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Join us in our Zoom Room
on Monday, March 22 at
8pm

An Evening of Learning
From Each Other!

Members of our congregation
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traditions as we prepare for
our Seders.

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From Our Family To Yours



Wishing
you a
Happy Passover!



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Cantor Shron's
Recordings
of all of the
Passover Songs



See pages 9-11 for Passover details.

*Join us for our Community Zoom Seder
on Sunday, March 27*

From The Rabbi

Just before we were freed from slavery in Egypt and became a nation, God spoke to Moses and Aaron and told them to create a new calendar with the month in which our liberation occurred to be the first of the months that would begin a new year. Then, specific rituals were assigned to specific days of this month. We read the following in the Book of Exodus, chapter 12 verses 16 to 20:



You shall celebrate a sacred occasion on the first day, and a sacred occasion on the seventh day; no work at all shall be done on them; only what every person is to eat, that alone may be prepared for you. You shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for on this very day I brought your ranks out of the land of Egypt; you shall observe this day throughout the ages as an institution for all time. In the first month, from the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you shall eat unleavened bread until the twenty-first day of the month at evening. No leaven shall be found in your houses for seven days. For whoever eats what is leavened, that person shall be cut off from the community of Israel, whether he is a stranger or a citizen of the country. You shall eat nothing leavened; in all your settlements you shall eat unleavened bread.

The importance of setting aside specific days on a calendar throughout the year for specific activities became a defining aspect of Jewish identity. In the book of Ecclesiastes we learn that there is indeed a time and a season for everything under the sun. A large part of being Jewish is to sanctify the passage of time by knowing what season it is, what month it is, what day it is and even what day of the month it is. Being aware of time in this way, enables one to feel and embrace the uniqueness of whatever time or season it is.

Each time and season on the Jewish calendar has its own unique character. The time in which we are in, is the prelude to Passover which is defined by the attention we give to getting the leaven out of our lives so that we can fulfill the clear directives in the biblical passage that I quoted above.

From sundown on Saturday, March 27, until sundown on Sunday, April 4 it is forbidden for Jews to eat, own or derive benefit from chametz. Chametz is any food or beverage that contains wheat, barley, oat, spelt or rye that has come into contact with moisture and allowed to leaven or ferment. We may be aware of this prohibition, but what is it all about? Why is staying away from chametz so important. What relevance does this have for my life or my Jewish identity?

To answer these questions, I turn to our Rabbinic tradition. The Rabbis identified leaven with the evil inclination, the urge that gives rise to wrong-doing. Philo, the great philosopher once said, "Just as leaven is banned because it is puffed up, we must ban self righteousness that puffs us up with false pride." By removing the leaven from our homes and from our lives, we symbolically express our desire to liberate ourselves from the corrupting influences which make us subservient to our passions and evil impulses. Thus, Pesach is not only a time to recall and celebrate our freedom from Egyptian bondage, but it is also a time to rejoice in our ability to free ourselves of those elements from within us that enslave.

There are four steps to follow for the complete removal of chametz prior to Pesach. The first step is Bedikat Chametz, the ceremonial search for leaven. The search is conducted by the light of a candle or a flashlight on the night before Pesach. (This year, because Pesach begins on Saturday night, Bedikat Chametz will take place on Thursday night) By this time the house should have been thoroughly cleaned and little piles of chametz placed around the house to be found during the search. When Bedikat Chametz has been completed the following formula is recited: "May all leaven in my possession which I have not seen or removed be regarded as mere dust of the earth." This is the second step in the removal of chametz and is called Bitul Chametz. The third step is Biur Chametz, the burning of chametz. The fourth and final step in getting the leaven out is Mechirat Chametz, the selling of chametz. Not only is it forbidden to eat chametz for the 8 days of Passover, but it is also forbidden to own any chametz. For details on Mechirat Chametz, see page 11.

The careful observance of the Passover holiday and all of its rituals adds a very special dimension to our lives and helps in the concretization of many important values. As we continue to navigate these unprecedented times that have robbed us of so many of the freedoms for which we yearn, may we draw strength from the wisdom of our tradition and be successful in getting the crumbs out of our lives.

From our home to yours, Carrie and I extend out wishes for a Chag Sameach V'Kasher, a happy, healthy, safe and kosher holiday.

Rabbi Gordon Yaffe

Schedule of Services

**Daily Evening Minyan
Sunday—Thursday @7:30 pm**

Sunday Morning Minyan @ 8:45 am

**Sat. Evening Havdalah/Maariv
1 hour after Shabbat Candle Lighting**

Fri., March 5	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Shabbat Across America Program	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Sat., March 6	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 a.m.
Fri., March 12	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:00 p.m.
Sat., March 13	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 a.m.
Fri., March 19	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated	6:00 p.m.
Sat., March 20	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 a.m.
Thrs., March 25	Siyyum Bechorim	7:15 a.m.
Fri., March 26	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:00 p.m.
Sat., March 27	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 a.m.
Sun., March 28	Pesach Services Day I	9:30 a.m.
Mon., March 29	Pesach Services Day II	9:30 a.m.
Tues., March 30	Chol HaMoed Pesach Service	9:30 a.m.
Fri., April 2	Erev Shabbat/7th Day of Pesach Service	6:00 p.m.
Sat., April 3	Shabbat/7th Day of Pesach Service Erev 8th Day of Pesach Service	9:30 a.m. 8:00 p.m.
Sun., April 4	8th Day of Pesach Service Yizkor Memorial Service	9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
Fri., April 9	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:00 p.m.
Sat., April 10	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 a.m.
Fri., April 16	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:00 p.m.
Sat., April 17	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 a.m.
Fri., April 23	Kabbalat Shabbat Service Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated	6:00 p.m.
Sat., April 24	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 a.m.
Fri., April 30	Kabbalat Shabbat Service	6:00 p.m.
Sat., May 1	Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 a.m.

Shabbat Candle Lighting

March 5	5:32 pm	April 2	7:02 pm
March 12	5:40pm	April 9	7:10 pm
March 19	6:48 pm	April 16	7:17 pm
March 26	6:55 pm	April 23	7:25 pm
		April 30	7:32 pm



Don't Forget!

Sunday March 14th

Move Clocks Ahead One Hour!

From The Cantor

Dear Congregational Family,

Let's just say it has been an interesting few months for your Cantor. A broken ankle, a surgery, lots of uncertainty and frustration, a beautiful two-tiered Bar Mitzvah in our family, a spectacular Purim celebration in our community...and, as you've probably heard by now, a 3-day hospital stay due to Coronavirus.



Yup. After escaping it for about a full year, it got me.

The experience began innocently enough, as I began feeling mild shortness of breath. Not much longer after my diagnosis, however, a very difficult breathing experience emerged. Out of an abundance of caution, my doctor wanted to run some tests in the hospital, so off I went... never planning to stay for more than a few hours.

Well, the doctors had other ideas, and to make a long story short, I was admitted. For the next three days, I was poked, prodded, tested, and treated to the finest medical care this side of the Hudson River. And yes, some of the experience was undeniably scary and tense. Despite endless calls and texts from family and friends, I was all alone... and it was a long 72 hours.

Left alone with my thoughts, all I could think about were the horror stories I had been reading about all year. My situation didn't seem so dire...but it WAS frightening. Would it get any worse? Was I a ticking time bomb? Then there was my elderly roommate in the bed next to me. Though he didn't speak much English, it was clear he'd already been in the hospital a while, with slim prospects for release anytime soon. Could I share a similar fate?

By day #3, the staff thankfully determined that my breathing had reached a point where I could rest more comfortably at home than at the hospital, so off I went into the welcoming arms of my wife and kids.

