

## Dateline: Hollis Hills

Sivan - Av 5776

July-August 2016

EFFECTIVE SATURDAY, JULY 2nd SHABBAT SERVICES WILL BE HELD IN THE MENCHEL SOCIAL HALL FOR THE SUMMER

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#### This Summer at HHJC

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August 13 Erev Tish'a B'Av

> August 14 Tish'a B'Av

August 24
August Sisterhood Planning
Meeting

Upcoming in September

September 8
First Day of Nursery School

September 10 Grandparents Shabbat

> September 17 Simcha Shabbat

September 18 Sisterhood Paid Up Membership Brunch



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#### **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

#### **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

# From the Desk of Rabbi David Wise Religion Demands Joy. Not Rage



This month's column is based on Rabbi Wise's June 18<sup>th</sup> dvar

Torah.

The week after Shavuot, I really didn't feel well. By the end of the week, my discomfort had bloomed into a full-blown cold and fever. In truth, I think I was already suffering from another ailment. You see, after three days over Shabbat and Yom Tov when I was unable to access news and social media. my knowledge about the mass shooting at Pulse in Orlando was minimal. Once I was able to reconnect and read, what I encountered made me feel awful, because religion as a whole had been deeply wounded.

That whole week was a very bad one for religion. It began, of course, with Omar Mateen's murderous rampage, apparently in the name of his Muslim faith against LGBTQ people who were just out having a fun evening of dancing. The week continued with a provocative move by Shlomo Amar, one of the chief rabbis of Jerusalem, in setting up a *mehitzah* (barrier) and establishing an Orthodox prayer service at the

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#### **Shabbat Schedule**



Friday, July 1, 2016

Candle Lighting 8:12 PM Mincha 7:00 PM

Saturday, July 2, 2016

Sh'lach 9:00 AM Mincha 8:00 PM Havdalah 9:14 PM

Friday, July 8, 2016

Candle Lighting 8:10 PM Mincha 7:00 PM

Saturday, July 9, 2016

Korach 9:00 AM Mincha 8:00 PM Havdalah 9:12 PM

Friday, July 15, 2016

Candle Lighting 8:06 PM Mincha 7:00 PM

Saturday, July 16, 2016

Chukat 9:00 AM Mincha 7:55 PM Havdalah 9:08 PM

Friday, July 22, 2016

Candle Lighting 8:01 PM Mincha 7:00 PM

Saturday, July 23, 2016

Balak 9:00 AM Mincha 7:50 PM Havdalah 9:03 PM

Friday, July 29, 2016

Candle Lighting 7:54 PM Mincha 7:00 PM

Saturday, July 30, 2016

Pinchas 9:00 AM Mincha 7:40 PM Havdalah 8:56 PM Friday, August 5, 2016

Candle Lighting 7:46 PM Mincha 7:00 PM

Saturday, August 6, 2016

Matot-Masei 9:00 AM Mincha 7:30 PM Havdalah 8:48 PM

Friday, August 12, 2016

Candle Lighting 7:37 PM Mincha 7:00 PM

Saturday, August 13, 2016

Devarim 9:00 AM

Shabbat Chazon Erev Tisha B'Av

Mincha 7:30 PM Havdalah 8:39 PM

Friday, August 19, 2016

Candle Lighting 7:27 PM Mincha 7:00 PM

Saturday, August 20, 2016

Vaetchanan 9:00 AM

Shabbat Nachamu

Mincha 7:15 PM Havdalah 8:29 PM

Friday, August 26, 2016

Candle Lighting 7:17 PM Mincha 7:00 PM

Saturday, August 27, 2016

Eikev 9:00 AM Mincha 7:05 PM Havdalah 8:18 PM

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#### **Notices**

Do you receive emails from HHJC including Rabbi Wise's weekly Shabbat notes? Contact the office to subscribe or subscribe on the homepage at www.hollishillsjc.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 Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes and Marty Kevelson.



