

# THE CHEVRA SHMOOZE

COLOR WAR!! Last week we ended the week with the amazing scratch off breakout, and we started this week with the teams Torah blue and Tefilla green all ready to rock and roll!! Now let's meet the staff for each team!! It was Green Team with Yossi Neuman, Avi Pollack and Azzi Wolf against Kobi Goldfarb, Ari Bernstein and Moshe Bernstein for the blue team. We started with a little rain delay so we had to have the younger division in the dining room playing who wants to be a Chevra millionaire and the seniors in the gym for a vicious game of jail break. The points were already adding up as the green team gave more correct answers and won in the jailbreak game. The skies cleared up and it was time for sports and swimming. The sports were all out as the campers wanted to get every point they could for their teams. The skits were short and sweet and the cheer songs were loud and beautiful. The green team with green team is on fire against blue teams' blue team blue team having the time of their lives. After the first day of color war it was so close we just couldn't wait for day two. When we started Tuesday in camp, we knew it was going to be an amazing day. We had all out dodgeball and a crazy super sonic game with Yossi Neuman giving up the lead in the ninth. We had a tense football game with Avi Hass and Harry Bailin. We had a wild volley ball game with the extreme guys as it came down to the last

few volleys. As we made our way to the lunchroom it was time for blue team to put on their play. In a stunning play with twists and turns it was Kobi who gave up his party to go learn Torah. This saved his life as everyone, yes everyone, not even one person, survived a terrorist attack in the party he was going to attend. They taught us how important Torah learning is and how torah saves lives. The green team of tefilla, put on a play based on a true story with Rabbi Lau from Jerusalem. After the decree of no more davening with minyanim the great rabbi Wiess/Lau still made his davening in secret so he can daven mariv and especially barachu. He was found by the wicked evil who else Dr Doomstien himself Donny Ginzbee. In the end the guns all jammed and the good guy won and the bad guy lost and we got so many special things because of tefilla. The Hebrew songs were rocking and then the alma maters were sung. The blue team was amazing and the green team was just as spectacular. The banners were both a work of stunning art as Yakov Hands presented a masterpiece for blue and Shulamis Kut made a legendary canvas for green. After all the points were added up it was the team of GRREEN that took the crown and gets the color war trophy. Everyone worked so hard including Moshe and Erez who were a huge part, along with Chaim shoe and the grosses and Nisanel Roizman who is still

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winless in color war. Wednesday we were all stretched out from color war so we decided to do stretch day and challenge the camp to the great rubber band race. Truth be told I never got a chance to buy 20 cakes and therefore couldn't do cake bake, sorry peak. Every bunk worked all day to really stretch their limits and put together the longest and best made rubber band chain. After they spent the day putting together their bands it was out to the field to see how long they can go. Moshe Greenstein and bunk Dovid got off to a very fast pace but you can tell Greenstein is a rookie at this. After about 1000 feet the band came flying back as it ripped in ten places. There is a trick to this sport as pre 1 a took their time and went really slow. They stretched their bands out so carefully as they made their way around the volley ball court and started on their 2000<sup>th</sup> yard. At 4:10 the deadline, it was the pre 1a who had 7,456 feet of rubber bands to take the crown. It was bunk Chezky Fine who took second. Snap. Thursday continued with the theme of the year "summer of rain". The trip we had planned got totally washed away, so being the best camp in the world we quickly planed even a better trip. Off to Connecticut we went to the biggest and greatest sports center ever!! We played mini golf, arcades, driving range, bowling, and much more. That was one part. Then we went to the ice skating, laser tag and more fun. The trip was

such a blast. We all got delicious deli sandwiches and cookies as we loaded our amazing coach busses. In the junior's division they went to bounce u. they had a blast jumping and running on all the inflatables. Yitzy Sherman won the tag game when Shimmy Parnes gave up. They were really having fun on the huge slides and the trampolines. Everyone in camp had such an amazing day!! Friday its back to leagues and fun as we make our last push to the playoffs!!

