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Saying Tehillim (reciting Psalms). I've been doing so with varying degrees of consistency since I was 20 years old. I'm not sure how it started. It certainly wasn't my Ashkenazi yeshiva upbringing, with its heavy emphasis on learning Talmud. It might have been spurred on by a class I heard in my early days at Yeshiva Sh'or Yashuv. It reached its apogee during my years of study in Israel, although there have been many hours spent with my psalter (book of psalms) since then.

My personal book of Psalms is wider than it is tall, with the Hebrew word *tehillim* embossed in gold. Inside the well-worn pages is my own translation, written over the course of many hours and inserted above any unfamiliar Hebrew words. At about 3" x 5" it is literally dwarfed by my volumes of Talmud and the code of Jewish law, the writings of Maimonides and my other books of the Bible. Its true stature however, soars high above all of my other books. It is to my humble book of Psalms that I have turned to during some of my hours of greatest joy and almost all of my hours of greatest need.

It is difficult for me to describe the appeal of reciting Psalms. The chapters range from David describing his greatest triumphs and attributing them to G-d, to long descriptions of the history of our people, and most poignantly David's pleadings with G-d for success in all things spiritual.

I have read from my little book at the western wall, in the study hall at yeshiva, and sitting on my bed late at night. Yet somehow, whatever the topic or the setting, my moments spent reciting Psalms with humility and a sense of yearning have always inspired hope that with G-d's help and a bit of personal humility all things are possible. Psalm 30

speaks to me of dedication, Psalm 51 of my need for heartfelt repentance, Psalm 130 of prayer in desperate times. The rhythm of the Hebrew, the sense of intimacy with the author, and the deep-seated belief throughout the generations that no prayer is more effective than reciting Psalms- all these reasons and more have made this devotional practice dear and valuable.

Each weekday morning and evening at minion we recite a Psalm pleading for health on behalf of numerous members,

family and friends in need of a *refuah shelaimah*, a complete recovery. Each morning in the introductory part of the service we recite numerous Psalms expressing our appreciation to G-d for revealing his works of nature and the guidance of his people throughout history. And on every holiday we recite *Hallel*, all of which is taken from the Psalms. In every situation, through every mood, every victory and every failure, it is the book of Psalms to which we turn in celebration, in hope and in desperation.

Perhaps the next time you have caused to celebrate something in your personal life you can turn to Psalm 118 (the end portion of *Hallel*). Perhaps needing hope you can turn to Psalm 121 to feel that G-d is always helping us. And perhaps in a moment of desperation there is Psalm 130, calling out to G-d from the depths.

My little book of Psalms and the great and powerful words it contains have been a constant guide and inspiration in my life. May each of us find what we need from this special Jewish treasure.

Respectfully Yours...

from the desk of

Rabbi Weinbach

My Little Book of Hope



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JANUARY 2020

Date	Light Candles	Shabbat Ends
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3	4:22	5:27
10	4:28	5:33
17	4:36	5:41
24	4:45	5:50
31	4:53	5:58



From the Editor...

Personally my 2019 was pretty stinky:



Hopefully we will all share
Health and Happiness in 2020.



Roberta



Submissions for the February issue are due by January 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

Reality TV today is increasingly popular whether it be in the form of shows like *Survivor*, *The Bachelor* (or *The Bachelorette*) or *Big Brother*. There are also many such reality shows with less shtick that take the format of *A Day in the Life* which can often be entertaining but also educational at the same time. Allow me to present a relevant reality show of our own making to give you a behind the scenes glance at Congregation Shaarey Israel:

Let's start with your typical workday at 18 Montebello Road. At 7:00 am (Monday and Thursday), 7:10 am (Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday) the Rabbi arrives along with a group known as *The Minyonaires* to start with the essential rite of the day - Shacharis. This is an integral part of the life of a synagogue and Jewish community and a critical feature of what sets apart Congregation Shaarey Israel in the community at large. This part of the day is open to all and I encourage each and every one of you to make this part of your "reality show." While the morning minyan is stable for the most part, at this time of the year it can struggle to sustain itself as many regulars go off to warmer climates for lengthy periods of time. This is not a reality show that we want to see cancelled and I continue to ask for your support.

