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Schechter Night of Jewish Learning

A New Mezuzah for our New Congregation

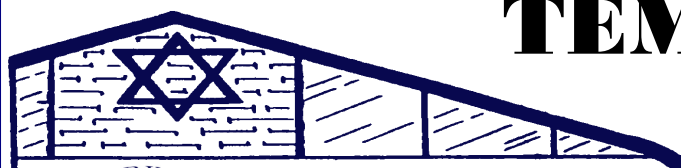


In honor of us becoming
Congregation L'Dor V'Dor
Oakland Little Neck Jewish Center

Janet and Irwin Tobin
have donated a new Mezuzah
for the front door
of our synagogue.

On Sunday, February 7 after the
minyan we will be hanging and
dedicating this mezuzah.

Please join us!



TEMPLE TALK



Congregation L'Dor V'Dor
Oakland Little Neck Jewish Center

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Jewish Life is Alive And Well At L'Dor V'Dor!

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Join us! Mark your calendars! Save the date!
There's something for everyone at L'Dor V'Dor!

From The Rabbi



The story in the Torah that serves to define who we are as descendants of the Biblical Israelite nation, is the story of Egyptian enslavement and the Exodus from Egypt. The narrative of that story is interrupted by a section in which the Israelites were commanded to set up a calendar in which the month in which the Exodus took place would be the first month of the calendar year. Then there were commands that were linked to specific days of this month that led up to the Exodus. Then a very specific day of this month was set aside as a day of remembrance on which an annual festival would be held "throughout the ages...as an institution for all time." Later on in the Book of Deuteronomy we are told that this festival was not only to be known as the Festival of Unleavened Bread, but it was also to be known as The Festival of Spring.

In order for the first month of a year, whose new months are determined by the cycle of the moon, to be in the Spring, an intricate system of intercalation was required. At first, the system was a little bit like Ground Hog Day. The rabbis would go out in the 12th month of the year and decide if Spring Time was near or if it felt like there would be another month of Winter before the Spring season would begin. In some years they would add a month to make the year 13 months and in some years they would not add a month and a new year would begin. Sometime between the years of 360 and 500 CE, based on Astronomy and Mathematics, it was determined that years 3, 6, 8, 11, 14, 17 and 19 of every 19 year cycle would become leap years with thirteen months and the other years would be regular years with 12 months.

On page 380 of the Etz Hayim Chumash is the following commentary:

Why does Israel count by the moon, with each month stating when the new moon emerges? Because the moon, unlike the sun, waxes and wanes, nearly disappears and then grows bright again. So the Jewish people go through cycles of prosperity and suffering, knowing that even in darkness there are brighter days ahead. Just as God showed Noah the rainbow as a sign of the covenant, God shows Moses the sliver of the new moon as a symbol of Israel's capacity for constant renewal.

For nearly 2000 years, the ebb and flow of the Jewish calendar, with each of its significant dates and observances, has helped to shape and maintain Jewish identity. Every time of the year has its own unique quality dependent upon the special days within each of the months as well as the specific passages from the Torah that are read on an annual cycle. So much of our Jewish tradition is based upon the sanctification of time. We mark the passage of each week with the celebration of Shabbat, the passage of each month with the celebration of Rosh Chodesh and the passage of each year with the celebration of Rosh Hashanah. In addition to each of these celebrations, the Jewish year is punctuated with holidays, festivals and fast days that help us to remember significant events in the history of our people, strengthen our relationship with God, Torah and the Jewish people and live the values that we hold so dear.

We do lots of things with **time**. We **make** time, **find** time, **save** time, **spend** time, **have** time, **lose** time, and **waste** time. It is our tradition that teaches us to **sanctify** time and to appreciate that time is precious.

This year of the Jewish calendar is a leap year. This means there is an entire extra month between the time that Chanukah concludes and the celebration of Purim. When one lives his or her life according to the rhythm of the Jewish calendar, this extra month is like a gift from God. It is the extra time for which we often yearn. In each year that is a Jewish leap year, I feel like I really do have time to do some things for which I never seem to have time. Receiving this gift on the 3rd, 6th, 8th, 11th, 14th, 17th and 19th year of every 19 year cycle is just one more great aspect of being Jewish.

As the extra month of 5776 approaches, may we all be grateful for the gift of the time we have and do our best to make the most of it, to accomplish our personal goals, to strengthen our relationships and do what we can to make this world a little better than the way we found it.

