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February 4 World Wide Wrap

February 4 Men's Club Super Bowl BBQ

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 February 2018

From the Desk of Rabbi David Wise Luckiest Man



Though I'm no fan of the New York Yankees, I have always admired the

legacy of one of their all-time greats, Lou Gehrig. As a kid, I watched Pride of the Yankees often, and it never failed to pull at my heartstrings. It did take a while before I finally bought Jonathan Eig's 2005 biography of him, *Luckiest Man*, which is the subject of this month's issue of *The Rabbi's Nightstand*.

Gehrig's story is moving in a variety of ways: his devotion to his mother; his shy and quiet character, especially in contrast to Babe Ruth; his prodigious strength and skill; his untimely illness; and of course his iconic farewell speech, whose words we can hear along with their echo: "Today I consider myself the luckiest man on the face of the earth." After reading the book, a new question springs to mind: Did Gehrig say these words with full knowledge that he might be dead within two years, or did he believe that while his playing days were over, he had many todays left to live?

Once he was diagnosed with Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), Gehrig came in contact

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Shabbat Schedule



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Friday, February 2, 20)18			
Candle Lighting	4:56 PM			
Mincha	5:00 PM			
Saturday, February 3,	2018			
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Mincha Havdalah	4:40 PM 6:00 PM			
Friday, February 9, 20)18			
Candle Lighting Mincha	5:05 PM 5:05 PM			
Saturday, February 10), 2018			
Mishpatim Shabbat Shekalim	9:00 AM			
Mincha	4:50 PM			
Havdalah	6:09 PM			
Friday, February 16, 2018				
Candle Lighting	5:13 PM			
Mincha	5:15 PM			
Saturday, February 17, 2018				
Terumah	9:00 AM			
Mincha	5:00 PM			
Havdalah	6:17 PM			
Friday, February 23, 2018				
Candle Lighting	5:21 PM			
Mincha	5:25 PM			
Saturday, February 24, 2018				
Tetzaveh Shabbat Zachor	9:00 AM			
Mincha	5:05 PM			
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Havdalah	6:26 PM			

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Danny's Drive In Cleaners: 190-05 Union Turnpike

Fairway Supermarket: 242-02 61st Avenue, Douglaston



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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 Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes, Marty Kevelson and Malka Lesnik Belgrod.



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Our Cantor's Voice We Honor & Celebrate Our Beloved Rabbi David Wise On <u>His Bar Mitzvah</u> Year With Our Congregation

Our beloved Rabbi David Wise is a very special and unique Rabbi and Individual. He is not only my Co-Clergy Partner but he is also my friend. He is a man of fine character who treats others with respect and kindness. I feel true comradery with Rabbi Wise and I am honored to share the Bima (Pulpit) with him at our shul.

Rabbi Wise is a brilliant scholar who constantly teaches us something new and stimulates our thinking and quenches our thirst for knowledge and Jewish study. His weekly Shabbat Messages are always interesting and captivating and allows us to better understand the Parshat HaShavuah and truly feel the meaning of our Torah. "Rabbi Wise's Study Corner" is a wonderful opportunity for the congregation to experience and take part in the Rabbi's series of ongoing talks & reflections on Jewish thought and Prayers. Rabbi Wise's "Lunch & Learns" is another special opportunity we are fortunate to have from our Rabbi to learn, ponder and expand our knowledge. Yes... Rabbi Wise delves us into thought and gives us a new interesting perspective on Jewish learning. HHBJC is truly a center for Education and Learning. Thank you Rabbi Wise for always giving us the tools and resources to continuously learn and attain knowledge.

Rabbi Wise is a true mensch, a devoted friend and we can always rely on him. I will never forget how our Rabbi made it to my house in the blink of an eye this past August, driving all the way from Toronto, cutting his visit with his family short, in order to be by my side while I was sitting Shiva for my brother Milton. He wasn't due back in NY for another few days but when he heard of my brother's passing he immediately hit the road back to Hollis Hills. Judy, his wife, was at the funeral and then Rabbi Wise was at my house within a day. I will never forget that.

Rabbi Wise is a wonderful husband and father. His wife Judy (our Rebbetzin) is Associate Director of Student Development & Leadership at Queens College and their two lovely children Jordana Nechama and Elijah Mordechai are dedicated to Judaism and their love of Israel. In fact, Jordana just made Aliyah and was inducted into the Israeli Army.

