

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AUXILIARY FOR EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE

AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT
FROM THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AUXILIARY
FOR EXCEPTIONAL PEOPLE AND
FROM RABBI MOSHE GOLDBLUM



The mentally retarded and physically handicapped residents in the institutions and group homes are entitled to a moment of joy just as we so-called normal people are. Most of the Jewish children and adults have no relatives. They are mentally retarded, mentally ill, institutionalized, deserted, lonely, and forgotten. You can see why we plan to have the Passover dinners for the Jewish residents in the institutions and group homes and we give to every resident enough Matzoh and enough Passover products for the eight days of Pesach.

As in previous years you can participate in the Passover Dinners for these handicapped and retarded children and adults. As in previous years, we will have religious services.

The schedule for the Luncheons (Sedorim) will be:
March 13 - Tree of Life
March 18 - Rodef Shalom
March 22 - Beth Shalom.

The community will discover that there are Jewish people in institutions languishing for love and Jewishness. Through the ceremonies the participants will receive a deeper feeling of identification with their faith.

We also acknowledge with gratitude the financial help from those who contributed and supported these programs:

*The United Jewish Federation
Western Pa. Branch Women's League
Rodef Shalom Brotherhood
Poale Zedek Congregation
Tree of Life Men's Club
Beth Shalom Congregation
and the many individuals
who opened their hearts to help us.*

The contributions will help to have enough matzo, meat, fish, and all Passover products for the over 150 residents for the eight days of Pesach, and to prepare eight delicious Sedorim, with fish, meat, and all the trimmings.

We also will be privileged to deliver all Pesachdike products for a whole Pesach to needy couples plus family members who were released from mental hospitals and to family members who were released from prison, and they live now a normal life in Pittsburgh.

Now more than 200 Jewish persons will have a happy Passover through our efforts.

We express our gratitude to the following for their efforts, time, and hard work: Dr. Ivan Frank, Samuel Shear, Arthur Spiegel, Marian Hershman, Sherman Hershman, Natalie Berez, Bernice Elinoff, and Milton Elinoff.

Your help made our task much easier and helped us to continue important work.

Reward for your help and encouragement -- may the Almighty bless you and all of yours with a happy Pesach, with long life, health and happiness.

If there is a needy family that we don't know about, please call us before March 22.

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If you wish to contribute please send your check to Western Pa. Auxiliary for Exceptional People, 281 Sharon Drive, Pgh., Pa. 15221.