Around 9am, if not before, our dedicated office staff, Peggy Cabillis and Jennifer Rodriguez start their day with the reality of listening to phone messages, taking phone calls, going through the mail, speaking with the myriad of people who walk in and out of the building all day including congregants and vendors. This is quite the show to see at times as well. Given the half a dozen or so phone calls (sometimes more) that I can receive from Peggy and Jennifer each day, one wouldn't believe what they can be confronted with on a daily basis. I would say that if one were to sit in the office or listen in on their calls, both Peggy and Jennifer would be candidates for a daytime Emmy award for the great effort, brave face and smiles that they deal with

continually. Please note that the synagogue doesn't run itself. There are calls to be answered, bills to be paid, mail to be sent out, events to be set up, events to be planned and Peggy and Jennifer routinely execute these tasks without fail and without complaint. Peggy and Jennifer should also receive an Emmy for set decoration. Without fail both play an integral part in setting up the ballroom for Friday night dinners and other events. Not to forget, another Emmy for set decoration should go to Joyce Trubitz for her working in beautifying our sanctuary/bimah with her decorative flowers.

Throughout the day the building is impeccably maintained. For this our biggest gratitude goes to Edwin and Chanel. They are a large part of the Congregation Shaarey Israel Family and the building would not be in the spotless condition that it is without them. Without fail they make sure that the lights are on, the doors are open, the bathrooms are clean, the kitchen is spotless and everything is in good working order. Additionally they are the driving force behind our Saturday Kiddush. What would a shul be without food. Edwin and Chanel make sure that every Saturday no one goes hungry. They also ensure that any activity that is being run in the building has the proper set up and breakdown and so hats off to them and probably an Emmy for Producing.

As the evening comes there are activities as well that keep the lights on. There are Sisterhood meetings, Men's Club meetings, Israeli dancing, committee meetings, board meetings and every night at 7pm except Friday and Saturday there is the evening minyan. Here we are having a struggle. While the Rabbi and a few other minyan stalwarts are arriving at 7pm to end the "day in the life of Congregation Shaarey Israel" unfortunately we are hurting in this area. Getting to ten has been a problem.

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THE CANTOR'S CLOUD by Cantor Menachem Bazian Rage



DER CHAZZAN'S
CH' MAREH

There are certain things you should never do when you're angry. One of them is to write an article. Trust me on this one. This is the second article I am writing for this month's Scroll. I already wrote the first one and boy was it a humdinger. I got it all out in that one. But I will never publish it because it was too over the top. I called out specific politicians and parties. I took no prisoners. It was everything I have ever told myself that I would not do in these pages.

Still, I am glad I wrote it. I was able to crystallize my message in my head by cutting through some of the anger I have been feeling.

I believe that political messages are not generally appropriate for these articles. I have my political beliefs, of course, and I am passionate about them. But I rarely discuss them and I especially do not wish to use these articles as a vehicle for expressing them. I believe that my words in this publication should discuss issues that are relevant to us as a people and a Congregation, without getting into people and parties. I believe that mentioning people by name can make a sermon or article partisan, and when you do that the message can get lost, especially in today's hyper-partisan world. If you say a nice word about the President you will have someone screaming that you're a racist, misogynistic, homophobic piece of trash for "supporting" him. Say something bad about the President and someone else will jump down your throat because they think he is GEOTUS (God Emperor of the United States) – and no, I am NOT making that up.

It's ridiculous. It's insane. And, most of all, it is scarily dangerous.

People have stopped talking to each other. They have wrapped themselves in cocoons of like-minded opinions and have stopped thinking critically. Facts do not matter anymore. All that matters is what you "think must be" and then you tailor the narrative to your already determined point of view. If you ask me, it's disgusting. And both parties do it.

But, this is nothing new. This has been going on since the days of Clinton and maybe even earlier. It has gotten progressively worse over the decades and it is now at a crescendo. And, because of it, people are now dying.

Yes, I said it. People are dying.

You see, our inability to discuss issues has paralyzed our ability to deal with them. There are certain things that are so clear, so obviously, one would think that only the blind, stupid or crazy would not see them. If that is the case, I wonder if the entire world has not gone insane.

We live in an era where extending federal protection to Jews on campus under Title VI is called anti-semitism and a vicious attack on Jews in Jersey City is blamed on the victims or on "white supremacy." (Just for the record, the perpetrators in the Jersey City attack, which seems to have been intended to take place at a Yeshiva with 50 children in it, were not white supremacists.) We live in an era when an orthodox Jewish commentator is called a white supremacist when he is himself constantly attacked by anti-Semites on both the right and the left. In short, we live in a time when facts no longer matter and truth is whatever you wish it to be.

If we cannot stop the madness and call out the problem properly in all its forms and from all directions, right or left, more people will die.

