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What a difference a year makes! Just one year ago, days before my annual mid-January “Yeshiva Week (-and-a-half)” trip to Israel, I reflected in these pages on my concerns about my stopover in Zurich and the increasing threat of anti-Semitism in Europe. To quote my sentiments at the time, “I’m sure the city is beautiful and the chocolate is delicious, yet it will be an instant reminder that the comfort and pride I felt in being overtly Jewish just a few hours earlier now must go undercover (literally, as I trade kippah for hat). No Jew can travel in Europe without giving thought to the problem of renewed anti-Semitism. It’s almost like taking a trip through history in reverse, going from the safety and security of Israel to the lingering insecurity of Jewish life in Europe.”

Europe! This year it is Brooklyn, Monsey, Jersey City and more and more. In just one year our focus has been wrenched away from other, more vulnerable communities and now is here at home. Baseball caps on! Armed guards front and center! A machete-wielding attacker just three miles from my Rockland County home! A trip from Israel feels even more like a trip through history in reverse, and the trip there is starting to feel like a journey into an alternate future where attention to

chefetz chashud (suspicious packages) and armed guards at restaurants and schools might feel more secure than riding a Manhattan subway or walking a side street in Brooklyn.

Last year my prayer was “we will pray that neither we nor the Jewish people will forget that for all of our blessings and advances we still have so far to go to fulfill the

dream, a dream whose birthplace was Israel, whose residence is Israel, and whose future — as promised by G-d — is Israel.” This year I pray for peace and security not only for Israel and the Jews of Europe, but for consolation that in a new environment of fear and overt hatred directed at Jews in America there can be a return to a sense of security for us and for our children. Security for our communities will come at high price — updating a woefully inadequate security infrastructure, determined advocacy for protection by law enforcement, the justice system and our politicians, and an active self-defense of our persons and our communities.

Last year as I left Europe I breathed a sigh of relief. This year, as my El Al flight from Newark passes over the Statue of Liberty, perhaps a sigh of disappointment. What a difference a year can make.

Respectfully Yours...

from the desk of

Rabbi Weinbach

This Year’s Flight -

A Non-Stop from anti-Semitism



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CANDLELIGHTING FOR...

FEBRUARY 2020

Date	Light Candles	Shabbat Ends
7	5:02	6:07
14	5:11	6:16
21	5:19	6:24
28	5:27	6:32



From the Editor...

With the arrival of the beginning of the second decade of the 21st Century,

Congregation Shaarey Israel will be embracing technology that has become a mainstay in the world today. As of the March issue of **The Scroll**, the congregation will no longer be receiving "hard copy" of the newsletter by "snail mail." (Notice the terms *hard copy* and *snail mail* indicative of technology filtered into my vocabulary). **The Scroll** will be sent to you electronically as an e-mail attachment. For those few members who do not have computer accessibility, the office will send a paper copy of the issue. There will also be some copies on the table for pick up on Shabbos.

Change is hard, however, as the years go on more and more technology is being incorporated into our daily life. We all have to "get with the program."



Roberta



Submissions for the March issue are due by February 10th. Please **promptly** send in any articles or flyers, via e-mail, to be included in the issue.--ED.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Jonathan Meister

When was the last time you thought about Tu B'Shevat? Probably when you were in Hebrew school and a teacher passed around some awful looking and even worse tasting thing called *buchser* which is really carob (not a good substitute for chocolate which people try to convince you in health food stores may serve as a chocolate alternative). This is not a "major" holiday but I would say for argument's sake that in our minds it needs to be; for what it stands for is a time of renewal. We often think of this holiday as the "holiday of the trees" as we are told this is when they "renew" and frankly I look at it as a benchmark for when to go to Israel as in my mind it is the time when the weather gets better in Israel (I'll be going in March, well after Tu B'Shevat so hoping this remains true for me). In the dark cold days of winter we are already turning the corner on the weather. However, while we cannot control the weather, we have opportunities to do more for ourselves and our Congregation.

