Purim Edition Volume I, Issue IV
For Kids, By Kids

#### Hey Kids,

So good to see you again! It's not been too long this time but so much has been happening.

This newsletter is extra-special. Do you know why? It's because the ENTIRE 'Kids Connect' is written by.....you quessed it! Kids!!!

So if you wrote something for a past 'Kids Connect', this 'Kids Connect' or you will iy"h write for a future 'Kids Connect', enjoy the super fantabulous Purim 'Kids Connect' because it is chock full of stories, articles, poems, riddles and other fun stuff.

Once you've read and enjoyed this issue, get your thinking caps on and think about what you can write for the next edition of 'Kids Connect' which will iy'h be coming out for Shavuos.

May we have the zchus of the coming of Moshiach NOW!

## The Story of Purim

By: Chaya Mushka Freundlich Age 10, Beijing, China

Long ago in Persia there was a king named Achashverosh and he ruled over 127 countries.

In his 3rd year as the king, he made a feast for his officers, advisers and noblemen who stuffed themselves with the best food and wine. The party lasted for 6 entire months. Then he invited the citizens of his countries who also stuffed themselves with the best food and wine, the party lasted for 7 entire days.

Vashti was hosting a feast of her own. The day before the feast, she stood there just barking orders at the Jewish girls.

Achashverosh sent for Vashti and she said: "I will not come." Achashverosh had Vashti killed. Achashverosh was looking for a new queen and he found Ester. Ester's cousin was Mordechai, a descendant of King Shaul.

There was a man in Shushan called Haman and he wanted to kill every Jew. In the end, Haman was hanged, his 10 sons too. Mordechai got Haman's house, and the Jews celebrated Purim for 2 days. There are 4 Mitzvos we do on Purim: משלוח מנות לאביונים 3. מקרא מגילה 4. משתה - סטודת פורים 1.

## Featured

# Chabad House

## THE MOSKOVITZ FAMILY KHARKOV UKRAINE

Our family has been on shlichus in Kharkov (pronounced Charkov), Ukraine since 1990 - Elul 5750. Our parents came with our older brother Mendel who was only 8 months old. In the beginning they lived in a small hotel room with hardly any food and lots of mice!! When they came to Kharkov, the Jewish community had just gotten back the big Shul on Pushkinskaya St. It was used as a sports complex for almost 70 years! The Jews were very excited to have a real Rabbi and over 150 kids came to the first Sunday school.

In Kharkov it is very cold in the winter - -20 degrees Celsius - and we speak Russian (even though the official language is Ukrainian)

Now we have a school with 500 kids, a kindergarten with 50 kids, a Machon girl's high school, a Yeshiva for boys and lots of other programs.

Bracha (2 years) and Sholom Ber (5 years) - go to the kindergarten every day. They are a good example to all the little kids there - always saying brachos and davening nicely. Devorah Leah and Shoshana are 8 year old twins and together with Nechama who just turned 10 - all learn in the elementary school. Instead of Ukrainian we learn Chumash and

with our mother. Chaya Mushka (12) and Rivka (13) learn in the Machon high school. Chaya goes on Bikurei Bayis to the houses of elderly people - they are always happy to see her. Rivka makes a chitas club every day at 4:00 - and gives prizes to all the girls who come. Rivka also makes a Shabbos program for kids in Shul time - with games, pesukim, davening and nosh.

Some of the best programs we enjoy here on our shlichus are  $\dots$ 

- 1. Purim in the Circus: For two performances with over 4000 people we make a whole Purim program in the circus. We choose acrobats, bears, lions and jugglers who act to Jewish music. We read the megilla and the clowns come out for 'haman' and our school choir sings! We give out over 4000 Mishloach Manos and for a whole week before we help pack all the Mishloach Manos in our basement together with ladies who come to help. We give out Neshek kits and the boys and men put on Tefillin...it is so much fun!
- 2. Pesach Sedarim: In our big Shul we have over 1000 people for the Sedarim. Our brother Mendel (15) who learns in Yeshiva in Eretz Yisroel comes home for Pesach and he helps run the Seder and then comes late to our Seder at home for 70 people. We set the tables, put out the wine and grape juice and crack the nuts for the charoses!
- 3. Summer camp: We can't wait till camp ...first we go to a Shluchos camp in Ukraine where we get to meet other shluchos from all over Ukraine and Russia (we also visit each other for our Bas Mitzvahs and for Shabbatons). Rivka was a counselor in day camp and for overnight camp we have a good time together with all the other campers and try to convince the new campers to join our school.
  - 4. Shabbos: Every Shabbos over 50 kids come over to our house for lunch...we have big folding tables and we really like it when we have lots of guests...

We like being on shlichus in Kharkov because it's very exciting!!!!!!!!!

