



# CAMP Jaycee 2013

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### FROM THE DIRECTORS

*Director: Sandy Siperstein Rafner*

Here it is- the end of the regular sessions of Camp Jaycee 2013. What an amazing summer this has been. This last week, all of the theatre camps put on brilliant productions in the theatre. We ended the week with an all-camp BBQ & a special Shabbat which was a great way to close out the summer. We have had a great time with your children, and we hope to see each and every one of them throughout the year in our many programs, and, of course, next summer back at camp. However the camp experience doesn't have to end right away. We offer a wide array of post camps for all interests. Please take the time to check out the post camp offerings and give us a call in the camp office for more information, or to sign up. We also offer a large number of youth programs during the year so we would love to see all the campers smiling faces throughout the year. Please contact us at (858) 362-1132 to find out more about our youth programs. We want to thank everyone who helped make this year's camp special and exciting. Our staff was incredible, the committees and volunteers went above and beyond in making this a memorable experience! THANK YOU!

### CAMP JAYCEE CHAIRS

*Co-Chairs Camp Committee: Gayle Blatt & Meryl Flam*

Summer camp has been wonderful and amazing. We can't believe it has come to an end. We encourage you to sign-up for post camp so your kids can keep making memories here at Camp Jaycee. Our final camp survey should be in your email box today. We would appreciate it if you would give us your feedback. Thank you for being a part of our summer camp and part of the Camp Jaycee family. Thank you to our great staff for making camp such a special experience.

### KESHET

*Directors: Judi Sofer & Nataliya Telerman*

Gosh, it's hard to believe that 8 weeks of camp have flown by... the axiom that "time flies when your having fun" certainly applies to Camp Keshet! On Thursday our oldest full day campers went to Tecolote Canyon Park Reserve and on Friday, we had Judah the Magician perform for us! We know we will see you all next year... have a great school year!

### GESHER K

*Unit Leader: Janese Cassel*

Hello Parents! Summer has come and gone but what a ride we had! We had a great time making new friends and memories that were made in a heartbeat but will last a lifetime. From dancing to music, creating art pieces, to showing spirit on the sports field, this summer has been a blast! We hope to see everyone throughout the year for the amazing school year programs! Have good year. Shabbat Shalom.

### INCLUSION

*Director: Lori Kauffman Faison*

Thanks to all the counselors and campers who welcomed kids with special needs this summer at Camp Jaycee. We were able to include over 70 kids from preschool to CIT/LIT this summer. Also a huge thank you to volunteers Jack Hernandez, Nick Imthurn and Leah Nierman who volunteered this summer in room 2 of the preschool. Rosie and all the kids in Spanish Immersion appreciated their continued assistance. Additionally, a big thank you to the Melvin Garb Foundation for their continued funding for inclusion aid support. Without their generous donation we would not be able to include so many kids at the JCC!

### GESHER K-1 PREP

*Unit Leader: Ally Behar*

Wow! What a great summer! Our campers experienced so many new activities such as writing, reading, art, science and more. We also enjoyed the sun during our swim lessons and went on some great fieldtrips. Thank you for all of your cooperation with the staff and we hope to see you again next year!

### GESHER 1

*Unit Leader: Melissa Overland-McKey*

What an amazing summer. I cannot believe camp Gesher 1 is over. We have had such an exciting summer. We loved every moment with you campers, from Balboa Park's train ride to safari park adventures and everything in between. Oh how time has flown by, and what great memories we have made. It was a true pleasure having each and every one of you in our camp! We counselors hope to see you next summer and throughout the year. The counselors will never forget the great times of Gesher 1. Thank you and see you next year!

### GESHER 2/3

*Unit Leader: Marissa Sonkin*

This has been a wonderful summer at camp! We have had so many fun adventures, made lots of friends, and are going back to school with so many memories! We hope you had as much fun as we did and we can't wait to see you again next summer.

### GESHER SPANISH

*Unit Leader: Melissa Overland-McKay*

What a magnífico summer we have had learning the Spanish language and culture. The counselors have had such a amazing and spectacular summer with your campers! We have enjoyed every moment from our fieldtrips, to music with Cara, to playing español bingo and learning new words in Spanish. This summer has been filled with many great memories that the counselors will never forget. Thank you all and we hope to see you next summer and here at the JCC throughout the year.

