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Children: Lessons from
the Holocaust

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May 13

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HERJC, Temple Hillel,
and Temple Beth El

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IsraelFest

May 14

A community-wide
celebration with
dinner and activities
for all

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HAZZAN BONNIE ZAKARIN

Dear Members of Our Synagogue Family,

I am thrilled to share with you the news that I will be traveling to Minneapolis, Minnesota, to attend the esteemed 77th Annual Cantors Assembly Convention. This convention promises to be an extraordinary gathering of cantors from around the world, and I am honored to represent our community at this event.

A Feast for the Soul and Senses

The Cantors Assembly Convention offers a rich tapestry of experiences, combining spirited davening, delectable meals, high-level performances, and ample opportunities for learning, networking, and camaraderie. The following program highlights show how exciting the program will be.

Sunday: Opening Ceremony and Evening Concert

An Opening Ceremony followed by an Evening Concert featuring "Chadesh Yameinu" sponsored by SongSwap, promising an evening of inspiration and soul-stirring melodies.

Monday: Keynote Speaker and Musical Showcases

A keynote address by Yizhar Hess, Chair of the World Zionist Organization, and musical showcases featuring Hazzanut/Classical music. Additionally, there will be ample networking opportunities and a community event with the renowned Noa Tishby at Beth El Synagogue.

Tuesday: Folk/Local Roots and Rosenbaum Lecture

More musical showcases celebrating Folk/Local Roots, engaging learning tracks, and the Rosenbaum Lecture delivered by Dr. Riv Ellen Prell, Professor Emerita at the University of Minnesota. The evening culminates in a Gala concert of World Premiere Compositions at Adath Jeshurun Congregation.

Wednesday: Pop/Broadway and Contemporary Israeli Songs

Learning tracks on repertoire and self-care, a vibrant musical showcase featuring Pop/Broadway hits, and a concert titled "Shirei Tefilah – Prayersongs: Contemporary Israeli songs as Tefilah," offering a unique blend of tradition and innovation.

Thursday: A Surprise Finale!

I am really looking forward to this last program!

A Journey of Growth and Inspiration

As I prepare to embark on this musical journey, I am filled with gratitude for the unwavering support and encouragement of our HERJC community. This convention presents a rare opportunity for personal and professional growth, as I immerse myself in the rich tapestry of Jewish music, learning, and fellowship.

On my return, I look forward to sharing the insights, melodies, and experiences gathered during the convention, enriching our synagogue's spiritual experience and strengthening our bonds as a community.

I carry with me the spirit and warmth of our HERJC family. Together, let us continue to uplift and inspire one another as we journey forward in faith and harmony.

With gratitude and anticipation, Hazzan Bonnie Zakarin

The Rabbi's Remarks



RABBI MICHEL SCHLESINGER

Receiving the Torah Daily: A Call to Engagement

Dear Congregants,

When we stand before the Torah during our services and recite the blessing, “Blessed be Adonai who gives the Torah” (*noten haTorah*), we are reminded of a profound truth embedded within these words. Notice the verb tense—it’s not “God gave the Torah” (*natan*, in Hebrew), but “God gives” (*noten*, in the present tense). This choice of words signifies

that the Torah is continuously given, renewed, and available to us every single day.

What does this mean for us? It means that each day offers us a fresh opportunity to receive the Torah, to immerse ourselves in its teachings, and to live out its values. While the giving comes from God, the receiving depends entirely on us.

Our congregation, the Hewlett-East Rockaway Jewish Centre, is an ideal place for this continual reception of the Torah. Here, within our community, we have countless opportunities to embrace and internalize its wisdom.

Consider how we can receive the Torah daily within our congregation:

1. Daily Minyan and Acts of Kindness: Every time we attend the daily minyan and ensure that our fellow congregants who are saying Kaddish have the support they need, we actively receive the Torah. This act of communal prayer and kindness embodies Torah values.

2. Shabbat Services: Through our participation in Shabbat prayers both on Friday evenings and Saturdays, we engage deeply with the Torah. Shabbat is a sacred time when we renew our spiritual connection.

3. Involvement in Committees: Our participation in the various committees at HERJC, such as Adult Education, Sisterhood, Israel, House, Board of Education, Chesed, provides another avenue to receive the Torah. When we work together for the betterment of our community, we embody Torah principles of communal responsibility.

4. Financial Support: Contributing our financial resources to strengthen our congregation, support the broader society, and aid the State of Israel is also a form of receiving the Torah. Tzedakah and communal support are central to Torah values.

5. Religious School and Early Childhood Center: Engaging with our Religious School and Early Childhood Center is yet another way to receive the Torah. By educating our children in Jewish values, traditions, and teachings, we ensure the continuity of Torah within future generations.

As we approach Shavuot, the holiday that commemorates the giving of the Torah at Sinai, let us engage in a deeper form of Torah reception. Shavuot is not merely a historical observance; it is an opportunity for personal and communal renewal.

Let us envision our congregation, the HERJC, as our contemporary Mount Sinai—a place where the Torah is vibrant, alive, and continually bestowed upon us. Let us embrace this gift with open hearts and minds, ensuring that each day brings us closer to the eternal wisdom of our tradition.

May this Shavuot be a time of profound connection and renewal for all of us.

Chag Sameach, Rabbi Michel Schlesinger

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HERJC Mission Statement

Hewlett-East Rockaway Jewish Centre—Congregation Etz Chaim (HERJC) is a warm, vibrant, traditional-egalitarian Conservative congregation. Our diverse, forward-thinking community is one in which learning, prayer and social action flourish.

Since its founding in 1949, HERJC has been recognized for creating a welcoming environment in which each member – Regardless of age, stage of life or background—feels a connection to one another, to the Jewish people, to the United States, to the land and State of Israel, to Judaism, and to God.

We are committed to continuing to provide innovative, interesting and thought-provoking programs that:

- Foster lifelong learning from pre-school through adulthood
- Celebrate our Jewish heritage
- Deepen the sense of community among our Congregational family
- Promote religious involvement of all members, and enhance their spiritual experience
- Encourage intergenerational cooperation
- Nurture the State of Israel and our relationship with it
- Serve the needs of our members, the local community, the United States, and K'lal Yisrael, the Jewish people, throughout the world.

Pirkei Avot says the world rests on Torah, Avodah, and G'milut Chasadim. So too does our Congregation.

From the Executive Director



LISA STEIN

Israel. Eretz Yisrael. Our homeland, our spiritual embrace, our hope. It would be beyond an understatement to say that Israel has faced one of her most challenging years this year. As we prepare this issue of Hakol, the hostages have been captive for over six months. There have been rallies, protests, fundraisers, dinners, cards, letters, the establishment of our HERJC Israel Committee under the leadership of Tova Markowitz, the singing of Hatikvah, and the inclusion of MANY prayers on behalf of Israel, Israelis, the IDF, and the hostages.

As we near Yom Ha'atzmaut, we should still wholeheartedly celebrate Israel's 76th birthday. Yom Ha'atzmaut will look different from past Independence Day celebrations. As I have written before, my daughter, Gabriella, is in Israel now and has been since the end of August for her GAP year. I am excited for her to experience Yom Ha'atzmaut in Tel Aviv, 'for real,' outside of a Hebrew School setting and outside of Long Island. It will be fascinating to hear what she has to say after living through a year in a beautiful and special place under the most difficult of circumstances (to say the least). I am so appreciative of the inquiries this year from congregants about her safety and her well-being—it means a lot, as this was certainly not the year my family had expected. At the same time, we are so proud of her, for all that she has learned and done during this pivotal year in her young life.

I had also written that I didn't know if I would get to visit her as we had been planning to do, but we are thankful that we did get to visit during the December school break. And as others who have gone to Israel this year have also said, it was an incredible experience. We were unsure what to expect in some ways, but when we arrived, we were greeted warmly by Israelis, and everyone was grateful that we had come. Gabriella was thrilled to show us around and the administration of her program, who so deftly balanced caring for these students while worrying about their own families, were also happy to see us. We went to cafes and restaurants, did some touring, and did some volunteering. It was an unusual dichotomy of 'vacationing,' supporting, and witnessing all at once. And I am thankful she will proudly stand and celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut there and I am equally proud that we will mark Israel's Birthday here at HERJC in a meaningful, intergenerational and fun way on May 13th.

I would be remiss not to acknowledge the plethora of additional accomplishments that have happened here at HERJC this year, all while still focusing on Israel. This year we have welcomed many new members and we know our doors were open, especially during this time when many were looking for connection. We held our first Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service where the building was full of people from HERJC and the greater community



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From the President



STEPHEN MOELIS

A Temporary Farewell . . .

This summer, I will pass the proverbial Presidential baton to another HERJC leader. During my tenure, my goals—as expressed in my first High Holiday speech—were to chart a path for our synagogue to pursue, join fellow members in the climb up our self-defined mountain of adversities, and to regularly assess our success and spearhead changes when necessary.

I freely admit now that, before volunteering, my collective life's experience did not lend itself to being President. With my brother as my only professional partner, I was never tasked with garnering support for a strategic course of action. As part of a family operation, I never hired or fired anyone. As a business owner with no shareholders, I never reviewed a financial report, led a Board meeting, fundraised, or spoke in front of an audience.

From the start of my term, my inspiration was my Dad. Growing up, I was steeped in the music business: hearing Tony Orlando sing at my “cousin’s” Bar Mitzvah; sitting in front of Stevie Nicks and Fleetwood Mac at a Rock Music Awards show; seeing *Tommy* on a reel-to-reel in my basement before it was released; going backstage to meet the group Kansas after a show at MSG. Thanks to my Dad’s **work**, I got a behind-the-curtain view of an exciting business, meeting larger-than-life personalities with abundant talent. More importantly, thanks to who my Dad **was**, I got a front row seat to learn about life, appreciating those whose collective work makes something larger than it could otherwise be.

