



## NEVE HANNA CHILDREN'S HOME In the Name of Hanna Kaphan

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Two weeks ahead of Purim we start to prepare ...



... and the kids already experimented to find the right costume for this year's theme: circus



Honoring Janet Tobin

f.l.t.r.: Irwin Tobin, Prof. A. Eisen, Chancellor Jewish Theological Seminary NY, Janet Tobin and from NEVE HANNA: Chaim Appel, Itzik Bohadana, Liron Levy and Dudu Weger

Dear Friends of NEVE HANNA,

It seems like only a short while ago that we up-dated you on the latest news from NEVE HANNA, but the Purim pictures prove otherwise. From Rosh HaShana to Purim time passes by quickly given all the wonderful and exciting activities NEVE HANNA offers the 80 boys and girls residing at the children's home and the 45 children attending our daycare center. As you know we offer therapy programs, remedial teaching as well as extensive enrichment leisure time programs, Shabbat and holiday celebrations, trips and exchange programs and much more.

At this time we want to highlight a few special new programs: The **empowerment program** which is making a huge difference in the lives of our teenagers since it helps them as they are growing-up into confident, self-content and responsible adults. The **in-house bakery Yeladudes** project called "Path to Bread" which offers workshops for our children together with their families. And recently, we launched a **photo workshop** for teenagers.

All of our programs are made possible thanks to the support of the **American Friends of NEVE HANNA** and your donations! Therefore, we chose **Janet Tobin**, together with her husband **Irwin** co-president of the American Friends, as our *Yekira* for the celebrations of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the **Masorti Movement in Israel**. Janet's steadfast and tireless engagement on behalf of the wellbeing of the children of NEVE HANNA is propelled by **YOUR SUPPORT**, for which we once again want to express our deepest gratitude.

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While taking care of the emotional well-being of the children of NEVE HANNA, we are also developing our campus and its facilities. We have recently completed the first stage of **renovations** in the living quarters of NEVE HANNA. Two of our six family group flats have been finished including new kitchens and dining areas, living rooms and computer corners and of course the rooms of the children with en-suite bathrooms. Please see below just one example of a kitchen. We think the photos before and afterwards speak for themselves.



While writing these lines, we are once again preparing for Passover, but like always not without taking care as a community for the weakest of society. The members of NEVE HANNA's Youth Welfare Club, known by the Hebrew acronym **Sachi** (*Sayeret Chesed Yehudit*), have collected already money as well as in-kind donations to support families in-need in the Kiryat Gat area with basic as well as special food items for the holiday. All of NEVE HANNA – the children, the staff, the Israeli volunteers serving a year of social service before being drafted to the IDF, as well as the volunteers from abroad – will help to pack and distribute these boxes while you will receive this letter.

With these lines we want to wish you and your family members *Pessach Kasher VeSameach*.

*Dudu Weger*

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President

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The two family groups of the renovated flats celebrate with the *Tekiat Mezuzah* home warming



Our *Bar/Bat Mitzva* children 2018 on a special tour enjoying snow in the North