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HHBJC ADULT EDUCATION PRESENTS The Ethical Life: Jewish Values In An Age of Choice The latest release from JTS The Ethical Life a course in jewish ethics from 🆓 JTS WEDNESDAY EVENINGS, At 8 PM NOVEMBER, 8, 15, 29 & **DECEMBER 6, 13, 20 & JANUARY 3, 10, 17** In Menchel Hall November at HHBJC November 1, 8, 15, 29 Adult Education -The Ethical Life November 2, 9, 16, 30 Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Wise November 2 Sisterhood Planning Meeting November 6, 27 Learn Yiddish with Cantor Zim November 11 Men's Club Veterans Shabbat November 18 Simcha Shabbat November 19 Sisterhood Torah Fun Brunch Honoring Linda Liederman November 20 Interfaith Gathering

Learn Yiddish with Cantor Sol Zim

MONDAY EVENINGS, At 8 PM NOVEMBER 6& 27

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From the Desk of Rabbi David Wise <u>My Jewish Year</u>



Now that we are a month into our Jewish year, l'll dedicate my first

installment of *The Rabbi's Nightstand* of 5778 to a book all about living the rhythm of the Jewish calendar. It's a 2017 memoir by Abigail Pogrebin called *My Jewish Year: 18 Holidays, One Wondering Jew.* Since this column comes out in the month of *Marheshvan*, the only month of the Jewish year with no holidays, it'll keep our minds on special days even when there are none!

Pogrebin lays out her plan in the book's opening sentence: "This year I'll be researching, observing, and writing about every single holiday on the calendar. She jokingly stereotypes the reactions: "Non-observant Jews look puzzled: 'Aren't there, like, a thousand of those ...? I guess you won't be doing much else this year.' Observant Jews shrugged, as if it to say, 'Welcome to our world; want a trophy?" (p.3) But in tracing her parents' Jewish journey and her own family's as well, she came to realize that her education was torn open with gaps. She admits that

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Shabbat Schedule



| Friday, November 3, 2017 | | | | |
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| Candle Lighting Mincha | 5:30 PM 5:30 PM | | | |
| Saturday, November 4, 2017 | | | | |
| Vayera Mincha Havdalah | 9:00 AM 5:15 PM 6:31 PM | | | |
| Friday, November 10, 2017 | | | | |
| Candle Lighting Mincha | 4:22 PM 4:25 PM | | | |
| Saturday, November 11, 2017 | | | | |
| Chayei Sara Mincha Havdalah | 9:00 AM 4:10 PM 5:24 PM | | | |
| Friday, November 17, 2017 | | | | |
| Candle Lighting Mincha | 4:16 PM 4:20 PM | | | |
| Saturday, November 18, 2017 | | | | |
| Toldot Mincha Havdalah | 9:00 AM 4:00 PM 5:19 PM | | | |
| Friday, November 24, 2017 | | | | |
| Candle Lighting Mincha | 4:12 PM 4:15 PM | | | |
| Saturday, November 25, 2017 | | | | |
| Vayetzei Mincha Havdalah | 9:00 AM 4:00 PM 5:15 PM | | | |

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

Fairway Supermarket: 242-02 61st Avenue, Douglaston



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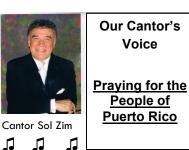
Notices

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

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

Bereavement Support

The Bereavement Support Group meets the First and Third Monday night of the month at 7:30 PM with compassionate, caring, warm and concerned friendly people. Refreshments are always served and are complimentary. All faiths are welcome. Led by Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes, Marty Kevelson and Malka Lesnik Belgrod.



As I listen to the news about Puerto Rico and hear what they are going through due to Hurricane Maria, I find myself thinking about my mother's family (the BOTT's). All of her sisters and brothers left Poland in the late 1920's. Most settled in Nassau, Bahamas. I always found it fascinating how they managed to go from their mostly Jewish town in Poland to the Bahamas with so few Jews. Somehow they managed and even thrived. In fact, they were instrumental in building a shul in Nassau. As I reflect on my mother's family in Nassau, I have been studying up on the Jews of Puerto Rico. Here is what I learned...Jewish immigration to Puerto Rico began in the 1400's. Although they could not openly practice Judaism since it was prohibited as a result of the Spanish Inquisition, Jews still managed to settle "secret" there as Jews (Marranos or Crypto-Jews).