My point today is that we are in a time of renewal not just for the trees this month but for our Congregation. We must focus on renewing and strengthening what we have. The Board of Trustees took a big step towards renewing the Congregation in that we have hired a Program Director. Sara Coppens has been pushing to "renew" by focusing on young families at first. On the first Shabbat of every month there is children's program taking place in the classrooms. This program is a vision to engage younger families one step at a time. We have seen a couple of new members and some new faces in the months since it has begun but the idea is to "plant the seeds" for future growth through these young families. Youth attracts youth and the hope that even if we get one new family coming to this program per month then we can be on the path to "renewal." I am hoping that if Congregants pass the word to those they know, particularly to children and grandchildren that this is available, more and more people will slowly be exposed to this aspect of programming.

Our first major event for the entire Congregation and hopefully for the greater Rockland community should take place with a Friday night dinner and presentation by the **Jewish A Capella Group Magevet** from Yale University. For those who had the pleasure of seeing the Heschel High School choir a year ago, there is a boundless energy that is present in the building when a group of young Jews brings music to our ears with a sense of *ruach*, (spirit) to break the doldrums of winter. Please make every effort to join us for what is promising to be a special event. That same weekend the Sisterhood will be conducting a Tu B'Shevat Seder at the home of our Rebbetzin

Yocheved Weinbach and this too should be a unique, warm event of celebration.

We must renew our commitment to our daily minyans. Yes, trees blossom in this time of renewal but in the winter months trees are not dead, they are dormant. Unfortunately, we must bring new life to our daily minyans so that they do not lay dormant. We are struggling in the evenings mightily and the morning which has been so solid is having its problems as well as many people have gone south for the winter. Again, in this time for renewal I am imploring that our congregants renew their commitment to what is the essence of a Jewish community; not egg salad and tuna on a Saturday morning, but a community of faith which begins with our commitment to serving Hashem through daily prayer. The trees will soon be back to provide shade, comfort from the heat and an aesthetic beauty, something which those who partake and experience the daily minyan understand as well. There is a natural protection and sense of comfort in praying together as a community and I ask that we commit to "renew" our minyan, this is a critical component of who we are.

As I have mentioned in many prior articles, we are here for you. Our clergy, staff and lay leadership are doing their best to make sure that there is programming, that there are religious services, that the building is clean and functional but none of this matters without our congregants. In all that is on offer, like the trees that will soon be growing, there is opportunity for growth. Sisterhood, Men's Club, Israeli Dancing, Weekly Educational classes, Saturday Talmud classes, Book Club, Monday No Judgment Zone, all of these standing groups have room for growth. The formula is simple. Now in this time of renewal of the trees, start planting your own seeds in the areas listed above. The roots are all here, they just have to spread through commitment.

It goes without saying that the Rockland Jewish community and Jews around the world are going through some tough times. Instead of thinking of planting trees for Tu B'Shevat we are having meetings to discuss installations of different security systems. However, it needs to remain very clear to all around us, those that hate us, those that seek to destroy us, that we are firmly planted here in Montebello, New York.



THE CANTOR'S CLOUD by Cantor Menachem Bazian Identity



DER CHAZZAN'S
CH' MAREH

When the Torah was accepted on Mount Sinai, which we will read about on February 15th in *Parshat Yisro*, our sages tell us that the Jewish people were united. They were “one people with one heart”. Unfortunately, that probably was the only time in history when that statement could be made.

The very structure of the Jewish people made unity very difficult. When a nation is broken down into twelve separate tribes, it results in division. Just look at the United States. We are 50 states and there is competition between the states. Having different designations is a barrier to unity.

The United States has many divisions. Not only are we different states, we are different political parties, different nationalities, different philosophies, and much more. All of this leads to a great deal of argument and strife. We see it in the papers every day.