And now? Yes, my lungs are still recovering, and small movements can sometimes set me off on a short coughing spree. Overall, however, I'm very comfortable while sitting still, and very, very happy to be home. As of early March, I feel like a return to normalcy will undoubtedly arrive in a few days. I'm also in frequent contact with our INCREDIBLE community pulmonologist Dr. Alan Fein, who has kindly been taking very good care of me.

For just about a year, we've been hearing about Coronavirus on a 24/7 loop every single day. We know how many have it, how many died from it, how we should prevent it, how it's affecting every single aspect of society, and how its days are - hopefully - numbered. But until you're sitting in a hospital bed not knowing what's going to happen to you, I've got to say that it's really, really hard to understand.

We humans like to believe we know everything, though time in and time out, we quickly discover how much we DON'T know. Here we are, about to begin a SECOND observance of Passover under lockdown. Did we EVER expect to still be here in 2021? Time and time again, our Jewish heritage reminds us that everything can change on a dime. The good times can suddenly go dark, and the bad times can instantly become incredible. Life brings unbelievable challenges and successes, and the best we can do is roll with the ups and downs.

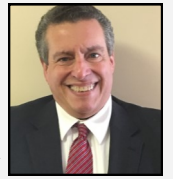
What other choice do we have?

Sure, it has certainly been a rough time for me lately. However, it has become VERY clear to me that those with a warm community behind them are much better equipped to take on the complexities of life's challenges. I cannot thank this community enough for its abundance of warmth, love, encouragement, and dedication. Thank you to Carrie and Rabbi Yaffe and to our incredible Bikur Cholim Committee and Sisterhood, for your sincere love and for taking care of our family yet again.

Wishing you and your family a quick and painless vaccination, and may our eventual emergence from this pandemic signify the freedom and miracles that are so much a part of our annual Passover season. Chag Sameach V'kasher – a joyous and kosher Passover!

Presidential Matters

by Mitchell Stein



One Year Anniversary

Let's play the word association game. When I say the word right, I immediately think of the word left. When I say the word up, I immediately think about the word down. When I say the word anniversary, I immediately think of the word happy.

As I thought about my answers in greater detail, I was wondering if my last answer was on target. I know that this December 7th will be 80th anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. This September 11th will be the 20th anniversary of the devastating terrorist attack and destruction of the World Trade Center and closer to home, this spring will mark the 4th anniversary of my parents passing away.

March 2021 will make the one year anniversary when a small group of Congregation L'Dor V'Dor leaders, the Rabbi and Audi unanimously made a decision to temporarily lock our front doors. The sole intent of this decision was to insure that we keep all of us healthy and safe.

When I look at what this Shul has done this past year (with our doors locked), we not only survived, but we thrived. So many members, along with our Rabbi and Cantor and our Office Manager and Custodial Staff have kept us operating without missing a step.

We have expanded our religious services to include services 7 days a week. By utilizing technology, we have even greater attendance at our weekly Shabbat services on Friday night, Saturday morning and Saturday evening for Havdalah. We offer a daily minyan service and we have never had to cancel even one service due to lack of attendance by our membership.

We have upheld our high regard in our greater community. We continued to partner with other synagogues in important virtual programs including: Yom Hashoah, Kristallnacht and the Israeli Day Parade. We also participated with other community houses of worship with our traditional Thanksgiving service. We continue to provide goods and services along with financial support to some local organizations that help those who are experiencing extremely difficult times.

I am proud of our leaders and committee chairs. Our Ritual Committee works closely with Rabbi Yaffe to ensure all the above services and holidays run smoothly. The House Committee is keeping our building functioning in a clean, germ-free and safe environment. Our Sisterhood and Men's Club are offering quality programs. Our Membership Committee is running events, reaching out to all of us and keeping each member engaged with the synagogue. They just recently held a Membership/New Member Shabbat service that welcomed our newest members into our synagogue family.

I would like to be in the sanctuary and hear the cantor putting his heart and soul into his chanting. I would like to be in the sanctuary listening to the Rabbi and not listening to unmuted congregants during the services. I would like to take the corner of my tallis, touch the Torah and kiss the tzitzit as the Torah passes by me before and after the weekly reading. I would also like to shake your hand and schmooze with you one-on-one at Kiddush and have a cookie with someone I did not know before. I know these will all come back again.

Strangely, at this one-year anniversary I can honestly say that I am happy. I am happy for all that we have done. I am happy for our accomplishments. I am happy that we continue as a congregation and move forward as if this disease never occurred. I am happy that our congregational family members have stayed with us and have actively participated in all that we are providing. I am happy to be a member of this community! Happy Anniversary.

Vice President of Membership

by Karen Popowsky



"What a difference a day makes, twenty four little hours", sang Dinah Washington in her 1959 Grammy award winning song. Let's update that to "what a difference a year makes, eight thousand seven hundred sixty little hours!". Forgive me if my math is slightly off (math is not my strength) but WOW! It is a year since our wonderful Congregation L'Dor V'Dor decided to temporarily suspend in-person services due to the growing COVID 19 pandemic. I remember returning home from Purim services on March 9, 2020, needing to pack last minute items for my March 10 trip to Florida and (literally) at the eleventh hour, cancelling my JetBlue flight to Fort Lauderdale. And the rest is history.

Actually, the rest is Congregation L'Dor V'Dor! As a congregation, we pulled together in Zoom rooms. Many of us/you had never experienced Zoom, yet now it is that place where we "meet". It is that place that allows us/you to "see" friends with whom you might not be able to congregate. It is that place that allows us to join classes led by Rabbi Yaffe, Cantor Shron, and members of our congregation. It is that place to have book, movie and current events discussions, play Trivia Bowl and share dinner in break out rooms. Shabbat services, Sunday morning services and evening services are in the Zoom room.

As March "comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb", I am optimistic that this is truer in 2021 than it was in 2020. As we/you emerge from the cocoons we have been in during this past year, it is safer for us to consider meeting friends to walk, dine, visit, etc. The Membership Committee meets once a month to plan events such as the Super Membership Shabbat this past February. While we are not planning our annual dance party, we can consider a walking club, an outdoor community scavenger hunt or something we haven't even thought about. Maybe YOU can make a suggestion for our congregation that our Membership Committee can put in action. Please don't be shy! As days get longer and warmer, let's reach out and go outside to stretch our legs and our imaginations that continue to bring members of Congregation L'Dor V'Dor together.

As the month of March comes in with Adar and goes out with Nisan, we will be celebrating Passover.

On behalf of the Membership Committee (Eileen Baker, Jerelyn Cohen, Elaine Fleischman, Joan Kase, Harriet Spilkevitz, Debbie Stoll and Carrie Yaffe) I wish you and your families a Sweet and Healthy and Happy Passover.

Outreach and Recruitment Committee

by Paul Sacker

The best way to make a *shul* community grow is to attract new members. As soon as the pandemic began, Congregation L'Dor V'Dor continued services, classes, and special events 7 days a week without a break. This was made possible by our Rabbi and Cantor using virtual technology to reach people in their homes, including many beyond our local neighborhood. More amazingly, our *shul*'s efforts attracted several new members by just doing what we do daily.

Building from this effort, our Outreach and Recruitment Committee formed to develop strategies to attract unaffiliated Jews to check out our daily programs. The committee includes Rabbi Yaffe, Cantor Shron, Marjorie Goldstein, Ellen Charlop and Paul Sacker.

Our Mission/Vision Statement is as follows:

Mission Statement:

We are a special committee engaged in reaching out to unaffiliated Jews in our local area and beyond by advertising our extensive offerings of services, classes and events. It is our goal to attract new people to participate in all that we have to offer with the hope that they will begin to support our *shul* with donations and ultimately become members of our synagogue family.