The first larger group of Jewish immigrants came to Puerto Rico in the 1930s and 40s as they were escaping Nazioccupied Europe. Most settled in San Juan (the Capital) where they created the first Jewish Community Center of Puerto Rico. The second immigration of Jews happened in the 1950s, following the Cuban Revolution. So many of Cuba's Jews had to leave and many of them went to Florida (Miami) and to Puerto Rico. The first shul in Puerto Rico was established in the 1950's, Shaare Zedeck, and by 1970 they had hundreds of members.

Puerto Rico has the largest Jewish community in the Caribbean, and is the only Caribbean Island in which all three major Jewish denominations are represented. San Juan has three synagogues. I heard that there is even a Satmar Community on the Island. There are some Puerto Ricans who are actually descendants of Jews who were forced to convert during the time of the Spanish inquisition and Spanish rule and although they were raised and lived as Christians, there are some that still preserve some Jewish tradition.

I was so proud, but by no means surprised, to also learn that the Jews of Puerto Rico have contributed so much in various areas of culture, business, banking, education, music and entertainment.

It is so sad to see how the people of Puerto Rico are suffering. So many still do not have electricity and they are severely short of water, food, medicine, medical care, etc. etc. Let us pray for the Jewish community of Puerto Rico and all the people of this beautiful Island as they are struggling to survive and to rebuild.

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when writing her earlier book Stars of David, in which she interviews dozens of celebrity Jews, she was most struck by Leon Wieseltier's critique of modern Jewry: "The problem is that most American Jews make their decisions about their Jewish identity knowing nothing or next to nothing about the tradition that they are accepting or rejecting. We have no right to allow our passivity to destroy this tradition that miraculously has made it across two thousand years of hardship right into our laps." So Pogrebin studied in an adult Bat Mitzvah program, eventually became a Friday night regular at Central Synagogue, and convened a weekly study group. But still, she realized she needed to know more, so the plan emerged for this immersive year.

My Jewish Year is a courageous self-portrait of a Jew who admits she doesn't know enough but is willing to throw herself into a full year of experiences. In the process, Pogrebin comes to realize that holidays are not merely events. She learns about the process that frames peak experiences. So when she begins by ordering a shofar on Amazon for Elul, and attends Selihot services, she exclaims, "who knew we atone before we atone?" She learns that Sukkot is the perfect encore to Yom Kippur, since the sukkah is like a huppah, and after wearing your kittel as shroud, you would wear it at the wedding. "It's already become a recurring epiphany: no holiday stands alone; all are intertwined" (p. 77)

In the course of her research, Pogrebin consults with dozens of rabbis and scholars from all streams of Judaism, so that she can provide a fair representation of the plurality of views in our tradition. She reveres the knowledge of her Orthodox teachers, though she struggles to defend a tradition that leaves her virtually alone in the women's section of the Carlebach Shul on Hoshana Rabbah. "Despite what some might assume about me, due to my mother's public role as an activist in the women's movement, I don't feel like an outraged feminist. I feel like a sidelined Jew. I want to be where the excitement is. Separate doesn't feel equal here" (88-89). And she is saddened by the unwillingness of some factions-namely Agudath Israel-to participate in a Hanukkah panel she's planned for JTS. The myth of the conflict among Rabbi Akiva's students that animates Laq B'Omer, or the role of Sinat Hinam-baseless hatred-in the observance of Tish'ah B'av. come to life as she seeks to find her idealized Jewish unity.

There's much to learn in *My Jewish* Year, whether one knows of "The Jewish Holidays" as being only Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, or if one has long lived by the rhythm of the calendar. Read it; **Temple Family**

In honor of the birth of our granddaughter, Morgan Alexa Bater Felice & Ira Margulis

Mazal Toy

Rabbi Wise—Toda Raba, thank you so much for your help and guidance in steering us through a very difficult time. We greatly appreciate it. Victor & Sherry Gabay

Thank you to the Chesed Committee for the meal provided during our recent bereavement Victor & Sherry Gabay

Suzanne and Nathan Heilweil would like to thank all our friends who sent food for Shabbat and other dinners and those who made other contributions to charity and those who came to our home during the shiva for my beloved mother, Eleanor Heilweil, we truly have a caring community

maybe it'll inspire you to take a similar journey!

Looking forward to Hanukkah!

