Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center



Dateline

Shevat - Adar 5780

February 2020

February at HHBJC

February 1
Junior Congregation

February 2 Men's Club World Wide Wrap

February 2 Men's Club Super Bowl BBQ

February 3, 10, 17, 24
Adult Ed with Rabbi Wise Beyond Dispute: Debates That
Shape Jewish Life

February 4
Sisterhood Planning Meeting

February 5
Adult Ed with Cantor Zim Learn to Daven

February 6, 13, 20 Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Wise

February 7 & 8
Scholar in Residence
Weekend - Tal Schneider

February 8 Simcha Shabbat

February 9
PJ Family Connections
Tu B'Shevat Celebration

February 9 Mah Jongg Club

February 9 Tu B'Shevat Seder

February 18
PJ Family Connections
Playdate

February 28
Shabbat Across America

HHBJC MEN'S CLUB 20TH ANNUAL

WORLD WIDE WRAP

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 9 AM SHARP IN THE WHITE CHAPEL

Eat a bagel at the breakfast celebration

HHBJC MEN'S CLUB EIGHTH ANNUAL

SUPERBOWL LIV (54)
TAILGATE PARTY



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

5 PM BBQ
6 PM GAME COVERAGE
STARTS
6:30 PM KICKOFF

\$20 pp HHBJC Men's Clun members & family \$30 pp HHBJC members \$36 pp all others



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From the Desk of Rabbi David Wise Lioness



When I moved to New York in 1991, I went with friends to the famous Je-

rusalem II Pizza in midtown. Judy was sure to point out to me that we were walking through Golda Meir Square near Broadway and 39th. Fastforward nearly 30 years, when Judy recently met an Israeli friend and showed her the same sculpture. Her friend placed her hand on Golda's head and said, "Everyone in Israel hates you."

The gap in attitudes toward Israel's third prime minister, and one of the most influential women in modern political history, is striking. This is major theme in Francine Klagsbrun's enormous biography called Lioness: Golda Meir and the Nation of Israel. In this month's issue of The Rabbi's Nightstand, I want to recommend Lioness as a comprehensive and thorough study of any of Israel's founders I've yet seen.

For most 20th-century English-speaking Jews, Golda stands out because she spoke their language—literally. And her story resonated with so many Ashkenazi immigrants to Amer-

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Shabbat Schedule



Saturday, February 1, 2020

 Bo
 9:00 AM

 Mincha
 4:40 PM

 Havdalah
 5:57 PM

Friday, February 7, 2020

Candle Lighting 5:02 PM Mincha 5:05 PM

Saturday, February 8, 2020

Beshalach 9:00 AM Mincha 4:45 PM Havdalah 6:06 PM

Friday, February 14, 2020

Candle Lighting 5:10 PM Mincha 5:10 PM

Saturday, February 15, 2020

Yitro 9:00 AM Mincha 4:55 PM Havdalah 6:14 PM

Friday, February 21, 2020

Candle Lighting 5:20 PM Mincha 5:18 PM

Saturday, February 22, 2020

Mishpatim 9:00 AM

Shabbat Shekalim

Mincha 5:05 PM Havdalah 6:23 PM

Friday, February 28, 2020

Candle Lighting 5:27 PM Mincha 5:30 PM

Saturday, February 29, 2020

Terumah 9:00 AM Mincha 5:15 PM Havdalah 6:31 PM

Junior Congregation

February 1 March 7 April 4 May 16

All Services begin at 10:30 AM and are followed by Kiddush

Services led by Erin Seidman

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

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.

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Notices

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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 Marty Kevelson and Malka Lesnik Belgrod.



Cantor Sol Zim

Our Cantor's Voice

A Jewish Family in the Bahamas

Let me share a story with you about a Jewish family that was highlighted in the AEPi website recently. As many of you probably know, AEPi (Alpha Epsilon Pi) is the Jewish College Fraternity that operates chapters at more than 175 college campuses in seven countries. As noted in the home page of their website, The Fraternity's mission... "Developing the future leaders of the Jewish communities... is demonstrated every day through acts of brotherhood, Tzedakah, social awareness and support for Jewish communities and Israel".

June recently received a face-book message from our grandson, Jared (who is currently attending Law School in Miami). Jared was a member of AEPi and thought June might be interested in this article (FridayPiday which posted January 17, 2020) about a Jewish family that found their way from Poland to the Bahamas back in the late 1920s. Jared often sends June articles and postings that he thinks she would appreciate.