HERJC is not, nor has it ever been about, any single individual. I have been the beneficiary of others’ dedication to our renewal. Rabbi Schlesinger and Lisa Stein afforded a trusted platform to discuss hurdles, devise strategies, recover from bad decisions, and to never be completely satisfied with the status quo. The Executive Committee provided a unified front to achieve strategies to right HERJC’s ship. Our Board of Directors remained committed to supporting financial initiatives and membership programming to instill a sense of community in all we did. So many others were endless resources for advice, guidance, and as steadfast supporters of the work being done—from my indispensable advisor, Nora Skiba, to my humble editor, Lisa Cohen; from my fundraising guru, Stan Cohen, to my financial touchstone, Steven Kreit; from past Presidents like Audrey Polinsky and Liz Kislik to future leaders like Jason Melzer, Elaine Garver, and Laura Underweiser.

“ ... I got a front row seat to learn about life, appreciating those whose collective work makes something larger than it could otherwise be. ”

Ultimately, the highlights of HERJC’s success since I began—a new charismatic Rabbi, 70+ new members, over \$860,000 in Endowment funds, increased ECC and Religious School student populations, and enhanced member engagement in social, educational, and ritual programming—are due to the hard work and commitment of hundreds associated with HERJC: Hazzan Zakarin, Cheryl Karp, James Reynolds, our teachers, committee members, Sisterhood ... the list goes on. False modesty aside, it was not about who was President; it was about the efforts of lay leaders and professional staff alike and the willingness of members, old and new, to open themselves up to the

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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SHABBAT

Friday night, 6:00 pm
In person

Saturday morning, 9:30 am
In person and Zoom

MORNING MINYAN

Monday, Thursday,
and Rosh Chodesh, 7:45 am
In person and Zoom

Tuesday, Wednesday,
and Friday, 7:45 am
Check calendar for in
person and Zoom days

Sunday, 9:00 am
Zoom ONLY

EVENING MINYAN

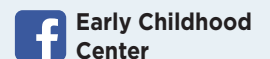
Sunday-Thursday, 7:30 pm
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Mazal Tov to Our B'nai Mitzvah

EMILY PATIGALIA

May 4, 2024

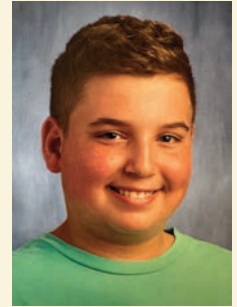
Mazal Tov to Ivie and Michael Patigalia on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Emily. Emily loves listening to music and is part of the Honor Roll in school. Additionally, Emily attended HERJC's Early Childhood Center and she and her family are current members of HERJC.



ETHAN JANOWITZ

May 18, 2024

Mazal Tov to Dara and Michael Janowitz on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ethan. Ethan enjoys playing tennis on the Lynbrook South team. For Ethan's Bar Mitzvah project, he was a team captain for the Walls to End Alzheimer's and raised almost \$6,000 for this cause that is meaningful to his family. The Janowitz family have been HERJC members since their kids attended HERJC ECC and Ethan will be sure to carry on the traditions he has learned at HERJC and family gatherings. Ethan has one sibling, Aaron (15).



ANDREW RICHTER

June 1, 2024

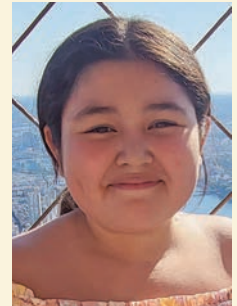
Mazal Tov to Lisa and Mitchell Richter on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Andrew. Andrew enjoys playing soccer with his friends and teammates. He has liked many National Parks (he's visited 10!) and his favorite is Zion National Park. Andrew enjoys challenging activities and loves whitewater rafting in West Virginia on the New River. He is an honor student and is a part of the Key Club and has volunteered at his school to help with community projects. Andrew has one sibling, Madelyn (20).



AUDREY CELIS-SUAREZ

June 15, 2024

Mazal Tov to Jeanine Suarez on the Bat Mitzvah of her daughter, Audrey. Audrey is a seventh grade student at Woodmere Middle School. Audrey and her siblings attended HERJC's Early Childhood Center and love being a part of the HERJC community. Audrey's hobbies include softball, karate, and drama club. Audrey has proudly volunteered at the HERJC Art Show in the past. Audrey is happy that her great-grandmother, Gloria Limones, will be present for her special day. Audrey has two siblings, Sophia (9) and Andrew (8).



ETHAN NORRIS

June 22, 2024

Mazal Tov to Lauren and Mark Norris on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Ethan. Alongside his academic excellence and passion for music, Ethan is also an exceptional performer. Since the fourth grade, he has been captivating audiences with his talents on stage. He donates clothes and new toys to the Salvation Army and Jewish needy, recognizing the importance of giving back to those less fortunate. Ethan's commitment to his Jewish education extends beyond the HERJC classroom, as he has attended Camp Young Judea Sprout Lake for the past four years. Ethan has one sibling, Addison (16).



MATTHEW GINZBURG

June 29, 2024

Mazal Tov to Regina and Lev Ginzburg on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Matthew. Matthew plays saxophone and piano and belongs to the WMS Jazz Band. He is an active swimmer on the middle school JV team and district swim club. Additionally, Matthew received the lead role in the WMS musical! Matthew and his family keep a kosher home and have Shabbat dinners with extended family every Friday and celebrate all holidays. Matthew has two siblings, Olivia (19) and Jeremy (16).



The Harry Kassel Patrons Society



If Harry Kassel (z"l) were alive, I believe he would say the Patrons Society which he envisioned 47 years ago has achieved more than he could ever have imagined. Our Early Childhood Center has over 110 students and extended its services this year to Israeli children to provide them with a stable life while fighting rages in Gaza. Our Religious School has over 85 students with the influx of new members who see their children's education as paramount to a Jewish community. Our overall membership rose by over 25 families this year, continuing the trend of HERJC's growth and positive feedback for our synagogue.

In truth, *The Harry Kassel Patrons Society* and those who participate as Patrons reflect the incredible generosity of HERJC members who secure our future by maintaining our present.

Their contributions as Patrons are shining examples of what these families mean to HERJC, and we owe them our gratitude for their stalwart support. Their participation is a sign of the Patrons' collective belief in HERJC and in the legacy Harry sought to create.

Thank you to our list of Patrons in 2023/2024 thus far. If you would like to become a Patron, please contact me at smoelis.lastrada@gmail.com. My thanks & respect—*Stephen Moelis, President, HERJC*

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www.herjc.org/make-a-difference-in-israel

- Donate to UJA's Emergency Israel Fund
- Make Colleges Safe from Antisemitism
- Send a Supportive Message
- Call Your Elected Officials

SPECIAL YOM HASHOAH FILM PRESENTATION

■ Monday, May 6 at 8:00 pm in Boardroom

Stories for my Children's Children: Lessons from the Holocaust

The movie, *Stories for My Children's Children*, is a poignant series of recollections passionately told by Sarah Rolnick, the daughter of two Holocaust survivors, about her parents' experiences during the Holocaust. Sarah carries with her stories of hope—her mother's family hid in a barn for two years after the Nazis took over Poland thanks to farm owners who were willing to take the risk—and unimaginable hardship—her father's first wife and children were shot and killed when he was sent to a concentration camp.

Sarah Rolnick, and her son, Daniel, a congregant will be present.

Sponsored by Adult Education and Sisterhood



The Israel Committee

Shalom, from the Israel Committee. The Israel Committee is dedicated to supporting HERJC's vibrant Jewish community while fostering an enduring connection with the people and the State of Israel. Our mission extends to promoting understanding, combating prejudice, and celebrating the diversity of Jewish identity. Through engaging programs, educational initiatives, and cultural exchanges, we seek to strengthen the bonds that unite us with Israel, and its rich heritage. By celebrating Israel's cultural, historical, and technological contributions, we aim to inspire a sense of pride and belonging within the HERJC community.

Here are our events past, present and future: The Israel Committee collaborated with Adult Education and Sisterhood to bring **Dr. Samuel Feldberg** to speak about Israel's strategic plans. We organized a community-wide event to hear **Tomer and Amit Ades, survivors of Kibbutz Aza**, share their October 7th survival story. Thanks to the generosity of HERJC members, the tzedakah collected on Purim is going to be donated to the survivors, now refugees, from Kibbutz Aza.

We have some exciting upcoming events: Look out for our **Pizza IDF Campaign** to send pizza to IDF soldiers. You are encouraged to form a team and ask for sponsors. All the money raised goes to feeding IDF soldiers. More information can be found in the HERJC e-mail. We are participating in the **HERJC Yom Ha'atzmaut Fair** on May 14. Mark your calendars!

Sunday, June 2, is the Israeli Day Parade. We hope you will join HERJC and our neighboring shuls as we march down 5th Avenue to show our pride and love for Israel.

There is ongoing support for Israel happening weekly. Our **Shabbat services** include the **names of six hostages held captive in Gaza**, along with a prayer for their safety and redemption. Every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. the organization **Run For Their Lives** meets for a walk/run at **Country Pointe, 1427 Old Country Rd. Plainview, NY 11803** to bond together in hope and prayer to bring the hostages home.