## THINGS TO LOOK FORWARD TO NEXT WEEK

**Monday – CARNIVAL**

**Tuesday – CAKE BAKE**

**Wednesday – SUPER SHOW**

**Thursday – LET'S MAKE A**

**DEAL-AWARDS -BANQUET**

**Friday – WE WILL MISS YOU**

**HAVE A  
GREAT SHABBOS**







Help **FROGGER** Cross The Street Safely

3 Chances to PLAY & WIN

WELCOME TO CAMP CHEVRA

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THANK YOU FOR BEING CHEVRA!

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"truly listening to someone else is hard for most people because it means you may hear something that makes you question something you do"- dr david kohn, lcsw psyd, in the name of rabbi sacks (i told something similar to shimon margolis at sheiners on sunday)/ "that's why i give rabbi pikes and rabbi sherman so much credit. and yitz is a legend"- yechiel lefkowitz/ "really, thank you for encouraging me to always up my game"- rabbi shermin/ elisha likes to read your article"- dr david kohn, lcsw psyd/ "beep beep i'm a sheep"- rabbi genack, shabbos (yes he really said that)/ "good shabbos"- shimmy parnes, shua parnes, moishy kap, dovi kap, aryeh rosenfeld, elisha kohn, etc./ my navi moment also included rabisherm in the kichel game giving the winning answer to, "redding a shidduch"... notice there's no red team by colorwar.../ "so what do i win?"/ "lots of kids holding color war scratchoffs"/ "can my quote this week be that you checked out of color war?"/- rabbi pikes/ "you cheated"- aryeh rosenfeld/ "wait so i don't get a hoverboard?"/- kid by colorwar breakout, 2018/ "wanto buy a hoverboard, oh it's broken"- baruch grossberger, 2018, moishy bernstein, 2022/ "you spelled my name wrong"- zavey shoogosser/ "i don't read your articles cuz the'yre too long"- mord deutsh/ write normally -Manny

"what? No Article this Week?! You don't know how sad that makes me"- rebasher

# Somehow Ironically Recreating Originality

By Sheepish Dubbs

## PARENTHETICALS:

in the shuffle of the whole summer spent calling out everyone else (in a nice way of course) i never took the time to call out myself, (at least not in my articles, and anything i say that isn't quoted in my article is K'ilu it was never said) but as the summer draws towards the end (there's really another week, but again, if there's no article then it's as if camp already ended.) it really was in my best interest to refrain from pointing out my underlying intention of subliminal hints i dropped in my articles, the main patrons of which were in fact the very people i intended to send my messages to. (i actually referenced this lightly in last week's article, and signed off as "sneaky dubbs", but just as every dream has some nonsense to deter you from finding the true message, presumably everyone just thought these were part of the usual nonsense that i include in my articles) this also explains why bentzi weiss was my most-quoted non camp member (at least for now) this summer, earning an (almost identical) shoutout every week besides 1 and 2 (which were before he said his quote)

i think the context in which the line came up was about how jak wore the old chevra shirt playing rabbi peikes and since that time (over a week later) i hadn't seen him wear it. i noted that being called out for that may have caused him to acknowledge he was noticed for it and thus cut back. at this, bentzi noted that, "art has the greatest power to effect change." at this time i had been (for lack at the time of better content) making humorous note of the fact that the camp didn't do special activity on fridays. after saying this for two or three weeks, suddenly there began to be special activities on friday! it was then that i discovered that i had access to a very powerful tool. first it was rabbi sherman getting newer music (and starting to enjoy it) (interesting to note that sheiners did as well) when i pointed out that we need more things to make this year unique, the heads reciprocated and invented sunglasses breakout. then when i said that i don't get enough shoutouts- did you see rabbi shermin's article? my name was like every other line! lastly was my plea to be able to attend special activities each day (which was so explicit it could hardly be called art) and in a short time i saw that starting to work too. [and since i dropped the message that people go to sheiners, i saw there: shlomo stern, yehuda meir shwartz, yossi eisenstat, akiva kahana, yoni miller, aron becker, yonah coren, shaya baker, and other people!] (in a sense this was the explanation of the green team banner. we have the power to effect change in the world. we just need the art, the tefillah.) ok now onto the real article...

