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Holiday	Hebrew	Actual Date	Services	Time
Chanukah	Kislev 25	Mon Dec 26	Fri Dec 30	mc 00:8 0
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Purim	Adar 14	Wed Mar 14	Fri Mar 1	7 8:00 pm
Erev Pesach	Nissan 14	Wed Apr 12	Enjoy the 1s	st seder
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Second Seder	Nissan 15	Thu Apr 13	IFC Apr 13	6:30 pm
Pesach #8	Nissan 22	Thu Yizkor	Fri May 6	8:00 pm
Yom Hashoa	Nissan 27	Tue Apr 25	Fri Apr 28	8:00 pm
Yom Ha'atzmaut	Iyar 3	Mon May 1	Fri May 5	8:00 pm
Lag B'Omer	Iyar 18	Tue May 16	Fri May 19	8:00 pm
Shavuot	Sivan 6	Fri Yizkor	Fri Jun 6	8:00 pm
Tisha B'Av	Av 9	Thu Aug 3	Fri Aug 4	8:00 pm
S'lichot	Elul 22	Sat Sep 15	Sat Sep 16	TBA
ErevRoshhaShanah	Elul 29	Fri Sep 22	Fri Sep 22	6:30 pm
Rosh haShanah	Tishri 1	Sat Sep 23	Sat Sep 23	9:00 am
Rosh haShanah	Tishri 2	Sun Sep 24	Sun Sep 24	9:00 am
Erev Yom Kippur	Tishri 9	Sun Oct 1	Sun Oct 1	6:30 pm
Yom Kippur	Tishri 10	Mon Yizkor	Mon Oct 2	9:30 am

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

From the President

I can't believe it is a new year and I have been nominated for my second term as KJCC President. Last year I must admit I accepted the position because Patty had not learned to



say no. Unfortunately, she still hasn't learned this lesson. However this year, being president is a true personal honor because my first term was so gratifying. It was not the chore or burden I had anticipated. I want to thank the nominating committee for a great slate of board members and officers. What a team! I am so thankful to our outgoing board and officers. You did a great job and made me look good. But our accomplishments have been a joint effort. Your dedication and service were invaluable. Welcome to our new board members and officers. I am certain you will keep up the good work of your predecessors. I really need your support and the support of our entire membership.

As I look back over the past year, my love for the KJCC has grown and I hope yours has as well. I appreciate all the hard work of all our committee members and the active involvement of all of our members. But what has really stood out, is that we are really family, and always loving. I look forward to services Friday night, not only the services, but the onegs and the opportunity to catch up with my family. I would not miss a KJCC function, president or not, be it a Sisterhood dinner, our anniversary party, sailing, or movie night. This may sound selfish, but they make me feel good. What greater purpose can an organization serve, than to enrich the lives of its members?

I also take great pride that whatever community function Patty and I attend, my family is there, be it Katrina relief, the Foothill Brass, the Bougainvillea Ball, just to name a few just this month. And everyone is proud to be part of the KJCC family. The KJCC bond is openly displayed. It warms my heart.

We have many new members. Our membership goal for this past year was exceeded. Our family is growing. While much of the growth of the KJCC is in the hands of its leaders, much more can be done by the rest of our family. How frustrating it is to offer programs, classes, social events and even religious services, which most members do not attend, just the familiar old faces (no they do not look chronologically old, just same old old!). Each one of us is over programmed, but surely we can find time for our own spiritual life and education.

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ANNUAL MEETING

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BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting Is scheduled for February 12, 2006 at 9:30 am. All Members are welcome. The 2nd presentation of the 2006-2007 slate of Officers and Board Members will be presented at this meeting.

SISTERHOOD

The next Sisterhood meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2006. Please attend.

MARCH PARTY

Mark your calendar for March 11, 2006. That is the night of the BIG Sisterhood Fund Raising Party to be held at the home of Elaine & Jerry Hirsch. You will not want to miss it.

ONEG SHABBAT

Be sure to sign up for the Oneg dates you want for the coming year. Ask Nettie for help, if you need it.

FASHION SHOW

Fashion Show pictures are on page 18 & 19.

SUNSET CRUISE

Cruise and dinner pictures are on page 12 & 13.

KJCC WEBSITE

You can visit the KJCC website at http://www.keysjewishcenter.com/ and read Chai-Lights every month, even before you get it by mail. Also, other interesting news and schedules are available, courtesy of Alan Beth.