As June starts to read, the article begins by introducing the Hoffer family, explaining that they are "tucked away in Nassau, Bahamas, being a beacon of their small Jewish community

for four generations". The article goes on to describe how this family has become a household name among Bahamians, due to their sportswear and fashion business (Hoffer Sport). Norman Hoffer (in the article referred to as "Brother Norman Hoffer" since he is now an honorary brother of AEPi) and his brothers have run the family business and have taken full responsibility since the recent passing of their father and Patriarch of the family, Harold Hoffer, late last year. In the article, Norman Hoffer describes his father as having been an "inclusive and respectful man" which was unusual at the time due to segregation and discrimination. Norman remembers that his father was known in the Bahamas for being kind and welcoming to all, no matter what racial divides/separations society was influencing. The article explains that Harold Hoffer was a refugee who came to the Bahamas with his mother, Sylvia (nee BOTT), and his sister Peggy, on a freighter from France in 1928. Sylvia's brothers, Rubin and Jack Bott, had arrived in Nassau several years prior. As the Bahamas was a British Colony at the time, it seems it was easier to get off a boat and stay there. Harold grew up without a father since his father, Abraham Hoffer, who had emigrated to the Bahamas with the family, went back to Europe and perished by the hands of the Nazis. Harold was proud of his Jewish heritage at a time when antisemitism was

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ica: born in Kiev, settling in Milwaukee, active in Zionist youth movements. But as a young, married woman, she became a pioneer, leaving behind the comforts of America, making Aliyah and becoming a kibbutznik. She was the mover and shaker that inspired a group to go to British Mandate Palestine together. Klagsbrun summarizes that stage of Golda's organizing talents with a story: when interviewed for an essay about leadership, Golda was asked to explain her rise to power. "I don't know anything about leadership," Golda replied, typically eschewing theoretical talk. "I can only tell you that I was going to the theater one evening and got on an elevator. Nobody in the elevator bothered to move. So I pressed the button. That's all I can say about leadership."

Klagsburn summarizes: "Golda had pressed the button for her group and herself, and they were on the move" (p.80).

Lioness takes the reader through every stage of Golda's political career—her rise through the Histadrut and the Labor Party, her efforts to keep the party together, her time as foreign minister, her fundraising magic in America to finance the War of Independence, and her eventual rise to Prime Minister in 1969. At the time she took that office, her popularity was at 90% in Israel. Of course, her failure to preempt the Yom Kippur War eventually led to her resignation. Israelis continue to

blame her for that war, though Klagsbrun argues that Golda knew in her gut that war was imminent, but didn't feel she could overrule her generals, most notably Moshe Dayan (p. 615). There was also a diplomatic option with Egypt before they attacked, and many Israelis blame her for not being more willing to make a deal with Anwar Sadat. Here, too, Klagsbrun gives Golda the benefit of the doubt: "Had [Sadat] responded to her feelers earlier, she would have been prepared to make serious concessions. That he didn't led to the greatest tragedy of her life" (689).

Golda was also out of touch with the legitimate grievances of Jews of Arab lands about social inequalities in Labordominated Israel. In meetings with early group of an Sephardic activists, she fixated on the name they had chosen: The Black Panthers. She referred to them as "boys" and "not nice," which as Klagsbrun writes "symbolized the condescension and lack of respect they attributed to Ashkenazim in general and the prime minster in particular" (555). This "maternalistic" attitude was part of the reason for the fall of Labor in the 1977 elections.

As Judy's friend made clear, Golda Meir's leadership will not soon be appreciated by most Israelis. Perhaps it takes an American writer to shed light on what was a long and influential career in Israeli politics that had

plenty of accomplishments to balance the failures. As American and Israeli Jews continue to seek a common language for a sustainable relationship, we should make Golda a test case for our ability to hear each other's narratives.

Bivrakhah—in blessing, Rabbi David Wise

Temple Family

We would like to thank Rabbi Wise, Cantor Zim, and the whole community for their love and support during our recent time of sorrow.

Jaye, Ben, Rebecca & Sarah Solomowitz



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<u>Danny's Drive In Cleaners:</u> 190-05 Union Turnpike

<u>Fairway Supermarket:</u> 242-02 61st Avenue, Douglaston



Sisterhood

A NOTE FROM YOUR SISTERHOOD

Winter weather may be unpredictable, but your Sisterhood is not!