We are committed to the interrelationship between HERJC and Israel and look forward to many more events. Am Yisrael Chai! — *Tova Markowitz, Head of The Israel Committee*



Hewlett-East Rockaway Jewish Centre

ETZ CHAIM

ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

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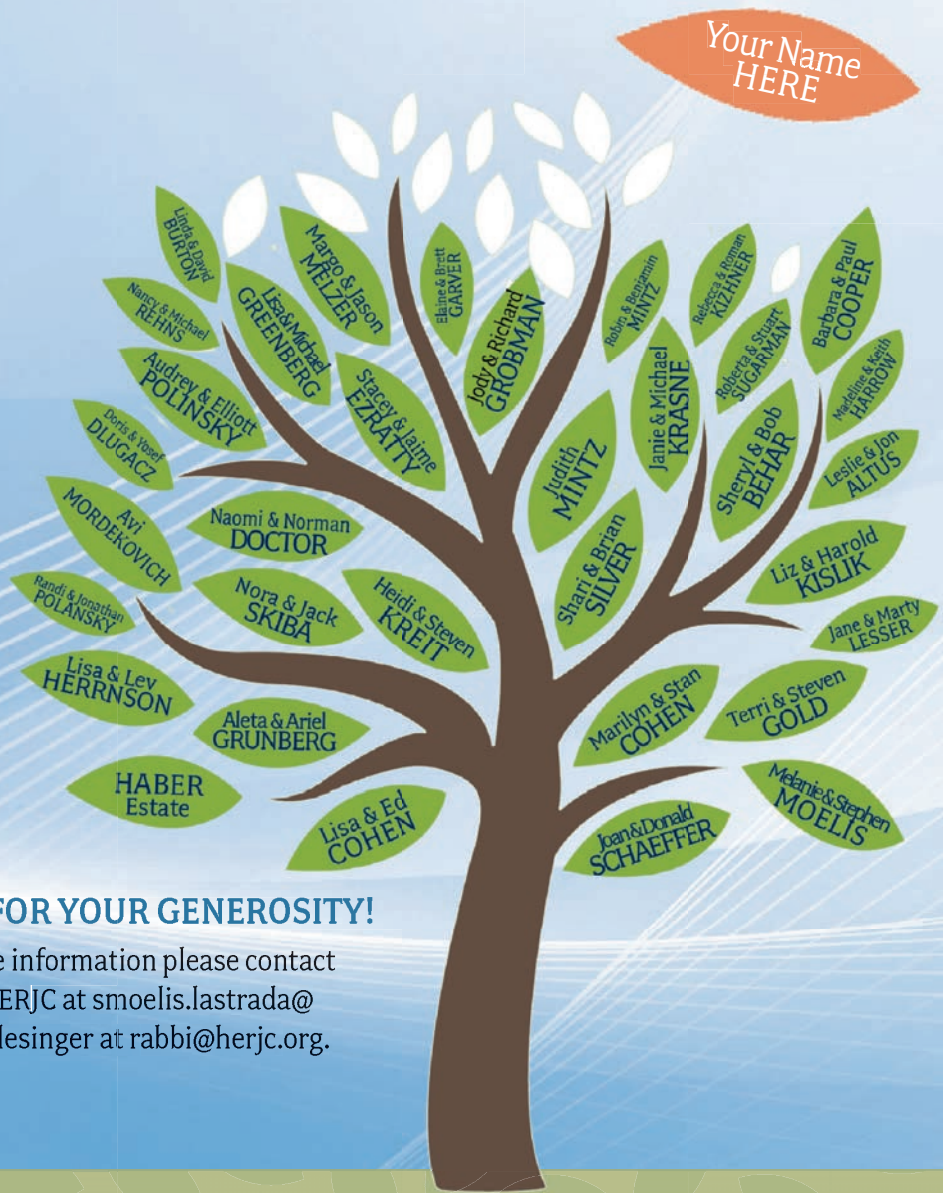
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Celebrating our Community

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FRIDAY, MAY 17 | 6:00 PM

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Holidays



IsraelFest

Tuesday, May 14, 5:30 pm

Entire Congregation Welcome

We will enjoy a community-wide celebration with dinner and activities for all at our annual temple-wide celebration of Israel.

Smores Kabbalat Shabbat

Friday, May 24, 5:30 pm

Bonfire and smores on the patio prior to Kabbalat Shabbat Services



Tikkun Leil Shavuot

Tuesday, June 11, 6:30 pm, following Services

Our Tikkun will include:

- Our Religious School end-of-year awards and ceremonies, including Kabbalat HaSiddur
- Building Blocks moving up
- Kitah Vav Graduation
- An adult Tikkun with Rabbi Schlesinger: "What Was Really Revealed at Sinai?"

Join us to celebrate our students (and eat cheesecake!)



Holiday Schedule

EREV SHAVUOT

■ **Tuesday, June 11**

Service and Tikkun	6:30 pm
Candlelighting	8:08 pm

FIRST DAY SHAVUOT

■ **Wednesday, June 12**

Service	9:30 am
Evening Yizkor	6:00 pm
Candlelighting	9:17 pm

SECOND DAY SHAVUOT

■ **Thursday, June 13**

Service with Yizkor	9:30 am
Havdalah	9:17 pm



Getting to know our new members ...

Pnina and Lewis Knopf

Pnina & Lewis Knopf have lived in East Rockaway since they got married in June of 1975 and rejoined HERJC in January 2024! Their children Rachel, Ben, and Yael all attended HERJC Nursery and Hebrew schools.

Pnina is a retired teacher, having taught most of her career in Lynbrook Public Schools. After retiring, she became a Children's Bereavement Facilitator. She is presently at the NCJW Peninsula Section as the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Chair. Lewis started his second career, creating LK Daily Money Management.

Pnina and Lewis both grew up on Long Island where Pnina attended Congregation Sons of Israel in Woodmere and Lewis attended Temple Beth Israel in Hempstead.

Pnina and Lewis like to travel, play pickleball, craft, golf, and read, but MOST OF ALL they love to spend time with their children and grandchildren.

Pnina and Lewis both feel VERY connected to HERJC having been so warmly welcomed by clergy and staff. Pnina has already joined the Israel Committee and HERJC Sisterhood and has been attending Shabbat services every Saturday. The Knopfs look forward to continuing to grow spiritually with the HERJC community and celebrating their family's simchas with the HERJC congregation.



Sharon and Alex Rusinowitz

Sharon & Alex Rusinowitz moved to Hewlett two years ago from the city with their daughter, Ellie (1). They are excited she'll be starting at HERJC ECC next year!

Sharon works in marketing at a tech startup and Alex is a financial planner. They both love to travel, while Sharon also loves cooking and baking and Alex is an avid golfer.

Alex grew up as a second generation HERJC member, attending both HERJC ECC and Religious Schools and becoming a Bar Mitzvah all at HERJC. Sharon was a third generation member of Temple Beth El in Cherry Hill, NJ.

Sharon & Alex are most excited to meet other young families in the neighborhood and to spend time with the HERJC community.



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possibility that HERJC could be more. In essence, HERJC's success was about **you**.

And so, I want to thank everyone for enabling HERJC to have had greater meaning in our lives these past three years. Our synagogue is well-positioned now, even if there are new mountains to scale with loftier trails to explore. Stay involved. Remain active. Support our next President. Guard all that makes HERJC unique and be there to welcome new families who will join our community and add to its bright future.

As for me, Presidents do not fade off into the sunset as Harold Kislik will attest. They remain committed to support the initiatives that will flow from the energetic minds of newly elected leaders, and to join with staff and volunteers in putting their heart and soul into our synagogue because they believe in HERJC as a positive influence on Jewish life in our community.

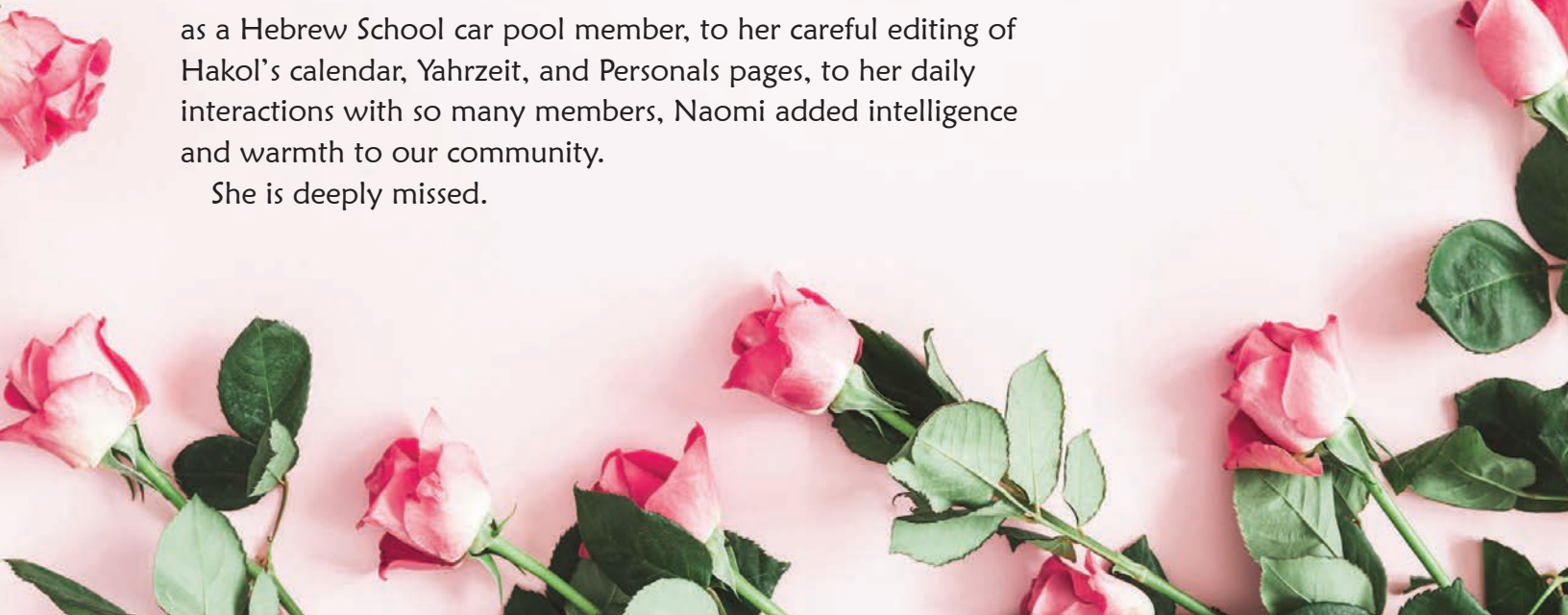
Billy Joel once sang, "Life is a series of hellos and goodbyes. I'm afraid it's time for goodbye again." July will be my time to say goodbye. But after a needed summer break with Mel and my kids, I will say "hello" once again in the fall. I look forward to catching up with you on the High Holidays when we walk together to the honor awaiting you on the bimah. I will take unbridled pleasure in all the continued success HERJC shares in the future even under the stewardship of someone else. And I will still enjoy seeing you at ritual services and community events even if someone else is distributing the pies.

