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I have none of my diplomas hanging in my home. Having learned that in professional circles it's good to display your credentials, my undergraduate degree, graduate degree and ordination certificate hang on the walls of my office.

There is, however, one certificate on display in my home: my father's Rabbinic ordination. Signed by three luminaries of the Yeshiva University universe of the 1950s, including Rabbi Joseph B Soloveitchik, "The Rav", it is testimony to my father's hard work and determination. At a time when exit exams for ordination were more demanding than they are today, and with the distinct disadvantage of not receiving a yeshiva high school education – there were no Jewish high schools in Pittsburgh in those days-my father put in what must have been seemingly endless hours of study and preparation over several years to achieve his goals, all the while building a career in Jewish education.

My path to ordination was far simpler. I was given the opportunity of the Jewish education through high school and beyond (an opportunity that at times it seemed I was determined to squander). Work was a choice, and I restricted myself to summer camp and synagogue youth jobs, a far cry from my father's summer camp obligations. And in contrast to my father, whose exit exam was a live interview with a panel of three distinguished rabbis, my course of written exams were easier and less pressured.

The path toward ordination for both of us including extensive study in the code of Jewish law.

The code is divided into four sections and deals with almost every aspect of Jewish life. For both of us competency in certain areas of those four sections was a requirement for our ordination. But with degrees on the wall, the most important part of our education was still ahead of us. It is not the rabbi's command of the four sections of the code that manner as much as what is colloquially referred to as the fifth section—the commonsense

born of experience, courage and sensitivity to apply what is written to a complex and all-to-human world that is outside the reach of any book. For my father the sensitivities were focused on using his abilities to expand Jewish educational opportunities to the widest range of students. He led an outstanding High School at Yeshiva University, offering a rigorous dual-curriculum Jewish education to the New York area community that he himself could not have in his youth in Pittsburgh.

And so his ordination certificate is prominently displayed in my home, a constant reminder to me that is not about what you know but rather how well you can bring that knowledge to bear in the lives in which you have taken responsibility to share and guide. It is what gives meaning to my degrees as well. I am proud and thankful that my degrees are displayed at Congregation Shaarey Israel, a place where sacrifice, mutual support, and creating opportunities for all Jews to connect with our Tradition— he spirit of the law of the Codes—is the measure of our success.

Respectfully Yours...

from the desk of

Rabbi Weinbach

Being More Than A Rabbi



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CANDLELIGHTING FOR...

DECEMBER 2019

Date	Light Candles	Shabbat Ends
6	4:09	5:14
13	4:10	5:15
20	4:12	5:17
27	4:16	5:21

CHANUKAH BEGINS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22
LAST CHANUKAH CANDLE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29



From the Editor...

Well, here we are preparing for the festive holiday of Hanukkah. It is a joy getting together with family to the light of the Menorah commemorating the miracle of centuries ago. Gift-giving is part of the tradition as well, but in today's world that presents a problem.

When the grandchildren are small there is always something to buy, the proverbial truck for a boy or doll for a girl goes far, but as they grow older this no longer works. Board games, once a standard gift are no longer appreciated because hand-held computer devices have, to a large extent, replaced the "old-fashioned" games. Don't know about yours, but our grandchildren seem to have very definite tastes and whatever we might buy for them just isn't right.

We've been resorting to purchasing gift cards to a store, but that too presents a problem. If the store chosen is not one of their favorites the card might go to waste. Buying presents for grandchildren, at least our grandchildren, requires research.

The only thing I can count on is that they will enjoy my potato latkes...or will they?

Happy Hanukkah to all!



Roberta



Submissions for the January issue are due by December 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

Thank you for reading this article! I say that at the beginning as if you are reading this then I know you at least have some interest in what is happening in our shul. Unfortunately we have gone from the high of the High Holidays to the low of the upcoming winter. While many have already left for the warmth of Florida we need to realize that the shul is active and continues to need your support.

