from all of us.

May we merit to fulfill our shlichus, which is to accept Moshiach Tzidkeinu, and may we merit the true and complete Geulah immediately ממש, with the Rebbe leading us.

You can always call me at 947-239-6125.

With much love, your learning teacher,

אברהם שלמה שארף

קבוצה

Dear Kvutzah Yud Daled,

When a seed is planted, the first few years are so important. It needs to be protected from the elements, because even a small scratch or nick can affect the way the tree grows. We learn an important lesson from a tree — כי האדם עץ השדה. The first years of our lives are incredibly important. During those years, we have parents, teachers, and mentors to guide us, protect us, and help us grow in the right direction.



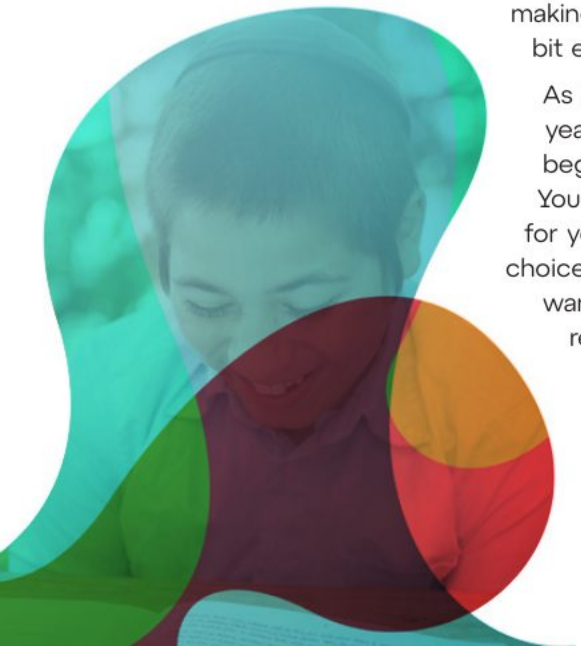
You are now 12 years old, entering your Bar Mitzvah year. This is a very

special and important time in your lives. As a learning teacher, there is only so much that I can teach you. But if there is one thing I hope you take with you, it is the importance of responsibility — understanding that your choices and actions have consequences, and that you have the ability to make a difference in your own lives.

As you get older, there will be fewer people standing over you and telling you what to do. You will have to learn to make the right choices on your own. So, enough with the kvetching and the excuses — it's time to take responsibility, step up, and get things done! I say that with a smile, but I truly mean it. I believe in each and every one of you, and I know that you are capable of much more than you sometimes realize.

After all of that, I want you to know what a pleasure it was to learn with you. I really enjoyed getting to know each of you, hearing your thoughts, your questions, your insights, and even your arguments. You each brought something unique to the group, and I hope that you learned from me at least a little bit as much as I learned from you.

The Rebbe wanted us to take something from camp that would stay with us throughout the entire year. I hope you will continue what we started together — whether it is Sefer Hamitzvos, Hayom Yom, or making a Hachlata to grow a little bit each day.



As you enter your Bar Mitzvah year, remember that you are beginning a new stage in life. You are becoming responsible for your own actions, your own choices, and the person you want to become. Take that responsibility seriously, but also enjoy the journey. Think before you act, learn from your mistakes,



and
always
remember that
you have the ability to
become someone great.

It was truly a privilege getting to know and learn with each and every one of you. I will miss our time together, and I hope you won't forget me either. Please keep in touch — you can always reach me at bentcheduchman@gmail.com or 917-443-3112.

Wishing each of you tremendous hatzlacha as you enter this very special year. May you continue to grow, learn, and become the best version of yourselves

Bentche

What if I confiscated...

Shaya G's camera
Moshe G's Rubix Cube
Shaya R's Gatorade bottle
Mendel R's can of Seltzer
Yisroel S's listening ear
Mendel S's whatever he can get his hands on
Yishai S's ability to keep quiet

... it would be really tragic!!



קבוצה טז

Dear Kevutzah Tes Vov,

I honestly can't believe summer is already over. It was so, so special being your learning teacher this year, and I loved getting to spend my summer with you guys and all the other insects that joined us.

Whether it was our learning classes, our farbrengens, or taking the Kloger games win, you guys made every single day worth it. Thanks for the great summer.

Lechaim.