Rabbi David Wise

<u>Ohr Chadash News</u> Off To A Fantastic Start

Finally, after many challenging weeks and months of Summer Planning by both the very dedicated Ohr Chadash Board Members and Teachers, the new school year arrived and we have been off to a 'Fantastic Flying Start' ever since. I cannot begin to express how pleased I am to be meeting and getting acquainted with the many wonderful students and families of Ohr Chadash. We can all be so proud of not only their Jewish learning accomplishments during these first two months of school, especially regarding our many Jewish Holidays of Tishrei, but even more importantly, how welcome our students and their parents have made me feel. I am so thankful to be a part of this outstanding Religious School. I thank you all for placing your faith and trust in me and putting the very important Jewish Education of your youngsters and teens in my hands.

Baruch Hashem, there have been so many highlights during our beginning months including a Pre-Rosh Hashanah Family Seder which included round raisin challah, a grape juice Kiddush, apples and honey, pomegranates, dates and carrots, all Simonim, Signs, for a Sweet New Year. We also enjoyed a wonderful Family Sukkah Decorating Party giving me

Sisterhood

Shalom. Now that we have celebrated the High Holy Days and the cool fall days are upon us, the Sisterhood has started the year off planning events for fun, education, and community service.

On October 15th, we walked for Making Strides Against Breast Cancer. Thanks to everyone who donated and turned out. Our Sisterhood Paid-up Membership Brunch was a huge success. Our very own Melanie Katz, a NYC high school principal, enlightened us about the current state of the NYC education system. We learned quite a lot. Thank you, Melanie.

We're sure you will want to join us at the Torah Fund Breakfast on Sunday November 19th at 10:00am. The fund is an integral part of the Sisterhood and the Women's League of Conservative Judaism, allowing us a direct avenue to support Conservative Judaism and the Jewish Theological Seminary. Each year we honor a deserving Sisterhood member. I am pleased to inform you that this year's honoree is long time member Linda Liederman, our congre-



gational nurse. She has participated in many of our services, as well as being Torah lifter extraordinaire.

We can't forget that we have been renovating and restocking our gift shop for Chanukah and other occasions. We have the latest mah jongg cards for sale.

We are planning many new and exciting events for the upcoming year. We will be joining with other Sisterhoods to sponsor a special event. Our Holiday Bazaar is just around the corner. We are looking forward to our Woman's Seder and have received requests to repeat our delicious challah baking. Let's not forget our successful Purim Project. We are anticipating an evening of ballroom dancing in conjunction with the Men's Club, a theater trip, a game day, book club, and other special activities. Details of these events and upcoming planning meeting will be forthcoming.

We are always happy to hear more voices in Sisterhood. For those who would like to become more involved and be a part of planning Sisterhood events, please join us at our next meeting on Thursday November 2nd at 8:00pm. We are looking forward to an interesting and meaningful year.



<u>Youth Director</u> <u>News</u>

Dan Bacharach

After a busy first two months of programming, H2I is excited for move into November, which promises to be an even more exciting month! We'll start off by hosting METNY Regional Fall Kinnus, at which upwards of 300 high schools will join our community for the weekend, with parts of the program taking place at each of our three H2I shuls. Thank you in advance to all of you who have opened your home to the USYers to make this program a successwe hope you find it to be a rewarding experience!

After a jam-packed weekend with kinnus, our younger groups will be meeting on the night of Sunday, November 5 with a "Slumber Party" for our 2nd-5th graders, and Couch Potato, a TV trivia contest, for our 6th-8th graders. The next week, on November 12, our younger groups will take part in a trip that is shaping up to be something innovating and excitingmore details should be available on our website by the time you're reading this article. Our USYers will be reliving their childhood at our #TBT program, full of juice boxes, snacks, and childhood games and memories. On November 19, our younger groups will participate in a Thanksgiving social actions program to give back to those less fortunate, while our USYers will have their own "trip"-a scavenger

hunt followed by a "Friendsgiving Dinner"—a new H2I tradition that we hope will stick for years to come. We're off the next week for Thanksgiving, and then move to ICCJ for the winter months!

It's never too late to join for the year, so if you know someone in grades 2-12 who might be interested, let them know about our award-winning program!



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

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

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

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I would like to take this time to remind you that our YIDDISH CLASSES will take place on Monday evenings, October 30th, November 6th and November 27th at 8PM. We will *laugh until we PLATZ and we will KIBBITZ so much,* as we *learn A BISEL, laugh A BISEL* and definitely *NOSH A BISEL*. I can't wait to see you there!