We know that our Purim Project will be here soon. We know that we want the Maine Rebbetzin back to entertain us all again. We know that we want to join our Marathon Jewish Center sisters at their terrific Women's Seder. We know that we are considering a wine and painting program, and a Fun With Chocolate afternoon for families. We even know that we would like to share an event with Men's Club, maybe including dancing....and that's not all.

We know that we care about each other!!

Thank you for being part of our active sisterhood!!

HHBJC - Sisterhood Gift Shop



For all your Judaica needs!



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!

A Note from the Green Team

Do you have any buttons sitting around that you hate to just throw out?

The NYC Dept. of Cultural Affairs has announced that they are collecting buttons to distribute to not-for-profits for art projects. If you have some buttons to donate for a good cause, please just bring them to the shul and put them into one of the little white plastic bins where we already collect old glasses, aluminum can tabs, and little shampoos and soaps. We will get them where they need to go.

If you need them picked up, please call 917-941-8640, and we will come get them.

Thank you for always caring!

MEANINGFUL GESTURES

Dateline prints "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 minimum contribution of \$20. Also the cost of the Etz Havim Chumash is \$65 and the Sim Shalom Siddur is \$36.

Ohr Chadash News

Hebrew school has begun for 2020, taking place at Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center, 210-10 Union Turnpike. We will remain at Hollis Hills for the duration of the school year.

We had the opportunity during the first week to learn from our guest rabbi, Rabbi David Wise. He inspired the children by sharing with them about an important march which he was planning on going to on that day. The march, which had over 20,000 participants, he explained, was to show our unity as Jews and to actively demonstrate that the most recent acts of antisemitism are not acceptable and will not be tolerated.

The children have begun a unit on Shabbat in Morah Riki's and Morah Chava's classes and they will continue to learn more about the beauty of the Shabbat in the upcoming weeks. The older grades are currently learning about the history of the Jewish people during the time of the Holocaust. As part of this lesson, the students will be going to the Museum of Jewish Heritage to see the Auschwitz Exhibit on Sunday, March 1st. Flyers for this field trip have been distributed to the children.

Rabbi Dr. Boaz Tomsky





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

Since the Holiday Season has come & gone,

Many good wishes were requested & won,

Now we hope the rest of the winter will be kind,

Our wishes will be granted, one at a time,

So, keep your health & wishes strong,

And we can all hope to go where we belong.

We want to wish a Happy Birthday to Dorothy Perl & Murray Hochler, as well as all the best to June Pitkow's sister, Lisa Garay. Celebrate the day in style & enjoy it to the fullest.

We extend our condolences to Ronnie Gersten on the loss of her dear brother. May he RIP.

I want to wish my granddaughter, Allison Gray, all the very best on her move from New York to Georgia. Good luck on her new project.

All the best to our congregants, please let me know any news that we can share.

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.

JUDITH LESNIK CHESED COMMITTEE

Hello Synagogue Members,

To start, I hope you were able to attend the Lunch and Learn after Shabbat services on January 18th with Dr. Greg Storch regarding flu and infectious disease. It was chock full of important information. Thank you, Linda Liederman for hosting the event.

The Chesed Committee would like to extend our deepest condolences to Tony, our wonderful synagogue caretaker, lunch maker and all around good guy on the loss of his father, Emanuel Crooks. If you are interested, donations can be made to the HHBJC Chesed Fund, MAZON - A Jewish Response to Hunger https://mazon.org/, and OF QUEENS -MASBIH

https://www.masbiagueens.org/ as per Tony's request.

Finally, Linda Liederman and myself have been asked to speak at the BQLI Region Helen Cytryn Study Day at South Huntington Jewish Center on Wednesday, April 29th. This is directly related to Torah Fund whose theme this year is Chesed. We are honored to take part in this event.

Be well.

Laura Brodsky

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



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on the rise. The Hoffers/Botts were one of the first Jewish families to settle in the Bahamas (if not the first). They started a business and became successful. As the article reads: Harold Hoffer was the main supporter of keeping Jewish presence alive in Nassau, Bahamas. He was the founding member and president of the first Jewish Congregation in the Bahamas, the Nassau Hebrew Congregation and gave them a storefront and funded it for many years. Jewish tradition and supporting the Jewish community was extremely important to the Hoffers/Botts. As time moved on, a matchmaker (Shadchan) arranged Harold's marriage to Norman's mother, who had been from Chicago. Norman and his siblings were sent to Miami when he was nine years old so that they could experience the American lifestyle. The article explains that they used to go back to the Bahamas when they had some time off from school or it was a Jewish holiday. Norman graduated college and tried to start a business in S. Florida but it was difficult so Norman and his brothers returned to the Bahamas and turned their father's "old fashioned general store" into a sporting goods store". They are a family that truly supports the Jewish community in the Bahamas and is there for the Bahamian community as a whole.

