"Thought Is the World of Freedom" (R' Dov Ber of Mazeritch)

Spring MT Resort & The Jewish Voice "Save" Chanukah

This past Chanukah, my sons wanted to do something special as a family rather than get individual gifts. Our respective work and school schedules left us just an extended weekend to accommodate their wishes. The lack of snow and time eliminated most places we would have considered. But that very week, the December issue of The Jewish Voice and Opinion arrived with a large ad for the Spring Mountain Resort in Spring Glen, NY. We all decided to give it a try and none of us were disappointed.

The hotel and grounds were lovely. It was enjoyable not to worry about a minyan or kosher food. At each meal there was a varied option of main dishes that suited all of our tastes. There were interesting speakers and well known entertainment on Saturday night.

Best of all, my boys were so busy they didn't have time to whine or complain. They swam, played tennis, basketball, mini-golf, racquetball, bowling, and assorted electronic games.

The hotel manager, Irving Fruchter, was on hand at all times. He personally greeted all the guests, made sure everyone was aware of all the upcoming activities, and saw to it that guests were enjoying themselves.

We would certainly return again when the opportunity arises. Thank you Jewish Voice for delivering all those ads just when we need them!

> E. Spiegel Teaneck, NJ

Don't Just Protest, Learn

Early in December, I received a request to join a rally which asked participants to "make your voice heard. Protest against the Iranian Holocaust Denial Conference and raise a voice of moral conscience."

I wonder: Did it ever occur to any of the organizers or participants that a far more productive exercise would be to hold sessions at synagogues and schools to explain what Holocaust denial is, why it exists, who is behind it, what the agenda is, and how to counter these lies and distortions?

Protests are great, but does anyone think the Iranians will call off their next Holocaust denial conference because we protest?

> Alex Grobman Englewood, N.J.

Dr. Grobman is a Holocaust scholar who frequently lectures on the subject and is especially interested in preparing youngsters and adults to respond appropriately.

Family Court Injustice

Thank you so much for printing the series of articles throughout 2006 on Family Court injustice. Hats off to Dr. Amy Neustein and attorney Michael Lesher for their courageous, continuous, and unwavering commitment to the issue that screams out to heaven for justice.

Judges often come into cases ill prepared and impatient, and impose their job stress on litigants, promising sad decisions, adverse outcomes, and lengthy court processes unless a settlement is reached between the parties.

The judge's team leaders for dispute resolution echo the remarks of the judge, forcing litigants to settle cases contrary to the best interest of the children, because it is safer than gambling with an overloaded judge who will render a snap decision without knowledge of all the specifics of the case.

This is the best-case scenario. The worse-case scenario is when the judge has a pre-determined opinion from the beginning and it colors the judgment handed down in the final decision.

Either way, the court is losing its credibility as a proper avenue for resolution in the best interest of the children. Our society suffers and the children pay a terrible price in the end.

The court does not only need reform, it needs a complete overhaul. The process has begun because of your publication and the great people willing to fight for justice for all.

> **Nadine Taranto** President, Jewish Women for Justice Edison, NJ

Kosher Dining Group

Why dine alone? We are forming a kosher dining group for singles 55 and older. If you'd like to join us, please contact me at mildrednyc2000@yahoo.com.

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