The dates for our *LEARN TO DAVEN program* will be announced soon. I know how much many of you love to sing during the services, now you will have the opportunity to learn how to lead a service. This will be a special time we can share together!

Our *GALA CONCERT* will take place in the Spring. Date to be announced shortly.

See you in Shul.

Cantorially always,

Cantor Sol Zim

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

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

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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/

JUDITH LESNIK CHESED COMMITTEE

With the winter approaching, please find some helpful hints for the cold days ahead.

Mail-A-Book Program

You can email the New York Public Library to gain access to literature through the mail. Here are 2 ways to contact them: www.mailabook@queenslibrary. org

Or call (718) 464-0084

Take the time to check out the following fun activities:

Fresh Meadows Scrabble Club: (718) 454-7272 Fresh Meadows Knitting Club: (718) 454-7272 Glen Oaks Beginning Mahjong: (718) 831-8686 Glen Oaks Meditation Club: (718) 831-8686

Samuel Field YM-YWHA: Open Sunday through Friday- Offers many, many opportunities for you and your family: (718) 225-6750

Good thoughts to you.

Laura Brodsky

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

Please visit our Facebook Page at

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



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> To Reach the Congregational Nurse Linda Liederman, R.N. Phone: 646-598-2974 Email:

nurse@hollishillsjc.org

To reach the office: 718-776-3500

To reach Rabbi Wise: Enter option "3" Or: rabbiwise@hollishillsjc.org

Chesed Committee Chair Laura Brodsky: Ibrodsky@hollishillsjc.org

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the opportunity to see how very artistically creative our students really are. Perhaps most enjoyable for many of us was our 'Family Pizza In The Hut Sukkoh Party', featuring you guessed it, delicious pizza and a very informative Lulav and Etrog Program.

With Chanukah coming quickly, we are already planning more exciting Ohr Chadash Holiday Programs. I eagerly look forward to sharing with you many future Ohr Chadash accomplishments and celebrations. Finally, if you know of any families that might be interested in trying us out, please send them my way. There will always be a very special place for every child, teen and family at Ohr Chadash.

Best,

Jeffrey Kelman (914-714-1257) (ohrdirector@gmail.com) Ohr Chadash Director of Education and Engagement

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In honor of our office and custodial staff, Lou Ann, Nancy, Tony, Richie and Franco, without whose hard work, diligence and support, this High Holidays and Sukkot would not have been as smooth-running and joyous as they were Ilene & Gordon Goldman

In memory of Lorraine Goldfarb Lisa & Ross Goldfarb

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Wishing Refuah Shelemah to Joel Blumenfeld Linda & Arthur Liederman

In memory of Raymond Gabay Flo & Bob Gropper

In honor of the aufruf & upcoming marriage of Nancy Borko & Steven Fusfeld's son Adam & Rachel Mira Clivner Flo & Bob Gropper

OUR DAILY MINYAN NEEDS YOU! PLEASE DO A MITZVAH AND SUPPORT OUR DAILY MINYAN A COUPLE OF DAYS A WEEK EVEN IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A YAHRZEIT.

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

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed - JTS The Ethical Life- | Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM | Morning Minyan 7:00 AM | 4 Cheshvan 15 Vayera 9 AM Mincha 5:15 PM Havdalah 6:31 PM |
| Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Daylight Savings | 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Learn Yiddish with Cantor Zim - | Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM Election Day | 8 AM and 7:30 PM Adult Ed - JTS The Ethical Life- | 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM | Morning Minyan 7:00 AM Candle Lighting 4:22 PM Mincha - 4:25 PM | 11 Cheshvan 22 Chayei Sara 9 AM Mincha 4:10 PM Havdalah 5:24 PM Veterans Day Men's Club Veterans Shabbat – 9 AM |
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| Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Sisterhood Torah Fund Brunch Honoring Linda | 20 Kislev 2 6:45 AM and 7 PM Thanksgiving Interfaith Gathering at American Martyrs - 7:30PM | 21 Kislev 3 Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM | 8 AM and 7:30 PM | 7:30 PM | 7:00 AM Candle Lighting 4:12 PM Mincha - 4:15 PM | 25 Kislev 7 Vayetzei 9 AM Mincha 4:00 PM Havdalah 5:15 PM Ethan Shefi Bar Mitzvah |
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Hollis Hills Bayside CSA (food share)

The spring/summer season is winding down and our farmer is offering a bountiful (15 lb box) Winter Share with even more wonderful vegetables. Below are the details. You can pick up a Membership Application in the HHBJC office or you can find the application on the Shul website at www.hollishillsbaysidejc.org/life -cycle-events-and-

announcements/hollis-hillscsa/.

