

MACHON 2009

Our trip was a real highlight for the edah. We went to Westport, Connecticut (based around the hospitality of Dana Levy's family) Our first destination was a movie theatre, where we watched *Food Inc.* I generally am not in favor of going to a movie on a trip, but the relevance of this movie to our take-home project made it a tremendous asset to our educational goals. The movie was thought provoking, and we followed up on it the next day with a peulat erev to deconstruct the movie. After the movie, we went to an aquarium and then back to Dana's house for a pool party/ barbeque. On the second day, we went to a Laser Tag/ Arcade complex. The kids enjoyed themselves greatly on the trip, and we spent less than half of our budget (around 3000 dollars—including busing).

BOGRIM 2009

Trip- Our trip was to Interskate 91 and the Eastfield Mall. At Interskate we were able to get a deal that included skate rentals and a game of laser tag for all the campers. We also used the scavenger hunt from Bogrim 2008 at the Mall. At the mall each scavenger hunt team had a counselor with them, and then they were allowed to walk around in groups of two or more at the mall. The trip was a fun day with minor incidents, but not worth the money. In the future I would recommend putting a lot of effort into planning a Yom Meyuchad instead of spending the money on a one-day trip.

Because JV Berkshires was cancelled we were also about to go to Water Country for the day. During this trip as well as at Six Flags the campers were divided up into groups based on the type of rides they wanted to go on, and then a counselor was assigned to each group. Both days were great and everyone had a fun time.