Cantor Sol Zim

**Our Precious &** Courageous **HHJC Family** J J On the 1st day of Shavuot those of us who were in shul had the opportunity to witness our pre-

**Our Cantor's** 

Voice

cious nursery school children on our Bima. Under the very talented direction of Robyn Rosenberg and some of her very capable teachers... Morah Irene, Morah Jaye, Morah Pazit & Morah Fiona...the children, ages 1½ to about 4 years old, gave us such hope, warmth and they truly exemplify why we all come to shul and why we work so hard to keep our Jewish tradition alive. As small and adorable as they are today, that is how grand and wise they will be years from now as they embark on their careers and as they build families of their own. Some day they will begin leading their own Jewish communities. Yes...they are our "future leaders" and we count on them to bring us from one generation to the next. It is because their parents see the importance of bringing them to Temple and to our Nursery School so we can help develop their skills in Judaic tradition & culture. We at HHJC are a congregation filled with spirituality and warmth...all of this helps to have a profound and lasting impact on these beautiful children. They will always remember the times they stood up on the Bima, after

singing songs, and Rabbi Wise reading the Ten Commandments that the children had written...with great big smiles on their faces and the congregation smiling & gleaming back at them. When I got home from shul after experiencing the joy from our precious kids, I could not stop telling June about the adorable things they said and how incredibly delightful they are. They had a sincere impact on me. Yasher Koach to all the parents. You are the reason why Jewish tradition will survive!

Our Tikkun Leil Shavuot was truly a night of learning. It was led by various people...Rabbi Wise, Ben Solomowitz, Gordon Goldman, Rabbi Pamela Barmash & myself. We explored and examined many various ideas and subject matters related to Jewish learning & Torah. We went until about 2 AM, fulfilling this beautiful custom & mitzvah. It was way past our bedtimes but we all learned so much & bonded together in study.

I also would like to share with you my feelings of pride and nostalgia as I read the article in the "New York Post" about our very own Sam Solasz, who for many years served on our Board of Directors & was honored with his wife Rose, as Couple Of The Year at our annual Dinner Dance Celebration years back. You may recall that one of his sons, Mark Solasz, was recently honored with the Frank Strassfeld Annual Award for Continuing Education at our



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area designated for egalitarian worship toward the southern end of the *Kotel*. When, later in the week, a group of 500 non-Orthodox worshippers gathered at the *Kotel plaza*—far away from the traditional prayer space at the Wall—to conduct a mixed service, they were met with physical and verbal abuse from their fellow Jews.

While not comparing the gravity of these acts, I want to note that they were generated by a common cause: religion as an expression of rage, exclusion, and intolerance. I believe that anger and its results are in fact the antithesis of religion. This week, religion was wounded, and as someone who lives a religious lifestyle and has chosen a career path of encouraging others to do the same, I felt those wounds physically as well as spiritually.

In preparing for Shabbat, I encountered a most crucial teaching by Rabbi Bahya ibn Halawa, a 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>-century commentator on the Torah. He noted that there's a strange phrase in Parshat Naso, where the Torah continues to assign responsibilities to the Levites. That phrase says that their duty is la'avod avodat avodah translated literally, that would mean that they are to "serve the service of service." It's redundant—three consecutive words with the same root! Rabbenu Bahya explains that this refers to the singing job of the Levites—while the sacrificial service—avodah—was

pening, they were to accompany it with song, a service of joy. For no service of God, says Rabbenu Bahya, was to be without joy.

Religion so badly needs to be infused with the joy of which Rabbenu Bahya wrote. But too often, anger, even rage, define religion, as we saw this week. In every house of worship in every faith, we no doubt can find people who are motivated by voices in their tradition and faith communities to use religion as a tool to hate, marginalize and oppress the other. So we need to be reminded of those sparks of hope, when religion instead inspires love and joy, as it is meant to do.

Three quick examples from this week show that hope is not lost. Rabbi Shmuel Hertzfeld brought members of his community, Congregation Ohev Shalom in Washington, DC, right after Shavuot ended to a local gay bar as an act of solidarity with the LGBTQ community (not to Orlando, as I had mentioned in this public dvar Torah—still a courageous act by an Orthodox rabbi and shul given Orthodoxy's complex relationship with homosexuality). Second, an Islamic center in Queens opened its doors to participants of all faiths to an iftar, a ceremonial meal concluding a day of fasting in observance of Ramadan. Though I was too ill to attend, I know I would have eaten well, as the Islamic center arranged for am-

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thinking of me and for calling me while I am housebound. It is much appreciated. Irene Schneider

Thank you to everyone for

#### **Temple Family**

In honor of Jesse Lee Avraham Chemtob's Bar Mitzvah and with deep appreciation to HHJC for letting me borrow the Chemtob's Family Torah for our grandson's special event Suzanne Chemtob & Family

## Mazal Toy

We now have a list in the office 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.

