



On behalf of the
Hollis Hills Bayside
Jewish Center and the
Judith Lesnik

Chesed Committee
you are cordially invited to
attend a Very Special
Lunch and Learn

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 18th
AFTER SERVICES—12 Noon**

For more information see the
flyer on page 9

Family/Community
Chanukah Dinner

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21
AT 6:30 PM**



For more information and to
make your reservation see
the Flyer on page 13

December at HHBJC

December 1
Sisterhood Chanukah
Shopping and Bagels

December 2, 16
Adult Ed with Rabbi Wise

December 4
Adult Ed with Cantor Zim
Yiddish Club

December 5, 12, 19
Lunch & Learn
with Rabbi Wise

December 7
Men's Club Movie Night

December 14
Simcha Shabbat

December 15
Mah Jongg Club

December 21
Family Community
Chanukah Dinner

From the Desk of Rabbi David Wise #IsraeliJudaism



For a number
of years, ob-
servers of the
gap between
Israeli and Di-

aspora Jews mused that the
majority identity in our Home-
land is not Jewishness but Is-
raeliness. The premise behind
this terminology is that so many
Israelis are “secular” that their
national identity has replaced
their religious identification.
This has always struck me as
an oversimplification, and now
we have the numbers to prove
it. In this month's issue of *The
Rabbi's Nightstand*, allow me to
introduce you to a crucial new
book: *#IsraeliJudaism: Portrait
of a Cultural Revolution*.

The book first came out in He-
brew in 2018, written by
Shmuel Rosner, a senior fellow
at the Jerusalem-based Jewish
People Policy Institute (JPPI),
and Camil Fuchs, a Tel Aviv
University professor of statis-
tics and a pollster. JPPI pub-
lished the English version this
year, introducing Israeli culture
to the non-Israeli reader in a
fresh way, and helping us un-
derstand the ways in which our
Judaisms differ so greatly.

To quote from the book's own
description: “In Israel...Judaism

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removable monthly calendar
of events and service times.**



Shabbat Schedule



Friday, December 6, 2019

Candle Lighting 4:09 PM
Mincha 4:10 PM

Saturday, December 7, 2019

Vayetzei 9:00 AM
Mincha 4:00 PM
Havdalah 5:12 PM

Friday, December 13, 2019

Candle Lighting 4:09 PM
Mincha 4:10 PM

Saturday, December 14, 2019

Vayishlach 9:00 AM
Mincha 4:00 PM
Havdalah 5:13 PM

Friday, December 20, 2019

Candle Lighting 4:12 PM
Mincha 4:15 PM

Saturday, December 21, 2019

Vayeshev 9:00 AM
Mincha 4:00 PM
Havdalah 5:15 PM

Friday, December 27, 2019

6th Night of Chanukah

Candle Lighting 4:16 PM
Mincha 4:20 PM

Saturday, December 28, 2019

7th Night of Chanukah

Miketz 9:00 AM
Mincha 4:00 PM
Havdalah 5:20 PM

Daily Service Schedule

Monday & Thursday
6:45am & 7:30pm

Tuesday
7:00am & 7:30pm

Wednesday
8:00am & 7:30pm

Sunday & Legal Holiday
9:00am & 7:30pm

Friday Morning 7:00am

Rosh Chodesh 6:30am

Shabbat Mornings 9:00am

Please visit our Facebook
Page at

<https://www.facebook.com/hollishillsbaysidejc/>



Find us on:
facebook®

Handicap Access

We have an operating handicapped lift. This is available for all who may need access to any level of the building. Please contact the center office to arrange for one of our staff to assist you in its operation. There is also a handicapped restroom located past the Menchel Social Hall.

The House Committee

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The deadline for article and advertising submission is the 10th day of the preceding month. Dateline Editor: Nancy Morse; Please submit articles and letters to the editor via email to: office@hollishillsbaysidejc.org (Word or Publisher format is appreciated)

Notices

Do you receive emails from HHBJC including Rabbi Wise's weekly Shabbat notes? Contact the office to subscribe or subscribe on the homepage at www.hollishillsbaysidejc.org

If you are bringing pre packaged food into the Synagogue, please consult with Rabbi Wise.

Bereavement Support

The Bereavement Support Group meets the First and Third Monday night of the month at 7:30 PM with compassionate, caring, warm and concerned friendly people.

Refreshments are always served and are complimentary. All faiths are welcome. Led by Marty Kevelson and Malka Lesnik Belgrod.