Rabbi Gordon Yaffe

February Schedule of Services

Fri., Feb. 5	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:30 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 6	Shabbat Morning Service	9:00 a.m.
Sun., Feb. 7	Morning Minyan World Wide Wrap	8:45 a.m.
Fri., Feb. 12	A Capella Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:30 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 13	Shabbat Morning Service	9:00 a.m.
Sun., Feb. 14	Morning Minyan	8:45 a.m.
Fri., Feb. 19	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:30 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 20	Shabbat Morning Experience Breakfast	9:00 a.m.
	Shacharit	10:00 a.m.
	Torah Service	10:30 a.m.
	Musaph	11:15 a.m.
	Kiddush/Lunch	12:00 p.m.
	Mincha/Maariv	5:00 p.m.
Sun., Feb. 21	Morning Minyan	8:45 a.m.
Fri., Feb. 26	Shabbat Evening Service Birthdays & Anniversaries Celebrated	8:00 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 27	Shabbat Morning Service Family Shabbat Service	9:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.
Sun., Feb. 28	Morning Minyan	8:45 a.m.

Shabbat Candle Lighting

February 5	4:59 p.m.
February 12	5:08 p.m.
February 19	5:16 p.m.
February 26	5:25 p.m.

Shabbat Afternoon

February 20 5pm to 6:15 pm

A short service, a light meal, and discussion:

Michael Douglas as recipient of the Genesis Award
for promoting a sense of Jewish pride.

Join us as we savor the final hour of Shabbat and
say farewell to our cherished guest with Havdalah.



World Wide Wrap

Sunday, February 7

Fulfilling the Mitzvah of Tefillin can be a
spiritually rewarding experience and an
effective way to establish a unique
connection with God for both
men and women.

Learn to wrap Tefillin at 8:00 a.m.
Daven at 8:45 a.m.

After services we will place and dedicate a
new mezuzah for our front door.

Presidential Matters By Steve Aronowitz



Like so many of you who have regularly attended board and general membership meetings over many years, I've sat through discussions on various issues that haven't been the most compelling. And that's not easy to admit since I've been at the head of the table for better than 10 years! That's why I really enjoyed our January 11th meeting. At a time when safety concerns are high priority (as they must be!), and law enforcement agencies around the country have been criticized for their actions (in isolated but well publicized cases), our congregation's recognition of the officers of the NYPD 111th precinct was both timely and well deserved.

The idea of holding a formal program to honor our local police department was first brought to the board's attention by longtime trustee and men's club president, Irwin Tobin. When house vice president, Paul Stein, invited the commanding officer, William McBride, to attend our meeting, he graciously accepted and was accompanied by several department colleagues. Each officer was introduced to the membership and at the conclusion of the program, the large turnout said, 'thank you' with a standing ovation.

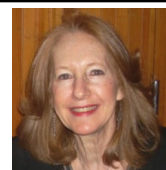
I can tell you that each time I have requested support, whether at high holidays, at an event or a meeting, the crime prevention unit has always said, "yes," and responded in a timely manner. It may be an officer who comes into the building. Sometimes it's a police car parked in front of the temple. Regardless of the approach, it's a partnership we need and appreciate. When we began researching upgrades for building safety, the 111th crime prevention unit conducted a walkthrough and filed a detailed written report, providing much needed direction. Based on their findings, we have begun interviewing security companies discussing various strategies. This allowed us to present the framework for developing a fiscally sound responsible plan to provide a safe place for members, employees, and guests to enjoy their experiences at the synagogue.

It's always nice to meet public figures on a personal level. Those who attended last month's meeting went home appreciating the work of the police department's officers. We had a nice turnout on a cold winter night but, of course, it's even better when attendance is higher, and that brings me to a final point. You will be receiving a letter from vice president, Dawn Singer, who is leading our annual nominating committee search for board members for the term beginning July 1. Obviously, leadership is critical to our organization's future. For many, the thought of becoming a board trustee is often brushed aside. Some say they don't have the time or experience. Please understand that we need individuals to step up and become part of the leadership team. This does not have to be a major time commitment. I guarantee you will find our group of board members friendly and eager to welcome you. Please consider a trustee position for the coming year.