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#### Ohr Chadash News

## Wonder Fill Wednesdays at Ohr Chadash by Morah Ruth Merrill & Morah Shari Zuber

Being a three-synagogue based school, there are many advantages Ohr Chadash has that are lacking with other afterschool religious programs. Perhaps the greatest asset is that our children are beneficiaries of the wisdom of not one, not two, but three rabbis. Each Wednesday our students have had the joy of learning from either Rabbi Manes Kogan of Hillcrest Jewish Center, Rabbi David Wise of Hollis Hills Jewish Center, or Rabbi Robyn Fryer Bodzin of Israel Center of Conservative Judaism.

The rabbis would divide their Wednesday hour into three twenty-minute segments. Initially, they would begin with tefillah (prayer). All classes, Aleph through Hey, would gather in the chapel and the guest rabbi would either discuss a prayer that was a personal favorite or perhaps a prayer especially relevant to an upcoming holiday or to the time of year. Each discussion reflected the attending rabbi's personal views, and although each rabbi is affiliated with the modern Conservative movement, their approaches varied and the children were never bored because each learning session would bear that particular rabbi's style.

In the second session, a portion of the classes remained and the fine nuances of the Parashat haShavuah would be discussed. The rabbis geared the subject matter to the age group in attendance so that the concepts taught could be easily grasped and fully appreciated. Even when Beresheit (Genesis) and Shemot (Exodus) were concluded, the rabbis painstakingly sought out an aspect in the latter Torah books that would appeal to the youngsters and to which both the rabbis and the children could relate.

A school favorite, *Ask The Rabbis*, would conclude the Wednesday afternoon study. Our children would pose thought-provoking queries to the rabbis, which often would give them pause and compel them to access not only the recesses of their accumulated knowledge, but also additional resources from other scholars. The children worked hard to try and stump the rabbis, and if they were able to stymie one of our clergy, rest assured it was

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#### **Grocery Gelt**

Stop & Shop: All Locations

<u>Dan's Keyfood:</u> 73rd Ave./ Bell Blvd. 105-02 Queens Blvd.

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

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



#### Sisterhood

Shalom. The sunny, warm days of summer are now here. Our last meeting was a great success. We had fun singing karaoke, and we got moving with line dancing, while drinking punch and eating scrumptious desserts. Our sisterhood members bonded and we can truly call ourselves "Sisters from the Hood." I look forward to this good feeling continuing in the fall.

I am pleased to announce that Lisa Azo will be serving as my co-president. We are grateful to Maris Blechner who will continue as our secretary. Although Beth Diker has completed her presidency, she has graciously agreed to be our treasurer. Marilyn Seidenfeld volunteered to be our Gift Shop "go to" person. Thank you all for stepping up and congratulations on your positions. Although we have an outstanding board, we believe that teamwork is the best approach to success and invite all of you to join us at the planning meeting and general events. We have scheduled a summer planning meeting for August 24<sup>th</sup>. Please feel free to come up with ideas and plans.

Very soon you will be seeing flyers for our popular fundraiser called "Honey from the Heart." This involves personalized decorative jars of honey for Rosh Hashanah for your own table, as well as gifts to others. Watch for the details, which will be available soon.



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ple kosher food for Jewish guests. Finally, we played host to an aufruf in Menchel Hall that had separate seating that very day, enabling Dolores Goldowski to celebrate with the groom, her grandson, which she couldn't have done if the service was held anywhere else. Whereas one Orthodox service used egalitarian prayer space as an act of angry and intolerant provocation this week, another set up its mehitzah with the local rabbi's blessing, and then the entire community came together to celebrate as guests of the aufruf family. In this case, joy, song, inclusion and tolerance were the religious values at play.

Joy and song are themselves expressions of serving God. They are the appropriate accompaniment of religion. Fear of the other, rage at the spiritual seeking of one who is different, intolerance and exclusion are perversions of religion and an affront to God. We've seen more than our fair share of the latter. May we be inspired to practice the former—especially religious joy—every day.