Vision Statement:

Our *shul*'s membership and popularity within the community will increase.

Our very first project is a banner that will be placed on the front lawn of the *shul* alerting people that we are nurturing a Jewish community with daily activities with an invitation to "BE A PART OF IT!"

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Nurturing a Jewish Community



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VIRTUAL SERVICES, CLASSES & EVENTS
7 DAYS A WEEK!

BE A PART OF IT!

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Other ideas we are working on include flyers for distribution, networking with Jewish organizations to advertise our activities, and arranging streaming access for assisted living/nursing homes.

We would like your help as well! We believe that every member of Congregation L'Dor V'Dor has an important responsibility to try to recruit new congregants. Most of us know a friend, relative, or neighbor who is not currently affiliated with a *shul*. In casual conversation, let them know about the many activities they can join, many of which are of a secular or non-religious nature. Direct them to the "What's Happening" page of our website at olnjc.org. Tell them we have something for everyone. Do not limit yourself to locals. With our virtual platform, even people from out of state can participate!

Just think, if each member could attract one other person, we could potentially double the membership of our congregation in a year!

We welcome other interested people to join our committee as well. Please contact me at RandallCarter8100@gmail.com if you have any suggestions or would like to be a part of this exciting effort.

The Gabbai Needs Your Hebrew Name!

Please Send This Form Into
The Synagogue Office

Or Go To <https://www.olnjc.org/HebrewName>

English Name: _____

Hebrew Name: _____

Father's Hebrew Name: _____

Mother's Hebrew Name: _____



HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Ilene Streim | 17 Richard Sosman |
| 2 Elyse Clair | 17 Jenna Sykoff |
| 3 Aaron Popowsky | 18 Kenneth Guttenplan |
| 3 Paul Ross | 18 Mark Hochman |
| 4 Ruth Heyman | 18 Richard Leder |
| 4 Yanna Kvurt | 19 Stephanie Charles |
| 4 Steven Lusthaus | 19 Lorna Katz |
| 4 Lindsay Verola | 19 Lawrence Unger |
| 5 Andrew Lamkay | 21 Samantha Bressler |
| 5 Jonathan Lamkay | 22 Andrew Laufer |
| 6 Jeremy Auster | 22 Michael Laufer |
| 7 Jarett Greben | 22 Sarah Laufer |
| 7 Vera Mamber | 22 Fran Simon |
| 7 Arthur Rose | 23 Hillary Goldstein |
| 7 Sarah Sherman | 23 Melissa Goldstein |
| 9 Stephen Kanfer | 23 Isabel Lesser |
| 9 Linda Litvack | 23 Julia Lesser |
| 9 Jack Sherman | 24 Estelle Roth |
| 9 Myra Sutin | 25 Janet Tobin |
| 9 Kirby Weinberg | 26 Florence Feldman |
| 9 Mark Weisberg | 26 Sam Mindlin |
| 9 Stanley Wirthheim | 26 Gerald Schwartz |
| 10 Charles Junger | 27 Leslie Drucker |
| 11 Robert Altheim | 27 Jeremy Kotlyar |
| 11 Sara Cohen | 27 Marisa Yeres |
| 11 Joshua Garfinkel | 28 Roni Glaser |
| 12 Andrew Cole | 28 Hillary Reinharz |
| 12 Daniel Hodes | 30 Delia Biton |
| 12 Ari Shron | 30 Marjorie Goldstein |
| 14 Susan Kanfer | 30 Samantha Grenard |
| 15 Brianna Neiderman | 30 Alex Reinharz |
| 17 David Garber | 30 Robert Starr |
| 17 Ray Hockstein | 31 Meryl Faber |
| | 31 Craig Greben |



HAPPY MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Debby and Ray Hockstein
 8 Sheila and Arnold Blecher
 8 Marjorie and Norman Leblang
 11 Ronnie and David L. Goldstein
 14 Jerelyn and Bernard Cohen
 18 Leslie and Mitchell Drucker
 26 Stacey and David Levine
 31 Lesley and Robert Stern



HAPPY APRIL BIRTHDAYS

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|------------------------|------------------------|
| 2 Jacob Grijnsztein | 18 Alyssa Hockstein |
| 3 Lindsay Charlop | 18 Andrew Schneider |
| 3 Michael Feinsilver | 18 Cantor Joshua Shron |
| 3 Steven Glaser | 20 Donald Tanenbaum |
| 3 Lawrence Roberts | 20 Irwin Tropp |
| 4 Isaac Schlosser | 21 Julie Aronowitz |
| 5 Jenny Tanenbaum | 22 Joseph Maytal |
| 6 Nadine Rattien | 22 Jacob Neiderman |
| 6 Joan Weibman | 22 Susan Tobias |
| 7 Erica Sosman | 24 Danielle Blatt |
| 7 Irwin Wolf | 24 Ethan Blatt |
| 8 Alan Laufer | 24 Sally Coons |
| 8 Joan Levine | 24 Bruce Kauffman |
| 8 Lawrence Schwartz | 25 Brad Herman |
| 10 Howard Herman | 25 David Jason |
| 10 Rochelle Hoffman | 26 Lillian Resnick |
| 10 Sanders Kurtz | 28 Laura Greenblatt |
| 10 Natalie Levin | 28 Jennifer Heitner |
| 11 Leah Auster | 28 Robin Sherman |
| 11 Selma Goldberger | 29 Kyle Berlinsky |
| 12 Jerelyn Cohen | 29 Gavin Grusd |
| 12 Marcia Kops | |
| 13 Adam Sherman | |
| 14 Robin Figelman | |
| 14 Rebecca Shaller | |
| 15 Nina Wolf | |
| 16 Ilene Cohen | |
| 16 Lauren Slakter | |
| 17 Marissa Grijnsztein | |
| 17 Marisa Lusthaus | |
| 18 Susan Charlop | |



HAPPY APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Roni and Steven Glaser
 6 Belle and Paul Stein
 19 Terry and Michael Makover



**Celebrate
Your March**



**Birthday or Anniversary
by receiving a special blessing
at Shabbat Evening Services
Friday, March 19
6:00 p.m.**



**Celebrate
Your April**



**Birthday or Anniversary
by receiving a special blessing
at Shabbat Evening Services
Friday, April 23
6:00 p.m.**



JEWS AND POWER: FROM BIBLICAL TO MODERN TIMES

**An exploration of the implementation of Jewish power, in the past and in the present.
How have Jews rebelled against, accommodated to, and made use of structures of power
in varying historical contexts?**

***Two lectures by professors at the Jewish Theological Seminar of America
that are available to members of Congregation L'Dor V'Dor at no charge!***



Rebels With a Cause: Insurrection in the Tanakh

With [Dr. Amy Kalmanofsky](#), Dean of List College and the Kekst Graduate School
and Blanche and Romie Shapiro Professor of Bible, JTS.

Wednesday, March 10, 8:00-9:00 p.m. ET

Holy revolution is essential to Israel's formation and to the Torah's narrative. This session examines moments of rebellion in the Bible and considers when and by whom rebellion is warranted and sanctioned and when it is not.



The Power Dynamics of Queen Helene

With [Dr. Marjorie Lehman](#), Associate Professor of Talmud and Rabbinics, JTS.

Wednesday, March 17, 8:00-9:00 p.m. ET

Through an examination of Talmudic sources on the first century Jewish Queen Helene's patronage of the Jerusalem Temple, we will explore a complex power dynamic with her at the center. We will think together about whether her donations of glorious objects to the Temple signify a desire to assert her own power and status or the need to buy into the rabbinic and priestly patriarchies. What can we learn about power from Helene and the way it affects our relationships in the workplace, in our institutions, and in our homes?