None of this is new, of course. The US has had many internal fights over the years. Back when war was brewing in Europe in the 1930's, there were tremendous divisions in the country. The isolationists were against any participation in foreign affairs. They were successful in the early 1930's with the passage of a variety of laws, like the Neutrality Act, which were designed to limit the ability of the United States to get involved. The debate and division continued until that fateful Sunday in December, the *Date-That-Will-Live-In-Infamy*, when the United States was attacked at Pearl Harbor. Immediately, the country was absolutely and totally united. When President Roosevelt asked for a declaration of war from Congress on December 8, 1941, the resulting vote was almost unanimous with only one member of the House of Representatives voting against it. When the Congress responded to Germany's declaration of war against the United States with its own declaration, the vote was totally unanimous.

Even in modern times we have seen that adversity can bring unity. The election of George Bush in 2000 was a hotly contested issue. The political divide was wider than ever as Democrats felt cheated by the results in Florida and refused to accept Bush's legitimacy as POTUS. Less than 9 months after his inauguration, the United States was attacked by 19 terrorists who turned planes into flying bombs. The Twin Towers were destroyed, the

Pentagon was hit and a third plane, believed to be headed for the White House or the Capitol Building was deliberately crashed when the heroic passengers revolted against their hijackers. Once again the country united in the fight against terrorism.

No one knows how to argue like we do. As the old saying goes, “2 Jews, 3 opinions.” We thrive on argument and have been trained in the art of mental and verbal warfare. We have been arguing for thousands of years and a great deal of a Yeshiva student's education is spent in studying the arguments of the past in the Mishnah and Talmud and then discussing, analyzing and arguing about it themselves.

I am reminded of my 11th grade experience. My 11th grade rebbe was Rabbi Reuven Hochberg, an incredible teacher. I remember how he would begin a topic by learning the text of the Talmud with us. We would review a few of the basic commentaries, primary Rashi (Rabbi Shlomo Yizchaki who lived in France, 1040-1105) and the “Balei Tosefos” (written by Rashi's grandchildren and who argued with him all the time). After completing the basics, Rabbi Hochberg would lean back in his chair and say, “*Rabboisai* (Gentlemen), I have a question.” He would ask his question and we were then set free to work on a solution. We would hit the books pulling out many different *sefarim* from the library shelves so we could see if anyone discussed the question Rabbi Hochberg posed to us. After a time we would discuss our answers with Rabbi Hochberg with each of us going back and forth with him and each other in sometimes heated debate. Finally, Rabbi Hochberg would lean back again and say “*Rabboisai*, I think I have a *teretz* (answer).” He would give his answer and then just sit back as we all attacked him. We would do everything in our power, frequently, at the top of our voices to destroy his answer. He defended himself against 20 rabid boys with aplomb, and he loved every minute.

Yes, Jews know verbal judo and many of us graduate high school with a black belt in the art. It's fun and it can be a good thing. Of course, it depends on the nature of the argument. If I am arguing a point of Jewish Law with my learning partner, that's good.

THE CANTOR'S CLOUD

(continued)

If, on the other hand, my argument is based on sectarian and factional differences, that's not good. First of all, Torah arguments are a means to come to the truth. Factional arguments are not about truth because the participants have no intention of listening to the other side. It's kind of like someone with a MAGA hat arguing with a member of Antifa: do you really think that is an argument that will ever be resolved?

If times of travail can bring people together as I have discussed, why are Jews not united now in the face of the danger around us? If Pearl Harbor could unite a severely divided America, should the events of the past month not do the same for us.

Chanukah was our Pearl Harbor. Therefore, while I may disagree with many Jews from different walks of life on many issues, I am unwilling to continue those disagreements in the face of the current danger. I am unwilling to commit suicide.

I feel very sad to have to write these next lines but there is a necessary qualification I have to give to the prior paragraph. You see, I can put aside almost any difference of opinion during times like these. I say "almost" because there is one thing I will never forgive: if you stand side by side with those who call for, or commit, the murder of fellow Jews, you are beyond the pale to me. You have, in my humble opinion, proven yourself unworthy to be called a Jew regardless of what your birth status might be. I apply this standard to the right and left. I will not stand with Neturei Karta or organizations like If Not Now and Jewish Voice for Peace. When you ally with people who have blood on their hands, it rubs off on you. Call me a hypocrite if you like, but that's where I draw the line.