Moshe Goldshmid



קבוצה 77

One picture says more than a thousand words


Howdy
Spi
התקשרות
יצחק
spirit


rit
מלחמת ח










THEME SONG

.T.T.T.O Ki Hinei Kachomer

Covered in white set with care
A machzor on every chair
The shul is filled, the holiest day
All come for kol nidrei
The effort invested
In weeks gone by
The day has now come
He looks on with pride
But lack is felt
Despite all he's done
Feelings torn, forced to move on

Kinder draw near
Before we start
He opens his fatherly heart
Blessings of love to his precious gems
Wishing the best for them
The memories flow his mind starts to race
Tears streaming down his face
The Rebbe would give me blessings of love
How its been so long since him I thought of

His loving care
I'd live with all year
His Torah was my life
The core of my being the Rebbe was
My thoughts all the time
I'll revisit this truth
Connect to my roots
Live his Torah again
Like I did then
His loving care
I'll live with all year.
Now i can say
Kol Nidrei

ALMA MATER

(T.T.T.O. Parade Paradin')

A mission with a purpose
To purify the air
One force uniting all as one
With this I have no fear

These Pesukim give me Chayus
They teach me how to live
Give me tools to fight all evil
Their message makes a Yid

"Torah Tziva"
Inheritance for every one
A gift – its mine
My journey through it just begun

Nothing here
Doesn't scream Aibershter
Hashem Echad
Up and down he's everywhere

All people have their limits
I'm stuck inside of me
Chayav Adam Liros
Today I'm going free

It's me it's who I am
My Neshama shines so strong
Kol Yisroel
Every Yid comes along

The base of Tanya
A message clear as day
Do it – let's get involved
It's not so far away

(Bang bang clap clap
Bang bang clap clap)

Watching every moment
The strength he gives to me
Vhinei Hashem Nitzav Alav
He cares so lovingly

The whole wide world around me
Created – do you know why?
All to be used for the one Hashem
From the earth up to the sky

A living Torah
its living right inside of me
Vedibarta Bam - -
Wherever I may be

To grow and harvest - -
You got to sow the seed
put in your effort - -
success beyond you'll see

Rabi Akiva Oimer
To love a fellow Jew
well win this war together
One soul its me and you

So come and join us - -
Let's build a home for him
The world we live in - -
Let's bring the Shechina in

I'm a little spark of him
And His joy I'll truly feel - -
a partner of creation - -
Come on lets make this real
No longer the same person

These Pesukim in my hand
Now im the Rebbes soldier
And yes you also can!

THEME SONG

Closer Than Near
T.T.T.O. Melech Elyon · Hershy Weinberger

An adviser in the palace, right beside the throne
Admired and well known, feeling right at home

"My closeness to his honor, more tangible than most
But something is amiss, a void that can't be closed"

Chorus:
"Though physically I'm closer —
Entrusted with the keys, all the power lies on me
Still something's incomplete"

"Though I am so near —
In the palace high up here, for his nation I don't care
Disconnected from down there"

"It's not just about me —
Not my honor or prestige, but to answer every need
There's a mission to complete"

"If I were to go out —
And care for all his sheep, and ↑ provide for all their needs ↑
Then I'd find my inner peace"

The palace light aglow, seven seventy his home
His gaze fixed on the Rebbe, his thoughts begin to roam

"My hiskashrus to our Nosi, living here so close
Yes it glows so strong, but something still feels wrong"

Chorus:
"Though physically I'm closer —
I hear the Rebbe speak, the Farbrengen's every week
And dollars I receive"

"Living here so near —
Yet so far from what's dear, what the Rebbe speaks so clear
Spread out everywhere"

"It's not just about me —
His command we all must heed, and on Shlichus we should be
There's a Dirah to complete"

"If I were to go out —
And care for all his sheep, then the ↑ Rebbe I would please ↑
And I'd find my inner peace"



ALMA MATER

The Flag Within
T.T.T.O. Muvdulim · MBD

The last day lineup, arm around his friend
A tear rolls down, he knows it's at an end
For two full months, the flag went up each day
But starting now, it's down and there to stay

Emotions rising, thoughts begin to race
How can I leave behind this holy place?
To think that so soon, from Tustin I'll have to move
How can I keep this flame and stay in tune?