If you are interested in joining our CSA's Winter Share or have questions, please contact Naomi Horowitz 718 344-6006 or email

Hollishills.bayside.csa@gmail.c om

Looking forward to a healthy and delicious season ahead!

- HHBJC Core Group

2017-2018 WINTER SEASON

Organic Vegetable Winter Share-\$115-4 deliveries (12/14, 1/11, 2/8. 3/8). Box will contain 15 lbs of the following: sweet potatoes, potatoes, watermelon radish, rutabaga, carrots, beets, leeks, winter squash and possibly broccoli, kale and/or cabbage.

Non-Organic Briermere Farm Cider Share-\$25-4 deliveries (1/2 gallon jug each week)

Non-Organic Briermere Farm Apple Share-\$30-4 deliveries (4 lb bag each week)

Winter Delivery Schedule: Thursdays – 12/14, 1/11, 2/8, 3/8 Pick up location: HHBJC Annex, 80-11 210th Street Pick up time: 5 PM – 7 PM Volunteer Shifts: 4:45 pm to 6 pm and 6 pm tp 7:15 pm

All completed applications and checks must be received by November 16. 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

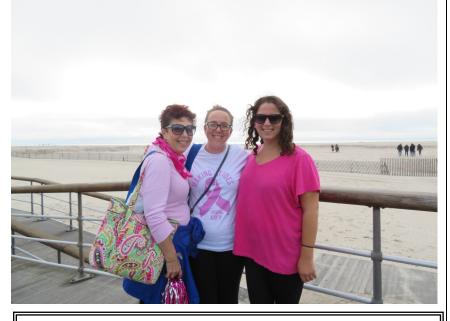
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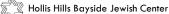
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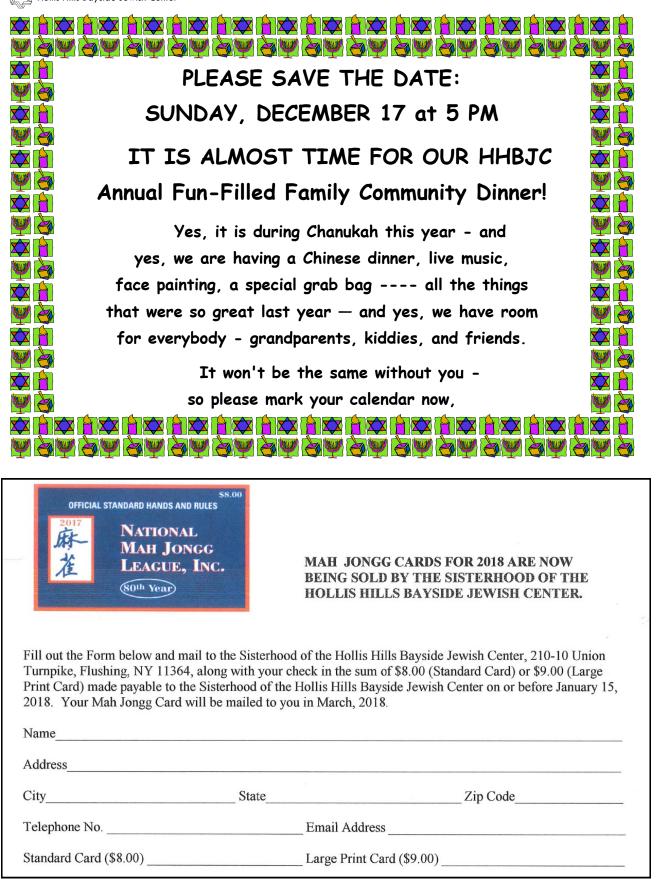
Rosh Chodesh 6:30am

SISTERHOOD MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER WALK - OCTOBER 15, 2017



Jaye Solomowitz, Rebecca Solomowitz and Chelsea Katz walking in the Breast Cancer Walk at Jones Beach, Sunday October 15, 2017. We have collected so far, \$1,151 and can still take additional donations.





Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes Life After Retirement "LAS VEGAS, THE CITY OF STARS...WITHOUT HEAVEN*!...AND THEN?"