In Memoriam Naomi Doctor ז"ל 1947-2024

The HERJC community expresses our condolences to Norman Doctor, his daughters, Samantha and Danielle, and the entire Doctor family, on the passing of Naomi Doctor, our well-loved member for many years

In addition to being a long-time member of HERJC, Naomi was also a decades-long member of Sisterhood, having served as President and current Treasurer. She was an esteemed member of HERJC's Board of Directors, and was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award from HERJC in 2019. From her excellence as a Hebrew School car pool member, to her careful editing of Hakol's calendar, Yahrzeit, and Personals pages, to her daily interactions with so many members, Naomi added intelligence and warmth to our community.

She is deeply missed.



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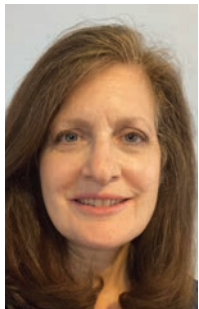
coming together to help others. We have celebrated many holidays and simchas. We have also come together during sad times, and we have sadly lost special members of our congregation.

As this will also be the final Hakol during our President, Stephen Moelis' tenure, I want to extend my personal thanks and our collective thanks to Stephen for his impressive leadership, his dedication, his support, and his unending commitment to our special synagogue. I will miss our near daily phone calls, but am thankful for his generosity, his thoughtfulness, and his forward planning.

I hope you will be on the lookout for upcoming exciting spring and summer programs and gatherings! First will be our Israel celebrations with Yom Ha'atzmaut, followed by Shavuot holiday programming in early June. Last year, we experimented with summer Shabbat evening services in the community and I am thrilled we will be doing so again. We are planning a Kabbalat Shabbat at Memorial Park in East Rockaway, as well as a Shabbat at the Beach in Long Beach. Please be on the lookout for more information about these and other upcoming events. I look forward to seeing you at all of them! Am Yisrael Chai!



Sisterhood



BEVERLY WACHTEL

This year we have incorporated the theme of *Arevut*, “responsibility,” into our Sisterhood activities. *Kol Yisrael Arevim Zeh B’Zeh*: all Jews (the people of Israel) are responsible for one another.

We integrated this theme into our Shalach Manot bags, using the blue and white colors of the Israeli flag and including some Israeli snacks and a poem about mutual responsibility. Many thanks to Barbara Kaplan for once again chairing this project. Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped, working together to plan, shop, put together and deliver the packages. And thank you to all of the members of HERJC who participated by sending Shalach Manot through this fundraiser. Support for Sisterhood’s fundraising activities enables us to provide funds to HERJC, the Religious School, and the Youth Program

Join us for a Yom HaShoah event on Monday, May 6 at 8:00 pm to view *Stories for My Children’s Children; Lessons from the Holocaust*. The movie, co-sponsored by Sisterhood and Adult Ed, is a series of poignant and personal recollections told by Sarah Rolnick, daughter of two Holocaust survivors and mother of congregant Daniel Rolnick. Both Sarah and her son will be at the event.

On Thursday, May 9 at 8:00 pm we hope you’ll join us again for our annual Torah Fund event. Our theme of responsibility comes from this year’s Torah Fund pin which features the word *Arevut*, mutual responsibility. We can assume responsibility for the future of Conservative Judaism through support of the five Conservative/Masorti institutions of higher education. We are proud to honor Lisa Cohen, who is a staunch supporter of Torah Fund.

The BQLI Woman of Achievement Gala & Board Installation is taking place on Thursday, June 6. HERJC Sisterhood is so proud to honor our own Woman of Achievement, Heidi Kreit, a woman who takes responsibility for so many things in our Sisterhood, including being in charge of our

Community Services (as VP), stepping in to take meeting minutes, and helping with all of our activities. BQLI Installation will also take place that evening. Kol Hakavod to Barbara Kaplan for completing her 3-year term as President of the Brooklyn Queens Long Island Region of Women’s League for Conservative Judaism and to Lisa Cohen for completing her term as Literary Arts Chair. Congratulations again to Barbara Kaplan who will be installed as BQLI Torah Fund VP and to Roberta Sugarman who will be installed as BQLI Literary Arts Chair. Be sure to look for the email with instructions for how to place an ad and/or to register to join us that evening.

We are saddened by the loss of Naomi Doctor, our Sisterhood Treasurer and long-time Sisterhood leader who passed away in March. Sisterhood will be purchasing 10

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siddurim, the prayer books used by the daily minyan, in memory of Naomi and of other Sisterhood leaders who are no longer with us. In addition, the names of our members who passed away this year will be listed in the BQLI Region Woman of Achievement Gala journal.

Our next Book Club meeting will take place on June 20 at 8:00 pm. The group will be discussing *The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride, with the discussion led by Roberta Sugarman. The following meeting will be held in August.

We’re also planning a book talk with Dorit Sasson, author of *Sand and Steel: A Memoir of Longing and Finding Home*. See the Book Talk box in this issue of Hakol for more information.

Many thanks to all of our Sisterhood volunteers who take responsibility for our activities and support of HERJC!



Sisterhood Events

BQLI WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT GALA AND BOARD INSTALLATION

■ Thursday, June 6, 5:45 pm, Temple Beth Shalom, Rosyn Heights

HERJC Sisterhood is so proud to honor our own Heidi Kreit.

Register and/or place an ad in her honor here: www.wizevents.com/bqligala2024/



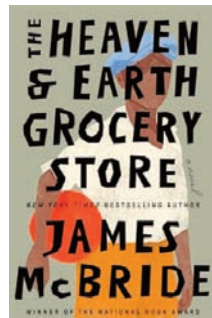
SISTERHOOD BOOK CLUB

■ Thursday, June 20 at 8:00 pm (in person or Zoom)

The Heaven and Earth Grocery Store by James McBride

The new novel from the bestselling, National Book Award-winning, Oprah Book Club-picked, Barack Obama favourite James McBride.

Roberta Sugarman will lead the discussion.



SISTERHOOD BOOK TALK

■ Date/Time TBA (on Zoom)

Sand and Steel: A Memoir of Longing and Finding Home by Dorit Sasson



Author Dorit Sasson will join us on Zoom to discuss her book, *Sand and Steel: A Memoir of Longing and Finding Home*. The book tells of her journey to understand what it means to come home changed by the world and her quest to find a spiritual home between two vastly different worlds. Dorit Sasson is a native New Yorker who moved to a kibbutz in Israel and fought in the IDF during the second Israel-Lebanese war, got married, had a child, and then, due to economic reasons, moved to Pittsburgh with her family in search of the American dream. The book earned a five-star review from both the *Jewish Press* and *Readers' Favorite*.

THANK YOU TO ALL THE SHALOCH MANOT VOLUNTEERS!

This was truly a community effort!

Amy Moritz
Arthur Debin
Barbara Sklar
Barbara Kaplan
Beverly Wachtel
Bruce Drantch
Deb Finkelstein
Ellen Schieren
Gail Weinstein
Heidi Kreit
Irene Drantch
Joe Sklar
Keith Harrow
Larry Feffer
Leah Freeberg
Lisa Cohen
Marnie Feffer
Marsha Miller

Matilde Olin
Mel Weinstein
Michael Frank
Michelle Beinhacker
Miriam Pasternack
Miriam Weisbrod
Nancy Levitt
Nancy Rehns
Phyllis Katz
Stuart Markowitz
Yosef Dlugacz

And of course, many thanks to the:
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HAVE A SAFE & FUN SUMMER!



May Calendar



Year-Round Food Collection

Please continue to bring kosher non-perishable food items to the Synagogue. We deliver regularly to a food pantry. The need is great, so please help us to fight hunger.



Recycling Opportunities at HERJC

The Early Childhood Center Collects

used ink cartridges, cell phones and “garbage” (which becomes art!), such as CLEAN paper towel tubes, coffee cans, egg crates, baby food jars, plastic containers, ribbons, wrapping paper, wallpaper, buttons, yarn, spools, fabric, shopping bags and anything else you can think of!

They can be dropped off outside the ECC School doors, or call the office at 599-1169.

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

Save the Date - Monday, June 17 at 8:00 pm
Open Congregation Meeting - Your Vote Counts!

We will be voting on: Rabbi Schlesinger’s contract extension, the 2024-2025 HERJC budget, the 2024 slate of officers,
 More info to come

5 27 NISSAN

Yom Hashoah

9:00 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 9:00 am - Building Blocks through Kitah Vav
 6:00 pm - USY & Geshet (Bowling, Woodmere Lanes)
 7:00 pm - Yom HaShoah Joint Event at Temple Hillel
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

6 28 NISSAN

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 8:00 pm - Adult Ed/Sisterhood Movie Night
 8:00 pm - Executive Committee Meeting

7 29 NISSAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 4:15 pm - Kitah Gan through Kitah Hay
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 8:00 pm - Board of Education Meeting

12 4 IYAR

Mother's Day

RS CLOSED
 9:00 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

13 5 IYAR

Yom HaZikaron

Time TBD - Yom HaAtzmaut Joint Event with Sons of Israel, Hillel & Beth El
 7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 8:00 pm - House Committee Meeting
 8:00 pm - Ritual Committee Meeting (Zoom)

14 6 IYAR

Yom HaAtzmaut

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 5:30 pm - Israel Fest
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

19 11 IYAR

9:00 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 9:00 am - Building Blocks through Kitah Vav
 12:00 pm - RSPA Outdoor Event with Animals
 6:00 pm - Geshet Paint Night at HERJC
 7:00 pm - USY Sip & Paint at HERJC
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

20 12 IYAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 8:00 pm - Board of Directors Meeting

21 13 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 4:15 pm - Kitah Gan through Kitah Hay
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

26 18 IYAR

Lag B'Omer

9:00 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

27 19 IYAR

Memorial Day

ECC CLOSED
 OFFICE CLOSED
 9:00 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

28 20 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 4:15 pm - Kitah Gan through Kitah Hay
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

of Events

WEDNESDAY

1 23 NISSAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 8:00 pm - Rabbi Schlesinger's Talmud Class