It is not my purpose in these paragraphs to accuse or exonerate anyone. Certainly, there is what to call out from both sides. Whether it be the President's foot-in-mouth twitter disease, the rabid anti-Semitism of the alt-right, the support for blatant anti-Semitism in the form of BDS on the left or the violence of Antifa (just to name a few issues), we have to call it out and fight it.

But, it's more complicated than that. Perpetrators on the right have to be called out by those of us who are

THE CANTOR'S CLOUD

(continued)

on the right and perpetrators on the left must be called out by those of us on the left. If one side calls out the other, it goes nowhere because it gets put down to partisan nonsense.

I confess that I am beginning to feel despair. There is no honesty in discourse anymore. Racism and anti-Semitism have no place in our public sector and must be rooted out. There must be no quarter given to this evil. We must fight them at every turn, in private and public.

This is not happening, though. People on the left tend to think that the real danger is the crazies on the right and people on the right tend to think that the real danger is the crazies on the left. The truth is that all the crazies, whether they are on the left or the right are dangerous, and scarily so. At the end of the day, I do not care if the person shooting at me is a fan of President Trump or Rashida Tlaib. I just care that he or she is shooting at me.

The alt-right is a clear and present danger. So is the alt-left, if I may coin the term. That anyone can think in any other way is truly frightening to me.

In the aftermath of the Jersey City terrorist attack, for that is what it was, we have learned more disturbing things. We learned that residents in the neighborhood felt it was the Jews' own fault that the attack happened. We have learned that even an elected official, in the

person of an elected member of the Jersey City Board of Education, feels the same way and has publicly expressed that opinion. They may have complaints about the Jewish community in one form or another, but can there be anything on this earth that can justify an attack of that kind? If the victims had not been Jews, would this even be a question? And, if it is even a question, could that question not be extended to our own doors?

Jewish lives matter. Jewish blood cannot be cheap. We will no longer sit still while the groundwork is laid, as it was in Germany, for us to be marginalized and eventually led to the slaughter. Those days are gone and they can never return. Never again means more today than ever before.

It is time to fight. It is time to remember where our loyalty lies. It does not lie with a politician or a party. It lies first with ourselves and then we go from there.

Hillel said it best when he put down our priorities in Pirkei Avot. "If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am only for myself, what am I? And, if not now, when?"

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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**The evening minyan now meets at
7 o'clock.**

We need you!

**Please help sustain our minyan at
this new time.**



<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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SISTERHOOD MESSAGE

President Audrey Meister

The secular New Year (2020) has now begun. In December, the Sisterhood hosted some very wonderful programs and events. They were meant for fundraising and for just plain fun! I hope you enjoyed the family movie, *Brigadoon*. Our **Yankee Candle** fundraising is still online through January 8. Our **gift shop** has some very beautiful gifts and Judaica. There are special sales throughout the year. At the Paid-up Membership Dinner, planned and hosted by Marcia, Joyce and Lois Price, we had Sisterhood members modeling jewelry and scarves sold at the gift shop; housewares and tableware items are also available. Our dues are \$36 for the year, and there is still time to send in your dues. Our pre-Chanukah party was also a fun event. We had games, a grab bag with a wonderful exchange of gifts, and traditional Chanukah food (Latkes, jelly donuts/sufganiot). Shoprite gift cards are available all year long. They don't have an expiration date.

The Sisterhood throughout the year offers many interesting programs (both educational and just for fun). If you don't attend them, you can't enjoy them!!! Check **The Scroll** for more information on all our past, present and future events, and pickup or read our flyers at the end of the weekly Shabbos notes.

P.S. We are all aware of the tremendous increases in anti-Semitism in the U.S., in the EU, and in our own local neighborhoods. We must be vigilant in order to be safe.

In the November **Scroll** I wrote about how the city of Rome took a small step to combat anti-Semitism. They renamed the streets that were originally dedicated to scientists who signed the anti-Jewish *Manifesto della Razza* (Racial Manifesto) The streets were renamed instead after two Jewish and one Christian scholar who opposed the fascist regime and were persecuted by it. Last month the signs were vandalized with black paint thrown over them.

A more positive event occurred at the Tower

of David Museum in Jerusalem. The event was organized by Koolulam, a social musical project that gathers as many as 12,000 people at a time from a broad Israeli spectrum. Since the museum is small there was only room for 800, Jews, Muslims, and Christians singing a Bob Marley and Curtis Mayfield song in English, Hebrew, and Arabic. The song's title is *One Love*. The lyrics are simple:

One Love, One Heart, let's get together and feel all right

Chorus: *All right, all right, let's get together and feel all right*

The video is on Youtube, Facebook and WhatsApp.