color war started on friday but it really started on thursday (which is good for you because i didn't write about thursday last week (or almost any week) (or wenzday) so here goz. lots of days color war could be were on the board and we were all confus. is it thusday? or tishabav? so there was a staff volleyball game and nobody watched it (duh) but i guess somebody did cuz they reported to everyone else that the headstaff won (see you didn't know i was good at volliboll) so they said you get scrachoff. yay. well you know the rest. ("what's shermin time?"/- everyone. "it's when we all become servants to rabbi shermin"- gershon korn) as ari krazelstein say, and wata weke it was. (wow i like google dox, it doesn't even automatically capitalize first word in a sentence) (watch out, it may start to do it cus i called it out)

ok colorwur: sunday nite we stayed up late and the next day i was tired. staff intros and i was about to play crazier music than dj hudacris at the camp simcha party by brachfeld but instead rabbi shermu put on there once was a man named yiddle. the staff were pouring in from all sides some in more white shirts than others. (sruli rosen) rabbi pikles says go so i go and last second i came out in a big green(ish) who nose what. everyone thought i was on blue cuz i came in blue pants awk, my regular panst ripped when i was sliding down the railing at shiners) we had intens sport blablalba trankfild won by davy shiller and naftali klein, then finally teemtime, now you can tell i didn't write the song cuz its to the tune of every yids a fire (2019) (that must be why we had code red [warm] soda, and cuz we're indenial there's no red team) and rabbi shurm specifically called me out for playing that song (turns out it was the remix which came out in 2021 awk well i took it off the playlist anyway) (since then he has upped his game instead of just saying my music is old too. well he does still say it sometimes...) later rabbi pikes called me into the office saying i'm checked out of color war cuz im not by teamtime (what, i'm never where i'm supposed to be!) skiz werlater the blue skit was short and the judges were tempted to count the setup as the skit (they would have gotten more points) i would talk about the blue skit but i didn't see it so it didn't happen. not that the green skit did- and that i was by. after day 1 we were all wipedout.

that nite we had play practice, and if you thought that was funny get ready for the real play. i was the rabbi (as usual) and when donny g tried to beat me (as usual) he lost (as usual) HUUUUUUGe shoutout to moshe shiller who wrote everything. you can tell i didn't write the play because i would have put in lets daven (it was thematically appropriate but rabbi pikes said if he ever hears those words again that team will automatically lose) (now you see how long these jokes last- since the last time the theme was tefilla!) we gave shoutouts to all the headstaff, and zisha, and rabbi sherm be like, do you have any normal chazanus? blue play was fun too as people danced to beep beep ima sheep and then the sheep got shechted in live demonstration at sheiners (there i go again with subliminal mind manipulation) only koby missed it cuz he was doing ten hour retzufos. alma mater next and i take full credit for the idea to use chanukah songs in color war, followed by banner presentation, and anyone with a magnifying glass got to see its splendor. i was intears and needed a tissue but there was none so i used a cotton ball. well you could tell i didn't make the banner cuz it was on a small canvas, not t tabletop or 8x8 foot umbrella (till i heard kut is doing it, i was about to make it on a bathroom wall i found being thrown out) (you can also tell i didn't make the banner cuz i went on the swiker hike). well color war is over now, and for the first time in a long time i didn't beat ginsbirg. this camp has a funny sense of humor. they were about to announce. yossi numin was very into it. (to staff colorwar is a competency test. i never lost color war as a staff member (and when i did it was rigged) to tellyou the truth, it's Friday (after camp!) and i don't reme mber what we did on Wednesday soooo.. HAVE A GREAT SHABOS!!!!

# Chaim Pesach Weiss

Indisputable Head Staff Member

## ...לא תבשל גדי בחלב אמו (יד:כא)

The איסור of mixing milk and meat is repeated three times in the תורה. חז"ל tell us that this is in order to prohibit three things: cooking, eating, and deriving pleasure from this mixture. The מכילתא comments that these **three** occurrences correspond to the **three** covenants which בני ישראל made with Hashem, in acceptance of His מצות and תורה. The three times were: ערבות מואב, סיני and הר גריזים! This perplexing comment needs much understanding. What is the connection between accepting to follow the תורה and the איסור of milk and meat? The two seemingly have nothing to do with each other?!