DEADLINE

The deadline for the March issue of CHAI-LIGHTS is February 18. Send articles - Marv Lee will format and type them for you. Send pictures - color shots are just fine. Send news share your mitzvahs with the rest of the KJCC. Send best wishes and thank-y'alls. It's easy and there is no charge! Articles may be sent at any time, but if they arrive at the editor's desk after the 18th, they may not be printed in the next issue.

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February Leaders

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3 Jim Boruszak & Patty Schocket

10 Mark & Cory Wasser

17 George Swartz

24 Bernie Ginsberg

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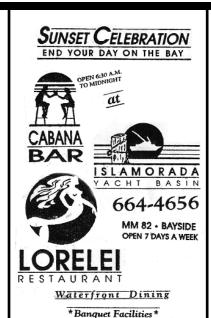


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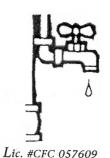


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Shalom, Jeffrey

P.S. - Our Israel trip has not been forgotten. Putting it together has been a bit more difficult than anticipated. Our travel agent has had a personal tragedy and as a result, we are a little behind schedule in planning. But I am committed to making sure it happens.

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Joyce,

Again let me say - many , many thanks for the wonderful donation you gave to the KJCC. These Chumashim Books will truly be put to good use during our Torah Study class.

I have put them in the rear of the sanctuary for those who would like to read them and follow along during our Shabbat services.

Alan

Navy Chanukah

Lt. Laurie Zimmet, serving for the US Navy Intelligence in Baghdad, Iraq, organized a Chanukah Festival and Menorah Kindling inside the Al Faw Palace, the former palace of Saddam Hussein in Baghdad. The US Armed Services granted her the permission to organize it and distributed flyers to thousands of Jewish Servicemen and women serving our country inviting them to celebrate Chanukah in this most unique location.

Zimmet is a member of Chabad of the Conejo. "Laurie brought the message of Chanukah alive for so many of our people that are away from home during the holiday of Chanukah - a message of "Light Over Darkness". In a facility built by an evil man of an evil regime, the light of Chanukah shined bright. A victory for the light of goodness over darkness", said Rabbi Moshe Bryski, Laurie's Rabbi. "We are all so proud of her."

DIRECTORY

You will be receiving a request for updated information so that our 2006 directory will be as accurate as we can make it. Please return the update form promptly, or you can email any corrections or additions to me at mbgra-ham@bellsouth.net. Remember that the directory will be published in time to be distributed at the March Board meeting, so there is not a lot of lead time for this information to get to the printer.

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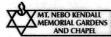
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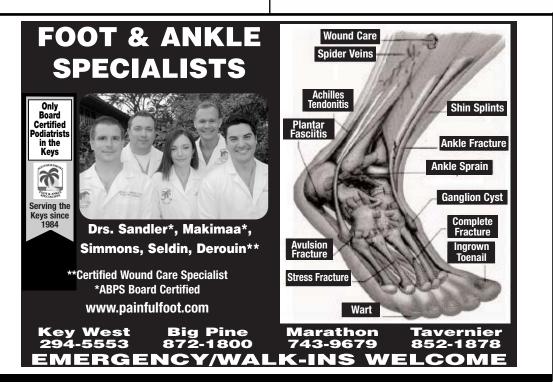
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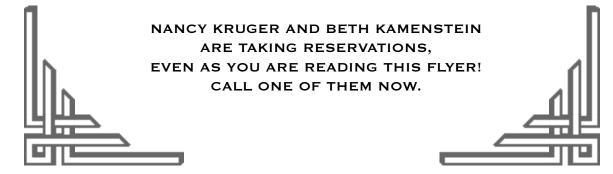


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CHANUKAH PLAY

Anyone who did not have the opportunity to watch the KJCC Players give their (and Gloria's) version of Chanukah, missed an exciting and well acted playlet. The audience participated as required, the cast was ready to say their lines (and imporvise, if necessary) and the director was directing all over the place. Wonderful show. Our congratulations to cast and directors. We are certainly primed for the show for next year.

Lee's Broccoli

- direct from the Chanuka Dinner

2 bunches broccoli florets 1/2 cup red onions -chopped 2/3 cup golden raisins 1/2 cup slivered almonds

Dressing: 1 cup mayo (low fat, if desired)

1 t white vinegar 1/4 cup sugar

Mix dressing with the broccoli mixture

For the Calendar

Feb 5, Sisterhood meeting 9:30am
Feb 26, movie night 6:30pm
March 5, Sisterhood meeting 9:30am
March 11, Party at the Hirsch Home
March 17, Purim Dinner
March 19, Full Monty
April 2, Sisterhood meeting
April 13, Second Seder



As they say, soup is goof food. Enjoy.