Norman Hoffer has two sons, Aaron and Carl. As the article speaks about, Norman recalls that when his son Aaron started attending University, he suggested that he find a Jewish Fraternity, realizing that growing up Jewish in the Bahamas was obviously difficult as there is not a lot of exposure to Judaism. Aaron ended up joining and loving AEPi and now works for the Fraternity.

To be honest, I am not sure if this article is a tribute to the Hoffer/Bott family, as a family who left Europe and settled in a foreign land with virtually no Jewish community to support them at the time OR if the article is a tribute to AEPi as a very special place for college students and others to be part of the Jewish community and be surrounded by Jewish brotherhood and support for Jewish communities.

Here's the most ironic part...

this article that Jared sent to

June is actually about MY

FAMILY. Sylvia Bott (Harold

Hoffer's mother) was my FIRST

AUNT (my MOTHER IDA'S

SISTER). Harold Hoffer was my

FIRST COUSIN and Norman

Hoffer is my SECOND

COUSIN.

My mother, Ida Bott, married my father, Samuel Zimelman, and they decided to stay in Poland until they had to escape in 1939. By that time, they could not get in to the U.S. so they went to Montreal. But, many of my mother's siblings (she was one of 7), Sylvia Bott, Rubin Bott & Jack Bott, had left Po-

land for the Bahamas much sooner, as the article explains...

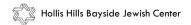
What makes me so proud is that my mother's family (Bott/ Hoffer), who left Europe and settled in the Bahamas without having a Jewish Community to welcome them, built their own Jewish Community, helped to build a shul and has been an integral part of the Bahamian Jewish community for generations. I am also so very proud that my family in the Bahamas is kind, generous and always inclusive of other cultures & backgrounds, no matter what negative influences are coming from their surroundings.

The Jewish People are strong, determined & brave! As did the Bott & Hoffer families, throughout history, our people have had to leave their homes and countries, travel to a foreign land to escape persecution and start fresh. We as a people work together and build Jewish Communities & Synagogues. Not only do we survive but we thrive! The love of Jewish Community, Tradition, Education & Culture is at the root of our souls. I am proud of my family and I am proud of all of our people who have had to rebuild in a new land and have done so with pride, dignity & respect.

Stay safe, Stay Vigilant and Stay Connected with Community!

See you in Shul.

Cantorially always, Cantor Sol Zim



Remember Our Synagogue Operating Funds

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Harold J. Ross Memorial
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Nichum Avelim

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

Emanuel Crooks, beloved father of Tony Crooks

Todd Cohen, beloved son of Joan & Jack Cohen

Norman Gastman, beloved husband of Rosalie Gastman

Larry Diker, beloved brother of William Diker

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

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Newton Teitel
Rosette Teitel

In memory of Seymour Rosman Vicki & Joel Blumenfeld

Wishing Refuah Shelemah to Sheldon Flatow

Natalie Winter

In memory of Abraham Bimblich

Dolores Goldowski

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Irene & Michael Borman
Vicki & Joel Blumenfeld
Natalie Winter

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In memory of Lillian Sackett
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Wishing Refuah Shelemah to Sam Oko Beate Axelrad Harriet & Bernd Bildstein

In memory of Frida Levy
Mira Clivner

In memory of Ezra Miles Hadassah Miles

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In memory of Todd Cohen
Vicki & Joel Blumenfeld
Rosalie & Stephen Roseman
Barry M. Lasner
Jerry Sandell
Harriet & Bernd Bildstein
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In memory of Lester Greenspan Geri & Steve Jurysta

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In memory of Dr. Lester Jacob Greenberg

Avian Susan Greenberg

In memory of Stanley
Rosenberg
Robyn & Marc Rosenb

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*In memory of Harvey Jacobs*Fredric Jacobs

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In memory of Helene Zaro Stephanie Zaro