Chorus:
Habotchim Bashem Friday night
Dancing on the bench with all my might
The energy, momentum, the joy, the delight
How tomorrow can I take my flight?

Learning class Farbrengen's Shabbos day
A lasting mark forever will remain
Hakafos, Lag Baomer parades—how can it end today
If only here in camp I could remain

His counselor sees him, wiping off a tear
"Berele, of what do you fear?"
He looks back at him, tears again they roll
"How can we leave our Gan Yisroel?"

"Berele, take the flame from here
To light your way throughout the coming year
Just like a battery, for two months you've recharged
So let the light reach near and far"

So dry your eyes and wipe away your tears
Live Gan Yisroel throughout the year
Take all that you've learned and teach others too
Remember that the flag remains with



WORDS FROM THE

Cockpit

4:22 AM — AFTER COMING BACK FROM CEDAR POINT

Mendy: Um... we still have to write a letter!

Mendel: I THOUGHT YOU WERE GOING TO TAKE CARE OF THAT! I TOLD YOU A WEEK AGO TO WRITE IT!!

Mendy: Yeah well... I was gonna do it on the bus, but I kinda fell asleep.

Mendel: Well, couldn't have expected any better. Putting that aside, let's get to business. So what exactly are we meant to write? I mean, do they really expect me to put an entire summer into just two paragraphs?

Mendy: Yeah well, I'm not really sure what the point of this letter is, so it might be easier than you think.

Mendel: Can we just ask Gemini to write a letter, something like this: "Hey Gemini, write for me a letter which will be printed in a camp journal. It should mention how the writers find it really hard to depart, they give their heart and soul over to the campers, they breathe and live Gan Yisroel, and it truly is impossible to write up a summer in a few paragraphs. Add some humorous lines. Mention 'the Cockpit' a bajillion times. Mention Chosidel is the best 500 times. And don't forget to mention something about a broken PA system."

Hey, not bad, I think Gemini will give us something good!

Mendy: No, that's cheating. That's literally against today's Hayom Yom! "עס דארף זיין עבודה בכח עצמו. העכער איז אז מ'נעהמט פארן האנט און מ'פירט. טייערער איז אז עס איז בכח עצמו"

Mendel: Fine, ok. But it's getting late. Let's get straight to the point. No fluff.

Mendy: Awesome!! FINALLY I'M FEELING SOME COCKPIT ENERGY!!!

So let's farbreng, Mendel — what can we give over to the campers as they're reading this 10 minutes after leaving camp?

Mendel: If there is one thing that comes to mind, it's actually a line that has been ringing in my ears since day one (thanks to that awesome reveille track that's been driving me crazy the past 30 days): BUT... THE REBBE'S CAMP GAN YISROEL IS NOT MEANT TO BE JUST A MEMORY FROM THE PAST, PART OF HISTORY. THE POINT OF CAMP ISN'T JUST THE FUN, THE SPORTS, THE PLAY — RATHER, TO

BECOME A CHOSIDEL AND FOREVER CHANGE!

Mendy: Wow, wow, wow, slow down rabbi, that's quite something — let me break this down a little. So are you saying that Mivtza Chosidel is just a start for the rest of the year, and the chassidishkeit and energy here is meant to carry over to what takes place after camp?

Mendel: Yes. The past month we were on the runway, fueling up to prepare for takeoff. For the next 10 months you will be flying high, energized by the chayus injected into you from Gan Yisroel, taking with you all that you have learned and bringing it home.

Mendy: It's quite a large ask to expect Chosidel to continue full force through the year, even without the excitement of camp.

Mendel: That is the strength of the Rebbe's chassidim. If there is one thing a camper can take from Chosidel, it's the message of the Cockpit.

Mendy: I was wondering what's up with that name — I think you told me in last month's journal, but let's review.

Mendel: No problem. Chassidim have the ability to see things from a different perspective. Even when it seems like an ordinary, boring, goyishe world out there, we are empowered by the Rebbe to see past that. Really, wherever a Yid is, Hashem is with him, giving him the shlichus to make that part of the world a home for Hashem.

Mendy: In other words, we are in the Rebbe's cockpit.

Mendel: Correct.