Cantor Sol Zim



Winter is back...we knew it was on the way but we are never quite prepared.

We are always trying to find ways to stay warm; fire places, Hot Chocolate, extra blankets, raising the thermostat, scarves, gloves, boots, etc. All of these ideas can help keep our hands and feet warm but we also need to make sure to keep our hearts and souls warm too. **COME TO SHUL!** The walls of our synagogue are here to embrace and blanket you with warmth and love.

Join us on Shabbat, let us pray together, sing together and enjoy *kiddush* together. I love seeing and hearing all of you sing along with me. Aren't Tony's "Kiddishes" the best! June doesn't have to make lunch for me any more after shul. Being in shul truly nourishes our hearts and souls and it warms us from within. HHBJC is our home away from home. We are family! There's no better laugh than a "shul laugh", we talk and *kibbitz* together after *davening* and it puts a smile on our faces.

Come to our Lunch & Learns, Adult Ed with our Rabbi Wise, our Sisterhood events, Men's Club events, Mah Jongg Club... Oh yes, our *Yiddish Club* & *Learn to Daven* class too!

Our Cantor's Voice

Staying Warm At Shul

Our first Yiddish Club get together will be on WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4th at 8:00 PM. We will "shvitz" from laughing so hard.

Look for the HHBJC emails, check out our website or call the Synagogue office any time about dates and times of all our events, classes & programs.

Let's not get glum because it's cold outside, come to shul and you will definitely warm up and be surrounded by friendship, love, spirituality, fun & laughter.

See you in Shul.

Cantorially always,

Cantor Sol Zim

HHBJC Adult Education

**A YIDDISH CLUB
WITH
CANTOR SOL ZIM**

**Wednesday Evening
December 4 at 8 PM**

All Welcome - Join the Club

Shlemiels-Shlemazels
Nudnick & K'lotzes

Learn the Gantze Megilah
in Yiddish

Learn How Yiddish Became
Part of the English Language



(Rabbi Wise Continued from page 1)

is undergoing one of its greatest transformations since biblical times. This transformation is rooted in a unique and vibrant culture, which is different from all other Jewish cultures, past and present.

"Israelis have forged a new way of being Jewish, by confronting and overcoming the great challenges of modernity, secularism, assimilation, and apathy. In this book, [the authors] make the first serious attempt to explain this revolutionary process. Using stories, numbers, and insights, the authors sketch the outlines of a culture in which Israeliness and Jewishness are becoming one and the same."

Each chapter in *#IsraeliJudaism* is based on results of a nationwide survey, and the book includes appendices with survey questions and data. For those who want to compare themselves to Israeli Jews, there's even a way to scan an English version of the survey on an iPhone on page 13!

There are some fascinating phenomena in Israeli Jewish culture that receive special attention: the custom of children riding bicycles down clear Israeli streets on Yom Kippur; visits to the Western Wall on Tish'ah B'Av; stopping one's vehicle and standing at attention for sirens on Yom HaShoah and Yom HaZikaron; and lighting candles on the anniversary of the assassination of Prime Minister Yitzhak

Rabin. How many observant Diaspora Jews come in contact with these rituals, unless they happen to be in Israel at the time?

One of the book's primary conclusions is that though the statistical data reveals a relative harmony among "Jewsraelis," that is, "If almost all of the Jews in Israel feel Jewish, why do they not stop arguing? If almost all of them want their children to be Jewish, what are they fighting over? They are fighting over precisely this. They almost all want their children to be Jewish—they simply cannot agree on what that means. And since what is at stake is something that is important to them—their children—the arguments are conducted in raised voices" (pp. 192-93).

#IsraeliJudaism is fascinating, informative, and often amusing. Instead of speculating what Israelis think about Judaism, we can actually listen to what they say it means to them. Instead of drawing a distinction between Jewishness and Israeliness, read the book and see how they've become synonymous in a mere seven decades!

Rabbi David Wise

Temple Family

Thank you to everyone for the birthday wishes and for acknowledging my honoring by the AJR.
Cantor Zim

A Message from the Green Team

Once again this year we are collecting gently used adults and children's coats and jackets as part of the New York Cares annual coat drive. Their goal is to collect 100,000 items for the needy - and the past few years we have donated dozens of items to that drive.

The drive began November 1st and goes to the end of the year. Please bring your items to donate to the shul in a clear plastic bag if possible.

If you can't get out and have a coat to donate, we will come to you. Just call 917-941-8640.

