Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by shemirateinayim - 25 Jan 2010 07:26

I started this post, after making too many unheeded responses to Kedushah's threads. There is SO MUCH that we can all do to raise awareness, without even getting off our chairs. Simply call the Rav of a shul and town that never heard of you. Don't identify yourself, but give him a peptalk about addiction, offer to sent him the haskama to this site, a handbook, and poster. Let him adress it on shabbos, making 'the anonomous you', into his scapegoat(and post the material in the shul bulletin).

The intention of this thread is solely for the furtherment of spreading the word. Please limit all posts to this cause alone.

Please supply any ideas, letters, etc. to help everyone accomplish this holy task. Why should Kedushah get ALL the credit, let's do something ourselves!

Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by Kedusha - 26 Jan 2010 12:17

LeivTahorBeraLi wrote on 26 Jan 2010 05:23:

I have the new colorful flyer but I also want to print out the old, plain black and white one, but can't seem to find it! ANyone have a link to it?

<u>www.guardureyes.com/GUE/Images/AD15X10.jpg</u> (it's mostly b&w, but it does have some color).

Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by the.guard - 26 Jan 2010 13:54

Pioneers like you guys are going to have the zechusim of thousands of Neshamos one day!

Diamonds are rolling in the dust here, who will bend down to pick them up?

Thank you SA! (shmiras ainayim :D)

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by MaalinBKodesh - 26 Jan 2010 15:55

Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by Kedusha - 26 Jan 2010 16:24

LeivTahorBeraLi wrote on 26 Jan 2010 15:55:

This week I plan on anonymously sending in the mail a large envelope with both flyers, a personal (anonymous) letter and the Rosh Yeshiva's haskama to the few pulpit Orthodox rabbis where I live, encouraging them to post them on their shul bulletin boards and speak to the kehillos about this issue.

Guard, you're the original pioneer, the m'sha'leiach, and we're your humble shluchim, talmidim we love you.

Yashar Koach in advance!

Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by shemirateinayim - 27 Jan 2010 03:10

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Hey all you moderators, please fill-in the blank:

I had a great idea. Everyone should sent adresses of the pulpit rabanim, and public darshanim, to this email ______ and other people will volenteer to mail the letters. All we need to do is have someone supply the generic letter, can you do that kedushah? Ans we will all volenteer to mail these letters to rabanim we don't know!!!!

It costs 40 cents for the stamp, or at least it used to. If we all donated 80+ cents, we would have entire kehilot informed!! and we will see the surge in online activity over here!! Cmon who can supply? who wants to give the adress of R matisyahu Salamon?

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by Kedusha - 27 Jan 2010 16:36

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Here is an e-mail that I just sent to a popular Maggid Shiur. Why not start with Rabbanim who have e-mail? That can be a very efficient way to spread the message.

Dear Rav *******, Shlita,

A wonderful friend of mine has dedicated his life to helping Acheinu B'nei Yisrael who have fallen prey to the Nisyonos of the Internet. His "Guard Your Eyes" program, <u>www.guardyoureyes.org</u>, has helped countless people in this sensitive area.

Rav Yosef Veiner of Monsey has made a remarkable statement: that the Nisyonos of the Internet are, without exception, the most serious issue facing Klal Yisrael. The Shiur can be heard at this link (this topic is addressed from about 21:00-47:00).

www.torahanytime.com/scripts/media.php?file=media/Rabbi/Yossi_Viener/2009-07-30/Tisha_B Av_Our_Responsibility_Toward_Others/Rabbi__Yosef_Veiner__Tisha_BAv_Our_Responsibility _Toward_Others__2009-07-30.wmv

Yet, unfortunately, Klal Yisrael is, for the most part, in denial. For example, Family First Magazine, which is published by Mishpacha, is currently running a serial called "Shattered Glass," which deals with a Kollel Yungerman who suffers from Internet addiction. Mishpacha has received so many complaints that the author was forced to change the story line to something less threatening.

Just this week, Rav Aharon Feldman, Shlita, Rosh Yeshiva of Ner Yisroel in Baltimore, and member of the Moetzes Gedolei HaTorah of America, wrote a groundbreaking letter. The letter is groundbreaking, in that it is probably the first by someone of the Rosh Yeshiva's stature to fully acknowledge the extent of the problem, and to further acknowledge that we're dealing with an addiction/illness, not with people who are evil and simply need to exercise better self control. The Rosh Yeshiva gave a strong endorsement of the "Guard Your Eyes" program, including the website, as an effective way to help people escape from this painful addiction. The Rosh Yeshiva's letter can be found here. www.guardureyes.com/GUE/Misc/Rav-Aharon-Feldman--GYE-Letter.gif.

Furthermore, due to the vital importance of the cause, Rabbi Dr. Abraham Twerski recently wrote a letter in support of Guard Your Eyes, making a very rare exception to his policy of not giving endorsements. Rabbi Twerski's letter can be found here. www.guardureyes.com/GUE/Misc/Rabbi%20Twerski%27s%20Haskama%20med.jpg

I trust that you will find this information useful. Please share the Rosh Yeshiva's and Rabbi Twerski's letters with other Rabbanim, and please recommend the Guard Your Eyes program for anyone who needs it.

Sincerely,

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by shemirateinayim - 27 Jan 2010 16:59

Thanks for the letter, i'm realy bad at doing those, they take me hours! I sent one email already, and I'm considering sending one to my own yeshiva...

2 sent, and I just got another idea!

Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by shemirateinayim - 27 Jan 2010 19:43

Looking for a voluteer to run a FREE AD ON GOOGLE ! Just read the rules over here <u>http://www.google.com/grants/new/index.html</u> and see if you are up to it. From what I gather you must continue this as a long-term project, so we need somebody who can make such a commitment. Additionaly, get reshus from GUARD, since it IS his website, and once you get dropped from the program you cannot return.

So many people find this site using google, why not show it to others!!

Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by the.guard - 28 Jan 2010 13:58

OF COURSE SOMEONE SHOULD DO THIS!!

Anyone?

Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by Kedusha - 28 Jan 2010 15:03

guardureyes wrote on 28 Jan 2010 13:58:

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Anyone?

I wonder if we're eligible before we've received IRS approval.

Re: Your Chiyuy to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included II have to consider diving reshus Posted by shemirateinayim - 28 Jan 2010 17:14

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by Kedusha - 28 Jan 2010 17:19

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Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by shemirateinayim - 28 Jan 2010 17:23

Great so who has the time to commit to this HOLY CAUSE?

I am getting the feeling that despite the effort i make to keep this post on the top of the page, noone but Kedusha and GUARD do anything with it :-\. I can't commit to this, since my internet use is come-and-go. But I can help someone else start it.

For anyone who knows the email of ANY yeshiva, send it to me, and I'll send them an email.

Re: Your Chiyuv to spread the word!! Everyone can do it- you included Posted by Me3 - 28 Jan 2010 17:28

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Wow! Whoever had the foresight to put that in, just sheer brilliance! You never cease to amaze me!