We have many wonderful opportunities to get together, through the synagogue worship, the Rabbi's classes, the Cantor's classes, joining the Sisterhood, the Men's Club, Israeli Dancing, the Book Club.

LET'S GET TOGETHER, ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT, GET TOGETHER AND FEEL ALL RIGHT!



MEN'S CLUB MESSAGE

President Mark Pfeffer

Men's Club hopes all of our friends and congregants at Shaarey Israel had a very Happy Hannukah, and will have a very happy and healthy New Year.

In December, the Men's Club sponsored a trip to the Museum of Jewish Heritage, to view the exhibit, *Auschwitz, Not Long Ago, Not Far Away*. We were impressed and stricken by witnessing this *Living Memorial to The Holocaust*. It was gut-wrenching to hear and view stories of the work camps, the concentration camps, and the extermination camps. If you have an opportunity, get to the Museum of Jewish Heritage to see this spectacular exhibition. This a learning experience not to be missed.

Following up on this experience, the Men's Club implores each congregant of the Congregation to remember that nearly seventy years ago a tyrant focused on annihilation of nearly one half of the world's Jewish Population. To remember that so many have perished an idea was born to remember them by lighting a special Memorial Candle with yellow wax, that would be lit on one particular day in remembrance of the European Jews who died during the Holocaust. The Yellow color is indicative of the yellow stars forced upon European Jews in the 1930's & 1940's. It is hoped that each Jewish family light one candle for one victim of the Shoah. This brought about the Shoah Yellow Candle Project, which is a unique Holocaust Remembrance ritual. Our Men's Club maintains this ritual by distributing as many Yellow Candles as possible. Along with lighting a candle we will encourage your participation in a service giving our members and friends an opportunity to recite the Kaddish prayer for victims of the Holocaust. We hope this will be a moving ritual to remind us of what happened to our people not so long ago. In the early spring Men's Club will be asking each member to be counted among all the families in following up on this meaningful project. *Never Forget*, and join us in this worthy project.

Other Springtime activities Men's Club is involved in includes having several speakers come to our Congregation to talk about upcoming events, such as Purim, and Passover, where we will learn about our Jewish Heritage. We still are working out the details to get a speaker to educate us on nostalgic educational video lectures. Be on the lookout for this upcoming lecture program coming soon, in the early spring. You won't be disappointed, and you will be enjoy learning much New York history.

Currently the Men's Club is very busy promoting our Annual Calendar Sweepstakes. Red and Marv, work very hard to give everyone an opportunity to get numbers to win cash prizes as gifts to each of your family members and to your friends. Don't forget they're fun for the entire family. The Calendar Sweepstakes drawings run from March 1st and continue until June 30, 2020 and the mailings have already gone out. You get almost 90 chances to win a prize for a very small sum of money. It costs only \$10.00 per number. Print out multiple copies of the request form. Please join us in our Annual Calendar Sweepstakes.

For the Springtime we are still trying to promote our Game Night that bringing together women and men for an evening of entertainment and fun. This was discussed in previous Men's Club and Sisterhood articles. 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. We might try to incorporate a Trivia evening into this game night concept. Are you interested in helping to put this together, contact Men's Club or Sisterhood and we will work on it in greater detail. The idea of an evening of Military Bridge keeps being brought up, and we need thirty-six individuals to get this activity off of the ground. We will do it if we can entice sufficient numbers of individuals to join us.

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CHAT LIGHTS

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Eliana Assouline-Sampson
David Assouline-Sampson
Jonathan Assouline-Sampson
Samuel Atkin
Machel Goldberger
Marcus Green
Leah Staub
Malky Staub
Emily Stern
Paige Stern

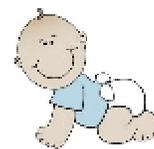


JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

1 Peter & Lois Weiss
23 Joseph & Joan Cohen
24 Martin & Roberta Goldstein

Mazel Tov to...

Beverley & Sandy Fried on the birth of their grandson, Beckett Harper Fried



Jay Safier on the birth of his new granddaughter, Sophie Ella Safier

Diane & Bob Leifer on the wedding of their granddaughter, Melissa Leifer to Max Bartel

Condolences to...

The Schragenheim family on the passing of our beloved member, Esther Schragenheim
Ashley Green on the loss of her beloved grandfather, Michael Marder
The family of our member Seymour Rosman.