I don't know if you are all aware of the fact that Rabbi Wise is also very musical. On every prayer that I chant, Rabbi Wise harmonizes with me in such a professional and melodic fashion. I once asked him where does this harmonic musical ability come from. His answer was that he learned it from his

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with some of the greatest doctors in the country. Dr. Israel Wechsler at Mount Sinai was one of the few who had seen enough cases of ALS to recognize it. On one hand, he understood the unremitting course of the disease, writing in a 1939 textbook, "The treatment is palliative" (Eig, p. 236). On the other hand, Dr. Wechsler was working on a study that saw Vitamin E injections as a hope for stalling the march of the disease, and saw Gehrig's ability to wiggle his thumb as a hopeful sign (345).

The other physician with whom Gehrig became close was Dr. Paul O'Leary of the Mayo Clinic. They corresponded frequently from the time of diagnosis until Gehrig was unable to write, then type, then dictate letters. Whether Dr. O'Leary was advocating for histamine treatments or the Vitamin E regimen, it seems from their exchange of letters that he did not disclose fully the patient's prognosis. "Gehrig never gave up. Several times, however, when his condition began to slide sharply...he would beg O'Leary to put aside the niceties and tell him the truth... O'Leary, faced with a difficult choice, behaved more as a good friend than as a good doctor. He offered Gehrig hope" (323).

Clearly, attitudes in the medical community are different in 2018 than they were in 1939-40. But while the term "palliative" could be published in a medical textbook in those days, such a strategy does not seem to have been taken in guiding Lou Gehrig through the horrors of the disease that has come to bear his name. To this day, a cure for ALS remains elusive, and the Mayo Clinic's website mentions treatments that "can" slow the progression of symptoms. But I hope that the philosophy of doctors who have written about end-of-life care, such as Atul Gawande (Being Mortal) and Paul Kalanithi (When Breath Becomes Air) enables ALS patients to both feel hope and affirm reality. Friends are in our lives to give us hope. We need medical caregivers who have the talents and character to tell us the truth. If we have such a combination, we are indeed among the luckiest men and women on the face of the earth.

Please join me in expressing ongoing gratitude to those doctors who treat us, both for curative and palliative purposes, with dignity and skill.

With blessings,

Rabbi David Wise



Temple Family

The family of Nat Singer wishes to express great appreciation to the Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center community. As you may be aware, Nat passed away on December 15 at age 104 1/2!!! He was blessed by a long life and the synagogue added profound meaning and structure throughout decades of his life. The degree to which the Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center community and especially the minyan group honored and supported our Dad was truly amazing. And the extent to which the Rabbi and Cantor and entire community embraced us during his recent brief illness and passing provided immeasurable comfort to us. We will always have a special place in our hearts for the Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center community.

Renée and Joel Slutsky Marvin and Karen Singer

Mazal Tov to June and Cantor Sol Zim on the engagement of their grandson, Jonathan Zim to Hillary Langsman

Mazal Toy

Ohr Chadash News

Todah Rabah ICCJ For a Truly Fantastic First Semester and Now Off To Hillcrest Jewish Center

Yes, the Ohr Chadash Religious School First Semester is officially over and we have already begun our Second Semester which is being held at Hillcrest Jewish Center. Before you know it, another Summer will have passed and we will be gracing the halls of Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center where I look forward to meeting all of you. This is a truly a most remarkable arrangement and I feel so Blessed to be working together with three such dedicated Rabbis, totally committed to a unified Ohr Chadash, as well as three dedicated School Boards, with the very same During this time, purpose. when Our People are sometimes not standing together with the unity we need, that is taught in our Torah, what a beautiful example Ohr Chadash is setting for the rest of the world. Yasher Koach to all of you.

As you read this article, Ohr Chadash will have completed our Family Tu B'Shevat Seder in January as we now look forward to our Pre-Purim Family Workshop scheduled for Sunday, February 11th. Please join us for a fun filled session of great Purim Learning, Excitement and Activities. All Are Welcome! And then, please do get ready for our March Family

Sisterhood

We know that the weather has been weird - but spring is truly almost here - and that means a great deal to Sisterhood.

We would love to have your help on Sunday morning February 25th at 10 am in the annex, as we put together a wonderful Israel-motif Purim "basket." You get a bagel and coffee when you come to help. Please just let us know if you can make it, so that we have a bagel for you.

Wednesday evening February 28th we distribute our baskets after Megillah reading - and we can use your help then too.

In the months that follow, we will have our Women's Seder, a specially-themed Sisterhoodsponsored Shabbat, and hopefully the return of the Maine Rebbetzen, who was such a success.

