



CHANUKAH EDITION!

פרשת מקץ

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Menorah Lighting..

Every day this week, we had a special candle lighting of the Menorah.

Eddie J and **Francine** were some that honored us with the brachos in a booming voice. **Roger** sang a rendition of Maoz Tzur. One by one, the candles were lit and burned bright on our tall, silver Menorah. We sang Chanukah tunes in melodious harmony. The participants felt the warmth of the glowing candles throughout Day Hab. In honor of this beloved Yom Tov, we were served sizzling doughnuts, mouthwatering latkes and other delicacies, ala' Otsar style. Whichever way we "spin" it, Otsar Day Hab is packed with non-stop adventures!!



Trip to SKA High School...

When we announced the latest development, cheers erupted. The participants anticipate this trip all year and Wednesday could not have come fast enough. The sun was glistening, matching our enthusiastic mood! We loaded the buses in no time and trekked out to the SKA Girls School in Long Island for a Chanukah extravaganza. The girls greeted us with radiant faces and were just as excited as we were. We sat in a big room and started off with arts n' crafts. We made





dazzling dreidels using colored stickers and other assorted decorations. After completing the project, we played a Chanukah Bingo game and all were thrilled when someone shouted, "BINGO". Just wait and see, there's more excitement coming! After the table games, the young ladies with the head teacher led us to the dance floor. We sure danced up a storm. You could feel the energy coursing through your veins! We then ate a scrumptious lunch. The participants were overjoyed to receive a goody bag beautifully wrapped. We were sad to leave but we know that we'll be seeing our friends again real soon. We thanked our hosts with tremendous gratitude for this awesome day. A special shout out to Yafa Storch, SKA teachers and students for this unforgettable afternoon!!

Chanukah Bingo..

This week, the participants played the classic game of Bingo with a twist. Fayge prepared a delightful Chanukah-themed Bingo board. We had a special host to lead us in the game, none other than Esther! Who has a dreidel that's running away? Gold chocolate coins anyone? **Yanky** was in tough competition with **David**. The winners received a spectacular prize! **Peryl** chose a glamorous silver necklace. **Mordy** picked a Miami Boys Choir CD. We truly had a blast and all of us emerged victorious. Thank you Otsar for preparing a jaw-dropping program this Chanukah!!

Gifts Galore..

If you thought we had enough fun for the week, then you were mistaken! Monday brought along a day filled with gift giving, cheering and dancing. Mareyle entered our Day Hab with a radiant smile, heaving heard about our wonderful group at Otsar! On behalf of June from Junee, women's clothing company, Mareyle treated the participants with fabulous gifts. The excitement started to mount as Maryele went over to each participant personally and handed over the gifts.

Miriam peeked inside and was delighted to see a gorgeous makeup set.

Danny was elated to receive a bluetooth speaker. Festive music was heard over the speakers. We took the cue and started dancing, hand in hand, joined by Mareyle. We were then blown off our feet when we received yet another gift: donuts! The participants felt like a million dollars, hearts warmed by this kind woman. We thanked June and Mareyle profusely. We can't wait to jam n' glam with our superb gifts!!

Visiting Menorahs..

On Tuesday morning, we toured different areas of Brooklyn including Grand Army Plaza and Crown Heights. The participants got to see impressive menorahs. We also saw a giant dreidel in front of the Jewish Children's Museum. We had a "dreidel"-full time and felt the Chanukah spirit wherever we visited!

Otsar Day Hab would like to wish our readers a joyous and memorable Chanukah!!





Otsar Chanukah Events!

