

newsletter

פרשת שלח

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Luminous Laughter..

On Monday afternoon, light up foam sticks wobbled into our Day Hab.

Each of us received two sticks. We glanced at each other and pondered

what we would be doing with them. We rolled down the projector,

dimmed the lights and the magic began. The foam sticks lit up the

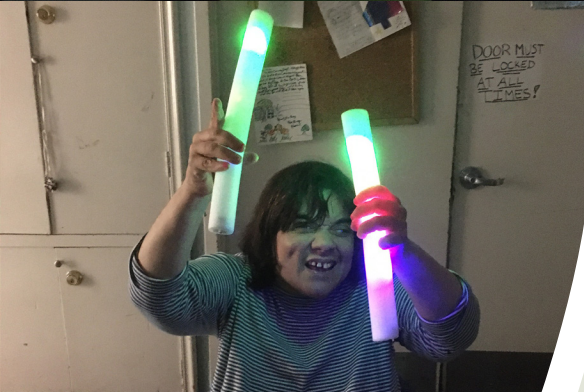
room with their flashing vibrant colors. The participants danced

along to YMCA, the Twist and other songs. Day Hab was transformed

into a dazzling party room. **Yossi** laughed as he waved his stick from

side to side. **Peryl** impressed us with her grooves. We all know that the

participants are bursting with contagious energy and positive vibes!



Trip to the Green Acres Mall..

Here at Otsar, shopping trips are rated one of the most popular outings. The

participants love to purchase items they can use at home or give as gifts to



their family. This week, our group went to the Green Acres Mall.

On Wednesday, with our purses dangling over our shoulders, we were on our way. **Eshka** bought a stylish purse. **Yanky**, feeling patriotic purchased a blue and white cap. **Maria** bought facial products.

We walked around the busy store, with our "eyes on the prize". **Mark** was delighted to find a balloon arch celebrating the Knicks victory and posed for a picture. The participants returned with a spring in their step. We can hardly wait to show off our purchases to our family and friends!

Boisterous Balloons..

As the summer is upon us, the participants are basking in the warm weather. We take trips to outdoor venues and cannot get enough of the sunshine. Even while indoors, the participants' shining faces keep us feeling warm and toasty. This week, in our art workshop, we created 3D paper-mache' hot air balloons. Each of us received blown up balloons with a base along with squares of newspaper. We created a mixture of flour and water as the paste.

The participants smeared the paste on the balloon and covered it



with newspaper. We layered the newspaper a few times to create a sturdy balloon. **Francine** appreciated this “breezy” project.



Yaakov hummed along to “up, up and away” while he worked. Next week, we will be painting these balloons. We will be enhancing them with a basket along with tassels and hanging them up in our main room. Stay tuned for some “elevating” programming coming your way!

Birthdays of the Month..

Monday brought along a day filled with camaraderie and celebration.



The participants clapped and sang for those born in June. Happy

Birthday **Eddie J!** Anat served beautifully decorated strawberry

shortcake with whipped topping on a “silver platter”. The

participants showered the celebrant with well wishes. **Roger**

honored us with a rendition of Siman Tov U’Mazel Tov. In our

main room, we have a sparkling birthday bulletin board with the

pictures of those celebrating each month. With these birthday

bashes, we are celebrating all the participants’ achievements!!