CREAMY SOUASH SOUP

2 butternut squash, seeded, peeled and cubed (can be precooked in microwave to soften)

1 cup chopped carrots2 cans chicken broth1 cup water1/2 tsp ground pepper

1/8 tsp cinnamon, nutmeg, curry powder OR tarragon leaves**

1/2 cup sour cream

In a large pot bring broth, water, squash and carrots to a boil. Cover and simmer for 15 mins or until vegetables are very tender. Let mixture cool slightly. Puree small amounts of cooked mixture in a blender or food processor until fully pureed. Sir in pepper and *spice* of your choice. Put sour cream in a separate bowl and stir in a few tablespoons of the hot soup until blended. Stir the sour cream mixture into the soup and serve. For extra creamy soup add a dollop of sour cream to individual servings.

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4 cans tomato soup 4 cans kernel corn, drained

Salt Pepper 2 cloves garlic Bay leaf

2 cans stewed tomatoes Few dashes Worcestershire sauce

Brown meat and onions. In a large pot add all ingredients to meat and onion mixture, cook on medium for 30 mins.

EASY ARTICHOKE DIP

1 can artichoke hearts, drained and broken into pieces

1 cup mayo 1 cup parmesan cheese, grated

1 clove garlic, mashed 1 stick butter

Grease a casserole with butter, melt remaining butter. Mix artichokes, mayo, cheese, garlic and melted butter in a large bowl. Add mixture to casserole and cook at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. Can be topped with fresh parsley and/or paprika. Serve hot with crackers.

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Looking Forward to March

march Birthdays	
Ken Atlas	
Gloria Auston	
Sylvia Berman	
Denise Blumenthal15	
Allan Boruszak15	
Michelle E. Denker27	
Lynn Dils	
Sasha Dutton	
Stephanie Gilderman	
Toby Goldfinger7	
Sari Eliz. Goldstein31	
Bill Gordon6	
Alvin J Gottlieb	
Eric Grace	
Bea Graham 6	
Doug Graham24	
Marty Graham12	
Laurence Green10	
Heath Greenbaum	
Anthony A Gutierrez30	
Eileen Hermann	
Allen Holbrook 8	
Seth Horowitz14	
Pearl Jacobs 9	
Melvin L. Jacobson	
Barbara Kantor 2	
Erwin Kantor21	
Adam Karron	
Lois S. Kaufman21	
Debbie G Kilgore	
J. Michael Kilgore27	

Manala Dintladava

Benjamin K Kwalick 4
Jenna Lane14
James Jr. Nobil21
Steven Nobil16
Janet Palacino
Joseph Palacino21
Michelle Palacino19
Joel Pollack29
Carl Roy
Gene Saks 5
Bryan Schur
Lee Schur
Benjamin Schwaid
Zachary Shapiro29
Nicole Sherman
Stephen Steinbock
Roger Vorcheimer28
Marcia Wolf23

March Anniversaries

	Years
Gloria & Robert Jay Auston 4	24
Sylvia & Robert Berman24	50
Carolyn & Jeff Epstein 16	17
Carol & Alvan Field18	18
Susan W & Joseph Goldberg25	13
Patricia & Henry Isenberg 14	36
Debbie G & J. Michael Kilgore 2	8
Sheila & Jerry Olsen	47

Torah Study

Torah Study 10am weekly every Saturday Morning.

Join us for an hour of so of learning. We will be discussing the Parsha of the week.

We have plenty of books so just bring yourself. If you haven't come before that is OK, join us - each week is a new lesson in Torah.

No charge - except of course to recharge yourself!

All are welcome.

Schedule for Torah Study:

Jan. 21st 10am Jan 28th 10am

- Combined with a Shabbat Service

Feb 4th 10am

Feb 11th 10am

Feb 18th 10am

Feb 25th 10am

- Combined with a Shabbat Service

Shabbat Service

Once per month we will be starting a Shabbat Service. Pencil in the last Saturday of the month and join us for a few hours.

Make the Shabbat special and join us.

Shabbat Service will be led by our Cantor Mark Halpern the last Saturday of each Month.

- January Shabbat Service Jan. 28th 10am
- February Shabbat Service Feb 25th.
 10am

If you have any questions or comments please email: alanlbeth@yahoo.com

Alan Beth

Thoughts about Honorable Menschen

--Gloria Avner

For a long time I have been thinking that there ought to be some special way to acknowledge the people among our members who give unstinting, generous, behind the scenes service, way way beyond the call of duty. I know we have the Joel Cohen award once a year and that it is truly a great honor. I also know that any time one gives an award or singles out a particular person, there is the potential for someone feelings slighted, for people to say why this one and not that one. Perhaps hard feeling could be created. One could easily be tempted to do nothing and say "never mind."