In blessing,

Rabbi David Wise

only a momentary phenomenon. However, the majority of the time the questions posed were purely attempts to find answers to subjects that might have perturbed them or to garner more in-depth information on topics which interested them.

Both our students and our rabbis have immensely enjoyed our Wednesdays with the Rabbis. Collectively, our clergy have declared that their hour with the Ohr Chadash students is "one of the highlights of their week." We are very appreciative that our rabbis make the special effort to instill a joy and love of Judaism in our children which will last a lifetime and which will encourage them to pass this devotion on to their descendants.

We wish everyone a safe and restful summer and we look forward to sharing the new school year with our clergy, beginning on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, at Hillcrest Jewish Center.

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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 Jewish Center. Please send in your old cell phones as soon as possible and let's start collecting, recycling and earning money for the HHJC now!

### HOLLIS HILLS JC / HILLCREST JC ICCJ

#### **H2I YOUTH GROUP**

Three terrific synagogues have come together to create one outstanding youth program! Where do you fit in?

Nitzanim-Students in grades 2 & 3-Meeting Sunday, 5:00-6:15 PM

Thursday Recreation Hour, 6:30-7:00 PM

Chalutzim-Students in Grades 4 & 5-Meeting Sunday, 5:00-6:15 PM

Thursday Recreation Hour, 6:30-7:30 PM

Kadima-Students in grades 6, 7 & 8-Meeting Sunday, 6:15-7:00 PM

Thursday Recreation Hour, 6:30-7:30 PM

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

For more information email us at h2iyouth@gmail.com or check out our website http://www.h2iyouthgroup.org/

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

We waited for summer for quite a while.

Now it's here, and we wish you fun and many a smile,

It will be great to see all of us get together,

We just hope for good, sunshiny weather!

July birthday wishes go to Eleanor Rosenberg & Richard Shaw. Enjoy the day and all the celebrations that will be planned for you.

Happy Anniversary to Ronnie Gersten and her better half. Many more good and healthy years to both of you.

In August we celebrate the birthdays of Rayna Martin, Socoro and Stefan Giesen and Paul Cohen. We wish you the best for the coming year.

Happy Anniversary to Dorothy & Bob Perl. May the coming year be a peaceful and healthy one for you.

If you plan a go-away vacation, enjoy it to the fullest and return in great spirits.

HHJC - Sisterhood Gift Shop



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### JUDITH LESNIK CHESED COMMITTEE

We are continuing to be committed to our members needs. During the summer, we are available to speak with you. Please, don't hesitate to reach out whereby we hope to attend to any issues that arise.

At this juncture, the committee is continuing work on the resource book and we look forward to setting a date, in Spring 2017, to have a vendor Health Fair.

All of the above mentioned activities takes time, organization and care. That said, I want to thank the entire committee for working together and bringing your terrific ideas and concerns to the table. It has been a wonderful first year!

I the best for a safe, enjoyable summer.

Laura Brodsky

#### **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 Hayim Chumash is \$65 and the Sim Shalom Siddur is \$36.

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Maris Blechner will open up our paid membership brunch tentatively set for September 18<sup>th</sup>. She will be including a reprise of her talk given at the Moth on public radio.

I am very pleased to inform you that our Torah Fund honoree will be our past president and active member who worked tirelessly for Sisterhood, Carol Lieber. We hope to see you at the brunch on November 13<sup>th</sup>.

We are planning other exciting, interesting, informative, and fun programs for next year. Details will be forthcoming in the fall. Please join us.

Have a great summer.

Marilyn Teleky Co-president of Sisterhood

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To Reach the
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Phone: 646-598-2974
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Or: rabbiwise@hollishillsjc.org

Chesed Committee Chair Laura Brodsky: Ibrodsky@hollishillsjc.org



Todah Rabbah to the many members of our shul who supported the METNY USY scholarship dinner honoring me. Thanks as well to all those who attended! I am deeply blessed to be your rabbi and to be a product of USY. Rabbi David Wise



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

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.

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

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annual Simcha Dinner Dance. To quote the article from the New York Post... "At 88, Sam Solasz is still going strong and working 80 hours a week thanks to butchering". Sam's life story is remarkable. He jumped from the speeding cattle car train on the way to Treblinka, running 20 miles an hour with unimaginable courage, Sam was able to save himself from the Treblinka extermination camp.