SAVE THE DATE APRIL 2, 2016 "SPRING FLING"

by Marjorie Goldstein, VP Membership



It's that time of year again, when the Membership Committee starts moving forward in planning our annual Synagogue event. This year it will be the "Spring Fling" on Saturday Evening, April 2, 2016 at 8:30 p.m. Treat yourselves to a night of dancing to a live band, eating hors d'oeuvres and desserts, drinking wine, beer, coffee and tea, as we socialize with friends old and new. Bring your friends who do not belong to the synagogue. We'd love to meet them. You don't dance or you don't have a dance partner? No problem! Plenty of people danced in a group last year at the Winter Bash or sat at a table tapping their feet as they listened to the music of That Duo Show, a fabulous band that will play music from all eras. What more can you ask for? An entertaining and energizing evening for only \$30. And, there will be raffle prizes too! This will be your only opportunity this year to dance at the synagogue with a live band!

Reservations are a must prior to the event! Details will follow at a later date. So get our your calendar, circle the date, dust off your dancing shoes and prepare to have a fabulous evening at Congregation L'Dor V'Dor. Can't wait to see you there!



Save The Date!!!
Israel Bonds Breakfast
to Honor
Cantor Joshua Shron
Sunday, May 22 at 10am



It is with great pleasure that our Synagogue and Israel Bonds will honor Cantor Joshua Shron. This will be a wonderful opportunity for all of us to show our esteem and affection for Cantor Shron and to show our support for the State of Israel by investing in Israel Bonds. What better way to say "thank you" for all his past and ongoing efforts on behalf of our Synagogue and its membership than with the purchase of a Bond in his honor. Even if you are unable to attend, please consider purchasing a bond in honor of Cantor Shron and in support of Israel.

Don Forman for the Israel Bond Committee



Message From Cantor Joshua Shron

I've given up social media for the New Year and am trying to make friends outside Facebook while applying the same principles. Every day, I walk down the street and tell passersby what I've eaten, how I feel, what I did the night before, and what I will do tomorrow. Then I give them pictures of my family, my dog, and me gardening. I also listen to their conversations and tell them I love them. And it works. I already have three people following me—two police officers and a psychiatrist.

— *Submission to Reader's Digest*

Yup, I'm a techie. From the latest gadgets to the latest news about Google, I soak it all in. I teach Bar/Bat Mitzvah lessons via Skype, spend a bit too much time scrolling through Facebook posts, and feel naked without my smartphone. I love where technology has taken us, and I'm truly excited by what the future has in store. There is such a vast amount of knowledge on the internet, and our computers, iPads, smartphones and gadgets have become an integral part of our lives.

However, there's no denying that the electronic age is, at the same time, removing us from personal relationships. One might keep up with what's going on in other people's lives, but in my humble opinion, a genuine relationship can only be real when people interact face-to-face. Unless people spend time together, there will always be something lacking in the relationship.

A perfect example is online dating, where a computer will match you up with another person. On paper you may seem perfect for each other, and the online correspondence can go very well... but only after you meet and interact in person, look into each other's eyes, see the person smile and walk together hand-in-hand, can you truly know if that other person is right for you.

As usual, Judaism was way ahead of the times when it developed the concept of a synagogue. It is the perfect solution! Longtime members will certainly recall that it was not too long ago when Jewish life revolved around the synagogue. Families came together, young and old, to pray and learn, to socialize and form friendships, to celebrate and even mourn together. And, if you were fortunate, it was the place to find your soulmate.

The synagogue model is perfect. It addresses our most basic of needs - offering camaraderie, spiritual nourishment, community, and yes, even food! However, now that many Jewish people prefer to communicate via text, email, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, they tragically do not feel the need to strengthen their Jewish bonds by joining together in *shul*, as Jewish people have done for thousands of years. This is how we have kept our Jewish identity alive against all odds.

Stop by any Saturday morning. One only has to attend our weekly Shabbat services to witness the friendships created by our regulars. We all look forward to seeing each other, and we genuinely care for one another. As a synagogue, we need to get back to Jewish basics by joining our families together as often as possible, to re-create our sense of community by attending Shabbat and holiday services, and by supporting our programs and events.

Want to know what time services begin? Check our web site. Want to develop and maintain *meaningful* relationships with real human beings? Stop by 49-10 Little Neck Parkway, and stay a while. Together we'll transform our synagogue back into a true *Beit Keneset*, a house of togetherness.