We will also be having our Challah bake again, and look forward to a square-dance evening with Men's Club.

Details to follow. Be ready for meaningful time together, and lots of fun.



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father as his father was a member of a choir for many years.

As you can see, I have tremendous respect, admiration and love of our Rabbi. I want to remind everyone to SAVE THE DATE...Our SIMCHA 2018 **DINNER DANCE** will take place SATURDAY NIGHT. MARCH 10th at 8:00 PM, in our ballroom where we will honor our dear and much loved RABBI DAVID WISE as he celebrates his 13th year Anniversary as our Rabbi, Friend and Teacher. The Dinner Dance is being chaired by Michael Wolkofsky (past President of our congregation). Mazal Tov David! Thank you for your leadership & guidance!

Call the Synagogue office at 718-776-3500 or stop by the shul, to reserve your seats. This will be a beautiful evening filled with love and friendship as we pay tribute to our Rabbi, David Wise. Don't miss this Celebration. It will be a night to remember!

See you in Shul.

Cantorially always, Cantor Sol Zim

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Youth Director <u>News</u>

Dan Bacharach

January was a busy month for us at H2I!

During the first weekend of 2018, we hosted our annual Kadima Chapter Shabbaton, in which our middle schoolers had the opportunity to come together to experience Shabbat and have tons of fun with their friends.

On January 7, StandWithUs visited H2I to work with our USYers, leading a program on "Antisemitism vs Legitimate Criticism," which highlighted Natan Sharansky's famous 3D's: demonization, delegitimization, and double standards. This enabled USYers to decipher between anti-Israel sentiment and legitimate criticisms of Israel. In addition, our USYers learned speaking techniques, such as the ARM method, which can help them defend Israel against these anti -Israel remarks. ARM stands for Address, Reframe, Message. The purpose of this program was to enable USYers to recognize anti-Israel sentiment on their future college campuses and prepare them to respond to any accusations they may face.

The next weekend, we held our annual USY Social Actions Shul-In, in which they spend a night learning about one particular topic related to social actions. This year, our teens decided to focus on selfempowerment and self-esteem, and engaged in a number of meaningful programs on the topic. More details about the program will be included in the March bulletin.

Our regular Sunday evenings included programs like Winter Olympics activities in the gym, murder mysteries, and a challah baking afternoon!

February is always one of our quietest months due to school breaks and the Super Bowl, as we only have Sunday night programming on February 11th. We're currently gearing up for the final third of the year with some more exciting programming for all of our youth, starting with our Purim Carnival on March 4 at Hillcrest JC from 12:30-3 PM!

Rabbi David Wise and Linda & Arthur Liederman receiving the 2017 Solomon Schechter Artisan Award at the USCJ Convention

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



Queens Village Chit Chat 'Bout This & That By Sue Heppenheimer

So far the winter has had its share of ice & snow, But as we all know, there's a lot more to go,

So keep comfortable in warm clothes & shoes,

And soon we'll be singing the summer blues,

Our heartiest birthday wishes go to Ida Roseman, and belatedly to Dr. Alvin Pitkow's mother. Also, to Murray Hochler & Dorothy Perl. Have a healthy & joyful year!

Good luck to the Pitkow's nephews, Robert, who moved to Florida, and to business success to Edwardo Garcio. It is good to see that Socorro & Stefan Giesen are back from their recent trip & hope their upcoming one will be a very good one, too. Congratulations on their granddaughter's 16th birthday.

Please do not forget to send me any news that I can use for upcoming columns. Thank you.

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Judith Lesnik Chesed Committee and Engagement Committee

Coat Drive final notes:

We have been informed by NY Cares that as of January 20th they had already distributed more than 65,000 coats, with many more to go to New Yorkers in need.

If you still have a coat to donate, there are specific places that will accept coats, men's clothing, women's clothing, and children's clothing. Please call Maris at 917-941-8640 to get that information. We will help you get your items to where they belong,

Food Drive final notes:

Our shul ended up donating ten bags and boxes of appropriate food for hungry New Yorkers. On the last day of the drive, we brought them to the local firehouse on Springfield Blvd, and got a terrific "thank you" from the firemen who carried our items inside.

Thank you for your generosity.

The Chesed and Engagement Teams

The Chesed Committee is updating their list of people who are available to drive members to an appointment.

Please, call the office if you are willing to volunteer.

We greatly appreciate your service.

Many thanks, The Chesed Committee

Please visit our Facebook Page at

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





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Model Seder! You are all cordially invited.