Not all of us can experience the warmth of Florida but those of us who have not gone south for the winter should make sure to avail themselves of the warmth of our shul. While there are those that say we need a reason to come out in the cold weather, in truth there is something to warm you up every day in our building beginning with our daily minyan. While it has been mentioned before, I have to once again stress that the heart and soul of any synagogue is prayer and we need to remember that the minyan which is open and available to everyone is the core of our being. Those who come to pray every morning will tell you that even if it is ten degrees outside at 7:10 (or 7am on Mondays and Thursdays, 9am on Sunday), it is an incredibly warm feeling to come together as a group with the common purpose of glorifying and sanctifying *Hashem*. As someone who has to deal with the hectic pace of working in NYC on a daily basis and all that comes with that including a horrendous commute, there is an inner peace that is achieved by coming to a minyan in our shul. We have come to refer to this group as our "Minyonaires" and they deserve a hearty thanks for helping keep our traditions and religious obligations intact. Again, however, we need your help and this is especially true in the evenings. With darkness coming so early we have moved the evening minyan to 7pm and here we are struggling. We struggled on a nearly daily basis at 8pm and unfortunately 7pm has been a problem as well. Please consider committing to attendance at least one time per week to help keep our minyan the fixture of the Congregation that it has been

since its inception.

Prayer of course is the function of any congregation but so is the sense of community and coming together for social purposes. Most are aware that we have hired a Program Director and I am pleased to report that Sara Coppens, our Program Director provided a wonderful set of programs for children during the High Holidays. Sara is great with kids (she has three wonderful boys of her own) but her purpose is not to be a babysitter. Sara is here to help create and run programs that help our congregants feel that they are part of a community and invite new people to experience the special brand of Yiddishkeit that is present in our Congregation. Sara is busy at work now creating a Chanukkah program for the community and her other duties which include running the Facebook page, updating/modernizing the website, working with social media and most importantly working with our Congregants including our programming stalwarts in the Sisterhood and Men's Club to bring fun, informative and meaningful events to our members and the community at large. Please note that Sara is certainly willing to work with our congregants, formulating programs, helping with ideas etc. She would welcome contact with all and while you can reach her through the office at all times I would suggest you reach out to her by email at the following email address:
csi.coppens@gmail.com.

I often hear from Congregants with concerns that the building is empty. In reality it is up to our Congregants to fill the building with activity. There are certainly many opportunities; it is just a matter of choosing what one wants to do. There are certainly daily minyans seven days a week twice a day so from a religious standpoint we've got you covered. Sisterhood and Men's Club run multiple programs each month for your participation. Rabbi has classes essentially every Tuesday throughout the year. There is Israeli Dancing, there is a Book Club.

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THE CANTOR'S CLOUD by Cantor Menachem Bazian Rehab



DER CHAZZAN'S
CH' MAREH

How many times have we heard of some near and dear to us that went into the hospital and needed some rehab to get back on their feet? As we get older, it is an increasingly common reality. When someone is laid up for a while, they need help to get their muscles back into shape so that they may perform normal tasks.

Sometimes rehab is necessary because of some kind of injury. If we break a bone, G-d forbid, have something replaced, and the like, physical therapy and other rehab is the typical regimen that follows. Rehab is the basic vehicle to work the body and prepare it to return to normal activity, or as close to normal as we can get.

Looming large in my life is cardiac rehab: a twice-weekly torture session of exercise, performed with electrodes attached to my chest (which hurt like the devil to remove after) that transmit the essentials of my cardiac vital signs to a monitor and a computer where a nurse keeps a close eye on me to ensure that I will not suffer some electrical short that will lay me low. It's fairly elaborate but I bear it with a smile because it, hopefully, means that I can continue my life better and stronger than I have before.

All this got me thinking. We can be so focused on our physical needs that we often miss a critical point: There is a plethora of studies that show conclusively that our minds are linked to our health. A study published in 2016 by Harvard Medical School (<https://www.health.harvard.edu/mind-and-mood/how-your-attitudes-affect-your-health>) states:

"Other studies have indicated that people who retain emotional vitality during chronic illness and disability also do better. The Women's Health and Aging Study involves more than 1,000 women 65 or older who have varying levels of disability but still live on their own. In that group, women with greater emotional vitality performed significantly better than their less-positive counterparts who had similar levels of disability..."

Put simply, people with positive attitudes have a great probability of having positive health outcomes.