The Las Vegas Massacre this past October savaged America. It shattered the bubbly-bubble of presumed "safety in numbers" and super security of America's adult playground in Nevada, in the city that never sleeps, where the gambling casinos never close: they have no clocks! All night revelers in fantabulous night-clubs along the Strip rejoice, never noticing - or caring if it is midnight...or four in the morning.

The lights, the music, the rock stars, the glamorous Hollywood queens, the seductive nymphets, the mind-boggling promise of huge wealth waiting for you at the whimsical turn of a wheel, at the flip of a card or the tumble of gleaming dice...are just too powerful, too magical to break the spell. Sinuous dreams from the *Id* and from other captivating sources - including opiods - rule. Alice in wonderland never had such an intoxicating journey into Neverland, a temporary escape from harsh realities.

AND THEN... the madman struck. Bullets flew, chaos reigned. In 9-11 minutes of rapid gunfire, ugly *Death* swiftly swiped its jagged claws, bodies were raked, bones shattered and the lives of innocent men, women and children were snuffed out forever. Thousands of Country Music lovers who moments before had been singing in unison, "G-D BLESS AMERICA" were now fleeing for their lives! Las Vegas was now thornily crowned as the location of the largest mass-murder in America's 241 year old history. Vegas was now America's official "Duchess of Death in the Streets". What a fiendish scenario for some future Hollywood horror-movie script writer!

AND THEN...uncannily true to Charles Dickens' worst-of-times/ best-of-times novel, Las Vegas responded with rare courage, sheer bravery, compassion and manifold deeds of sacrifice and uncommon valor. Strangers put their own lives in danger to help other strangers whom they discovered hiding behind dumpsters, wounded and helpless in their own blood. Many paused in their flight to remove their shirts to cover the dead, giving these victims dignity amidst horror.

AND THEN...when the news spread, first responders plunged in, reckless of personal danger in their desperate pursuit of rescue and justice. As in the other recent horrendous disasters** that have gripped our country of late, i.e. Hurricanes Harvey, Irma et all, wreaking havoc in Houston, Key West & Puerto Rico...our fellow citizens united in true sisterhood and brotherhood, sharing their resources for timely help, healing and, wherever possible, rebuilding of strangers' lives. We were one in thought and deed!

It has been said that you don't fully appreciate what you have until you don't have it?

Well, *America has it...* and it's time we proclaimed it. For all our flaws and imperfections, we are a great nation, capable of mobilizing for noble causes in times of need. In G-d we trust & to the

sweet angels in our hearts and souls *we listen*...when they urge us to reach way out and to put the stars back in Heaven...even when Heaven does not seem to exist!

G-d bless America!

Happy Thanksgiving to one and all! We truly have lots to be grateful for!***

Rabbi Dr. Hirsch Joseph Simckes

This name suggested itself to me when I noticed the title of an Exhibition in the Yad Vashem Pavilion in Jerusalem :"Children in the Holocaust: Stars Without a Heaven" (9/29/17). It dealt with the 1.5 million Jewish children viciously murdered during the Shoah! They wore Jewish stars... beneath a seemingly pitiless sky. Symbolically, they were themselves stars...without a visible Heaven. These murdered Jewish children were innocent victims of a universe absent a rescuing divinity.

I also thought of the 1000's of non -Jews who *did* reach out to save some of these children and some of their family members...at the peril of their own lives. So, too, last month in *Las Vegas* did countless rescuers reach out to total strangers in heroic efforts to save innocent victims of the catastrophic murder spree taking place despite deadly danger to themselves.

** Be sure to read our own HHBJC grad, *Tevi Troy's* recent incisive October article in the Wall Street Journal regarding current major U.S. upheavals. Also, check out the little State of Israel's recent series of daring res-

