PURIM AT CONGREGATION HOUSE OF ISRAEL

In keeping with our CHI tradition of "give us a holiday and we will have a party with food and fun",  on February 25 we had our CHI Purim party.  Millie Baron brought balloons and party decorations to brighten up Burgauer Hall.  There was face painting by Cheryl Cohen on behalf of Village Nutrition.  The Magillah reading was a group effort with the Rabbi starting us off on the story of Purim.  The rest of the readers included Ira Kleinman, Ross Sedler, Patti Fleischner who added a female voice to the story and Glenda Kirsch who added southern accent to the female voice.  Needless to say the crowd enjoyed the whole Magillah.   The grogger/graggers (both spellings appear on Amazon) accompaniment to the reading of the Magillah were enthusiastic and used correctly at the mention of Hamen's name with some boo's thrown in for good measure.  Following this joyous segment of the party we moved on to the food.  Thanks to the Reaglers who cooked our hamburgers and hot dogs over coals on the grill they brought on a trailer from home.  I think I can speak for everyone when I say that both were enjoyed by the group as they were all eaten.  Millie brought coleslaw and there was salad,  and chips to round out our meal.  The grand finale was hamentashen made that morning by the Religious School in the pizza ovens at Big J's Pizza with an assist from Millie of Ambrosia Bakery.

We would like to thank all our sponsors who helped to make this party possible:

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And finally we would like most of all to thank James and Marie Woodfork for cleaning up all the mess the party goers left behind.

If anyone who helped was left off, the writer of this article sincerely apologizes and thanks you for helping.