Register for the classes by [clicking here](#). Use the promo code: GreatNeckFeb21

Building Peace & Partnership Between Arabs & Jews In Israel

An invitation to learn about Hand in Hand: Center for Jewish—Arab Education in Israel

Wednesday, March 17 12:00 - 1:15 pm

Virtual meeting via Zoom. [Click here](#) to register.



Hand in Hand יד ביד יחד
Center for Jewish-Arab Education in Israel

In a society defined primarily by the conflict between Arabs and Jews, Israelis and Palestinians, Hand in Hand has created a growing and thriving model of integrated schools for Israel's Jewish and Arab citizens. Now with over 2,000 students in seven schools, Hand in Hand is making a tremendous impact for Jewish - Arab partnership and coexistence.

Over the next ten years, Hand in Hand aims to create a network of up to 10 to 15 integrated bilingual schools, supported and enhanced by active communities involving thousands of Israeli citizens.

Hand in Hand is a model of what Israel *can* and *should* look like, where Jewish and Arab citizens can live in a shared society based on equality, mutual respect and peace.



Online Classes

Guest Speaker:
Lisa Ellison
Formerly Lisa Kogen

Until recently Lisa (who now lives in Atlanta) served as the National Director of Education and Programs at Women's League for Conservative Judaism in New York. A noted speaker and lecturer, she is the author of the book, *With Strength and Splendor: Jewish Women as Agents of Change*.



Our Sisterhood Presents:
**Jewish Suffragists
&
The 19th Amendment**

The significant role played by Jewish women in obtaining women's right to vote in America.

**Sunday, March 7
11:00 am**

**In Our Zoom Room
NO Charge—Registration Required!
Click Here To Register**



**Lunch & Learn
Kabbalah Circle
Tuesdays 12:00 pm**



Join us as Ellen Charlop, Henry Riger and Paul Sacker share their insights and guide us in a dynamic conversation of various elements of our mystical tradition.



Torah and Our Lives
With
Rabbi Yaffe

**Wednesdays
11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

A weekly opportunity to connect with wisdom of our tradition and discuss its relevance to our contemporary lives.

**Lunch & Learn
Israel and Zionism
With Cantor Shron**



Mondays & Wednesdays 12:30 pm

**The Wisdom of
Lord Rabbi Jonathan Sacks z"l
Continues To Be A Blessing And
A Source Of Strength and Inspiration.**

**פרשת
השבוע
The Weekly
Torah Portion**

**Wednesdays
at 6:30 pm**

In 2020, the Jewish world lost one of its most insightful and distinguished leaders. Lord Rabbi Jonathan Sacks z"l, former Chief Rabbi of England, left a profound legacy, and his wisdom will be savored and cherished for years to come.

This year, Cantor Shron's weekly Torah class will highlight the insight of Rabbi Sacks, an erudite and brilliant scholar whose words will open your eyes to the beauty of Torah. Ready to make the weekly Torah portion come alive? Join us and let the wisdom of Rabbi Sacks touch your heart and soul.

**Conversational Hebrew
With
Cantor Joshua Shron
Wednesdays at 9:00 pm**



Tachles

A Unique Approach to the Study of Hebrew

Tachles is an informal Hebrew learning program that offers participants a "taste of Hebrew" in a refreshing and interactive style. New students are always welcome.



- רביעי ישראלי

Revi'i Yisraeli

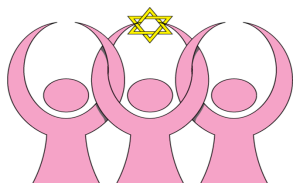
Israeli Wednesdays at L'Dor V'Dor



Get connected to Israel and its culture through hit Israeli TV shows! We've binge-watched hit shows like "Srugim", "Fauda", and "Shtissel", and we're just starting the Apple-TV Spy Thriller "Tehran".

Tamar Rabinyan is a young Jewish woman born in Iran but raised in Israel. She is a Mossad agent and computer hacker on an undercover mission in the Iranian capital to disable a nuclear reactor. Her objective is neutralizing Iranian air defenses so that Israeli warplanes can bomb a nuclear plant and prevent Iran from obtaining an atomic bomb. Her mission fails, however, and she goes into hiding.

Wednesdays, 8-9 pm



Congregation L'Dor V'Dor Sisterhood Foster Child Program

March 2021

Dear Friends:

Once again, the Sisterhood of Congregation L'Dor V'Dor, is asking for your help in supporting **The Alyce Drabkin Sisterhood Foster Child Program**.

The Sisterhood Foster Child Program benefits the children at Neve Hanna Children's Home in Kiryat Gat, Israel. The children of Neve Hanna come from dysfunctional environments. Your donations are used for the therapeutic programs and projects, that strive to meet all the physical, emotional, spiritual and educational needs of the children. Your continuous support will play a significant role in the future and well being of the boys and girls at Neve Hanna.

This year, due to the COVID19 virus pandemic, the children living at Neve Hanna have been locked down and therefore, American Friends has supported the extra programming such as home schooling that has been needed to keep the children safe and well. Our new campaign, **Buy a Book, Build a Library** will help raise funds to buy books for the new library being built at Neve Hanna Children's Home. The Neve Hanna library will serve as an educational project. There will be a professional Librarian to supervise and educate the children and offer on the job training for our teens. This will give the teens the education, experience and job skills to pursue a career in Library Science.

The Foster Child Program also gives a scholarship to a deserving child for the Samuel Field Y Summer Day Camp Program.

We look forward to receiving your donations and graciously thank you for your continuous support of **The Alyce Drabkin Sisterhood Foster Child Program**.

Sincerely,
Janet Tobin

Joan Kase

Lisa Pollack

Please fill out the tear off below and return it with your check to the synagogue office.

Alyce Drabkin Sisterhood Foster Child Program

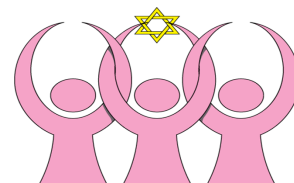
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I/We want to participate in the Alyce Drabkin Sisterhood Foster Child Program.

Check enclosed in the amount of \$_____



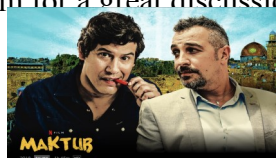
Calling all L'Dor V'Dor Movie Fans



Tuesday , March 16 at 8:00 pm

Watch Maktub on Netflix before this date
and then join your friends in our Zoom Room for a great discussion.

Maktub

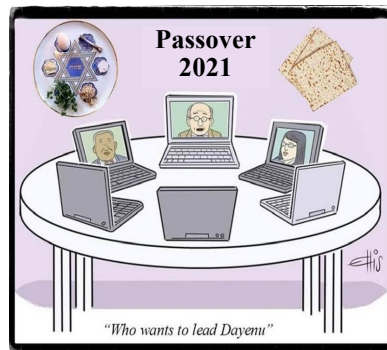


The biggest Israeli blockbuster since 1986.

Chuma (Guy Amir) and Steve (Hanan Sayvon) are two hitmen for the mob who survive a terrorist bombing at a restaurant in Jerusalem. Grateful to be alive, the pair resolve to leave behind their criminal lives, but before they can skip town, they decide to do some good. Taking their cue from notes left at the Wailing Wall, they set out to help answer strangers' most desperate prayers. Conceived by two Israeli television-comedy stars, the film tackles its subject matter with humor and heart. On Netflix, in Hebrew with subtitles

Community Zoom Passover Seder

Sunday, March 28 at 7:00 pm



No charge,
but registration
is required by
Wednesday, March
24th.*

[Click here](#) to register.