But I have been watching two people do so much so consistently and ask so little in return that I am going to propose a theoretical award. If, for example, the KJCC had a "Mensch of the Month Club" I would declare a tie for the month of December and give the prestigious button, or certificate, or very attractive coffee mug to two of our best, Marc Bloom and Linda Rutkin. Whether it is cleaning, cooking, arranging, finding props for a play, bringing in relevant articles for Hebrew school, encouraging others, silently being where help is most needed, these two are tireless. I can hear the applause now as they come forward, cheeks blushing in modesty, to accept the honor they will protest they don't deserve.

SUNSET SAIL

All week, the weather was cold, the wind was blowing, the outlook for an ocean sunset sail was dismal. But Saturday arrived, the sun warmed the Keys, the wind dropped to a sailboat's delight, and a full roster of eager sailors boarded the Quicksilver on time.

Our hosts, Joel and Joan Bernard, with their crew, welcomed us, gave the few instructions needed to use the facilities aboard, put out soda and pretzels, and we took off to cruise the Key Largo area.

Exactly on time, the sun set in the west, and the cameras were snapping. The interesting photos were



Our host and hostess

those of the sun, which had dropped behind a strata of clouds, peeking from the bottom of the clouds and falling into the ocean.

The sun set, evening took over, and our ship headed home to its hoarbor. A great cruise with a great captain and mate. It couldn't have been better. Our thanks to Quicksilver and the crew.



Our president

The Sunset

Sisterhood



Here we are in the middle of a very busy season. We had the largest turnout ever for our fashion show and luncheon, which were both great. It reflected the efforts of many people. Café Largo provided a wonderful background, but Stuart and Lauren Sax were the heart of the show. Their presentation and choice of fashions and knowledge of the clothing were outstanding. We certainly thank Angelika and the many people who helped to make the Fashion Show the success that it is, always.

I would like to announce our current slate of Officers for 2006. Joan Stark is Vice President, continuing in office are Candy Stanlake as Secretary, Nancy Kluger as Treasurer and Beth Kaminstein as our Ways and Means

Chairpersons. In addition, Joyce Peckman and Lauren Sax joined the board.

With this group of women working, my job will be easy. I thank them all for taking on this responsibility.

Here is what is coming up in the near future. Movie Night on the 26th of Feb. Theater trip to see the Full Monty at Actors Playhouse on March 19th. Although it seems early, it is time to make reservations for our second Seder on April 13 at the Islamorada Fishing Club. Tickets are again \$40 per person. Seating is limited and your check is your reservation. Please call Leslie Dillon to make reservations for either function.

Our annual Fundraiser event is at the home of Elaine and Jerry Hirsch on the 11th of March. Invitations will be in the mail shortly. Please join us for a wonderful evening.

Our next regular Sisterhood meeting is February 5th. Join us for a light breakfast at 9 AM; meeting to start at 9:30. We will be discussing the Ghost of Hannah Mendes, a really interesting read, by Naomi Ragen. See you then.

Nettie

Ongoing Projects

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE If you know of any member who should receive a get well, congratulations or condolence card from the Center, call Rene Rose 852- 3959.

CEMETERY INFORMATION If you wish to plan for the very distant future, you may reserve space at the Kendall Mt. Nebo Cemetery in the KJCC section. Call Bea 852-0214.

PICTURE POSTCARDS We have some wonderful picture postcards of the KJCC stained glass windows available. They can be packaged to fit your needs and even mailed to you or to your gift recipient. Prices are as low as \$36 per hundred but we sell lesser quantities. Call gift shop chairperson or Marty 852-0214.

ONEG SHABBAT Sponsor or Hostess, to schedule your special date call Bea Graham 852-0214.

TREES A gift of a tree, or two or more, makes a long remembered way to honor a loved one, a relative, a friend or an occasion. They are easy to purchase, the recipient is notified immediately of your generosity and both Israel and the KJCC benefit. Call Bea at 852-0214 for ordering information.