Teen Conversations with The Cantor at L'Dor V'Dor

**Tuesdays, 2/9 & 2/23
At 8:00 p.m.**



HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 Danielle Drucker	14 Rhoda Fleisher
1 David Goodman	14 Hazel Greenberg
2 Ronnie Goldstein	14 Debbie Stoll
2 Rebecca Singer	15 Cory Zelniker
4 Esther Spindel	16 Adina Tetenko
5 Emily Hochman	17 Lois Wirtheim
5 Jana Kauffman	18 Lee Blecher
5 Linda Schlosser	18 Debby Hockstein
6 Benjamin Kestenbaum	18 Leslie Klein
6 Ellie Shron	18 Erica Starr
7 Brandon Alwadish	19 Lindsey Mayer
7 Marc Figelman	19 Beatrice Nebel
7 Scott Hoffman	20 Melissa Berkowitz
7 Alaina Matatov	20 Albert Stern
7 Alexander Roberts	21 Sharon Glick
7 Lesley Stern	21 David Levine
9 Rachel Coons	22 George Neiderman
9 Emily Fleisher	22 Lauren Reiss
9 Ahuva Maytal	22 Stephen Toback
10 Marc Altheim	23 Alison Hoffer
10 Jacob Glick	23 Alexander Yeres
10 Diane Lidoshore	24 Carolyn Berman
10 Joshua Mirkin	24 Carol Jahre
10 Brian Slakter	24 Eugene Streim
11 Ellen Grossman	24 Ari Vladimir
11 Vivienne Lipsitz	25 Samantha Grusd
12 Scott Singer	26 Isabella Berlinsky
13 Daniel Kanevsky	27 Amos Weinberg
13 David Kanevsky	28 Leonard Goldstein
13 Marc Ross	28 Melissa Weibman



HAPPY FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

3 Esther and Saul Spindel
14 Sally and David Coons
19 Tina and Marvin Anchin
26 Laura and Harry Junger

**Celebrate Your February
Birthday or Anniversary
by receiving a special blessing
at Erev Shabbat Services**

February 26 at 8:00 p.m.



February Shabbat Highlights



A Capella Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Service

Friday, February 12
at 6:30 p.m.

We Welcome Shabbat With Singing, Dancing,
And Lots Of Joy!!!



Monthly Shabbat Morning Experience!



The Schedule for Saturday, February 20

9:00 a.m.	Breakfast & Learning
10:00 a.m.	Shacharit w/Heicha Kedushah
10:30 a.m.	Torah Service/Musaph
12:00 p.m.	Kiddush & Lunch

Family Shabbat Experience

Saturday, February 27
9:30 am -12:30 pm



A Family That
Prays Together
Stays Together!

Create a lasting memory of a special
Shabbat experience together with
your children or grandchildren

Join us for a multi-generational
interactive prayer & learning
experience in an informal and
engaging atmosphere followed by
a traditional Shabbat Lunch

This service will be conducted simultaneously with our
regular Shabbat Morning Service.

A View from the Pew

*This column is reserved for
reflections on the question, "Why do you go to shul?"
from a member of the congregation who attends Shabbat
services each week. If you would like to submit an
article for this column, please contact Lisa Pollack
in the synagogue office.*

Why do I go to Shul?

By Steve Kanfer

Let me first begin by saying that when I was growing up my parents did not belong to a temple. Since my family were not members of a temple I was privately tutored by a Yeshiva boy to say my haftarah. He came to my house once a week for an hour and we did this for about four months. He usually fell asleep the last fifteen minutes. I would tell my mother but she thought I was kidding. My Hebrew tutor also taught me how to lay tefillin. I continued this ritual for approximately five years. I must say that a major reason I did it was because of my father. He was so proud of me, and told everyone. Of course, like many fathers of that era, he did not tell me this, but I knew he was "kvelling".

I went to synagogue on the High Holidays with my friends. My friend Ira's parents were members of a synagogue. We passed around the tickets to get five guys into temple. As such, my friends and I did every year.

My wife, Susan, and I joined Little Neck Jewish Center when our oldest son David was eight years old. He was bar mitzvahed here. Our second child, Philip also was bar mitzvahed at Little Neck. Rabbi Eckstein and Cantor Raber were in charge at that time. We have been members of this synagogue for 31 years.