November Birthdays

| Benjamin Graham | 11/1 |
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| Irina Sirota | 11/2 |
| Irene Borman | 11/5 |
| Alan Lish | 11/6 |
| Rebecca Reich | 11/7 |
| Robert Saltzman | 11/8 |
| Jack Costi | 11/9 |
| Shachaf Kofman | 11/10 |
| Alvin Deutch | 11/12 |
| Sandi Lukin | 11/12 |
| Jeffrey Rosenberg | 11/12 |
| Carol Zuses-Chu | 11/15 |
| Janice Halpern | 11/17 |
| Deborah Abramowitz | 11/18 |
| Hon. Gary Ackerman | 11/19 |
| Laurie Michaels | 11/20 |
| Douglas Fairtile | 11/23 |
| Diane Gottlieb | 11/23 |
| Stephanie Hochman | 11/23 |
| Solomon Lesch | 11/25 |
| Ira Chazan | 11/26 |
| Murray Garbowitz | 11/30 |
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| November Anniversaries | | | | |
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| Janice & Marc Halpern | 11/5 | | | |
| Eleanor & Joseph | | | | |
| Rosenberg | 11/6 | | | |
| Zena & Joel Barsky | 11/11 | | | |
| Fran & Steve Bodner | 11/14 | | | |
| Michelle & Neil Zitofsky | 11/14 | | | |
| Adele & Martin Goldman | 11/15 | | | |
| Jeanette & Dr. Stanley | | | | |
| Dauber | 11/18 | | | |
| Susan & Alvin Deutch | 11/18 | | | |
| Madeleine & Shachaf | | | | |
| Kofman | 11/18 | | | |
| Linda & Steven Silverman11/18 | | | | |
| Janice & Jack Costi | 11/20 | | | |
| Felice & Hon. Ira Margulis11/23 | | | | |
| Jackie & Paul Winter | 11/23 | | | |
| Carol & Joel Lieber | 11/27 | | | |

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cue programs to foreign countries in distress! *Amazing*!

*** This month is the 100th Anniversary of *THE BALFOUR DEC-LARATION* (Nov. 2, 1917), welcoming the rebirth of a sovereign Jewish nation on its ancestral soil in Mandatory Palestine, heralding the establishment of the State of Israel in 1948. A 2000 year old dream fulfilled at last!

The best of times following the worst of times.

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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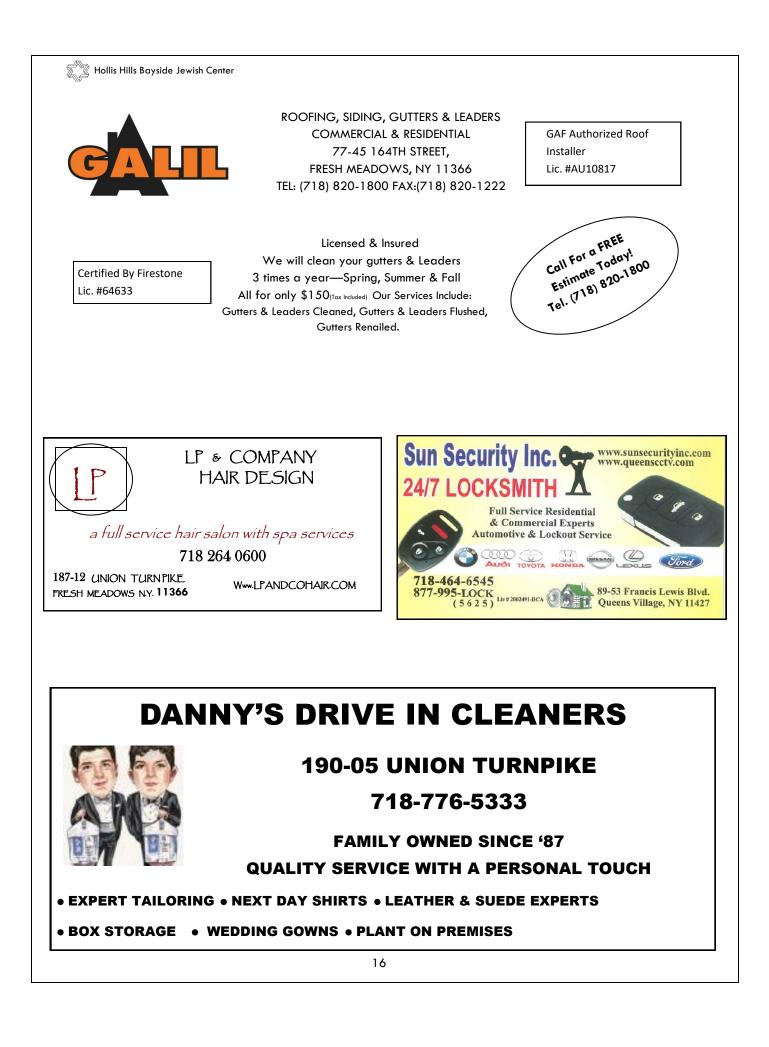
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