

Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center

Dateline

Tishrei - Cheshvan 5777

November 2016

GALA CONCERT CELEBRATION

The Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center
Proudly Presents

**Sunday,
December 4, 2016
at 3:00 PM**

**Cantor
Sol Zim**

**with 10 of His Esteemed
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**CELEBRATING THE UNION OF
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**HILARIOUS LAUGHTER, FAMILIAR
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Shabbat Schedule



Friday, November 4, 2016

Candle Lighting 5:28 PM
Mincha 5:30 PM

Saturday, November 5, 2016

Noach 9:00 AM
Mincha 5:15 PM
Havdalah 6:30 PM

Friday, November 11, 2016

Candle Lighting 4:21 PM
Mincha 4:25 PM

Saturday, November 12, 2016

Lech-Lecha 9:00 AM
Mincha 4:05 PM
Havdalah 5:23 PM

Friday, November 18, 2016

Candle Lighting 4:15 PM
Mincha 4:15 PM

Saturday, November 19, 2106

Vayera 9:00 AM
Mincha 4:00 PM
Havdalah 5:18 PM

Friday, November 25, 2016

Candle Lighting 4:11 PM
Mincha 4:15 PM

Saturday, November 26, 2016

Chayei Sara 9:00 AM
Mincha 4:00 PM
Havdalah 5:14 PM

Junior Congregation

November 19
10:30 - 12 PM



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and service times**

November at HHJC

November 2, 9, 16, 30
Adult Education - Introduction
to the Jewish Bookshelf

November 3, 17
Lunch & Learn w/Rabbi Wise

November 5
Simcha Shabbat

November 7, 14
Cantor Zim's Yiddish Class

November 12
Men's Club Veterans Shabbat

November 13
Sisterhood Torah Fund Brunch

November 18, 19
Scholar in Residence
Weekend

November 21
Thanksgiving Interfaith
Gathering at HBJC

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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 Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes and Marty Kevelson.

**From the Desk of
Rabbi David Wise
Lead With Your Ears**

This is Rabbi Wise's message from the first day of Rosh Hashanah.



Let me take you back to July. Do you remember when a fair portion of the modern Orthodox community went ballistic on one of the greatest of its own leaders? That was when word got out that Rabbi Haskel Lookstein of Kehillat Jeshurun and the Ramaz school had been invited to give an invocation at the Republican National Convention. In social media, alumni, students and others castigated Rabbi Lookstein for "shilling for Donald Trump" by speaking at the convention. "All the good work you've done in your life...will be flushed down the toilet for ten minutes on stage in Cleveland," said one alumni petition. After a couple days of controversy, Rabbi Lookstein withdrew himself from the program, making his announcement in an email to the Ramaz community. Attached to his gracious reply to those that condemned him publically were the words he planned to deliver as the invocation. Here were some of the words America didn't get to hear:

"Almighty God: We know that we are living in very dangerous times, when all of

these blessings are threatened from without, by forces of terror and unimaginable brutality, and from within, by those who sow the seeds of bigotry, hatred and violence, putting our lives and our way of life at risk.

And so we pray, Dear God:

Help us to form a government which will protect us with sound strategy and steady strength; which will unite us with words of wisdom and acts of compassion; and which will thereby bring peace and harmony, safety and well-being to our beloved America and to all of humankind, and let us all say, Amen.

That surely doesn't sound like shilling for the eventual nominee, who happens to be the father-in-law of the KJ congressman who invited her rabbi in the first place. But again, we didn't get to hear that, because, to use the boxing metaphor, some people led with their mouths and keyboarding fingers instead of with their ears.