If you are wondering why our students are suddenly reading Hebrew so beautifully, I attribute this success to our dedicated Hebrew Teacher, Morah Zahava, and to our new Phonetic Hebrew Decoding Program, or PHD as we call it. Not only are the students reading beautifully but they are greatly enjoying each and every Hebrew Class...We Sometimes Have To Throw Them Out!

Once again, and most importantly, if you know of any families that might be interested in trying us out, please send them my way. You are all great Emissaries and Ambassadors for Ohr Chadash. Please remember that there will always be a very special place for every child, every teen and every family, in Ohr Chadash.

Wishing You All A Freilichah Purim.

Jeffrey Kelman (914-714-1257) (ohrdirector@gmail.com) Ohr Chadash Director Of Education And Youth Engagement











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Nichum Avelim

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

Alvin Deutch, beloved husband of Susan Deutch

Shirley Rosenthal, long time Temple member

Ann Alperin, beloved mother of Marcia Levitt

Natalie Glass, beloved wife of Jerome Glass

Doug Fairtile, beloved husband of Jean Fairtile

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

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In honor of Ethel Zager's 90th birthday Ilene & Gordon Goldman

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In honor of Rhoda & Arnold Kleinstein's 50th Wedding Anniversary June & Cantor Sol Zim

In honor of the engagement of June & Cantor Sol Zim's grandson Jonathan, to Hillary Langsman Mira Clivner

Thank you to Cantor Zim for the significant role you played in Dad's (Nat Singer) and our life over the past years. Thank you for your meaningful words at the funeral and shiva Renee & Joel Slutsky Karen & Marvin Singer

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In honor of Rhoda & Arnold Kleinstein's 50th Wedding Anniversary Janet & Eric Jacobowitz

In honor of the marriage of Michael Seidenfeld & Daniella Schneider Janet & Eric Jacobowitz

In honor of Marc Sternberg's birthday Janet & Eric Jacobowitz

In honor of Linda Liederman being honored at the Sisterhood Torah Fund Brunch Janet & Eric Jacobowitz

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4 Shevat 19 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM World Wide Wrap - 9 AM Men's Club Super Bowl BBQ - 5 PM	5 Shevat 20 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Ritual Meeting – 8 PM		Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed -	Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	7:00 AM Candle Lighting	10 Shevat 25 Mishpatim 9 AM Shabbat Shekalim Mincha 4:50 PM Havdalah 6:09 PM
11 Shevat 26 Minyan Times Ə AM and 7:30 PM	12 Shevat 27 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM		14 Shevat 29 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed - iEngage Israel – 8 PM	15 Shevat 30 Minyan Times 6:30 AM and 7:30 PM Rosh Chodesh Adar Lunch and Learn with Rabbi Wise- 12 PM	Candle Lighting 5:13 PM Mincha - 5:15 PM Rosh Chodesh	17 Adar 2 Terumah 9 AM Mincha 5:00 PM Havdalah 6:17 PN Simcha Shabbat – 9 AM
18 Adar 3 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM	19 Adar 4 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Presidents Day	7 AM and 7:30 PM	8 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed -	6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	Candle Lighting	24 Adar 9 Tetzaveh 9 AM Shabbat Zachor Mincha 5:05 PM Havdalah 6:26 PN
25 Adar 10 Minyan Times Ə AM and 7:30 PM	26 Adar 11 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM		28 Adar 13 Minyan Times 8 AM and 6:30 PM Erev Purim Ta'anit Esther			

Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes Life After Retirement

We Are All Potential Miracle Makers!

Julian Edelman's "miraculous catch that enabled the New England Patriots to complete the greatest comeback in Super -Bowl history to beat the Atlanta Falcons" last year was, indeed, breathtaking! Did you see it on TV last February? I did. It was amazing! It validated the potential excitement and thrills of professional athletics. But more important, it validated several other blockbuster ideas:

1) One person can make a tremendous difference, changing outcomes significantly!

2) Faith, hope, courage and extraordinary effort can produce extraordinary results!

3) Never give up hope. There is a profoundly empowering reason why "Hatikvah" (Hebrew) i.e. "Hope" (English) was chosen to be the national anthem of the soon-to-be-reborn State of Israel at the Zionist Convention in Basel, Switzerland in 1897. Why? Hope transforms the future!