Mendy: LISTEN UP CAMPERS!! Chosidel is just the beginning. The Rebbe wanted the children to be the ones at the forefront of everything, so listen — don't let it stay like this. It's up to you to make Chosidel grow. All that you started here, continue and add to. There are no excuses. Continue being the Rebbe's soldier in Tzivos Hashem, and go from strength to strength!



MBP Hotspot

Dear Gan Yisroel,

And just like that, summer is coming to an end.

We spent the summer building the MBP Hotspot — running lines, pushing ourselves, reaching new levels, and most importantly, being together. But now that we're leaving camp, the Hotspot doesn't have to shut down.

Because MBP was never really about how many lines you ran.

It was about connecting.

When you go home, life will get busy. School will start, routines will change, and summer will start to feel like a memory. That's exactly when you need to remember the Hotspot.

Stay connected.

Stay connected to the friends you made. Stay connected to the energy you had in camp. Stay connected to the inspiration you felt. And keep pushing yourself to do more, just like you did every time you stepped onto the track.

A phone can lose connection when you move too far away from the hotspot.

But with the MBP Hotspot, there's no distance limit.

You can take it with you wherever you go.

So as you head home, don't think of this as the end of MBP. Think of it as taking the Hotspot with you.

Keep the connection strong.

See you next summer!

Your MBP Director
Chaim Hakohen!

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WORDS FROM THE

Sports Director

Wow what a summer ...

Ok so we are gonna skip the basics for a minute and get right to business this summers sports where crazy in all ways but i have a bit of a secret to share although we all learnt how to face situations even when its not exactly fair and that is thanks to the ai draft however unfortunately the ai draft has not yet entered the gan yisroel system

And we all wait for the day when it will come however this year was the experiment to see if the campers will believe and think that the teams are made by AI and guess what it was a smashing success so while we unfortunately did not take part in history with the first AI teams we however still made the potential for that to happen and that is thanks to every single one of you for your belief and trust!





Sincerely your dear sports directour
Arik Schectman

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Do RC with Ari and farbreng with Rabbi G Detroit's the place to be!

Teiere Campers,

Before we get involved in this year's RC, let's go back in time for a few moments to see how R.C. began.

In 1984, the Rebbe began a new Mivtza with the goal of unifying the entire Klal Yisroel through learning one Sefer - Rambam.

Rambam is the perfect Sefer for uniting Klal Yisroel because it goes through every single mitzvah — all 613 Mitzvas Dioiraisah and 7 Derabanan! By learning 3 Perakim a day, the entire Rambam is completed in one year. The Rebbe also gave children a special way to participate: learning each day's Mitzvos in Sefer Hamitzvos. Chevreh, we have the amazing Zechus and Achrayus to do this every single day!

I would also like to make an honorable mention to all those who partook in the RAMBAM CHABURAH. You should know that this is a very great and important way to keep Gan Yisroel with you year-round, by keeping to this beautiful Hachlatah and learning Perek Echod - especially for all those becoming Bar Mitzvah this upcoming year. Keep it up!!!



Besides the serious accomplishment of going through all the Mitzvos in a single year, we have the opportunity every day to fulfill the Rebbe's Hora'ah and give the Rebbe tremendous Nachas!

That being said, we can now move on to this year's awesome, most amazing RC program! b"h, this month in Gan Yisroel, the R.C. program was truly historical! The RC circle watched 138 soldiers each and every day following their commander's will, learning Sefer Hamitzvos and Perek Echod.

Here at RC, it is our job to make learning Sefer Hamitzvos as easy and exciting as possible, filled with awesome bunk RC competitions — and let's not forget the freezing cold ice pops we got! 45+ kids learning Perek Echod!

This year's RC is truly one to remember. But it would not be possible without the devotion of every single camper to the Rebbe's Inyonim. I hope and believe that the Ibergegebinkeit will never stop and will remain with you for the rest of your lives.

With love,

Your RC Director

(If you ever need to learn today's mitzvah, call me @ 248-787-0483)



A Tear for Gan Yisroel NO MORE!

Now you can wipe away your tears for Gan Yisroel!

Open the online gallery for a nonstop stream of pictures from the summer you'll never forget

COMING SOON · COMING SOON · COMING SOON

WORDS FROM THE

Photographers



To all our dear campers,

What a summer it was! A crazy ride, captured in every frame and filled with so many incredible and unforgettable moments!

