

**RAMAH CAMPING MOVEMENT**

As the camping arm of Conservative Judaism, Ramah enables campers and staff to live committed and vibrant Jewish lives through immersion in a summer Jewish community. At Ramah overnight and day camps, campers participate in a program of sports, outdoor education, drama, dance, music, media arts, arts and crafts, and overnight trips combined with Hebrew and Judaic literacy, Shabbat observance, kashrut, and daily prayer. To maintain our strong connection to Israel and to encourage the use of Hebrew in everyday activities, Ramah camps are enriched by the participation of Israeli staff members. National Ramah Tikvah Network of special needs programs: All Ramah camps provide a summer experience for children, teens, and young adults with disabilities. Year-round Ramah programs: family camps and retreats, adult camps and re-

treats, Shabbaton facilities. Ramah Israel: Ramah Israel Seminar—summer program for Ramah “graduates” including a pre-Seminar option in Poland; Tichon Ramah Yerushalayim (TRY)—fully-accredited high school semester; Ramah Israel Institute—custom-designed trips for families, synagogues, and schools (e.g., Poland Journey for Adults, Ramah Morocco Experience). Location: Overnight camps (grades 3–10) in Northern California, Southern California, Canada, Georgia, New York, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin; outdoor adventure specialty camp in the Colorado Rockies; Ramah Sports Academy—opening in Connecticut in 2018; day camps (preschool–7th grade) in metropolitan areas of Chicago, Jerusalem, New York, Philadelphia, and Greater Washington, D.C.

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**RAMAH SPORTS ACADEMY**

The Ramah Sports Academy (RSA) will launch its inaugural summer in June 2018 on the beautiful campus of Fairfield University in Fairfield, Connecticut. Our location at Fairfield University offers campers top-level collegiate athletic fields and facilities that include gymnasiums, an indoor pool, fitness and conditioning facilities, and more. RSA will offer three two-week sessions over the course of the summer. These intensive athletic experiences will take place within the inspiring Jewish environment that has been the hallmark of Ramah camps. Throughout the summer, Ramah Sports Academy will focus on four guiding principles, the 4 C's. Through coaching, confidence, community, and connection RSA will strive to meet the goals of campers of all athletic ability levels. Ramah Sports Academy has received generous startup funding from

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# WHERE STARS GET THEIR START



## ACTOR WILLIAM SHATNER

William Shatner, best known as Captain Kirk in *Star Trek*, was a counselor at a B'nai B'rith summer camp for disadvantaged children in Montreal, Canada. "Many of the young campers were survivors of World War II, orphans who had lost their families in the Nazi Holocaust," said narrator Peter Graves in a segment on The Biography Channel. As Hilliard Jason, a friend of Shatner's, said, "It stretched us a great deal. You had to grow up very fast taking care of kids who needed you in a parental role—in some cases rather desperately."



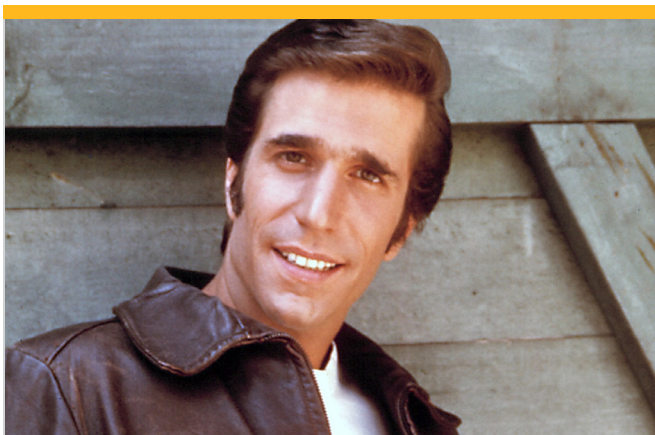
## JOURNALIST DANA BASH

"I was a complete camp person," Dana Bash once explained to the *New Jersey Jewish Standard*. Bash, CNN's chief political correspondent, is an alumna of Union For Reform Judaism Camp Harlam in Kunkletown, Pennsylvania. More recently, speaking at the 2017 Central Conference of American Rabbis Convention, Bash said, "I learned at Camp Harlam Jewish values that guide my life."



## COMEDIAN SETH ROGEN

Funnyman, actor and writer Seth Rogen attended Habonim Dror's Camp Miriam, a kibbutz-style camp not far from his hometown of Vancouver. "One of the best things about Machane Miriam is how supportive they are of performance," he has said. "I did stand-up comedy there. I'm still friends with a lot of people that I went to camp with—and it really just teaches you to socialize."



## ACTOR HENRY WINKLER

Best known as "The Fonz" in the 1970s hit *Happy Days*, Henry Winkler worked as a counselor in the 1960s at a Jewish camp in East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. "One of my favorite jobs while in college was camp counselor at Blue Mountain Camp. I was the waterski instructor," he tweeted in 2011. Winkler's daughter, Zoe also worked as a counselor at a Jewish summer camp.

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