We have a long history of being terrible listeners. Go back to this morning's Torah reading, the banishment of Hagar and Yishma'el. We usually read this story as the fulfillment of God's will. Sarah sees Yishma'el interacting with her son, Yitzhak, isn't pleased, and demands that Avraham kick them out of the house. This troubled Avra-

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ham greatly, for it concerned his son! "But God said to Abraham, 'Do not be distressed over the boy or your slave; whatever Sarah tells you, *shma bekolah*—do as she says, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be continued for you.'" Early next morning, Avraham made care packages for Hagar and Yishma'el and sent them off into the wilderness forever. Where exactly did that come from? It depends on the meaning of the words *shma bekolah*, which JPS translates as "do as she says," but even we who are not fluent in Hebrew know that the word *shma* means "listen." As my colleague Rabbi David Kalb suggests, when God says *shma bekolah*, God may simply mean "hear her out, let her express herself, just listen." The reassurance that Yitzhak will inherit not only Avraham's wealth but his legacy has been given. Everything will work out fine; don't do anything rash. But Avraham neither heard God nor took the time to listen to Sarah. He acted impulsively. Hagar and Yishma'el were evicted. Yishma'el and Yitzhak were separated. Three millennia later, we may still be paying the price for Avraham's inability or unwillingness to just listen.

Every year, it seems, on *Yamim Noraim*, the Days of Awe, I end up giving a sermon about civility in discourse. And then the world proves that a similar drash is needed yet again. But this year, I think we need to back up. There's no

point talking about talking until we've done some *heshbon hanefesh*--soul-searching about listening. As a society, we are terrible listeners except when someone says something we agree with. We live in an echo chamber. Our Facebook news feed is filled with people who post our very own thoughts more eloquently that we could ever dream of expressing ourselves, and then we like their status. On the rare occasion someone sneaks into our friends list who has the temerity to post something we don't like, we click "unfriend." When it comes to Israel or to domestic matters, we are far more likely to "talk politics," but rarely do we "listen politics."

It's even come to the point where listening can be considered an act of treachery. Back at AIPAC's policy conference in March, the organization was slammed for inviting all five still-standing presidential candidates. The questions came from everywhere: are you going? Are you protesting? Are you walking out? Are you applauding? Well, I went, and while there I did something novel. I listened, silently, to everyone, and drew my own conclusions, which for now I keep to myself.

But when it comes time to share our opinions—and if civil discourse is indeed our goal, then we must strive for the ex-

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NEW MEMBERS

Galit & Ido Kofman
Irina & Eugene Sirota
Jacqueline & Paul Winter

Temple Family

Daniel Benjamin Peres
 September 9, 2016, 7 lb. 7oz
 Born to Rebecca Mandell and
 Asaf Peres
 Thrilled Grandparents
 Robin & Mark Mandell

Mazal Tov

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



Ohr Chadash News

A Peek into the Dalet Class with Morah Judy

The nine students in Dalet are off to a great start this year! We began our history curriculum with an introduction to Holocaust studies, by acknowledging the passing of Elie Wiesel, and discussing his impact on the world. We will now read the chapter book "Daniels's Story", an age appropriate historical fiction account of a young boy during the Holocaust. After completing the book, we will view the companion movie and compare and contrast the book and the movie.

We have begun discussing the Jewish life cycle, starting with birth and how Jews all over the world celebrate this occasion for both boys and girls. The children were able to share their family traditions and personal experiences with the group. As the year continues, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, marriage and death will be covered, always leaving time for individuals to let us know how they have commented these times with their family and friends.

Reading groups have begun! All the yeladim have been placed in classes according to their abilities and we spend 45 minutes each session reading, writing and learning basic Hebrew vocabulary.

Summarizing, reviewing and building on what the students know about the many fall holidays, we have read a variety of

both fiction and true stories related to them, and discussed the morals and issues involved in the selections. We have worked on a variety of worksheets and played several games that encourage the review of the facts and experiences of these special times. We will continue to highlight each Jewish chag as it occurs in the calendar year.

The boys and girls in Dalet are a dedicated and serious group who will be able to enhance their love and appreciation of our Jewish heritage and religion as the year progresses!