*In memory of Bessie Teichler*Janice Temple

*In memory of Henry Heymann*Shirley Heymann

In memory of Alexander
Jacobson
Arline & William Jacobson

In memory of Norman Goldberg Leslie Wapnitsky

In memory of Albert Wershaw Felice & Ira Margulis

In memory of Rachel Goldring
Arlene & Abraham Shulman

In memory of A. Irwin Miller Lynne & Marvin Sklamberg

In memory of Ida Rosenberg
Eleanor & Joseph Rosenberg

In memory of Alexander
Joshua Singer
Marilyn Singer & Alan Geltman

In memory of Lillian Hallerman Frances Roberts

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In memory of Bernard
Krumerman
In memory of Samuel Breskin
In memory of Abraham Breskin
Rita & Martin Krumerman

In memory of Mahel Cohen Rose Solasz

In memory of Larry Diker Vicki & Joel Blumenfeld

In memory of Norman Gastman Vicki & Joel Blumenfeld

Rabbi's Fund

Thank you to Rabbi Wise for everything you have done for and still do for our family Harriet & Eugene Sanders

In honor of the birth of Mira Clivner's first great grandson Diane Gottlieb

In memory of Todd Cohen Charlotte & David Karsch The Sackett Family

In honor of Joel Blumenfeld
Danielle Kaufmann

Judith Lesnik Chesed Fund

In memory of Judith Rosen
Flo & Bob Gropper
Sheldon Flatow
Carol & Joel Lieber
Harriet & Bernd Bildstein
Jeannette, Ira, Ariel & Melissa
Goller

In memory of Phyllis Met In memory of Marcia Met In memory of Leon Met Carol & Joel Lieber

In memory of Emanuel Crooks
Carol & Joel Lieber
Ilene & Gordon Goldman
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Charlotte & David Karsch Laura & Martin Brodsky Rebecca & Paul Reich Rosette Teitel Jo Beth & Robert Greenbaum Natalie Winter The Lesnik & Belgrod Families Sheldon Flatow Carol & Paul Hendelman The Sackett Family Jaye, Ben, Rebecca & Sarah Solomowitz Adrienne & Jan Glaubiger Beate Axelrad Marilyn & Stanley Seidenfeld Marilyn & Alan Geltman Lisa Rudolf Ida & Daniel Weisser A. Susan Greenberg Lynne & Marvin Sklamberg

In honor of the marriage of Linda & Arthur Liederman's son Ethan to Rebecca Judy & David Glasel

Wishing Refuah Shelemah to Irene Borman Judy & David Glasel

Wishing Robyn Rosenberg continued good health.
L'Chaim!
Judy & David Glasel

In memory of Todd Cohen
Flo & Bob Gropper
Carol & Joel Lieber
Laura & Martin Brodsky
Judy & David Glasel
Sheldon Flatow
Jaye & Ben Solomowitz
Lisa Rudolf

In memory of Timothy Berens
Muriel Reich

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Wishing Refuah Shelemah to Issie Farber Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

Wishing Refuah Shelemah to Esta Newman

Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

Wishing Refuah Shelemah to Jack Cohen

Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

In memory of Judith Rosen Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

Wishing Refuah Shelemah to Rabbi Miles Cohen Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

In memory of Emanuel Crooks
Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil
Rosalie & Stephen Roseman

In memory of Todd Cohen Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

In honor Joel Blumenfeld's 75th Birthday

Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

In memory of Norman Gastman Susanne & Nathan Heilweil

In memory of Larry Diker
Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

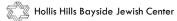
Prayerbook Fund

In memory of Our Beloved
Parents Shirley and Lawrence
Ann Rosenthal
Andrew Rosenthal



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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	: - Adar 578	Fri	Sat
						1 Shevat 6 Bo 9 AM Mincha 4:40 PM Havdalah 5:57 PM Junior Congregation - 10:30 AM
2 Shevat 7 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Men's Club World Nide Wrap - 9 AM Men's Club Superbowl BBQ - 5	3 Shevat 8 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed with Rabbi Wise – Beyond Dispute: Debates That Shape Jewish Life - 8 PM	7 AM & 7:30 PM Sisterhood	5 Shevat 10 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed with Cantor Wise - Learn to Daven – 8 PM	6 Shevat 11 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Wise – 12 PM	Morning Services	8 Shevat 13 Beshalach 9 AM Mincha 4:45 PM Havdalah 6:06 PM Simcha Shabbat - 9 AM Scholar in Residence Weekend – Tal Schneider
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News

Jennifer Gold

Dear Congregants,

This month, H2I members will be busy with fun programs such as laser tag and chatting with our wonderful Rabbis for a little Sunday and Schmooze! We also have many of our members going to METNY regional events including Sababa Kinnus! February is a short month for us but we are looking forward to the next few months as we plan and participate in fun and meaningful programs.