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!

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: 6:30 pm



Thank You...

On behalf of the **Jewish Family Service** I wish to thank you all for your generous donation of children's toys for their Annual Chanukah Toy Drive. You light up Chanukah for the needy children and your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Sandra Chaitin

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

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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 in 2020 the following is a list of distribution dates: January 19, February 16, March 15, April 5, May 17, June 14, July 19, August 16, September 13, October 18, November 22, and December 20, 2020. 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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CSI PROGRAM DIRECTOR Sara Coppens



Dear Friends and Supporters,

Thank you for making Congregation Shaarey Israel a part of your life and for enabling me to make it a part of mine.

With great pride, I have accepted the position of Program Director at Congregation Shaarey Israel. It is rare in life to be presented with an opportunity that is such a perfect fit.

I was born and raised in the countryside in the Netherlands in a warm and loving home run by my Jewish mother and non-Jewish father. Being the descendant of my Hasidic great-grandmother, I always was lightly curious about the religious world which was hard for me to delve into in my very Western European environment.

I set bound for New York at the age of 18

and the Jewish community opened its doors wide for me. I felt at home.

I started working within the Jewish non-for-profit sector ever since and never left. My aim, throughout my career, has been to provide the New York community with a deep, connection to Israel, to community-life, and to build stronger Jewish identity.

I plan to use my experience and enthusiasm to take Congregation Shaarey Israel to the next level. I look forward to meeting with you all and welcoming future members!

B'Shalom,
Sara Coppens

בשלו

To commemorate her birthday, actress/vocalist, Julie Andrews made a special appearance at Manhattan's Radio City Music Hall for a benefit. One of the musical numbers she performed was *My Favorite Things* from the legendary movie *Sound Of Music*. Here are the lyrics she used:
(Sing It!) - If you sing it, it is especially hysterical!!!

Botox and nose drops and needles for knitting,
Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings,
Bundles of magazines tied up in string,
These are a few of my favorite things

Cadillac's and cataracts, hearing aids and glasses,
Polident and Fixodent and false teeth in glasses,
Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,
These are a few of my favorite things.

When the pipes leak, When the bones creak,
When the knees go bad,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad.

Hot tea and crumpets and corn pads for bunions,
No spicy hot food or food cooked with onions,
Bathrobes and heating pads and hot meals they bring,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Back pain, confused brains and no need for sinnin',
Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinnin',
And we won't mention our short shrunken frames,
When we remember our favorite things.

When the joints ache, When the hips break,
When the eyes grow dim,
Then I remember the great life I've had,
And then I don't feel so bad.

Ms. Andrews received a standing ovation from the crowd that lasted over four minutes and repeated encores.

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Mazel Tov to Beverley and Sandy Fried on the
birth of their grandson

Lois Price

In memory of Michael Marder

Lois Price

The Dworkin and Trubitz Families

In memory of Thelma Brizel

Joyce Trubitz

The Dworkin Family

President's Message

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There was hope that by moving the minyan to 7pm we would get more people to come out but sadly that has not been the case. I implore each and every one of you to make sure that this part of our reality show does not get cancelled. We need ten good men every night as our purpose as a synagogue is not to ensure that everyone has a nice Kiddush on Shabbat (again thank you Edwin and Chanel) but that a minyan is available twice a day for all who want and need.

Finally, a special Emmy in our Reality show goes to one Red Avner. This is not an Emmy but in my opinion a Lifetime Achievement Award. The reality show of our Congregation would not happen if it were not for Red Avner. Every day without fail you will find Red in shul. Quite often now he is the tenth man in the morning for the minyan as we are struggling with people out of town. Even if Red is not there in the morning for the minyan he is in the office after 9 and running around the building all day to make sure everything is in working order. This reality show is fueled by Red and we are eternally thankful for all that he does.

Please remember that our shul is not just a building. It is a living, breathing entity. It relies on the people who I have mentioned in this article and many others who contribute both great and small to our reality show. Keep reading this publication and the efforts of those that are published herein and most importantly keep watching and keep participating in our wonderful and special reality show.



Men's Club Message...

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Men's Club meetings are still usually held, on the first Monday of each month. We need all of the men and women, of our synagogue to join us in participating in our 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 as many men as possible to be a part of the organization. We value your ideas and your comments which are necessary to help make our organization successful. We look forward to having you become an active member of the Men's Club. If you have not previously done so please don't forget to send in your annual dues of \$36.00. Please come down to a meeting, join in our activities and help out your Men's Club. Thanks for your support.



