

## **NEW AND USED DVDS, YOGA BALLS AND GIFT CARD DRIVE**

Our names are Joshua Trevor and Evan Kubel. For our Mitzvah Project we, along with my cousins, Ashley, Alex and Jesse Blatt, are conducting a new and used DVD, yoga ball and gift card drive. Jake Trevor, the cousin of Joshua, Ashley, Alex and Jesse, is a 19 year-old boy with autism. He lives in a residential home at his school, which is named the Anderson Center for Autism (“ACA”). ACA is a not-for-profit organization that has dedicated itself to providing educational, residential and social programs that foster independence for children and adults diagnosed with autism and related developmental disabilities. There are 16 residential homes, with people ranging in age from 7 to 21 years old.

People with autism love to watch movies. It is amazing to us to see how excited Jake gets when he watches movies. We are conducting a DVD drive so that we can develop a library of videos for the people living at ACA to enjoy. We would greatly appreciate it if you could donate any new or used movies that are rated G, PG, or PG13. The children and young adults enjoy all types of videos, especially those that are animated such as Elmo, Wee Sing, and Barney, as well as all Disney movies. Additionally, they enjoy sitting on yoga balls and bouncing up and down. This serves a dual purpose for them of enjoyment and assisting with their motor skills. There are never enough of them in the houses. If you would prefer to donate a gift card then we will purchase either a DVD or yoga ball on your behalf.

The drive will be taking place from December 14, 2017 to February 28, 2018. Please drop off any new or used DVDs or yoga balls that you wish to donate in the big blue box located inside the front door at the Temple. Thank you very much for your donations. If you have any questions, please contact either Debbie Blatt at [theblatt5@aol.com](mailto:theblatt5@aol.com) or Susan Trevor at [sgtrevor18@gmail.com](mailto:sgtrevor18@gmail.com).