In today's troubling times we need to be as united as possible. It is time for us to reach out to those to the left of us and to the right of us and try to engineer peace between us so we can stand against the danger as a united front. As Benjamin Franklin once said, "We must, indeed, all hang together or, most assuredly, we shall all hang separately."

Our sages teach us (Mishnah Avot 5:17): "Any dispute that is for the sake of Heaven is destined to endure; one that is not for the sake of Heaven is not destined to endure. Which is a dispute that is for the sake of Heaven? The dispute(s) between Hillel and

Shamai. Which is a dispute that is not for the sake of Heaven? The dispute of Korach and all his company." Hillel and Shammai argued to find truth, whereas Korach fought to gain power. Today, Hillel and Shammai are revered as great scholars whereas Korach met an ignominious end.

It's time to leave our differences behind and come together to fight the common foe. Nothing else makes sense.

Note: *The opinions expressed in this article are mine and mine alone. Have a comment? Disagree with me? Please let me know. You can email me at: njChazzan@gmail.com.*

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SISTERHOOD MESSAGE

President Audrey Meister

Why Sisterhood? Joining Sisterhood is a choice you make, it's not easy but it is gonna be worth it!

We are now in February, a new secular year 2020, the middle of winter. This year the Sisterhood board decided not to have a January meeting. A special program will take place in February. Sunday February 9, Sisterhood is sponsoring a Tu B'Shevat Seder, being led by our beloved Rebbetzin Yocheved Weinbach at her home on 3 Brigadoon Drive at 3:30 pm. A reservation needs to be made in advance. Please watch for the flyer and respond to Louisa at 845-533-4069.

Coming in the mail is our Purim Shaloch Manos fundraiser. Send in your order forms by Wednesday, February 12. This is Sisterhood's biggest fundraiser of the year! We need every one to participate. This is an easy mitzvah to perform. Remember only checks made out to Sisterhood can be accepted.

Shoprite cards are available all year long (at the office or from Evie). There is another Yankee Candle campaign in progress. Sisterhood earns 40% back on purchases. It's not just candles. Coming in the spring is a Movie night and a Bingo night. Read **The Scroll**, see the flyers at the bottom of the Shabbos notes, on the hall table in the synagogue lobby, on our website and Facebook page. Be informed; join us!

We all miss our snowbirds and hope to see them back soon.

P.S. With all the troubling news of the last month, (anti-semitism attacks, bombings, rioting against governments), I came across an article from Israel that was inspiring. It's about an organization in Israel called *Youth of Light*. It started in Herzliya, and now is expanding across Israel. It was sparked by the plight of a desperate homeless boy who reached out to the one person he trusted to help him. At risk youth are employed by *Youth of Light* to make candles for stores across Israel and the U.S. At the beginning they collected used candles from restaurants.

They recycled the old wax to make new candles. Candles symbolize light, warmth and special occasions. This became the base for *Youth of Light*, a social business that so far has employed 800 youth at risk (homeless, drug addicted, drug sellers). Today *Youth of Light* candles are sold online and under private label at 220 Sabon shops all over the world and at Israeli chains (Fox Home, Steimatsky, and Bara Herbs). Candle Sales make up 70% of the *Youth of Light* budget. The other 30% is from government, and philanthropy.

In a study done by Bar Ilan University, 82.3% of the kids in the project found work afterward; 80% had gone on to finish at least 12th grade; more than half went into the military or national service and achieved that normative Israeli societal status.