In the beginning of the summer, some of you were a bit camera-shy, but it didn't take long before we became best friends. From trips to Color War and everything in between, all that happened within the walls of Gan Yisroel, we tried our best to capture it all in photos and videos.

IY"H, we hope these moments will stay with you forever, and that you'll cherish them for years to come. These memories are truly **precious and priceless**, and we hope that whenever you look back at these pictures and videos, they'll bring you right back to the incredible summer we shared together.

What we will ask of all our fellow Chassidim is to keep capturing the moments, cherish the memories, and hold on to them through thick and thin.

Mendel Treitel & Meir Segal



WORDS FROM THE

Head Lifeguard





Hey Guys,

Just wanted to say thank you for an awesome summer! It was a real pleasure being your Head Lifeguard and getting to keep you guys safe while you had fun.

Hope you all have an amazing and successful year ahead, and don't forget all the great memories from this summer!

Have a great year!

P.S. I don't actually live in Paris...

Yisroel Meir Paris



Wow! What an amazing summer it was! Watching all of you fun beck having so much chayus and fun. Especially all of you that showed up and learnt MBP so nicely!

Hope you enjoy your prizes and shirts made in the beck office and have an awesome GYYR year!

Yosef Paley

*Everything in camp but this journal was printed by our Poppy


A New View!
The Rebbe said that Gan Yisroel is the Rebbe's Reshus! Imagine that—it's like we're in the Rebbe's house for a few weeks straight!
We just finished davening Minchah with the Rebbe, now it's time for the Rebbe to leave. As the car is pulling out we all sing "Ki Bisimcha."
Wow! We're so lucky to have been here today; I hope the Rebbe will visit Gan Yisroel again.
The Rebbe said that when Moshiach will come, we will bring the very grounds of Gan Yisroel with us! (We know it will be very soon.)
Wait a second, what's going on over there?
Why is the Rebbe heading toward the bunkhouses?
Wow! Can you believe it? I just heard the Rebbe is taking a full tour of camp—even the lake and fields!
Isn't it incredible how much the Rebbe cares about every single detail of his camp?
The Rebbe's visit to גן ישראל
Stop
The Rebbe arrives in camp!
The Rebbe is smiling and greeting everyone—this is so exciting.
Now the Rebbe is farbrenging in the shul—I better go catch a good spot!
Right at the beginning, the Rebbe instructs us children to say Lchaim. The Rebbe then says a few Sichos, then a Maamor—all



Words from Laizer

Hey guys, it's me, your friend Laizer!

It was really nice to spend the last few days here with you, and I hope you enjoyed my presence here in camp!

Before you guys reach your final destination, can I ask you a favor?

Remember that experience we went through together, when the Rebbe came to camp. That was really exciting! And I wish we could remember that the whole year.

So, before you guys get home and get comfortable, make sure to keep in mind how special and chosen we are! The fact that the Rebbe came and visited us and gave us this special attention is so rare and special.

And make sure to take this special chayus from this visit with you for the whole year, until we meet again next year!



P.S. Feel free to reach out. I would love to discuss any sort of Chassidishe inyonim related to this topic. I'd really love to discuss!

LaizersTrail@gmail.com

WORDS FROM THE

Gee Em

Actually being the GM here at CGI Detroit Tustin was a great run. What made the job worth it wasn't just fixing what was broken, but making sure you guys had a safe, solid place to have the best summer possible. Every time I came by the bunks or ran into you on the campgrounds to take care of a repair, having your cooperation and knowing I could help keep your summer on track made the effort worth it. You knew you could count on the GM to get things sorted.

Levitche Lazzarof

Hey there, this is **Ezra**— yes, that's me, that mysterious guy whom nobody knows. Well, you should know that it's a long story how I ended up here in Gan Israel, but let's just say that it's nothing short of a miracle.

Really, now's a good time to give a shout-out to my good friends LGJ and Mendel Techtel for making it possible. But either way, although I never really collaborated with most of you guys here, you should know that every screw, every turn was a turn of love. Every jig of the saw has many raw emotions in it, and every measurement was taken with you in mind.

And for all those that are in cold waters for 60 days, you should know that I was with you in pain. I joined you through those rough mornings as I watched my lips turn blue!

But trust me, as you go home and enter your fully functional home with working doors and windows, and running water with a normal smell — you will miss those days of Gan Yisroel.