Thank you for always caring!



Sisterhood

Shalom!

What fun we had at the Torah Fund Brunch! The French Toast was yummy and honoring Laura Brodsky made the room shining and bright!

Now we have the Chanukah Bagels and Judaica Bargains sale coming up. What is this, you ask? It's another fun event brought to you by HHBJC Sisterhood. Please join us on December 1, 2019 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the shul. Have a bagel and coffee, or a danish and tea. Schmooze with your friends. There will be lots of time to buy presents for family and friends (and maybe even a present for yourself). Marilyn Seidenfeld has been hard at work stocking our Gift Shop with new top-of-the-line items for children and adults that Sisterhood will be happy to sell. What a great way to start the new month!

Don't forget we have Purim coming up in early March. Sisterhood will be putting together baskets (shalach manos) as we

usually do, and we can use your help.

And for you Barry Manilow fans, we are planning a bus trip to the Museum of Jewish Heritage on March 15th to see a show he has written which will make its way onto Broadway shortly after. Details to follow shortly.

We are also planning a shared event with Men's Club in the spring.

Thanks to all those of you who help plan many of these exciting events.

Happy December!



Trees for Israel

The Sisterhood of the Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center is delighted to announce that we have established a Tree Bank with the Jewish National Fund

Starting right now,
if you want to celebrate an occasion
or plant a tree in Israel in memory of a loved one,
you can just call Shirley Heymann
at 718-454-3292

The cost is only \$16 a tree
and you are supporting your Sisterhood
and Israel at the same time!

HHBJC - Sisterhood Gift Shop



For all your Judaica needs!



**WHAT DOES GREAT CHANUKAH SHOPPING
AND A YUMMY BAGEL WITH CREAM CHEESE
HAVE IN COMMON? MORE THAN YOU THINK!**



Please join our Sisterhood at the shul on Sunday, December 1st, from 10 AM to 2 PM. Have a bagel and a cup of coffee — and enjoy the opportunity to shop for Chanukah gifts and other gifts as well, in our Judaica Gift Shop.

We have lots of new items, for children and adults, and we know you will like the price!

Mark your calendar now! It is going to be great!!



Provide Fresh Fruits and Vegetables in memory of Henry Gerber z"l

<https://my.israelgives.org/en/campaign/HenryGerber>



Henry Gerber z"l loved to help others. Whether it was helping a friend, giving tzedakkah or supporting Israel, Henry lived as though his purpose in life was to be generous to others. He loved Israel and his fellows Jews and epitomized the phrase "kol yisrael arevim zeh bazeh" - all Jews are responsible for one another.

No shabbat meal was complete without a fresh pineapple or melon that Henry would bring to adorn the shabbat table. In his memory, we are raising funds to support Leket Israel, the National Food Bank of Israel. Leket Israel rescues surplus food that would be otherwise thrown away and redistributes it to Israelis in need.

Your support will provide fresh fruits and vegetables to Israeli families who need it most.

\$25 will feed a family of 4 for one month.

\$300 will feed a family of 4 for one year.

Tizku L'Mitzvot



**JUDITH LESNIK
CHESED COMMITTEE**

Dear Friends,

On November 10th, the Chessed Committee held a workshop on immunization. Why it's important and to be diligent about it. The 73rd Avenue CVS Head Nurses, Kathy and Melanie, delivered inoculations for Shingles, flu, pneumonia, whooping cough and tetanus.

There is a shortage, nationwide, for the new shingles injections known as Shingrix. Kathy will be searching manufacturers for more serum

and we will have another workshop in the Spring (just for the Shingrix vaccine).

In the meanwhile, look for our advertisement on page 9, for a very special guest, epidemiologist Dr. Gregory Storch, on Saturday, January 18th at the Lunch and Learn who will discuss, in depth, the CDC recommendations on influenzas.

Please be safe this winter. Stay warm and dress appropriately.

All the best,

Laura Brodsky



We now have a list of members who will help give rides to doctor's appointments during the week and to synagogue on Saturday morning. If anyone needs help please contact the synagogue office. If anyone else is interested in signing up to help, please contact the office.

Be Active in HHB/C

Be Involved

Join a committee

Membership - Engagement

Fund Raising

Adult Education

Facilities

Life Long Learning

Chessed Committee

Green Team

Call the Office Now

Cut Out and Save

Contact Information

(in confidence): Leave or Send a Message to Our Support Lines

To Reach the

Congregational Nurse

Linda Liederman, R.N.