To explain this we must understand בשר וחלב, milk and meat, more deeply! It is important to stress that this איסור is a חוק, a law whose reasoning and logic cannot be grasped by human comprehension. We adhere to it solely because ה' commanded us to do so. However, many מפרשים offer *partial* lessons which we can be learned from this חוק. They are thoughts hinting to ethics, not full explanations, because it is unexplainable.

The following thought is based on an understanding of how the רלב"ג explains a lesson which can be derived from this law. It is both fascinating and relevant.

Imagine that you visit your mother and she has prepared for you your favorite chocolate cream cake! As you sit and savor a piece, she asks if you could please be so kind as to take out the garbage when you get a chance.... Now imagine the following two outcomes and note which one is more disturbing.

Scenario A: You adamantly refuse to perform the requested chore and do not take out the trash!

Scenario B: You refuse to take out the garbage and instead you take the remainder of her delicious cake and smash it into her face, cream first!

Obviously, the first option is inappropriate, but the second response is unbelievably terrible and horrifying. You used **her cake**, which she lovingly made for you, *against her!*

Similarly, when one takes the milk of a *mother cow*, which she provided you with to enjoy, and one uses it to cook her little baby with, one is performing this same horrible act! Now, the תורה allows us to eat both milk or meat, separately, so what is the depth here?

Here is the punch line: The רבונו של עולם provides us with a body and put us on this earth to earn perfection and greatness. He gives us the ability to act and move. Every time that we perform a sin, we are taking *the exact gift of our body and life*, which ה' gave us so lovingly, **and using it precisely against Him!** We are figuratively smashing a pie into His face! This is the ultimate insurgence!

This, says the רלב"ג, is a small lesson that is partially hinted at by the prohibition of cooking milk and meat together. Firstly, when we sin, we certainly do not intend to spite ה', rather we are overcome with desire and surely ה' understands this. One should not linger in guilt for his sins, rather, he should use this משל to inspire him to be more careful. Secondly, we now have an answer to our original quandary as to how milk and meat relates to the three covenants of the תורה? The lesson is one of gratitude. If the person in our above scenario would have contemplated how much his mother does for him, his heart would have been filled with love and gratitude. He would have ran to assist her in any way possible. So too, when one realizes how much ה' does for him, cares for him and provides him with, he will become inspired to follow ה' lovingly and faithfully. He will have gratitude and appreciation and this will cause him to commit himself to acting according to the will of ה'. He will, in short, excitedly accept to follow the תורה and מצות! This, is the connection between the ban on milk and meat and the three covenants we made with ה', they signify gratitude and service! Have a great שבת.

Sincerely  
Noam Peikes

Dear Chevra Parents,

Our counselors and staff have done a tremendous job, going beyond the call of duty to make sure that your son(s) have the best experience possible. They have truly made a difference in the lives of the campers. We feel it is a nice gesture to tip the counselors. Please take this letter as a suggestion, not a requirement. We recommend tipping your child's staff members directly. In addition to these staff members, the Rebbeim have worked immeasurably hard to ensure that your sons continue to learn Torah throughout the summer- we recommend tipping them as well.

**Suggested Full Summer Tips:**

Rebbiem: \$50 (\$25/half)- Counselors: \$50 (\$25/half) - Co-Counselors: \$40 (\$20/half) - Junior Counselors \$30 (\$15/half)

**Swikers: \$40 (\$20/half) Cash or make a check out to Camp Chevra and we will divide it amongst the Swikers counselors**

**The staff in BOLD came for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half. The rest stayed for full summer**

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Counselor: **Yisroel Weissfish**

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**Swikers Counselor:** Chaim Pesach Weiss

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Going into 3<sup>rd</sup>: Rabbi Fortgang

Going into 3<sup>rd</sup>: Rabbi Zipper

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Going into 5<sup>th</sup>: **Rabbi Eisenberg**

Going into 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>: Rabbi Sherman

Going into 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup>: **Rabbi Eisenberger (3 weeks)**