Like 98% of the temple members, I attended services three times a year. On one of the High Holidays Rabbi Eckstein challenged the membership. His challenge was to see if you could go to temple not three times a year, but once a month. I did not think that would be so difficult to do. I started going to temple once a month and realized that nothing bad happened to me. My parents, Harry and Minnie died in 1991 and 1993. To honor them I started going to synagogue more frequently. The once a month turned into once a week. To this date, I go every Saturday when I am home.

I go to synagogue for several reasons. First, going to synagogue for roughly two hours is meditation for me. I am there, and not thinking about day to day routines or commitments. I am truly at peace with myself. When I leave temple I have a good feeling.

Second, Saturday morning has become a social event. It is a time to be with friends, share challah, eat a little, and have some scotch. It is because of this special group of people that synagogue is special and enjoyable for me. I look forward to seeing them, sharing a drink, talking some sports and politics. I doubt if I would go to synagogue on a regular basis if it weren't for the likes of president Steve, Alan, Richie, George, Ken, Chuck, Stanley, Mark, Mel, Donald, Howard, Jerry, Judy, and Don F. It is schmoozing with these guys and gal that brings me to synagogue. It is like being with family without having to cook for them over the holidays or get them gifts. All the people I mentioned, and some that I am sure I forgot to mention, make for a great Saturday morning. I look forward to seeing them each Saturday morning.

Thirdly, it is a great feeling when I get an honor, such as carrying the Torah around the synagogue or to get an aliyah.

I also look forward to a sermon by Rabbi Yaffe or Cantor Shron that focuses on Jewish current events or what it means to be Jewish. I enjoy when the sermon focuses on present times rather than a long time ago. To me it is more relevant when I can relate to the sermon. I also like singing and saying some of the prayers. My favorite prayer is the prayer for the new month. If you read the English it says wonderful things.

Finally, because of the congregants, synagogue feels like a warm, cozy, friendly, and safe place to be on a Saturday morning. Besides tennis it is a nice way to spend the morning.

Save The Date!

Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.
Holocaust Memorial Observance
By George Klein and Ellen Charlop

Remembering The Holocaust – More Important Than Ever

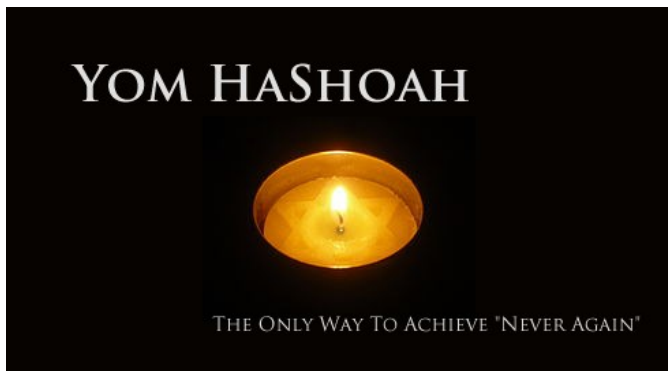
The Knesset in Israel has designated the 28th of Nisan of every year as a day to remember the Holocaust.

Accordingly, the three local synagogues-Congregation L'Dor V'Dor, Marathon Jewish Center and Temple Torah of Little Neck will join together once again for their annual commemoration.

It will take place on Wednesday May 4, 2016, 7 pm at Congregation L'Dor V'Dor – Oakland Little Neck Jewish Center. Please join us to hear the testimony of a survivor of the Holocaust as well as witness other Holocaust survivors participate in this moving and meaningful event. On this important day, all Jews-Orthodox, Conservative, Reform and unaffiliated- together, must let all people know that we mourn the 6 million of our brothers and sisters, the innocent victims, who lost their lives and increase our resolve to ensure **"THIS MUST NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN."**

Mark your calendar today and plan to attend. Bring your friends, neighbors, and most important, your children. Every year, there are fewer survivors to bear witness to those events. It is more important than ever that the next generations continue to carry the word forward.

With the recent events in France, we must all recognize that it is even more important to remember the Holocaust. The names of the tyrants change but the evil they cause does not.



REMEMBER - Yom Hashoah, Wednesday May 4, 2016, 7pm
at Congregation L'Dor V'Dor – Oakland Little Neck Jewish Center.



Men's Club

presents

Cradle of

Aviation Museum

March 13 at 1:00 p.m.

