

# **WELCOME TO CAMP**

by Aaren Heller Camp Gan Shalom Director

Welcome to Camp Gan Shalom. We're a fun place for Jewish kids from all over the greater San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys to come together in play, laughter, and learning. Our unique program is designed to engage the campers in a fully interactive camp experience that will help them create lasting memories by combining the fun of traditional camp activities while immersed in Jewish themes and culture.

Camp Gan Shalom runs two distinct programs simultaneously: Kehilla, for entering Kindergarten through 5th grades, and Manheegim, for entering 6th through 9th graders. Both programs offer our community's Jewish youth an opportunity to live Judaism, not just learn about it. This is done by offering a diverse and unique program that includes Judaic influenced arts and crafts projects, sports, cooking, weekly field trips at exciting places, swim, and an unforgettable weekly Shabbat experience.

This year we are also excited to be offering a new Counselor in Training (CIT) program for incoming 9th and 10th graders. This new program allows young high schoolers to develop the skills necessary to be a future camp counselor. Learn all about this exciting opportunity on page 14.

All recent studies show that the single most powerful and formative experience in building Jewish identity is Jewish summer camp. We pride ourselves on having a staff that is committed to making sure that each child has the opportunity to create, learn, and have fun each and every minute of their camp day. At Camp Gan Shalom, you are sending your camper to a place where they develop new skills and explore new spaces. Most importantly, it is a place where they will create new memories and relationships that go beyond the summer and last a lifetime.

We look forward to having your child spend part of their summer with us!







# **KEHILLA**

Kindergarten through 5th grade

In Hebrew, Kehilla means community. This Camp Gan Shalom program for entering Kindergarten through 5th graders focuses on this important aspect. Through its activities, campers spend the summer having fun with other Jewish kids and helping them create their own community.

Camp is divided into one-week sessions. Campers are grouped by grade so they can participate in age-appropriate activities with other campers their age: Bonim for K-1, Chotrim for 2-3, and Bogrim for 4-5th graders.

Each camp day is filled with games, crafts, swimming or water play, and much, much more.



### HEETMACHOOT AND CHUGGIM

In addition to field trips, campers have the opportunity to shape and create their own camp experience by choosing a variety of heetmachoot (specialties) in the morning and rotating chuggim (activities) in the afternoon each week.

This summer's choices will include: Gaga, Silly Science, Sports, Cooking, Painting, Weaving, and many more!



### FRIDAYS AND SHABBAT

Each week culminates with a special Friday all day, all camp activity. Often these are the experiences that stick with campers well beyond the end of summer. On these days, camp is transformed into a new place. Our themes this year include Toy Story, Inside Out, Wild West, Maccabia, and Indiana Jones. Through themed programming and decor, Fridays are a magical part of the Camp Gan Shalom experience.



Shabbat is a very special part of our camp week. Every Friday campers make and braid their own challah. Additionally, campers and their families share a special Shabbat experience with music, stories, and camper performances to conclude each week of camp.

# THE WHEELS ON THE BUS





## FIELD TRIPS

One of the many highlights campers have during the summer are the field trips. Every Wednesday, the entire camp goes by bus (with seatbelts) on a field trip to some of greater Los Angeles' most exciting places. This year's trips will include Amy's Farm, the California Science Center, and Splash Kingdom Water Park. Bogrim campers, our 4th-5th graders, get to go on an additional field trip every other week.







### **SWIMMING**

Summer in Southern
California can get really hot,
so we love playing in water at
camp. We do water play
activities every Monday and
Friday. We also go swimming
at local pools every Tuesday
and Thursday. Playing in the
water is a favorite part of the
day for many of our campers!

# **BOGRIM ACTIVITIES**

If your camper is entering 4th or 5th grade, they are in Bogrim. As the "big kids" of our Kehilla program, the Bogrim campers have a few special activities just for them. Every other week we have a Bogrim field trip to a fun local activity. In the past, these have included mini golf, laser tag, trampoline gyms, and bowling. Additionally, we have 2 Bogrim sleepovers: one on Thursday, July 5th and the other on Thursday, July 26th. Our Bogrim campers love spending the evening playing games with our counselors, chowing down on ice cream sundaes, and watching a fun movie from the comfort of their sleeping bag!







# **SUMMER OVERVIEW**

June 18th - July 13th Weeks 1-4 Pasadena Jewish Temple and Center 1434 N. Altadena Drive, Pasadena

July 16th - August 3rd Weeks 5-7 Temple Beth Israel of Pomona 3033 N. Towne Avenue, Pomona





# KEHILLA PRICING

\$290 for each week of camp\* \*\$270 for July 2-6 (no camp 7/4)

Save by signing up for more camp!