Join us from the comfort of your home for a contemporary, traditional online seder experience led by Rabbi Yaffe. We will participate in all of the seder rituals, tell the Passover Story and make it our own, sing all of our favorite Passover songs and feel the warmth of our family, friends and community.

The Haggadah will be posted on your screen and each participant will be given the opportunity to read aloud and ask questions.

To prepare for the Seder, you will need the following:

1. 1 box of Matzah.
Put 3 pieces of this Matzah on a plate, covered by a napkin.
You need second napkin in which to hide the Afikoman.
2. Kiddush Cup or wine glass.
3. Wine or grape juice enough for 4 cups. Begin Seder with Kiddush Cup filled.
4. Small bowl of salt water
5. Items for Seder plate:
 - A. Roasted egg
 - B. Parsley (enough for every person)
 - C. Horseradish root if possible (if not available, use a piece of onion or a slice of lemon for each person)
 - D. Charoset (mix skinned, cored and chopped apples, chopped nuts, wine or grape juice, and sugar.)
 - E. Roasted shankbone (if not available, use a chicken bone without the meat)
 - F. Orange (to represent diversity within our people)
6. A large empty Kiddush Cup or wine glass for Elijah's Cup
7. A small kiddush cup or wine glass filled with water for Miriam's Cup
8. A small glass of water and small empty bowl and napkin for each participant to wash hands.
9. Everyone should have a small plate to be used for the Seder rituals.

Try to set up your place settings near the camera for Zoom Seder so that you will have what you need as we proceed thru the Seder steps. During the meal time (approximately 8:00pm), we will take a break from the formal Seder so everyone can eat dinner for about an hour. Following dinner at around 9:00pm, we will begin the second half of the Seder which will take from 30-45 minutes.

***If the spirit moves you, [click here](#) to make a donation to Congregation L'Dor V'Dor to help us to continue to offer programs like this to our community.**

How This Night Is Different?

Reflections of Passover: Then and Now

by Ellen Charlop

The Passover holiday is a celebration of transition; transition from slavery to liberation and from winter to spring. It is also a celebration of resilience, of overcoming overwhelming adversity. Its ancient message speaks to us and we can identify with it now. It is as relevant in today's world, in light of all that is happening, as it was those days so many years ago. Last year, as a global pandemic laid its ugly claws on us, I remember wondering how we were going to pull off the Seder. But the thought of not doing it at all was never a consideration. Though it was very different, with people Zooming around the table instead of being physically present, each of us was determined to go ahead with the celebration.

The Rabbis remind us that in every generation one is obligated to tell the story as if it happened to them personally. The Seder has survived despite the conditions that we as Jews have had to endure, despite the challenges presented to us at any given moment. We uphold our traditions. The show must go on.

More than we have kept the Passover Seder, the Passover Seder has kept us.

Passover is a demanding holiday. One is kept extremely busy between cleaning, shopping, cooking and preparing. Never could we have imagined the challenges the pandemic would impose. Yet last year, as everyone was stocking up on cleaning supplies and paper goods, it seemed like one big cleaning fest. It was as if everyone got the "memo" just in time for Passover. Specifically, shopping was far more challenging because everything had to be wiped down and cleaned or treated in some way. And, it was essential to spend as little time outside as possible. It was a matter of getting what you need, and getting out of the store quickly. Last year was the first time there was no shank bone on our family's Seder plate. I simply couldn't find one in my abbreviated shopping excursions. I substituted a roasted beet for the shank bone and started a new tradition that I knew many of my family's vegetarians appreciated. I also could not find a horseradish root for the Maror, the bitter herbs. I improvised with "Gold's" white horseradish from a jar.

The pandemic has taught us to keep it simple and use what you have.

On all other years we celebrated the first Seder night with extended family. Last year, because of COVID 19, we made both Seders at our house. Interestingly, it reminded me of my childhood. It was just what my parents used to do. Now I know what they went through! But it was a labor of love. It was both a privilege and a blessing to celebrate this holiday, especially in the midst of a pandemic.

Once the task of turning over the kitchen was completed, that is, bringing all the pesadik dishes out of storage, unpacking them, washing them, putting everything away and then, covering the kitchen counters, koshering the stove, microwave and dishwasher, we were ready to start the cooking!

First we make the Matzo balls. Then comes the soup, the brisket, chicken, farfel, vegetables and all the rest of the trimmings. Then we chop the walnuts and apples, and add cinnamon and wine for the Haroset, and make the hard boiled eggs.

We set the table with the Seder plate as the centerpiece. Like a mandala, it beautifully displays the essential foods of the night, each a portal into mystical meaning. We place the salt water and the three matzahs next to the plate, and put cushions on the chairs for reclining. Once all the props are in place, we are ready to begin. The table is the stage. Like a theatrical event, the Seder is a beautiful, fragile, multimedia production, meant to be presented with love and attention to careful choreography. Each time it is different, yet the same, as we all share in the drama, the story, the yearning, the gratitude.

We recline, we dip, we sip, we feast through this 15 step journey toward freedom.

We begin with light as we illuminate the holiday candles.

We recite the kiddush to sanctify time, and drink the first cup of wine.

Next, we wash our hands, how timely, and not once, but twice. Last year, since so few of us were around the table, I passed around a pitcher and a bowl, as my father once did long ago. Next comes Karpas, the parsley, dipped in salt water, symbolizing tears, yes, there were many this year, and Spring, both occurring so profoundly, at once.

Then comes the Matzah, the bread of poverty. What we, as slaves, swiftly baked and ate as we fled to freedom. It represents a memory of our worst moment, but also the first flavor we tasted as we crossed over to freedom. Autonomy and slavery, another paradox so poignantly present as you bite into it. We break the Matzah- we are a broken people, all of us, a world in need of healing, trying to find a solution, to end this pandemic, and the 11th plague, COVID-19. And we pray that the Angel of Death will pass over us. Dayenu already.

We tell the story. How did we end up in Egypt anyway? We recall how Joseph was sold by his brothers, and was taken to Egypt by the travelling Midianites. How through his interpretation of dreams and ingenious plan to manage the famine, the Pharaoh promoted him to Viceroy. But then there came a new Pharaoh, who oppressed and enslaved the Children of Israel. We needed a leader to pull us out of there. Moses, with his speech impediment, a most unlikely hero, didn't want the job at first, but then became a great leader once he accepted the opportunity. "Let my people Go", the phrase that transcends all faiths, nationalities and religions. We all yearn to be free from oppression, whatever it may be, we all yearn for liberation, and we yearn to go home.

Around the table we discussed if perhaps staying home is actually freeing us from the enslavements and entrapment of the hectic daily routine of commuting, traffic jams and the like. Maybe that life was our Egypt, a dark and narrow place. Or maybe we're in the desert now, preparing for our deliverance into the promised land. We wander for 40 years just as we quarantine (Latin for 40). We are told to stay at home, to endure the indoors. We search for the Afikomen and find that the answer has been hidden inside of us all along. We open the door to let Elijah in. We don't have to socially distance from him because he represents our future, a better life where goodness, decency, and respect reside. Finally we end on the high note of Hope - Next Year in Jerusalem!- and we pray for better days to come.

This Passover, we will be a little closer to life as we once knew it, and we will know that, once again, we have been tested and we have endured.

Wishing you a Happy Passover!