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



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Sisterhood

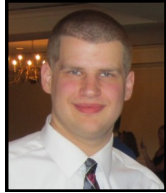
The weather is getting cooler, and Sisterhood is heating up. During the month of November we are having our very special Torah Fund Brunch, on November 13th at 10 am, honoring our friend Carol Lieber. Please plan to join us.

Looking forward, this year on December 11th at 11 am we are having a pre-Chanukah Gift Shop bazaar and party. For the bazaar, our own gift shop will be open, plus there will be vendors, with reasonably priced and beautiful items for you to buy for yourself and to give as gifts. For the party, we will have food and fun and a grab bag, so that everyone goes home with their first Chanukah present.

In 2017 we will really be moving. The Sisterhood Shabbat is definitely Saturday February 4th and you are invited to take a part, in Hebrew or English. On Sunday March 5th at 10 am, we have the Purim Basket creation and breakfast. Purim Baskets are given out on Saturday evening March 11th, after the Megillah reading. Our Women's Seder date is still to be set, and you will be notified. Look for news about our April evening event, a May event with Men's Club, and our June closing, June 14th at 8 pm. Please mark your calendar and don't miss any of the fun.

As a last word, our sincerest thanks to everyone who participated in the Breast Cancer

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**Youth Director
News**

Dan Bacharach

After a quiet month of October due to the timing of the holidays, H2I Youth Group is back in full swing this month! We'll start off November with Tie-Dye Night on November 6, at which all of our groups will have the opportunity to bring some clothing to tie-dye using the colors and patterns of their choice. Our next week, on November 13, our younger groups will be participating in an "Israel Basic Training" program, which will use videos provided by Jerusalem U to develop an immersive discussion exploring the lives of soldiers in the Israeli army and the lessons we can learn about ourselves and the Jewish people through their experiences. Our USYers will be participating in Judaism Around the World, in which they'll learn about the customs and foods of Jews who live in different communities around the world.

The next weekend, our USYers will participate in one of our most meaningful programs of the year – our Social Actions Shul-In. This year, our chapter board has decided to focus our evening of learning on the environment, both understanding Judaism's perspective on environmentalism and understanding what we can all do to help protect it. We'll come together after Shabbat to bring programming, and each of our USY Chapter Board members

will run a program on the topic that they designed for their peers, until it's time for bed early Sunday morning. Sunday evening, our younger groups will also participate in Social Actions, taking place in a Supermarket Sweep scavenger hunt – they'll be given a list of items to find, and we'll buy all the items they gather to donate just in time for Thanksgiving.

If you haven't yet signed up for H2I, it's never too late. Visit us online at www.h2iyouthgroup.org for more information.

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

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.

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Walk – either by walking or by donating, or both. We couldn't do it without you – and special thanks as always to our own Jaye Solomowitz.

Lisa and Marilyn

**JUDITH LESNIK
CHESED COMMITTEE**

Our wonderful committee delivered bags of sweets to our shut-ins to help them welcome in the High(er) Holidays. A warm conversation and good wishes were well-received. I want to thank those, publicly, who gave their time and showed kindness.

Thank you: Vicki and Joel Blumenfeld, Flo Gropper, Maris Blechner, Esther Beckoff, Lynn Gonen, Linda Liederman, Henry Gerber, Jerry Sandell, Irene Grappel and Janet Hiller.

Special thanks to Jerry for helping me organize the bags, and to Esther for coordinating the last minute items.

As I mentioned in the October Dateline, I am looking to create a list of names of home health care individuals. Please, forward any names to me at lau-jean1@aol.com.

Warmly,
Laura Brodsky



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

Our Holidays have come & gone,
And our elections have been lost & won!

We hope everything will be for the very best,
And we'll continue to be happy, healthy & blessed,

Few QVJ congregants have birthdays/anniversaries this month, but there is a special birthday on my own calendar. My son, Robert Heppenheimer, celebrates his Big Day. All the best to him.

If we have missed any occasions, have a wonderful day.

We want to wish you a pleasant Thanksgiving - enjoy all the good food that is traditionally served on that day.

