

Chabad Thoughts/Events

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Eventually, the play-acting will no longer be acting but actual.

This "put on a happy face" attitude encompasses our religious duties but extends to our interaction with others as well. Judaism teaches "Receive all people happily" and "Receive all people with a cheerful countenance." Receiving people happily is an inward expression of one's feelings. Even if we aren't inwardly, genuinely happy to see someone, at least we should greet him with a cheerful countenance, an external expression of joy. "Even if your heart does not rejoice when someone visits you, pretend to be cheerful when he arrives," a great sage once taught.

So be happy, it's Adar. And even if you don't feel happy, fake it until you do.

May the joy we experience in these, the last days of exile, hasten the coming of the Moshiach. May we join one Redemption to another and connect the redemption of Purim to the Messianic Redemption. May it take place immediately.

With the holiday of Purim just around the

corner, we are proud to announce the following programs.

Sunday evening, Mar. 3, a special Purim class - "Behind The Mask" - the mystery of Purim and the secret of Jewish survival, 7:30 p.m. at our Chabad Center, 1254 Vista Drive. Admission is free.

Monday, Mar. 4, Grand Purim Celebration at the Sands Convention Center, meeting room 401, 6:30 p.m. Megillah reading - Special Purim music and entertainment by renowned Shlomo Sherman, costume contest, foods, fun for the entire family. Admission is free.

Tuesday morning, Mar. 5, 7:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Megillah reading at our Chabad Center.

Tuesday evening, 5:30 p.m. in conjunction with Young Israel of Las Vegas, Seudat Purim (special Purim meal) at Rafi's Place, 6135 W. Sahara (Jones & Sahara). Dinner, L'Chaim, Hamantaschen, music. Admission \$18. For reservations call Chabad at 259-0770.

Some of the customs for Purim are as follows: Monday, Mar. 4 is the fast day (The Fast of Esther). To commemorate the day of prayer and fasting which the Jews held before their victory. The Fast begins at 4:45 a.m. and

Chabad Of Northwest - Open House

Chabad of Northwest invites you to an Open House for our new Northwest facility in conjunction with a pre-Purim Celebration, Sunday, March 3, noon to 2:30 p.m.

The facility is located at 2026 Regatta Drive, in Suite 117 of the Bridgeport Shopping Center.

Bring us your smile and friendship, as we get acquainted.

For more information, call Chabad at 259-0770.

ends at 6:17 p.m.

On Monday/Purim eve, listen to the Megillah reading and when Haman's name is mentioned, we twirl graggers and stamp our feet.

On Tuesday, Mar. 5 during the daytime we: 1) Once again, listen to the reading of the Megillah; 2) Give Charity to at least two but preferably more needy individuals; 3) send gifts of food to emphasize the importance of Jewish unity and friendship. The gift should contain at least two kinds of ready-to-eat food; and 4) Eat a festive meal before sunset when family and friends gather together to rejoice in the Purim spirit.

If you would like a complete Purim guide, please call our office at 259-0770.

Just a reminder about our upcoming lecture on "When Tragedy Strikes! The Path Through Pain" by Mrs. Devorah Halberstam whose 16-year-old son was murdered by an Arab terrorist when a van filled with Rabbinical students was attacked on the Brooklyn Bridge. It will be on Monday, Feb. 26, 7:30 p.m. at our Chabad Center, 1254 Vista Drive. Admission is free.

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