Happy Passover



Sale of Chametz

During the week of Pesach, it is forbidden for any Jew to own chametz. To avoid the unnecessary financial hardship that could result from requiring Jews to dispose of all items that are chametz, it has become customary to sell items of chametz to non-Jews for the week of Pesach. If you would like to sell your chametz to insure that you abide by the Jewish law of not owning any chametz during the week of Pesach, please fill out the form below and return it to the synagogue office on or before Thursday, March 25.

I/we _____ (name) would like to appoint Rabbi Gordon Yaffe as my/our agent to sell all items of chametz that are in my/our possession at _____ (address). This sale will be effective at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, March 26.

Signed _____ Date _____

Moses said to Pharaoh:

“Let my people go so that we may serve our G-d.”

Today we don't need to ask Pharaoh. All we need to do is come to the synagogue! On this Festival of Freedom, let us exercise our freedom to be Jewish and join together for services on Passover.

Calling All First Born (Men and Women)

Siyyum Bechorim

Thursday, March 25 at 7:15 a.m.

According to Jewish law, all Jews who are the first born children of either their father or mother should fast on the day before Passover (or two days before when Pesach begins on Saturday night) in commemoration of the deliverance of the first born children of the ancient Israelites from the angel of death. However, individuals who are obligated to fast are exempted from fasting if they have the opportunity to participate in a **seudat mitzvah**, a festive meal that follows the performance of certain mitzvot. Therefore, it has become customary for synagogues, on the day before Passover, to make a **siyyum**, a public completion of portion of the Talmud, which is followed by a **seudat mitzvah**, thus exempting the first born participants from their obligation to fast. This year we will daven Shacharit in our Zoom Room and then join together with [Rabbi Mordecai Schwartz](#), a professor of Talmud at JTS who will be conducting a public siyyum in his Zoom Room. [Click here](#) to attend the siyyum and [click here](#) to daven with us.

The First Day of Passover Sunday, March 28 at 9:30 a.m.

The morning after the first seder is a great time to come to synagogue to celebrate our freedom. A special prayer for dew, the Hallel Psalms, reading from two Torah scrolls and chanting the prayers to the festival melodies all add up to a true expression of joy in the freedom to be Jewish.

The Second Day of Passover Monday, March 29 at 9:30 a.m.

How fortunate we are to have a second chance to celebrate our Freedom by gathering to pray, study Torah and draw strength from one another in our Zoom Room.

Erev Shabbat and Seventh Day of Passover Friday, April 2 at 6:00 p.m.

Shabbat and the Seventh Day of Passover Saturday, April 3 at 9:30 a.m.

On this day, with a special reading from the Torah, we relive the experience of the parting of the Sea of Reeds. With this day we begin the crescendo with which we end the week of Passover.

Erev Eighth Day of Passover Saturday, April 3 at 8:00 p.m.

We begin the concluding day of the Festival of Pesach at night with a brief Maariv Service.

The Eighth Day of Passover Sunday, April 4 at 9:30 a.m. Yizkor Service at 11:30 a.m.

We conclude the Festival of Pesach with songs and prayer! On this day, we take time to celebrate the blessing of the memory of our loved ones who are no longer with us.



Community Yom HaShoah Observance

Sunday, April 11 at 11:00 am

Guest Speakers:
David, Dr. Herb and Charles Lachman



Will tell the story of their father
Irving Lachman
Holocaust Survivor



Registration Required. [Click here.](#)

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

Hollis Hills Bayside
Jewish Center

Temple Torah of Little Neck

Marathon Jewish Center

Remembering the Holocaust Painful but Necessary

by George Klein

In 1959, the Knesset in Israel designated the 27th of Nisan of every year to be Yom HaShoah, a day to remember the Holocaust. Why was it so important to formalize the process of remembering such a horrific event? After he had gone through the concentration camps and witnessed the extent of the horrors, General Eisenhower asked that newspaper reporters be given access to all the concentration camps. In his memoirs he states "I felt that the evidence should be immediately placed before the American and British publics in a fashion that would leave no room for cynical doubt." Sure enough, beyond most people's comprehension, there are indeed numerous people and websites that not only doubt but deny the Holocaust and the numbers of the deniers continue to increase. In the case of Poland, Holocaust denial has been institutionalized through laws that make it illegal to accuse Poles of participating in the Holocaust, all evidence to the contrary. Because there are Holocaust deniers, it is more important than ever to formalize the remembrance of the Holocaust to insure it will never happen again.

Remembering such a horrific event is difficult and for many even painful. It is easier to ignore it, gloss over it, sanitize it and just cloud our memories of such a difficult subject. Elie Wiesel, an eloquent Holocaust survivor, said "The opposite of love is not hate, it's indifference". He also pointed out, "There may be times when we are powerless to prevent injustice, but there must never be a time when we fail to protest." As painful as the memories of the Holocaust are, we must increase our resolve to not forget and not stay silent, lest history repeats itself.

As much as we would like to believe that the memory of such an event can never be forgotten, without our active resolve that "THIS MUST NEVER HAPPEN AGAIN", it could indeed be denied and forgotten. Accordingly, three local synagogues-Congregation L'Dor V'Dor - Oakland Little Neck Jewish Center, Hollis Hills Bayside Marathon Jewish Center and Temple Torah of Little Neck will join together once again for our annual commemoration. This year we will meet virtually on ZOOM. Please join us on **Sunday April 11 at 11AM** 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 family members, the innocent victims, who lost their lives and increase our resolve to ensure that their memory will not be forgotten. Mark your calendar today and plan to attend. Invite your friends, neighbors, and most important, your children. There are fewer and fewer survivors to bear witness to those events. This year, we are fortunate to have Dr. Harold Lachman, the son of Irving Lachman, a survivor who recently passed away, give us his father's testimony. Be there to bear witness to this important event.



Blimcia Lische

If **YOU**
Don't Remember Me,
Who Will?

To Do At Home

Open an Email from
Cong. L'Dor V'Dor with the subject:
The Holocaust - Never Forget

[Click here](#) to open the email.

With This Email as a Guide:

At your Passover Seder

Read the bio of a Holocaust Victim and give voice to his or her soul as the 5th child who is not able to ask a question and ask the question for him or her.

After Sunset On

Erev Yom HaShoah, Wednesday, April 7

Read a Bio of a Holocaust Victim
Light a Candle, Say a Prayer
Make a Donation
Commit to Never Forget

The Daffodil Project

In November, we fortified the daffodil gardens at Congregation L'Dor V'Dor and at the entrance to Lakeville Park on Pembroke Avenue by planting another 180 bulbs at each location. To date we have planted daffodil bulbs at Temple Torah, Marathon Jewish Community Center, the Little Neck Triangle, Congregation L'Dor V'Dor and Lakeville Park. Approximately 20 members of the community have planted daffodil bulbs at their homes as well. We are proud to have contributed more than 2,000 daffodils to the goal of having 1.5 million daffodils blooming each spring to honor the memory of the 1.5 million children who were murdered during the Holocaust.

When driving or walking around this spring, please take note of the daffodils that have been planted as part of the World Wide Daffodil Project and let us all be comforted to know that in honor of the memory of the children whose lives were taken from them there is more beauty, color and oxygen in our community. May the memory of their souls forever be a blessing.



WORLDWIDE

This garden is part of the worldwide
Living Holocaust Memorial that aspires to plant
1.5 million daffodils in memory of the 1.5 million children
who perished in the Holocaust and for children who
suffer in humanitarian crises around the world today.



www.daffodilproject.net

DAFFODIL PROJECT

The Virtual Daffodil Dash

Run/Walk/Bike

**In memory of the 1.5 million
children who perished
in the Holocaust**

**In support for children suffering in the
face of genocide and other humanitarian
crises in the world today**

The Daffodil Dash raises awareness and funds for Holocaust Education and Genocide Awareness.

