



Mitzvah Club Report

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- New Members Participate in the Mitzvah Club
- Three Passover Seders Held Simultaneously
- Celebrating the Jewish Woman Luncheon
- 2nd Quarter Financial Report

First Quarter Off to a Great Start

Dear Friend, partner and supporter,

I'm very pleased to present to you, our second Mitzvah Club Report newsletter, summarizing the position of our Chabad, during the past quarter.

During the past quarter, we have witnessed great success thank G-d, in many different areas of our work, from the launching of a new program for mothers of preschoolers, called JMoms, to a successful end of year for both the Hebrew School and Gan Yeladim Preschool.

Please read through this report, to learn more about these and other wonderful programs and events, held in the past quarter.

We have also witnessed an increase in our Mitzvah Club program, with new participating members.

I would like to take this oppor-

tunity, to thank and appreciate everyone of you, our partners, without your generous financial support we would not be able to be where we are today!

Your investment in Chabad of Placer County, to build a strong Jewish community for our families and children, is guaranteed to produce a great return, spiritually and materially.

May Hashem bless you and your family, with tremendous nachas, prosperity and good health, in the merit of your generous tzedakah, to ensure a strong Jewish community in Placer County.

As we approach our Jewish New Year, I wish you and yours a truly happy and sweet new year!

Sincerely,

Rabbi Yossi Korik

TORAH THOUGHT

The Alter Rebbe repeated what the Mezritcher Maggid said quoting the Baal Shem Tov: "Love your fellow like yourself" is an interpretation of and commentary on "Love Hashem your G-d." He who loves his fellow-Jew loves G-d, because the Jew has within himself a "part of G-d Above." Therefore, when one loves the Jew - i.e. his inner essence - one loves G-d.

From Hayom Yom compiled by the Lubavitcher Rebbe, of righteous memory.

End of Year at Hebrew School & Gan Yeladim Preschool

The Chabad Hebrew School held a end of year ceremony on Sunday, May 19, where all of the students received special recognition and awards for their achievements throughout the school year. Many of the students have mastered complete Hebrew reading skills, and others made incredible progress. The students received special prizes and together with their

parents were treated to delicious refreshments and snacks.

On Wednesday, June 12, the Gan Yeladim preschool graduation was held, with the participation of the students, teachers, parents, and other family members.

The students presented an adorable presentation and all

were treated to a delicious kosher lunch.

A special farewell to our school teacher, Fraidy Gurkow was held. Fraidy did a fantastic job caring for and teaching the children during the entire school year. All of the students, will miss her greatly. We wish her much success in her continued endeavors.



Gan Yeladim Preschool



New Members in The Mitzvah Club

Since the launch of the Mitzvah Club in December of 2012, 33 participants have joined so far.

This participation generates \$2528 per month for Chabad of Placer County.

Thank you to all our current Mitzvah Club participants:

Miha & Regina Ahronovitz, A.D. & Rochel Berkowitz, Kyle & Tammi Bezanson, Marvin Boyd, Jerry & Sandy Bright, Judith Carter, Murray & Andrea Cleaner, Judy Cohen,

Robin Crosby, Rick & Miriam Daniels, Geeta Dardick, Jon Ellis, Len & Kris Ganz, Dale & Alyce Glazer, Rita Glenn, Thomas & Tikvah Gonzalez, Alan & Sandy Hersh, Sy & Beverly Karfiol, Bob & Carol Keller, Al & Zalia Lipson, Sue Ann Moore, Dr. Mikhail & Alla Palatnik, Scott & Celia Rothenberg, Mark & Linda Starr - Schwartz, Gennady & Inna Shapiro, Mikhail & Inna Shtilkind, Cheryl Smith, Tammy Theodore, Julie Van Horn, Al & Carol Witten.

Thank you and welcome to our newest Mitzvah Club members:

Aviv Aizeman, Dudi Cohen, Almog Dahan, Bernie Lewis & Joel Zimmerman.

All of your support is of tremendous significance to ensure a financially strong Chabad of Placer County! Thank you!

3 Passover seders held Simultaneously



On the first night of Pessach, over 120 community people, gathered at the Chabad JCC to participate in our community seder. To accommodate all of our participants, 3 seder were held simultaneously in different rooms at our center. One seder in English led by Rabbi Yossi Korik, another in Russian led by Rabbi Schenur Hecht, and the third a children's seder led by Malkie Korik.

Participants enjoyed great in-

sight, in the reading of the hagadah, gourmet kosher for Passover 3 course dinner, delicious wines, and great song.

A very special thank you to Regina Ahronovitz for coordinating and supervising the entire catering for the Seder.

The second night seder was held at the home of Rabbi Yossi & Malkie (after walking the 4.5 mile way home), which hosted another 30 people who

were not able to attend the first night seder at the Chabad JCC.

We are grateful to all of the seder sponsors and donors who made it possible to accommodate so many individuals at the seder, many of whom could not afford to pay.

“over 120 participants enjoyed a communal Passover celebration at Chabad”

New Program - JMoms

A new program has been launched with the inspiration and leadership of Nancy Stamp, called JMoms. This program offers social get togethers, educational and inspirational lessons for mother of preschoolers.

The program meets regularly on Monday mornings at the Chabad JCC. Participants enjoy a kosher hot breakfast, socializing and support with other Jewish moms, group activities

and visiting presentations.

The first session was held during the month of June, and was very successful, drawing close 15 moms in the group.

During these meetings, the children enjoy special activities and snacks, at JKids, with professional child care teachers, sponsored by Gan Yeladim Jewish Preschool.

The program is expecting to resume in the fall.

To learn more about JMoms contact Nancy Stamp at nstamp20@yahoo.com or 916-717-6486.

Celebrating the Jewish Woman Luncheon

In collaboration with Chabad of Folsom, we organized and hosted a very successful women's luncheon, on Sunday, June 30th. The event attracted over 70 women from the Placer County and Folsom communities, who enjoyed delicious kosher food, very inspirational talks, and an uplifting choir.

The event titled "Women Overcoming Challenges" featured a talk by Teri Munger, who shared her moving story of battling breast cancer, with the tremendous support of her family.

Mrs. Devorie Kreiman from Los Angeles, was the guest

speaker, who shared very inspiring words, on overcoming various challenges many face, from loss, to financial stress and worry, and depression. Her personal story of challenge and faith, was tremendously moving, and brought many to tears.

The choir featuring the beautiful voices of Judy Carmel, Katie Fry, Tali Lichtenstein Hirsch, Hayley Morgan and Gina Mulligan and led by Malkie Korik, sang two uplifting songs for all to enjoy.

Following which, the participants were entered into several drawings for fun and exciting door prizes, and a grand raffle

of a beautiful Song of Solomon", Yellow Gold & Diamond Pendant, by I. Reiss, valued at \$2,895. Congratulations to the winner of this wonderful prize, Vida Morrisson.

The event was followed by amazing feedback from many of the participants, who were truly pleased with the atmosphere, presentation, food, speakers, choir and prizes.

A very special thank you to all of the committee members for this event: Pearl Cox, Robin Crosby, Goldie Grossbaum, Zhanna Kandkhorov, Malkie Korik and Dorreen Reisman.



Devorie Kreiman
Guest speaker at the Celebrating the Jewish Woman Luncheon - June 30, 2013



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Teri Munger, sharing personal reflections at the Jewish Women's Luncheon on June 30, 2013