The following people will be happy to accept your donation to one of our many funds

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1950's Slang Is a Blast

(continued from last issue)

6. Split the Scene (1956)

Meaning: (phrase) to leave. Example sentence: "Why are you splitting the scene already? The party just started." This phrase was first recorded in 1956, but it's likely it originated even earlier, but it gained wide use only by the 1960s as an informal way to communicate that someone left or is about to leave. But don't split the scene just yet, we have a few more fun phrases to remind you.

7. Apple Butter

Meaning: (noun) smooth talk, flattery. Example sentence: "Can't you see? Her words are nothing but apple butter." What could be as smooth and sweet as apple butter? Apparently, very few things, according to the youngsters of the 1950s, so much so that "apple butter" was used synonymously to flattery and smooth-talking someone. Even nowadays we say you're buttering someone up when you're smooth-talking them.

8. Made in the Shade

Meaning: (phrase) success guaranteed.
Example: "After she got into that college, she has it made in the shade."
We can observe the tendency of how a lot of these phrases are based on metaphors. The same way as it was with "apple butter", a pleasant place in the shade is associated with well-being and success, hence the phrase "made in the shade".

9. A Cube (1959)

Meaning: (noun) a boring person.
Example: "Don't be a cube, read the article until the end."
Until the mid 50s, a boring person who is absolutely out of touch with anything fashionable would often be called "a square", but at the brink of the '60s, this word got an upgrade, and the same type of person would be called "a cube", meaning that he/she is even worse than a square.

10. See You Later, Alligator (1954)

Meaning: (phrase) another way of saying good-bye.
Example sentence: "We gotta go now. See you later, alligator." One of the peculiarities of teen slang in the 1950s was rhyming, and it was cool to improve and build upon existing phrases or words with words that rhyme. This is exactly how the phrase "See you later, alligator. In a while, crocodile." was coined. However, by the 1960s, this type of rhyming was already considered outdated, and it seems like it never came back. Even today, most people would most likely use this popular phrase ironically.

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Roberta Lieman
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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
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7:00 am

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Sunday mornings: 9 am

Friday evenings: 6:00 pm

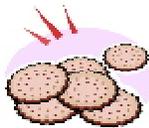


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joining a
book discussion group?



CSI's book discussion
group meets about every
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If you enjoy reading and discussing books of
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If you are interested please RSVP to:
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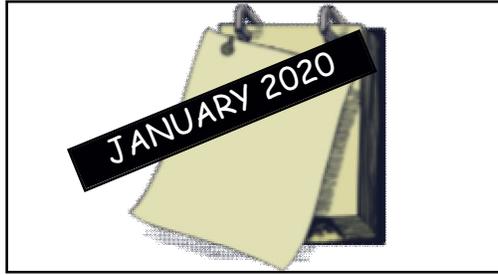


Forever Young Seniors

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	New Year's Day			
2	Sisterhood Board Meeting	Multipurpose Rm	7:30 pm	Audrey Meister
3	Services & Ann'y Shabbot	Sanctuary	6:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
4	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
5	Private Room Rental	Multipurpose Rm	10:00 am	Aterias
7	Adult Ed Class		7:15 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
7	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Rm	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
8	Forever Young Seniors	Multipurpose Rm	11:00 am	Barbara Kleinman
8	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
9	Sisterhood Program	Multipurpose Rm	7:00 pm	Louisa Depaola
10	Services	Sanctuary	6:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
11	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
12	Private Room Rental	Multipurpose Rm	5:00 pm	Hala
14	Adult Ed Class		7:15 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
14	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Rm	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
15	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
17	Services	Sanctuary	6:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
18	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
21	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Rm	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
22	Forever Young Seniors	Multipurpose Rm	11:00 am	Barbara Kleinman
22	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
23	Private Room Rental	Multipurpose Rm	5:00 pm	Cherns
23	Board Of Trustees	Class Room 2	7:30 pm	Jack Perel
24	Services	Sanctuary	6:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
25	Services	Sanctuary	8:45 am	Rabbi Weinbach
28	Israeli Dancing	Multipurpose Rm	8:00 pm	Karin Sachs
29	Jewish Appreciation	Room 2	7:30 pm	
31	Services	Sanctuary	6:00 pm	Rabbi Weinbach
31	Shabbot Dinner	Multipurpose Rm	7:00 pm	Paulette Frankel

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2020!**