Community Currents









Hachnasas sefer Torah for Refuah V'Yeshua commissioned by Rabbi Shlomo and Esther Werdiger. (Photo credit: JDN)

Hundreds of schoolchildren in the Ma'aleh Adumim region celebrated this year's A.H.A.V.A. English language read-a-thon with a community celebration. A record 20,663 NIS was raised for A.H.A.V.A.'s scholarship fund, with over 200 participants reading 2,780 books, a total of 177,932 pages.



 $Eight \, runners \, competed \, for \, Team \, Ohel \, in \, the \, re$ cent Generosity Brooklyn 5K Charity Run.

Hundreds of runners and volunteers attended the 2nd Annual Halachic Organ Donor (HOD) Society Race on Sunday, March 3, in Central Park to raise awareness about halachic support for organ donation. Benjamin Joslin, a 2012 alum of Cardozo Law School, won the 10K Race in 36 minutes and 12 seconds; Oliver Sax, a senior at Yeshiva University, came in first place for the 5K Race and won an iPad. Yonatan Najman-Licht, a student at SAR Academy, came in first place in the teen division. A free round-trip ticket to Israel was also awarded to Rabbi Dr. Henry Hasson, who raised the most sponsorship dollars for the HOD Society.





Last Monday, Shalva children hosted Israeli President Shimon Peres and businesswoman and philanthropistthe launching of Good Deeds Day, $an\ international$ project initiated by Arison to encourage volunteerism.



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