

# HIGHLIGHTS OF YEDEI CHESED

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## Spirit! Magazine is having a Writing Contest

Mrs. Natalie Levine, has recently joined the Yedei Chesed Family as our new ResHab Coordinator. She has given the ResHab Department a new name and a face. They are now called **R.E.A.C.H.:** Resource for Exceptional Adults and Children at Home.

Mrs. Levine is delighted to be working with Yedei Chesed's dedicated and nurturing team. She has introduced herself personally to most parents by now and hopes to visit everyone shortly. Meanwhile, she invites one and all to contact her at extension 215 with their concerns, particularly regarding their ResHab needs for the Fall.



## Pool Party

On Monday evening August 9<sup>th</sup>, Yedei Chesed's Mothers' Support Group enjoyed an exciting Pool Party. It was an evening for the mothers to just simply relax in the company of friends surrounded by breathtaking scenery in this beautiful backyard. Anyone who walked into the pool area was greeted with a beautiful display of refreshments set up to compliment the pool theme which included taco chips, dips and delicious salads. Mrs. Leah Sigal sang moving songs which she composed and Mrs. Sora Chaitovsky played the guitar. The shmoozing and of course the swimming rounded off this event. We would like to thank Mrs. D'vora Adler for making this one party that everyone will remember!



## Women's IRA Nearing Completion

The group home being renovated on Thomas Court is nearing completion. It will be the home of 8 women who have developmental disabilities. We are hoping to open this home by the end of August.



A child is born and until it's grown  
It will touch many others, time has shown  
Like the proverbial pebble in the water  
His life affects parents, siblings, teachers, son and daughter  
The ripples continue to grow and swell  
Until all that are touched have a story to tell  
Children with disabilities have unique needs  
And provide ample opportunity for special deeds  
Such is the plan from the Architect Above  
Who awaits our interaction with understanding and love  
Whether your experience is one of laughter or tears  
Or it's a story of growth and conquering fears  
As a teacher or therapist what have you learned?  
As a sibling or parent, how has your life turned?  
That special kid whom you love so,  
How has s/he affected the world you know?  
Spirit! Is waiting your story to hear  
Write it and send it – just make sure it's clear  
Our panel of judges will select the two best  
Which stand out among all the rest  
For excellence in human interest and articulation  
As well as clarity and organization  
Don't worry if you're only a writing beginner  
Your entry just might be the lucky winner  
Each submission earns entry in a raffle that's great  
So send us your story today; don't wait!

*Submit all entries to Spirit! Magazine C/O Yedei Chesed, 20 Robert Pitt Drive, Monsey NY 10952. Fax: 845-425-7583, email: [editor@spiritmag.org](mailto:editor@spiritmag.org). All submissions become property of Spirit! Magazine and are subject to editing and publication at Spirit Magazine's sole discretion.*

## Rules & Guidelines

Comments or questions about the essay contests are welcome. Please write to [editor@spiritmag.org](mailto:editor@spiritmag.org).

- 1. Submissions for the December 2004 Contest must be postmarked no later than the Entry Deadline of November 1, 2004. Spirit! Magazine reserves the right to extend or adjust the annual entry deadline or other dates for the Competition at any time without notice.**
- 2. The applicant's name, address or phone number should appear on the**

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**title page, or any other page of the submitted work.**

**The selections of the Spirit! Magazine Contest Judges are final.**

**JUDGING**

Essays will be judged on both style and content, with emphasis on clarity and organization.

**RULES**

**A cover sheet MUST include** your name, address and phone number; your e-mail address (if available). Your article can remain anonymous, however we need your contact information in the event that there are questions.

All entries become the property of the Spirit! Magazine and will not be returned.

Winners, finalists, semifinalists and all other participants will be notified via e-mail and/or by mail by July 18, 2004.

Original contributions, which should be **400** to **2400** words, become the property of Spirit! Magazine upon publication. We reserve the right to use your submission in all print and electronic media. If selected, your article may be edited for brevity and clarity. The exact source and name, including date, must be provided for any previously published material that is submitted.

Regretfully, contributions cannot be acknowledged or returned. No time frame can be provided for publication of any submissions. We'll be in touch if we use your material.



**Points of Interest:**



The bachurim living on Albert Drive went to New Square for a Shabbos Sheva Brachos. They davened with the Skvere Rebbe and enjoyed the tisch. They truly had a wonderful Shabbos!



A new fieldwork intern will be joining Yedei Chesed's counseling department. Ahuva Shandelman will be providing counseling services under Mrs. Robin Goldstein's supervision. She will be starting in September.



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