Phone: 718-776-3500

Ext. 201

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Enter Extension 107

Or: rabbiwise@hollishillsbaysidejc.org

Chessed Committee Chair

Laura Brodsky:

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H2I Youth
Director
News

Jennifer Gold

Dear Congregants,

This month, our H2I programming calendar is jam-packed both through the chapter and regionally. We will be having USY members participating in International Convention on both a regional and international level. We are looking forward to sharing the programs that we have created including, H2I-vention, Tie-Dye and celebrating Chanukah through theater, food and celebration!

CHALUTZIM: (Pizza is always served)

Sun., December 22: Chanukah Program – 5:00-6:15 PM at Israel Center of Conservative Judaism - Calling all actors and actresses! Join us for a fun filled night of Chanukah programs and food as we reenact the story of the Jews and their fight against the Assyrian Greeks and King Antiochus!

KADIMA: (Pizza is always served)

Sun., December 1: NO PROGRAM-THANKSGIVING BREAK

Sun., December 8: TIE-DYE– 6:15-7:30 PM at Israel Center of Conservative Judaism - Tired of your clothes? Feel like you need a new wardrobe? Come to H2I and recolor your life through Tie Dye and Clothing crafts

Sun., December 15: MESSY GAMES– 6:15-7:30 PM at Israel Center of Conservative Judaism - Hope you don't mind getting dirty! Come prepared (and dressed appropriately) for a night full of messy games!

Sun., December 22: Chanukah Program– 6:15-7:30 PM at Israel Center of Conservative Judaism - Calling all actors and actresses! Join us for a fun filled night of Chanukah programs and food as we reenact the story of the Jews and their fight against the Assyrian Greeks and King Antiochus!

Sun., December 29- NO PROGRAM - WINTER BREAK

USY:

Sun., December 1: NO MEETING - Thanksgiving Weekend

Sun., December 8: Messy Game/Paint Nite/Tye Dye– 7:30-9:00 PM at Hillcrest Jewish Center - We hope you don't mind getting dirty! Come prepared (and dressed appropriately) for a night full of messy games and painting!

Sun., December 15: Birthday Party Project/Operation Gratitude– 7:30-9:00 PM at Israel Center of Conservative Judaism - Come and learn about two charities that fill people's lives with happiness as we write some cards to active soldiers and to children who can't afford to have birthday parties.

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at Israel Center of Conservative Judaism - Calling all actors and actresses! Join us for a fun filled night of Chanukah programs and food as we reenact the story of the Jews and their fight against the Assyrian Greeks and King Antiochus!

December 19-22: METNY INTERNATIONAL PRE-CONVENTION & December 22-26: USY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION Details to Follow

Sun., December 29: NO MEETING – Winter Break

If any questions arise, please feel free to reach out at any time at my email H2I-youth@H2Iyouthgroup.org

Thank you.

Jen Gold

Youth Director



**On behalf of the Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center
and the Judith Lesnik Chesed Committee,
you are cordially invited to attend a
Very Special Lunch & Learn**

**Saturday, January 18, 2020
after Services - 12 Noon**

**Topic: Influenza, Other Respiratory Viruses,
and anything else you want to know
about infectious diseases.....**

Our Speaker is Dr. Gregory Storch.
the Ruth L. Siteman Professor of Pediatrics and
Professor of Medicine and of Molecular Microbiology
at the Washington University School of Medicine
and past Chief of the Divisions of Pediatric Infectious
Diseases and Pediatric Laboratory Medicine.

Dr. Storch was an Epidemic Intelligence Service
Officer for the Centers for Disease Control in the
Louisiana Department of Health in New Orleans,
and an infectious disease fellow at Washington University.
He currently serves as the Research Integrity Officer
for Washington University.

All are welcome!