Special Days in February

February Birthdays

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Carleigh Stuart3
Muriel Swartz24
Judith Weber15
Michael Wittels
Audrey Wolf

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Claire & Murray Cooper21	58
Susan & Bill Gordon20	19
Liliam & Uri Kamely9	14
Linda & Joel Pollack11	44

Jack Benny

In 1922, Jack Benny and the Marx Brothers were performing in Vancouver. A prominent businessman, David Marks (no relation) invited the Marx Brothers to dinner during Passover. Zeppo showed with pal Benny. Bored, Jack told Zeppo, "Let's get out of here right after dinner."

David's daughter, twelve-year-old Sadie Marks, thought the twenty-eight-year-old comic rude. Four years later Sadie and Jack met again and Sadie went on to become his advisor, co-star - and wife (1927), under the name Mary Livingston! A romantic ending for Benny, born on Valentine's Day in 1894.







Sails down



DINNER AT DOC'S

It was easy. Just step off the Quicksilver, cross the highway, and start to enjoy the great meal served up by the Boilini crew. Who are they, you ask? Well, it took a lot of them - Jim, Mary and Gina Boilini, Karen and Jerry Sebastian, Jeff Pietig, Corky Wagner and Pat Dunn. But they got the job done.

Starting with the rice balls, continuing through a great meal, finishing with the best tasting bread pudding you ever had, the food never ended. And, we ate!

Take a look at all the satisfied diners shown with their big smiles, and you will understand that Doc's Diner found what we needed.

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THE J S COHEN CHANUKA PARTY

Chanuka needs to be celebrated, and celebrate we did. Joel had invited all who could attend to join him on his porch, light the Chanuka candles and then EAT.

So - with a lot of Chanuka songs, a lot of Chanuka chanting and a lot of Chanuka eating, we had a great time. Latkes, many latkes. Desserts - way too many desserts. And fun - just the right amount of fun. Because Chanuka fell on Christmas this year, which doesn't happen very often, we even had fireworks over Blackwater Sound to help us celebrate.

A fabulous evening indeed













Terry

Mary Lee

The luncheon was great, the 50-50 drawing paid handsomely to the winner, the group is really looking forward to the next Fashion Show. The consensus was that it was a perfect 10.

Susy







Lauren



Nancy

FASHION SHOW

Photos by Lynn Penn



These are the great models who strutted their stuff wearing the clothing from Angelika and Sunny Exposures. You can see that they enjoy strolling the runway and that Stu Sax enjoyed talking about the clothing they were wearing.







Renee Patty

Passing on the torch?

-- Gloria Avner

What started out one Monday as an idea became a bright flaming reality by Saturday night, New Year's Eve. Yardena Kamely's idea was to have a group chanukia lighting ceremony at someone's home, to sing the blessings, sing all the holiday songs we knew, eat yet some more latkes, donuts, and home baked cookies, and share that experience among our oldest and youngest members. Phone calls were made and at sunset on the 31st about 20 people gathered on the deck of Joel Cohen's house, overlooking the Bay.

Three of our Bar and Bat Mitzvah graduates, Joseph Beth, Molly Bloom, and Rachel Bloom, along with Shulamit, the 14 year old visiting niece of Bill and Freda Ferns, with Susan Gordon representing her daughter Rosemarie, lit the candles as everyone sang the blessings and traditional song after song. It was particularly moving to see the youngsters kissing and thanking both Joel Cohen and Pauline Roller, two of our founding and most senior members. This was truly an exercise in passing on the light, uniting of old and young and those between, creating bonds with the past that will see us through to our future.

As the night grew dark, as sporadic bursts of fireworks lit the sky, as the Chanukia candles flickered and glowed, this informal gathering of a smattering of KJCC mishpochah seemed a particularly auspicious way to ring out the old year and bring in the new.

W. Sold



To all my dear friends, my extended family, sincerest thanks for all your good wishes and words of cheer and hope and love while I was ill. I cannot tell you how much you all mean to me or how much I love you all but I hope you know,





Dear Michal.

If we had to choose the sweetest, most favorite person in our entire congregation - it would be you. You have inspired us to unexpected heights of learning and by example have shown us dignity, grace and beauty. We are filled with joy that you are our friend and we delight in your good health. You are a blessing in our midst and we love you more every day.

From your many KJCC friends.

Keys Jewish Community Center



Sunday, March 19, 2006 * 2:00 pm Actors Playhouse * Coral Gables Donation \$30 Call Leslie Dillon for tickets and information \$52,3654

Broadway smash hit musical comedy that tells the story of two unemployed friends who stumble upon a Chippendales-like show and decide with the help of four other unlikely candidates that they too would like to give it a go. However, they can't dance and aren't what most would call good physical specimens. This hilarious new musical became one of the hottest tickets on Broadway in the last several years.

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