HBJC - Sisterhood Gift Shop



For all your Judaica needs!



Cantor Sol Zim



I was so happy to see all of you in shul on the High Holidays and Festivals. The warmth & love that permeated our sanctuary truly embodies what our Congregation is all about... Community, Family, Spirituality, Harmony, Togetherness and Love.

As we begin the New Year, let us celebrate together in SONG & LAUGHTER. Our **GALA CONCERT** is right around the corner. **SAVE THE DATE... Sunday, December 4th at 3pm...here at our Synagogue.**

This concert is in honor of the union of **Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center**. As I have said before, I truly believe that this merger was *bashert* and I can't wait for all of us to come together and experience this truly magical evening of music & laughter, *celebrating* this momentous event. *We are now ONE family!*

We have so many extremely talented & unique performers who will knock your socks off. Here is a sneak preview...

My dear friend, **Hershel Fox**, is one of the most beloved Jewish Artists of our time (in *Humor & Song*) and will take us on a true *JOURNEY OF JOY*. We will laugh until we cry...while he

Our Cantor's Voice

Gala
Celebration
Concert

encapsulates us in a world of laughter and melody. He is an unbelievable talent and an incredible person & a cherished Cantor. His talent is *UNIQUE* and *RARE!*

I am also having many of *MY VERY TALENTED CANTORIAL STUDENTS* from the **Academy for Jewish Religion (AJR)** who will be performing some of their favorites. It will be a very eclectic array of musical selections...*Israeli, Broadway, Opera, Pop, Cantorial, Yiddish*, etc. I am so proud of them and they will take us on a musical journey.

We will also have the opportunity to experience the beautiful & SWEET voice of **Michel Reshef**, an up and coming Star. She was the Semi Finalist of

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Cut Out and Save

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Chesed Committee Chair
Laura Brodsky:
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change of diverse opinions—there are sacred ways to do so. We had a chance to do this in our iEngage adult ed class this past year, when we used the Hartman Institute's curriculum on Jewish Values and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict. Firstly, in his tone-setting opening video lecture, Rabbi Donniel Hartman reminded us that no matter how passionate we are individually or communally about Israel, we are not—in our shuls, schools, JCCs or any other Jewish organization other than the Knesset—actually going to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Much to our chagrin or maybe to our relief, the future of the Middle East is not in our hands. But the future of our communities **is** very much in our hands, in our mouths, and in our ears. What was crucial was to learn how to talk about the values that inform our politics, and most powerfully and perhaps painfully, to listen to others whose values and politics differ from ours.

For weeks, our class grappled with the spectrum of Jewish text-based values that relate to Israel and its neighbors—peace, land, justice, compromise, self-preservation, exceptionalism—noting that each of these values can be used by the right, left and center. In the final class session, we watched a roundtable discussion among the Hartman iEngage think-tank, as they talked about the value that most determines

their outlook on the conflict. We were enthralled not only by the wisdom of the discourse, but the way they conducted it—with principled but respectful disagreement that demonstrated that they had heard each other. And then, our class used the Hartman model and had our own symposium. We each took turns articulating the values that spoke most and least to us, obeying my ground rules of no interruptions or attacks. We walked out still friends, probably even closer than before because we demonstrated we could express our opinions without denigrating others, even learning from listening. Friends, it can be done!

I thought the previous year was as toxic a year for discourse as could be, but I was mistaken. This year was even worse. So many issues divide our nation—guns, immigration, race, the race—but it's not the disagreements that ail us, it's the vitriolic personal attacks that have brought us to a new low. We have been exposed to the most extreme iterations of the sin of leading with the mouth instead of the ears. So I decided to undertake a personal commitment to one of Steven Covey's seven principles of highly effective people: "Seek first to understand, then to be understood."