Please RSVP to the Center office: 718-776-3500



**Remember Our Synagogue
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Samuel Schneider Building Fund
Kiddush Fund
Gerald M. Misher Memorial Fund
Harold J. Ross Memorial
Environmental Fund

Nichum Avelim

MAY G-D GRANT CONSOLATION
TO THOSE WHO HAVE SUFFERED
A LOSS IN THE FOLLOWING
FAMILIES:

Benjamin Spector,
Past President

Alan Plush, beloved son of
Rita Plush

Cecelia Halpern, beloved
mother of Marc Halpern

MAY THEY BE COMFORTED
AMONG THE OTHER MOURNERS
OF ZION AND JERUSALEM

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Irving M. Breslaw
Irene & Daniel Grapel

In memory of Elaine Ellis
Adrienne & Jan Glaubiger

In memory of Seymour Trager
In memory of Marlene Kevy
Cara & Michael Trager

In memory of Miriam Mendel
In memory of Rose Schwartz
In memory of Rose Mendel
William H. Mendel

In memory of Eleanor
Roseman
Rosalie & Stephen Roseman

In memory of Edna Rosenberg
Jo Ann Luquis

In memory of Henry Gerber
Jo Ann Luquis
Barry M. Lasner
Rita & Scott Zipper
Stuart Weinstock
Dolores Goldowski
Gail & Mark Englander

Mazel Tov to Marilyn & Stanley
Seidenfeld on the birth of their
new granddaughter
Rita & Scott Zipper

In honor of the aufruf and
marriage of Linda & Arthur
Liederman's son Ethan to
Rebecca
Vicki & Joel Blumenfeld
Rita & Scott Zipper
Amanda & Steven Menzie

In honor Marvin Sklamberg
being designated Hattan Torah
at Simchat Torah
In honor of Linda Silverman
being desingated Kallat
Bereshit at Simchat Torah
Beate Axelrad

In memory of Benjamin Spector
Vicki & Joel Blumenfeld
Harriet & Bernd Bildstein

In memory of Michael Lepp
Sheldon Flatow
Jo Ann Luquis

In memory of Harvey Goldstein
Jo Ann Luquis

In memory of Max Margolis
Greta & Martin Margolis

In memory of Sylvia Sternberg
In memory of Willia Esikoff
Marion & Marc Sternberg

In memory of Belle Michaels
Norma Brooks

In memory of Mina Grinberg
Sara Sunshine

In memory of Esther Balter
In memory of Abraham Balter
Edith Waxenberg & Family

In memory of Harriet Simon
Enza & Joel Simon

In memory of Thomas Schultz
Leroy Schultz

In memory of Simon Rimsky
Anita Goldowski

In memory of Saul Deutch
Susan Deutch

In memory of Alan Plush
Mindy & Zigmund Stern
Vicky & Joel Blumenfeld
Susan Deutch
Natalie Winter
Judith Kamberg
Michelle & Mark Cowit
Michelle & Neil Zitofsky

In memory of Laurie Sparrow
Palumbo
Marcia Sparrow

In memory of Sadie Schoenfeld
Arlene Schwartz

In memory of Alfred Jacob Fait
Susan & Robert Meyers

In memory of Sidney
Zimmerman
Rose Zimmerman

In honor of Louis Deutsch's
second Bar Mitzvah
Harriet & Bernd Bildstein

In memory of David Cohen
Diane Cohen & Jack Grossman

In memory of Dr. Morris
Goldberg
Sandie Altman-Baker



Rabbi's Fund

In honor of the aufruf and marriage of Linda & Arthur Liederman's son Ethan to Rebecca

Charlotte & David Karsch

In honor of Linda Silverman being designated Kallat Bereshit at Simchat Torah

Harriet & Bernd Bildstein

In honor of Laura Brodsky being honored at the Torah Fund Brunch

Charlotte & David Karsch

In honor of the birth of Vicky & Michael Wolkofsky's new granddaughter

Charlotte & David Karsch

In memory of Henry Gerber

Rhoda & Arnold Kleinstein
The Sackett Family

In memory of Harvey Goldstein

Lisa & Keith Levinson

In memory of Alan Plush

Harriet & Bernd Bildstein

Cantor's Fund

Thank you to Cantor Zim for helping with my second Bar Mitzvah

Scott Zipper

In memory of Harvey Goldstein

Lisa & Keith Levinson

Samuel Schneider Building Fund

In memory of Henry Gerber

Marilyn & Steven Teleky
Lynn & Howard Nachman

Judith Lesnik Chesed Fund

In honor of Laura Brodsky being honored at the Torah Fund Brunch

Joan Neer

In honor of the aufruf and marriage of Linda & Arthur Liederman's son Ethan to Rebecca

Rose Solasz

Laura & Martin Brodsky

In honor of Louis Deutsch's second Bar Mitzvah

Flo & Bob Gropper

In memory of Rose Met

Carol & Joel Lieber

In honor of the birth of Vicky & Michael Wolkofsky's new granddaughter, Joanna Hila, to Peter & Emily