8 30 NISSAN

Rosh Chodesh Iyar
 ECC Art Show
 7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 6:00 pm - Parsha & Pizza Series (The Sephardic Temple of Cedarhurst)
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

15 7 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

22 14 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

29 21 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 8:30 am - ECC Storytime
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
 8:00 pm - Rabbi Schlesinger's Talmud Class (Zoom)

THURSDAY

2 24 NISSAN

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

9 1 IYAR

Rosh Chodesh Iyar
 ECC Art Show
 7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 6:00 pm - Sisterhood Torah Fund Event at HERJC
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

16 8 IYAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

23 15 IYAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

30 22 IYAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
 7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

FRIDAY

3 25 NISSAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 5:30 pm - First Friday Kabbalat Shabbat & Dinner
 7:35 pm - Candlelighting

10 2 IYAR

ECC Art Show
 7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 11:00 am - ECC, Special Persons Day Celebration & Luncheon
 6:00 pm - Chevra Shabbat
 7:42 pm - Candlelighting

17 9 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 6:00 pm - Community Recognition Kabbalat Shabbat Service and Dinner
 7:49 pm - Candlelighting

24 16 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 5:30 pm - Smores Kabbalat Shabbat Services
 7:56 pm - Candlelighting

31 23 IYAR

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
 6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Services
 8:01 pm - Candlelighting

SATURDAY

4 26 NISSAN

PARASHAT ACHREI MOT

Bat Mitzvah of Emily Patigalia
 9:30 am - Shabbat Services
 8:40 pm - Havdalah

11 3 IYAR

PARASHAT KEDOSHIM

Aufruf of Joshua Beinhacker & Lindsay Brandes
 9:30 am - Shabbat Services
 8:48 pm - Havdalah

18 10 IYAR

PARASHAT EMOR

Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Janowitz
 9:30 am - Shabbat Services
 8:56 pm - Havdalah

25 17 IYAR

PARASHAT BEHAR

9:30 am - Shabbat Services
 8:56 pm - Havdalah



June Calendar

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY



ISRAEL DAY PARADE – SUNDAY, JUNE 2

We hope you will join HERJC and our neighboring shuls as we march down 5th Avenue to show our pride and love for Israel.

<p>2 25 IYAR</p> <p>HERJC Marching in the Celebrate Israel Parade in NYC</p> <p>9:00 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>9:00 am - Building Blocks through Kitah Vav</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p>	<p>3 26 IYAR</p> <p>7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p> <p>8:00 pm - Executive Committee Meeting</p>	<p>4 27 IYAR</p> <p>7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>4:15 pm - Kitah Gan through Kitah Hay</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p> <p>8:00 pm - Board of Education Meeting</p>	<p>5 28 IYAR</p> <p>Jerusalem Day</p> <p>7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>6:00 pm - Parsha & Pizza Series at HERJC</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p>
<p>9 3 SIVAN</p> <p>Last Sunday of RS Last Session for USY & GESHER</p> <p>9:00 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>9:00 am - Building Blocks through Kitah Vav</p> <p>6:00 pm - USY/Gesher End of Year Scavenger Hunt and Arcade</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p>	<p>10 4 SIVAN</p> <p>7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p> <p>1:00 pm - ECC 4-Year Old Moving Up Day</p> <p>8:00 pm - House Committee Meeting</p> <p>8:00 pm - Ritual Committee Meeting</p>	<p>11 5 SIVAN</p> <p>Erev Shavuot Last Day of Toddler Time Last Day of RS and End of Year Ceremonies</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSURES AT 3:00 PM</p> <p>7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>4:15 pm - End of Year Ceremonies</p> <p>6:30 pm - Tikkun and Minyan</p>	<p>12 6 SIVAN</p> <p>Shavuot</p> <p>ECC CLOSED</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>6:00 pm - Evening Yizkor</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p>
<p>16 10 SIVAN</p> <p>Father's Day</p> <p>9:00 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p>	<p>17 11 SIVAN</p> <p>7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p> <p>8:00 pm - Congregational Meeting & Open Board of Directors Meeting</p>	<p>18 12 SIVAN</p> <p>7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p>	<p>19 13 SIVAN</p> <p>Juneteenth</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p> <p>9:00 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p> <p>8:00 pm - Rabbi Schlesinger's Talmud Class (Zoom)</p>
<p>23 17 SIVAN</p> <p>9:00 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p> <p>30 24 SIVAN</p> <p>9:00 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p>	<p>24 18 SIVAN</p> <p>7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p>	<p>25 19 SIVAN</p> <p>7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p>	<p>26 20 SIVAN</p> <p>7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan</p> <p>7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan</p>

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THURSDAY



INSTRUMENTAL SHABBAT
JUNE 8

FRIDAY

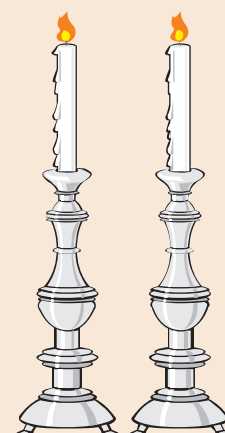
SATURDAY

Light the Shabbat Candles and Recite the Following Blessing

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שַׁבָּת.

Ba-ruch A-tah A-do-nai
E-lohei-nu Me-lech
Ha-olam
A-Sher Kee-di-shah-noo
Bi-mitz-vo-tav
Vi-tzee-va-noo
Li-had-leek Ner
Shel Sha-bat.

Blessed are You,
Lord our God,
Ruler of the universe,
who has hallowed us
through commandments,
and has commanded
us to kindle the
Shabbat Lights.



Candlelighting times are listed on the calendar

6 29 IYAR

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

7 1 SIVAN

Rosh Chodesh Sivan
7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Services
8:06 pm - Candlelighting

8 2 SIVAN

PARASHAT BAMIDBAR

Instrumental Shabbat
9:30 am - Shabbat Services
9:14 pm - Havdalah

13 7 SIVAN

Shavuot
ECC CLOSED
OFFICE CLOSED
9:30 am - Shavuot Services with Yizkor
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

14 8 SIVAN

Last Day of ECC
7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Services
8:09 pm - Candlelighting

15 9 SIVAN

PARASHAT NASSO

Bat Mitzvah of Audrey Celis-Suarez
9:30 am - Shabbat Services
9:18 pm - Havdalah

20 14 SIVAN

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan
8:00 pm - Sisterhood Book Club

21 15 SIVAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Services
8:11 pm - Candlelighting

22 16 SIVAN

PARASHAT BEHA'ALOTCHA

Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Norris
Coexistence Shabbat
9:30 am - Shabbat Services
6:00 pm - Mincha Maariv Service
9:20 pm - Havdalah

27 21 SIVAN

7:45 am - In Person & Virtual Morning Minyan
7:30 pm - Virtual Evening Minyan

28 22 SIVAN

7:45 am - Virtual Morning Minyan
6:00 pm - Kabbalat Shabbat Services
8:12 pm - Candlelighting

29 23 SIVAN

PARASHAT SH'LACH

Bar Mitzvah of Matthew Ginzburg
9:30 am - Shabbat Services
9:20 pm - Havdalah



Harry Laufer Education Center



Early Childhood Center

CHERYL KARP

I have been working with families for over 40 years and perhaps the single most repeated message I have given parents is this, “The center of the universe in a family is the parents.”

However, when children have parents who spend most of their energy making the lives of their children as ‘perfect’ as they can, everyone in the family suffers, especially the parents.

Having been married for over 50 years, I have been witness to many strained marriages, because so much time was spent on smoothing the path for their children at home, at school, in their social lives, and with siblings. Parents who forgot that they were the most important people in the family used their personal time to bring children to hundreds of activities, music, dance, karate, and art lessons, sports practice, and private tutors for extra educational help. There was little time at night for parents to relate to one another. Homework, which parents generally should not be involved in, dominated the evening’s activities. Fear that children would not get into a great college drove many parents into a state of perpetual concern, fear, and overinvolvement, leaving little time for one another.

Dinnertime should be a sacred period for the whole family to connect and communicate about the events of the day. Instead, it has evolved into a more unstructured part of the day. Dinnertime should be an opportunity for both parents to help children navigate the upcoming events of the week and give advice to questions they need answered. I hear from so many parents that everyone in the family eats at different times due to overcrowded schedules. Unlike the French culture where cooking, baking, and eating together are sacred, dinnertime in America has somehow lost its importance.

Many years ago, my mother, father, and I went out for

dinner. I was probably no more than 8 years old. I had an incredibly close relationship with my father and simply adored him. So it was not unusual for me to ask my dad the question, “Who do you love more, me or mom?” His reply shocks me to this day, but it also gave me the most important lesson and the basis for the strong foundation I have developed with my husband during the years my children were growing up. He simply said, “I love you both differently—I love you dearly, but your mom will always be the love of my life, my first love, and I will always put her first in my life.” I am pretty certain that this one comment, which stayed with me when I took on the overwhelming responsibility of parenting, allowed my husband and me to secure our relationship as the ‘center of the universe’ in our home—much to the chagrin of my children!

Children must learn how to cope when they are not the center of the universe. They must learn the art of waiting, taking turns socially, playing independently, problem solving at home and at school, failing at tasks so they can recognize the importance of hard work, and understanding the concept that they will not always win, succeed, and be the best at everything they attempt to do. They should also know that parents’ private time is crucial for their relationship.

Parents need to step back from sending their children to hundreds of outside structured activities and allow them to just ‘chill out.’ Children need be creative and learn how to spend their free time. Help your children put down the electronic toys and get them outside with friends to play in the sunshine. Instead of playing Wii games of basketball and soccer. Let your children go in the back yard with neighborhood kids and let them loose. This will also yield valuable time for parents to do what they need to do for themselves.