He met Rose in 1956 while iceskating at Madison Square Garden. The next year, Sam opened Master Purveyors in the Meatpacking District. In 2001, he moved Master Purveyors to The Bronx and the business has now been operating for nearly 60 years and shows no sign of slowing down. Together with his sons Mark & Scott, they don't get much sleep but they are the biggest meat wholesaler in New York. Sam Solasz's incredible story is featured in the new book, "Food and the City" by Ina Yalof. Sam --- keep your magical spirit going & don't stop! We love you & your entire family!

From our very young to our more mature members, we at HHJC are so very proud of each and every one of you.

Hope you all have a nice summer. I am planning programs for next year. I hope you will all join in our HHJC Happenings!

See you in Shul.

Cantorially always, Cantor Sol Zim



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In honor of Harper Sanders' Bat Mitzvah Beate Axelrad

In honor of Halona Jaffe reading the Haftorah on Shavuot and in honor of Gabriel Jaffe's birthday Beate Axelrad

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In honor of Milla Zabib's Bat Mitzvah

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In memory of Rose Gelfman In memory of Fanny Tirza Koegel Gerda & Emil Schoen

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*In honor of the marriage of* Dolores & Bernardo Goldowski's grandson, Gail and Marc Englander's son, Eric to Kate Gribetz Mira Clivner

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In honor of Milla Zabib's Bat Mitzvah In honor of Harper Sander's Bat Flo & Bob Gropper

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Thank you to Linda Liederman for her kind and caring assistance during a very difficult time

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Thank you to Laura Brodsky for her friendship and caring support during a very difficult time Thank you to the Chesed Committee for its thoughtfulness in providing a Shiva meal following the passing of our beloved mother, Sue Appelstein Dorothy & Bob Perl

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Sivan 25 Morning Minyan 7AM Candle Lighting 8:12 PM Mincha - 7 PM	2 Sivan 26 Sh'lach 9 AM Mincha 8:00 PM Havdalah 9:14 PM
3 Sivan 27 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM	4 Sivan 28 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Independence Day	<b>5</b> Sivan 29 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>6</b> Sivan 30 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>7</b> Tamuz 1 Minyan Times 6:30 AM and 7:30 PM	8 Tamuz 2 Morning Minyan 7AM Candle Lighting 8:10 PM Mincha - 7 PM	9 Tamuz 3 Korach 9 AM Mincha 8:00 PM Havdalah 9:12 PM
<b>10</b> Tamuz 4 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM	11 Tamuz 5 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>12</b> Tamuz 6 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	13 Tamuz 7 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM	14 Tamuz 8 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	15 Tamuz 9 Morning Minyan 7AM Candle Lighting 8:06 PM Mincha - 7 PM	<b>16</b> Tamuz 10 Chukat 9 AM Mincha 7:55 PM Havdalah 9:08 PM
<b>17</b> Tamuz 11 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM	18 Tamuz 12 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	19 Tamuz 13 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>20</b> Tamuz 14 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>21</b> Tamuz 15 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>22</b> Tamuz 16 Morning Minyan 7AM Candle Lighting 8:01 PM Mincha - 7 PM	23 Tamuz 17 Balak 9 AM Mincha 7:50 PM Havdalah 9:03 PM
<b>24</b> Tamuz 18 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>25</b> Tamuz 19 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	26 Tamuz 20 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>27</b> Tamuz 21 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>28</b> Tamuz 22 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	29 Tamuz 23 Morning Minyan 7AM Candle Lighting 7:54 PM Mincha - 7 PM	<b>30</b> Tamuz 24 Pinchas 9 AM Mincha 7:40 PM Havdalah 8:56 PM
<b>31</b> Tamuz 25 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM						