From left to right: Devora Leah, Shoshana, Sholom Ber, Mrs Miriam Moskovitz, Mendel, Rabbi Moishe Moskovitz, Bracha, & Nechama. Behind: Chaya & Rivka



### CHASSIDISHE DATES IN CHODESH ADAR

By Menachem Mendel Danow, Age 10 Gothenburg, Sweden

#### מי אדר שני

On פריערדיקער רבי the פריערדיקער מי אדר שני came to America. The פריערדיקער רבי flew from Riga to Stockholm, Sweden and took an all night train to Gothenburg Sweden, where I live. From there he left to America on a boat called the Drottningholm, on ביין אדר אי

It was a big simcha for Chassidim that the פריערדיקער רבי managed to escape from the second world war. When the פריערדיקער רבי came to America he said "אמעריקא איז נים אנדערש" (America is not different) and we can be frum and Chassidim even in America.

Sometimes my family and I go to see the port where the boat left from and the museum which happens to have photos of the boat that the was on and I was also by the train station where he came from Stockholm. That is the big train station in Gothenburg today.

ו am so proud to be a shliach in Gothenburg, Sweden and I like to think about how the was right here, where I live.

#### כייה אדר

נ״ה אדר cis the birthday of רביצין ח״י מושקא, the wife of the רבי, who was born in the year החסיים, in Babinovitch, which is not far from the city of Lubavitch. The Rebbe Rashab asked that the should be named after the רביצין of the רביצין. Its a very special day for all of us as it is the birthday of our mother, the

My father told me that the first מאמר באתי לגני , edited by the רבי gave out to print מוגה , edited by the רבי , in יייא ניסן תשייא , the Rebbe's birthday and the second באתי לגני תשייב . Not many people knew back then that this day was very special. Now we know why the רבי chose this date to give out the מאמר . We can see from this how the עמאוד wants us to learn more on the Rebbetzin's birthday and we should make sure to learn something extra (and give more tzedokah) on that day.



By Levi Cohen age 7 Charlotte, NC

I will go to the Beis Hamikdosh, and hear the Megilla, I will give mishloach monos to Avrohom Ovinu.

I will spin the gragger and dress up in a costume, together with my friends, the yaldei hashluchim from around the world.

I will have a meal with five courses, with all the Jewish people!
I will eat homontashen, that are growing from the trees.

We want Moshiach now!

# My Rebbe

By Malkie Feigenson Age 8 Sugar Land, TX



I feel special and lucky,
To be a Shlucha in the Rebbe's army.
The Rebbe is a great Tzadik,
A Talmid Chacham and a special Neshama,
He cares for every Jew like an Abba and Imma.
He changed the world,

With the Shluchim that he sent,

He teaches us to be strong and never to bend.

I daven to Hashem every day,

Please send us the Rebbe back right away!!

#### TO THE KINUS

By: Menucha Cohen, age 8 Charlotte, NC

Anxiously waiting, For Mommy to be saying, "We're going to the Kinus soon".

Marking the days, In so many ways, I can't even wait so long!

Finally it's here, There's no need to despair, Everything will be so much fun!

> Lots of songs, And good food, Lots of games, A great mood, And best of all. Lots of new friends!

The Ohel. The museum. And Fun Zone too. Kinus I can't wait To see you!!!

Shabbos. We bentched licht, davened, ate the seudah and bentched. That night it was my counselor Goldy's birthday. We had a fabrengen with my bunk and two other bunks we shared a bunk room with.

Shabbos morning was fun. We davened and and ate the seudah. We sang many songs about shlichus. We had a mesibah Shabbos and played games. Then we heard Havdalla and sang. We had Pizza for Melave Malka and heard an interesting and funny story from a story teller. On Sunday we packed up and ate breakfast. Then we went by bus to fun zone. It was fun there. I went on rides that I never saw and I got dizzy from them. Then we had to rush to the Production. It was stunning!

Then we went to Kol Tuv and bought nush. That was exciting for me because I can't buy that in Sweden. We went back to Beis Rivka and made 770 Pushkas. Then we had the banquet. We sang songs and heard a story and then we danced. My mother came and I said goodbye to my counselors. I couldn't believe it was over so fast. I really liked the kinus. I enjoyed every hour, every moment and minute. I really want to go back Im-Yirtze Hashem next year!!!!

#### MY TRIP TO THE KINUS TZEIREI HASHLUCHOS 5765 By: Chaya Mushka Danow, Age 9

My name is Chaya Mushka Danow and I live in Gothenburg, Sweden. I am proud to be on Shlichus and I like it here even though I can not buy a lot of Jewish stuff.

One night, while I was reading in my bed, my father came in and he smiled at me and said, "Musyale, Mummy and I decided you can go to the kinus if you want. You will have to learn something to prepare to go to the Rebbe". I happily agreed. My father booked me a ticket to New York. We decided that I would learn half of Perek Lamed Beis of Tanya by heart.

At last the big day came. We flew to New York and straight from the airport we went to the Ohel. I was proud to tell the Rebbe that I had By: Mimanage to learn baal peh what we had planned. The next morning my mother took me over to Beis Rivka. There I met my bunk. I was in bunk Gimmel, (the same bunk as my cousin). There were only 6 children in my bunk. I got a kinus shirt and scarf.