Make dinnertime a sacred moment in your family life.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER *Continued on next page*

Early Childhood Center Schedule

■ **Wednesday, May 8**
ECC Art Show Opening

■ **Friday, May 10**
Special Persons Day
Celebration and Luncheon

■ **Friday, May 17**
Kabbalat Shabbat Service
and Dinner

■ **Monday, May 27**
ECC CLOSED
MEMORIAL DAY

■ **Wednesday, May 29**
Storytime in Parenting Center

■ **Monday, June 10**
4 Year Old Moving Up Day

■ **Tuesday, June 11**
Last Day of Toddler Time

■ **Wednesday-Thursday,
June 12-13**
ECC CLOSED - SHAVUOT

■ **Friday, June 14**
Last Day of ECC Classes

ECC Art Show
Wednesday, May 8
Opening Reception

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EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER *Continued from previous page*

Have your children help you cook and bake. French moms take time to bake every day to teach children that there will be a sweet at every dinner. It also teaches children to wait until it cools and wait again to eat the dessert after dinner. If a parent doesn't come home from work until after their children's dinner time, let the kids eat early and come back to the table for dessert when the working parent is eating his/her meal. Ask children at the dinner table what their favorite part of their day was and then make sure to share your favorite part.

Putting children to sleep at a reasonable time allows parents the opportunity to have alone time together. Make sure that your children know that you will not be coming back into the bedroom after you say goodnight. This is your special time of the day with each other. This will allow children to clearly know that their parents are a united front who value one another. Have a weekly steady date night with your spouse, even if it is in the house. Play games, read a book together, chat about your concerns, watch television. Remember that once your children leave your nest, you both need to have developed a friendship that is built on shared experiences and companionship or else you are left scrounging to find common ground. Try not to change the day of the week you set aside for yourselves. The ritual of date night can be likened to the importance of the ritual of Shabbat, setting time aside to recharge and connect.

Working to keep a strong marital relationship is critical since conflict in the home can be damaging for a child. Parents who are not connecting can have a very deep impact on their children and influence their relationships at school and how they will continue to develop relationships in the future. This directly links to a social learning theory; children will model what they have observed from family members, especially parents. When parental relations are negative, children are at risk.

Rev. Theodore M. Hesburgh, who was the President of the University of Notre Dame, once said, "The most important thing a father can do for his child is to love their mother." Of course, the opposite holds true as well. Giving children the clear message that you love one another will influence their future relationships with others, especially their spouse when or if they choose to get married.



SARA ROTJAN



The past couple of months Geshher (5th-8th graders) and USY (9th-12th graders) enjoyed some interactive programs including a special video game truck, Iron Chef, a special Sushi dinner with Rabbi Schlesinger for the Purim carnival volunteers, and a college game night! The excitement and laughs and at each program was energizing! Every month our kids come together on a Sunday evening for a fun activity and look forward to hanging out with their friends. If your children haven't tried out Geshher or USY yet, it's not too late! Come join us at an upcoming program. As we come to the end of the year we'd like to wish our Seniors all the best as they graduate! We will miss you, but know you'll be back.

HERJC USY/Geshher Events

■ Sunday, May 5

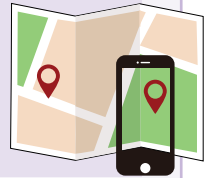
USY & Geshher, Bowling
at Woodmere Lanes 6:00 pm

■ Sunday, May 19

Geshher Paint Night at HERJC 6:00-7:30 pm
USY Sip & Paint at HERJC 7:00-8:30 pm

Sunday, June 9 - USY & Geshher

Bring your friends for a scavenger hunt around town, ending at Dave & Busters for games and fun!



Thank you

We extend a **Big Todah Rabah** to **Hazzan Zakarin** for her five years of leadership directing our Religious School. We thank you for all you have done for our students as you complete your tenure as our Religious School Director. We are so glad you are not going far and will still be singing and teaching our children!

Religious School Schedule

MAY

■ Friday, May 3

First Friday 4:15-6:00 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat Services & Dinner 6:00 pm

■ Friday, May 5

Building Blocks through Kitah Vav . . . 9:00 am-Noon
USY & Geshher Bowling Night
at Woodmere Lanes 6:00 pm

■ Tuesday, May 7

Kitah Gan through Kitah Hay 4:15-6:00 pm

■ Sunday, May 12

NO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL - MOTHER'S DAY

■ Tuesday, May 14

Kitah Gan through Kitah Hay 4:15-6:00 pm
Building Blocks through Kitah Vav . . . 9:00 am-Noon
Geshher (5th-8th) Paint Night 6:00-7:30 pm
USY (9th-12th) Sip & Paint 7:00-8:30 pm

■ Tuesday, May 21

Kitah Gan through Kitah Hay 4:15-6:00 pm

■ Tuesday, May 28

Kitah Gan through Kitah Hay 4:15-6:00 pm

JUNE

■ Sunday, June 2

Building Blocks through Kitah Vav . . . 9:00 am-Noon

■ Tuesday, June 4

Kitah Gan through Kitah Hay 4:15-6:00 pm

■ Sunday, June 9

Building Blocks through Kitah Vav . . . 9:00 am-Noon

Last Day of Religious School - BBQ Celebration and Come Meet our New Religious School Director

USY & Geshher Last Session - Community Service Event and DJ Dance Party . 6:00-7:30 pm

■ Tuesday, June 11

End of Year Ceremonies & Awards - Erev Shavuot 6:00 pm
(5:00 pm Rehearsal for Building Blocks, Kitah Alef, and Kitah Vav)



Rabbi Schlesinger meets with all the amazing teen Purim volunteers and treats everyone to a Thank You dinner!

Family Engagement

REBECCA OSDER



By the time you read this, Purim will be long past, along with Passover, but I would be remiss if I didn't take this opportunity to express gratitude and appreciation. On behalf of the Purim Team, I would like to thank the entire congregation for their support of our Purim Carnival. With the generosity of our banner sponsors, the countless hours of our teen and adult volunteers, and the tireless work of our maintenance and office staff, we were able to create an incredible experience for the children of our community. Looking back at the wonderful photographs taken by our very own in-house photographer, Howie Karp, continues to bring a smile to my face so many weeks later.

Having said that, there are so many other things to be grateful for...

This time of year is always emotional for me, but this year in particular is even more so. As you all know, I wear many hats in the HERJC community. First and foremost, for the past 17 years (since Syd was 10 months old) I have been a parent of a HERJC student. Whether in the ECC, or in the Religious School, I have had at least one student in the building. This role is coming to an end. This will be my last graduation as a parent at HERJC.

I often talk about connections to the community and how fortunate I am to be blessed with such a wonderful extended family at HERJC. Many of you have held my children as infants, seen them in ECC or RS performances, witnessed their first experiences on the bima, and shared both simcha and sorrow with us. My children are lucky to have this beautiful *mishpacha*. Although Syd will soon be leaving for college, and Makenzie will be graduating from Religious School, the connections will always be there for them.

I live by the statement that it takes a village to raise a child. I thank you all for being part of my village.

No matter where you are on your own Judaic journey, there's a home away from home here for you at HERJC.

HERJC'S 2024 DIAMOND JUBILEE GALA



Mitzvah Garden

With the warmer weather finally here to stay, we are starting to continue working on our beautiful Mitzvah Garden! We are looking for volunteers to help us maintain our Mitzvah Garden and plant new vegetable and flower seeds which are available in the Temple office and the Early Childhood Center. Whether you have a green thumb or are looking to expand your

gardening skills, our HERJC Mitzvah Garden is a wonderful place to

welcome the Spring weather and get involved in the community! Anyone interested in enjoying the satisfaction of gardening should contact the main office at 516-599-2634 or by email at contactus@herjc.org. We look forward to having you join us!



Personals and Donations

Personals

Mazal Tov!

B'nai Mitzvah

Ivie and Michael Patigalia as their daughter, Emily becomes a Bat Mitzvah.

Dara and Michael Janowitz as their son, Ethan becomes a Bar Mitzvah.

Lisa and Mitchell Richter as their son, Andrew becomes a Bar Mitzvah.

Jeanine Suarez and Mario Celis as their daughter, Audrey becomes a Bat Mitzvah.

Lauren and Mark Norris as their son, Ethan becomes a Bar Mitzvah.

Regina and Lev Ginzburg as their son, Matthew becomes a Bar Mitzvah.

Births

Ellen and Laurence Abelow on the birth of their grandson, Brenner, son of Atara and Scott Abelow (and to older sister, Lulav, too!).

Irene and Bruce Drantch on the birth of their granddaughter, Stephanie "Stevie" Lynn, daughter of Emily Bauman and Todd Drantch.

Sylvia Gutenplan on the birth of her first great grandchild, Coby Henzel Packin.

Marriages

Michelle and Stephen Beinhacker on the marriage of their son Joshua to Lindsay Brandes.

Hollis Farberman on the marriage of her daughter, Shari to Donny Yifrah on March 30, 2024.

Susan and David Koffler on the marriage of their son Brian to Samantha Rosenstein.

Debra and Stuart Polokoff on the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Emily to Jeremy Marchuk.

Joel Zeitlin on the upcoming marriage of his granddaughter, Emily to Jeremy Marchuk.

Special Wedding Anniversaries

• MAY
Stephanie and Daniel Palmadesso (10)

• JUNE
Elizabeth and Mitchell Podgorsky (40)
Nanci-sue and Eric Rosenthal (35)
Jodi and Jeffrey Rotblut (25)
Robin and Steven Toor (50)
Nancy and Scott Wachs (40)
Carly and Russell Weg (10)

Special Birthdays

• MAY
Zinovy Abelev
Michelle Beinhacker
Florence Brodsky
Janie Krasne
Nancy Wachs

• JUNE

Carl DeAlto
Mitchel Feffer
Brett Garver
Mark Kahn
Paul Kotcher
Daniel Palmadesso
David Rechtweg
Sydell Rothafel

And ...

The Honorable Denise Sher on receiving the Nassau County Women in Courts Award.

Condolences

Renee and Robert Fischer on the loss of their son, David.

Matilde Olin on the loss of her brother, Jaime Jerushalmi.

Paul Kotcher on the loss of his father, Jules Kotcher.

Norman Doctor on the loss of his wife, Naomi Doctor.

Jane Garver on the loss of her husband, Bruce Garver.

Brett Garver on the loss of his father, Bruce Garver.

Elaine Garver on the loss of her father-in-law, Bruce Garver.