Flo & Bob Gropper

In memory of Henry Gerber

Laura & Martin Brodsky

A Special Todah Rabah to Maris Blechner for organizing a fabulous Torah Fund Brunch

Laura Brodsky

In memory of Alan Plush

Laura & Martin Brodsky

Kiddush Fund

In honor of Louis Deutsch's second Bar Mitzvah

Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

In memory of Alan Plush

Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

In memory of Frank Strassfeld

Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

Wishing Refuah Shelemah to Nancy Borko

Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

Etta Strassfeld Life Long Learning & Continuing Education Fund

In memory of Henry Gerber

Janet & Eric Jacobowitz

In honor of the aufruf and marriage of Linda & Arthur Liederman's son Ethan to Rebecca

Janet & Eric Jacobowitz

Gerald M. Misher Memorial Fund

In honor of the aufruf and upcoming marriage of Linda & Arthur Liederman's son Ethan to Rebecca

Rita Plush

In honor of Laura Brodsky being honored at the Torah Fund Brunch

Rita Plush

In memory of Alan Plush

Jo Ann Misher & Family

Harold J. Ross Memorial Environment Fund

In memory of Debra Klein

Karen & Marvin Feilhardt,
Rebecca Ross & Families

In memory of Samuel Gottheim

Karen & Marvin Feilhardt

Men's Club

Thank you to Men's Club for a very meaningful program and delicious kiddush in honor of the Veterans in our community

Harriet & Bernd Bildstein

**Below is a monthly calendar for posting on bulletin boards and refrigerators**

~ December 2019 ~ Kislev – Tevet 5780 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Kislev 3 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Sisterhood Chanukah Shopping & Bagels –10 AM	2 Kislev 4 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed with Rabbi Wise – 8 PM	3 Kislev 5 Minyan Times 7 AM & 7:30 PM	4 Kislev 6 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed with Cantor Zim - Yiddish Club – 8 PM	5 Kislev 7 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Wise – 12 PM	6 Kislev 8 Morning Services 7 AM Candle Lighting 4:09 PM Mincha 4:10 PM	7 Kislev 9 Vayetzei 9 AM Mincha 4:00 PM Havdalah 5:12 PM Men's Club Movie Night – The Catcher Was A Spy - 8 PM
8 Kislev 10 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM	9 Kislev 11 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	10 Kislev 12 Minyan Times 7 AM & 7:30 PM	11 Kislev 13 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM	12 Kislev 14 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Wise – 12 PM	13 Kislev 15 Morning Services 7 AM Candle Lighting 4:09 PM Mincha 4:10 PM	14 Kislev 16 Vayishlach 9 AM Mincha 4:00 PM Havdalah 5:13 PM Simcha Shabbat - 9 AM
15 Kislev 17 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Mah Jongg Club – 1 PM	16 Kislev 18 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed with Rabbi Wise – 8 PM	17 Kislev 19 Minyan Times 7 AM & 7:30 PM	18 Kislev 20 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM	19 Kislev 21 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Wise – 12 PM	20 Kislev 22 Morning Services 7 AM Candle Lighting 4:12 PM Mincha 4:15 PM	21 Kislev 23 Vayeshev 9 AM Mincha 4:00 PM Havdalah 5:15 PM Community/Family Chanukah Dinner – 6:30 PM
22 Kislev 24 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Chanukah – 1 candle 5:16 PM	23 Kislev 25 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Chanukah – 2 candles 5:16 PM	24 Kislev 26 Minyan Times 6:45 AM & 7:30 PM Chanukah – 3 candles 5:17 PM	25 Kislev 27 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Chanukah – 4 candles 5:18 PM	26 Kislev 28 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Chanukah – 5 candles 5:18 PM	27 Kislev 29 Morning Services 6:45 AM Candle Lighting 4:16 PM Mincha 4:20 PM Chanukah – 6 candles 4:16 PM	28 Kislev 30 Miketz 9 AM Mincha 4:00 PM Havdalah 5:20 PM Chanukah – 7 candles 5:20 PM Rosh Chodesh Tevet
29 Tevet 1 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Chanukah – 8 candles 5:20 PM Rosh Chodesh Tevet	30 Tevet 2 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	31 Tevet 3 Minyan Times 7 AM & 7 PM New Year's Eve				



**YES, THIS YEAR WE ARE ACTUALLY HAVING OUR HHBJC ANNUAL
FUN-FILLED FAMILY/COMMUNITY CHANUKAH DINNER
THE NIGHT BEFORE CHANUKAH**



Please bring your family and friends and join us on Saturday, December 21 at 6:30 PM,
as we celebrate the upcoming 5780/2019 Festival of Lights together.