Charles Lindbergh Blvd. Garden City, NY

Tour Guide: Irwin Wolf

Option #1: Tour only for \$18.00 per person

Option #2: Tour and late lunch at \$43.00 per person

We can drive and parking is free. We can also car pool. Those who need a ride, please contact Irwin Tobin. irwin_tobin@yahoo.com or 516-448-1415.

Lunch at Ben's Kosher Deli. Please check off your choices below.

We are limited to the first 50 people! Please RSVP ASAP! Make your checks payable to Men's Club of Congregation L'Dor V'Dor!



Men's Club
Cradle of Aviation Museum
March 13 at 1:00 p.m.



Name _____

Tel/Email _____

___ Option #1 (\$18.00 per person)

___ Option #2 (\$43.00 per person includes lunch)

___ Meat ___ Vegan ___ Vegetarian or Gluten Free

Check enclosed for \$ _____

Need a Gift?



Shop at the Sisterhood
Show Case and Boutique
located in the Lobby!

Shabbat Across America



At Congregation L'Dor V'Dor

Friday, March 4

Beginning at 6:30 p.m.



Turn an ordinary Friday night into
something extraordinary!

A Joyous Kabbalat Shabbat Service and
A Shabbat Dinner by Cosmopolitan Caterers
With Linen, China, Fine Wine and Waiter Service

Menu:

Israeli Salad Bar
Plated Stuffed Cabbage
Short Ribs and Roast Chicken
Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Challah Rolls
Beverages and Dessert

Shabbat Across America Dinner Reservation Form

Return this form with your payment by Friday, Feb. 26 to:
Congregation L'Dor V'Dor 49-10 Little Neck Parkway Little Neck, NY 11362

Please reserve seats for Shabbat Dinner on March 4.

Adults @ \$40

Children (5-12) @ \$20

Children (under 5) Free

Fish Available Upon Request.



Name: Phone/Email:

Adult Education

Parashat HaShavuah Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.



Finding relevance and meaning in the weekly portion of the Torah with Rabbi Gordon Yaffe

An in depth study of the weekly Torah portion.

The Cantor's Club Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m.



Cantor Joshua Shron

You too can be a Shaliach Tzibur, the one to lead the congregation in prayer.

Israeli Dancing 7:30 p.m.



Three Monday nights per month

2/1, 2/8 & 2/15

At Congregation L'Dor V'Dor
With
Dance Instructor, Randy Barenholtz
(of Temple Israel)

"Through our beginners' class of Israeli dance and song, we engage in the vibrant life of Jewish culture"

Questions—contact Joan Kase
at joankase1@gmail.com



Sisterhood Book Club Thursday, February 11 At Elane Berk's Home At 7:30 p.m.

The next book club meeting will be held on Thursday, February 11th at 7:30 P.M. at the home of our esteemed hostess, Elane Berk.

We will be discussing A Remarkable Kindness written by Diana Bletter. It is the story about the bonds of friendship and family and the lives of four women, Lauren, Emily, Aviva and Rachel. The women forge a friendship that sustains them as they come to terms with love and loss and the outbreak of war. Their intimate bond is strengthened by their participation in a traditional ritual. As their lives are slowly transformed, each finds unexpected strength and resilience.

A Remarkable Kindness is a moving testament to women's friendship, illuminating a mostly unknown ritual that underscores what it means to be truly alive.

Come and join us as we discuss this tale where war and loss hover over four American women living in Israel.

Any questions, please contact Harriet Spilkevitz at hspilk81@aol.com or 516-708-9404.

How Well Do You Know The Modern State of Israel?



Cantor Shron presents: **The Israel Course**, engaging video and discussion series to strengthen your connection to Israel and its people.

- Gain valuable insight on how you can defend Israel on campus, in the media and whenever enemies threaten her right to exist.
- Learn more about the Jewish Homeland from Middle East experts, historians, rabbis and other esteemed scholars.
- Enhance your understanding of Israel's past, present and future through Biblical texts and study.

Schedule of Classes:
Wednesdays: 2/3, 2/10, 2/17 & 2/24

Celebrate Purim

Wednesday, March 23
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.



Pre Purim Pizza Party!!!

6:15 pm



Pizza, Salad & Soda
\$10.00 per person



Children under the age of 5 are free

7:00 p.m.

Maariv

7:20 p.m.

The Whole Megillah (Almost)
Simultaneous (Whole) Megillah Reading
in the Simcha Room



8-8:30 p.m.

Comedy Open Mic!