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

∼ August 2016 ∼ Tamuz – Av 5776 ∼						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Tamuz 26 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>2</b> Tamuz 27 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	3 Tamuz 28 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM	4 Tamuz 29 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	5 Av 1 Moming Minyan 6:30 AM Candle Lighting 7:46 PM Mincha - 7 PM	<b>6</b> Av 2 Matot-Masei 9 AM Mincha 7:30 PM Havdalah 8:48 PM
<b>7</b> Av 3 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM	8 Av 4 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	9 Av 5 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>10</b> Av 6 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>11</b> Av 7 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	12 Av 8 Morning Minyan 7AM Candle Lighting 7:37 PM Mincha - 7 PM	13 Av 9 Devarim 9 AM Shabbat Chazon Mincha 7:30 PM No Seudah Shlishit Havdalah 8:39 PM Erev Tish'a B'Av
<b>14</b> Av 10 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM <b>Tish'a B'Av</b>	<b>15</b> Av 11 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	16 Av 12 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>17</b> Av 13 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM	18 Av 14 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	19 Av 15 Morning Minyan 7AM Candle Lighting 7:27 PM Mincha - 7 PM	<b>20</b> Av 16 Vaetchanan 9 AM Shabbat Nachamu Mincha 7:15 PM Havdalah 8:29 PM
<b>21</b> Av 17 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>22</b> Av 18 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>23</b> Av 19 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	24 Av 20 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM Sisterhood Planning Meeting - 8 PM	<b>25</b> Av 21 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	26 Av 22 Moming Minyan 7AM Candle Lighting 7:17 PM Mincha - 7 PM	<b>27</b> Av 23 Eikev 9 AM Mincha 7:05 PM Havdalah 8:18 PM
<b>28</b> Av 24 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>29</b> Av 25 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	30 Av 26 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	<b>31</b> Av 27 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM			



Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes Life After Retirement

"Socialism Is An Inspiring, Glorious Form of Government...Until Everybody Else's Money Runs Out!" -Margaret Thatcher (?)

Dear Hollis-Hillers,

Let's get down to particulars. Yale is currently in financial trouble...not with the law but with the lawyers and politicians in the Connecticut State senate who are planning to attack and subtract substantial sums from Yale's tax-exempt investment funds seeking "to soak Yale's (very, very) rich endowment funds" in order to bridge the state government's huge budget deficit. OK, Yale's 25.6 billion endowments nest egg is the second largest in the country, 2<sup>nd</sup> only to that of Harvard, right? Would it really hurt all the sweet wiffenpoofs in New Haven - and wannabewiffenpoofs- to share some of their earned and freely-donated accumulated wealth with their poorer, distressed fellowcitizens?

Sounds compassionate, yes?

However kindly and reasonable Hartford's political establishment may sound in print, our established federal Law clearly states in black-and-white that such a rapacious money grab is –and has long been- absolutely illegal ( Dartmouth vs. Woodward, 1819!) and is definitively prohibited by law by any state government in the red – including Connecticut! Besides, it sounds like organ-

ized theft to me...or Robin hood on steroids!

Besides, where would it end? After the rich folks' money runs out, where will the overspending, undisciplined moneymanagers in our current elected legislatures go to next? China? The Chinese already are devaluating their own yen! Mexico? Thailand? Greece?

After the rich folks in our own country, the ones who have actually produced "the excess wealth" that politicians want to "redistribute to the poor", have gone broke-or left town (like the 105,000 Connecticut residents who have fled along with so many major corporations like GE in the last few years), whose cows will our moneyhungry politicians milk next?\* Will the millions of small-but-still -available savings accounts now held by middle and lower class folks be left sacrosanct. untouchable? Don't bank on it!

If you think I am overly harsh or just another gun-toting, faithhealing, granny-tossing- overthe-cliff Republican (Heaven, forefend!), take a look at the recent editorial in the Wall Street Journal (3/29/16) which sharply questions the progressive mind-set prompting this government-sponsored financial-emergency driven "proposal". It exposes, shatters and shames the greedy Connecticut political con-artists!

Question #1: what are we all going to do when our current federal multi-trillion dollar un-

solvable debt problem meets the unmovable wall of "no tickee-no washee, no moneyno goods or services!" reality?

Help! Where is "Deus ex machina" when we really need Alas, our ancient Him/Her? Hebrew Scriptures warned us long, long ago, "Go to the ant, thou sluggard!", i.e. learn from the lowly insect world, you lazy human laggards! Even our oldtime folk-wisdom cautioned us, "Waste not, want not!". Right? Read those wise lips! Haven't you ever noticed what the silly squirrels do with all the acorns they gather in September? They store them away before the storms come in January!