## **GESHER THEATRE**

*Unit Leader: Kirsten Douglas*

What an amazing summer we have had. We have had exciting fieldtrips, great arts and crafts, music and sports all while making some wonderful friendships. The campers were incredible in their performance of Cinderella. We definitely have shining stars in Gesher Theatre. We have really enjoyed the time that we got to spend with the campers and hope to see them back again next summer!

## **GESHER SPORTS**

*Unit Leader: Bridgette Souza*

Shabbat Shalom campers!! Can you believe our summer is already coming to an end? Summer flew by, we had so many good times, lots of laughs and amazing memories were made. You guys were awesome to hangout with all summer, thank you for being such cool campers! We are already counting the days until next summers Camp Jaycee. For those of you joining us in post camp, we will see you Monday! We hope you have an amazing school year, and a great rest of your summer break!

## **KOCHAVIM THEATRE**

*Unit Leader: Bristal Stephens*

Congratulations everyone on an amazing job in both shows! We are so proud of all you! We can't believe the summer is almost over, and are sad that the session has come to an end. Our after show "cast party" day was the bomb! We had a fly ice cream social, and a wicked awesome time at our 90's dance party! Hope to see you next summer!

## **KADIMA**

*Unit Leader: Andrew Deppensmith*

What an incredible journey this summer has been with all of the sports we have played, from learning how to cut it quick in soccer, to jumping for a tough pass in football. We have worked on our swing in tennis looking for that ace serve, to driving the long ball in golf and polishing our chip shot game. We have had adventures in rock climbing, learned how to shred the nar at surf camp, we traveled the 7 seas when we went kayaking and sailing. We have grown together as a camp and learned how to love each other as a family. We have all had so much fun this summer that we wish it would never end. We hope you all had as much fun as we did his year, and we really hope to see you next year too.

## **HEVRA**

*Unit Leader: Daniel Stigall*

Dear parents and campers, it's hard to believe that camp has already come to a close. We couldn't have asked for a better end to summer 2013 than spending the week at Sea World watching shows, riding rides, and learning about the ocean. On behalf of the counselors, I want to thank everyone for a great summer; it was as fun as it was a valuable learning experience. Don't forget to sign up for post-camp, and see you next year!

## **HABIMA**

*Unit Leader: Allain Francisco*

Hello Habima families! So the time has come to say farewell! Six weeks have come and gone, and our amazing journey has reached its end. It has been such a pleasure working with all your campers and I'm sure they're all gonna be amazing stars in the future! I just want to say thank you for giving me the opportunity to teach them and guide them this summer in our production. I will deeply miss these kids, and I look forward to seeing them do BIG THINGS one day! Have a spectacular year!!

## **C.I.T./L.I.T.**

*Coordinator: Terry Schein*

I can't believe summer has come to an end. You did a wonderful job and I really enjoyed helping you all with your leaderships skills. I hope that you will be able to put your skills that you have learned to use in the future. I wish you all a wonderful school year and hope to see everyone again in the future here at Camp Jaycee. During the school year make sure to look on our JCC website as we offer fun and exciting teen programs throughout the year.

## **BIDUR**

*Unit Leader: Adri Yedidsion*

It's hard to believe that just six weeks ago, a balloon floated down into the heart of Oz and our journey began. Bidur, our Monday evening show was beyond the rainbow. THANK YOU to everyone who helped make the performance possible! The rest of the week we enjoyed intense moments of laser tag and filmmaking. Overall, this summer was wicked, it was a blast putting on the show and partaking in so many memorable activities this summer, such as swim, Judaica and art. We hope to see you back again next year because remember, there ain't no place like Camp Jaycee!

## **MACCABIAH**

*Unit Leader: Samuel Narens*

Wow! What a summer it has been. This summer sure went by way too fast. We had so much fun during our visits to the beach, movies, Knott's Berry Farm, Aquatica water park, Catalina, Mesa Rim rock climbing gym, and archery classes. It's hard to believe that the summer has come to an end. The counselors of Maccabiah are sad to see everyone go but we want to thank you all for making this experience very enjoyable. We will miss you all and hope to see all of our campers around the JCC. For those that are interested we have post camps starting next week and there is still room available so sign up. The JCC also has afterschool programs, winter and spring camps available so the fun doesn't end with the summer. Until next time, have a stellar school year and keep up with the sports.