As they say - "Better a squeaky door in Gan Yisroel's cold, than a golden latch in a house of old"

OUR DAYS

A Journey Through the Days Celebrated in Gan Yisroel

IN STORY, MEANING AND PRACTICE

SESSION 2


GAN YISROEL
Lag B
DATE : MONDAY

CELEBRATES

Baomer



, 13 AV 5786

PARADE PARADIN!!!!!! What an unforgettable parade through the main street of Tustin—4-H Drive, just like on Lag BaOmer at 770. It was truly an inspiring and historic event.

Guided by the visionary mind of HC Mendel Reiter, who refused to bend to those who couldn't fathom his grand, mind-blowing idea: a Lag BaOmer parade in GY!

MAKING IT HAPPEN

But it didn't happen on its own.

That morning, campers and staff alike spent hours, in a unified effort, building floats and signs for the historic occasion.

Each bunk dressed according to a certain theme and got ready to march.

AND THE PARADE BEGAN!!!

Floats, a marching band, campers, staff, and a pickup truck blasting Lag BaOmer music paraded down the street, eventually making their way into camp and arriving at our very own 770 in Gan Yisroel! (Shoutout to







1. The Eli Lipskier Band. 2. Didan Notzach - 40 Years float.

3. Counselor Yisroel and Learning Teacher Levi Shemtov proudly stand with their work of art—the original Gan Yisroel banner, presented on one of the floats.

the 770 team!)

THE RALLY

A Lag BaOmer rally followed, featuring our very own Rabbi JJ Hecht (camper Levi Rosenblum). Campers and mashpiim were called up to say the 12 Pesukim, representing children and communities from around the world.

It felt real.

THE CELEBRATION CONTINUES

And it didn't end there.

During the bivouac, a grand Lag BaOmer bonfire was lit, continuing the Lag BaOmer celebrations late into the night.

And that is how we paraded in Tustin!

#PARADEPARADIN!!








GAN YISR
Adma
DATE: SUNDAY


DEL VISITS
Kodesh
, 19 AV 5786

Lubavitch City. Kalkaska. Bayis Rishon.

Those words bring joy to us all.
They bring unforgettable memories.
They remind us of moments which make us who we are.

THE VISIT

On Sunday the 19th of Av, Gan Yisroel Detroit made its way to Lubavitch City, Michigan on a historic visit—to remember, reconnect, and recharge.

The staff stood there reminiscing, the campers gazed with awe, and the head staff laughed with glee. A morning trip of underwater berry picking quickly paled in comparison to the grand spectacle awaiting us that afternoon.

As the buses approached our destination, the staff stood with disbelief. Although the campers might have expressed some confusion, they soon realized that what they were seeing wasn't an illusion. "That's the A-frame!" exclaimed a counselor. "See that over there? That's where my







1. Mendel Tiechtel is seen affixing a new Mezuzah to the Front Office.
2. A camper and staff member are seen digging the "canal" in front of the A-Frame, leading to the lake.
3. Counselor Mendel Vorst and Learning Teacher Refoel Prus are seen reminiscing at the A-Frame.



Waiter Zalman Hecht discovers a long-lost Talmid Hashavua certificate from the summer of 5779 and is seen here posing with our current Learning Director, Mendel Wolf.

learning class was!"

Bringing down the inspiration to action, the visit began with a grand Chanukas Habayis of the Cockpit as a Mezuzah was placed on the front door. A historic lineup took place with the roof of the A-frame smothered by staff who patiently waited for this moment since they were small children. A water chanal like never before was created, led by dam professionals that have been practicing since their days of infancy.

The campers enjoyed themselves utilizing the new lake toys, playing tetherball, and gazing at the RC tree. As the sun set over the lake, a memorable Mincha took place in The Shul, followed by a delicious shawarma dinner prepared by Chef Eli. In the midst of the meal, the staff and campers broke out in spontaneous singing of everyone's favorite camp song, reaching its heights as the words "the A-frame stands against the skies" echoed through the room.

THE TAKEAWAY

A striking picture was taken, grasping the moment for all to remember and treasure. As we all departed back to Tustin, thoughts raced through each camper's mind:

Although Lubavitch City might have seen the glory, there is nothing like Tustin, which truly tells the story.











































Amazing







WOKE UP























Let's Go to the
Farm










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