



IMPACT REPORT

APRIL-JUNE
2023



GREETINGS

Lag Baomer was fast approaching. We wanted to offer pony rides at the Lag Baomer BBQ, but the local horse farms were either not available or above our budget. As a last-ditch effort, we reached out to one farm a little farther south and were pleased to discover that indeed, not only were they able to come, but their rates were reasonable, despite the distance. Samantha, the horse owner, was a pleasure to work with. We were relieved that our program was set, and the flyers were sent out.

Lag Baomer arrived, and at the start of the barbecue, a horse truck pulled up as planned. Out walked Samantha, her assistant instructor, and a small, beautiful horse. Samantha looked overjoyed to be here. After familiarizing her horse with its riding route, she shared that she is Jewish. Her horse even had a Hebrew name “Shai,” (gift) because she received him as a gift many years ago.

Samantha was thrilled to be able to celebrate Lag Baomer right here on a Jewish Farm with her Jewish family.

It became clear to us why no other horse farm was available for that day. Samantha was meant to celebrate Lag Baomer at Pardess Chabad Farm.

Thank you for being a part of the impact, one person at a time.

Rabbi Zalman Sandhaus





HIGHLIGHTS

- Shmurah Matzah Distribution
- Education and Sharing Day
- Pesach Seder
- Lag Ba'omer BBQ
- Tristate CTeen trip to the farm
- End of year Hebrew School Ceremony
- Community Shavuot Celebration
- School groups farm visits



Pesach





Lag Ba'omer



WHY I GIVE TO PARDESS

BY ALAN ZIMMERMAN



Growing up in an orthodox home and going to yeshiva, I've been to many synagogues and experienced many rabbis. The experience that Rabbi Sandhaus, Rebbetzin Goldy, their children, family, and Pardess Chabad create and offer to all is personal, selfless, precious, and unique.

From their warmth, sincerity, and openness, to their tireless efforts and commitment to provide the best possible Jewish experience--in an area that was underserved and is geographically vast--they consistently go above and beyond to meet me and the Jewish community at our level, and offer opportunities to grow without judgement or pushiness. As an adult and less strictly observant Jew now, this is very important to me because I want Jewish connection without mandates or judgement. This is the critical point where Pardess Chabad meets me at my level and needs.

From being there on Shabbat with a warm welcome from the whole family no matter what time I show up (I blush when I hear the kids shout "Zimmerman's here" and run to greet me) to the inviting but not guilt-inducing texts the Rabbi sends regularly to include me in prayer and programs, to the Kosher Market that includes Goldy's homemade delicacies, I feel and know they are always there for me. This inspires me to participate and do my best to be there for them and support our Pardess Chabad Jewish community. I recently enrolled in the Chai Club, because it feels good to contribute in co-creating this phenomenal Jewish experience, and do what I can to help it continue to grow and flourish. I occasionally volunteer to help tend to the farm animals - it's a small way of giving back knowing how hard the Rabbi and Rebbetzin work to make so many great things happen for us.

The amazing farm grounds of Pardess Chabad provide a uniquely beautiful environment to pray and experience Judaism. Hashem provides and I am given an opportunity to participate and contribute in any way that fits me.



*Hebrew School
Ceremony*





Hebrew School Ceremony



FEEDBACK

With more than just appreciation, rather a soul-filled deep gratitude for your hospitality, generosity and kind support following my mothers passing.

-Charles S.

Dear Rabbi and Goldy,

It has been a pleasure attending Hebrew School. I have flourished in Hebrew language and traditions under your tutelage, I cannot thank you enough for everything you have done for me and my family. I look forward to seeing you next year.

-Siblings, A and N

"Rabbi, we just love the work you and Goldy are doing. Even though we don't come often enough, we are big fans and we are honored to be part of this community"

-Elizabeth G.

I can't thank you enough for everything you've done for me and my family, really!

-Tristine S.



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Warm regards,
Rabbi Zalman and Goldy Sandhaus