Proceeds From The Daffodil Dash Benefit:

Am Yisrael Chai!, a non profit Holocaust Education and Awareness organization

Kids for Kids, Raising South Sudan and Agahozo Shalom
organizations helping children and families in remote villages
in Darfur, South Sudan and Rwanda.

The Atlanta Holocaust Survivor Fund,
providing medical, dental and home care for Holocaust survivors.

You can [click here](#) to donate to these worthy causes in observance of Yom Hashoah and/or [click here](#) to run, walk, bike or exercise anywhere, anytime between March 19 and April 18, 2021.

**Sign up to participate as part of the
Queens Synagogue Dash Team.**

**Keep track of your time and/or distance
and send in your numbers.**

**Have fun competing and
take pride in your contribution to this worthy cause.**

RUN	CHALLENGE	RUN
10K	Run/Walk/Bike the most miles between 3/19/21 - 4/18/21	5K

Enter The Competition For:

**The fastest 10K and 5K
The most funds raised**

**The most miles from 3/19 to 4/18
The team with the most members**

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

From Commemoration

To Celebration

Yom HaZikaron



Yom Ha'Atzmaut



Each year, Israel remembers its **fallen
on Memorial Day...**

then celebrates its **MAGIC on Independence Day!**

Join us to share in this unique, moving, exciting observance!

6:45 pm: Videos of remembrance,

helping us to understand the pain of Memorial Day in Israel.

7:00 pm: Memorial Prayer Recited, followed by Mincha service

7:20 pm: The transition to Independence!

Videos of celebration and triumph!

**7:45: Celebratory Maariv Service,
Followed by Hatikvah**

8 pm: SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

**Cantor Shron presents the Israeli soundtrack of 2020-2021,
with a musical look into Israeli society throughout the
Coronavirus Pandemic**

Registration Required. [Click Here.](#)

Reflections on Saying Kaddish

Why I Said Kaddish for a Year

by George Klein

There are any number of reasons that could be cited as to why I said Kaddish for a year for my mother and all of them would have some validity – it is required of a son, it comforts the soul of the departed and many others. The motivation started within me many years ago. I grew up with a Conservative upbringing but was sent to an orthodox Hebrew day school where we studied Jewish subjects like Torah, Mishnah and Gomorrah in the morning and secular studies in the afternoon. Despite the mixed messages on religion at home, the one thing that struck me was that regardless of what my parents were doing, they dropped everything when Yizkor prayers were being said and they attended services. I had no idea what the services were but the best part was the kids were sent out when they were being said. I also remember noting that they must be important if my parents took them so seriously.

Over the years my understanding cleared up as to what Yizkor services were and I started to appreciate why they were taken so seriously by my parents. After my father passed away on the first day of Chanukah in 1984, we had a minyan every day during Shiva. The rabbi of our shul even left a Torah in our house and we read from the Torah every morning during services. I remember the feeling of helplessness as my father slipped away, knowing there was nothing we could do. I found the services and the reciting of Kaddish comforting, believing that at least I could try to do something for him with my prayers even if my prayers were not previously answered.

My mother passed away about a week after Purim in 2020. She slipped away over the course of about 3 months and I felt the same feelings of helplessness. She was 97, in relatively good health but the doctor said her systems were shutting down. To make things even more surreal, the Covid pandemic was just beginning – the cemetery would not allow more than 20 people at the graveside service. The funeral home would not allow any service inside. And, in Canada, regulations prevented gatherings of strangers not allowing a Shiva to take place. Marty Marks, whose mother passed away about a week before my mother, suggested doing the Shiva meeting and services online using ZOOM. Thank G-d for ZOOM and Marty's suggestion. The recitation of the Kaddish brought the same daily comfort even on ZOOM. Seeing friends on the services helped as well. It felt almost like saying goodbye gently and gradually over the months of saying Kaddish.

Zooming To Say Kaddish

by Marty Marks

Last March 12, my mother passed away. It was not from COVID, but from natural causes. In fact, COVID was not a serious concern for many, and the city was operating as usual. After the news, I began the process of contacting a funeral home, the cemetery, a caterer for food for the house after the funeral and then contacting friends, relatives, the rabbi and the normal recipients of such news.

I was a bit surprised when a number of relatives told me they would be at the graveside service but were uncomfortable being inside a funeral home. Catching up on the state of the world, I agreed and asked the rabbi if he could give his eulogy as part of the graveside service. After a fairly well attended funeral on March 15, very few people came back to the house, and by the time of the first kaddish that evening, where I was sitting shiva with my immediate family, it was decided the best way of handling the matter was to do it through Zoom. This allowed more members of my Little Neck family to participate and make a minyan as the number of people willing to visit my home had dropped substantially. I was told it was the first time the temple had conducted a virtual evening minyan, but it worked for me. By the second night, as the bottom dropped out of everything in the NY area, almost no one, except for my immediate family came by, but my Little Neck family came through for the service and minyan.

Last week was the end of the eleventh month and I again participated in what had become my nightly ritual. As I reflected on the events of the past year, in which I zoomed in to the evening services from my home, a vacation home upstate, and a wide range of places in between that had wifi or cell service, including in my car and looking out onto a particularly scenic, almost chapel-like view of the high peaks in the Adirondacks, I realized that my now easily accessible nightly ritual had provided the peace and comfort that is necessary to properly grieve the loss of a loved one.

At this point, I would like to sincerely thank Rabbi Yaffe, Cantor Shron, as well as every member of the congregation that zoomed in to our evening service. It is amazing and comforting to think that literally every night for the past 11 months our congregation has been able to provide a minyan for myself and those other members needing to be part of a kaddish service.

Reflection on Attending Minyan

by Harriet Spivack

Like so many, my family dealt with much sickness and loss this past year. Both my parents passed away within a week of each other and I, myself, was in a fog still recuperating from Covid.

Growing up, Judaism was loosely practiced at home. I remember my father saying Kaddish in the house for my grandmother (without zoom, no minyan, not exactly kosher). When it came time for me, I had to define my own commitment to an obligation I felt important to continue.

Zooming is not my cup of tea but I understand its place in our society today. Attending my first minyan was uncomfortable especially on Zoom. I was emotionally fragile. I stumbled over the transliterated words of the Kaddish (since I don't read Hebrew) and tried to keep up with everyone. There were sobs and tears and it took me weeks to get through a reading without crying. However, my husband stayed by my side and encouraged me when I had no spirit left. And after a while I could actually see the faces of the other attendees, some sharing the same grief and other dedicated members who came to support us. Their faces brought comfort and familiarity. Although my attendance is far from perfect, I can now log on and participate in prayer, reflection, chats, networking and even share a few jokes.

The community enables us to perform our duties for our loved ones and I am grateful to all those who make minyan possible to say Kaddish.

Pack it Up for Purim Review

Each year, we partner with the Samuel Field Y to reach out to needy families who live in our neighborhood and give them necessities, goodies and joy in the form of Shalach Manot gift bags. This year, because of the pandemic, we were not able to pack gift bags and deliver them. Instead, we sent these families a Purim card with a \$35 gift card to Stop and Shop. The message on the card is:

Dear Friend,

We hope that this Purim gift finds you in good health and brings joy to your heart on this festival. May we see the day when Good will triumph over Evil and every day will be like Purim

Chag Purim Sameach

Upon receiving the card, Esther Arnold, one of the recipients called the synagogue office and said to Audi:

I would like to thank the Congregation for the Purim Gift that I have received. It couldn't have come at a better time. No one knows what I was going through and then out of the blue, someone who doesn't know me at all, because I don't belong to your Shul, neither have I ever visited it, left a gift that really touched me. This meant a lot to me. Thank you.