In early August, the Black Lives Matter movement issued a platform to end systemic racism in America. It included a call for

the US to curtail military aid to Israel, which it accused of being an apartheid state, and even ambiguously accused Israel of perpetrating a genocide. The response from the organized Jewish community was swift—even left-leaning organizations like Truah: The Rabbinic Call for Human Rights protested the use of the G-word. Our local Rabbinical Assembly sought reassurance from our partners in Black-Jewish dialogue that they reject that piece of the BLM platform. But I was also intrigued by the critique of organized Jewry's reaction. One columnist noted that since Jews have largely ignored this round of the Civil Rights battle, it's no wonder anti-Zionists would jump into the breach and ally with Black Lives Matter. Had we been connected from the outset, we may have had some influence, but not now. And Forward contributor Laura E. Adkins argued that Black Lives Matter isn't about us! Referencing the works of author Ta-Nehisi Coates, Adkins wrote: "before Ashkenazi Jews were white, we were Jewish. Though it hasn't always been this way, American Jews are the wealthiest, best educated, most assimilated group of Americans. How could we white Jews possibly hope to understand what it's like to be black in America?"

She's right. I can't understand what it's like to be black in America. But I know there's a



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In honor of the engagement of
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Wishing Refuah Shelemah to
Linda Liederman
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In memory of Charles Krinitz
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Adam Fusfeld to Rachel
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In honor of the birth of Cara &
Michael Trager's new
grandson, to Eric & Alyssa
In honor of the birth of Cherryl
& Shlomo Kovarsy's new
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In honor of the birth of Esta &
Gary Newman's new grandson
Rita & Scott Zipper

In memory of Hilda Kirsch
Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

In honor of Sam & Tova Oko
Iris, Jonathan, Oren & Liat
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In memory of Linda
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Suzanne & Nathan Heilweil

Rabbi's Fund

In honor of Gordon Goldman for
notarizing everything!
Judy Krinitz

In memory of Charles Krinitz
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Cantor's Fund

Wishing Cantor Zim and his family Best Wishes for a happy, healthy and sweet New Year filled with all the best things that life has to offer
Judith Gerstel

Thank you for always being there for the Storch Family
Paul & Sylvia Storch

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Wishing Refuah Shelemah to Irving Schnitzer

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With Special appreciation to the Chesed Committee for their thoughtfulness for the New Year

Carol & Joel Lieber

In honor of Esther Beckoff. A special thank you for Joel's special birthday treat!

Carol & Joel Lieber

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		1 Tishrei 29 Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan Minyan Times 6:30 AM and 7:30 PM	2 Cheshvan 1 Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed – Introduction to the Jewish Bookshelf - 8 PM	3 Cheshvan 2 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Lunch & Learn w/Rabbi Wise - 12 PM	4 Cheshvan 3 Morning Minyan 7:00 AM Candle Lighting 5:28 PM Mincha - 5:30 PM	5 Cheshvan 4 Noach 9 AM Mincha 5:15 PM Havdalah 6:30 PM Simcha Shabbat - 9 AM
6 Cheshvan 5 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Daylight Savings Time Ends – Turn Clocks back 1 hour at 2AM	7 Cheshvan 6 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed – Yiddish Class with Cantor Zim - 8 PM	8 Cheshvan 7 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM Election Day	9 Cheshvan 8 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed – Introduction to the Jewish Bookshelf - 8 PM	10 Cheshvan 9 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM	11 Cheshvan 10 Morning Minyan 7:00 AM Candle Lighting 4:21 PM Mincha - 4:25 PM Veterans Day	12 Cheshvan 11 Lech-Lecha 9 AM Mincha 4:05 PM Havdalah 5:23 PM Men's Club Veterans Shabbat – 9 AM
13 Cheshvan 12 Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Sisterhood Torah Fund Brunch Honoring Carol Lieber – 10 AM	14 Cheshvan 13 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed – Yiddish Class with Cantor Zim - 8 PM	15 Cheshvan 14 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	16 Cheshvan 15 Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed – Introduction to the Jewish Bookshelf - 8 PM	17 Cheshvan 16 Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Lunch & Learn w/Rabbi Wise - 12 PM	18 Cheshvan 17 Morning Minyan 7:00 AM Candle Lighting 4:15 PM Mincha - 4:15 PM	19 Cheshvan 18 Vayera 9 AM Mincha 4:00 PM Havdalah 5:18 PM Junior Congregation – 10:30AM-12PM
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history of Jewish devotion to civil rights based on mutual respect and open communication among Jews and African Americans, and I don't want to break that chain with my deaf ears. So I committed to read, which is the visual version of listening. I read *Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates, and *White Rage* by Emory University professor Carol Anderson. I visited a Black Baptist Church in Flushing to learn about their tradition and role of a faith I find foreign in the fight for civil rights. If we Jews want to have a role in this crucial social movement, we need to come forward with open eyes, ears and hearts. Seek first to understand. Lead with our ears, and then follow with our mouths.

