



HIGHLIGHTS OF YEDEI CHESED



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New Shabbos Respite Program

Great news! Yedei Chesed has started a new program which gives parents a full respite on Shabbos. Once a month, a group of volunteers are hosting children with special needs in their homes for Shabbos. The volunteer to child ratio is 1:1. They group the children according to their ages and needs. One month they host a boys for Shabbos and the other month girls.

On Shabbos Parshas Noach the first group of 4 boys were given a Shabbos to remember at the Green's home. A Shabbos for girls is planned for Parshas Toldos. Yedei Chesed would like to thank the volunteers; Gitty Melber, Chava Rivka Breuer, Aliza Levitan, Ita Halperin and Miriam Devorah Feiner. Without their initiative and help, this Shabbos wouldn't have come about.

If you, or anyone you know is interested in this program, please call Mrs. Devorah Adler at ext. 269.



Erev Succos Fun

On Wednesday, Erev Succos a group of children and volunteers met at Mrs. Natalie Levine's house for a morning of fun. Mrs. Chana Zinshteyn organized and supervised this event. They played games, sang songs and had a clown entertain the children with tricks and music. Delicious nosh was handed out as refreshments. The program ran from 10:30 a.m. until 12:45 p.m., giving the mothers a chance to prepare for Yom Tov. Round trip transportation was provided by the volunteers. Everyone left with a smile on their face!



Spirit! Magazine is having a Writing Contest

Just a Reminder! Spirit! Magazine's writing contest is still in effect. Please submit all entries to Spirit! Magazine C/O Yedei Chesed, 20 Robert Pitt Drive, Monsey NY 10952. Fax: 845-425-7853, email: editor@spiritmag.org. All submissions become property of Spirit! Magazine and are subject to editing and publication at Spirit Magazine's sole discretion.



Employee of the Month

Mrs. Devorah Adler was Employee of the Month for October. Her creativity, vibrant personality and ability to just get things done, truly is a tremendous asset to Yedei Chesed! Everyone wishes her continued success in all her endeavors!



WORKPOINT

Where Work Is The Point

Workpoint has introduced a new program for men. They meet once a week on Wednesday nights, focusing on learning, employment, recreational and social skills. The group will be developing and enhancing the above mentioned skills by once a month, strengthening each skill independently, and then joining them together to be used effectively and appropriately.

1. Once a month will be 'Work Club Night', where club members will be working at different stores to develop and enhance their vocational skills.

2. On another Wednesday, the group will be meeting for a 'Learning Night' at a local Yeshiva. The learning will be interesting and done in small groups or with a chavrusa.
3. 'Recreational Night' will be a time for the members of the group to get together for fun and socializing in a supervised creative way. This will include going to museums, sporting events, craft activities, local trips, as well as other exciting activities.
4. Social skills will be the focus on 'Friends Night'. Through an organized curriculum of social activities, members will learn and practice appropriate social interactions and skills leading to enhanced friendships and self-confidence.

If you, or anyone you know would be interested in joining this program, please call Mr. Eliezer Schwadron at ext. 248.



Points of Interest:



The After School Program at Magic Moments has started! The program runs Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. For more information, please leave a message for Mrs. Renee Rubinfeld at ext. 303.



Magic Moments treated the children to an outing on Tuesday, Chol Hamoed Succos. They went to a huge backyard with swings on Tammy Court. They also played fun games and rode different riding toys on the tennis court. All the children truly had a grand time!



The young men living in the group home on Albert Drive traveled to the Tosher Rebbe on Chol Hamoed Succos. They got to see the heilige Rebbe and enjoyed the "tish" tremendously.



A Chol Hamoed trip to the farm was enjoyed by the bachurim from College Road. They had a good time picking apples from the trees. They enjoyed all the different apple treats the cook prepared for them using *their* apples!



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