

פרשת וירא

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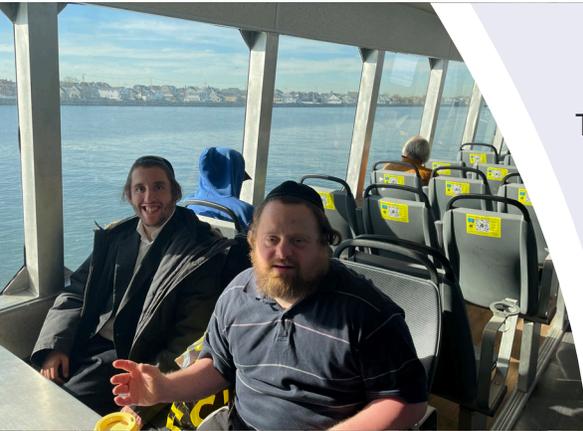
This week in review!

The Chevra started their week out by taking a trip on the Rockaway ferry.

Before we headed out in the morning, we packed up a picnic lunch which we enjoyed on the tables that were right next to the ferry. It was nice to eat while enjoying the scenic water views. Once on the boat we saw even more amazing views of the five boroughs and we even had a chance to see the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. On the ferry, we had some birds following us so we threw some leftover bread towards them and watched them dive to scoop it all up. The weather turned out to be beautiful so when we got off the boat at the South Street Seaport we walked around for a little to get in our important dose of daily exercise. The guys really enjoyed the relaxing ferry ride!

Back at the Chevra, we went on a bowling trip to Bowl 360 lanes. During one of the games the scoring became quite competitive. We had a few runner-ups with the highest scorer being **Tzvi W**, who finished with a score of 108! **Lipa** bowled 94, and **Evan** with 103 we congratulate all of our amazing bowlers. Great job!

As we discussed a while back, the Chevra has a new recreation room adjacent to the main Chevra room at home base. We now added an arcade type basketball hoop to the recreation room and it became an instant hit. When time allows,





we have shooting competitions! What's nice about it is it keeps a digital score every time we get a basket in and also makes a cheerful noise every time the ball goes in. We are really enjoying this new basketball hoop and are looking forward to adding some more items to our recreation room in the near future.

In the building next door, Otsar's other Dayhab, needed a last-minute mailing to be completed. Upon hearing that some extra hands were needed on deck to complete the project, of course our Chevra participants volunteered to jump right in and to lend a hand. Within a short period of time the job was completed. A special thank you to **Gavi, Shlomo** and **Tzvi L** for taking the lead on helping to get this project completed.

We had our weekly baking class with **Anat**. For this week we made homemade falafels. Once our gloves were on, we got right to work by getting the chickpeas ready. That's right of course we make it from scratch. Did you think otherwise? We then added in all of Anat's special ingredients before blending it all up. When everything was fully blended, we each had a chance to form our own falafel balls. Once they were all formed and ready to be baked, we placed them in the oven. Afterwards, we each made our own falafel with the salad and dressing of our choice and it came out tasting delicious. **Simcha** was saying that this falafel tastes just like the falafel's that he had when he went to Eretz Yisroel!

Special announcement:

The Chevra will IY'H be going to visit **Rabbi Reuven Feinstein Shilta**. The Chevra visited the Rav in the past (about ten years ago) and they are very excited to be going once again. Rav Feinstein said



that he would be very happy to meet with the group. When a date and time is finalized I will let everyone know. Stay tuned!

Have a great Shabbos!

Mr. Kerper

Thoughts from Parshas Vayerah:

In this week's parsha Avraham was told by Hashem to take his son Yitzchok up to Har Hamoriah for a Karbon Olah. Not hesitating, he woke up early in the morning to pack his belongings and go. We learn from this that you don't hesitate when it comes to doing a mitzvah. Avraham told Sarah that he was taking Yitzchok to Shem V'aver so she should not worry. Avraham went with Yitzchok, Eliezer and Yishmael. On the way, the Satton tried different things to try to stop Avraham but he persevered in all of them. When they got to the mountain Avraham and Yitzchok saw the Shichina that Yishmael and Eliezer did not see because they had to stay back with the donkey. Avraham perhaps prophetically said they will be back soon, so they knew that he was going to come back. Avraham was asked by Yitzchok what are we doing? He answered that they were bringing a Karban to Hashem. Then Yitzchok asked if that was the case where is the animal? Avraham said that Hashem will provide what to make a Karban with. Yitzchok would later show his greatness when he found out the Karban was himself and he did this by not saying anything. Also when he was being bound by Avraham, he told his father to bind him well so he should not make any sudden movements and become Pussel for a Karban. In the end Hashem stopped him and we



see how far he would go for him. This day was Rosh Hashanah.

This is what we read the second day of Rosh Hashanah as well.

We also blow the Shofar because of the ram Avraham wound up Shechting. We should all be Zoche to have the strength of Avraham and Yitzchok to persevere.

Shabbat Shalom!

Nachum Rosenman (guest D'var Torah)

A few jokes for you...

Q. What kind of dog doesn't bark?

A. A hush puppy!

Q. What is the biggest room in the world?

A. Room for improvement!

Q. What did the fork say to the spoon?

A. Who's that sharp guy next to you?! A knife!

Rockaway Ferry Ride!