With the Super-Bowl of 2018 so soon upon us (02/04/18) I can only hope that similar scenes of amazement will occur this season to cheer us all up and make our hearts...bold and daring. Whatever the outcome of the big Super-Bowl game this year, my bigger personal prayer is this: May the three ideas listed above be more fully integrated into our own personal lifestyles & more readily applied by us all as we go along our own merry way.

Specifically, I pray that greater appreciation for the value of the individual, for the innate richness of creativity and communal service just waiting to be potentiated within all human beings-in men, women and children-will be fully embraced and more often expressed.

Additionally, I pray that the notion that faith, courage and extraordinary effort can really produce extraordinary results is not just a sweet mantra, but that it is a practical formula for successful, joyous living!

I know that this formula really does work for ordinary folks as they go about living their ordinary lives. The fact is when ordinary folks hold on to their faith, never give up their hope and actually extend themselves through extraordinary effort... they can surprise themselves and their peers with marvelous outcomes: actualized miracles of unexpected achievement. Doctors report that patients don't always die on the operating table! Preachers affirm that faith can move mountains. Courage and hard work can and do win wars!

The little State of Israel with its moving national anthem, *Hatik-vah, i.e Hope,* is compelling evidence that the hostile historians and the biased pundits who predicted that the socalled "*fossil Jewish nation*" can never be resurrected or reborn were, in fact, dead wrong. "*Am Yisrael Chai*" i.e. "The Jewish People Lives!" is not merely a song made famous by our creative chazzan, *Sol Zim;* it is an existential reality!

So, thank you, Julian Edelman (Is he Jewish?)* for showing through your "*miraculous Super -Bowl catch*" that folks should never underestimate what one determined man, woman or child can accomplish!

Every one of us is a potential miracle maker!

Rabbi Dr. Hirsch Joseph Simckes

* Many say "Yes, Edelman is Jewish!" During an NFL network interview he identified himself as Jewish, celebrating Chanukah, etc. He wore an Israeli-American flag pin during the Denver Broncos game (2014), indicating a pro-Jewish stance. Check Google for more info. After all, when you're in love...the whole world is Jewish. And football is for lovers!

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 earning money for the HHBJC now!

Hollis Hills Bayside CSA (food share)



Hollis Hills Bayside CSA 2018 - 7th Season

Together with the Golden Earthworm Organic Farm located in Jamesport, Long Island we will begin our 7th CSA season this spring! We look forward to sharing wonderful veggies with you.

We have grown our membership with people from surrounding neighborhoods and appreciate your help to spread the word about this wonderful community program. Many of you were members in the first year and helped launch the CSA and it would be great to have you back!

For new synagogue members, here is a brief explanation of what a CSA is all about:

CSA (Food Share - Community Supported Agriculture) is a mutually beneficial partnership where urban consumers receive fresh nutritious vegetables while helping to sustain the livelihoods and stewardship of regional farmers. In a CSA arrangement the farmer pre-sells "shares" of his or her farm's upcoming harvest to individuals, families, and institutions. Our farmers are Matt and Maggie from the Golden Earthworm Organic Farm located in Jamesport, Long Island www.goldenearthworm.com

As a CSA member, you are required to do some type of volunteer work. This is a community effort and everyone participates in some job if they buy a share. Jobs include: working a shift at the distribution site; helping with public relations; computer work; shift coordinator, etc. Working your volunteer shift is a great way to meet other members and to be an active part of the program's success.

The Core Group is looking to add new members and if you are interested in joining our team, please let us know!

Reasons to join a CSA:

• Help provide financial security to local organic farmers

• Get to know and trust your food source

• Get maximum value and optimal freshness for your produce

- Enjoy the challenge of using fresh organic produce each week
- Explore unfamiliar produce that you may not otherwise try
- Participate in cooking demos
- Catch up and exchange recipes with friends and neighbors

• Learn more about food sustainability

• Support the food security of needy elders with unclaimed food donations

• Connect with members who care about food justice and the environment

All this and more!

Some Important Facts:

• Cost for the program\$555 (to be finalized)

• Each week you get a box of assorted organic vegetables

• Program runs for approximately 25 weeks

• Fruit share is available from Briermere Farm

www.briermerefarm.com

- Season starts May 24 and finishes November 15
- Delivery day is Thursday

• Pick up location HHBJC Annex

• Pick up time 5:00 -7:30 pm

• Members are required to volunteer 4-5 hours

- You can split your share with another member
- Meet the Farmer meeting in March (date to be announced)

• We have a Facebook page that you can "Like"

• We are registered with Local Harvest and people search us on the internet

- We get weekly emails with share contents
- If you are unable to pick up your share you can donate

Please spread the word about our CSA to your friends and neighbors so they are not left out. Being a member of our CSA is more than just about having a place to pick up food ... it is about creating a healthy life style, meeting new people and sharing a wonderful experience together!