But wait, we're not done. A study in the Journal of Caring Sciences published by the US National Library of Medicine/National Institute of Health

(<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4699504/>) posits that people with a strong spiritual background are more likely to have positive attitudes.

In other words, spirituality leads to a positive outlook which leads to a greater likelihood of positive health outcomes. If we apply the Transitive Law of Mathematics which states "If A=B and B=C then A=C", spirituality leads to a greater likelihood of positive health outcomes.

Jews have traditionally strong spiritual roots. Our belief in *Hashem* is essential to our national optimism. Only the Jewish people have suffered terrible slings and arrows over the centuries, yet we endure and thrive. The centrality of *Hashem*, and the inclusion of family and community as an integral part of *spiritual* life, has been key to the miracle of Jewish continued existence.

But even spiritual life sometimes needs rehab. The vicissitudes of life can wear you down to your very soul. We see it all the time. It can and does happen to all of us at one point in time or another in our lives. When we are in the midst of the storm of life, it is easy to lose faith and become swept away by the tidal waves of difficulties that life can bring. Spiritual and emotional trauma is every bit as damaging, and possibly even more so, than physical trauma. The incredible pain that spiritual and emotional trauma can cause can be debilitating.

The question is, what should we do about it?

Maimonides discussed this in his twelfth-century magnum opus called "Mishneh Torah" which is an exhaustive encyclopedia of Jewish Law and thought. He says (Sefer Mada: 2:1): "And what is the corrective measure for the soul-sick? Let them go to the wise who are doctors of the souls and they will heal their disease with tendencies wherein they will instruct them until they will bring them back to the right way."

In essence, Maimonides is prescribing spiritual and psychological rehabilitative therapy. When we are

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in crisis, we should search out the right person who can help us find our way back to tranquility.

Of course, trauma is an extreme. But spiritual rehab is not something we should wait for an emergency to undertake. *Yiddishkeit* gives us constant opportunities to strengthen ourselves spiritually. Attending a morning or evening *Minyan* (*evening Minyan is now at 7:00pm, please take note*), attending and participating in one of the Rabbi's excellent thought-provoking classes, joining the 7:40am Shabbat Morning learning group, coming to services on *Shabbat* and *Yom Tov*, and more are all ways for us to get a spiritual lift. Not only does participating in services, programs and learning *Torah* give us a lift because we are engaging in *Mitzvot*, but we also get to spend time with our friends and community. That too is excellent for the soul.

The purpose of our congregation is to provide us with a spiritual home. People need more than just *Rosh Hashana* and *Yom Kippur* to give us the spiritual support we need that is so key to maintaining our psychological and physical health. Our congregation is not just a building with programs and services. It is made up of people: warm, loving and caring individuals who rally around each other in times of celebration, tragedy or just plain need.

I encourage you to avail yourself of what we have to offer. Come to Shul, pray and learn with us. While you're at it, stick around for the sumptuous *Kiddush* or *Seudat Selishit* on *Shabbat*. Not only is the food great, but you will also love the company. Trust me when I tell you, your soul will be better for the experience.

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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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Bottom line, there is a community and we have the obligation to make it the best it can be by actively participating. Sara of course is here to help us grow the community, help us create and run programs for all but she needs your help too in formulating ideas and most of all in participating.

It has certainly gotten cold outside but I can tell you from personal experience that it is warm inside 18 Montebello Road and it is not due to the heating system. Many of you who are reading this know exactly what I am talking about but to be upfront and rather cliché, you have to experience it to believe it. It is not always easy to describe or understand until you are a part of it. For example, just this past week (of writing this article), we had close to 40 people come back for Minchah on a Saturday afternoon. Unfortunately this is not the typical number of attendants but those who were there would probably agree that it was something special. To have the small sanctuary filled to capacity, every chair taken and then to gather for a *seudah shlishit* and extend the warmth of the Sabbath Day reminded everyone there of how special it is to be part of this Congregation.

This article is written as Thanksgiving approaches. We have a lot to be thankful for when it comes to our Congregation. We are most thankful for what we have created and what we hope to continue for many years to come. Thank you for reading, thank you for the warmth you provide to each other and thank you for what I know will be the warm times we share together as we continue as a proud, special Congregation Shaarey Israel.



The evening minyan now meets at

7 o'clock

We need you!