We went by bus to the Tzivos

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fun. We saw a gigantic

bowl of chicken soup

with knaidlach, a big

challa tunnel and lots of other cool

things. Then we

went to the Ohel

and I wrote a

Pan. When we

got back to

Beis Rivka we

got ready for

My Chabad House is in Sugar Land Don't get mixed up, it's not like candy land We have a Chabad House just the right size, To give the Rebbe nachas, and the biggest surprise. We have a bimah and a Torah so safe, It's time for minchah everyone leif (run)! Being on shlichus is a privilege and a challenge, I can't believe how much we've managed. No matter how much, how much we do, There's always a mitzvah waiting for you. It's like a circle or a big hoop that never ends, Together with family and dear friends. There are classes, shabbatons, and Sunday school. Holiday programs, and helping in shul. Sometimes it's hard to face, the right thing to do. Sometimes it's easy, it's all clear to you. Our Chabad House is beautiful as can be, Being on shlichus is part of me. Well now I think, I think it's time, That I end all this, that I end this rhyme.

Submitted by: Yisrolik Kievman Age 10, Liverpool, England

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#### Submitted by: Mendel Cohen, Age 10 Charlotte, NC

- 1. A)Shushan
- B) Lalaland
- C) the time-out chair
- 2. A) king
  - B) mouse
  - C) potato
- 3. A) provinces
  - B) BMW's
  - C) potato chips
- 4. A) feast
  - B) mashed potatoes
  - C) bracha
- 5. A) people
  - B) french fries
  - C) grouches
- 6. A) queen vashti
- B) potato salad
- C) ashes potifar
- 7. A) women
  - B) hotdogs
  - C) cows

- 8. A) come and show off
  - B) get in PJ's
  - C) take out the garbage
- 9. A) mirror
  - B) cabinet
  - C) cookie jar
- 10. A) tail
  - B) brain
  - C) peanut
- 11. A) Achashverosh
  - B) Antiochus
  - C) jimmy
- 12) A) outraged
  - B) dumb
  - C) hungry
- 13. A) advisors
  - B) mommy
  - C) meatball
- 14. A) advisors
  - B) mommy
  - C) meatball

- 15. A) Vashti should die
  - B) he should go for a
  - C) he should eat
  - 16. A) depression
    - B) North Carolina
    - C) chocolate bars
  - 17. A) Achrosh
    - B) slam dunk
    - C) shoeshine (south only)
  - 18. A) nosy people
    - B) Mashed potatoes
    - C) beauticians

named Achashverosh. He is king over 127 3) \_\_\_\_\_ for 180 days for all of the 5) \_\_\_\_ in his kingdom. His wife, 6) \_\_\_\_, made a feast for all of the  $\mathcal{F}$ ) \_\_\_\_\_. At the feast, he asked

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- Queen Vashtí to 8) the men. She was going to take one last look in the 9) \_\_\_\_ and she noticed that
  - she was growing a 10) \_
- and she had pimples! She then refused to come. King 11)
- \_ was 12) \_\_\_\_ at the way
- he'd been treated and he asked
- hís13) \_\_\_\_ what to do. One of hís 14) \_\_\_\_, Memuchan (AKA Ha-
- man), advised that 15)
- \_ because of her chut-
- zpa. Achashverosh is currently in the state of 16) \_\_\_\_\_. For more
  - information, call 1-800-17)
    - or visit www.18





## PURIM WORD SEARCH

Submitted by: Levi Danow, age 7, Gothenburg, Sweden

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#### Submitted by: Devorah Freundlich, age 8, Beijing, China

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MISHLOACH MANOT

Submitted by: Levi and Blumi Keselman (12&10) London, England



Who killed his wife because of his friend? And killed his friend because of his wife!

Answer: Achashverosh

Submitted by: Rochel Leah Matusof, age 11, Madison, WI

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What comes first, PURIM or PESACH?

Pesach, because it happened before Purim!

Submitted by: Pinchos Bentzion Sudak, age 6, Edgware England

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Submitted by: Menachem Sudak, age 12, Edgware England

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HELP FILL UP THE SHALOCH MANOS BASKET BY FINDING THE THINGS TO PUT IN!

Wine
Fruits
Chocolate
Candy
Gragger

Brochure Hamantashen

## By: Mendele Namdar, Age 9 Gothenburg Sweden

When Purim comes, there is always tons, of stuff called fun. I like to run. to get there first, and then I burst, with Purim joy, wow oh boy! I give Mishloach Manos, and also some Matanos, to the poor and needy, I'll do it speedy. I've been thinking for a while, with a very big smile, what my costume will be. Should I be, Mordechai, the Rambam or a clown. or even a person walking up-side-down? Of ideas I have a ton, but I could only be one, what do you think I should be? Send your suggestions to me, at mendele@chabad.se, p.s. its purim soon.... so hurry!

p.p.s. I'm serious!



#### By: Moshe Sasonkin, age 11 Akron, Ohio

Haman was a wicked man,
And he thought up an evil plan,
To kill and destroy all the Jews,
But Mordechai and Esther were the rescues,
Esther went before the King,
To plead to him to take away Haman's evil thing,
The king set out a new decree,
To set all the Jews free.
The king then ordered that Haman was to be hanged,
And because of this, the Jews rejoiced and sang!

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