As the lyrics of a Neil Young song, *Light a Candle* say:

*Instead of cursing the darkness,
Light a candle for where we're going,
There's something ahead, worth fighting for.*

*When the light of time is on us,
You will see our moment come,
And the living soul inside will carry on.*

*Light a candle in the darkness,
So others might see ahead,
Light a candle in the darkness, when you go.*



MEN'S CLUB MESSAGE

President Mark Pfeffer

Tu BiShevat occurs on the 10th of February this year, and is considered the birthday of the trees, and the start of the growing season in Israel. The idea of celebrating that day by eating specific fruits and wine in a specific order would bring people in the world, closer to spiritual perfection. We wish all those wishing to engage in that custom much success.

Upcoming events for the Men's Club include a viewing of a DVD- Film entitled "Orchestra of Exiles". It is the story of Bronislaw Huberman, a musician who helped musicians to flee to Palestine during World War II to escape Nazi Germany and together they formed a world renowned orchestra. One of our congregants has personal knowledge of the events involved in the creating of this video and has graciously agreed to be a speaker. On April 20th this year is Yom Hashoah, the day to remember all those we lost in the Shoah. On this day we will light the yellow candles in their memory. We are working on getting a speaker to lead a Yom Hashoah discussion. This a learning experience not to be missed. So save the date, April 20th for our Yom Hashoah presentation.

Have you helped out the Men's Club by supporting our Annual Calendar Sweepstakes. For a few dollars, you get an opportunity to purchase a winning number where you may win a cash prize. Each number only costs \$10.00 and you get multiple chances to win prizes, as the numbers are returned into the bin after each drawing. The Calendar Sweepstakes drawings run from March 1st and continue until June 30, 2020. You have already received mailings. Drop a check off to the office or see Red Avner, or Marv Lieman. You get almost 90 chances to win a prize for a very small sum of money. The cost is only \$10.00 per number. You may print out multiple copies of the request form. Please join in for your chance to win.

Men's Club hosts the "Siyum", or the "Redemption of the Firstborn" breakfast. This breakfast program will take place on April 8th, at 7:00 AM. Come down and

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listen to the Rabbi as part of this important Passover ritual. Sponsors are being sought to help the Men's Club host a chumatz breakfast, right before Passover starts.

Other Men's Club events we are planning for this spring include having one or more speakers come and lecture about New York History, or various topics relating to aspects of Judaism that people have been interested in learning about. Health related topics are an area of discussion we are considering.

We still conduct Men's Club meetings usually on the first Monday of each month. (sometimes we are asked to host meetings on a Tuesday.) They are scheduled immediately after the evening minyons at 7:15 pm. We value your input, your ideas and your comments which are necessary to help make the Men's Club a successful organization. We look forward to having you attend our upcoming events and becoming an active member of the Men's Club.



We invite you to check out our website at www.ShaareyIsraelRockland.com.

We're adding content and information on a regular basis. Here's a few highlights:

A complete Shabbat schedule is posted on the home page.

Shabbat times are now shown on the home page.

Want to see a back issue of **The Scroll**? We have that too at: shaareyisraelrockland.com/the-scroll.html.

We hope you like our content. We hope to add more in the near future so keep checking back!

CHAT LIGHTS

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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Anael Pinkus
Marci Smith



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

10 Charles & Paulette Frankel
10 David & Irit Pinkus
19 Lew Glantz & Mara Lewin
23 Norton & Dale Smith

Mazel Tov on the Engagement of...

Peggy & Marc Cabillis' son Matthew to
Antonietta Natale.

Mazel Tov on the Marriage of...

Brenda & Martin Bell's son, Eric to
Diomarys Escano.

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old son, Yair.

GET WELL WISHES

If you would like a mishe barach for a relative/friend, please forward any names to the office by Friday morning or email Peggy: shaareyisrael@optimum.net

A new list starts at the beginning of each month and you must call the office if you want the name to stay on the list, otherwise it will be removed.

Mazel Tov to...

Tobi & Stan Weisel on the birth of their new
grandson, David Scott Weisel.



Brenda & Martin Bell on the birth of
their new grandson,
Maxwell Lionel Bell. (Gary & Jessica).



Stacie & Ken Podos on the birth of
their new granddaughter,
Eve Hope Podos.