2-3 weeks: \$15 off each week 4-5 weeks: \$30 off each week 6-7 weeks: \$45 off each week



"What my child enjoyed most was the sense of community, the energy, and the fun activities!" - A CGS Parent



### **PASADENA**

**WEEK 1: JUNE 18-22** 

Crazy Hair Day California Science Center Field Trip Fun with Science Friday

WEEK 2: JUNE 25-29

Pajama Day • Bogrim Field Trip Amy's Farm Field Trip Wild, Wild West Friday

WEEK 3: JULY 2-6

\*\*No Camp on 7/4\*\*
USA Fair • Bogrim Sleepover
LACMA Field Trip
Maccabia Friday

**WEEK 4: JULY 9-13** 

Inside Out Clothes Day Bolsa Chica State Beach Field Trip Inside Out Friday

### **POMONA**

WEEK 5: JULY 16-20

We Love LA Day • Bogrim Field Trip Splash Kingdom Water Park Field Trip Indiana Jones Friday

WEEK 6: JULY 23-27

Favorite Animal Day • Bogrim Sleepover
Santa Ana Zoo Field Trip
Maccabia Friday

WEEK 7: JULY 30-AUGUST 3

When I Grow Up Day • Bogrim Field Trip Bolsa Chica State Beach Field Trip Toy Story Friday

# 2018 Camp Gan Shalom Registration Form

Camp Gan Shalom - 114A W. Lime Avenue, Monrovia, CA 91016 Phone 626.445.0810 · Fax 626.445.5977 · ganshalom@jewishsgpv.org

### Registration is also available online: www.jewishsgpv.org

CAMPER APPLICATION - One application per child. Please use a ballpoint pen!

Camper's Name:		☐ Male ☐ Female				
Birth Date: / / /	Age as of 9/1/18: G	irade entering 9/18:				
Address:						
City:	Zip:					
Phone:	Camper's School:					
Camper's synagogue: _	T-shirt size:					
Parent's Name:	Home:	Email:				
	Mobile:					
Parent's Name:	Home:	Email:				
	Mobile:					
Camper lives with:						
☐ Both Parents ☐ Mother ☐ Father ☐ Other:						





### PLEASE READ THIS AGREEMENT CAREFULLY

- 1. I hereby enroll my child in Camp Gan Shalom, the Jewish Federation of the Greater San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys summer day camp program and agree to pay the established fee for my child's session(s). I have enclosed the camp's deposit charge of \$100.00 per week of camp, which is non-refundable but will be applied to the balance of camp session fees. Balance of all fees must be paid two weeks prior to the start of each camp session.
- 2. The applicant and camper agree to abide by the camp's policies and regulations. Camp Gan Shalom reserves the right to reject any application, dismiss any camper for not conforming thereto, or to cancel any program due to insufficient registration. If the camper withdraws or is sent home during the course of the summer, there shall be no refund of fees.
- 3. The camp does not assume responsibility for loss or damage to baggage or personal belongings during the period of time a camper is at camp. The applicant and camper agree to reimburse the camp for any unforeseen expenses the camp incurs on the camper's behalf (special supplies or emergency expenses, etc.).
- 4. All parents/guardians of campers must submit, prior to the start of their camp session, written verification of the camper's good health and suitability to participate in the programs selected.
- 5. The undersigned consents to the use of the camper's name, photograph, or other identification in connection with the camps' or Jewish Federation's programs, exchanges or publicity.
- By signing below, I hereby certify that all information given is true and correct and I agree to all the provisions of the agreement.

Parent/Guardian Signature:	
Date:	
Emergency Contact Name:	
Relation to camper:	
Phone:	

### PAYMENT METHODS... CHECK ONE OF THE FOLLOWING

Credit Card					
☐ Charge the ENTIRE camp fee now.					
Charge the \$100 deposit per week now; Please charge the balance to my credit card on (must be before June 11, 2018)					
Please send me a Camp Gan Shalom Campership Form and charge my \$100 refundable deposit per week now.					
☐ Split up my total balance of \$ and charge me in monthly payments ending June 11, 2018. My card will be charged during the first week of each month.					
CREDIT CARD #					
EXPIRATION DATE:/Sec. Code					
Name as it appears on card:					
Signature:					
Check - Made payable to Jewish Federation  ☐ Enclosed is a check for the ENTIRE camp fee. ☐ Enclosed is a check for the \$100 deposit per week. I will send in the remaining balance by June 11, 2018. ☐ Enclosed is a check for the \$100 refundable deposit per week; please send a Camp Gan Shalom Campership Form.					
Consider making a 100% tax-deductible gift to the Jewish Federation	Camp Fees: \$				
The Jewish Federation of the Greater San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys provides pro- grams and services that meet the needs of our local Jewish community—from Glendale	After-camp care: (\$50 per week, per camper)				
to Rancho Cucamonga and south to Whittier. And, the Jewish Federation provides the Jewish voice and leadership in addressing issues that affect the Jewish community as a whole. Your donation will help the organiza- tion strengthen and enhance Jewish life in	Voluntary gift to Federation: \$				
our community.	Grand Total: \$				

