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CAMP RAMAH IN WISCONSIN

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Some Comic Relief... As We Pray for Peace

Kol hakovod to **Ariel Keren (Nivo 1998)** on his heroic mission to provide some joy and comic relief for refugees at the Ukraine border. Ariel is traveling with a group of medical clowns from [The Dream Doctors Project](#) in Israel. [Follow his journey here.](#)



At this moment of existential fear and chaos, the likes of which Europe has not known for decades, we join with proponents of peace, tolerance, and self-determination in expressing solidarity with the Ukrainian people. In the *siddur* (prayerbook) we use at camp, published by the Conservative Movement in the mid-'80s, the editors adopted a version of the "Sim shalom" (grant peace) prayer that has a more universal tone than the traditional version, though the more universal text traces its roots back to one of the first prayerbooks that was written over 1300 years ago! By adding one word "ba'olam" (in the [whole] world) to this prayer for peace we extend our hopes beyond ourselves and other Jews. We include in our prayers Jews and non-Jews whose lives and well-being are at risk.

שים שלום בעולם טוביה וברכה חן וחסד ורחמים

Grant peace to the entire world - goodness, blessing, grace, lovingkindness, and mercy.

Jacob Cytryn
Executive Director

NEW FOR 2022!

Enrollment Soars for 2022 Season!

Building on the success of the 2021 camp season, enrollment for 2022 has been STRONG! We look forward to welcoming over 500 campers to Camp Ramah in Wisconsin and over 200 campers to our Ramah Day Camp serving the entire Chicago area. We've already surpassed our 2021 enrollment numbers - and it's only March!

Join the record number of alumni from around the U.S. who are sending their children to Ramah this summer. Many sessions are nearing capacity so enroll today!



[Enroll for Camp Ramah
in Wisconsin](#)

[Enroll for
Ramah Day Camp](#)

New Website



Our [brand new website](#) launched in January, and we're so excited about fun new features like a virtual tour, day in the life videos, detailed activities pages and more. Check it out today and see how camp has changed (and stayed the same)!

New in 2022!

Our campers can't wait to try the awesome new activities at Camp Ramah in Wisconsin this summer!

Tubing



Adrenaline-fueled outings on our motor boats and water tubes! Campers will see Lake Buckatabon from a brand new perspective.

Trail Biking



A true Northwoods challenge! Campers will learn trail biking skills in a fun and beautiful setting as they explore our majestic 150 acre site and the many nearby trails.

Ninja Warrior Course



Taking obstacle courses to a whole new level! Campers will increase their agility and build teamwork skills as they traverse our challenging Ninja Warrior Course.

ALUMNI PROFILE

Rachel (Goldenberg) Modlin - Nivo 1994

Rachel Modlin was a camper and staff member in the late 1980s and 1990s. She turned her love of art into a successful custom cake business, [Modcakes!](#)

What are you doing now in your professional life?

I am the owner and founder of Modcakes Bakery where I get to combine my passion for art with my love of baking.

How did camp contribute to where you are in your life now, both personally and professionally?

Camp is the best place to try new things and activities. I was able to spend time nurturing my love of art and eventually, coming back on omanut (art) staff and working with Paul Palnik helped me make my decision to attend an art college.



[Read More](#)

CELEBRATING 75 SUMMERS!

We're so proud to be celebrating 75 years of Camp Ramah and have lots of fun things in store for our year of celebration. Early camp films, eidah plays, photos spanning all camp decades and much more will be available in the alumni portal of our new

website. We'll be collecting your camp stories and photos to add to the archive too. Watch for details in the spring edition of our newsletter, *Machanenu Ramah*. Are you receiving our print newsletters? If not, please email your updated mailing address to: alumni@ramahwisconsin.com.



Watch your email and our social media channels for more 75th anniversary updates, including the launch of our Alumni Store featuring 75-Year specialty alumni gear!

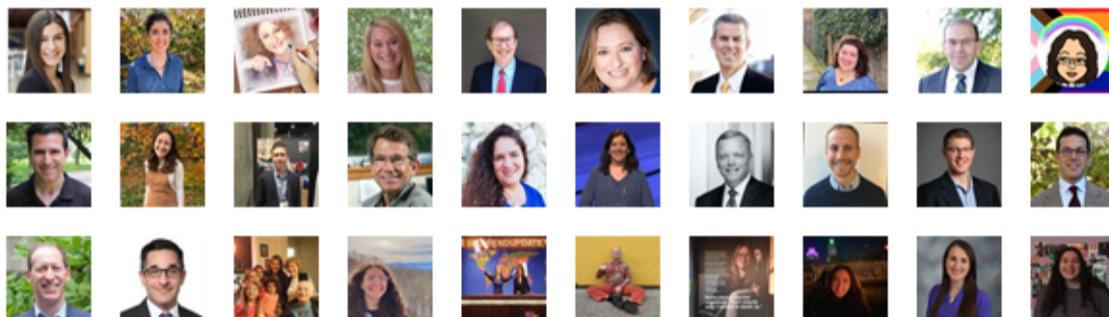
RAMAH CONNECT

Ramah Connect is the best place to (re)connect with the Ramah community! Catch up with old bunkmates, find and post job opportunities, do your next business deal, see vintage photos, and more. Check it out today!