Music...singing...face painting (not just for the kids)...jelly-bean counting...menorah
lighting...a delicious Chinese buffet (with kid food too)...parve ice cream sundaes....
and lots of laughing guaranteed.

We are also going to have a 50/50 raffle (so bring some \$5 bills) and a Chanukah grab bag for
kids, plus one for adults. Everyone who brings a wrapped gift for one of the grab bags, costing a
maximum of \$10, gets to reach in and pick out your own grab bag gift.

As always, it is BYOB. We will provide soda, and seltzer, and juice.

Please mark your calendar now. It won't be the same without you!!

Please make your check payable to the Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center

and mail the check and the form below to:

Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center, 210-10 Union Turnpike, Hollis Hills, NY 11364 (718) 776-3500



2018 Annual Family Community Dinner - Please R.S.V.P. by December 15th

PLEASE PRINT:

Names of All People in Your Party: _____

Cost per person over age 13 is \$21@ \$21 = \$_____

Cost per child ages 6 to 12 is \$10@ \$10 = \$_____

(*Children under 6 are our guests, as are grandparents who are coming as family guests,
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Anyone you would like to sit with?_____

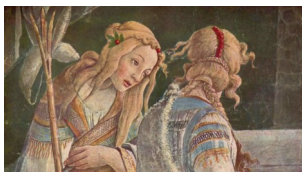
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We will be glad to see you there!!**



HHBJC Adult Education Presents

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HHBJC Men's Club Movie Night

The Catcher Was A Spy



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We are now established with "Terracycle", a recycling organization that makes new things out of old. Our team is the "HJR Memorial Environment Fund" and the charity we support is the Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center. Please send in your old cell phones as soon as possible and let's start collecting, recycling and earn-



Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center's Mah Jongg Club

Sponsored by Sisterhood

Social (non-betting) Mah Jongg

Mah Jongg players!

We invite you to play non-tournament Mah Jongg following the National Mah Jongg League Rules. Practice your skills with your own group or come individually and play with new people. All levels of players are welcome and we will try to keep players together with similar levels. Please bring your 2019 card.

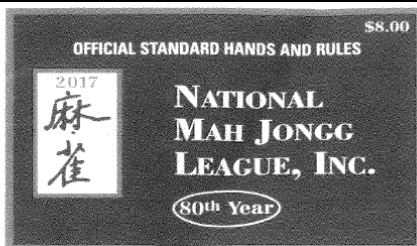
Details:

- Place: Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center, 210-10 Union Turnpike (Menchel Hall)
- Dates: Sundays - 12/15/19, 1/12/20, 2/9/20, 3/8/20, 4/19/20, 6/14/20
- Time: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
- Cost: \$5 per person, per month (cash/checks collected at the door)

Light refreshments available

Please let us know if you are interested in playing. Indicate if you are a beginner, intermediate, or advanced player and if you have a Mah Jongg set you can bring.

For more information contact: Naomi Horowitz - 718-344-6006 or nhorowitzq@gmail.com



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Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes
Life After Retirement

Forgiveness Frees, Comforts
and Heals the Forgiver, It
Does Not Condone the
Sinner or the Act!

Forgiveness, that's the ticket that gets you on the train to joyland, happyville, freedom from anger, from disappointment, from the churning of one's kishkes in frustration over seeing cruelty going unpunished, from noticing the corrupt not being held accountable or ever taking responsibility for their acts or words of unkindness, never honestly saying to the person they have hurt, **"Excuse my thoughtlessness! I am truly sorry!"**.

Those who have not learned the art of giving or receiving forgiveness have violated one of the most fundamental rules of human relations indispensable for the creation of a sane, safe society, i.e. the obligation to extend forgiveness to those who have hurt us...deliberately or accidentally. Alas, by refusing to forgive others we hurt ourselves.

How so? The act of hardening our own hearts prevents the wounds and scars within ourselves from ever fully healing. Continuing to harbor pockets of repressed anger, however justified, to linger within our hearts constitutes an act of self-contamination metaphorically similar to forgetting to wipe off the dried blood on our back where a false friend has stabbed us. We remain stained and can not reach the areas for cleansing!