Please take a look at our February programs below!

CHALUTZIM:

Sun., February 9: Sundays and Schmooze/Ask the Rabbi – 6:15-7:30 PM at Israel Center of Con**servative Judaism-** Enjoy some ice cream sundaes as we converse with our Rabbis about anything and everything Judaism!

KADIMA:

Sun., February 2: Laser Tag – 6:15
-7:30 PM at Israel Center of Conservative Judaism - Put on your laser pack and join us to help defend your honor in a rousing game of Laser Tag!

Sun., February 9: Sundays and Schmooze/Ask the Rabbi – 6:15-7:30 PM at Israel Center of Conservative Judaism- Enjoy some ice cream sundaes as we converse with our Rabbis about anything and everything Judaism!

Sun., February 16: NO MEETING-February Break|

Sun., February 23: NO MEETING-February Break

Friday, February 28 to Saturday, March 1 - METNY KADIMA KIN-NUS (Grades 5-7) - Details to Follow

USY:

Sun., February 2: Laser Tag – 7:30 -9:00 PM at Israel Center of Conservative Judaism - Put on your laser pack and join us to help defend your honor in a rousing game of Laser Tag!

Friday, February 7 to Sunday, February 9 - METNY SABABA KIN-NUS @ Hillcrest Jewish Center Details to Follow

Sun., February 9: NO MEETING -

METNY Sababa Kinnus Sun., February 16: NO MEETING –

February Break
Sun., February 23: NO MEETING –
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If any questions arise, please feel free to reach out at any time at my email

H2IYouth@H2Iyouthgroup.org

Thank you, Jen Gold



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 2/9/20, 3/8/20, 4/19/20, 5/17/20, 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



Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes Life After Retirement

Religious Tolerance and the Jewish Tradition

As December fades into January, the echoes of Irving Berlin's memorable hit song, "White Christmas" still charms the heart and warms the spirit of countless souls world wide, according to the Guinness Book of Records, this entrancing tribute to human love, peace and universal joy, whose music and lyrics were written by a fantabulously creative Jewish song writer of immigrant European roots is the most listened to disc ever recorded in history. Over 40 million were purchased world wide.

Is it merely an accident that a Jew created this tender master-piece laced in grace, affording folks of all faiths and creeds a heartwarming mazal tov to the Christian religion- and-culture's contribution to humanity, particularly when our planet was ravaged by a world war that drenched the earth with the blood of six million innocent slaughtered Jews!?

Indeed, why wasn't this music contexted with eight Chanukah candles in the background, reflecting the light of Jewish courage and commitment to universal freedom of faith and human historical brutal indignity? Ironically, the musical genius who wrote this celestial musical tale of human love in Vermont has a surname of *Berlin*, the cursed capital of history's most brutal,

cruel, massive murderous state of antisemites ever recorded!

The fact is, Jewish biblical tradition proclaims the expression of love, compassion and tenderness is not a Jewish virtue, singularly based on Jewish racial qualities but rather a universal human capacity for shared sanctity.

Remember the biblical story of Jonah in the Whale? Who is identified in that tale of a Hebrew prophet running away from g-d begging to be thrown into the waves as voicing compassion and rescue? None other than pagan sailors not of the Israelite faith! Why so? To teach that all men of various and differing religious ideologies have the capacity for love, kindness and tenderness!

Irving Berlin was echoing that biblical tradition of respect for the presence of glorious character in all men and women regardless of color or creed.

That's what Mattathias taught his sons and that is what they were prepared to give their lives for in the hills of Judea long ago. That spirit has inspired creative individuals of all faiths to chant in various languages the message; "alleh mentschen zeinen breuder!- all men are brothers!"

Irving Berlin captured it and Bing Crosby set it free. We can sing it happily in January 2020 without fear that we are compromising our specific abiding

faith in Judaism. In fact, we are confirming it!

Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes

February Birthdays

Frank Stumer	2/2
Shirley Zetoony	2/3
Marion Sternberg	2/8
Robyn Rosenberg	2/10
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
Eric Jacobowitz	2/26
Esta Newman	2/26
Jeanette Dicker	2/27
Suzanne Heilweil	2/27
Michael Trager	2/28

February Anniversaries

Adrienne & Jan Glaubiger 2/28

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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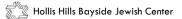
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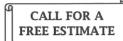


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