Pre Purim Pizza Party! Wednesday, March 23
RSVP by March 14 \$10.00 per person



Name _____ Tel/Email _____

Check enclosed for \$ _____ #of adults _____ #of children _____

Israel On Our Minds



PM Netanyahu's Statement on the Occasion of International Holocaust Remembrance Day

Preserving the memory of the Holocaust is more important today than ever, for in this period of resurgent and sometimes violent anti-Semitism, it is commemorations like this that remind us all where the oldest and most enduring hatred can lead.

Unfortunately, in Europe and elsewhere, Jews are once again being targeted just for being Jews. Around the world, Jewish communities are increasingly living in fear. We see anti-Semitism directed against individual Jews, and we also see this hatred directed against the collective Jew, against the Jewish state. Israel is targeted with the same slurs and the same libels that were leveled against the Jewish people since time immemorial.

Islamic extremists incorporate the most outrageous anti-Semitism into their murderous doctrines. We see this in Gaza; we see it in Raqqa; we see it in Tehran. And even respected Western opinion leaders have become afflicted with hatred for the Jewish people and the Jewish state.

The obsession with the Jews - the fixation on the Jewish state - defies any rational explanation. While across the region, Islamist militants brutalize entire populations, enslave and rape women, murder Christians and gays, the UN Human Rights Council repeatedly condemns Israel.

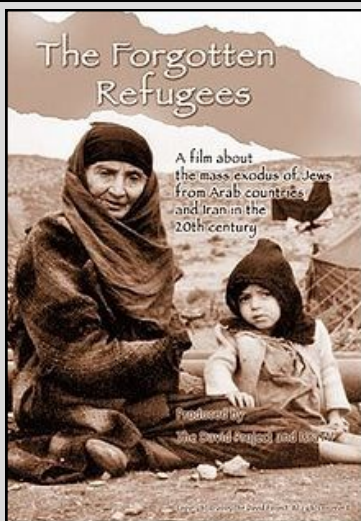
But one thing has changed. The Jews have changed. We are no longer a stateless people endlessly searching for a safe haven. We are no longer a powerless people begging others to offer us protection. Today we are an independent and sovereign people in our own homeland.

Today, we can speak out against the voices of hatred and those seeking our destruction. Today, we can protect ourselves and defend our freedom. But where is the rest of civilization?

When a state like Iran and movements like Daesh [ISIS] and Hamas openly declare their goal of committing another Holocaust, we will not let it happen. But Europe and the rest of the world must stand up together with us. Not for our sake; for theirs.

Source: *The Daily Alert*, 01/28/16; *The Prime Minister's Office*, 01/26/16

<http://www.pmo.gov.il/English/MediaCenter/Spokesman/Pages/spokeRemembrance260116.aspx>



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from Arab Countries after 1948

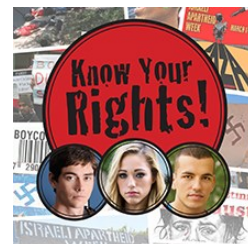
Sunday, February 28

1:00 p.m.

The Forgotten Refugees is a 2005 50-minute documentary film directed by Michael Grynzspan and produced by The David Project and IsraTV that recounts the history of Jewish communities of the Middle East and North Africa and their demise in the face of persecutions following the creation of the modern State of Israel in 1948. The documentary explores the history, culture, and forced exodus of Middle Eastern and North African Jewish communities in the second half of the 20th century. Using extensive testimony of refugees from Egypt, Yemen, Libya, Iraq, and Morocco, the film weaves personal stories with dramatic archival footage of rescue missions, historic images of exodus and resettlement, and analyses by contemporary scholars to tell the story of how and why the Jewish population in the Middle East and North Africa declined from one million in 1945 to several thousands today.

Join us for what promises to be an enlightening experience followed by discussion! Questions: Contact the synagogue office at 718-224-0404.

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If you have any questions, please contact Julie Aronowitz, Deborah Schneider or Lisa Pollack at the office 718-224-0404



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Pack it Up For Purim It's A Mitzvah!



Here is how you can participate!

- 1. Bring in a bag or bags filled with the items on the shopping list below.**
- 2. Send in an \$18 donation per bag and we will go shopping for you.**
- 3. Come shopping with us and help pack the bags on Sunday, March 13.**

In time for Purim, the gift bags that we assemble including a personal note will be delivered to Jewish Seniors who live within our community who are in need.