Such emotional "blood stains" contaminate, reminding us consciously or unconsciously of our moments of existential weakness, experiences of victimhood, conditions which if unresolved often lead to a host of unholy specters

haunting our minds and spirits, thoughts of vengeance setting the stage for psychological impairment.

Unresolved tensions such as these tend to metastasize, disturbing our peace of mind, bloating our unfilled imaginary cups of justice with soured wine. Dreams of revenge by unseen angels carrying out deserved punishments on the guilty offenders plague our nights. Valuable reservoirs of our emotional energy are drained, wasted as we quietly struggle with the ugly question of why moral men & women have to live in an immoral society. Most challenging of all, how can we forgive our Creator for allowing such unfairness to prevail?

In the process of moving forward with our lives while carrying such heavy burdens in our hearts of unforgiven evils we become fatigued, disabled, twisted into persons less loving, less happy, less sensitive to life's beauty. That's a high price to pay, too high!

Answer: a solution may be found when we begin to understand when and why it's so vital to learn how to forgive!

Our plight is especially challenging if we ourselves are the guilty ones and we have not yet

discovered how to forgive ourselves let alone figure out how to adequately compensate those whose hearts we might have broken and lives we might have shaken or shattered. How do we begin?

These transformative seven initial steps are suggested:

1) Recognize our errors of com-

mission or omission;
2) Feel truly sorry for our harmful behavior;
3) Accept responsibility for any guilty actions of word or deed, the reputations we might have tainted, family relationships we might have upset or possibly the economic opportunities we might have limited or the personal feelings of others we might have deeply bruised or seriously injured;
4) Strive to provide adequate compensation in one form or another to those whom we have hurt;
5) Realize that it is not inappropriate to feel shame, embarrassment and ultimately explicit guilt for any & all the grievous harm we might have inflicted. The feeling of shame is a necessary step to atonement;
6) Pray that HaShem, the Holy & Compassionate One Above, will heal and forgive all those involved including ourselves;
7) Change our minds, values and behavior patterns so that if ever we face similar situations, we never will repeat such senseless cruelty. How so? Because we will have authentically transformed ourselves, cleansed our hearts from envy and from taking delight in hurting, embarrassing or shaming others, believing that our actions are justified.

We don't have to wait until next Yom Kippur. We can begin the challenging process of forgiveness any time, any day, one step at a time. It does not condone but it does blessedly heal, free and transform...building the foundation for communal redemption.

Rabbi Dr. Hirsch Joseph Simckes

**December Birthdays**

Martin Moskowitz	12/4
Norman Nachbar	12/6
Donald Bieber	12/7
Marvin Golomb	12/10
Rosalind Sackoff	12/10
Sandra Apfel	12/11
Eric Zim	12/13
Marina Weisz	12/16
Karen Chazan	12/18
Lewis Strongin	12/19
Neil Cohen	12/21
Gerson Madfes	12/21
Renee Diamond	12/23
Lisa Daly	12/24
Ida Weissner	12/25
Martin Waxgiser	12/27
Ronnie Krell	12/28
Neil Zitofsky	12/28
Rita Cohen	12/31

December Anniversaries

Marilyn & Steven Teleky	12/3
Rita & Martin Krumerman	12/9
Marilyn & Alan Geltman	12/14
Rebecca & Paul Reich	12/14
Charlene & Jeffrey Ingber	12/18
Peggy & Seth Seidman	12/16
Laura & Martin Brodsky	12/19
Audrey & Daniel Shepard	12/22
Rita & Max Cohen	12/23
Cara & Michael Trager	12/23
Ida & Daniel Weissner	12/24
Joan & Jack Cohen	12/25

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AND MANY MORE....**

If you see a name missing, or if you are not sure that we have the dates of your Simchas, call the office to insure that we have that information in our database.

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**Please join us mornings
or evenings!**

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**Tuesday
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**Sunday & Legal Holidays
9:00am & 7:30pm**

Friday Morning 7:00am

Rosh Chodesh 6:30am



Have you visited our website lately? The web address is www.hollishillsbaysidejc.org.

The site has been given a new look with more up-to-date information. There is a section where you can find Shabbat hours for the coming weekend. There is an events section to keep you informed on all of our exciting programs. There is a section for Loss and Shiva information.

Please check out all the changes and let us know if you have any suggestions to further aid us in putting our best face on the web for current and potential members.

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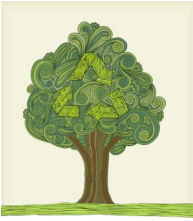
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