Question #2: who are the truly dumb animals on our planet?

P.S. Think about this over the summer: In the national elections come fall, let's set party labels aside and just ferret out the candidates most likely to put their own well-manicured ten fingers into our endangered economic dikes (federal and state!) built to hold back the huge tidal wave of unpaid bills n o w overdue... Wouldn't that be a mitzvah, "a sheh-hazman mitzvah g'ramah," i.e. an obligation, spiritually and pragmatically

required, because the time has finally come to pay our debts...to G-d and to our honest creditors?

Read the small print in the Gemarrah. Good English translations abound, i.e. check in any readily available Steinsaltz edition of our Oral Torah's views

July Birthdays			
Cary Diamond	7/1		
Cherryl Kovarsy	7/3		
David Baum	7/4		
Armand Lugassy	7/7		
Joan Cohen	7/12		
Marcia Levitt	7/12		
Scott Richards	7/12		
Arnold Kleinstein	7/13		
Jaye Solomowitz	7/14		
Nancy Borko Fusfeld	7/16		
Nathan Heilweil	7/16		
Richard Ludwig	7/16		
Dr. Stanley Dauber	7/17		
Edith Shefi	7/17		
Fran Bodner	7/18		
Sam Oko	7/18		
Sheri Lesnik	7/19		
Brian Miller	7/19		
Carol Lieber	7/20		
Liza Baum	7/23		
Max Cohen	7/23		
Dr. Benjamin Solomowitz	7/23		
Charles Levitt	7/25		
William Mendel	7/28		
Lynn Okin	7/28		
Robert Greenbaum	7/29		
Arnold Landau	7/29		
Lillian Garbowitz	7/30		
Robert Meyers	7/30		

Stanley Epstein	8/1
Usher Farber	8/1
Ann Wohl	8/4
Frances Richard	8/5
Osnat Flatow	8/7
Rachel Lugassy	8/8
Melvin Fastow	8/9
Jill Green	8/9
Rosalie Pollak	8/10
Herbert Storch	8/10
Rita Zipper	8/10
Daniel Weisser	8/11
Esther Beckoff	8/12
Adrienne Larrain	8/12
Marcia Tal	8/12
Stephen Roseman	8/14
Barbara Siegel	8/14
Dr. Martin Krumerman	8/15
Dr. Dana Johnston	8/16
Sara Sunshine	8/17
Natalie Kotlyar	8/17
Madeleine Kofman	8/18
Henry Gerber	8/22
Hon. Orin Kitzes	8/22
Susan Meyers	8/22
Judy Fluss	8/23
Dr. Robert Feingold	8/25
Marvin Meyer	8/25
Avi Shefi	8/26
Steven Silverman	8/28
Rita Katz	8/31

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on loans-and-debt-payment accountability.
HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

Rabbi Dr. Hirsch Joseph Simckes

P.S.S. For a truly savage critique- far more critical of our government's handling of our National affairs, domestic and foreign, check out what the former Premier of the Czech Republic, Vaclav Klaus, is said to have said about our current leadership. Check the Internet in "The Quote of the Century". It's pretty scary. I'm not so sure it's libelous.

\* It was Mark Twain, I believe, who opined in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, "The only time our government is safe...is when the legislators are not in session."

#### July Anniversaries

Alexis & Richard Ludwig 7/1 Susan & Robert Meyers 7/1 Amanda & Steven Menzie 7/3 Osnat & Sheldon Flatow 7/4 Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil 7/7 Irene & Daniel Grapel 7/8 Susan & Steven Kahan 7/8 Sharon & Martin Goldstein 7/11 7/12 Beth & William Diker Kristina & Robert Feingold 7/17 Rita & Scott Zipper 7/17 llene & Gordon Goldman 7/22

#### **August Anniversaries**

8/31

Mark Mandell

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Carol & Donald Chu	8/11
Michele & Brian Miller	8/15
Maris & Stewart Blechner	8/17
Esther & Alan Beckoff	8/21
Rosalie & Stephen	
Roseman	8/22
Ronnie & Imar Krell	8/23
Edith & Avi Shefi	8/24
Jo Beth & Robert	
Greenhaum	8/30

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