For more information, please contact:

Naomi Horowitz: nhorowitzq@aol.com Pat Robison: ptrobison@aol.com We look forward to enjoying the CSA with you! The Hollis Hills Bayside Core Group

(Donations cont. from page 10)

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In memory of Ann Alperin Vicky & Michael Wolkofsky

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In memory of Rita Sklar Joanne Misher

MEANINGFUL GESTURES

D a t e l i n e p r i n t s "acknowledgements" for not only the recording of social and personal events, but also as a recording of acts of Tzedaka (Charity) and Chesed (Kindness). Please note your tribute will be made public in Dateline for a <u>minimum contribu-</u> tion of \$20. Also the cost of the Etz Hayim Chumash is \$65 and the Sim Shalom Siddur is \$36. We need your help with our daily Minyan.

Please join us mornings or evenings!

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

Tuesday 7:00am & 7:30pm

Wednesday 8:00am & 7:30pm

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.

February Birthdays

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Frank Stumer	2/2
Marion Sternberg	2/8
Robyn Rosenberg	2/10
Zigmund Stern	2/10
Martin Goldstein	2/14
Maurice Goller	2/15
Gordon Goldman	2/16
Dr. Martin Valins	2/17
Jerome Glass	2/22
Michelle Zitofsky	2/22
Ira Daly	2/24
Dr. Abraham Shulman	2/24
David Adar	2/25
Esta Newman	2/26
Robert Sparrow	2/26
Suzanne Heilweil	2/27
Jeanette Dicker	2/27
Michael Trager	2/28

February Anniversaries

Lillian & Murray Garbowitz 2/7 Adrienne & Jan Glaubiger 2/28

> CupK° Kosher Supervision

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.

ALL THE BEST 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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USY-Students in grades 9-12-Meeting Sunday, 7:30-9:00 PM Thursday Recreation Hour, 7:30-8:30 PM

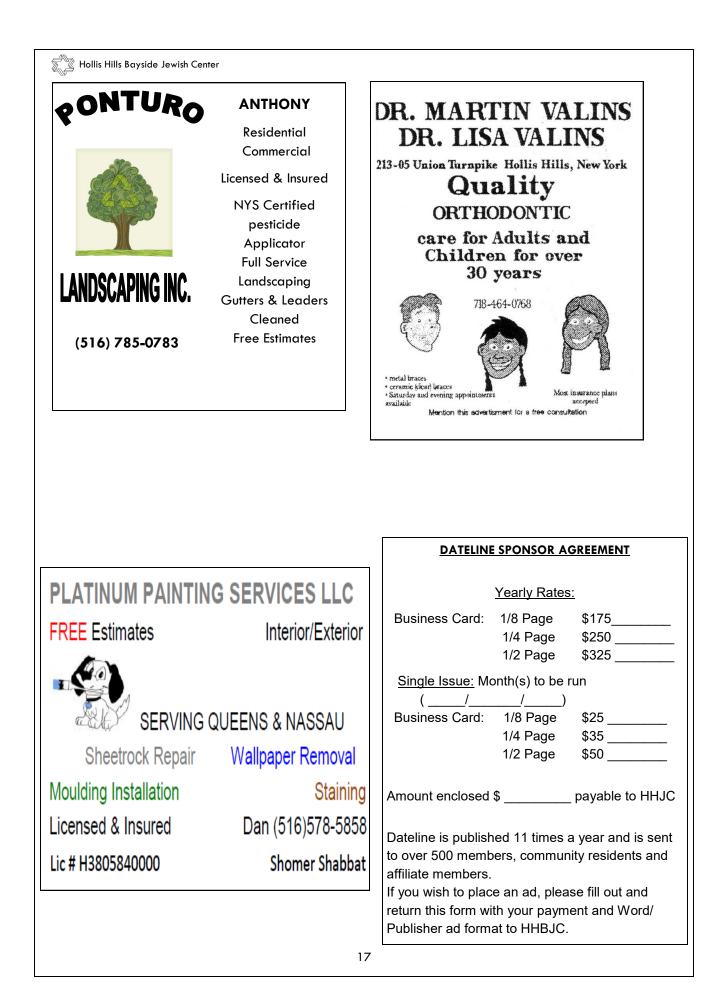
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