Please help sustain our minyan at this new time.

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<p><u>Minyons</u></p> <p>Weekday evenings Sunday-Thursday: 7 pm</p> <p>Weekday mornings Monday & Thursday: 7:00 am Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:10 am Sunday mornings: 9 am</p> <p>Friday evenings: 6:00 pm</p>	AT A GLANCE		 <p><u>Shabbat Kiddush Fund</u> Send donations, payable to CSI, indicate in memo "Kiddush Fund." Planning a Kiddush?</p>
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<p><u>Update your aliyah card info</u></p> <p>Contact the office with up-dates</p> <p>The Scroll...6</p>	<p><u>Going Green</u> In an effort to reduce costs and save the environment, CSI will be reducing the number of mailings. If you have e-mail, please notify the office to receive flyers on line. Only those without e-mail will receive "regular" mail.</p> 		 <p>CSI office 845-369-0300</p> <p><u>CSI website:</u> shaareyisraelrockland.com</p>

SISTERHOOD MESSAGE

President Audrey Meister

Well my "sisters" here we are in the month of December. Our November meeting was a wonderful Paid-up Membership Dinner. Thank you to our committee members, Marcia Atkin, Lois Price, and Joyce Trubitz for the planning and setting everything up. Rochelle Prestipino was honored as Woman Of the Year. Her daughter, sister and work colleague surprised her at the dinner. Thanks to Louisa and her models for showing some of the scarves and jewelry available in our gift shop.

The awards of being a Sisterhood member are many. Join us, make new friends, learn interesting crafts and at the same time help make our commitment to Congregation Shaarey Israel.

Coming up in December is the family movie *Brigadoon*. It's Saturday, December 7 at 7:00pm at the cost of \$5 for children and \$10 for adults. Light refreshments are included.

Our ongoing fundraising events include Shoprite cards and Yankee Candle. Sisterhood also sells donation cards for all occasions.

For Shoprite Cards contact Evie Maher 201-307-0346 or the office.

For Yankee Candle contact Phyllis Polovsky 845-365-0750. See flyer in this issue.

For Sisterhood donation cards Esther Ingber 845-354-3787.

The month of Tishrei recently passed. Tishrei was a whirlwind of Holidays. Time of great joy, with lots of opportunities to create memories. There were two Yiskor close together in that time.

In 2017 a wonderful film by Disney/Pixar came out. It was entitled *Coco*. I don't want to give away the many twisting plots. What touched me the most was the relationship of Miguel with his great grandmother and also the rest of the family. Much of the film centered on the act of remembering. The song won the academy award in 2017. It was entitled "Remember Me" (written by Robert Lopez and Kristen Anderson-Lopez.

*Though I have to say goodbye
Remember me
Don't let it make you cry
Forever if I'm far away
I hold you in my heart
I sing a secret song to you
Each night we are apart
Remember me*

*Though I have to travel far
Remember me
Each time you hear a sad guitar
Know that I'm with you
The only way that I can be
Until you're in my arms again
Remember me*

Our four Yiskors a year are about remembering. A recent Sisterhood meeting was also about remembering special events in our lifetime, be it about a person or an event that was special to us. Those of us, who were there were extremely touched to hear the stories. If you would like to submit a story from your past or present, send them in to Louisa or me and we will put together a booklet. Remembering is not just thoughts, it's pictures, oral history, written history, past and present, happy and sad.



Rochelle Prestipino as Sisterhood's Woman of the Year for 2019. The dinner was a beautiful event coordinated by Marcia Atkin, Joyce Trubitz and Lois Price. Yocheved gave an invocation and a good time was had by all.

MEN'S CLUB MESSAGE

President Mark Pfeffer

Men's Club wishes all of our fellow congregants at Shaarey Israel a Happy Hannukah, and hope you had a beautiful Thanksgiving with family and friends. We hope you all have taken a moment to be thankful and to thank Ha-Shem for all of the beautiful things that have been given to us. Life never is all positive and we face joy, mixed with sorrow and hardship but we can always think of many things we can be thankful for.