Here's my challenge to you for the New Year, 5777. Identify an issue you disagree with strongly. Find someone who holds a position you find to be contrary to your core values. Maybe you're a Likudnik who couldn't fathom Israeli withdrawal from the Territories. Go find a peacenik and ask him or her to explain why he or she finds Occupation to be so bad. Maybe you're a passionate advocate for gun control; go find someone who opposes Democrat-proposed legislation. Instead of saying "I can't fathom why he would even consider voting for so-and-so," say, "I really want to hear why you support this candidate."

Because at the end of the day, specifically on November 9, we are going to have to live side by side. If we start by breaking out of our echo chambers and listen to dissonant voices, connect with the person attached to that voice, then maybe we can begin to heal our fractured, reactionary society, one conversation at a time.

Just a few minutes ago, we said the blessing over the shofar.

*Asher kidshanu bemitzvotav
vetzivanu lishmo'a kol shofar.*

The mitzvah is not to sound the shofar, it's to hear the sound of the shofar. We are commanded in this case to lead with our ears. I find particularly moving the shofar blasts that will very soon interrupt our Musaf Amidah, our private prayers. No matter where we are in the midst of our personal davening, we stop moving our lips and pray with our ears. Our society desperately needs this ritual roleplay to heal its numerous and growing ruptures. Shma bekolah—hear its call, and listen carefully—for everyone's sake.

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the Israeli Idol Talent Show and has performed all around the world with the A-Capella group called VocalPeople. In Israel, she does many commercials and voice overs and is now launching her solo career.

Of course, **Yours Truly** will also take to the stage. Get ready for some *fun*!

Our very own and my good friend, **Joan Waxgiser**, who has been helping me run these concerts for many, many years, is our Chairperson.

Remember, **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4th** at **3:00 PM** at OUR TEMPLE. Call the synagogue office to reserve your tickets (718-776-3500).

Refreshments to follow the concert, in the Ballroom.

Another reminder...Our **YIDDISH CLASSES** will take place on **MONDAY, NOV. 7th** and **MONDAY, NOV. 14th**, both at **8:00 PM** in *Menchel Hall* at the Temple. Come and bring a friend.....and enjoy the uniqueness and delight of the Yiddish language.

See you in Shul.

Cantorially always,
Cantor Sol Zim



November Birthdays

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Jack Costi	11/9
Shachaf Kofman	11/10
Alvin Deutch	11/12
Sandi Lukin	11/12
Carol Zuses-Chu	11/15
Janice Halpern	11/17
Deborah Abramowitz	11/18
Hon. Gary Ackerman	11/19
Laurie Michaels	11/20
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Diane Gottlieb	11/23
Stephanie Hochman	11/23
Solomon Lesch	11/25
Ira Chazan	11/26
Murray Garbowitz	11/30

November Anniversaries

Janice & Marc Halpern	11/5
Eleanor & Joseph Rosenberg	11/6
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Fran & Steve Bodner	11/14
Michelle & Neil Zitofsky	11/14
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Susan & Alvin Deutch	11/18
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Linda & Steven Silverman	11/18
Janice & Jack Costi	11/20
Michele & Saul Spiel	11/21
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