Minyons

Weekday evenings:
Sunday-Thursday: 7 pm
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Monday & Thursday: 7:00 am
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Sunday mornings: 9 am
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Thank You...

A special thank you to everyone for their warm thoughts and wishes as we welcome our grandson, Beckett Harper, Tzvi Chiam to our family.

Beverley and Sandy Fried



Many heartfelt thanks to my friends and CSI family for all your wishes on the recent marriage of my daughter, Michelle to Jay Green. From donations to kind words this is what being part of a congregation is all about and there is no better congregation than ours.

Joyce Trubitz



To our wonderful CSI family and friends,

We just wanted to thank you so much for your out pouring of love and concern during Kenny's recent surgery. Your notes, calls and donations made his recovery much easier. He is now stronger and healthier than ever. We look forward to seeing you and sharing more time together.

With love,
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Sandra Chaitin



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18-22	Julius, Morty
23-24	Weiss, Sue
25-26	Krakower, Elise
27--30	Smith, Dale and Norton
31A	DePaola, Louise
31-32	Math, Melvin
33-42	Stern, Jules
43	Bradin, Sam
44	Koningsberg, Rebecca
45	Burton, Cindy
46-48	Kaplicer, Neil
49	Harbus, Michael
50	Harbus, Leonard
51-55	Saunders, Stanley
56-60	Ohren, Sheldon
61-70	Perel, Deborah
71-80	Forman, Marsha & Gary
81-90	Safier, Jay
91-100	Goldstein, Martin
101-103	Folb, Sandra & Ed
104-105	Maher, Evie
106-115	Kellman, Mitchell
116-117	Finkel, Natalie
118-127	Lieman, Marv
128-129	Weinfeld, Bruce
130-131	Koreen, Irina & Larry
132-134	Zechnowitz, Grace
135	Palma, Chanel & Edward
136-140	Marenberg, Sy
141	Glantz, Lewis
142-143	Kroog, Dorothy
144	Burton, Cindy
145-146	Fried, Beverly & Sandy
147-148	Kroog, Lenny
149-153	Joachim, Marvin

Numbers	Names
154	Donath, Paul & Eleanor
155	Donath, Ryan Michael
156	Donath, C J
157	Donath, Ava Grace
158-161	Ruhm, Rosalyn
162	Trubitz, Joyce
163	Lieman, Ira
163A	Lieman, Ira
164	Lieman, Marc
164A	Lieman, Marc
165	Lieman, Sue
165A	Lieman, Sue
166	Lieman, Eric
166A	Lieman, Eric
167	Lieman, Gina
167A	Lieman, Gina
168-170	Block, Myron
171-173	Chaitin, Sandra & Paul
174-176	Weissman, William
177-181	Weisel, Barbara
182-186	Stein, David
187	Shanler, Carol
188-192	Bernstein, Elaine & Al
193-194	Katz, Tina & Sandy
195-199	Julius, Morty
200-209	Safier, Jay
210-211	Krakower, Elise
212	Frankel, Paulette
213	Frankel, Charles
214	Frankel, Eric
215	Frankel, Randi
216	Pfeffer, Mark
217	Pfeffer, Ira
218	Pfeffer, Jackson
219	Pfeffer, Austin
220	Pfeffer, Sandy
221	Pfeffer, Barry
222	Pfeffer, Scarlett

**TU B'SHEVAT SEDER
FEBRUARY 9TH
3:30 PM**



Join the Sisterhood for a
delightful seder
with our rebbetzin
in her home
Please respond to Louisa
by February 5th 845-533-4069

The Scroll is going digital.

This is the last issue of **The Scroll**
that you will receive by mail.

Beginning with the March issue,
The Scroll will be sent to you via
e-mail.

There will be some copies
available on the table in the lobby
with the announcements.