Change of plans...we've hired a **bus** for the Men's Club trip to the **Museum of Jewish Heritage** to see the exhibit, *Auschwitz, Not Long Ago, Not Far Away*. We are departing by bus, on **December 11**, at 10:30 am and plan to return to Suffern at 4:00 pm. Headphones will be supplied with audio guiding throughout the exhibit. Together we will learn about the work camps, the concentration camps, and the extermination camps. Our admission cost, including a mini-bus and admission shall be **\$52.00**. If time permits, you will be encouraged to view other parts of the museum as well. Plan your day December 11th to make this a group learning experience. The museum has a kosher restaurant available for purchasing lunch.

Men's Club has started the **Annual Calendar Sweepstakes**. It's a lovely opportunity to give a simple and reasonable Hanukkah gift to each of the people you care about. The Calendar Sweepstakes drawings run from March 1st and continue until June 30, 2020. The mailing has already gone out. Make copies of additional flyers and get your Calendar Sweepstakes at only \$10.00 each. You get almost 90 chances to win for a very small sum of money. Please join us in our Annual Calendar Sweepstakes.

For the spring time we are planning an evening with a guest lecturer to captivate us on a topic we would find educational, historic, and evoke a degree of nostalgia. A few possible lecture topics include covering such things as "An Armchair Tour of the Bronx", or "Lower Manhattan", or possibly a lecture on "Irving Berlin, an American Institution."

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This well-known lecturer has illustrated video lectures and is always enthusiastically received by his audiences. Be on the lookout for this upcoming lecture program. You won't be disappointed, and you will learn much about New York history.

The spring time is when we will again be promoting our **Game Night** that we discussed in previous Men's Club and Sisterhood articles. Be on the lookout for this fun social evening, where we will have friendly competitive games, play cards, or board games, and have opportunities to socialize with our peers, and friends while enjoying a meal together with adult beverages. The idea of an evening of Military Bridge keeps being entertained and will be discussed, as a possible option if we can entice sufficient numbers of individuals to join us. The Yellow Candle Project is very much still on the table as an opportunity for each of us to remember the Holocaust.

Men's Club meetings are usually on the first Monday of each month. We need all of the men and women, of our synagogue to join us in participating in these social activities. We ask all the men of the congregation to join and attend our Men's Club meetings coming up. We are a social organization and need you to be a part of us. We want your ideas and comments to help make our organization a successful one. Won't you please join us and we very much look forward to having you attend our upcoming events and becoming an active member of the Men's Club. Please don't forget to send in your annual dues of \$36.00.



CALENDAR SWEEPSTAKES IS COMING.

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CHAI LIGHTS

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Orian Amona
Arianna Humphrey
Andrew Polovsky
Cindy Singer



Mazel Tov to...

Chana & Cantor Bazian on their son passing the Bar
Joyce Trubitz on the marriage of her daughter Michelle to Jay Green



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!

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

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9 Leonard & Dorothy Kroog
12 Allen & Lois Bashoff
16 Steven & Miriam Kahan
17 Paul & Sandra Chaitin
19 William & Charna Weissman
20 Selwyn & Louise Lempert
24 Daniel & Sheila Goldman
27 Barry & Robin Haberman
28 Joseph & Hilda Moskovic
29 Heshy & Frimet Goldberger

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Miriam Dubner and Family on the loss of their beloved, husband, father & grandfather, Dr. Martin Dubner

Minyons

Weekday evenings:

Sunday-Thursday: 7 pm

Weekday mornings:

Monday & Thursday: 7:00 am

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:10 am

Sunday mornings: 9 am

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The pantry is staffed only by volunteers and can always use more help. If you are available please come to help on Sunday morning, December 8. If you have any questions, concerns, or wish to volunteer your time please contact me at 845-727-4199.

Sandra Chaitin



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Auschwitz. Not long ago. Not far away



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Learn the History



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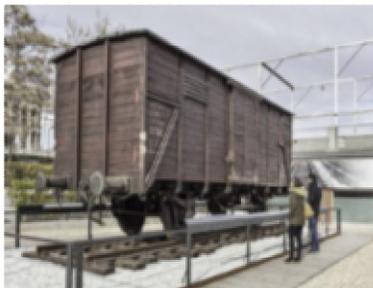
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1950's Slang Is a Blast!