## **TSOFIM CARAVAN**

*Unit Leader: Paz Mendelvitch*

Tsofim has been getting tubular and shreddin' at 15th street all week. From first timers to seasoned veterans, everyone is having a blast surfing in this beautiful San Diego weather. Make sure to check out all the cool post camps available and its never too early to start thinking about signing up for Tsofim summer 2014! Have a great summer everyone!

## **BROADWAY JAYCEE**

*Specialist: Jason Chase*

What a fantastic month Broadway Jaycee has had! Thank you for pushing yourself to learn your parts so quickly and expand your horizons. Lucky Stiff was amazing. Everyone who saw it loved it! Congrats! What a way to end our time together by seeing MIXTAPE at the Horton Grand Theatre. Courtney Corey (a former Elphaba in a WICKED tour) led a sensational Q&A afterwards. Again, congratulations on an incredible theatre intensive! You can be proud of yourselves.

## **MUSIC SPECIALIST**

*Cara Freedman*

There are so many great things about spending the summer at Camp Jaycee. One of my favorite things is witnessing the self-esteem and confidence when it comes to campers singing in the microphone. At Camp Jaycee, kids never shy away from getting the chance to be heard. We are lucky to spend our summer in such a wonderful facility with great sound equipment- and even more lucky to have the greatest kids on earth to sing with!



**Thank you to all of the JCC Staff who helped make the camp so incredible. Thanks to our amazing camp staff, volunteers and camp committee. We couldn't have done it without you!**



## **JUDAICA**

*The "Shlichim" Shavit, Dan, Adi & Tal*

Shabbat Shalom campers! It seems like only yesterday we started camp, and already the summer is coming to an end. We've learned all about Israel and Judaism: Shabbat, Jewish Holidays, family, the Israeli army, animals from the Middle East, and so much more...while having fun every step of the way. Thank you so much for an amazing summer that we will always treasure in our hearts. Hope to see you all again next summer. Love the Shlichim!

## **AQUATICS**

*Specialist: Christian Henry*

What a great summer we had here at the pool. We had so many campers improve in their swimming skills, and even had some campers participate in swim lessons and swim team. If any campers wish to participate in aquatics programs throughout the school year, please visit the aquatics webpage for all of the aquatics programs we offer. Have a great school year.

## **ART SPECIALIST**

*Specialists: Stacie and Shawna*

We want to thank all the campers for a great summer. We have loved watching them be so creative and artistic. We hope they all enjoyed their time in art as much as we enjoyed teaching them. We hope to see all the campers back next summer.

## **SPORTS SPECIALIST**

*Specialists: Jacob and Matt*

Hello to everyone from sports at Camp Jaycee! It has really been a great summer and we can't believe that this is the last week of camp. We enjoyed every minute of time we had with all the campers, and we really hope to see you again at post camp! If you don't plan on coming to post camp, we really cannot wait for you to come back next year for another great summer! We hope you have a healthy, safe, fun year at school, see you next year!

## **CAMP MEDICAL**

*Certified Medical Assistant: Amiee Albright*

Hello Campers and Parents, I can't believe how fast this summer has gone by! It has been an amazing summer. I have enjoyed taking care of your children this year. This being my second year as the camp medical assistant, it was great to see familiar faces, as well as making new camper friends. I look forward to next summer. I hope to see you all throughout the school year.

## **AM/PM CARE**

*Melisa Ho*

After care this summer was a blast! We had so much fun getting to know your campers. We hope you have a wonderful rest of the summer! Hope to see your child at camp next year to make more memories and great friends.

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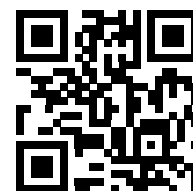
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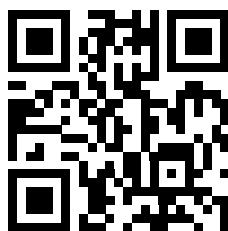
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**LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL!**  
**It's not too late to roll your kids  
into the next camp sessions!**

**POST CAMPS**  
**1 week session August 12-16  
and August 19-23**

**A BIG THANK YOU**  
**to Jonathan Baron who assisted with**  
**Camp Bidur this summer!**  
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