**FEBRUARY SHABBAT DINNER
featuring
MAGEVET**

**THE JEWISH CHOIR AT
YALE UNIVERISTY**

Friday, February 7th

Service: 6:00 p.m. - Dinner: 7:00 p.m.
Adults: \$35 per person
Children under 13 Free

Reservations are needed by Monday,
FEBRUARY 3rd

Call the CSI office – 845 -369-0300



PURIM AND SHALACH MANOS

This tradition derives from the Book of Esther.
It is meant to ensure that everyone has enough
food for the Purim feast held later in the day
and to increase love and friendship to counter
Haman's assertion that the Jewish people are
characterized by strife and disunity.

For this year's Shaloch Manos Campaign, your
contribution of \$136 ensures that each member
of the congregation and the employees of CSI
will receive a Purim Package.

We hope that you will participate in the
mitzvah of tzedakah this Purim and give to the
entire congregation.

Shalach Manos order form due by February 12.



**Check for \$12 per tree made out to
CSI Sisterhood.**

**Include the recipient's name and address, the
occasion for the tree
and the sender of the tree.**

**Send all this to:
Roberta Lieman
4312 Warrens Way,
Wanaque, NJ 07465
or call 973-706-5176**



**Drawings for the
Annual Men's Club Calendar
Sweepstakes**

**begin March 1 and run through June.
If you haven't yet joined you can pick up
a form at the shul or on-line as part of
the weekly Shabbos mailing.**

**Many chances to win.
Ya gotta be in it to win it!**

CSI SISTERHOOD GIFT SHOP



**The Gift Shop:
*more than Judaica.***

Check out the shop *and* the table in the lobby. The table will feature costumes for Purim, masks and Purim gift baskets priced \$5 to \$10. Need a quick gift to take? Visit the "Table."

See the display case next to the office.

**Call: Louisa DePaola
845-533-4069
louisad10964@gmail.com**



Israeli Dancing

led by Karin Sach

Tuesdays at 7:30 pm

in the Ballroom

Call the office for more info:

845-369-0300

Minyons

Weekday evenings: Sunday-Thursday: 7 pm

Weekday mornings: Monday & Thursday:
7:00 am

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:10 am

Sunday mornings: 9 am

Friday evenings: 6:00 pm



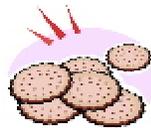
DONOR CARDS

3 for \$10/\$4.00 for Esther
to mail one for you

Contact: **Esther Ingber**
@354-3787



RHODA BLOOM KOSHER FOOD PANTRY



CSI is collecting **cookies**
for the food pantry

Call **Sandra Chaitin**

845-727-4199

Are you interested in
joining a
book discussion group?



CSI's book discussion
group meets about every
six weeks on Tuesday at 11:00 a.m.
If you enjoy reading and discussing books of
Jewish nature come participate.

If you are interested please RSVP to:
Bobbie Goldstein 201-746-0723 or

The Scroll...16 Paulette Frankel 845-641-1298

Gates of Zion Cemetery



Saddle River Road
Airmont, NY

owned and operated by
Congregation Shaarey Israel

For information:

phone: (845) 352-3102

gatesofzioncemetery@gmail.com



Forever Young Seniors

meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday
of each month

For information on events
call: **Barbara Kleinman**
352-0315





Date	Event	Location	Time	Person Responsible
1	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
2	Private Room Rental	Multipurpose Rm	4:00 pm	Markowitz
4	Adult Ed Class		7:15 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
4	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Rm	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
5	Forever Young Seniors	Multipurpose Rm	11:00 am	Barbara Kleinman
5	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
6	S.H. Board Meeting	Multipurpose Rm	7:30 pm	Audrey Meister
7	Services & Ann'y Shabbot	Sanctuary	6:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
8	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
8	Children's Services		8:45 am	Sara Coppens
10	Tu B'shvat			
11	Adult Ed Class		7:15 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
11	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Rm	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
12	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
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19	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
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25	Adult Ed Class		7:15 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
25	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Rm	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
26	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
27	Board Of Trustees	Class Room 2	7:30 pm	Jack Perel
28	Services	Sanctuary	6:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
28	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach