

# Shevet Tapuz

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## A Message From Gabi

### Merakez Hashevet

**Dear Chanichim, Shachbag and Parents,**

This is the last time I write to you this year, and I am amazed at how fast the year has gone by... Only six months ago I met the Shevet and the community for the first time...

I am very proud of the progress we have made this year. We've improved not only in the constant growth of numbers of Chanichim but, more importantly, in the quality of our activities. We are now operating on a higher level of Hadracha, with great Madrichim. We are more involved with the community and of course have a wonderful and unified Shachbag group.

Make sure you read the articles about the recent elections for next year's young Merakez and the information regarding our summer camp.

See you all at the next Peula and of course – at the summer camp.

Chazaq Ve'ematz!

Gabi



Shevet Tapuz Seventh graders receiving awards for their contribution and hard work at the Israel Expo event.

## Election For Next Year's Young Merakez

By Gabi Merakez Hashevet

**An old tradition of the Israeli scouts, and a new one for our Shevet – the first ever elections for next year's young Merakez.**

You might wonder:

What is a "Young Merakez"?

Why do Shachbag get to elect him/her?

Well, a young Merakez is the Shachbag member who is the Merakez's closest work partner, who forms the contact between Shachbag members and the Merakez, and who is also the Shachbag group's leader. The Shachbag get to elect him/her because the Scouts are a youth led movement, and it's the Shachbag's right to have a say in who will lead them.

Three Shachbag members applied for the job of young Merakez and the elections were very dramatic. Each of the candidates prepared a short, well thought out speech. The rest of the Shachbag members asked the three candidates many relevant questions, such as: what made them qualified for the job and how were they planning to push the Shevet to a higher level next year.

I am happy to welcome Nirit Hinkis as the next year's Shevet Tapuz young Merakezet. I am confident that she will do a great job and drive up our Shevet on to the next level. I also want to express my huge thanks to Dror Sapir who did a terrific job as the young Merakez this year. Dror, we are reluctantly letting you go, but if it's for Israel, then it is for a good cause. Thank you again and "behatslacha" wherever you go!  
Gabi

### Shevet Tapuz Chanichim and Parents,

I am so glad that I was elected by the Shachbag to be the new young Merakezet. I think that this will be an awesome experience for me and I am looking forward to helping all of our Shevet members become much closer.

Thanks,  
Nirit Hinkis

## Israel Expo Summary

By: Sabrina Hinkis

Dear Shevet Tapuz Family

I would like to thank everyone for being such a special community. Without your spirit of giving the Israel Expo would not have been the great event that it turned out to be! Our rope course was a great success and so was the watermelon stand.



On behalf of the Shevet, I would like to thank the parents who donated watermelons and helped during the long day (Sabrina and Eyal Hinkis, Ofir and Roni Ronen, Michal Naor, Guli Porat, Edna and David Manor, Eitan and Shoshana Barazani, Hamutal and Eyal Karni, Monica Nahum, Naomi and Uri Yaron and Tirtza Yazma), Geotest, for letting us use their slide show equipment and storage space, our wonderful Shachbag and the tetnikim who worked for hours building and operating the rope course, and our seventh and eighth graders who took on an active role, accompanying children on the rope course and handing out passports, proving themselves as the Shevet's future contributing members. We would like to thank Gabi, without whom the rope course wouldn't have been possible. Gabi took care of all the operational aspects of the rope course before, during and after the event, teaching, leading and being a great role model to our children and teens!

For photos from the Israel Expo event please click on the link:  
<http://www.shevettapuz.org/IsraelExpo2006P.htm>

## Summer Camp 2006

### June 23-25

For summer camp information please click below:  
<http://www.shevettapuz.org/SummerCamp2006.htm>

Guests (non-members) are welcome to attend the camp. There is an additional \$50 non-refundable fee for non-members.

Every Chanich participating in the summer camp **must** bring a full set of Tzofim uniform (pants, shirt and aniva). Participation in the camp **will not be permitted** without these items. If your child does not have all of these items, please contact Gabi ASAP at: [gabi.berger1@gmail.com](mailto:gabi.berger1@gmail.com)

## June Calendar

- June 4:** 3-9 grade Peula  
**June 11:** 3-9 grade Peula  
**June 17:** Shachbag fun day (10-12 grades).  
Time TBA.  
**June 18:** Pool Party, 4PM-7PM.  
**June 23-25:** Summer Camp (3-12 grades).

## Pool Party

**June 18, 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm**

Royal Oak Pool  
16492 Royal Oak, Irvine

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The Pool Party is for Chanichim only! Permission slips are mandatory.

## Summer Camp Informative Meeting

On **June 18, 6:30 PM**, we will hold an informative meeting regarding the summer camp for parents at the pool (while the children are at the pool party). We will talk about the camp facilities, planned activities, and other important matters.

## Shachbag Trip To Israel This Summer

If you are interested in learning about a Shachbag members trip to Israel this summer, please join us on **June 18, 7:00-7:30** (at the pool, right after the pool party) to discuss the trip plan, cost and logistics.

## Community Events

- **Etti Ankri in Concert:**  
Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 PM, Gindi Auditorium, University of Judaism, 15600 Mulholland Dr., Los Angeles.  
<http://www.israeliconsulatela.org/israelihouse/EtiAnkri.JPG>
- The **next Shevet Tapuz Used Books Sale** is scheduled for the Open House event on September 2006. You can bring gently used books to any of the Vaad members to be stored until the day of the sale.

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