We would like to take this opportunity to recognize and thank the following people who gave generous donations to make these gift cards possible

Steve Blank, Phyllis and Dan Budne, Ann Chernys, Barbara Feldman, Eileen & Bernie Gellman, Amy & Ken Kahaner, Marcia Levine & Bruce Kauffman Gerry Major, Nadine & Eugene Rattien, Pamela & Paul Sacker

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on the loss of her beloved husband



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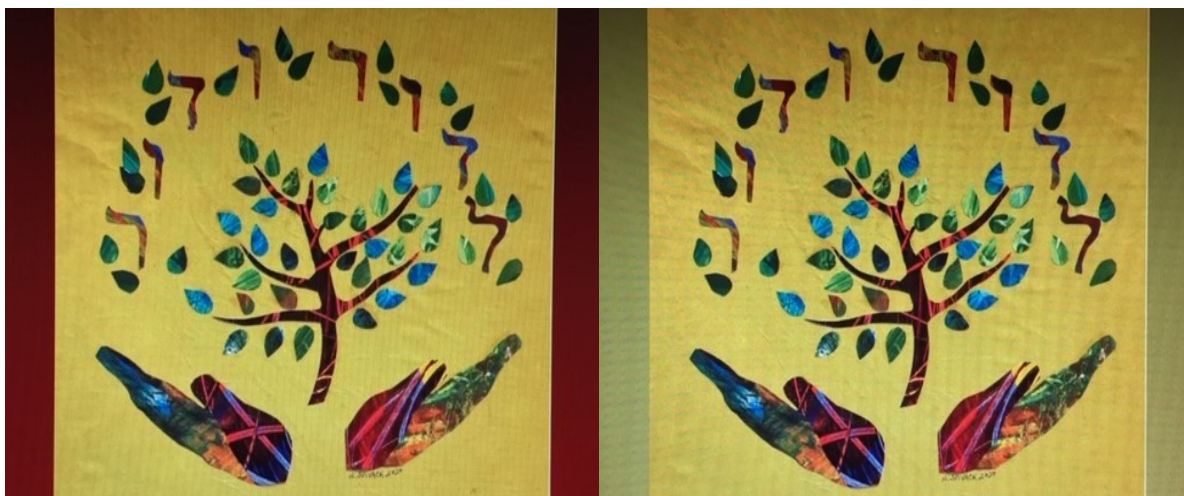
March 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Lunch and Learn Israel and Zionism with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm	2 Lunch and Learn Kabbalah Circle 12:00 pm	3 Torah and Our Lives 11:00 am Lunch and Learn with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm Parashat Hashavuah 6:30 pm Revi'i Yisraeli 8:00 pm Conversational Hebrew 9:00 pm	4 Intermediate Hebrew 10 am	5 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm Shabbat Across America 7:00 pm Candle Lighting 5:34 pm	6 Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 am Shabbat Parah Havdalah & Maariv 6:35 pm
7 Morning Minyan 8:45 am Guest Speaker: Lisa Ellison 11:00 am The Role of Jewish Women in enabling Women to vote in the United States.	8 Lunch and Learn Israel and Zionism with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm	9 Lunch and Learn Kabbalah Circle 12:00 pm	10 Torah and Our Lives 11:00 am Lunch and Learn with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm Parashat Hashavuah 6:30 pm Revi'i Yisraeli 8:00 pm Conversational Hebrew 9:00 pm Rebels With A Cause 8pm	11 Intermediate Hebrew 10 am	12 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm Candle Lighting 5:42 pm	13 Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 am Shabbat HaChodesh Havdalah & Maariv 6:40 pm
14 Move clocks ahead! Rosh Chodesh Nisan Morning Minyan 8:45 am	15 Lunch and Learn Israel and Zionism with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm Board Meeting 8pm	16 Lunch and Learn Kabbalah Circle 12:00 pm Movie Club 8 pm	17 Torah and Our Lives 11:00 am Hand in Hand Webinar 12:00 pm Parashat Hashavuah 6:30 pm Revi'i Yisraeli 8:00 pm Conversational Hebrew 9:00 pm The Power Dynamics of Queen Helene 8 pm	18 Intermediate Hebrew 10 am	19 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated Candle Lighting 6:50 pm	20 Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 am Havdalah & Maariv 7:50 pm
21 Morning Minyan 8:45 am	22 Lunch and Learn Israel and Zionism with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm Passover Seder Workshop 8pm	23 Lunch and Learn Kabbalah Circle 12:00 pm	24 Torah and Our Lives 11:00 am Lunch and Learn with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm Parashat Hashavuah 6:30 pm Revi'i Yisraeli 8:00 pm Conversational Hebrew 9:00 pm	25 Siyyum Bechorim 7:15 am Service 8:00 am Siyyum	26 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm Candle Lighting 6:57 pm	27 Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 am Shabbat Hagadol Erev Pesach First Seder
28 Pesach Day I Shacharit 9:30 am Second Seder	29 Pesach Day II Shacharit 9:30 am	30	31			

April 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3 Pesach Day VII Shabbat Services 9:30 am Erev Pesach Day VII Shabbat Services 6:00 pm Candle Lighting 7:04 pm Erev Pesach Day VIII Maariv 8 pm
4 Pesach Day VIII Shacharit 9:30 am Yizkor 11:30 am	5 Lunch and Learn Israel and Zionism with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm	6 Lunch and Learn Kabbalah Circle 12:00 pm	7 Torah and Our Lives 11:00 am Lunch and Learn with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm Parashat Hashavuah 6:30 pm Revi'i Yisraeli 8:00 pm Conversational Hebrew 9:00 pm	8 Yom Hashoah Intermediate Hebrew 10 am	9 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm Candle Lighting 7:12 pm	10 Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 am Havdalah & Maariv 8:10 pm
11 Morning Minyan 8:45 am Yom Hashoah Program 11:00 am	12 Rosh Chodesh Iyyar Lunch and Learn Israel and Zionism with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm Board Meeting 8pm	13 Lunch and Learn Kabbalah Circle 12:00 pm	14 Yom Hazikaron Torah and Our Lives 11:00 am Lunch and Learn with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm Yom HaZikaron/Yom Ha'atzmaut Program 6:45 pm—9:00 pm	15 Yom Ha'azmaut Intermediate Hebrew 10 am	16 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm Candle Lighting 7:19 pm	17 Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 am Havdalah & Maariv 8:20 pm
18 Morning Minyan 8:45 am	19 Lunch and Learn Israel and Zionism with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm	20 Lunch and Learn Kabbalah Circle 12:00 pm	21 Torah and Our Lives 11:00 am Lunch and Learn with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm Parashat Hashavuah 6:30 pm Revi'i Yisraeli 8:00 pm Conversational Hebrew 9:00 pm	22 Intermediate Hebrew 10 am	23 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm Birthdays and Anniversaries Celebrated Candle Lighting 7:26 pm	24 Shabbat Morning Service 9:30 am Havdalah & Maariv 8:25 pm
25 Morning Minyan 8:45 am	26 Lunch and Learn Israel and Zionism with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm	27 Lunch and Learn Kabbalah Circle 12:00 pm	28 Torah and Our Lives 11:00 am Lunch and Learn with Cantor Shron 12:30 pm Parashat Hashavuah 6:30 pm Revi'i Yisraeli 8:00 pm Conversational Hebrew 9:00 pm	29 Intermediate Hebrew 10 am	30 Kabbalat Shabbat Service 6:00 pm Candle Lighting 7:33 pm	

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