Every generation in history has its own concept of what's cool or fashionable, and slang terms are the very reflection of this ever-changing language fashion. The American English slang of the 1950s is also known as teen-speak, and it's heavily inspired by jazz terms. Rhyming also had a special place in teen-speak, with phrases like "see you later, alligator" having originated during this era. These words and phrases are the essentials of 1950s slang, some of which we still use today, so if you want to learn who's a cube and what calling dibs means, simply continue reading.

1. Having a blast (1953)

Meaning: to have a wonderful time or enjoy something.

Example sentence: "I had a blast at Jane's birthday party."

We still encounter this first slang term in modern speech from time to time, but this slang phrase actually comes from the 1950s, where "a blast" could mean a wild or noisy party. By the late 1960s, the meaning changed a little to refer to simply a good time.

2. Nerd (1951)

Meaning: (noun) an overly intellectual, introverted, obsessive person who is often lacking social skills.

Example sentence: "Josh was such a nerd in high school, but he grew up to be quite successful."

This slang word hardly changed since the 1950s and it's still used to characterize a specific type of person, but we must point out that today the term is used in a much less derogatory sense than in the past. As for the etymology of the word, it was first mentioned in Dr. Seuss's *If I Ran the Zoo* book as the name of one of the imaginary creatures in the zoo, but the slang meaning was first mentioned in *Newsweek Magazine* as a synonym for "square" among the youth in Detroit, Michigan.

3. Tube Steak

Meaning: (noun) a frankfurter/hotdog

Example sentence: "Pick up a few tube steaks for dinner, will you?"

Although it's difficult to determine when exactly it originated, we know that it's a rhyming reference to "cube steak" (a tenderized slice of meat) with a twist referring to a hotdog's shape.

Interestingly, we found over 18

synonyms to this word in American English, which certainly reflects the extensive popularity of hotdogs in the US.

4. Calling dibs

Meaning: (verb) claim something for yourself that belongs to everyone.

Example sentence: "Who's got dibs on the chips?" The word "dibs" likely stems from the now obsolete 19-century children's game, but we first started using "dibs" to reserve the front seat in the car or get the last donut in the box in the 1950s. Dibs is an extremely clever invention and it so doesn't surprise us that it's still popular today, although mostly among kids.

5. You Dig?

Meaning: (phrase) do you understand me?

Example sentence: "Don't drink milk out of the bottle, you dig?"

This phrase is actually more complex than it seems, as it can mean a few things. Today, most people would agree that "dig" is a synonym of liking something, as in "I really dig your new shoes", but before the late 1960s, the phrase was used more as a confirmation request that you understood something.





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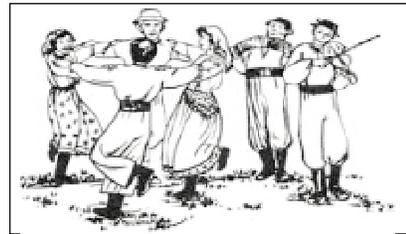
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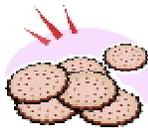


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1	Private Room Rental	Multipurpose Rm	3:00 pm	Billauer
3	Adult Ed Class	Multipurpose Rm	7:15 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
3	Israeli Dancing		8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
4	Forever Young Seniors	Multipurpose Rm	11:00 am	Barbara Kleinman
4	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
5	Sisterhood Board Meeting	Multipurpose Rm	7:30 pm	Audrey Meister
6	Services	Sanctuary	6:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
6	Anniversary Shabbot			
7	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
7	Sisterhood Movie Night	Multipurpose Rm	7:00 pm	Dale/Sheree
9	JNF Chanukah Party	Multipurpose Rm	6:00 pm	Marsha Forman
10	Adult Ed Class		7:15 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
10	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Rm	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
11	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
12	Sisterhood Program	Multipurpose Rm	7:00 pm	Louisa Depaola
13	Services	Sanctuary	6:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
14	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
16	"No Judgement Zone"	Multipurpose Rm	7:15 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
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22	Private Room Rental	Ballroom	6:00 pm	Gershuny
22	1st Night Of Chanukah			
24	Chinese & A Movie	Multipurpose Rm	7:00 pm	Programing
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