Welcome New Members

(February–April 2024)

Marni & Isaac Dana
Pnina and Lewis Knopf
Sharon & Alex Rusinowitz
Gary Simon
Juanita Torres Franco & Ian Rosner

Funds

The Congregation gratefully acknowledges the following contributions which were received by April 4, 2024.

Chesed Fund

Susan Poltarak in memory of Naomi Doctor.
Anita and Sy Zaret in memory of Naomi Doctor.
Anita and Sy Zaret in memory of Alan Feldman.
Anita and Sy Zaret in memory of Bruce Mazor.

Early Childhood Center Fund

Ronnie and Marc Bendeth in honor of the birth of Mollie and Stephanie, granddaughters of Irene and Bruce Drantch.

Sylvia Gutenplan in honor of the birth of her first great grandson, Coby Henzel Packin.

Lisa Hoffman in honor of Jason Melzer, Emerging Leader at the HERJC Gala.

Marsha and Larry Miller in honor of the birth of Madison, granddaughter of Cheryl and Jeff Strom.

Marsha and Larry Miller in honor of the birth of Mollie, granddaughter of Irene and Bruce Drantch.

In Honor of Ryan Kalanthroff's Bar Mitzvah

Laurie and Joe Brofsky
Kathy and Larry Feffer
Madeline and Keith Harrow
Nancy and Michael Rehns
Barbara and Joe Sklar

Education Fund

Elyse Coleman in appreciation of the lovely Purim baskets.

Naomi and Norman Doctor with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Harold Kislik.

Naomi and Norman Doctor in honor of the birth of Stephanie Lynn, granddaughter of Irene and Bruce Drantch.

Judy and Steven Herbst in honor of the birth of Stephanie Lynn, granddaughter of Irene and Bruce Drantch.

Naomi and Norman Doctor in memory of Steven Suffin.

Naomi and Norman Doctor in memory of Norman's father, Louis and Naomi's father, Frank Stern and her aunt, Leila Berg.

Valerie, Abbey and Rita Doneger in memory of Alan Feldman.

Valerie and Abbey Doneger in memory of Fran Grobman.

Pam and Dan Gerstman in memory of Naomi Kirsch.

Pam and Dan Gerstman in memory of Hubert Brandt.

Terri, Steven, Fara Gold and Melissa Lobel in memory of Naomi Kirsch.

Jane and Marty Lesser in memory of Steven Suffin.

Audrey and Elliott Polinsky in memory of Constance Roth.

In Memory of Naomi Doctor

Lisa and Ed Cohen
Elyse Coleman
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Stacey and Jaime Ezratty
Hedda and Jeff Feigenblatt
Jennifer and Stephen Fisch
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Judy and Steven Herbst
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Laurie Heymont Weinberg

Zeena Kassel
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Roberta and Stuart Sugarman
Nancy and Scott Wachs
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In Memory of Bruce Garver

Lisa and Ed Cohen
Norman Doctor
Carol, Richard, and Lisa Drillich
Stacey and Jaime Ezratty
Lisa and Michael Greenberg

In Memory of Jules Kotcher

The Doneger Family
Pam and Dan Gerstman
Zeena Kassel
Denise and Bob Sher

Hazzan's Music Fund

Norman Doctor and family in appreciation of Hazzan Zakarin's help during our time of bereavement.

Sandra and Marvin Greenberg in appreciation of Hazzan Zakarin's anniversary blessing.

Jane and Marty Lesser in memory of Constance Roth.

Marsha and Larry Miller in memory of Steven Suffin.

Carol Rubinstein in memory of Constance Roth.

Kiddush Fund

Tova and Stuart Markowitz in gratitude to HERJC for being the honorees for this year's Gala.

Robin and Ben Mintz with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Vicki Cordova.

Stacey and Jaime Ezratty in memory of Constance and Manny Roth.

Nancy and Michael Rehns in memory of Steven Suffin.

In Memory of Naomi Doctor

Susan Fishler
Jane and Marty Lesser
Liz and Mitch Podgorsky

Prayer Book Fund

Lisa and Ed Cohen in memory of Constance Roth.

In Memory of Naomi Doctor
Barry Borodkin

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Purim Carnival



A Dramatic Shabbat in October, 2000

By Dr. Martin Lesser, Vice President



It was about 7 AM on Shabbat morning, October 14. It was also the first day of Sukkot. I was asleep when my fire department pager sounded. The dispatch voice came over the pager: "A building fire at Hewlett-East Rockaway Jewish Centre, 295 Main Street." As an emergency medical technician with the East Rockaway Fire Department, my job was to get to the ambulance, get a crew together, and drive the ambulance to the scene of the fire. I got out of bed, quickly got dressed and went down the stairs. Based on past experience, the odds were against there being a fire as so many fire calls turn out to be false alarms.

I grabbed my keys and went to my car. I glanced across the street at the Synagogue and saw smoke and flames rising from the rear building – thus putting to rest all skepticism on my part. As I drove toward rescue headquarters, two fire trucks passed on their way to HERJC – men and women also awoken from sleep or pulled away from early morning activities.

A few minutes later, I arrived at HERJC with my ambulance crew. The scene was incredible – smoke, the sound of breaking glass, and fire fighters standing on the top of a burning roof risking their lives for the sake of the community.

As the clock approached 9 AM, congregants began to arrive for services to be witness to this incredible scene. Was it an accident? A criminal act? Was the Sanctuary damaged? Fortunately, it was an accidental fire and major damage was confined to two classrooms.

Now, as the cleanup, repairs and rebuilding go on, what comes to mind is the common bond that is shared by both the members of the fire department and the congregants of our Synagogue – they are all VOLUNTEERS.

Prior to joining the fire department rescue squad, I, as well as many others, fully appreciated the time and effort that these brave men and women contributed to the community. They are summoned at random times – day or night, during dinner or while relaxing with family, on their days off. They risk their lives. There is no compensation – only the reward of knowing that one has served the community.

Likewise, there are many congregants (and we always need more) who volunteer their time to Synagogue activities – once again, with no compensation other than the personal satisfaction of serving our Synagogue and the surrounding community.

Without volunteers many of the services in our community and Synagogue would cease to exist. Volunteers saved our Synagogue from extensive destruction. Volunteers will help to repair the damage done and keep our Synagogue vital. Thank you to all of our volunteers!





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Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Norman Doctor and family in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger's help during our time of bereavement.
Shari Doloboff with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of her daughter-in-law, Stefanie.
Sherry and Stewart Friedman in honor of the Honorable Denise Sher - Women in Courts Award.
Jody and Richard Grobman in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger's officiating at his father's funeral and the Hazzan for leading the service at shiva.
Zeena Kassel in appreciation of the lovely Purim baskets.
Ora and David Kirsch in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger's kindness after the passing of their mother, Naomi.
Melissa and Paul Kotcher in appreciation of Rabbi Schlesinger's support during the loss of their parents, Arline and Jules Kotcher.
Melanie and Stephen Moelis in honor of Rabbi Schlesinger's untapped magical talents.
Deborah and Stuart Polokoff in honor of Emily Polokoff and Jeremy Marchuk's aufruf and their upcoming wedding.
Monica, Joseph, and Reuben Rutman in honor of Rabbi Schlesinger.
Barbara and Paul Cooper in memory of Naomi Kirsch.
Barbara and Paul Cooper in memory of Nancy Stern.
Charney and Charles Greenberg in memory of Violet Greenberg.
Madeline and Keith Harrow in memory of Keith's father, Abraham, his sister, Harriette and his brother-in-law, Mark Solomon.
Lisa and Ken Kornblau, Marvin Rubin, and Charlotte Malmel in memory of Frank Grobman.
Nora Skiba in memory of Carl Slatkin.
In Memory of Naomi Doctor
Sheryl and Robert Behar
Kathy and Larry Feffer

Aleta and Ariel Grunberg
Nancy and Paul Levitt
Gary Levine
Robin and Ben Mintz
Sharon and Ron Nash
Nora and Jack Skiba

In Memory of Bruce Garver

Terri and Steven Gold and Melissa Lobel
Lisa and Daniel Hoffman
Lisa and Ken Kornblau
Cathy and Brad Portenoy

In Memory of Jules Kotcher

Roberta Breitrose
Lauren and Barry Goldstein
Lisa and Ken Kornblau
Debbie and Albert Labovitz

In Memory of Constance and Manny Roth

Laurie and Joe Brofsky
Terri and Steven Gold
Lisa and Michael Greenberg
Aleta and Ariel Grunberg
Madeline and Keith Harrow
Marsha and Larry Miller
Sharon and Ron Nash
Nora and Jack Skiba

Youth Fund

Sandy Feit's children and grandchildren in appreciation of Rebecca Osder and the Purim Carnival.
Jennifer Sin and Melissa Dillon in memory of Naomi Doctor.
Ladies of Signature Dentistry in memory of Bruce Garver.

General Synagogue Fund

Leah and Ed Freeberg with wishes for the complete and speedy recovery of Harold Kislik.
Sandra and Marvin Greenberg in honor of Marty Abrams and Tova and Stuart Markowitz being honored at the HERJC Gala.
Marion and Jerry Hauser in honor of Myra and Alan Markowitz, Marty Abrams, Tova and Stuart Markowitz and family being honored at the Gala.
Roberta Katcher in appreciation of the Passover seder.
Jonathan Nadler in honor of the special birthdays of his sister, Sara Nadler and his brother, Brian Nadler.

Cele Platek in honor of her lifelong friends being honored at the HERJC Gala.

Denise and Bob Sher in honor of HERJC's 75th anniversary.

Sonia Elisha and Sol Shimshi in honor of Sandra and Marvin Greenberg.

Barbara and Joe Sklar in honor of the wedding of Jonathan Weinreich and Madeline Gelfand.

Ginger James Schulman in honor of the Markowitz Family being honored at the HERJC Gala.

Anita and Sy Zaret in honor of the Markowitz family being honored at the Gala.