Please call Stacey Gottlieb at 917-771-0562 to let us know if you would like to help on Sunday, March 13.

Purim Package Shopping List

- 1 box of whole-grain cereal or oatmeal
- 1 box of pasta
- 1 can of vegetables (carrots, tomatoes, corn)
- 1 bag of rice
- 1 box of 100 percent fruit juice
- 1 package of dried fruit or granola bars
- 1 can of tuna
- 1 package of dried beans (or canned beans)
- 1 jar of peanut butter (plastic only)
- 1 dessert (nonperishable)

For safety concerns, please do not include glass containers. Pop-top cans are a plus.

Our Men's Club Reaches Out To Those In Need!

Below are excerpts of thank you notes received from Friends of the IDF, American Friends of Neve Hanna and North Shore-LIJ!

"On behalf of the Friends of the Israel Defense Forces and the soldiers of Israel, we gratefully acknowledge receipt of your generous contribution which helps us continue the mission of providing immediate aid and comfort to the brave young men and women of the IDF."

"On behalf of the children of Neve Hanna, I would like to thank you for your generous gift and continued support. Thanks to the generosity of supporters like you, we are pleased to be able to report that Neve Hanna has been able to expand its outreach to young people facing serious problems. The support of our friends allows American Friends of Neve Hanna to increase its assistance and meet critical needs."

"On behalf of the medical staff, administration and especially the young patients of North Shore-LIJ, thank you for your kindness and generous donation to the Cohen Children's Medical Center. Through your expression of generosity and concern, we are better able to enhance the lives of the patients and families entrusted to our care. Thank you for your wonderful support."



Purim Is Around The Corner!

The Sisterhood has a fundraising project which will enable you to send a Purim greeting to friends and family for \$5 each.

Your involvement will help support activities at the synagogue and send contributions to local women's shelters.

A mailing with an order form will be sent out in a couple of weeks. Start planning now.

February 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Israeli Dancing 7:30 pm	2	3 Parashat HaShavuah 11:00 am The Cantor's Club 5:00 pm The Israel Course 8:00 pm	4 Intermediate Hebrew 10:00 am	5 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:30 pm Candle Lighting 4:59 pm	6 Shabbat Morning Service 9:00 am
7 Morning Minyan World Wide Wrap Mezuzah Dedication & Breakfast 8:45 am	8 Israeli Dancing 7:30 pm	9 Rosh Chodesh Adar I Conversations with the Cantor at the Synagogue 8:00 pm	10 Rosh Chodesh Adar I (No Parashat HaShavuah Class) The Cantor's Club 5:00 pm The Israel Course 8:00 pm	11 Intermediate Hebrew 10:00 am Book Club 7:30 pm	12 A Capella Musical Kabbalat Shabbat Evening Service 6:30 pm Candle Lighting 5:08 pm	13 Shabbat Morning Service 9:00 am
14 Morning Minyan & Breakfast 8:45 am	15 President's Day Office is Closed! Israeli Dancing 7:30 pm	16	17 Parashat HaShavuah 11:00 am The Cantor's Club 5:00 pm The Israel Course 8:00 pm Membership Committee Meeting 8:00 pm	18 Intermediate Hebrew 10:00 am	19 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:30 pm Candle Lighting 5:16 pm	20 Shabbat Morning Experience Breakfast 9am Shacharit 10 am Torah Service 10:30 am Musaph 11:15 am Kiddush 12 pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/ Maariv/Havdalah 5pm
21 Morning Minyan & Breakfast 8:45 am	22 Board Meeting 8:00 pm	23 Purim Katan Conversations with the Cantor at the Synagogue 8:00 pm	24 Parashat HaShavuah 11:00 am The Israel Course 8:00 pm	25 Intermediate Hebrew 10:00 am	26 Shabbat Evening Service 8:00 pm Birthdays & Anniversaries Celebrated Candle Lighting 5:25 pm	27 Shabbat Morning Service 9:00 am Family Shabbat Service 9:30 am
28 Morning Minyan & Breakfast 8:45 am The Forgotten Refugees 1:00 pm	29 (Nominating Committee Meeting Has Been Moved to March 3)					



Save the Date!!!
Friday, March 4
 Services @ 6:30 p.m.
 Dinner @ 7:30 p.m.
Shabbat Across America

Save the Date!!!
Wednesday, March 23
 6:15pm—8:30 pm
Purim Festivities



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