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#### Passover 2019

Dear Friends of Neve Hanna,

We would like to thank all who participated in our Hiddur Mitzvah Project.

As we turn our thoughts to Passover and recall and celebrate our freedom from Egyptian bondage, it is a time to rejoice in our ability to free ourselves of those elements within that enslave us. With your help, American Friends of Neve Hanna, can continue to provide our children with the wonderful projects and activities that feed every child's need for creativity, freedom and fun. Activities designed to help each child overcome past issues that enslaved them.

The enclosed Passover Newsletter, highlights some of the many new Neve Hanna achievements and high standards and values that are instilled in our children.

This year, we will celebrate the B'nai Mitzvah of 4 girls. The B'nai Mitzvah will happen in July and include being called to the Torah at the Egalitarian section of the Western Wall. A festive luncheon and a trip to Eilat to swim with the dolphins will be part of the celebration.

Our B'nai Mitzvah girls took a winter trip up north. They visited a Druze community and enjoyed seeing and playing in the snow, for the first time. Another first was dinner in a restaurant where each child ordered from the menu. They stayed overnight at our very wonderful Rosh Pina campus. It was a great fun and learning experience.

Neve Hanna is a Kehilla. Kehilla means community and that is exactly what Neve Hanna is; a warm loving home in a community that inspires growth. The children are taught Jewish values. They say their prayers before and after meals, join the Shabbat and Holiday services, and learn about Jewish heritage and tradition. Rabbi Liron Levy prepares the B'nai Mitzvah children to read from the Torah.

The theme for the coming year is TORAH; Rabbi Levy and a Scribe will be leading workshops, with our children and staff, on writing a Torah and the meaning of Torah in their lives. The Torah is a gift of love handed down from our ancestors as a means of preserving our precious tradition. The next project for American Friends of Neve Hanna will be the writing of a Sephardic Sefer Torah for the children at Neve Hanna. It is our hope that each and every one will participate in this joyous and monumental project. The Torah will be American Friends of Neve Hanna's gift of love, enabling each of us to transmit our precious heritage to our children. Watch for the special mailing on this project.

With your generous support, our children will continue to grow and develop, and be accomplished, successful young adults.

Wishing you joy, blessings and hope for peace.

Hag Sameach,

*Janet and Irwin Tobin*