

פרשת כי תשא  
**February 18, 2022**

## Purim Katan Festivities..

This week, the participants did lots of special activities in honor of Purim Katan, which was on Tuesday. Out came hats, in many different shapes and styles. We turned on "beat"y Purim music and started to dance.

**Mordy** put on a red sparkly hat and big glasses! **Eshka** wore a colorful wig. **Roger** put on a silver hat, took the mike and honored us with his singing. We danced away with wide smiles on our faces and truly felt the Purim spirit. What a way to start off our day! A special thank you to our staff for always making our days so lively!!

## Painting to Perfection..

This week, we began our exciting Purim project! Each participant got a blank sheet with circles. We then glued down colorful circles into the spots. "Mishenichnas Adar Marbim B'simcha" was written in one of the circles. We will continue this project next week. Hold your breath, the fun isn't over yet! Faigy prepared a giant canvas with tape crisscrossed across it. Each participant got a turn to paint a designated section. **Richie** had a great time painting. **Shoshana** stroked the brush back and forth. **Marc** did a fantastic job. We had lots of fun using our





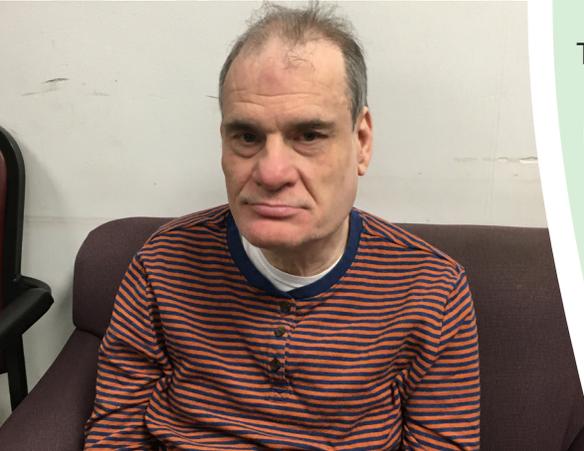
artistic talents! Faigy peeled off the tape and revealed a magnificent colorful canvas. More work will be done on it. We were truly blown away by our masterpiece and are counting down the days to our next project!

## Birthdays of the Month..

We are pleased to announce that we have started celebrating birthdays once again. On Monday, the participants clapped and sang for those born in February. Happy Birthday to **Mordy, Jay** and **Leah!** Anat made us a beautifully decorated chocolate cake. Some of the lucky participants helped decorate the cake with whipped topping and sprinkles. On it were personal toppers with the names of those celebrating. Those that celebrated their birthdays received a birthday balloon to take home. Although it was difficult, we waited patiently for snack time to eat the cake. Yum! We sure weren't disappointed. The participants showered Mordy with well wishes. We can't wait to celebrate those born in March!

## Spotlight on Mark..

This week, we were honored to feature **Mark W.** We learnt all about his likes and interests. Mark's favorite activity at Otsar is the morning exercise group and going out on errands. We also learnt that his favorite color is red. Mark's favorite food served at Otsar is tuna sandwiches and fruit salad. His beloved friends include Yaakov and Mordy. During his spare time, Mark enjoys going for walks,



reading his newspaper and watching the news. His favorite singer is Michael Jackson, as many of us know. Mark brought photo albums and shared with us pictures of when he was young. The participants clapped and cheered for Mark. We are looking forward to next weeks' feature!! Who's it gonna be, just wait and see?!

### Trip to Kings Plaza Mall..

The participants were excited to go on one of their favorite outings, the Kings Plaza mall. On Wednesday, we loaded the buses in no time and were on our way. The participants visited several stores including **Primark** and **Five Below**. **Lila** bought a beautiful accessory case. **Eddie J** bought a light-up ball. **Chayala** bought a sparkly headband with rhinestones. We walked around the spacious mall, enjoying the many different pictures on display. The participants came back with a spring in their step. Thank you Otsar for always taking us on many different exciting trips!!

### Kitchen Buzz..

Join me as we take a sneak peek inside our kitchen group! On Monday, we made nourishing quinoa, fish and salad. In the afternoon, we baked scrumptious squash muffins. Yum! The delicious aroma wafted from the kitchen throughout Day Hab. On Tuesday, we had an Otsar favorite, pita pizza. We topped it off on Thursday with cottage cheese noodle kugel and fresh salad. We're fortunate to always have nutritious and delicious lunch and snacks!!