

Torah Fair Preparations!

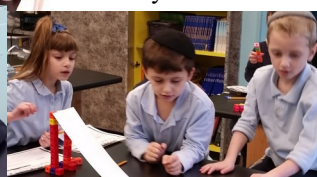


We are getting ready for our upcoming Torah Fair! This year's theme is Tefilla. Please save the date: Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2019.

Fun in our STEM Lab!



2nd graders used paper towels and celery for their absorption experiment. They dyed water to see if it would get absorbed into the towels and celery.



1st graders learning about the relationship between the angle of a ramp and how far their "sleds" would slide.

Kristallnacht Contest Recognition

This year, DHR participated in Project Witness, a program that educates students about Kristallnacht and the Holocaust. Our students submitted entries for the Reich's Pogrom Night National Schoolwide Competition. Sima Rennert and Pessa London were awarded letters of recognition and certificates for their entries. We congratulate them, and are very proud to see their deep connection to the history of Klal Yisrael.



DHR Welcomes Jennifer Wick

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce our new school counselor, Jennifer Wick. As the School Counselor, Ms. Wick will help to promote the academic and social development of students. She will be meeting with students individually and in small groups, as well as conducting some classroom lessons on positive school behaviors, social cues, bullying prevention, making and keeping friends, etc. She will collaborate with and support teachers and staff and will be available to respond to parental concerns or suggestions. We are looking forward to resuming our very successful counseling program at DHR. The goal of this program is to assist all DHR students in becoming academically and socially successful.

Thank You to...

...Hon. Mark Eisenberg for his support for our students who've earned Middos Menchen and Benching Superstar recognition. The judge will be studying in Israel for a few months and will be unable to make his weekly "mazel tov" phone calls. We will miss him!
...Mr. Eric Okrin, school psychologist from BOCES, for shoveling the snow at the entrance way for our students and staff!
...to the anonymous donor who donated \$100 in honor of Rabbi Roness. The inside of the envelope read, "In honor of my 1st grade gemara Rebbe, who taught me how to correctly pronounce עולא".

From the Principal

Mrs. Lea Goldstein



~ TIUNY Dinner in NYC ~

Sunday evening's Yeshiva dinner in NYC was a beautiful event. The Yeshiva's Guests of Honor were Rabbi & Mrs. Asa Minkowich. The Alumnus of the Year Award was presented to Moshe (and Faigy) Katz. Additionally, the Sharon Polatoff Memorial DHR Scholarship Fund was introduced at the dinner, as well as the Life & Legacy program. Harav Dovid Harris, Rosh HaYeshiva of Chofetz Chaim, שליט"א, spoke beautifully about the Torah's sensitivity and expectations of how to treat others and introduced former Rochesterians Rabbi & Mrs. Minkowich. Then, TIUNY's Rosh HaYeshiva, Harav Menachem Davidowitz, שליט"א, spoke about the importance of setting aside time for learning Torah and making it a priority, as he introduced his former TIUNY talmid Moshe Katz.

Sharon Polatoff Memorial Scholarship Fund

Sharon Polatoff, נ"ע, was a beloved wife, mother, and grandmother, and a "powerhouse of chessed." She quietly went about helping countless people in a myriad of ways, taking many young families in the Rochester Jewish community under her wing, and treating them like her own children. She was a cherished member of the Rochester community and a strong advocate and supporter of Jewish education. An educator herself, Sharon spent many years investing time and effort into her beloved students, giving them the foundations they needed to become successful in their lives.

In Sharon's memory, and as a zechus for her neshama, Drs. Aviel and Zemirah Eidelman created the Sharon Polatoff Memorial Scholarship Fund to assist local Jewish families in paying their Derech HaTorah tuition. Helping families in educating their children, and endowing them with Torah knowledge and values is something that Sharon truly believed in and supported. Although the Eidelmans moved to our community only last year, they joined the countless families that Sharon immediately made part of her "family".

In the last months of Sharon's life, she signed on to become the guidance counselor at DHR, hoping to make a real difference in the lives of our children. Please help us continue Sharon's legacy through assisting the very same children that Sharon dreamed of helping by participating in building up the Sharon Polatoff DHR Scholarship Fund! Sharon's love for all children and her life's work on their behalf will be perpetuated through this new fund. To donate, visit: www.derechhatorah.org/sharon-polatoff-memorial-scholarship.html

Benching Superstars!

Chaim Chastain	Yaakov Lagunov	Malka Shulman
Meira Dan	Mordy Mammon	Rena Sloviter
Adina Goldstein	Dovi Shulman	Aron Dov Vogel

Mazel Tov to...

...Mr. & Mrs. Jake Dan upon the birth of a baby boy! Congratulations also to DHR benefactor and grandpa, Mr. Bruce Dan, and great grandparents, Merwyn & Dolly Dan! Finally, a warm mazel tov to DHR's "Bubby Dan" upon this special occasion!
...Mrs. Shulman's 8th grade girls on completing פרק ג' in Chumash!