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Director of Development

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ALUMNI UPDATES

Explore the Ramah Connect news feed to see all the latest alumni news, including births, marriages, professional achievements, and more!

Weddings:

- **Brett Kopin (Nivo 2007)** and Sofia Zway
- **Leora Goldblatt (Nivo 2008)** and Dan Falkin
- **Allie Rosen (Nivo 2010)** and Kyle Bank
- **Sara Ungerman (Nivo 2010)** and **Zach Spellman (Nivo 2009)**

Engagements:

- **Caryn Peretz (Nivo 1995)** and Jeff Ray
- **Jacob Millner (Nivo 2000)** and Annie Berger
- **Alicia Safdie (Nivo 2000)** and Doc Omni
- **Ben Gellman-Chomsky (Nivo 2002)** and Melissa Karas
- **Isaac Pure (Nivo 2005)** and Stephanie
- **Benjamin Cohen (Nivo 2008)** and Amy Lecza
- **Leora Sherman (Nivo 2008)** and Gavin Ross
- **Adam Rudolph (Nivo 2009)** and Joseph Shemario Pipco
- **Roi Mordechai (Staff 2017)** and **Ella Orzinski (Staff 2017)**

Births:

- **Katie (Hanus) (Nivo 2000)** and Matthew Doscher - Julia Elle
- **Molly Hoffman (Nivo 2001)** and **Yael Zinkow (Nivo 2006)** - Norah Mei

- **Aliza (Rudolph) (Nivo 2001)** and Ben Scheier - Sarina Anna Mira
- **Rena (Hoffman) (Nivo 2022)** and Roberto Munster - Ariel Elias
- **Hannah Sufrin (Nivo 2022)** and Aaron Soffin - Magnolia Bryn
- Zahava and **Ari Berkowicz (Nivo 2003)** - Abey
- Shaina and **Avi Herring (Nivo 2003)** - Orly Nessa
- **Jamie Cooper (Nivo 2004)** and Mark Schnitzer - Ruby
- **Orli (Korrub) (Nivo 2005)** and Brandon Koloms - River Noa
- **Naomi (Mann) (Nivo 2005)** and Dan Rose - Vivian and Rubin
- **Jackie (Wolff) (Nivo 2005)** and Michael Friedman - Remi Madeline
- Juliana and **Howie Abrams (Nivo 2007)** - Sadie Dove
- **Hannah (Kreindler) (Nivo 2007)** and Matt Opad - Harrison Louis
- Rebecca Hartz and **Ron Schrag (Nivo 2007)** - Micah Shem Tov
- **Rebecca Abrams (Nivo 2014)** and **Benjy Salzman (Nivo 2014)** - Hailee
- **Lainie (Former Registrar)** and Erick Goihman - Noah Solomon

General Updates:

- Mazal tov to **Marc Swatez (Nivo 1981)** on becoming CEO the Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis.
- Mazal tov to **Tomer Rothschild (Nivo 1988)** on [joining the Board of Directors of The Oasis School](#).
- Mazal tov to **Orlee Tatarka (Nivo 1997)** on [being named Head of Production at Wieden+Kennedy Portland](#).
- Mazal tov to **Raanan Hershberg (Nivo 2000)** on his [The Tonight Show appearance!](#)
- Mazal tov to **Ben Sales (Nivo 2002)** on becoming a [news editor at eJewishPhilanthropy](#).
- Mazal tov to **Steven Dyme (Nivo 2006)** on his success with [Flowers for Dreams](#).
- Mazal tov to **Brett Kopin (Nivo 2007)** on the [publication of this new book](#).
- Mazal tov to **Eitan Kantor (Nivo 2008)** who is taking on the role of Music Director at Hebrew Educational Alliance in Denver.
- Mazal tov to **Audrey Weiner (Nivo 2009)** on her work on this [Super Bowl commercial](#)
- Kol HaKavod to **Elli Rose (Nivo 2020)** on being named [Schnucks Athlete of the Week](#).
- Kol HaKavod to **Eliana Halivni (Nivo 2021)** on being names one of [JUF Chicago's 18 Under 18](#).
- Mazal tov to **Don Phelps (summer office staff)** who is retiring after 25+ years of teaching at Three Lakes School in Northern Wisconsin!

Condolences:

- Baruch Dayan HaEmet - We mourn the December passing of **Joe Wessinger (Tikvah early 1980s)**. May his memory be a blessing.

[See More Updates](#)

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New Baby? Mazal Tov!



[Fill out this form](#) to get your own Ramah Wisconsin onesie.

When you receive it, send pics to Ann Lesley at
arosen@ramahwisconsin.com!

ALUMNI IMPACT

We are in absolute awe of our alumni from Nivo 1994-2014, who raised over \$170,000 for scholarships in the 2021 Alumni Impact Campaign! Donors who contributed \$136 or more will receive this limited-edition Ramah 75th Anniversary hoodie.

Due to supply chain shortages the custom hoodies are still in production. Stay tuned for more info and thank you for your patience!

A huge *todah rabbah* to everyone who made the Alumni Impact Campaign such a great success!



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