In Memory of Naomi Doctor

Dora and Michael Burstein
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Bess, Renee, Paula and Gert Flax and Family
Marnie and Mitchel Feffer
Florence and Michael Freedman
Elise and Gregory Gang
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Pnina and Lewis Knopf
Paula and Larry Kopelman
Carol Kislin
Debbie and Jeff Langendorff
Myra and Alan Markowitz
Meredith and Jonathan Metz
Audrey and Elliott Polinsky
Debra and Stu Polokoff
Barbara and Joe Sklar
Kenan Stern
Margaret Stern
Daniel Wolff

In Memory of Bruce Garver

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Heidi and Steven Kreit
Adrienne and Geoff Lurie
Audrey and Elliott Polinsky

In Memory of Naomi Kirsch

Ilene and Larry Cohen
Linda Sattel and Michael Fanger
Mitra and Mark Kahn
Angela Lim
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Barry Borodkin
Irene and Bruce Drantch
Miriam Weisbrod

In Memory of Billie Saltsberg

Rachel and Andrew Cooper
Elaine and Brett Garver
Allison and David Horton

In Memory of Steven Suffin

Barry Borodkin
Cheryl and Todd Graber
Heidi and Steven Kreit
Barbara and Joe Sklar
Pearl Aarons in memory of Jerry Krevans.
Pearl Aarons in memory of her parents, Molly and Max Gaslow.
Eddy Abrevaya in memory of his sister, Beatrice Silver and his brother-in-law, Mark Weiner.
Phylis Acker in memory of her mother, Shirley Levins.
Joan Apfel in memory of her parents, Joy and Irving Goldstein.
Ruth Balkin in memory of her grandmother, Yetta Cohen and her sister-in-law, Iva.
Paula Belmont in memory of her husband, Jim.
Gladys Benson in memory of her mother, Lillian Rappaport.
Joan Berkowitz in memory of her mother, Sophie Schusterman and her father-in-law, Joseph.
Lorraine Berman in memory of her husband, Joel, her mother, Helen Artzt, her mother-in-law, Sally and her father-in-law, Meyer.
Ilene Browner in memory of her grandmother, Elizabeth.
Dora Burstein in memory of her aunt, Genia Jarczower.
Stanley Cohen in memory of his aunt, Beatrice Sklamberg.
Elyse Coleman in memory of her father-in-law, David.
Barbara Cooper in memory of her mother, Tess Sass.
Arthur Debin in memory of his parents, Helen and Sidney.
Yosef Dlugacz in memory of his parents, Chaya and Eliezer.
Norman Doctor in memory of his brother, Joseph.

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Join us this summer for special
Shabbat experiences.
Two Friday evenings you don't want to miss!

Shabbat at the Park and Shabbat at the Beach

Stay tuned for more information.

Summer Candlelighting Times

Friday, July 5 - 8:11 pm
Friday, July 12 - 8:08 pm
Friday, July 19 - 8:03 pm
Friday, July 26 - 7:57 pm
Friday, August 2 - 7:50 pm
Friday, August 9 - 7:42 pm
Friday, August 16 - 7:32 pm
Friday, August 23 - 7:22 pm
Friday, August 30 - 7:11 pm

Stuart Doloboff in memory of his father, Benet.
Richard Drillich in memory of his mother, Evelyn.
Stacey and Jaime Ezratty in memory of Grace Gustin.
Linda Sattel and Michael Fanger in memory of Arline Kotcher.
Irene Farber in memory of her mother, Sylvia Glasstein and her brother-in-law, Leon.
Roberta Feldman in memory of her mother, Hattie Kaplan.
Sanford Feldman in memory of his grandmother, Mary.
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Anita Friedman in memory of her husband, Richard.
Sherry Friedman in memory of her mother, Gertrude Taishoff and her sister, Francine Taishoff.
Marc Goldberg in memory of his father, Paul.
Barry Goldstein in memory of his father, Oscar.
Lauren Goldstein in memory of her mother, Toby Levine.
Cheryl and Todd Graber in memory of Stuart Rosenthal.
Jody and Richard Grobman in memory of their parents, Arline and Jules Kotcher.
Sharon Gross in memory of her father, Sam Calderon.
Ariel Grunberg in memory of his father, Zvi.
Lisa Herrnson in memory of her father, Harold Grill.
Ruth Hirsch in memory of her father, Samuel Rubinger.
Mark Hoorwitz in memory of his father, Bernard.

Marc Ivler in memory of his father, Myron.
Barbara Kaplan in memory of her brother, Larry Kirschenbaum.
Cheryl Karp in memory of her mother, Estelle Berzansky.
Betsy Kass in memory of her husband, Elliot.
Ira Katz in memory of his mother, Beatrice.
Lois Kemp in memory of her parents, Joan and Myron Kaufman.
Fred Knobloch in memory of his father, Aron.
Rochelle Knobloch in memory of her father, Sidney Turkel.
Heidi and Steven Kreit in memory of Heidi's father, Samuel Podietz.
Gerald Krevans in memory of his parents, Julia and Morris.
Selma Krevans in memory of her parents, Kate and Jacob Shear.
Mark Kurot in memory of loved ones, Charlotte and Isidore Lax.
Tamara Lamon in memory of her mother, Mary Garay.
Jeffrey Langendorff in memory of his mother, Gerda.
Nancy Levitt in memory of her father, Walter Bieber.
Paul Levitt in memory of his mother, Tillie.
Nancy and Jon Lewner in memory of Sylvia Emsig.
Sara and Ted Liebowitz in memory of Joseph Liebowitz.
Adrienne and Geoff Lurie in memory of Frank Grobman.
Myra Markowitz in memory of her nephew, Jason Dobin.
Audrey Marrus in memory of her husband, Allan.

Harriet Meixler in memory of her mother, Adeline Weiner.
Ben Mintz in memory of his father, Bernard.
Robin and Ben Mintz in memory of Pauline Kislik.
Allen Ostroff in memory of his grandmother, Fanny Cassoff.
Ronnie Pinquist in memory of her father, Irving Seckler.
Laurie Platt in memory of her grandfather, Joseph Paster.
Elliott Polinsky in memory of his father, Marvin.
Lester Pollack in memory of his father-in-law, David Davis.
Barbara Rappaport in memory of her grandfather, David Stern.
Kenneth Rappaport in memory of his father, Abraham.
Carrie and Daniel Rolnick in memory of Samuel Podietz.
Nancy Rose in memory of her mother, Maxine Talkov.
Martin Rosen in memory of his father, Irving.
Carol Rubinstein in memory of her husband, Milton, her grandfather, Harry Polonsky and her father-in-law, Louis.
Rosalie and Kenneth Roth in memory of Milton Paulenoff.
Sydel Rothafel in memory of her husband, Arthur, her mother-in-law, Dorothy and her brother, Harvey Meyer.
Judith Rothstein in memory of her husband, Richard.
Louis Rusinowitz in memory of his father, Jerome.
Donald Schaeffer in memory of his mother, Irene and his grandmother, Annie.

Joan Schaeffer in memory of her brother, Bruce Behr.
David Schott in memory of his father, Julius.
Marlene Schulman in memory of her grandmother, Rose Custer.
Shari Silver in memory of her parents, Ethel and Edward Wiederspiel.
Nora and Jack Skiba in memory of Jack's brother, Joe.
Nora Skiba in memory of her grandfather, Sam Breen.
Barbara Sklar in memory of her mother, Miriam Kessin.
Francene Stauber in memory of her father, Harry Laufer.
Dena and Gregg Stein in memory of their son, Sam.
Faye Stein in memory of her father, Harry Siegelberg.
Lester Stein in memory of his parents, Bernice and Naftale Hertz.
Evan Tannor in memory of his mother, Norma.
Ilene Tannor in memory of her father, Martin Bernstein.
Robin Toor in memory of her mother, Beatrice Blank.
Steven Toor in memory of his mother, Belle.
Alan Trompeter in memory of his sister, Doris Kipilman.
Beverly and Jerry Wachtel in memory of Theda Okin.
Scott Wachs in memory of his father, Marshall.
Jacqueline Welkowitz in memory of her father, Arnold Miller.
Ilene Wilensky in memory of her mother, Lenore Beaver.
Anita Zaret in memory of her father, Jacob Levy.

Yahrzeits

The Yahrzeit of the following beloved relatives of our members will be observed during the next few weeks.
It is especially fitting and proper that the members of the family be present at the appropriate Service to observe this occasion.

5/1 - 23 Nisan

Martin Kaufman
Nathan Silver
Walter Herzberg
David Jablon

5/2 - 24 Nisan

Jean Leader Pedowitz
May Schneider
Raffelson
Irwin Heit
Frances Helen
Trompeter
Frances Sckolnick

5/3 - 25 Nisan

Jay Samuels
Hyman Gold
Marvin Schiffman
Sammy Beno
Esther Barashick

5/4 - 26 Nisan

Saul Gevarter
Rose Ginsberg
Isaac Kirschenbaum
Rita Price

5/5 - 27 Nisan

Harriet Golden
Linda Solomon

5/6 - 28 Nisan

Irving Brofsky

5/7 - 29 Nisan

Murray Mintz
Arnold Garay
Lester Steinberg

5/8 - 30 Nisan

Lillian Kalikow Rosen-
zweig
Alan Estrin

5/9 - 1 Iyyar

Philip Berzansky

5/10 - 2 Iyyar

Beatrice Schiffman
Ruth Markowitz
Jean Mirkin
Jacob Steinberg

5/11 - 3 Iyyar

Lily Bondy
Janet Goldberg
Alice Roth

5/12 - 4 Iyyar

Marvin Goodman
Bernard Alt
Louis Zuckerberg
Charles Retish
Sarah Retish

5/13 - 5 Iyyar

Herbert Brooks
Phyllis Hoffman
Alexander Oppenheim

5/14 - 6 Iyyar

Simon Klein
Esther Feldsott
Erick Liebenstein

5/15 - 7 Iyyar

Irving Davis
Bernard Cramer
Howard Weintraub
David Kislik

5/16 - 8 Iyyar

Milton Kurz
Morton Irwin Julien
Carol Gross
Leanore Levine Pollitt

5/17 - 9 Iyyar

Tova Sabag
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