# PLEASE CIRCLE THE SESSION(S) THAT YOUR CAMPER WILL BE ATTENDING:

Save on registration by signing up for more weeks!
(PLEASE NOTE THIS ONLY APPLIES FOR THE KEHILLA PROGRAM)

2-3 weeks: \$15 off each week!

4-5 weeks: \$30 off each week!

6-7 weeks: \$45 off each week!

# Pasadena Jewish Temple & Center\* 1434 N. Altadena Drive, Pasadena Kehilla Entering K - 5th Grade Don't forget to save by registering for multiple weeks! Register before 5/15 June 18 - June 22 \$290 June 25 - June 29 \$290 \$900 \$900 \$950

Temple Beth Israel of Pomona <sup>+</sup> 3033 N. Towne Avenue, Pomona					
	Kehilla Entering K - 5th Grade	<u>Manheegim</u> Entering 6th - 9th Grade			
Weeks	Don't forget to save by registering for multiple weeks!	Register before 5/15	Register after 5/15		
July 16 - July 20	\$290	\$950	\$1,000		
July 23 - July 27	\$290				
July 30 - August 3	\$290				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Limited spaces are available for transportation from Pomona to Pasadena & from Pasadena to Pomona. Cost is \$30 per week, per camper.

# **MANHEEGIM**

Where the fun never stops!

We are excited to once again offer Manheegim (trips) this year including 6th-9th grade campers. This program is designed for older campers to have a unique and exciting experience while developing as young leaders. The program is a 3-week long session which includes daily field trips and a focus on leadership development.

While the campers are having fun going on daily trips, they will also be spending time taking part in leadership activities. They will develop their skills as young leaders through games, activites, and real leadership experiences. They will even work closely with the staff of Kehilla to help develop and implement activities for our younger campers.

Some of the trips will be planned by our amazing Manheegim staff, but other days will be completely planned by the campers, allowing them some autonomy while developing their skills in planning, budgeting, and negotiating. Our past Manheegim field trips have included: indoor rock climbing, a baseball game, tour of Homeboy Industries, horseback riding, going to the beach, escape rooms, and trips to get slurpees. The pinnacle of the Manheegim program is a 3-day camping trip during the last week of each session which is planned by the campers with the help of the staff.





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### PASADENA SESSION: JUNE 18-JULY 6

Register Before 5/15: \$900 Register After 5/15: \$950 \*\*No Camp on 7/4\*\*

### POMONA SESSION: JULY 16-AUGUST 3

Register Before 5/15: \$950 Register After 5/15: \$1000





# **COUNSELOR IN TRAINING**

Our Brand New Program

This year, we are adding a new program for incoming 9th and 10th graders: Counselors in Training (CIT). We will be accepting applications from young high schoolers who are interested in working with kids and developing work skills. In addition to spending time assisting counselors, our CIT's will participate in engaging learning experiences focused on leadership development, communication skills, child development, lesson planning, and teamwork. This is an amazing opportunity that will help prepare these CIT's for both school and future careers. There is a fee of \$250 for each of the two 3-week sessions. CIT's will also receive a certificate with volunteer hours to honor the time they spend working with our younger campers.



PASADENA SESSION: JUNE 18-JULY 6
POMONA SESSION: JULY 16-AUGUST 3

### **ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS TODAY!**

To apply, please have your teenager email Aaren at aheller@jewishsgpv.org with answers to the following questions:

- Tell me a bit about yourself. Where do you go to school? What are your aspirations? What is something you are passionate about?
- Why do you want to work as a CIT at Camp Gan Shalom? What do you hope to gain most from this program?
- What camps have you attended in the past? What is your favorite memory as a camper?

# **OUR AMAZING STAFF**

The glue that holds camp together!

Our camp staff is carefully selected based on their experiences working with children, their specialized talents, and their passion for camp. All staff go through extensive training, including CPR and First Aid Certification as well as basic child development. Each member of the staff is dedicated to providing a safe and memorable camp experience for our campers. Parents and campers agree: our counselors are what make Camp Gan Shalom truly special!









"Camp was amazing. Our boys had great fun, branched out and tried new things, and came home each week wanting to go to Shabbat services Friday night!" - A CGS Parent

# **CAMP GAN SHALOM 2018**



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Let the countdown to summertime begin!